
Natural three-valued logics and classical logic

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ABSTRACT. In this paper implicative fragments of natural three-valued logic are investigated. It is proved that some fragments are equivalent by set of tautologies to implicative fragment of classical logic. It is also shown that some natural three-valued logics verify all tautologies of classical propositional logic.

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1 Introduction

In paper [3] we investigated functional properties of three-valued logics. We define some conditions for ‘good’ implication and introduce the idea of *natural* implication. So, as the result we have class of 30 implications¹ with strictly specified *natural* properties. Extensions of regular Kleene’s logics by natural implications were regarded.

According to our definition, natural three-valued logic is a logic which includes natural implication as a connective.

On examination of 30 implicative extensions of weak Kleene’s logic we received 7 *basic* logics²: Łukasiewicz’s logic \mathbf{L}_3 , paraconsistent logic \mathbf{PCont} , three-valued Bochvar’s logic \mathbf{B}_3 , logic \mathbf{Z} , \mathbf{T}^3 , \mathbf{T}^2 and \mathbf{T}^1 . These logics form a lattice w.r.t. relation of functional inclusion one logic to another.

Thus all these different three-valued systems, which appeared historically on different motivations, are presented in the same language

¹Truth-tables for *natural* implications are given in appendix.

²In [4] the functional equiquality of some implicative extensions of weak Kleene’s logic was proved.

with the following connectives: \sim , \cup and \rightarrow , where \sim , \cup — connectives of weak Kleene's logic and \rightarrow — *natural* implication. It will allow us to compare these logics by set of tautologies. This is the next point of our research. And in this paper we focus on implicative fragments of natural three-valued logics.

2 Basic definitions

For the sake of clarity let us formulate some basic definitions.

DEFINITION 1. The language L_{\rightarrow} is a propositional language with the following alphabet:

- (1) p, q, r, \dots — propositional variables;
- (2) \rightarrow — binary logical connective;
- (3) $(,)$ — technical symbols.

DEFINITION 2. A definition of L_{\rightarrow} -formula is as usual:

- (1) if A is propositional variable, then A is L_{\rightarrow} -formula;
- (2) if A and B are L_{\rightarrow} -formulas, then $A \rightarrow B$ is L_{\rightarrow} -formula;
- (3) nothing else is L_{\rightarrow} -formula.

DEFINITION 3. A logical matrix is a structure $\mathfrak{M} = \langle V, F, D \rangle$, where V is the set of truth-values, F is a set of functions on V called *basic functions*, and D is a set of designated values, D is a subset of V .

In this paper we will consider the logical matrices, where $V = \{1, 1/2, 0\}$ (let denote this set as V_3), F consists of one function³ — *natural* implication and $D = \{1\}$ or $D = \{1, 1/2\}$.

Let's recall definition of *natural* implication:

DEFINITION 4. Implication is called *natural* if it is satisfied the following criteria:

- (1) **C**-extending, i.e. restrictions to the subset $\{0, 1\}$ of V_3 coincide with the classical implication.

³When we consider the implicative fragments of natural three-valued logics.

- (2) If $p \rightarrow q \in D$ and $p \in D$, then $q \in D$, i.e. matrices for implication need to be normal in the sense of Łukasiewicz-Tarski (they verify the modus ponens) [2, p. 134].
- (3) Let $p \leq q$, then $p \rightarrow q \in D$.
- (4) $p \rightarrow q \in V_3$, in other cases.

According to the definition of *natural* implication, there are 6 implications with $D = \{1\}$ and 24 implications with $D = \{1, 1/2\}$ (appropriate truth-tables are given in appendix).

DEFINITION 5. A valuation v of an arbitrary L_{\rightarrow} -formula A in \mathfrak{M} (symbolically — $|A|_v^{\mathfrak{M}}$) is defined as usual: $|p|_v^{\mathfrak{M}} \in V_3$, if p is a propositional variable; if A and B are L_{\rightarrow} -formulas, and \rightarrow is basic function in \mathfrak{M} , then $|A \rightarrow B|_v^{\mathfrak{M}} = |A|_v^{\mathfrak{M}} \rightarrow |B|_v^{\mathfrak{M}}$.⁴

DEFINITION 6. An arbitrary L_{\rightarrow} -formula A is a *tautologie* in \mathfrak{M} iff $|A|_v^{\mathfrak{M}} \in D$ for all valuation v in \mathfrak{M} .

