

# On the Forcing Semantics for Monoidal $t$ -norm Based Logic<sup>1</sup>

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**Abstract:** *MTL*-algebras are algebraic structures for the Esteva-Godo monoidal  $t$ -norm based logic (*MTL*), a many-valued propositional calculus that formalizes the structure of the real interval  $[0, 1]$ , induced by a left-continuous  $t$ -norm. Given a complete *MTL*-algebra  $\mathcal{X}$ , we define the weak forcing value  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and the forcing value  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$ , for any formula  $\varphi$  of *MTL* in  $\mathcal{X}$ . We establish some arithmetical properties of  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}}$ , and prove the equality  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}} = \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$ , where  $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$  is the truth value of  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

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## 1 Introduction

In many cases, the approximate reasoning operates with a conjunction which generalize the one in the classical logic. The triangular norm ( $t$ -norm) is a good candidate for modelling this kind of conjunction [Bělohlavek 2002, Gottwald 2005, Klement et.al. 2000].

The structure defined by a continuous  $t$ -norm on the interval  $[0, 1]$  constitutes the base for Hajek's Basic Logic (*BL*) [Hájek 1998a, Hájek 1998b] and for *BL*-algebras, the structures canonically associated to *BL* [Hájek and Ševčík 2004, Cintula and Hájek 2006].

More generally, the Esteva-Godo logic *MTL* and *MTL*-algebras correspond to the left-continuous  $t$ -norms and their residua [Esteva and Godo 2001]. The completeness theorems for *MTL* (and for the derived logical systems) concerns with the usual algebraic semantic [Esteva et.al. 2002]. Another kind of semantics for *MTL* (named Kripke semantics) are discussed in [Montagna and Ono 2002,

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Montagna and Sacchetti 2004]. The Kripke semantics for  $MTL$  are based on the notion of  $r$ -forcing.

The concept of truth value is the usual way to evaluate the formulas of  $MTL$ . For a formula  $\varphi$  of  $MTL$ , the truth value  $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$  of  $\varphi$  is defined in an  $MTL$ -algebra  $\mathcal{X}$ .

In this paper we shall adopt an alternative point of view: for any formula  $\varphi$  of  $MTL$  and for any complete  $MTL$ -algebra  $\mathcal{X}$ , we define the weak forcing value  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and the forcing value  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$  of  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ . These two semantics correspond to the notions of forcing and  $r$ -forcing studied in [Montagna and Ono 2002, Montagna and Sacchetti 2004]. Thus, instead of talking about "the formula  $\varphi$  is valid in a Kripke model", we calculate  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  or  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$ .

Section 2 contains some basic notions and results on residuated lattices and  $MTL$ -algebras. Some elements of syntax and semantic of  $MTL$  are recalled in Section 3.

In Section 4 we establish a lot of properties regarding the behaviour of the weak forcing value w.r.t. some types of formulas of  $MTL$ . In Section 5 we continue to study the behaviour of  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  w.r.t. some formulas of  $MTL$  (especially the axioms of  $MTL$ ) and compare the truth value semantics with the weak forcing semantic.

The main result of this paper (Theorem 19) shows that  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}} = \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$ , for any formula  $\varphi$  of  $MTL$  and for any complete  $MTL$ -algebra  $\mathcal{X}$ . The equality  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}} = \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{X}}$  improves the relationship between Kripke-style semantic and algebraic semantic studied in [Montagna and Ono 2002, Montagna and Sacchetti 2004].

Section 7 contains some suggestions for further research on  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}}$  in the framework of predicate logic  $MTL\forall$  and of some non-commutative fuzzy logics associated to  $MTL$  and  $MTL\forall$ .

## 2 $MTL$ -algebras

A *residuated lattice* is a structure  $\mathcal{A} = (A, \vee, \wedge, \cdot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$  equipped with an order  $\leq$  satisfying the following:

- i)  $(A, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$  is a bounded lattice;
- ii)  $(A, \cdot, 1)$  is a commutative monoid;
- iii) For any  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $a \cdot b \leq c$  iff  $a \leq b \rightarrow c$ .

We shall write  $ab$  instead of  $a \cdot b$ .

In a residuated lattice  $\mathcal{A}$ , the *negation*  $\bar{\cdot}$  is introduced by  $\bar{a} = a \rightarrow 0$ , for any  $a \in A$ .

**Lemma 1.** [Bělohávek 2002] *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a residuated lattice. Then, for all  $a, b, c \in A$ , the following hold:*

- (1)  $a \leq b$  iff  $a \rightarrow b = 1$ ;
- (2)  $a \cdot 0 = 0$ ;
- (3)  $1 \rightarrow a = a$ ;
- (4)  $ab \leq a$ ;
- (5)  $a(a \rightarrow b) \leq b$ ;
- (6)  $a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c) = b \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c) = ab \rightarrow c$ ;
- (7) If  $b \leq c$ , then  $a \rightarrow b \leq a \rightarrow c$  and  $c \rightarrow a \leq b \rightarrow a$ ;
- (8) If  $a \leq b$ , then  $ac \leq bc$ ;
- (9)  $a \rightarrow a = 1$ .

**Lemma 2.** [Bělohávek 2002] Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a residuated lattice. Then, for all elements  $a \in A$  and  $\{a_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq A$ , the following hold:

- (1)  $(\bigvee_{i \in I} a_i) \rightarrow a = \bigwedge_{i \in I} (a_i \rightarrow a)$ ;
- (2)  $a \rightarrow (\bigwedge_{i \in I} a_i) = \bigwedge_{i \in I} (a \rightarrow a_i)$ ;
- (3)  $a(\bigvee_{i \in I} a_i) = \bigvee_{i \in I} aa_i$ ;
- (4)  $\bigvee_{i \in I} (a \rightarrow a_i) \leq a \rightarrow (\bigvee_{i \in I} a_i)$ ;
- (5)  $\bigvee_{i \in I} (a_i \rightarrow a) \leq (\bigwedge_{i \in I} a_i) \rightarrow a$ .

