## Probabilistic Justification Logic

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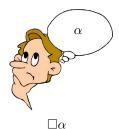
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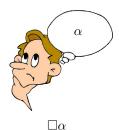
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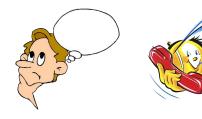
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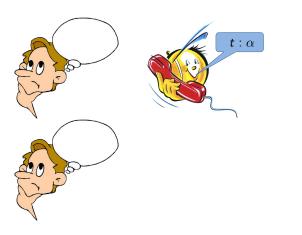
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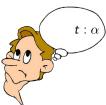


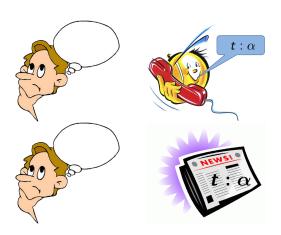


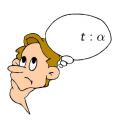


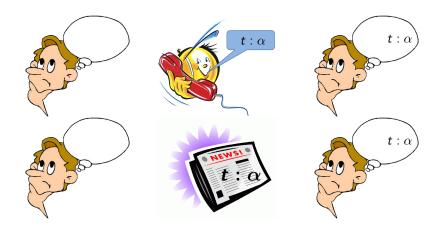




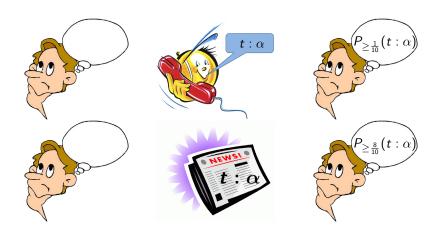








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$$t ::= c | x | (t \cdot t) | (t + t) | !t$$

### Definition (Justification Formulas-Language L<sub>J</sub>)

$$\alpha ::= p \mid \neg \alpha \mid \alpha \wedge \alpha \mid t : \alpha$$

where t is a term and p is an atomic proposition.

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\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{axioms of J} \\ & + \\ \text{(AN!)} & \vdash \underbrace{!! \cdots !!}_{n \text{ times}} c : \cdots : !c : c : \alpha \text{, where } (c, \alpha) \in \mathsf{CS} \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N} \\ \text{(MP)} & \text{if } T \vdash \alpha \text{ and } T \vdash \alpha \to \beta \text{ then } T \vdash \beta \end{array}
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## Semantics for J

For a given CS, we define the function \* (basic CS-evaluation):

$$\begin{array}{ll} *: \mathsf{Prop} \to \{\mathsf{T}, \mathsf{F}\} & \qquad [\mathsf{T} = \mathsf{true} \; \mathsf{and} \; \mathsf{F} = \mathsf{false}] \\ *: \mathsf{Tm} \to \mathcal{P}(\mathsf{L}_\mathsf{J}) & \qquad [\mathcal{P} \; \mathsf{stands} \; \mathsf{for} \; \mathsf{powerset}] \end{array}$$

such that:

$$u^* \cup v^* \subseteq (u+v)^*$$

$$\bullet$$
 for  $(c, \alpha) \in CS$ :

$$\alpha \in c^*$$

$$c : \alpha \in (!c)^*$$

$$!c : c : \alpha \in (!!c)^*$$

$$\vdots$$

## Truth under a Basic CS-Evaluation

Let \* be a basic CS-evaluation. We have:

- $* \Vdash p \iff p^* = \mathsf{T}$
- $\bullet * \Vdash t : \alpha \Longleftrightarrow \alpha \in t^*$
- $\bullet \ * \Vdash \neg \alpha \Longleftrightarrow * \nVdash \alpha$
- $\bullet * \Vdash \alpha \land \beta \Longleftrightarrow \left( * \Vdash \alpha \text{ and } * \Vdash \beta \right)$