3 Implicative fragments of natural three-valued logics

Let consider the following matrices which correspond to the implicative fragments of natural three-valued logics:

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^i = \langle \{1, 1/2, 0\}, \rightarrow_i, \{1\} \rangle, \quad i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\},$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^i = \langle \{1, 1/2, 0\}, \rightarrow_i, \{1, 1/2\} \rangle, \quad i \in \{7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28\},$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{1'} = \langle \{1, 1/2, 0\}, \rightarrow_1, \{1, 1/2\} \rangle,$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{4'} = \langle \{1, 1/2, 0\}, \rightarrow_4, \{1, 1/2\} \rangle,$$

where matrix operation \rightarrow is defined by appropriate truth-tables of *natural* implications.

The following tautologies express the fundamental properties of implication:

⁴For the clarity we use the same symbols both for language functor (propositional connective) and corresponding matrix function.

- $K : p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)$
- $S : (p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r))$
- $S' : ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow ((p \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r))$
- $P : ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p$
- $W : (p \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q)$
- $C : (p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r))$
- $B : (q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r))$

And all implicative fragments of natural three-valued logics can be divided into 10 classes according to the fact that implicative formulas are tautologies in corresponding matrices:

	K	S	S'	P	W	C	B
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{1'}, \mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^i$ ($i \in \{2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24\}$)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^1$	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{25}$	-	+	+	-	+	+	+
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^3$	+	-	+	-	-	+	+
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^4, \mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{4'}$	-	+	+	-	+	-	+
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{27}$	-	-	+	+	+	-	-
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{26}$	-	+	-	-	+	-	-
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^i$ ($i \in \{15, 28\}$)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^6$	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^i$ ($i \in \{14, 16\}$)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

So, let us consider the class matrices (corresponding to the first line of table above), in which all given implicative formulas are tautologies. This class consists of 18 matrices: 2 with $D = \{1\}$ and 16 with $D = \{1, 1/2\}$. We can prove that all these matrices have the same class of tautologies.

The reasoning is as follows. For example, consider the matrices:

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7 = \langle \{1, 1/2, 0\}, \rightarrow_7, \{1, 1/2\} \rangle$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{13} = \langle \{1, 1/2, 0\}, \rightarrow_{13}, \{1, 1/2\} \rangle$$

To show that these matrices have the same class of tautologies is sufficient to prove the following theorem:

THEOREM 1. *For any L_{\rightarrow} -formula A , for any valuation v^5 :*

$$|A|_{v^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7}} = 0 \text{ iff } |A|_{v^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{13}}} = 0.$$

PROOF may be given by induction on the structure of formula A .

Base case. Let A is a propositional variable, then it is obvious that theorem is true for this case.

Induction step. Let us assume that theorem is true for the formulas, that contain less than n occurrence of propositional connectives (*induction hypothesis*). Then it is sufficient to prove, that theorem is true for L_{\rightarrow} -formula A that contains precisely n occurrence of propositional connectives and graphically identical with formula $(B \rightarrow C)$, i.e. $A = (B \rightarrow C)$.

Then, the proof of the theorem reduces to the proof of the following two propositions:

PROPOSITION 1. $\forall v \forall A$: if $|A|_{v^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7}} = 0$, then $|A|_{v^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{13}}} = 0$.

PROPOSITION 2. $\forall v \forall A$: if $|A|_{v^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{13}}} = 0$, then $|A|_{v^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7}} = 0$.

Let us present the proof of the Proposition 1.

PROOF.

1. Let proposition 1 does not hold – assumption
2. $\exists v \exists A$: $|A|_{v^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7}} = 0$ and $|A|_{v^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{13}}} \neq 0$ – from 1
3. $|B \rightarrow C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7} = 0$ and $|B \rightarrow C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{13}} \neq 0$ – from 2, elimination of quantifiers
4. $|B \rightarrow C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7} = 0$ – from 3
5. $|B|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7} \rightarrow_7 |C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7} = 0$ – from 4, def. 5
6. $|B|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7} \in \{1, 1/2\}$ and $|C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7} = 0$ – from 5, def. of \rightarrow_7

⁵As set V_3 in $\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7$ and in $\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{13}$ is the same, then it is true that any valuation in $\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^7$ is valuation in $\mathfrak{M}_{\rightarrow}^{13}$ and vice versa.

7. $|C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^7} = 0$ – from 6
8. $|C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^{13}} = 0$ – from 7 by induction hypothesis
9. $|B \rightarrow C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^{13}} \neq 0$ – from 3
10. $|B|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^{13}} \rightarrow_{13} |C|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^{13}} \neq 0$ – from 9
11. $|B|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^{13}} = 0$ – from 10 and 8, def. of \rightarrow_{13}
12. $|B|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^7} = 0$ – from 11 by induction hypothesis
13. $|B|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^7} \in \{1, 1/2\}$ – from 6
14. $|B|_{v^*}^{\mathfrak{M}^7} \neq 0$ – from 13
15. Assumption 1. is incorrect – from 12 and 14

Proposition 1 is proved. \square

The proof of Proposition 2 is analogous to that of Proposition 1. Thus theorem is proved. \square

By using similar methods of reasoning, it is not difficult to prove that all 18 matrices (matrices of the first group) have the same set of tautologies.