An *MTL-algebra* [Esteva and Godo 2001] is a residuated lattice  $\mathcal{A}$  such that, for all  $a, b \in A$ , we have

$$(iv) (a \rightarrow b) \vee (b \rightarrow a) = 1.$$

*Example.* A *t-norm* is a binary operation  $*$  on the interval  $[0, 1]$  which is associative, commutative, non-decreasing in the both arguments and the identity  $a * 1 = a$  holds. If  $*$  is a left-continuous *t-norm*, then  $([0, 1], \vee, \wedge, *, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$  is an *MTL-algebra*, where the residuum operation  $\rightarrow$  on  $[0, 1]$  is defined by

$$a \rightarrow b = \bigvee \{c \mid a * c \leq b\}.$$

This structure will be called a *standard MTL-algebra*.

Any totally-ordered residuated lattice  $\mathcal{A}$  is an *MTL-algebra*. In this case,  $\mathcal{A}$  will be called an *MTL-chain*. By [Cintula and Hájek 2006], any *MTL-algebra* is isomorphic to a subdirect product of *MTL-chains*.

**Lemma 3.** ([Bělohávek 2002], Theorem 2.34) *If  $\mathcal{A}$  is a residuated lattice, then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\mathcal{A}$  is an *MTL*-algebra;
- (ii) For all  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $a \rightarrow (b \vee c) = (a \rightarrow b) \vee (a \rightarrow c)$ ;
- (iii) For all  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $(b \wedge c) \rightarrow a = (b \rightarrow a) \vee (c \rightarrow a)$ .

### 3 Monoidal $t$ -norm based logic

In this section we shall recall some basic notions of the monoidal  $t$ -norm based logic (*MTL*) (see [Esteva and Godo 2001, Esteva et.al. 2002]).

The language of *MTL* has the following primitive symbols:

- denumerable many propositional variables ( $V$  will denote the set of propositional variables);
- the connectives  $\vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow$ ;
- the symbol  $\perp$ ;
- the parenthesis  $(, )$ .

The set *Form* of formulas of *MTL* is defined as usual. Let us denote  $\top = 1 \rightarrow \perp$ . We list the axioms of *MTL*:

- (A1)  $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow ((\psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi))$ ;
- (A2)  $\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \psi$ ;
- (A3)  $\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \psi \odot \varphi$ ;
- (A4)  $\varphi \wedge \psi \rightarrow \varphi$ ;
- (A5)  $\varphi \wedge \psi \rightarrow \psi \wedge \varphi$ ;
- (A6)  $\varphi \odot (\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\varphi \wedge \psi)$ ;
- (A7)  $(\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow ((\varphi \odot \psi) \rightarrow \chi)$ ;
- (A8)  $((\varphi \odot \psi) \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi))$ ;
- (A9)  $(\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow (((\psi \rightarrow \varphi) \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow \chi)$ ;
- (A10)  $\perp \rightarrow \varphi$ .

Modus-ponens is the only rule of inference of *MTL*:  $\frac{\varphi, \varphi \rightarrow \psi}{\psi}$ .

The notion of provable formula is defined as usual. We denote by  $\vdash \varphi$  that the formula  $\varphi$  is provable in *MTL*.

Let  $\Sigma$  be a subset of the set of axioms (A1)-(A10). If  $\varphi$  is a formula of *MTL*, then we denote by  $\vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$  that  $\varphi$  can be derived from  $\Sigma$  by using modus-ponens; if  $\Sigma$  is the set of all axioms (A1)-(A10), then  $\vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$  means that  $\vdash \varphi$ .

Let  $\mathcal{X} = (X, \vee, \wedge, \cdot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$  be an *MTL*-algebra. An *evaluation* of *MTL* in  $\mathcal{X}$  is a function  $e : V \rightarrow X$ . Any evaluation  $e : V \rightarrow X$  can be uniquely extended to a function  $\hat{e} : Form \rightarrow X$  with the property that for all  $\varphi, \psi \in Form$  we have:

- (a)  $\hat{e}(\varphi) = e(\varphi)$ , if  $\varphi \in V$ ;
- (b)  $\hat{e}(\perp) = 0$ ;
- (c)  $\hat{e}(\varphi \vee \psi) = \hat{e}(\varphi) \vee \hat{e}(\psi)$ ;
- (d)  $\hat{e}(\varphi \wedge \psi) = \hat{e}(\varphi) \wedge \hat{e}(\psi)$ ;
- (e)  $\hat{e}(\varphi \odot \psi) = \hat{e}(\varphi) \cdot \hat{e}(\psi)$ ;
- (f)  $\hat{e}(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) = \hat{e}(\varphi) \rightarrow \hat{e}(\psi)$ .

The *truth value*  $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$  of a formula  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$  is defined by:

$$\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}} = \bigwedge \{ \hat{e}(\varphi) \mid e \text{ is an evaluation in } \mathcal{X} \}.$$

#### 4 Weak forcing value of a formula of *MTL*

In this section we shall define the weak forcing value  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  of a formula  $\varphi$  of *MTL* in a complete *MTL*-algebra  $\mathcal{X}$ . Besides the truth value  $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$  of  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  constitutes an alternative to evaluate the formula  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ . The weak forcing value is a refinement of the notion of validity in a Kripke model (in the sense of [Montagna and Ono 2002, Montagna and Sacchetti 2004]).

We fix a complete *MTL*-algebra  $\mathcal{X} = (X, \vee, \wedge, \cdot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ .

