

COMMENT ON AND A CHARACTERIZATION OF THE  
CONCEPT OF COMPLETE RESIDUATED LATTICE

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ABSTRACT. We prove that some properties of the definition of complete residuated lattice [2,4] can be derived from the other properties. Furthermore we prove that the concept of strictly two-sided commutative quantale [1,3] and the concept of complete residuated lattice are equivalent notions.

1. INTRODUCTION

**Definition 1.** A structure  $(L, \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, \perp, \top)$  is called a complete residuated lattice iff

- (1)  $(L, \vee, \wedge, \perp, \top)$  is a complete lattice whose greatest and least element are  $\top, \perp$  respectively,
- (2)  $(L, *, \top)$  is a commutative monoid, i.e.,
  - (a)  $*$  is a commutative and associative binary operation on  $L$ , and
  - (b)  $\forall a \in L, a * \top = \top * a = a$ ,
- (3)(a)  $*$  is isotone,
  - (b)  $\rightarrow$  is a binary operation on  $L$  which is antitone in the first and isotone in the second variable,
    - (c)  $\rightarrow$  is couple with  $*$  as:  $a * b \leq c$  iff  $a \leq b \rightarrow c \quad \forall a, b, c \in L$ .

The following proposition illustrates that the conditions (3)(a) and (3)(b) are consequences from the other conditions. Therefore conditions (3)(a) and (3)(b) should be omit from Definition 1 to be consistent.

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**Proposition 1.** The conditions (3)(a) and (3)(b) are obtained from the commutativity of  $*$  and from (3)(c).

**Proof.** Let  $a_1, a_2, b \in L$  s.t.  $a_1 \leq a_2$ .

(3)(a) Since  $a_2 * b \leq a_2 * b$ , then  $a_2 \leq b \rightarrow (a_2 * b)$  and so  $a_1 \leq b \rightarrow (a_2 * b)$ . So  $a_1 * b \leq a_2 * b$ . Since  $*$  is commutative, then  $b * a_1 \leq b * a_2$ . Hence  $*$  is isotone.

(3)(b) Since  $a_2 \rightarrow b \leq a_2 \rightarrow b$ , then  $(a_2 \rightarrow b) * a_2 \leq b$ . So,  $(a_2 \rightarrow b) * a_1 \leq b$  which implies that  $a_2 \rightarrow b \leq a_1 \rightarrow b$ , i.e.,  $\rightarrow$  is antitone in the first variable. Since  $b \rightarrow a_1 \leq b \rightarrow a_1$ , then  $(b \rightarrow a_1) * b \leq a_1 \leq a_2$ . So,  $b \rightarrow a_1 \leq b \rightarrow a_2$ , i.e.,  $\rightarrow$  is isotone in the second variable.

For the following definition we refer to [1,3].

**Definition 2.** A structure  $(L, \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, \perp, \top)$  is called a strictly two-sided commutative quantale iff

(1)  $(L, \vee, \wedge, \perp, \top)$  is a complete lattice whose greatest and least element are  $\top, \perp$  respectively,

(2)  $(L, *, \top)$  is a commutative monoid,

(3)(a)  $*$  is distributive over arbitrary joins, i.e.,  $a * \vee_{j \in J} b_j = \vee_{j \in J} (a * b_j) \forall a \in L, \forall \{b_j | j \in J\} \subseteq L$ ,

(b)  $\rightarrow$  is a binary operation on  $L$  defined by  $a \rightarrow b = \vee_{\lambda * a \leq b} \lambda \quad \forall a, b \in L$ .

**Lemma 1.** In any strictly two-sided commutative quantale  $(L, \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, \perp, \top)$ ,  $*$  is isotone.

**Proof.** Let  $a_1, a_2, b \in L$  s.t.  $a_1 \leq a_2$ . Now,  $b * a_2 = b * (a_1 \vee a_2) = (b * a_1) \vee (b * a_2)$ . Then  $b * a_1 \leq b * a_2$ . nce  $*$  is commutative, then  $a_1 * b \leq a_2 * b$ . Hence  $*$  is isotone.

**Theorem 1.** A structure  $(L, \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, \perp, \top)$  is complete residuated lattice iff it is strictly two-sided commutative quantale.

**Proof.**  $\implies$  : First, since for every  $\lambda \in L$  s.t.  $a * \lambda \leq b$  we have  $\lambda \leq a \rightarrow b$ . Then  $\vee_{\lambda * a \leq b} \lambda \leq a \rightarrow b$ . Since  $a \rightarrow b \leq a \rightarrow b$ , then  $(a \rightarrow b) * a \leq b$ . So,  $a \rightarrow b \in \{\lambda \in L | \lambda * a \leq b\}$ . Hence  $\vee_{\lambda * a \leq b} \lambda = a \rightarrow b$ .

Second, since  $*$  is isotone, then  $\vee_{j \in J} (a * b_j) \leq a * \vee_{j \in J} b_j$ . Now,  $\forall j \in J, b_j \leq a \rightarrow (a * b_j)$  which implies that  $\vee_{j \in J} b_j \leq a \rightarrow \vee_{j \in J} (a * b_j)$ . Thus  $a * \vee_{j \in J} b_j \leq \vee_{j \in J} (a * b_j)$ . Hence  $a * \vee_{j \in J} b_j = \vee_{j \in J} (a * b_j)$ .

$\impliedby$  : Let  $a * b \leq c$ . Then  $b \rightarrow c = \vee_{\lambda * b \leq c} \lambda \geq a$ . Conversely, let  $a \leq b \rightarrow c$ . Then,  $a \leq \vee_{\lambda * b \leq c} \lambda$ . So from Lemma 1,  $a * b \leq (\vee_{\lambda * b \leq c} \lambda) * b = \vee_{\lambda * b \leq c} (\lambda * b) \leq c$ .

**Definition 3** [1]. A structure  $(L, \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, \perp, \top)$  is called a complete MV- algebra iff the following conditions are satisfied:

(1)  $(L, \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, \perp, \top)$  is a strictly two-sided commutative quantale;

(2)  $\forall a, b \in L, (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b = a \vee b$ .

**Corollary 1.**  $(L, \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, \perp, \top)$  is a complete MV- algebra iff  $(L, \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, \perp, \top)$  is a complete residuated lattice satisfies the additinal property  
(MV)  $(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b = a \vee b \quad \forall a, b \in L.$

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