

A Distribution Semantics for non-DL-Safe Probabilistic Hybrid Knowledge Bases

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Introduction

- Logic Programming (LP) or Description Logics (DLs) for modeling complex domains
- Domain closure assumption: closed-world assumption for LP and open-world assumption for DLs
- In many domains, such as in legal reasoning, different closure assumptions
- Combination of LP and DL
- Minimal Knowledge with Negation as Failure (MKNF) [Lifschitz IJCAI91]
- MKNF was applied to define hybrid knowledge bases (HKBs) [Motik, Rosati JACM10]: combination of a logic program and a DL KB.

- LP: distribution semantics [Sato ICLP95]
- DLs: combination with probability theory using graphical models, Bayesian networks, Markov networks, Nilsson's probabilistic logic, probabilistic databases, DISPONTE ("DIstribution Semantics for Probabilistic ONTologiEs") [Bellodi et al URSW11]
- [Alberti et al AI*IA16]: DL-safe Probabilistic Hybrid KBs (PHKBs) under the distribution semantics combining LPADs with DLs under DISPONTE semantics.

- An LP rule is **DL-safe** if each of its variables occurs in at least one positive non-DL-atom in the body; a HKB is **DL-safe** if all its LP-rules are DL-safe.
- Semantics proposed in [Alberti et al AI*IA16]: not applicable to non-DL-safe PHKBs
- New semantics that coincides with the previous one if the PHKB is DL-safe.

MKNF Hybrid Knowledge Bases

- An MKNF Hybrid Knowledge Base (HKB) is a pair $\mathcal{K} = \langle \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{P} \rangle$ where \mathcal{O} is a DL knowledge base and \mathcal{P} is a set of LP rules of the form

$$h \leftarrow a_1, \dots, a_n, \sim b_1, \dots, \sim b_m$$

\sim is default negation; a negative literal is a default negated atom.

- DLs are a fragment of First Order Logic (FOL) used to model ontologies
- DLs can be directly translated into FOL by exploiting a function π
- A DL knowledge base (KB) is defined using **concepts**, **roles** and **individuals**.
- A KB is a triple: a TBox \mathcal{T} containing *concept inclusion axioms* $C \sqsubseteq D$, an ABox \mathcal{A} containing *concept membership axioms* $a : C$ and *role membership axioms* $(a, b) : R$, and possibly an RBox \mathcal{R} containing **transitivity axioms** $Trans(R)$ and **role inclusion axioms** $R \sqsubseteq S$
- A DL KB is assigned a semantics in terms of interpretations $\mathcal{I} = (\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}, \cdot^{\mathcal{I}})$, where $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ is a non-empty *domain* and $\cdot^{\mathcal{I}}$ is the *interpretation function*.

DL Example

$\mathcal{O} = \exists \text{hasAnimal.pet} \sqsubseteq \neg \text{cruelToAnimals}$
 $(\text{kevin}, \text{fluffy}) : \text{hasAnimal}$
 $(\text{kevin}, \text{tom}) : \text{hasAnimal}$
 $\text{fluffy} : \text{cat}$
 $\text{tom} : \text{cat}$
 $\text{cat} \sqsubseteq \text{pet}$

$\pi(\mathcal{O}) = \forall X, Y (\text{hasAnimal}(X, Y) \wedge \text{pet}(Y) \rightarrow \neg \text{cruelToAnimals}(X)),$
 $\text{hasAnimal}(\text{kevin}, \text{fluffy}),$
 $\text{hasAnimal}(\text{kevin}, \text{tom}),$
 $\text{cat}(\text{fluffy})$
 $\text{cat}(\text{tom})$
 $\text{cat}(X) \rightarrow \text{pet}(X)$

$\mathcal{O} \models \text{kevin} : \neg \text{cruelToAnimals}$

LP Example

$$\mathcal{P} = \text{protest} \leftarrow \text{activist}(X), \sim \text{cruelToAnimals}(X). \\ \text{activist}(\text{kevin}). \\ \text{activist}(\text{nadia}).$$
$$\mathcal{P} \models \text{protest}$$

Hybrid Knowledge Bases

- An HKB is **positive** if no negative literals occur in it.
- Given a HKB $\mathcal{K} = \langle \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{P} \rangle$, an atom in \mathcal{P} is a **DL-atom** if its predicate occurs in \mathcal{O} , a non-DL-atom otherwise.
- An LP rule is **DL-safe** if each of its variables occurs in at least one positive non-DL-atom in the body; a HKB is **DL-safe** if all its LP-rules are DL-safe.
- An HKB is given a semantics by transforming it into an MKNF formula.