**Definition 4.** An  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property is a function

$$f : (V \cup \{\perp\}) \times X \rightarrow X$$

such that the following conditions hold:

- (i) If  $\varphi \in V$  and  $x, y \in X$ , then  $x \leq y$  implies  $f(\varphi, y) \leq f(\varphi, x)$ ;
- (ii)  $f(\perp, 1) = 0$ .

**Definition 5.** Let  $f$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property. For any  $\varphi \in Form$  and  $x \in X$ , we define, by induction, the element  $[\varphi]_x^f$  of  $X$  :

- (1)  $[\varphi]_x^f = f(\varphi, x)$ , if  $\varphi \in V$ ;
- (2)  $[\perp]_x^f = \bar{x}$ ;
- (3) If  $\varphi = \alpha \vee \beta$ , then  $[\varphi]_x^f = [\alpha]_x^f \vee [\beta]_x^f$ ;
- (4) If  $\varphi = \alpha \wedge \beta$ , then  $[\varphi]_x^f = [\alpha]_x^f \wedge [\beta]_x^f$ ;
- (5) If  $\varphi = \alpha \odot \beta$ , then  $[\varphi]_x^f = \bigvee_{y,z \in X} ((x \rightarrow yz) [\alpha]_y^f [\beta]_z^f)$ ;
- (6) If  $\varphi = \alpha \rightarrow \beta$ , then  $[\varphi]_x^f = \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\alpha]_y^f \rightarrow [\beta]_{xy}^f)$ .

For simplicity, we shall usually write  $[\varphi]_x$  instead of  $[\varphi]_x^f$ .

**Definition 6.** The **weak forcing value**  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  of a formula  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$  is defined by

$$|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}} = \bigwedge \{ [\varphi]_1^f \mid f \text{ is an } \mathcal{X}\text{-valued weak forcing property} \}.$$

**Lemma 7.** Let  $f$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property. For any formula  $\varphi$  of MTL and  $y \leq x$  in  $X$ , we have  $[\varphi]_x \leq [\varphi]_y$ .

*Proof.* We proceed by induction on the complexity of  $\varphi$ . We treat only the case  $\varphi = \alpha \rightarrow \beta$ . If  $y \leq x$ , then  $yz \leq xz$ , hence, by induction hypothesis, we have  $[\beta]_{xz} \leq [\beta]_{yz}$ , for all  $z \in X$ . Then, by Lemma 1, (7), we get

$$[\varphi]_x = \bigwedge_{z \in X} ([\alpha]_z \rightarrow [\beta]_{xz}) \leq \bigwedge_{z \in X} ([\alpha]_z \rightarrow [\beta]_{yz}) = [\varphi]_y.$$

*Remark.* By Lemma 7,  $[\varphi]_1 \leq [\varphi]_x$ , for any  $x \in X$ .

In what follows, we emphasize the behaviour of  $[\cdot]^f$  and  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  w.r.t. some formulas of MTL.

**Proposition 8.** Let  $f$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property. For all formulas  $\varphi, \psi, \chi$  of MTL and  $x, y, a, b, c, p, q, t \in X$ , the following hold:

- (1)  $[\varphi \rightarrow \varphi]_x = 1$ ;
- (2)  $[\top]_x = 1$ ;
- (3)  $[\psi]_x \leq [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x$ ;
- (4)  $[\varphi]_x \cdot [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_y \leq [\psi]_{xy}$ ;
- (5)  $[\varphi]_x \cdot [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \leq [\psi]_{x^2}$ ;
- (6)  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_a \cdot [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_b \leq [\varphi]_c \rightarrow [\chi]_{abc}$ ;
- (7)  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \leq [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_y \rightarrow [\varphi \rightarrow \chi]_{xy}$ ;
- (8)  $[\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)]_x = \bigwedge_{u,v \in X} ([\varphi]_u [\psi]_v \rightarrow [\chi]_{xuv})$ ;

- (9)  $[\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \chi]_x = \bigwedge_{p,q,t \in X} ((t \rightarrow pq) [\varphi]_p [\psi]_q \rightarrow [\chi]_{tx});$   
(10)  $[\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)]_x = [\psi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)]_x;$   
(11)  $[(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow ((\psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi))]_x = 1;$   
(12)  $[(\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi))]_x = 1;$   
(13)  $[\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \chi]_x \leq [\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)]_x;$   
(14)  $[(\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi))]_x = 1;$   
(15)  $[(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \wedge (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)]_x = [\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \wedge \chi)]_x;$   
(16)  $[\varphi \odot (\psi \vee \chi)]_x = [(\varphi \odot \psi) \vee (\varphi \odot \chi)]_x.$

*Proof.*

(1) By Lemma 7,  $[\varphi \rightarrow \varphi]_x \geq [\varphi \rightarrow \varphi]_1 = \bigwedge_{u \in X} ([\varphi]_u \rightarrow [\varphi]_u) = 1.$

(2) Since  $\top$  is  $\perp \rightarrow \perp$ , by (1) we obtain  $[\top]_x = 1.$

(3) By Lemma 1, (4), and Lemma 7,  $[\psi]_x \leq [\psi]_{ux}$ , for each  $u \in X$ . Then, by Lemma 1, (1), (7),  $[\psi]_x \leq [\varphi]_u \rightarrow [\psi]_x \leq [\varphi]_u \rightarrow [\psi]_{ux}$  for each  $u \in X$ . Hence  $[\psi]_x \leq \bigwedge_{u \in X} ([\varphi]_u \rightarrow [\psi]_{ux}) = [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x.$

(4) According to Lemma 1, (5), we have

$$[\varphi]_x \cdot [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_y = [\varphi]_x \cdot \bigwedge_{u \in X} ([\varphi]_u \rightarrow [\psi]_{yu}) \leq [\varphi]_x \cdot ([\varphi]_x \rightarrow [\psi]_{xy}) \leq [\psi]_{xy}.$$

(5) By (4).

