

# Complete MV-algebra valued Pavelka logic

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- Zadeh introduced his **Fuzzy Sets** in 1965.
- In 1968–9 Goguen outlined some characteristic features fuzzy logic should obey; in his article **The logic of inexact concepts** he came to a conclusion that complete residuated lattices should have a similar role to fuzzy logic than Boolean algebras have to Classical Logic.
- In 1979 Pavelka published a series of articles **On Fuzzy Logic I, II, III**, in which he discussed the matter in depth. This meant a generalization of Classical Logic in such a way that axioms, theories, theorems, and tautologies need not be only fully true or fully false, but may be also true to a degree and, therefore, giving rise to such concepts as fuzzy theories, fuzzy set of axioms, many-valued rules of inference, provability degree, truth degree, fuzzy consequence operation etc.

Pavelka's definitions and concepts are meaningful in any **fixed** complete residuated lattice  $L$ . Given  $L$ -valued (fuzzy sub-)sets  $X, Y$ , a **fuzzy consequence operation**  $\mathcal{C}$  satisfies

- ▶  $X \leq \mathcal{C}(X)$ ,
- ▶ if  $X \leq Y$  then  $\mathcal{C}(X) \leq \mathcal{C}(Y)$ ,
- ▶  $\mathcal{C}(X) = \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{C}(X))$ .

The main question is: how to define a **semantic** consequence operation  $\mathcal{C}^{sem}$  and a **syntactic** consequence operation  $\mathcal{C}^{syn}$  and when do they coincide, i.e.

$$\mathcal{C}^{sem}(X)(\alpha) = \mathcal{C}^{syn}(X)(\alpha) \text{ for all } X \text{ and all } \alpha \in X.$$

Pavelka 1979: If  $L = [0, 1]$  the answer is affirmative iff  $L$  is an MV-algebra.

Turunen 1995: affirmative if  $L$  is an injective MV-algebra.

**New: the answer is affirmative iff  $L$  is a complete MV-algebra.**

An **MV-algebra**  $\mathbf{L} = \langle L, \oplus, *, \mathbf{0} \rangle$  is a structure such that  $\langle L, \oplus, \mathbf{0} \rangle$  is a commutative monoid, i.e., for all elements  $x, y, z \in L$

$$x \oplus y = y \oplus x, \quad (1)$$

$$x \oplus (y \oplus z) = (x \oplus y) \oplus z, \quad (2)$$

$$x \oplus \mathbf{0} = x \quad (3)$$

$$x^{**} = x, \quad (4)$$

$$x \oplus \mathbf{0}^* = \mathbf{0}^*, \quad (5)$$

$$(x^* \oplus y)^* \oplus y = (y^* \oplus x)^* \oplus x. \quad (6)$$

Denote  $x \odot y = (x^* \oplus y^*)^*$  and  $\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{0}^*$ . Then  $\langle L, \odot, \mathbf{1} \rangle$  is another commutative monoid and hence for all elements  $x, y, z \in L$

$$x \odot y = y \odot x, \quad (7)$$

$$x \odot (y \odot z) = (x \odot y) \odot z, \quad (8)$$

$$x \odot \mathbf{1} = x. \quad (9)$$

It is obvious that  $x \oplus y = (x^* \odot y^*)^*$ , thus the triple  $\langle \oplus, *, \odot \rangle$  satisfies De Morgan laws. A partial order on the set  $L$  is introduced by

$$x \leq y \text{ iff } x^* \oplus y = \mathbf{1} \text{ iff } x \odot y^* = \mathbf{0}. \quad (10)$$

By setting

$$x \vee y = (x^* \oplus y)^* \oplus y, \quad (11)$$

$$x \wedge y = (x^* \vee y^*)^* [= (x^* \odot y)^* \odot y] \quad (12)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in L$ , the structure  $\langle L, \wedge, \vee \rangle$  is a lattice. Moreover,  $x \vee y = (x^* \wedge y^*)^*$  holds and therefore the triple  $\langle \wedge, *, \vee \rangle$  satisfies De Morgan laws, too. However, the unary operation  $*$  called **complementation** is not a lattice complementation. By stipulating

$$x \rightarrow y = x^* \oplus y, \quad (13)$$

the structure  $\langle L, \leq, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \rightarrow, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$  is a residuated lattice with the bottom and top elements  $\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}$ , respectively.

