

# On Balanced Implications

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# Introduction

- We contribute to the theory of implications related by adjointness, in multiple-valued logics.
- Our aim is to investigate implications in  $(L, P)$ -valued propositional logic.
- $(L, \leq)$  and  $(P, \leq)$  stand for two (complete) lattices, interpreting two, possibly different, types of *truth values*. In most applications, they are the real unit interval under its usual order.
- We expound some motivations behind the use of two lattices  $L$  and  $P$  in the definition of implications, as a generalization of the usual one-lattice approach.

# Implications and their adjoints

An implication, on two lattices  $P$  and  $L$ , is a function  $\Rightarrow: P \times L \rightarrow L$  with the following basic intuitive demands:

- $\Rightarrow$  is antitone in the left and isotone in the right argument,
- $\Rightarrow$  satisfies the boundary condition  $1 \Rightarrow z = z$ ,
- $\Rightarrow$  has an adjoint  $\supset$  in the left argument, i.e.,  $\supset: L \times L \rightarrow P$  satisfies  $\forall a \in P, \forall y, z \in L$ :

$$\text{Adjointness: } y \leq_L a \Rightarrow z \text{ iff } a \leq_P y \supset z. \quad (1)$$

The ordered pair  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  is called an *adjoint pair* on  $(L, P)$ .

# Implications and their adjoints

- The adjoint  $\supset$  of  $\Rightarrow$  exists iff the implication  $\Rightarrow$  satisfies for all indexed families  $\{a_j\}$  in  $P$

$$\sup_j a_j \Rightarrow z = \inf_j (a_j \Rightarrow z), \quad (2)$$

- It is then uniquely given by

$$y \supset z = \sup \{a \in P \mid y \leq_L a \Rightarrow z\}. \quad (3)$$

- The function  $\supset: L \times L \rightarrow P$  is called a *comparator*.
- The comparator satisfies a condition analogous to (2) and

$$\text{Comparator axiom : } y \supset z = 1_P \text{ iff } y \leq_L z. \quad (4)$$

# Implications and their adjoints

- Numerous articles and books are concerned with residuation (= adjointness) in the multiple-valued-logic component of fuzzy logic.
- On the one hand, the condition Adjointness is a main tool in building a useful calculus for implications; generating universally valid inequalities.
- On the other hand, it is now known that there are different notions of truth; e.g., the "local" concept of truth was adopted by Boldrin and Sossai (1995-1997) where the authors considered the (least informative) possibility distribution where the property is true as the semantical meaning of the property, i.e. its truth value.
- This local notion of truth appears when dealing with incomplete information, as is the case with plausibility-measure based systems. While the usual classical semantics of truth appears when dealing with complete information, as is the case with fuzzy systems.

# Implications and their adjoints

- It is also known that the membership values have different semantics (see, e.g., D. Dubois, H. Prade (1997)), which frequently coexist in the same application
- It is natural to request an implication between truth values with same semantics to satisfy the comparator axiom (4).
- It is equally natural to restrict the need for the comparator axiom (4) of implications between truth values of differing semantics.
- Those belong to independently chosen lattices, which may or may not coincide.
- Our approach admits more concrete examples, that would otherwise have been excluded.
- By allowing  $P$  to differ from  $L$ , we gain some flexibility in its handling.
- The two-posets approach comes at no price at all. An algebraic proof in this framework is an exact replica of the corresponding proof in the one-poset situation.

# Faithful implications

## Definition

An implication  $\Rightarrow$  is said to be *faithful* if it satisfies:

$$(\forall a, b \in P) \text{ (if } a \neq b, \text{ then } (\exists z \in L) : a \Rightarrow z \neq b \Rightarrow z). \quad (5)$$

Faithfulness is closely related to the following *closure operator* on  $P$ :

$$\hat{a} = \inf_{z \in L} ((a \Rightarrow z) \supset z), \quad a \in P. \quad (6)$$

## Theorem

Let  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  be an adjoint pair on complete lattices  $(L, P)$ . The operator  $\hat{\phantom{a}}$  becomes  $id_P$  if and only if  $\Rightarrow$  is faithful.

## Lemma

Let  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  be an adjoint pair on  $(L, P)$ . If the comparator  $\supset$  is surjective, then the implication  $\Rightarrow$  is faithful.

# Balanced implications

## Definition

We say that an adjoint pair  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  on  $(L, P)$  is *balanced* if the following inequality holds for all  $x, y, z, w \in L$ :

$$x \supset y \leq_P ((x \supset z) \Rightarrow w) \supset ((y \supset z) \Rightarrow w) \quad (7)$$

We also say that the implication  $\Rightarrow$  is balanced.

## Definition

An adjoint pair  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  on  $(L, P)$  is said to satisfy the *mixed exchange principle* (MEP for short) if there exists an implication-like operation  $\rightarrow$  on  $P$  (i.e.,  $\rightarrow$  is antitone in the left argument and isotone in the right argument) such that the following identity holds for all  $y, z \in L$  and  $a \in P$ :

$$y \supset (a \Rightarrow z) = a \rightarrow (y \supset z) \quad (8)$$

We also say that the adjoint pair  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  with  $\rightarrow$  satisfy MEP.



