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Infinite-valued Logics

inf.1 Introduction

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sec The number of truth values of a matrix need not be finite. An obvious choice for a set of infinitely many truth values is the set of rational numbers between 0 and 1, $V_\infty = [0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$, i.e.,

$$V_\infty = \left\{ \frac{n}{m} : n, m \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } n \leq m \right\}.$$

When considering this infinite truth value set, it is often useful to also consider the subsets

$$V_m = \left\{ \frac{n}{m-1} : n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } n \leq m \right\}$$

For instance, V_5 is the set with 5 evenly spaced truth values,

$$V_5 = \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, 1 \right\}.$$

In logics based on these truth value sets, usually only 1 is designated, i.e., $V^+ = \{1\}$. In other words, we let 1 play the role of (absolute) truth, 0 as absolute falsity, but **formulas** may take any intermediate value in V .

One can also consider the set $V_{[0,1]} = [0, 1]$ of all *real* numbers between 0 and 1, or other infinite subsets of $[0, 1]$, however. Logics with this truth value set are often called *fuzzy*.

inf.2 Łukasiewicz logic

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This is a short “stub” of a section on infinite-valued Łukasiewicz logic.

Definition inf.1. Infinite-valued Łukasiewicz logic \mathbf{L}_∞ is defined using the [mvl:inf:luk:](#) [def:lukasiewicz](#) matrix:

1. The standard propositional language \mathcal{L}_0 with $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow$.
2. The set of truth values V_∞ .
3. 1 is the only designated value, i.e., $V^+ = \{1\}$.
4. Truth functions are given by the following functions:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\neg}_{\mathbf{L}}(x) &= 1 - x \\ \tilde{\wedge}_{\mathbf{L}}(x, y) &= \min(x, y) \\ \tilde{\vee}_{\mathbf{L}}(x, y) &= \max(x, y) \\ \tilde{\rightarrow}_{\mathbf{L}}(x, y) &= \min(1, 1 - (x - y)) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \leq y \\ 1 - (x - y) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

m -valued Łukasiewicz logic is defined the same, except $V = V_m$.

Proposition inf.2. *The logic \mathbf{L}_3 defined by ?? is the same as \mathbf{L}_3 defined by [Definition inf.1](#).*

Proof. This can be seen by comparing the truth tables for the connectives given in ?? with the truth tables determined by the equations in [Definition inf.1](#):

| | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|---------------------------------|-----|-----|---|
| $\tilde{\neg}$ | | $\tilde{\wedge}_{\mathbf{L}_3}$ | 1 | 1/2 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1/2 | 0 |
| 1/2 | 1/2 | 1/2 | 1/2 | 1/2 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| $\tilde{\vee}_{\mathbf{L}_3}$ | 1 | 1/2 | 0 | $\tilde{\rightarrow}_{\mathbf{L}_3}$ | 1 | 1/2 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1/2 | 0 |
| 1/2 | 1 | 1/2 | 1/2 | 1/2 | 1 | 1 | 1/2 |
| 0 | 1 | 1/2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

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Proposition inf.3. *If $\Gamma \vDash_{\mathbf{L}_\infty} \psi$ then $\Gamma \vDash_{\mathbf{L}_m} \psi$ for all $m \geq 2$.*

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Proof. Exercise.

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Problem inf.1. Prove [Proposition inf.3](#).

In fact, the converse holds as well.

Infinite-valued Łukasiewicz logic is the most popular fuzzy logic. In the fuzzy logic literature, the conditional is often defined as $\neg\varphi \vee \psi$. The result would be an infinite-valued strong Kleene logic.

Problem inf.2. Show that $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$ is a tautology of \mathbf{L}_∞ .

inf.3 Gödel logics

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This is a short “stub” of a section on infinite-valued Gödel logic.

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Definition inf.4. Infinite-valued Gödel logic \mathbf{G}_∞ is defined using the matrix:

1. The standard propositional language \mathcal{L}_0 with $\perp, \neg, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow$.
2. The set of truth values V_∞ .
3. 1 is the only designated value, i.e., $V^+ = \{1\}$.
4. Truth functions are given by the following functions:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\perp} &= 0 \\ \tilde{\neg}_{\mathbf{G}}(x) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \tilde{\wedge}_{\mathbf{G}}(x, y) &= \min(x, y) \\ \tilde{\vee}_{\mathbf{G}}(x, y) &= \max(x, y) \\ \tilde{\rightarrow}_{\mathbf{G}}(x, y) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \leq y \\ y & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

m -valued Gödel logic is defined the same, except $V = V_m$.

Proposition inf.5. *The logic \mathbf{G}_3 defined by ?? is the same as \mathbf{G}_3 defined by Definition inf.4.*

Proof. This can be seen by comparing the truth tables for the connectives given in ?? with the truth tables determined by the equations in Definition inf.4:

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|---|-----|-------------------------------|-----|-----|---|
| $\tilde{\neg}_{\mathbf{G}_3}$ | 1 | 0 | 0 | $\tilde{\wedge}_{\mathbf{G}}$ | 1 | 1/2 | 0 |
| | 1 | 0 | 1 | | 1 | 1/2 | 0 |
| | 1/2 | 0 | 1/2 | | 1/2 | 1/2 | 0 |
| | 0 | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| $\tilde{\vee}_{\mathbf{G}}$ | 1 | 1/2 | 0 | $\tilde{\rightarrow}_{\mathbf{G}}$ | 1 | 1/2 | 0 |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1/2 | 0 |
| | 1/2 | 1 | 1/2 | | 1/2 | 1 | 0 |
| | 0 | 1 | 1/2 | | 0 | 1 | 1 |

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Proposition inf.6. *If $\Gamma \vDash_{\mathbf{G}_\infty} \psi$ then $\Gamma \vDash_{\mathbf{G}_m} \psi$ for all $m \geq 2$.*

Proof. Exercise. □

Problem inf.3. Prove **Proposition inf.6**.

In fact, the converse holds as well.

Like \mathbf{G}_3 , \mathbf{G}_∞ has all intuitionistically valid formulas as tautologies, and the same examples of non-tautologies are non-tautologies of \mathbf{G}_∞ :

$$\begin{array}{ll} p \vee \neg p & (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\neg p \vee q) \\ \neg\neg p \rightarrow p & \neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow (p \vee q) \\ ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p & \neg(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \wedge \neg q) \end{array}$$

The example of an intuitionistically invalid formula that is nevertheless a tautology of \mathbf{G}_3 , $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$, is also a tautology in \mathbf{G}_∞ . In fact, \mathbf{G}_∞ can be characterized as intuitionistic logic to which the schema $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \vee (\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$ is added. This was shown by Michael Dummett, and so \mathbf{G}_∞ is often referred to as Gödel–Dummett logic **LC**.

Problem inf.4. Show that $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$ is a tautology of \mathbf{G}_∞ .

Problem inf.5. Show that $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow r) \vee (r \rightarrow s)$, which is a tautology of \mathbf{G}_3 , is not a tautology of \mathbf{G}_∞ .

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