(6) Using (4), we have  $[\varphi]_c \cdot [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_a \cdot [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_b \leq [\psi]_{ac} \cdot [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_b \leq [\chi]_{abc}$ , so, the inequality  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_a \cdot [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_b \leq [\varphi]_c \rightarrow [\chi]_{abc}$  follows.

(7) According to (6), for each  $u \in X$  we have  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \cdot [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_y \leq [\varphi]_u \rightarrow [\chi]_{uxy}$ , so  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \cdot [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_y \leq \bigwedge_{u \in X} ([\varphi]_u \rightarrow [\chi]_{uxy}) = [\varphi \rightarrow \chi]_{xy}$ . Hence  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \leq [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_y \rightarrow [\varphi \rightarrow \chi]_{xy}.$

(8) Applying the clause (6) of Definition 5, Lemma 2, (2), and Lemma 1, (6), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)]_x &= \bigwedge_{u \in X} ([\varphi]_u \rightarrow [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_{xu}) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{u \in X} ([\varphi]_u \rightarrow \bigwedge_{v \in X} ([\psi]_v \rightarrow [\chi]_{xuv})) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{u,v \in X} ([\varphi]_u [\psi]_v \rightarrow [\chi]_{xuv}). \end{aligned}$$

(9) We apply the clauses (6) and (5) of Definition 5 and Lemma 2, (1), and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \chi]_x &= \bigwedge_{t \in X} ([\varphi \odot \psi]_t \rightarrow [\chi]_{tx}) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{t \in X} ((\bigvee_{p,q \in X} (t \rightarrow pq) [\varphi]_p [\psi]_q) \rightarrow [\chi]_{tx}) = \end{aligned}$$

$$= \bigwedge_{p,q,t \in X} ((t \rightarrow pq)[\varphi]_p [\psi]_q \rightarrow [\chi]_{tx}).$$

(10) By (8).

(11) By (8), Lemma 7 and (6) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} [(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow ((\psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi))]_x &= \\ &= \bigwedge_{u,v \in X} ([\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_u [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_v \rightarrow \bigwedge_{w \in X} ([\varphi]_w \rightarrow [\chi]_{xuvw})) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{u,v,w \in X} ([\varphi]_w [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_u [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_v \rightarrow [\chi]_{xuvw}) \geq \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{u,v,w \in X} ([\varphi]_w [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_u [\psi \rightarrow \chi]_v \rightarrow [\chi]_{uvw}) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

(12) Applying Lemma 7 and (10), we get

$$\begin{aligned} [(\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi))]_x &= \\ &= \bigwedge_{u \in X} ([\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)]_u \rightarrow [\psi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)]_{ux}) \geq \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{u \in X} ([\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)]_u \rightarrow [\psi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)]_u) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

(13) Let  $u, v \in X$ . By (9),  $[\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \chi]_x \leq [\varphi]_u [\psi]_v \rightarrow [\chi]_{xuv}$ , hence, by (8), we get  $[\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \chi]_x \leq \bigwedge_{u,v \in X} ([\varphi]_u [\psi]_v \rightarrow [\chi]_{xuv}) = [\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)]_x$ .

(14) Similar to (12).

(15) We have the following

$$\begin{aligned} [(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \wedge (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)]_x &= [\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \wedge [\varphi \rightarrow \chi]_x = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\varphi]_y \rightarrow [\psi]_{xy}) \wedge \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\varphi]_y \rightarrow [\chi]_{xy}) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (([\varphi]_y \rightarrow [\psi]_{xy}) \wedge ([\varphi]_y \rightarrow [\chi]_{xy})) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\varphi]_y \rightarrow ([\psi]_{xy} \wedge [\chi]_{xy})) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\varphi]_y \rightarrow [\psi \wedge \chi]_{xy}) = \\ &= [\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \wedge \chi)]_x. \end{aligned}$$

(16) We can write

$$\begin{aligned} [(\varphi \odot \psi) \vee (\varphi \odot \chi)]_x &= [\varphi \odot \psi]_x \vee [\varphi \odot \chi]_x = \\ &= (\bigvee_{y,z \in X} (x \rightarrow yz)[\varphi]_y [\psi]_z) \vee (\bigvee_{y,z \in X} (x \rightarrow yz)[\varphi]_y [\chi]_z) = \\ &= \bigvee_{y,z \in X} (((x \rightarrow yz)[\varphi]_y [\psi]_z) \vee ((x \rightarrow yz)[\varphi]_y [\chi]_z)) = \\ &= \bigvee_{y \in X} (x \rightarrow yz)[\varphi]_y ([\psi]_z \vee [\chi]_z) = \\ &= \bigvee_{y,z \in X} (x \rightarrow yz) [\varphi]_y [\psi \vee \chi]_z = [\varphi \odot (\psi \vee \chi)]_x. \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 9.** For any formulas  $\varphi$ ,  $\psi$  and  $\chi$  of MTL, the following hold:

- (1)  $|\varphi \rightarrow \varphi|_{\mathcal{X}} = 1$ ;
- (2)  $|\top|_{\mathcal{X}} = 1$ ;
- (3)  $|\psi|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq |\varphi \rightarrow \psi|_{\mathcal{X}}$ ;
- (4)  $|\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)|_{\mathcal{X}} = |\psi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)|_{\mathcal{X}}$ ;
- (5)  $|(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow ((\psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi))|_{\mathcal{X}} = 1$ ;
- (6)  $|(\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi))|_{\mathcal{X}} = 1$ ;



$$(7) |(\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi))|_{\mathcal{X}} = 1.$$

**Corollary 10.** *If  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}} = |\varphi \rightarrow \psi|_{\mathcal{X}} = 1$ , then  $|\psi|_{\mathcal{X}} = 1$ .*

*Remark.* Assume that  $\Sigma$  is the set of axioms (A1), (A3), (A4), (A8), (A10) and  $\varphi$  is a formula of MTL. By Corollaries 9 and 10, if  $\vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$ , then  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}} = 1$ .