In particular, a residuation (sometimes also called Galois connection)

$$x \odot y \leq z \text{ iff } x \leq y \rightarrow z \quad (14)$$

holds for all  $x, y, z \in L$ . The couple  $\langle \odot, \rightarrow \rangle$  is an **adjoint couple**. Lattice operations on  $L$  can now be expressed via

$$x \vee y = (x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow y, \quad (15)$$

$$x \wedge y = x \odot (x \rightarrow y). \quad (16)$$

An alternative way to define MV-algebras is to start from Wajsberg axioms: Let  $L$  be a non-void set,  $\mathbf{1} \in L$ , and  $\rightarrow, *$  be a binary and a unary operation, respectively such that for  $x, y, z \in L$ ,

$$\mathbf{1} \rightarrow x = x, \quad (17)$$

$$(x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow [(y \rightarrow z) \rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)] = \mathbf{1}, \quad (18)$$

$$(x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow y = (y \rightarrow x) \rightarrow x, \quad (19)$$

$$(x^* \rightarrow y^*) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x) = \mathbf{1}. \quad (20)$$

Then the system  $\langle L, \rightarrow, *, \mathbf{1} \rangle$  is called a **Wajsberg algebra**. MV-algebras and Wajsberg algebras are in one-to-one correspondence: any MV-algebra can be seen as a Wajsberg algebra and also the converse holds. Indeed, by stipulating

$$x \oplus y = x^* \rightarrow y, \quad (21)$$

$$\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{1}^*, \quad (22)$$

we obtain an MV-algebra. The axioms (17)–(20) have a counterpart with the logical axioms of Łukasiewicz Logic.

As an example, the **Łukasiewicz structure** (also called the **standard MV-algebra**)  $\mathcal{L}$  is the real unit interval  $[0, 1]$  equipped with the usual order and, for each  $x, y \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$x \oplus y = \min\{x + y, 1\}, \quad (23)$$

$$x^* = 1 - x. \quad (24)$$

Moreover,

$$x \odot y = \max\{0, x + y - 1\}, \quad (25)$$

$$x \vee y = \max\{x, y\}, \quad (26)$$

$$x \wedge y = \min\{x, y\}, \quad (27)$$

$$x \rightarrow y = \min\{1, 1 - x + y\}, \quad (28)$$

For a natural  $m \geq 2$ , a chain  $0 < \frac{1}{m} < \dots < \frac{m-1}{m} < 1$  is an MV-algebra, where  $\frac{n}{m} \oplus \frac{k}{m} = \min\{\frac{n+k}{m}, 1\}$  and  $(\frac{n}{m})^* = \frac{m-n}{m}$ .

A structure  $[0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$  with the Łukasiewicz operations is an example of a countable MV-algebra called **rational Łukasiewicz structure**. All these examples are linear MV-algebras. Moreover, they are MV-subalgebras of the standard MV-algebra  $\mathcal{L}$ . A Boolean algebra is an MV-algebra such that the monoidal operations  $\oplus$ ,  $\odot$  and the lattice operations  $\vee$ ,  $\wedge$  coincide.



An MV-algebra  $L$  is called **complete** if  $\bigvee \Gamma, \bigwedge \Gamma \in L$  for any subset  $\Gamma \subseteq L$ . The standard MV-algebra and all finite MV-algebras are complete as well as the direct product of complete MV-algebras is a complete MV-algebra. However, the rational standard MV-algebra is not complete. Assume  $x$  is an element of an MV-algebra  $L$  and  $\{y_i\}_{i \in \Gamma} \subseteq L$ . Then

$$x \rightarrow \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} y_i = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (x \rightarrow y_i), \quad (29)$$

$$\bigwedge_{i \in \Gamma} y_i \rightarrow x = \bigvee_{i \in \Gamma} (y_i \rightarrow x), \quad (30)$$

holds whenever the suprema and infima exist in  $L$ . In particular, (29) and (30) hold in all complete MV-algebras. A fundamental fact is that, to prove that an equation holds in **all** MV-algebras, it is enough to show that it holds in  $\mathcal{L}$ .

