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ON THE EQUIVALENCE BETWEEN SOME SYSTEMS OF NON-CLASSICAL LOGIC

In [1], Loparić and da Costa define three systems of propositional logic, called β_0 , β_1 and β_2 .

In β_0 neither the principle of excluded middle ($A \vee \neg A$), nor the principle of non-contradiction ($\neg(A \wedge \neg A)$) is valid, in general.

System β_1 is an extension of β_0 , where the principle of non-contradiction is valid, but the principle of excluded-middle is not.

System β_2 is also an extension of β_0 , where the principle of excluded middle is valid, but the principle of non-contradiction is not.

Systems such as β_2 are called *paraconsistent systems*.

Systems such as β_1 are called by Loparić and da Costa *paracomplete systems*.

In [1] it is mentioned that system β_2 is equivalent to system P_1 , introduced by Sette in [3].

On the other hand, in [4], Sette and Carnielli study a system, called I_1 , which is, according to them, *weakly-intuitionistic*, that is, where the law of excluded middle cannot be proved. (This corresponds to the notion of *paracompleteness* of Loparić and da Costa.)

According to Sette and Carnielli, system I_1 is a counterpart of the paraconsistent calculus P_1 .

We will show, here, that system β_2 is, in fact, equivalent to P_1 . (The proof of this fact appears in [2].) In addition, we will show that β_1 is equivalent to I_1 .

The system β_1

The postulates of β_1 are the following:

- 1) $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)$
- 2) $(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C))$

- 3) $A, A \rightarrow B/B$
- 4) $((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A$
- 5) $(A \wedge B) \rightarrow A$
- 6) $(A \wedge B) \rightarrow B$
- 7) $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow (A \wedge B))$
- 8) $A \rightarrow (A \vee B)$
- 9) $B \rightarrow (A \vee B)$
- 10) $(A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow ((B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow ((A \vee B) \rightarrow C))$
- 11) $(\neg A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow A)$, where A is molecular.

THEOREM 1. *If A is a classical tautology and we replace its propositional variables by molecular formulas, obtaining the formula A' , then A' is provable in β_0 (and, therefore, in β_1 and β_2). (See [1], p. 75.)*

The system β_2

The postulates of β_2 are the same, 1 to 10, of β_1 plus the following:

- 11) $(\neg A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow A)$, where B is molecular.

The system P_1

The postulates of P_1 are:

- 1) $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)$
- 2) $(A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)) \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C))$
- 3) $(\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow \neg\neg B) \rightarrow A)$
- 4) $(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \neg\neg(A \rightarrow B)$
- 5) $A, A \rightarrow B/B$.

THEOREM 2. P_1 is complete relative to the following matrix:

$\mathcal{M} = \langle \{T_0, T_1, F\}, \{T_0, T_1\}, \rightarrow, \neg \rangle$, where $\{T_0, T_1\}$ are the distinguished values and \rightarrow, \neg are defined by the tables:

\rightarrow	T_0	T_1	F	\neg	
T_0	T_0	T_0	F	T_0	F
T_1	T_0	T_0	F	T_1	T_0
F	T_0	T_0	T_0	F	T_0

PROOF. See [3], pp. 176–178.

The connectives \wedge and \vee are introduced by the following definitions:

$$(A \wedge B) =_{df} (((A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A) \rightarrow \neg((B \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B)) \rightarrow \neg(A \rightarrow \neg B)$$

$$(A \vee B) =_{df} (A \rightarrow \neg\neg A) \rightarrow (\neg A \rightarrow B)$$

THEOREM 3. *In P_1 all the theorems and rules of positive classical logic are valid.*

PROOF. Using the characteristic matrix of P_1 , defined in theorem 2.

The system I_1

The postulates of I_1 are:

- 1) $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)$
- 2) $(A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)) \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C))$
- 3) $(\neg\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow ((\neg\neg A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \neg A)$
- 4) $\neg\neg(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B)$
- 5) $A, A \rightarrow B / B$

THEOREM 4. *(Law of non-contradiction, negative form):*

$$\vdash_{I_1} (\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \neg\neg A)$$

(see [4], p. 5).

THEOREM 5. I_1 is complete relative to the following matrix:

$\mathcal{M}' = \langle \{T, F_0, F_1\}, \{T\}, \rightarrow, \neg \rangle$, where T is the only distinguished value and \rightarrow, \neg are defined by the tables:

\rightarrow	T	F_1	F_0	\neg	
T	T	F_0	F_0	T	F_0
F_1	T	T	T	F_1	F_0
F_0	T	T	T	F_0	T

PROOF. See [4], pp. 11–15.

The connectives \wedge and \vee are introduced by the following definitions:

$$(A \wedge B) =_{df} \neg(((A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A) \rightarrow \neg((B \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B))$$

$$(A \vee B) =_{df} (\neg(B \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A).$$

THEOREM 6. *In I_1 all the theorems and rules of positive classical logic are valid.*

PROOF. Using the characteristic matrix of I_1 , defined in theorem 5.

We now show that β_2 is equivalent to P_1 and β_1 is equivalent to I_1 .

β_2 equivalent to P_1

In view of theorem 3, it is enough to establish the following results:

$$\vdash_{\beta_2} (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \neg\neg(A \rightarrow B).$$

PROOF. Consequence of theorem 1.

$$\vdash_{\beta_2} (\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow \neg\neg B) \rightarrow A)$$

PROOF. By axiom 11 of β_2 .

$$\vdash_{P_1} (\neg A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow A), \text{ where } B \text{ is molecular.}$$

PROOF.

1) If B is $\neg C$, we have: $\vdash_{P_1} (\neg A \rightarrow \neg C) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow \neg\neg C) \rightarrow A)$, as a consequence of axiom 3 of P_1 .

2) If B is $(C \rightarrow D)$, we need to prove that:

$$\vdash_{P_1} (\neg A \rightarrow (C \rightarrow D)) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow \neg(C \rightarrow D)) \rightarrow A).$$

PROOF.

- 1) $\neg A \rightarrow (C \rightarrow D)$ Hyp.
- 2) $\neg A \rightarrow \neg(C \rightarrow D)$ Hyp.
- 3) $(C \rightarrow D) \rightarrow \neg\neg(C \rightarrow D)$ Ax. 5.
- 4) $\neg A \rightarrow \neg\neg(C \rightarrow D)$ By 1 and 3.
- 5) A By 2 and 4, Ax. 3.

β_1 equivalent to I_1

In view of theorem 6, it is enough to establish the following results:

$$\vdash_{\beta_1} (\neg\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow ((\neg\neg A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \neg A).$$

PROOF. By axiom 11 of β_1 .

$$\vdash_{\beta_1} \neg\neg(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B).$$

PROOF. Consequence of theorem 1.

$$\vdash_{I_1} (\neg A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow A), \text{ where } A \text{ is molecular.}$$

PROOF.

1) If A is $\neg C$, we have: $\vdash_{I_1} ((\neg\neg C \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((\neg\neg C \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow \neg C))$, as a consequence of axiom 3 of I_1 .

2) If A is $(C \rightarrow D)$, we have:

$\vdash_{I_1} (\neg(C \rightarrow D) \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((\neg(C \rightarrow D) \rightarrow \neg\neg(C \rightarrow D)))$, by theorem 4.

And, by axiom 4 of I_1 , we obtain:

$$\vdash_{I_1} (\neg(C \rightarrow D) \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((\neg(C \rightarrow D) \rightarrow \neg B(C \rightarrow D))).$$

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