**Proposition 11.** *Let  $f$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property. For any formula  $\varphi$  of MTL and  $x, y \in X$ , we have:*

- (1)  $[\neg\varphi]_x = \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy[\varphi]_y)^{-} = x \rightarrow \bigwedge_{y \in X} (y[\varphi]_y)^{-}$ ;
- (2)  $xy[\neg\varphi]_x[\varphi]_y = 0$ ;
- (3)  $[\varphi]_x \leq [\neg\neg\varphi]_x$ ;
- (4)  $[\neg\varphi]_x = [\neg\neg\neg\varphi]_x$ ;
- (5)  $[\neg(\varphi \vee \psi)]_x = [\neg\varphi \wedge \neg\psi]_x$ ;
- (6)  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \leq [\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi]_x$ ;
- (7)  $[\varphi \rightarrow \neg\psi]_x \leq [\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi]_x$ ;
- (8)  $x[\varphi \odot \neg\varphi]_x = 0$ ;
- (9)  $[\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \odot \neg\psi)]_x \leq [\neg\varphi]_x$ .

*Proof.*

$$(1) [\neg\varphi]_x = \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\varphi]_y \rightarrow [\perp]_{xy}) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\varphi]_y \rightarrow \overline{xy}) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy[\varphi]_y)^{-}.$$

In a similar way we get  $[\neg\varphi]_x = x \rightarrow \bigwedge_{y \in X} (y[\varphi]_y)^{-}$ .

$$(2) \text{ By (1), for any } y \in X, \text{ we have } [\neg\varphi]_x \leq (xy[\varphi]_y)^{-}, \text{ hence } xy[\neg\varphi]_x[\varphi]_y = 0.$$

$$(3) \text{ Let } y \in X. \text{ By (2), } xy[\varphi]_x[\neg\varphi]_y = 0, \text{ hence } x[\varphi]_x \leq (y[\neg\varphi]_y)^{-}.$$

Thus  $x[\varphi]_x \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} (y[\neg\varphi]_y)^{-}$ , so  $[\varphi]_x \leq x \rightarrow \bigwedge_{y \in X} (y[\neg\varphi]_y)^{-} = [\neg\neg\varphi]_x$ .

(4) Let  $y \in X$ . By (3) and (2) we get  $xy[\varphi]_y[\neg\neg\neg\varphi]_x \leq xy[\neg\neg\varphi]_y[\neg\neg\neg\varphi]_x = 0$ , therefore  $x[\neg\neg\neg\varphi]_x \leq (y[\varphi]_y)^{-}$ . Thus  $x[\neg\neg\neg\varphi]_x \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} (y[\varphi]_y)^{-}$ , hence  $[\neg\neg\neg\varphi]_x \leq x \rightarrow \bigwedge_{y \in X} (y[\varphi]_y)^{-} = [\neg\varphi]_x$ . The converse implication follows by (3).

(5) We have

$$\begin{aligned} [\neg\varphi \wedge \neg\psi]_x &= [\neg\varphi]_x \wedge [\neg\psi]_x = \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy[\varphi]_y)^{-} \wedge \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy[\psi]_y)^{-} = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((xy[\varphi]_y)^{-} \wedge (xy[\psi]_y)^{-}) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy[\varphi]_y \vee xy[\psi]_y)^{-} = \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy([\varphi]_y \vee [\psi]_y)^{-}) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy[\varphi \vee \psi]_y)^{-} = [\neg(\varphi \wedge \psi)]_x. \end{aligned}$$

(6) Let  $y, z \in X$ . According to Proposition 8, (4),  $[\varphi]_y[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \leq [\psi]_{xy}$ , hence, by (3), we get  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \cdot [\neg\psi]_z \cdot xyz \cdot [\varphi]_y \leq xyz \cdot [\psi]_{xy}[\neg\psi]_z = 0$ . Then, for each  $y \in X$ , we have  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x[\neg\psi]_z \leq (xyz[\varphi]_y)^-$ , therefore  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x[\neg\psi]_z \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xyz[\varphi]_y)^- = [\neg\varphi]_{xz}$ .

It follows that  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \leq [\neg\psi]_z \rightarrow [\neg\varphi]_{xz}$ . This last inequality holds for each  $z \in X$ , therefore  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_x \leq \bigwedge_{z \in X} ([\neg\psi]_z \rightarrow [\neg\varphi]_{xz}) = [\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi]_x$ .

(7) Similar to (6).

(8) According to Definition 5, (5), and the previous equality (2), one obtains  $x[\varphi \odot \neg\varphi]_x = x \bigvee_{y, z \in X} (x \rightarrow yz)[\varphi]_y[\neg\varphi]_z = \bigvee_{y, z \in X} x(x \rightarrow yz)[\varphi]_y[\neg\varphi]_z \leq \bigvee_{y, z \in X} yz[\varphi]_y[\neg\varphi]_z = 0$ .

(9) Let  $y \in X$ . By Proposition 8, (4), and the previous equality (8), we get  $[\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \odot \neg\psi)]_x \cdot xy[\varphi]_y \leq xy[\psi \odot \neg\psi]_{xy} = 0$ . Thus  $[\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \odot \neg\psi)]_x \leq (xy[\varphi]_y)^-$ , for any  $y \in X$ , hence  $[\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \odot \neg\psi)]_x \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy[\varphi]_y)^- = [\neg\varphi]_x$ .