The set of atomic formulas  $\mathcal{F}_0$  is composed of propositional variables  $p, q, r, s, \dots$  and **truth constants**  $\mathbf{a}$  corresponding to elements  $a \in L$ ; they generalize the classical truth constants  $\perp$  and  $\top$ . The set  $\mathcal{F}$  of all formulas is then constructed in the usual way. Any mapping  $v : \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow L$  such that  $v(\mathbf{a}) = a$  for all truth constants  $\mathbf{a}$  can be extended recursively into the whole  $\mathcal{F}$  by setting

$$\begin{aligned} v(\alpha \text{ imp } \beta) &= v(\alpha) \rightarrow v(\beta) && \text{and} \\ v(\alpha \text{ and } \beta) &= v(\alpha) \odot v(\beta). \end{aligned}$$

Such mappings  $v$  are called **valuations**. The **truth degree** of a wff  $\alpha$  is the infimum of all values  $v(\alpha)$ , that is

$$\mathcal{C}^{\text{sem}}(\alpha) = \bigwedge \{ v(\alpha) \mid v \text{ is a valuation} \}.$$

We may also fix some set  $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  of wffs and associate to each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{T}$  a value  $\mathcal{T}(\alpha)$  determining its degree of truth. We consider valuations  $v$  such that  $\mathcal{T}(\alpha) \leq v(\alpha)$  for all wffs  $\alpha$ . If such a valuation exists, then  $\mathcal{T}$  is called **satisfiable** and  $v$  satisfies  $\mathcal{T}$ . We say that  $\mathcal{T}$  is a **fuzzy theory** and the corresponding formulae  $\alpha$  are the **special axioms**. Then we consider values

$$\mathcal{C}^{\text{sem}}(\mathcal{T})(\alpha) = \bigwedge \{v(\alpha) \mid v \text{ is a valuation, } v \text{ satisfies } \mathcal{T}\}.$$

The set of **logical axioms** in Pavelka's Fuzzy Logic, denoted by  $A$ , is composed by the following eleven forms of formulae; they receive the value **1** in any valuation  $\nu$  (except (Ax. 7))

$$\text{(Ax. 1)} \quad \alpha \text{ imp } \alpha,$$

$$\text{(Ax. 2)} \quad (\alpha \text{ imp } \beta) \text{ imp } [(\beta \text{ imp } \gamma) \text{ imp } (\alpha \text{ imp } \gamma)],$$

$$\text{(Ax. 3)} \quad (\alpha_1 \text{ imp } \beta_1) \text{ imp } \{(\beta_2 \text{ imp } \alpha_2) \text{ imp } [(\beta_1 \text{ imp } \beta_2) \text{ imp } (\alpha_1 \text{ imp } \alpha_2)]\},$$

$$\text{(Ax. 4)} \quad \alpha \text{ imp } \mathbf{1},$$

$$\text{(Ax. 5)} \quad \mathbf{0} \text{ imp } \alpha,$$

$$\text{(Ax. 6)} \quad (\alpha \text{ and not } \alpha) \text{ imp } \beta,$$

$$\text{(Ax. 7)} \quad \mathbf{a},$$

$$\text{(Ax. 8)} \quad \alpha \text{ imp } (\beta \text{ imp } \alpha),$$

$$\text{(Ax. 9)} \quad (\mathbf{1} \text{ imp } \alpha) \text{ imp } \alpha,$$

$$\text{(Ax. 10)} \quad [(\alpha \text{ imp } \beta) \text{ imp } \beta] \text{ imp } [(\beta \text{ imp } \alpha) \text{ imp } \alpha],$$

$$\text{(Ax. 11)} \quad (\text{not } \alpha \text{ imp not } \beta) \text{ imp } (\beta \text{ imp } \alpha).$$