From HKB to MKNF

- MKNF: syntax of first order logic augmented with modal operators **K** and **not**.
- The transform π defined for DLs is extended as follows to support LP rules:
 - if C is a rule of the form $h \leftarrow a_1, \dots, a_n, \sim b_1, \dots, \sim b_m$ and \mathbf{X} is the vector of all variables in C ,
$$\pi(C) = \forall \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{K} a_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{K} a_n \wedge \mathbf{not} b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \dots \mathbf{not} b_m \supset \mathbf{K} h)$$
 - $\pi(\mathcal{P}) = \bigwedge_{C \in \mathcal{P}} \pi(C)$
 - $\pi(\langle \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{P} \rangle) = \mathbf{K} \pi(\mathcal{O}) \wedge \pi(\mathcal{P})$

From HKB to MKNF

- Δ is the Herbrand universe of the signature at hand.
- An MKNF **structure** is a triple (I, M, N) where I is a first-order interpretation over Δ and M and N are sets of first order interpretations over Δ .
- Entailment of a closed formula by an MKNF structure is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(I, M, N) \models p & \Leftrightarrow p \in I \\(I, M, N) \models \neg \varphi & \Leftrightarrow (I, M, N) \not\models \varphi \\(I, M, N) \models \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 & \Leftrightarrow (I, M, N) \models \varphi_1 \text{ and } (I, M, N) \models \varphi_2 \\(I, M, N) \models \exists x : \varphi & \Leftrightarrow (I, M, N) \models \varphi[\alpha/x] \text{ for some } \alpha \in \Delta \\(I, M, N) \models \mathbf{K} \varphi & \Leftrightarrow (J, M, N) \models \varphi \text{ for all } J \in M \\(I, M, N) \models \mathbf{not} \varphi & \Leftrightarrow (J, M, N) \not\models \varphi \text{ for some } J \in N\end{aligned}$$

Hybrid Knowledge Bases

- An MKNF **interpretation** is a set M of interpretations over Δ .
- An interpretation M is an MKNF **model** of a closed formula φ iff
 - $(I, M, M) \models \varphi$ for all $I \in M$
 - for all $M' \supset M$, for some $I' \in M' (I', M', M) \not\models \varphi$
- A formula φ **entails** a formula ϕ , written $\varphi \models_{\text{MKNF}} \phi$, iff for all MKNF models M of φ and for all $I \in M (I, M, M) \models \phi$.

Probabilistic Logic Programming

- Distribution Semantics [Sato ICLP95]
- A probabilistic logic program defines a probability distribution over normal logic programs (called **instances** or **possible worlds** or simply **worlds**)
- The distribution is extended to a joint distribution over worlds and interpretations (or queries)
- The probability of a query is obtained from this distribution

PLP under the Distribution Semantics

- A PLP language under the distribution semantics with a general syntax is **Logic Programs with Annotated Disjunctions** (LPADs)
- Heads of clauses are disjunctions in which each atom is annotated with a probability.
- LPAD \mathbb{P} with n clauses: $\mathbb{P} = \{C_1, \dots, C_n\}$.
- Each clause C_i takes the form:

$$h_{i1} : \Pi_{i1}; \dots; h_{iv_i} : \Pi_{iv_i} \leftarrow b_{i1}, \dots, b_{iu_i}$$

- Each grounding $C_i\theta_j$ of a clause C_i corresponds to a random variable X_{ij} with values $\{1, \dots, v_i\}$
- The random variables X_{ij} are independent of each other.

Example

$\mathbb{P} =$ *protest* : 0.6 \leftarrow *activist*(*X*), \sim *cruelToAnimals*(*X*).
activist(*kevin*).
activist(*nadia*).

