
AN ALGEBRAIC MODEL OF THE m -VALUED PROPOSITIONAL CALCULUS WITH VARIABLE FUNCTORS

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Algebraic models, in terms of elements of a Boolean algebra, have been given for the m -valued propositional calculus without variable functors (1) and for the 2-valued propositional calculus with variable functors (2). We shall now combine the two methods to give an algebraic model of the m -valued propositional calculus with variable functors ($m = 2, 3, \dots$).

Since, with the notation of Lukasiewicz (3),

$$\delta P = {}_T D P \delta 1 \dots \delta m \quad (\text{A})$$

we may, as before, take as the algebraic representative of the propositional variable p the $(m - 1)$ -tuple (p_1, \dots, p_{m-1}) of elements p_1, \dots, p_{m-1} of a Boolean algebra, where

$$p_i \leqslant p_{i+1} \quad (i = 1, \dots, m - 2)$$

(other propositional variables being, of course, treated similarly) and we may take as the algebraic representative of the variable functor δ the m $(m - 1)$ -tuples $(\delta_{11}, \dots, \delta_{1, m-1}), \dots, (\delta_{m1}, \dots, \delta_{m, m-1})$ where

$$\delta_{ij} \leqslant \delta_{i, j+1} \quad (i = 1, \dots, m; j = 1, \dots, m - 2)$$

(other variable functors being, of course, treated similarly).

By (A), if we regard $(\delta_{11}, \dots, \delta_{1, m-1})$ as the algebraic representative of δ_1 ($i = 1, \dots, m$) and the algebraic representative of δp is (a_1, \dots, a_{m-1}) , then

$$\begin{aligned} a_i = & (p_1 \cap \delta_{1i}) \cup (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{2i}) \cup \dots \cup (p'_{m-2} \cap p_{m-1} \cap \\ & \cap \delta_{m-1i}) \cup (p'_{m-1} \cap \delta_{mi}) \quad (i = 1, \dots, m - 1). \end{aligned}$$

A formula of the propositional calculus with s designated truth-values takes designated truth-values exclusively if and only if its algebraic representative is $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{m-1})$ where $\beta_s = I$ ($s = 1, \dots, m-1$).

For example, if $m = 3$, the algebraic representative of δp is

$$((p_1 \cap \delta_{11}) \cup (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{21}) \cup (p'_2 \cap \delta_{31}), (p_1 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (p'_1 \cap \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (p'_2 \cap \delta_{32})).$$

A formula takes designated truth-values exclusively if and only if its algebraic representative is (β_1, β_2) where $\beta_1 = I$ is $s = 1$ and $\beta_2 = I$ if $s = 2$.

Let A, K denote the functors of Lukasiewicz (4) and let C, I denote the implication functors whose truth-tables are given below. Clearly $C(I)$ satisfies the standard conditions of Rosser and Turquette (5) when $s = 1(2)$. As examples we shall show

CPQ	1	2	3	Q	IPQ	1	2	3	Q
P					P				
1	1	2	3		1	1	2	3	
2	1	1	1		2	1	2	3	
3	1	1	1		3	1	1	1	

that the formulae $C\delta KpqA\delta p\delta q$, $IKK\delta p\delta Rpq\delta R\delta q$ take designated truth-values exclusively in the cases $s = 1$, $s = 2$ respectively, the symbol R denoting the primitive negation functor of Post (6).

We note first that the representative of Cpq , Kpq , Apq are $(p'_1 \cup q_1, p'_2 \cup q_2)$, $(p_1 \cap q_1, p_2 \cap q_2)$, $(p_1 \cup q_1, p_2 \cup q_2)$ respectively. Thus, with the above notation,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_1 = & ((p_1 \cap q_1 \cap \delta_{11}) \cup ((p'_1 \cup q'_1) \cap p_2 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{21}) \cup \\ & \quad \cup ((p'_2 \cup q'_2) \cap \delta_{31}))' \cup (p_1 \cap \delta_{11}) \cup (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{21}) \cup \\ & \quad \cup (p'_2 \cap \delta_{31}) \cup (q_1 \cap \delta_{11}) \cup (q'_1 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{21}) \cup (q'_2 \cap \delta_{31}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } (p_1 \cap \delta_{11}) \cup (q_1 \cap \delta_{11}) &= (p_1 \cup q_1) \cap \delta_{11} \geq p_1 \cap q_1 \cap \delta_{11}, \\ (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{21}) \cup (q'_1 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{21}) &= ((p'_1 \cap p_2) \cup (q'_1 \cap q_2)) \cup \delta_{21} \geq \\ &\geq ((p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap q_2) \cup (q'_1 \cap p_2 \cap q_2)) \cap \delta_{21} = (p'_1 \cup q'_1) \cap \\ &\quad \cap p_2 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{21}, \\ (p'_2 \cap \delta_{31}) \cup (q'_2 \cap \delta_{31}) &= (p'_2 \cup q'_2) \cap \delta_{31}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\beta_1 \geq (p_1 \cap q_1 \cap \delta_{11}) \cup ((p'_1 \cup q'_1) \cap p_2 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{21}) \cup$
 $\cup ((p'_2 \cup q'_2 \cap \delta_{31}))' \cup (p_1 \cap q_1 \cap \delta_{11}) \cup ((p'_1 \cup q'_1) \cap$
 $\cap p_2 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{21}) \cup (p'_2 \cup q'_2 \cap \delta_{31}) = I.$

In the second example we note first that the representatives of Ipq , Rp , RRp are $(p'_2 \cup q_1)$, $(p'_2, \cup q_2)$, $(p'_2, p_1 \cup p'_2)$, $(p'_1 \cap p_2)$, p'_1 respectively. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\beta_2 &= (((p_1 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (p'_2 \cap \delta_{32})) \cap \\ &\quad \cap ((p'_2 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (p_2 \cap (p_1 \cup p'_2) \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{32})) \cap \\ &\quad \cap ((p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup ((p_1 \cup p'_2) \cap p'_1 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (p_1 \cap \delta_{32})))' \cup \\ &\quad \cup (q_1 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (q'_1 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (q'_2 \cap \delta_{32}) \\ &= (((p_1 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (p'_2 \cap \delta_{32})) \cap ((p'_2 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup \\ &\quad \cup (p_1 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{32})) \cap ((p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (p'_2 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup \\ &\quad \cup (p_1 \cap \delta_{32})))', \cup (q_1 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (q'_1 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (q'_2 \cap \delta_{32}) \\ &= ((p_1 \cap \delta_{12} \cap \delta_{22} \cap \delta_{32}) \cup (p'_1 \cap p_2 \cap \delta_{22} \cap \delta_{32} \cap \delta_{12})) \cup \\ &\quad (p'_2 \cap \delta_{32} \cap \delta_{12} \cap \delta_{22}))' \cup (q_1 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (q'_1 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (q'_2 \cap \delta_{32}) \\ &= \delta'_{12} \cup \delta'_{22} \cup \delta'_{32} \cup (q_1 \cap \delta_{12}) \cup (q'_1 \cap q_2 \cap \delta_{22}) \cup (q'_2 \cap \delta_{32}) \\ &= \delta'_{12} \cup q_1 \cup \delta'_{22} \cup (q'_1 \cap q_2) \cup \delta'_{32} \cup q'_2 = I.\end{aligned}$$

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