A **fuzzy rule of inference** is a scheme

$$\frac{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n}{r^{\text{syn}}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)} \quad , \quad \frac{a_1, \dots, a_n}{r^{\text{sem}}(a_1, \dots, a_n)}$$

where the wffs  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  are **premises** and the wff  $r^{\text{syn}}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$  is the **conclusion**. The values  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and  $r^{\text{sem}}(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in L$  are the corresponding truth values. The mappings  $r^{\text{sem}} : L^n \rightarrow L$  are semi-continuous, i.e.

$$r^{\text{sem}}(a_1, \dots, \bigvee_{j \in \Gamma} a_{k_j}, \dots, a_n) = \bigvee_{j \in \Gamma} r^{\text{sem}}(a_1, \dots, a_{k_j}, \dots, a_n) \quad (31)$$

holds for all  $1 \leq k \leq n$ . Moreover, the fuzzy rules are required to be **sound** in the sense that

$$r^{\text{sem}}(v(\alpha_1), \dots, v(\alpha_n)) \leq v(r^{\text{syn}}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n))$$

holds for all valuations  $v$ .

REMARK 1 *The semi-continuity condition (31) can be replaced without any dramatic consequences by isotonicity condition (which is a weaker condition): if  $a_k \leq b_k$ , then*

$$r^{\text{sem}}(a_1, \dots, a_k, \dots, a_n) \leq r^{\text{sem}}(a_1, \dots, b_k, \dots, a_n) \quad (32)$$

*for each index  $1 \leq k \leq n$ .*

The following Pavelka's fuzzy rules of inference, a set  $R$ .

Generalized Modus Ponens:

$$\frac{\alpha, \alpha \text{ imp } \beta}{\beta} \quad , \quad \frac{a, b}{a \odot b}$$

**a**-Consistency testing rules:

$$\frac{\mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{0}} \quad , \quad \frac{b}{c}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}$  is a truth constant and  $c = \mathbf{0}$  if  $b \leq a$  and  $c = \mathbf{1}$  otherwise.

**a**-Lifting rules:

$$\frac{\alpha}{\mathbf{a} \text{ imp } \alpha} \quad , \quad \frac{b}{a \rightarrow b}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}$  is a truth constant.

Rule of Bold Conjunction:

$$\frac{\alpha, \beta}{\alpha \text{ and } \beta} \quad , \quad \frac{a, b}{a \odot b}$$

It is easy to see that also a **Rule of Bold Disjunction** (not included in the list of Pavelka)

$$\frac{\alpha, \beta}{\alpha \text{ or } \beta} \quad , \quad \frac{a, b}{a \oplus b}$$

is a rule of inference in Pavelka's sense. Indeed, isotonicity of  $r^{\text{sem}}$  follows by the isotonicity of the MV-operation  $\oplus$  and soundness can be verified by taking a valuation  $v$  and observing that

$$\begin{aligned} r^{\text{sem}}(v(\alpha), v(\beta)) &= v(\alpha) \oplus v(\beta) \\ &= v(\alpha \text{ or } \beta) \\ &= v(r^{\text{syn}}(\alpha, \beta)). \end{aligned}$$

This rule will be essential in Complete MV-algebra valued Pavelka Logic.



An  $\mathcal{R}$ -proof $w$  of a wff  $\alpha$  in a fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is a finite sequence

$$\begin{array}{l} \alpha_1 \quad , \quad a_1 \\ \vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots \\ \alpha_m \quad , \quad a_m, \end{array} \text{ the degree of the } \mathcal{R}\text{-proof } w$$