## 5 The behaviour of $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$ w.r.t. some formulas of *MTL*

In this section we will compare the two kinds of semantics: truth value and weak forcing. A formula  $\varphi$  of *MTL* is valid in the weak forcing semantic iff  $[\varphi]_1^f = 1$ , for any  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property.

In the following we will analyze the behaviour of  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  w.r.t. the axioms of *MTL* and some other formulas. We will prove that some axioms are valid via the new kind of semantics, while others are not valid (in this latter case we will provide a counterexample of a weak forcing property  $f$  for which  $[\varphi]_1^f \neq 1$ ).

This analysis is very important in providing the similarities and the differences between the two semantics  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{X}}$ .

(A1)  $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow ((\psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi))$

By Corollary 9, (5), this axiom is valid w.r.t. the weak forcing semantic.

(A2)  $\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \psi$

Let us consider  $\mathcal{X} = L_3 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$  with the canonical structure of *MV*<sub>3</sub>-algebra <sup>2</sup>.

<sup>2</sup> An *MV*-algebra is a structure  $(A, \oplus, \odot, ^-, 0, 1)$ , where  $\oplus$  and  $\odot$  are binary operations,

$^-$  is unary and 0,1 are constants, satisfying the following axioms:

a)  $(A, \oplus, 0)$  and  $(A, \odot, 1)$  are commutative monoids,

b)  $x \odot 0 = 0$  and  $x \oplus 1 = 1$ , for any  $x \in A$ ,

c)  $x^{--} = x$ , for any  $x \in A$ ,

Let us consider  $p, q \in V$  (some propositional variables) and the weak forcing property  $f$  which has the following behaviour w.r.t.  $p$  and  $q$ :

$f$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
$p$	1	1	1
$q$	1	1	0

We have the followings:

$$[p \odot q]_0^f = \bigvee_{y, z \in L_3} \cdot f(p, y) \cdot f(q, z) = 1$$

$$[p \odot q]_{\frac{1}{2}}^f = \bigvee_{y, z \in L_3} (\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow yz) \cdot f(p, y) \cdot f(q, z) = 1$$

$$[p \odot q]_1^f = \bigvee_{y, z \in L_3} (1 \rightarrow yz) \cdot f(p, y) \cdot f(q, z) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$[p \odot q \rightarrow q]_1^f = \bigwedge_{x \in L_3} ([p \odot q]_x^f \rightarrow f(q, x)) = (1 \rightarrow 1) \wedge (1 \rightarrow 1) \wedge (\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus  $[p \odot q \rightarrow q]_1^f = \frac{1}{2} \neq 1$  which prove that (A2) is not valid w.r.t. the new semantics.

(A3)  $\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \psi \odot \varphi$

Let  $f$  be a weak forcing property. Using Lemma 1, (9), we get:

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi \odot \psi \rightarrow \psi \odot \varphi]_1^f &= \bigwedge_{t \in L_3} ([\varphi \odot \psi]_t^f \rightarrow [\psi \odot \varphi]_t^f) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{t \in L_3} [(\bigvee_{y, z \in L_3} (t \rightarrow yz) [\varphi]_y^f [\psi]_z^f) \rightarrow (\bigvee_{y, z \in L_3} (t \rightarrow yz) [\varphi]_y^f [\psi]_z^f)] = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the axiom is valid w.r.t. the weak forcing semantic.

(A4)  $\varphi \wedge \psi \rightarrow \varphi$

Let  $f$  be a weak forcing property.

By Lemma 3, (3), and Lemma 1, (9), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi \wedge \psi \rightarrow \varphi]_1^f &= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} ([\varphi \wedge \psi]_y^f \rightarrow [\varphi]_y^f) = \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} (([\varphi]_y^f \wedge [\psi]_y^f) \rightarrow [\varphi]_y^f) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} (([\varphi]_y^f \rightarrow [\varphi]_y^f) \vee ([\psi]_y^f \rightarrow [\varphi]_y^f)) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} (1 \vee ([\psi]_y^f \rightarrow [\varphi]_y^f)) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore this axiom is valid in the new semantics.

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d)  $(x \oplus y)^- = x^- \odot y^-$ , for any  $x, y \in A$ ,

e)  $(x \odot y^-) \oplus y = (y \odot x^-) \oplus x$ , for any  $x, y \in A$ .

An  $MV_3$ -algebra is an  $MV$ -algebra with the property  $x \oplus x \oplus x = x \oplus x$ .

Any  $MV$ -algebra is an  $MTL$ -algebra, where the implication is given by  $x \rightarrow y = \bar{x} \oplus y$ .

(A5)  $\varphi \wedge \psi \rightarrow \psi \wedge \varphi$ 

Let  $f$  be a weak forcing property. Using Lemma 3, (3), Lemma 2, (2), and the definition of an  $MTL$ -algebra, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
[\varphi \wedge \psi \rightarrow \psi \wedge \varphi]_1^f &= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} ([\varphi \wedge \psi]_y^f \rightarrow [\psi \wedge \varphi]_y^f) = \\
&= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} (([\varphi]_y^f \wedge [\psi]_y^f) \rightarrow ([\psi]_y^f \wedge [\varphi]_y^f)) = \\
&= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} ([\varphi]_y^f \rightarrow ([\psi]_y^f \wedge [\varphi]_y^f)) \vee ([\psi]_y^f \rightarrow ([\varphi]_y^f \wedge [\psi]_y^f)) = \\
&= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} ((([\varphi]_y^f \rightarrow [\psi]_y^f) \wedge ([\varphi]_y^f \rightarrow [\varphi]_y^f)) \vee (([\psi]_y^f \rightarrow [\varphi]_y^f) \wedge ([\psi]_y^f \rightarrow [\psi]_y^f))) = \\
&= \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\varphi]_y^f \rightarrow [\psi]_y^f) \vee ([\psi]_y^f \rightarrow [\varphi]_y^f) = 1
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore this axiom is valid w.r.t. the weak forcing semantic.

