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## Abstract

I conduct an axiomatic analysis of voting rules in a context where voters evaluate each candidate by assigning her an evaluation from a pre-established set. I focus on additive rules, which follow the utilitarian paradigm. Characterization results are provided for each of the two prominent additive rules: *Evaluative Voting* when the evaluation set is finite and *Range Voting* when the evaluation set is  $[0, 1]$ . These results are first obtained in a simple setting of *ranking* rules - where candidates are compared according to a ranking of their attributes - and are then extended to a more general setting of *voting* rules.

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