- (i)  $\alpha_m = \alpha$ ,
- (ii) for each  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $\alpha_i$  is a logical axiom, or is a special axiom of a fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$ , or there is a fuzzy rule of inference and well formed formulae  $\alpha_{i_1}, \dots, \alpha_{i_n}$  with  $i_1, \dots, i_n < i$  such that  $\alpha_i = r^{\text{syn}}(\alpha_{i_1}, \dots, \alpha_{i_n})$ ,
- (iii) for each  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , the value  $a_i \in L$  is given by

$$a_i = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } \alpha_i \text{ is the truth constant axiom } a, \\ \mathbf{1} & \text{if } \alpha_i \text{ is some other logical axiom in the set } \mathbf{A}, \\ \mathcal{T}(\alpha_i) & \text{if } \alpha_i \text{ is a special axiom of a fuzzy theory } \mathcal{T}, \\ r^{\text{sem}}(a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_n}) & \text{if } \alpha_i = r^{\text{syn}}(\alpha_{i_1}, \dots, \alpha_{i_n}). \end{cases}$$

Since a wff  $\alpha$  may have various  $\mathcal{R}$ -proofs with different degrees, we define the **provability degree** of a formula  $\alpha$  to be the supremum of all such values, i.e.,

$$\mathcal{C}^{\text{syn}}(\mathcal{T})(\alpha) = \bigvee \{a_m \mid w \text{ is a } \mathcal{R}\text{-proof for } \alpha \text{ in } \mathcal{T}\}.$$

In particular,  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{syn}}(\mathcal{T})(\alpha) = \mathbf{0}$  means that either  $\alpha$  does not have any  $\mathcal{R}$ -proof or that for any  $\mathcal{R}$ -proof  $w$  of  $\alpha$  the value  $a_m = \mathbf{0}$ .

A fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is **consistent** if  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{sem}}(\mathcal{T})(\mathbf{a}) = a$  for all truth constants  $\mathbf{a}$ . Any satisfiable fuzzy theory is consistent.

Completeness of Pavelka's Sentential Logic:

If  $\mathcal{T}$  is consistent, then  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{sem}}(\mathcal{T})(\alpha) = \mathcal{C}^{\text{syn}}(\mathcal{T})(\alpha)$  for any wff  $\alpha$ .

Thus, in Pavelka's Fuzzy Sentential Logic we may talk about theorems of a degree  $a$  and tautologies of a degree  $b$  for  $a, b \in L$ , and these two values coincide for any formula  $\alpha$ .

Let us now modify Pavelka approach such that  $L$  is a complete MV-algebra.

**Axioms and rules of inference** are the schemas (Ax.1) – (Ax.11) and the following

$$(Ax.12) \quad [\alpha \text{ or } (\text{not}\alpha \text{ and } \beta)] \text{ imp } [(\alpha \text{ imp } \beta) \text{ imp } \beta],$$

$$(Ax.13) \quad \mathbf{a} \text{ imp } \mathbf{b},$$

where  $\alpha, \beta$  are wffs and  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  are truth constants.

The axioms (Ax.12) obtain value  $\mathbf{1}$  in all valuations, and axioms (Ax.13), called **book-keeping axioms**, obtain a value  $a \rightarrow b$ .

**Rules of inference** are those of the original Pavelka logic and the Rule of Bold Disjunction

We need the following definitions and results to obtain **Completeness** of Complete MV-algebra valued Pavelka logic.

A fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is **consistent** if  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{sem}(\mathbf{a}) = a$  for all truth constants  $\mathbf{a}$ , otherwise it is **inconsistent**.

PROPOSITION 2 *A fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is inconsistent iff  $\mathcal{T} \vdash_1 \alpha$  holds for any wff  $\alpha$ .*

PROPOSITION 3 *A fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is inconsistent iff the following condition holds:*

*(C) There is a wff  $\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{R}$ -proofs  $w, w'$  with degrees  $a_m, b_{m'}$  for  $\alpha$  and  $\text{not}\alpha$ , respectively, such that  $\mathbf{0} < a_m \odot b_{m'}$ .*

PROPOSITION 4 *A satisfiable fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is consistent.*

PROPOSITION 5 *If  $\mathcal{T} \vdash_a \alpha$  then  $\mathcal{T} \vdash_1 (\mathbf{a} \text{ imp } \alpha)$ .*

