

# Comparison of Inference Relations Defined Over Different Sets of Ranking Functions

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**Open Question:** How to compare two skeptical inference relations defined over two sets of ranking functions?

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$$\kappa \models \mathcal{R} \quad \text{iff} \quad \kappa \models r_i \quad \text{for} \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

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$$\eta_i \leq u$$

## skeptical inference over c-representations [FolKS-16,ECAI-16]

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taking every c-representation  
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$CR^u(\mathcal{R})$  is *sufficient* iff  $\vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^c = \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{c,u}$

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$\Rightarrow CR^1(\mathcal{R})$  is sufficient

## Idea

Model skeptical inference over a set of ranking models

by a single order relation on possible worlds

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**Inference Core** for inference relation  $\sim$

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Base Conditional:  $c = (\omega_0 | \omega_0 \vee \omega_1)$

$$\kappa_{\vec{\eta}^{(i)}} \models c \Rightarrow \omega_0 \vee \omega_1 \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^O \omega_0 \Rightarrow (\omega_0, \omega_1) \in \llbracket \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^O \rrbracket$$

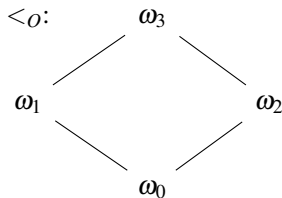
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**Proposition:**  $\llbracket \sim_{\mathcal{R}}^O \rrbracket = <_O$





## Goal

Formulate criteria that allows us to compare inference relations

by comparing inference cores (i.e. only base conditionals)

$$\sim_{\mathcal{R}}^O = \sim_{\mathcal{R}}^{O'} \quad \text{iff} \quad \llbracket \sim_{\mathcal{R}}^O \rrbracket = \llbracket \sim_{\mathcal{R}}^{O'} \rrbracket$$

**Def:** Merged Order Inference

$A \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{<O} B$  iff for all  $\omega' \in \Omega_{A\bar{B}}$   
there is a  $\omega \in \Omega_{AB}$   
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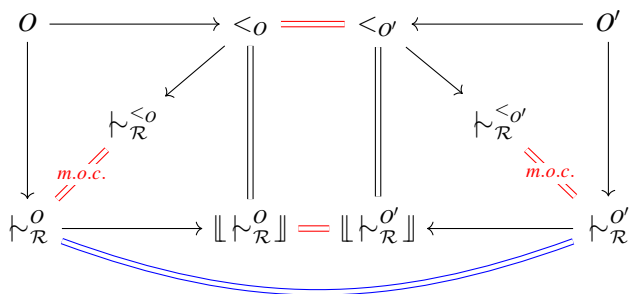
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$$\vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{<O} \subseteq \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^O \quad \text{but} \quad \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^O \not\subseteq \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{<O}$$

**Def:** Merged Order Compatibility of  $O$

$$\vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^O = \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{<O}$$

# Comparing skeptical Inference Relations



## Legend:

- (1.) definitions:  $\rightarrow$
- (2.) to show:  $\equiv$
- (3.) consequence:  $\equiv$

**Conjecture:**  $CR^n(\mathcal{R})$  is sufficient for  $n = |\mathcal{R}|$

**Special Case:** Sequence of KBs of conditional facts

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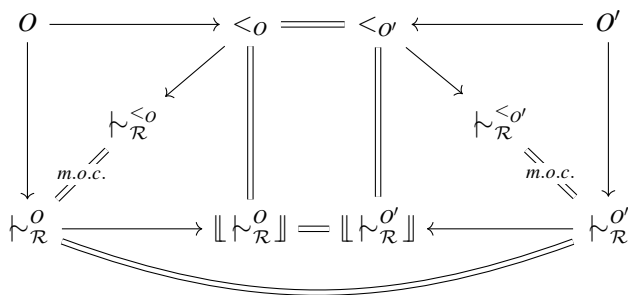
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# Conclusions and Future Work

- ▶ method for comparing skeptical inference relations
- ▶ applications to c-representations
  
- ▶ conditions for merged order compatibility
- ▶ determine sufficient upper bound for  $CR^u(\mathcal{R})$  for arbitrary  $\mathcal{R}$