

Characterizations of discrete Sugeno integrals as polynomial functions on chains

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A **polynomial function** (on L) is any map $f : L^n \rightarrow L$, for $n \geq 1$, obtainable by finitely many applications of the following rules:

- 1 The projections $\mathbf{x} \mapsto x_i$, $i \in [n]$, and the constant functions $\mathbf{x} \mapsto c$, $c \in L$, are polynomial functions.
- 2 If $f : L^n \rightarrow L$ and $g : L^n \rightarrow L$ are polynomial functions, then $f \vee g$ and $f \wedge g$ are polynomial functions.

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Each Sugeno integral $f: L^n \rightarrow L$ is **nondecreasing**, i.e., satisfies

$$\text{for every } \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in L^n, \quad \mathbf{a} \leq \mathbf{b} \Rightarrow f(\mathbf{a}) \leq f(\mathbf{b}).$$

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Problem

Characterize (discrete) Sugeno integrals on chains.

Homogeneity (Fodor and Roubens)

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If f is min and max homogeneous, then it is idempotent.

However, note that...

Every idempotent Boolean function is min and max homog. but not all are nondecreasing, e.g.,

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 \wedge \overline{x_2} \wedge \overline{x_3}) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge x_3)$$

Let $L_2^n = \{\mathbf{x} \in L^n : |\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}| \leq 2\}$.

For example...

- 1 $(c, c, c), (0, 1, 1), (c, d, c) \in L_2^3$ but,
- 2 but $(0, 1, c), (0, d, c), (c, d, e) \notin L_2^3$.

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First characterization of Sugeno integrals

Theorem (C. and Marichal)

Let $f: L^n \rightarrow L$ be a nondecreasing function. The following are equivalent:

- (i) f is a Sugeno integral.
- (ii) f is min and max homogenous.
- (iii) f is weakly min and weakly max homogenous.
- (iv) f is Boolean min and Boolean max homogenous.

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Note that...

There are horizontally min. and max. functions which are not

- ① idempotent: constant functions
- ② nondecreasing: $(x_1 \wedge \overline{x_2} \wedge \overline{x_3}) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge x_3)$

Weak horizontal minitivity and maxitivity

A function $f: L^n \rightarrow L$ is said to be

- ① **weakly horizontally minitive** if it is horizontally min. on L_2^n
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For any $\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{x}'$ in L^n , there are at most $2n - 1$ vectors \mathbf{y}^j s. t.

$$\mathbf{y}^j \sim \mathbf{y}^{j+1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{y}^1 \leq \dots \leq \mathbf{y}^{2n-1} \leq \mathbf{x}'.$$

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Constant functions are comonotonic minitive and maxitive, but not idempotent.

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- 2 nondecreasing and median decomposable on L_2^n and which are not Sugeno integrals.

Third characterization of Sugeno integrals

Theorem (C. and Marichal)

Let $f: L^n \rightarrow L$ be a function. The following are equivalent:

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- (ii) f is $\{0, 1\}$ -idempotent and median decomposable.
- (iii) f is nondecreasing, $\{0, 1\}$ -idempotent and weakly median decomposable.

Strong idempotency and componentwise range convexity

A function $f: L^n \rightarrow L$ is **strongly idempotent** if

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A function $f: L^n \rightarrow L$ has a **componentwise convex range** if, for every $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in L^n$ and $k \in [n]$, the map

$$x \mapsto f(a_1, \dots, a_{k-1}, x, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_n)$$

has a convex range.

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Observe that...

In the case $L = [a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, componentwise range convexity can be replaced by continuity.

Thank you for your attention!

Results appearing in <http://arxiv.org/abs/0811.0309>