PROPOSITION 6  *$\mathcal{T} \vdash_1 [(\alpha \text{ and } \beta) \text{ imp } \alpha]$  holds for any fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$ .*

PROPOSITION 7 *If  $\mathcal{T}$  is a consistent fuzzy theory and  $\mathcal{T} \vdash_a \alpha$ , then it holds that  $\mathcal{T} \vdash_0 (\text{not } \mathbf{a} \text{ and } \alpha)$ .*

Assume  $\mathcal{T}$  is a consistent fuzzy theory. Define

$$\alpha \equiv \beta \text{ if, and only if } \mathcal{T} \vdash_1 (\alpha \text{ imp } \beta) \text{ and } \mathcal{T} \vdash_1 (\beta \text{ imp } \alpha).$$

We obtain a congruence relation; denote the equivalence classes by  $|\alpha|$  and by  $\mathcal{F}/\equiv$  the set of all equivalence classes. Then we have

PROPOSITION 8 *Define  $|\alpha| \rightarrow |\beta| = |\alpha \text{ imp } \beta|$  and*

$$|\alpha|^* = |\text{not } \alpha|.$$

*Then  $\langle \mathcal{F}/\equiv, \rightarrow, *, |\mathbf{1}| \rangle$  is a Wajsberg algebra and, hence, an MV-algebra.*

Even more can be proved:

PROPOSITION 9 *Assume  $\mathcal{T}$  is a consistent fuzzy theory. If*

*$\mathcal{T} \vdash_a \alpha$  then  $|\alpha| = |\mathbf{a}|$  in  $\mathcal{F}/\equiv$ .*

Thus  $\mathcal{F}/\equiv$  is **completely determined** by the truth constants, which in turn are in one-to-one correspondence with the elements of  $L$ . Therefore there is an MV-isomorphism  $\kappa : (\mathcal{F}/\equiv) \rightarrow L$  given by  $\kappa(|\mathbf{a}|) = a$ , in particular  $\kappa(|\mathbf{1}|) = \mathbf{1}$ .

Let  $\pi$  be the canonical mapping  $\pi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}/\equiv$ . Then  $\kappa \circ \pi$  is the valuation in demand; if  $\mathcal{T} \vdash_a \alpha$  then  $\kappa \circ \pi(\alpha) = \kappa(|\mathbf{a}|) = a$ . In conclusion, we write

### Completeness Theorem 1

Consider complete MV-algebra valued Pavelka style fuzzy sentential logic. If a formula  $\alpha$  is provable at a degree  $a \in L$  in a consistent fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$ , then  $\alpha$  is also a tautology at a degree  $a$  i.e. its truth degree is  $a$ .



As well known, a necessary condition for Pavelka style completeness is that the truth value set is a complete MV–algebra. By Completeness Theorem 1 we have that it is also a sufficient condition, i.e. we have

### Completeness Theorem 2

Pavelka style fuzzy sentential logic is semantically complete if, and only if the set of truth values constitutes a complete MV–algebra.

All classical rules of inference have a many-valued counterpart. For example, the following are sound rules of inference.

Generalized Modus Tollendo Tollens;

$$\frac{\text{not } \beta, \alpha \text{ imp } \beta}{\text{not } \alpha} \quad , \quad \frac{a, b}{a \odot b}$$

Generalized Simplification Law 1;

$$\frac{\alpha \text{ and } \beta}{\alpha} , \frac{a}{a}$$

Generalized Simplification Law 2;

$$\frac{\alpha \text{ and } \beta}{\beta} , \frac{a}{a}$$

Generalized De Morgan Law 1;

$$\frac{(\text{not } \alpha) \text{ and } (\text{not } \beta)}{\text{not}(\alpha \text{ or } \beta)} , \frac{a}{a}$$

Generalized De Morgan Law 2;

$$\frac{\text{not}(\alpha \text{ or } \beta)}{(\text{not } \alpha) \text{ and } (\text{not } \beta)} , \frac{a}{a}$$