(A6)  $\varphi \odot (\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ 

Let us consider  $\mathcal{X} = L_3 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$  with the canonical structure of  $MV_3$ -algebra and let  $p, q \in V$  and  $f$  be a weak forcing property which has the following behaviour w.r.t.  $p, q$ :

f	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
p	1	1	1
q	1	1	0

Because  $[p \rightarrow q]_x^f = \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} f(p, y) \rightarrow f(q, x \cdot y)$ , we obtain  $[p \rightarrow q]_0^f = 1$ ,  $[p \rightarrow q]_{\frac{1}{2}}^f = 1$  and  $[p \rightarrow q]_1^f = 0$ .

We also have the followings:

$$\begin{aligned}
[p \odot (p \rightarrow q)]_0^f &= \bigvee_{t, z \in L_3} f(p, t) \cdot [p \rightarrow q]_z^f = 1 \\
[p \odot (p \rightarrow q)]_{\frac{1}{2}}^f &= \bigvee_{t, z \in L_3} (\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow tz) \cdot f(p, t) \cdot [p \rightarrow q]_z^f = 1 \\
[p \odot (p \rightarrow q)]_1^f &= \bigvee_{t, z \in L_3} (1 \rightarrow tz) \cdot f(p, t) \cdot [p \rightarrow q]_z^f = \frac{1}{2} \\
[p \odot (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)]_1^f &= \bigwedge_{x \in L_3} ([p \odot (p \rightarrow q)]_x^f \rightarrow [p \wedge q]_x^f) = \\
&= \bigwedge_{x \in L_3} ([p \odot (p \rightarrow q)]_x^f \rightarrow (f(p, x) \wedge f(q, x))) = \\
&= [1 \rightarrow (1 \wedge 1)] \wedge [1 \rightarrow (1 \wedge 1)] \wedge [\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow (1 \wedge 0)] = 1 \wedge 1 \wedge \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $[p \odot (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)]_1^f = \frac{1}{2} \neq 1$ . This prove that axiom (A6) is not valid w.r.t. the weak forcing semantic.

(A7)  $(\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow ((\varphi \odot \psi) \rightarrow \chi)$ 

From [Iorgulescu 2004], the set  $A = \{0, a, b, c, d, 1\}$  is organized as a lattice as in Figure 1 and as an  $MTL$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  with the operation  $\rightarrow$  and  $\odot$  as in the following tables:

$\rightarrow$	0 a b c d 1
0	1 1 1 1 1 1
a	d 1 1 1 1 1
b	a a 1 1 1 1
c	0 a d 1 d 1
d	a a c c 1 1
1	0 a b c d 1

$\odot$	0 a b c d 1
0	0 0 0 0 0 0
a	0 0 0 a 0 a
b	0 0 b b b b
c	0 a b c b c
d	0 0 b b d d
1	0 a b c d 1

Let us consider  $p, q, r \in V$  and  $f$  a weak forcing property with the following behaviour w.r.t.  $p, q, r$ :

f	0	a	b	c	d	1
p	1	1	d	d	d	d
q	1	a	a	0	0	0
r	b	0	0	0	0	0

Because  $[p \odot q]_x^f = \bigwedge_{y,z \in A} (x \rightarrow yz) \cdot f(p, y) \cdot f(q, z)$ , we have  $[p \odot q]_0^f = 1$ ,  $[p \odot q]_a^f = d$ ,  $[p \odot q]_b^f = a$ ,  $[p \odot q]_c^f = 0$ ,  $[p \odot q]_d^f = a$  and  $[p \odot q]_1^f = 0$ . We have the followings:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [(p \odot q) \rightarrow r]_1^f &= \bigwedge_{x \in A} ([p \odot q]_x^f \rightarrow f(r, 1 \cdot x)) = \bigwedge_{x \in A} ([p \odot q]_x^f \rightarrow f(r, x)) = \\
 &= (1 \rightarrow b) \wedge (d \rightarrow 0) \wedge (a \rightarrow 0) \wedge (0 \rightarrow 0) \wedge (a \rightarrow 0) \wedge (0 \rightarrow 0) = a
 \end{aligned}$$

Because  $[q \rightarrow r]_x^f = \bigwedge_{y \in A} (f(q, y) \rightarrow f(r, x \cdot y))$ , we obtain that  $[q \rightarrow r]_x^f = b$ , for all  $x \in A$ . Then, we also have:

$$[p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)]_1^f = \bigwedge_{x \in A} (f(p, x) \rightarrow [q \rightarrow r]_x^f) = (1 \rightarrow b) \wedge (d \rightarrow b) = b$$

Thus,  $[p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)]_1^f \rightarrow [(p \odot q) \rightarrow r]_1^f = b \rightarrow a = a$ .

By definition, we have

$$[(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow ((p \odot q) \rightarrow r)]_1^f = \bigwedge_{x \in A} ([p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]_x^f \rightarrow [(p \odot q) \rightarrow r]_x^f),$$

therefore we have

$$[(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow ((p \odot q) \rightarrow r)]_1^f \leq [p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]_1^f \rightarrow [(p \odot q) \rightarrow r]_1^f = a.$$

Hence, axiom (A7) is not valid w.r.t. the new kind of semantics.