Distribution Semantics

- Case of no function symbols: finite Herbrand universe, finite set of groundings of each clause
- **Atomic choice**: selection of the k -th atom for grounding $C_i\theta_j$ of clause C_i
- Represented with the triple (C_i, θ_j, k)
- Example $C_1 = \text{protest} : 0.6 \leftarrow \text{activist}(X), \sim \text{cruelToAnimals}(X).$,
 $(C_1, \{X/\text{kevin}\}, 1)$
- **Composite choice** κ : consistent set of atomic choices
- The probability of composite choice κ is

$$P(\kappa) = \prod_{(C_i, \theta_j, k) \in \kappa} \Pi_{ik}$$

Distribution Semantics

- **Selection** σ : a total composite choice (one atomic choice for every grounding of each clause)
- A selection σ identifies a logic program w_σ called **world**
- The probability of w_σ is $P(w_\sigma) = P(\sigma) = \prod_{(C_i, \theta_j, k) \in \sigma} \Pi_{ik}$
- Finite set of worlds: $\mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{P}} = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$
- $P(w)$ distribution over worlds: $\sum_{w \in \mathcal{W}_T} P(w) = 1$

Distribution Semantics

- We consider only *sound* LPADs, where each possible world has a total well-founded model, so $w_\sigma \models q$ means that the query q is true in the well-founded model of the program w_σ .
- Ground query q
- $P(q|w) = 1$ if q is true in w and 0 otherwise
- $P(q) = \sum_w P(q, w) = \sum_w P(q|w)P(w) = \sum_{w \models q} P(w)$

Example

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$$P(\textit{protest}) = 0.6 \cdot 0.6 + 0.6 \cdot 0.4 + 0.4 \cdot 0.6 = 0.84$$

Distribution Semantics

- A composite choice, or a set of composite choices, determine sets of worlds.
- Given a composite choice κ , the **set of worlds determined by κ** is the set of worlds identified by total choices that are supersets of κ , i.e.,
$$\omega_{\kappa} = \{w_{\sigma} \mid \kappa \subseteq \sigma\}.$$
- Given a set K of composite choices, the **set of worlds determined by K** is $\omega_K = \bigcup_{\kappa \in K} \omega_{\kappa}$
- Two sets K_1 and K_2 of composite choices are **equivalent** if $\omega_{K_1} = \omega_{K_2}$.

Distribution Semantics with Function Symbols

- Infinite countable Herbrand base, each world infinite, countable, 0 probability
- Uncountable $\mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{P}}$
- Given an LPAD \mathbb{P} , let $\Omega_{\mathbb{P}}$ be the set of sets of worlds determined by countable sets of countable composite choices.
- $\Omega_{\mathbb{P}}$ is a σ -algebra over $\mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{P}}$ [Riguzzi IJAR16]
- A probability measure $\mu : \Omega_{\mathbb{P}} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ can be defined over $\Omega_{\mathbb{P}}$.

Distribution Semantics with Function Symbols

- $\mu(\kappa) = P(\kappa)$
- A set of composite choices is **pairwise incompatible** if any two choices from the set are incompatible;
- The probability of a pairwise incompatible set of composite choices is the sum of the probabilities of its elements: $\mu(K) = \sum_{\kappa \in K} \mu(\kappa)$
- Given a ground query q , a composite choice κ is an **explanation** for q if $w \models q$ for all $w \in \omega_\kappa$.
- A set K of composite choices is **covering** for q if $\{w \mid w \models q\} \subseteq \omega_K$.

Distribution Semantics with Function Symbols

- For each countable set K of countable composite choices, there exists a pairwise incompatible countable set K' of countable composite choices that is equivalent to K .
- For sound LPADs, each query q has a countable covering set K of countable explanations [Riguzzi IJAR16]
- Since there exists a pairwise incompatible set K' that is equivalent to K , we can define the probability of q as $\mu(K')$.

Probabilistic Description Logics

- DISPONTE applies the distribution semantics to probabilistic ontologies
- Probabilistic knowledge bases \mathbb{O} are sets of certain and probabilistic axioms.
- Certain axioms are regular DL axioms
- Probabilistic axioms take the form $\Pi :: a$, where Π is a real number in $[0, 1]$ and a is a DL axiom.
- An atomic choice for an axiom a is a pair (a, i) , where i is 1 if a is selected and 2 otherwise.