Let us investigate these 18 matrices in detail. It is well known that the implicative fragment of classical logic can be characterized deductively by the axioms K , S and P and the inference rule *modus ponens*. From this point of view each of 18 implicative fragments discussed above are the classical ones.

Let us consider natural three-valued logics, which implicative fragments are equivalent to the implicative fragment of classical logic. Corresponding logical matrices are the following:

$$\mathfrak{M}^i = \langle \{1, 1/2, 0\}, \sim, \cup, \rightarrow_i, \{1\} \rangle, \quad i \in \{1, 5\},$$

$$\mathfrak{M}^i = \langle \{1, 1/2, 0\}, \sim, \cup, \rightarrow_i, \{1, 1/2\} \rangle,$$

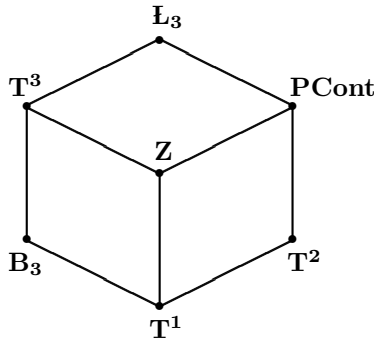
$$i \in \{2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24\},$$

where \sim , \cup are defined like in weak Kleene's logic, appropriate truth-tables for \rightarrow_i are given in appendix.

From functional point of view, these 18 systems correspond to 7 *basic* logic:

\mathbf{L}_3	\mathbf{PCont}	\mathbf{B}_3	\mathbf{Z}	\mathbf{T}^1	\mathbf{T}^2	\mathbf{T}^3
\mathfrak{M}^i ($i \in \{1, 2, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$)	\mathfrak{M}^i ($i \in \{18, 19, 20, 21, 22\}$)	\mathfrak{M}^i ($i \in \{5, 7\}$)	\mathfrak{M}^{17}	\mathfrak{M}^{23}	\mathfrak{M}^{24}	\mathfrak{M}^{13}

7 *basic* logics form the following lattice w.r.t. relation of functional inclusion one logic to another:



Let us show that a constant \perp , which interpreted as falsehood, is defined by the basic functions of the 10 matrices \mathfrak{M}^i , ($i \in \{1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$):

$$\perp = \sim (p \rightarrow_i p), i \in \{1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13\}.$$

But as follows from Wajsberg’s work [5, § 5] the addition of $\perp \rightarrow p$ to the axiomatization of implicative fragment of classical logic gives the full classical propositional logic. Thus 10 natural three-valued logics, considered above, verify all tautologies of classical propositional logic.

REMARK. In [1, p. 54] by using a computer program it was calculated that there are 18 C-extending isomorphs of classical logic, which verify *modus ponens*. So, it was found that in matirces corresponding to these isomorphs one of the basic functions – implicative function, is defined precisely by the same truth-tables of *natural* implications, as in 18 natural three-valued logics mentioned above.

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Appendix. Truth-tables for natural implications

Let us give truth-tables for *natural* implications according to the definition 4.

There are 6 implications with $D = \{1\}$ and 24 implications with $D = \{1, 1/2\}$. Note, that 2 paires of implications (\rightarrow_1 and \rightarrow_4 in the proposed list below) are the same with $D = \{1\}$ and $D = \{1, 1/2\}$.

\rightarrow_1	1	1/2	0
1	1	1/2	0
1/2	1	1	0
0	1	1	1

\rightarrow_2	1	1/2	0
1	1	1/2	0
1/2	1	1	1
0	1	1	1

\rightarrow_3	1	1/2	0
1	1	1/2	0
1/2	1	1	1/2
0	1	1	1

\rightarrow_4	1	1/2	0
1	1	0	0
1/2	1	1	0
0	1	1	1

\rightarrow_5	1	1/2	0
1	1	0	0
1/2	1	1	1
0	1	1	1

\rightarrow_6	1	1/2	0
1	1	0	0
1/2	1	1	1/2
0	1	1	1

$D = \{1, 1/2\}$

\rightarrow_7	1	1/2	0
1	1	1	0
1/2	1	1	0
0	1	1	1

\rightarrow_8	1	1/2	0
1	1	1	0
1/2	1/2	1	0
0	1	1	1

\rightarrow_9	1	1/2	0
1	1	1	0
1/2	1/2	1	0
0	1	1/2	1

