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FUZZY ONTOLOGIES OVER LATTICES WITH T-NORMS

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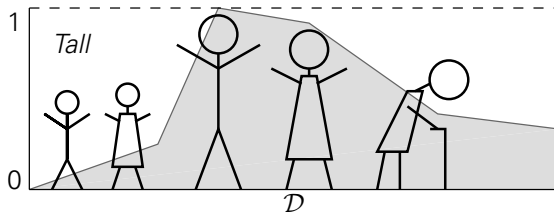
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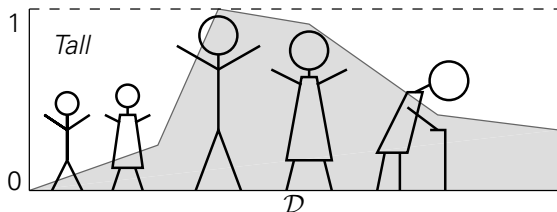
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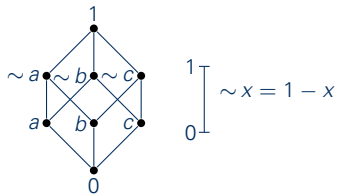
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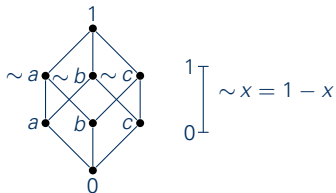
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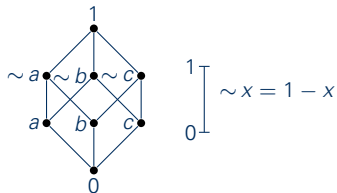


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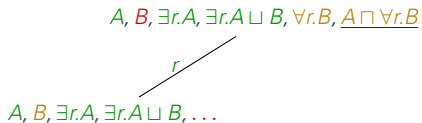
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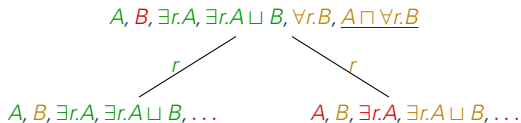
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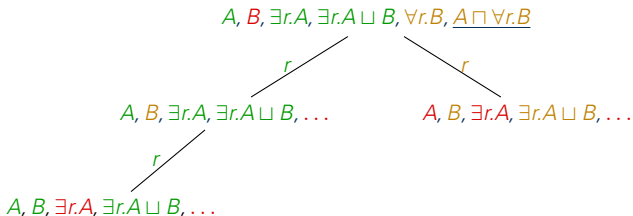
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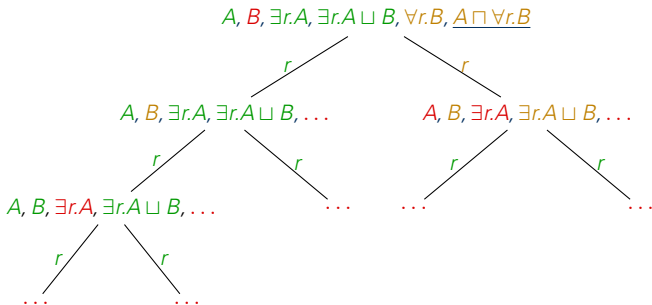
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- these conditions can be checked **locally**
- these trees can be recognized by an **automaton over infinite trees**
- complexity: **exponential time**
- computation of the best satisfiability degree without additional effort

Conclusions

Summary

- General framework for fuzzy reasoning
- Satisfiability undecidable for arbitrary lattices
- EXPTIME-complete for finite lattices

Future Work

- Identify other decidable subclasses
- Reason also with ABoxes
- Find applications and identify useful semantics
- Implement efficient automata-based reasoners

Thank you

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