Example

① = $\exists hasAnimal.pet \sqsubseteq \neg cruelToAnimals$
 $(kevin, fluffy) : hasAnimal$
0.3 :: $(kevin, tom) : hasAnimal$
 $fluffy : cat$
 $tom : cat$
0.4 :: $fluffy : cat$
 $cat \sqsubseteq pet$

Probabilistic Description Logics

- Composite choices, set of composite choices and the other concepts from the previous subsection can be defined similarly.
- A world, here, is obtained by including in it all certain axioms and a subset of the uncertain axioms.
- The probability of the world is given by the product of the probability Π for the included axioms and $1 - \Pi$ for the excluded ones.
- The probability of a query is then the sum of the probabilities of the worlds where the query holds

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$$P(kevin : \neg cruelToAnimals) = 0.3 \cdot 0.4 + 0.3 \cdot 0.6 + 0.7 \cdot 0.6 = 0.72$$

Probabilistic Hybrid Knowledge Bases

- A Probabilistic Hybrid Knowledge Base (PHKB) is a pair $\mathbb{K} = \langle \mathbb{O}, \mathbb{P} \rangle$ where \mathbb{O} is a DISPONTE knowledge base and \mathbb{P} is an LPAD without function symbols.
- In [Alberti et al AI*IA16] a PHKB's semantics is given by first grounding it over all the constants in the PHKB.
- A world is the deterministic ground HKB obtained by selecting, for each clause $h_{i1} : \Pi_{i1}; \dots; h_{in_i} : \Pi_{in_i} \leftarrow b_{i1}, \dots, b_{im_i}$, one of the disjuncts in the head and some of the DL axioms.
- The world's probability is the product of the probabilities of the selected head disjuncts and the selected axioms.

Probabilistic Hybrid Knowledge Bases

Definition

Given a world w , the probability of a query q is defined as $P(q|w) = 1$ if $w \models_{\text{MKNF}} \mathbf{K} q$ and 0 otherwise.

The probability of the query is its marginal probability:

$$P(q) = \sum_w P(w)P(q|w) \quad (1)$$

Example

- KB \mathbb{K} modeling the insurgence of a protest against animal testing:
 $\mathbb{P} = (C_1) \text{ protest} : 0.6 \leftarrow$
 $\text{activist}(X), \sim \text{cruelToAnimals}(X).$
 $\text{activist}(\text{kevin}).$
 $(C_2) \text{ activist}(\text{nadia}) : 0.3.$
 $\mathbb{O} = \exists \text{hasAnimal.pet} \sqsubseteq \neg \text{cruelToAnimals}$
 $(\text{kevin}, \text{fluffy}) : \text{hasAnimal}$
 $(E_1) 0.4 :: \text{fluffy} : \text{cat}$
 $\text{cat} \sqsubseteq \text{pet}$
- This KB has 16 worlds and the query *protest* is true in four of them, those containing *activist(nadia)* and *protest* \leftarrow *activist(nadia)*, \sim *cruelToAnimals(nadia)*, plus other two, those in which *activist(nadia)* is absent and *fluffy : cat* and *protest* \leftarrow *activist(kevin)*, \sim *cruelToAnimals(kevin)* are present.
- $P(\text{protest}) = 0.3 \cdot 0.6 + 0.7 \cdot 0.4 \cdot 0.6 = 0.18 + 0.168 = 0.438.$

- This semantics gives wrong results for non-DL-safe PHKBs
- A non-DL-safe HKB may not have the same MKNF models of its grounding over its constants.

Example

- Let $\mathcal{K} = \langle \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{P} \rangle$, where

$\mathcal{P} = \text{person}(X) \leftarrow \sim \text{dog}(X).$

$\mathcal{O} = \text{guard} \sqcap \text{person} \sqsubseteq \text{soldier}$

$\exists \text{commands.soldier} \sqsubseteq \text{commander}$

$\text{john} : \exists \text{commands.guard}$

- Not DL-safe
- In a model of \mathcal{K} 's, no individual is a *dog* in all interpretations, so each individual is a *person*.
- In all interpretations, the *guard* that *john commands* is a *person*, and due to the first axiom, a *soldier*;
- In each interpretation *john commands* a *soldier*, and is a *commander*.
Thus, $\mathcal{K} \models \mathbf{K} \text{ commander}(\text{john})$.

