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THINKING THE UNCERTAINTY: INVARIANCE AND PLURALISM IN
PATRICK SUPPES' VIEW OF PROBABILITY

Abstract

Patrick Suppes' views on probability are discussed focusing particularly on the issues of *invariance* and *pluralism*. The claim argued in this paper is twofold: (1) this dualism allows us to understand Suppes' theory of probability and (2) Suppes' strategy intended to solve this dualism contains the key to shed light upon other parts of his thought. In the first section the dualism is discussed. The second, third and fourth sections deal with the formal theory of probability and with Suppes' analysis of the classic philosophical views on probability. In the fifth section I present the probabilistic empiricism as Suppes' peculiar philosophical position on indeterminacy and randomness.