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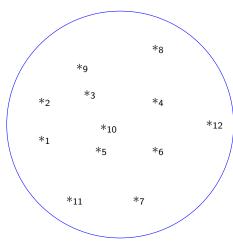
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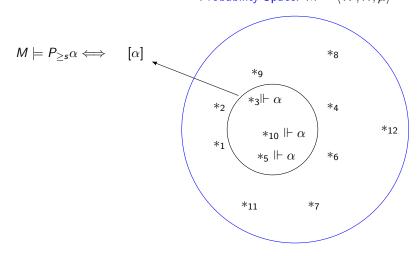
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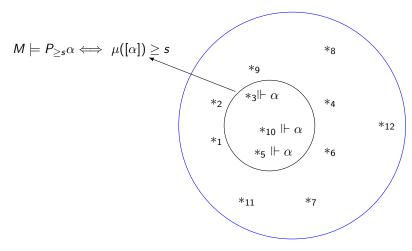
## Probability Space: $M = \langle W, H, \mu \rangle$



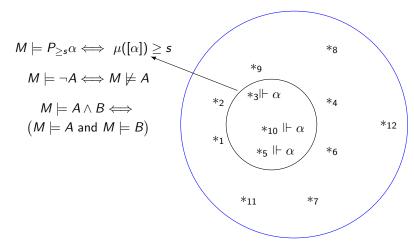












### Axiomatization

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- (P) finitely many axiom schemes for c.p.l. in the language  $L_P$
- (PI)  $\vdash P_{\geq 0}\alpha$
- (WE)  $\vdash P_{\leq r}\alpha \rightarrow P_{\leq s}\alpha$ , where s > r
- (LE)  $\vdash P_{\lt s}\alpha \rightarrow P_{\lt s}\alpha$
- (DIS)  $\vdash P_{\geq r}\alpha \wedge P_{\geq s}\beta \wedge P_{\geq 1}\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \rightarrow P_{>\min(1,r+s)}(\alpha \vee \beta)$
- (UN)  $\vdash P_{\leq r} \alpha \wedge P_{\leq s} \beta \rightarrow P_{\leq r+s} (\alpha \vee \beta)$ , where  $r+s \leq 1$

For some CS the system  $\mathsf{PJ}_{\mathsf{CS}}$  is:

#### Axioms of PJ +

- (MP) if  $T \vdash A$  and  $T \vdash A \rightarrow B$  then  $T \vdash B$
- (CE) if  $\vdash_{\mathsf{JCS}} \alpha$  then  $\vdash_{\mathsf{PJCS}} P_{\geq 1} \alpha$
- (ST) if  $T \vdash A \to P_{\geq s \frac{1}{k}} \alpha$  for every integer  $k \geq \frac{1}{s}$  and s > 0then  $T \vdash A \to P_{>s} \alpha$

# Soundness and Strong Completeness

#### Theorem

Any  $\mathsf{PJ}_\mathsf{CS}$  is sound and strongly complete with respect to  $\mathsf{PJ}_\mathsf{CS}$ -models, i.e.:

$$T \vdash_{\mathsf{PJ}_\mathsf{CS}} A \Longleftrightarrow T \Vdash_{\mathsf{PJ}_\mathsf{CS}} A$$

## Complexity

It has been proved that, under some restrictions on the CS, the  $J_{CS}$ -satisfiability problem belongs to  $\Sigma_2^p$ .

We can prove that, under the same restrictions on the CS, the PJ<sub>CS</sub>-satisfiability problem belongs to the same complexity class.

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$$J + PJ \rightarrow PPJ$$

- soundness: 1
- completeness: 🗸
- decidability : 🗸
- complexity: open

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- Deg<sub>bel</sub> $(\alpha) > 0.99 \iff Bel(\alpha)$  [The Lockean Thesis]

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#### Formalization of the Postulates of Rational Belief in PPJ:

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Let  $1 \le i \le 1000$ . There is a term  $t_i$ :

$$t_i: (P_{=\frac{999}{1000}} \neg w_i)$$

and by the Lockean Thesis:

$$pb(t_i) : \neg w_i$$

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### Avoiding the paradox in PPJ:

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holds only if  $con(s_1, s_2)$  does not contain two different subterms of the form pb(t). [Formalization of an idea by Leitgeb (2014)]

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interprets to something like:

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