Example

- However, the grounding over the known individuals yields the following clause:

$$\mathcal{P} = \text{person}(\text{john}) \leftarrow \sim \text{dog}(\text{john}).$$

so the only individual known to be a *person* is *john*

- The grounding of the HKB does not entail $\mathbf{K} \text{soldier}(\text{john})$ because *john* does not command himself in all models
- The *guard* that *john* commands cannot be inferred to be a *soldier* so $\mathcal{K} \not\models \mathbf{K} \text{commander}(\text{john})$.

Semantics for non-DL-safe PHKBs

- Grounding the PHKB over the countable supply of constants provided by the **standard name assumption** [Motik, Rosati JACM10].
- Δ : the resulting countable set of constants
- Δ countable as the Herbrand base of LP with function symbols \Rightarrow ground the program with Δ and use the same approach for the semantics
- A possible world is obtained by selecting one annotated disjunct for each ground clause in \mathbb{P} , and some of the axioms in \mathbb{O}
- We assign probabilities to sets of worlds, rather than to individual worlds.

Semantics for non-DL-safe PHKBs

- A selection σ determines the *world* w_σ , i.e., the HKB composed of:
 - one rule for each grounding substitution θ of each rule C in \mathbb{P} , where $(C, \theta, k) \in \sigma$, whose head is the k -th disjunct of $C\theta$ and whose body is $C\theta$'s body;
 - the axioms a for which $(a, 1)$ is in the selection.

Semantics for non-DL-safe PHKBs

- Given a *PHKB* \mathbb{K} , $\mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{K}}$ is the set of all \mathbb{K} 's possible worlds.
- A composite choice, or a set of composite choices, determine sets of worlds, as for LPADs.
- $\Omega_{\mathbb{K}}$ is the set of sets of worlds determined by finite or countable sets of finite or countable composite choices;
- A probability measure $\mu : \Omega_{\mathbb{K}} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined over $\Omega_{\mathbb{K}}$.

Semantics for non-DL-safe PHKBs

- If a query q has a countable covering set K of countable explanations, then there exists a pairwise incompatible set K' with the same property, and whose probability $\mu(K')$ is defined; that is defined as q 's probability given \mathcal{K} .

Definition

Let \mathbb{K} be a PHKB and K be a countable covering set of countable explanations for a query q . Then q 's probability given \mathbb{K} $P_{\mathbb{K}}(q)$ is the probability of a pairwise incompatible set K' of explanations equivalent to K , which is guaranteed to exist.

Example

$\mathbb{P} = \text{person}(X) : 0.5 \leftarrow \sim \text{dog}(X).$

$\textcircled{O} = \text{guard} \sqcap \text{person} \sqsubseteq \text{soldier}$

$\exists \text{commands.soldier} \sqsubseteq \text{commander}$

$\text{john} : \exists \text{commands.guard}$

- In the last axiom there is an (unknown) individual that is a *guard* and that *john commands*. Let us call her *u*.
- $\mathcal{K} \models \mathbf{K} \text{commander}(\text{john})$ is entailed by the worlds where he first disjunct is selected for the clause with substitution X/u . So $\{\{(C_1, X/u, 1)\}\}$ is a (finite) covering set of (finite) explanations. Its probability is 0.5.

Property

Proposition

Given a DL-safe PHKB without function symbols, the probability of any query is the same under the semantics in Definition 1 and the one in Definition 2.

Proof.

A DL-safe KB is equivalent to its grounding over the constants that occur in it, and if function symbols are not allowed there are finitely many worlds; each world that entails the query is identified by a selection. The set of such selections is a pairwise incompatible covering set of explanations for the query, and its probability is identical to the one given in Definition 1.



Conclusions and Future Work

- Conclusions
 - Semantics for Probabilistic Hybrid Knowledge Bases for non-DL-safe PHKB
 - For DL-safe PHKB it coincides with the existing one
- Future work
 - Prove that each query has a countable set of countable explanations
 - Reasoner: use **SLG**(\mathcal{O}) [Alferes et al TOCL13] for HKBs under the well founded semantics.
 - **SLG**(\mathcal{O}) integrates a DL reasoner into the **SLG** procedure in the form of an oracle in order to manage the DL part of the HKBs.
 - Similar approach for PHKBs, integrating the TRILL probabilistic DL reasoner [Zese et al AMAI16] with the PITA algorithm [Riguzzi, Swift ICLP11]
 - Detailed comparison with alternative approaches for existential constructs in probabilistic logics



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