To illustrate the use of this logic, assume we have an  $\mathcal{L}$ -valued fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$  with the following four special axioms and truth values:

| Statement   | formally                           | truth value |
|---|------------------------------------|-------------|
| (1) If wages rise or prices rise there will be inflation                          | $(p \text{ or } q) \text{ imp } r$ | 1           |
| (2) If there will be inflation, the Government will stop it or people will suffer | $r \text{ imp } (s \text{ or } t)$ | 0.9         |
| (3) If people will suffer the Government will lose popularity                     | $t \text{ imp } w$                 | 0.8         |
| (4) The Government will not stop inflation and will not lose popularity           | $\text{not } s \text{ and not } w$ | 1           |

1° We show that  $\mathcal{T}$  is satisfiable and therefore consistent; focus on the following

| Statement                       | Atomic formula | truth value |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Wages rise                      | p              | 0.3         |
| Prices rise                     | q              | 0           |
| There will be inflation         | r              | 0.3         |
| Government will stop inflation  | s              | 0           |
| People will suffer              | t              | 0.2         |
| Government will lose popularity | w              | 0           |

By direct computation we realize that they lead to the same truth values as in the fuzzy theory  $\mathcal{T}$ .

Indeed, for example the truth value of the first special axiom  $[(p \text{ or } q) \text{ imp } r]$  is  $(0.3 \oplus 0) \rightarrow 0.3 = 1$ . Similarly for the other axioms. Thus,  $\mathcal{T}$  is satisfiable and consistent.

2° What can be said on logical grounds about the claim **wages will not rise**, formally expressed by  $\text{not } p$ ? The above consideration on the degree of tautology of  $(\text{not } p)$  is less than or equal to  $1 - 0.3 = 0.7$ . Can it be less than 0.7?

3° We prove that the degree of tautology of the wff  $(\text{not } p)$  cannot be less than 0.7, thus it is equal to 0.7.

To this end consider the following  $\mathcal{R}$  proof:

|      |                                    |     |                |
|------|------------------------------------|-----|----------------|
| (1)  | $(p \text{ or } q) \text{ imp } r$ | 1   | special axiom  |
| (2)  | $r \text{ imp } (s \text{ or } t)$ | 0.9 | special axiom  |
| (3)  | $t \text{ imp } w$                 | 0.8 | special axiom  |
| (4)  | $\text{not } s \text{ and not } w$ | 1   | special axiom  |
| (5)  | $\text{not } w$                    | 1   | (4), GS2       |
| (6)  | $\text{not } s$                    | 1   | (4), GS1       |
| (7)  | $\text{not } t$                    | 0.8 | (5), (3), GMTT |
| (8)  | $\text{not } s \text{ and not } t$ | 0.8 | (6), (7), RBC  |
| (9)  | $\text{not}(s \text{ or } t)$      | 0.8 | (8), GDeM1     |
| (10) | $\text{not } r$                    | 0.7 | (9), (2), GMTT |
| (11) | $\text{not}(p \text{ or } q)$      | 0.7 | (10), (1) GMTT |
| (12) | $\text{not } p \text{ and not } q$ | 0.7 | (11), GDeM2    |
| (13) | $\text{not } p$                    | 0.7 | (12), GS1      |

4° By completeness of  $\mathcal{T}$  we conclude

$$\mathcal{C}^{sem}(T)(\text{not } p) = \mathcal{C}^{syn}(T)(\text{not } p) = 0.7.$$

Therefore **wages will not rise** is true and provable at a degree 0.7.

Exercises.

Let the truth value set be the standard MV-algebra.

4° Show that

$$(Ax.12) \quad [\alpha \text{ or } (\text{not } \alpha \text{ and } \beta)] \text{ imp } [(\alpha \text{ imp } \beta) \text{ imp } \beta],$$

where  $\alpha, \beta$  are wffs obtain value **1** in all valuations.

5° Prove that Generalized Modus Tollendo Tollens

$$\frac{\text{not } \beta, \alpha \text{ imp } \beta}{\text{not } \alpha} \quad , \quad \frac{a, b}{a \odot b}$$

is a fuzzy rule of inference in Pavelka's sense.