## Theorem

Let  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  be an adjoint pair on  $(L, P)$ . Then

- (i) There is an implication-like operation  $\rightarrow$  satisfies the following:
- (ii) For all  $a, b$  in  $P$ :  $b \leq_P a \rightarrow b$ .
- (iii)  $1_P \rightarrow b = b$  if and only if  $\Rightarrow$  is faithful.
- (iv) If  $\Rightarrow$  is faithful, then  $a \rightarrow b = 1_P$  if and only if  $a \leq_P b$ .
- (v)  $\Rightarrow$  is balanced iff the following MEP holds:  $\forall a \in P$  and  $y, z \in L$

$$y \supset (a \Rightarrow z) = a \rightarrow (y \supset z) \quad (9)$$

- (vi) If  $\Rightarrow$  is balanced then  $\Rightarrow$  satisfies the exchange principle iff  $\rightarrow$  satisfies the following adjointness condition,  $\forall a, b, c \in P$ :

$$a \leq_P b \rightarrow c \text{ iff } b \leq_P a \rightarrow c \quad (10)$$

- (vii) If  $\Rightarrow$  is balanced and satisfies the exchange principle, and  $\supset$  is surjective, then the tuple  $(P, \rightarrow, 1_P)$  is a BCK-algebra.

# Balanced implications and the law of importation

## Definition

A binary operation  $\star$  on  $P$  is said to *tie* an implication  $\Rightarrow: P \times L \rightarrow L$  if the following identity holds:

$$(\forall a, b \in P) (\forall z \in L) \quad (((a \star b) \Rightarrow z) = (a \Rightarrow (b \Rightarrow z))), \quad (11)$$

We say that  $\Rightarrow$  is *tied*.

- Tiedness extends to multiple-valued logic the following equivalence in classical logic:

$$((X \& Y) \Longrightarrow Z) \equiv (X \Longrightarrow (Y \Longrightarrow Z)), \quad (12)$$

known as the *law of importation*.

- It holds for several types of implications used in fuzzy logic, among which the *residuated implications* and *S-implications* are two types.

# Balanced implications and the law of importation

- There have been many papers, both theoretical and showing usefulness of tied implications in approximate reasoning in the recent past.
- We point out that the study tied implications was started algebraically by Abdel-Hamid and Morsi (2003).
- It was then adopted and formulated syntactically, within the first order logic of tied implications, by El-Zekey (joint work with Morsi, Lotfallah) in FSS (2006).
- However, in this work, we don't request the implication  $\Rightarrow$  to have an adjoint  $\& : P \times L \rightarrow L$  in the right argument; that is,

$$\forall a \in P, \forall y, z \in L : y \leq_L a \Rightarrow z \quad \text{iff} \quad a \& y \leq_L z. \quad (13)$$

- This work is a continuation of the mentioned work.

# Balanced implications and the law of importation

## Theorem

*Let  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  be an adjoint pair on  $(L, P)$  (completeness is not assumed). If  $\Rightarrow$  is tied, then it is balanced.*

## Theorem

*Suppose an implication  $\Rightarrow$ , of an adjoint pair  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  on  $(L, P)$ , is tied, faithful (and satisfies the exchange principle), then there exists a partially ordered (commutative) residuated integral monoid  $(P, \leq, \otimes, \rightarrow, 1_P)$  on  $P$  such that its conjunction  $\otimes$  ties  $\Rightarrow$  and its residuum  $\rightarrow$  satisfies with  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  the MEP.*

- Balance is the strongest necessary condition we could formulate for the tiedness of an implication  $\Rightarrow$ .
- The following question is well justified: **Is balance equivalent to tiedness?**

# Balanced implications and the law of importation

## Definition

An *implication-like operation with condition (P)* (i.e. with product), is an implication-like operation  $\rightarrow$  on  $P$  satisfying the condition (P):

**(P)** For all  $a, b \in P$  there exists

$$a \odot b \stackrel{\text{notation}}{=} \min \{c \in P \mid a \leq_P b \rightarrow c\}.$$

## Proposition

Let  $\rightarrow$  be a binary operation on a poset  $(P, \leq_P)$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) The operation  $\rightarrow$  is an implication-like operation with condition (P).
- (ii) There exists an isotone binary operation  $\odot$  on  $P$  such that the condition (RP) holds, where:

**(RP)** for all  $a, b, c$  in  $P$  :  $a \odot b \leq_P c$  iff  $a \leq_P b \rightarrow c$ .

# Balanced implications and the law of importation

## Theorem

Let  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  be an adjoint pair on  $(L, P)$  (completeness is not assumed) in which the comparator  $\supset$  is surjective, and let  $\rightarrow$  be an implication-like operation on  $P$ . If the adjoint pair  $(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  with  $\rightarrow$  satisfy the MEP, then the following two statements are equivalent:

- (i) The implication-like operation  $\rightarrow$  satisfies the condition (P).
- (ii) The implication  $\Rightarrow$  is tied.

# Balanced implications and the law of importation

## Example

Let  $P = [0, 1]$  and  $L = P^W$ , where  $W$  is a finite set of elements.  
Consider the following operations:  $\forall a, b \in P$  and  $\forall y, z \in L$ ,







$$a \rightarrow b = \begin{cases} 1 & a \leq b \\ 1 - a + b & 0 < b < a \leq 1 \\ 0 & b = 0, 0 < a \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(a \Rightarrow z)(w) = a \rightarrow z(w)$$

$$y \supset z = \inf_{w \in W} (y(w) \rightarrow z(w))$$






$(\Rightarrow, \supset)$  is a balanced adjoint pair on  $(L, P)$  and satisfies the MEP with  $\rightarrow$  but the implication  $\Rightarrow$  is not tied.

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