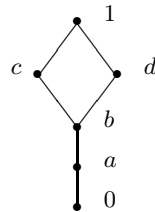


Figure 1:

$$(A8) \quad ((\varphi \odot \psi) \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi))$$

By Corollary 9, (7), this axiom is valid w.r.t. the weak forcing semantic.

$$(A9) \quad (\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow (((\psi \rightarrow \varphi) \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow \chi)$$

Let us consider  $\mathcal{X} = L_3 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$  with the canonical structure of  $MV_3$ -algebra. Let us also consider  $p, q, r \in V$ , some propositional variables, and  $f$  a weak forcing property with the following behaviour w.r.t.  $p, q, r$ :

f	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
p	0	0	0
q	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
r	0	0	0

Because  $[q \rightarrow p]_x^f = \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} (f(q, y) \rightarrow f(p, x \cdot y))$ , we obtain that  $[q \rightarrow p]_0^f = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $[q \rightarrow p]_{\frac{1}{2}}^f = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $[q \rightarrow p]_1^f = \frac{1}{2}$ .

We have the followings:

$$\begin{aligned} [p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]_0^f &= \bigwedge_{z \in L_3} (f(p, z) \rightarrow [q \rightarrow r]_0^f) = \bigwedge_{z \in L_3} (0 \rightarrow [q \rightarrow r]_0^f) = 1 \\ [(q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r]_x^f &= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} ([q \rightarrow p]_y^f \rightarrow f(r, x \cdot y)) = \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} ([q \rightarrow p]_y^f \rightarrow 0) = \frac{1}{2} \\ [((q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r]_0^f &= \bigwedge_{x \in L_3} ([q \rightarrow p]_x^f \rightarrow f(r, 0)) = \frac{1}{2} \\ [p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]_0^f \rightarrow [((q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r]_0^f &= 1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Because  $[(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (((q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r)]_1^f = \bigwedge_{x \in L_3} ([p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]_x^f \rightarrow [((q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r]_x^f)$ , we have that  $[(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (((q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r)]_1^f \leq [p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]_0^f \rightarrow [((q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r]_0^f = \frac{1}{2}$ , therefore axiom (A9) is not valid w.r.t. the weak forcing semantic.

$$(A10) \quad \perp \rightarrow \varphi$$

Let us consider  $\mathcal{X} = L_3 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$  with the canonical structure of  $MV_3$ -algebra and let  $p \in V$  and  $f$  a weak forcing property such that  $f(p, x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in L_3$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} [\perp \rightarrow p]_1^f &= \bigwedge_{x \in L_3} ([\perp]_x^f \rightarrow [p]_x^f) = \bigwedge_{x \in L_3} (\bar{x} \rightarrow f(p, x)) = \\ &= (\bar{0} \rightarrow 0) \wedge (\bar{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow 0) \wedge (\bar{1} \rightarrow 0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore (A10) is not valid in the new semantics.

In the same way we can study the behaviour of  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  w.r.t. some other formulas of  $MTL$ . For example, let us consider the formula  $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \vee (\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$ , where  $\varphi, \psi$  are  $MTL$ -formulas. From [Esteva and Godo 2001], we know that this formula is

valid with respect to the truth value semantics. Now, let us consider  $L_3$  with the canonical structure of  $MV_3$ -algebra and let  $p, q \in V$ . Let us consider a weak forcing property  $f$  with the following behaviour w.r.t.  $p, q$ :

f	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
p	1	1	0
q	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$

By definition, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [p \rightarrow q]_1^f &= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} (f(p, y) \rightarrow f(q, y)) = \\
 &= (f(p, 0) \rightarrow f(q, 0)) \wedge (f(p, \frac{1}{2}) \rightarrow f(q, \frac{1}{2})) \wedge (f(p, 1) \rightarrow f(q, 1)) = \\
 &= (1 \rightarrow 1) \wedge (1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}) \wedge (0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{2} \\
 [q \rightarrow p]_1^f &= \bigwedge_{y \in L_3} (f(q, y) \rightarrow f(p, y)) = (1 \rightarrow 1) \wedge (\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 1) \wedge (\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 0) = \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $[(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)]_1^f = [p \rightarrow q]_1^f \vee [q \rightarrow p]_1^f = \frac{1}{2} \vee \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Therefore this formula is not valid with respect the new kind of semantics.

## 6 Forcing value of a formula of $MTL$

In [Montagna and Ono 2002, Montagna and Sacchetti 2004], it was proved that the  $r$ -forcing (this notion was introduced also in [Montagna and Ono 2002] and [Montagna and Sacchetti 2004]) is a more adequate notion for reflecting the logical structure of  $MTL$ . Arising from  $r$ -forcing, we shall define in this section the  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property and forcing value  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$  of a formula of  $MTL$  in a complete  $MTL$ -algebra  $\mathcal{X}$ . The first one is obtained from an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property  $f : (V \cup \{\perp\}) \times X \rightarrow X$  by adding a condition that homogenizes the action of  $f$  w.r.t. elements of  $X$ . Then one can define the forcing value  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$ , resulting a semantic  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}}$  of  $MTL$  distinct from  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$ .

One of the main results of the above papers [Montagna and Ono 2002] and [Montagna and Sacchetti 2004] asserts that the Kripke completeness (defined by means of  $r$ -forcing) coincides with the usual algebraic completeness of  $MTL$ . In this section we shall extend this result, by proving that  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}} = \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$ , for any formula of  $MTL$ .

We fix a complete  $MTL$ -algebra  $\mathcal{X} = (X, \vee, \wedge, \cdot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ .

**Definition 12.** An  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property is an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property  $f : (V \cup \{\perp\}) \times X \rightarrow X$  such that  $f(\varphi, x) = x \rightarrow f(\varphi, 1)$ , for any  $\varphi \in V$  and  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 13.** The forcing value  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$  of a formula  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$  is defined by

$$[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}} = \bigwedge \{ [\varphi]_1^f \mid f \text{ is an } \mathcal{X}\text{-valued forcing property} \}.$$

Let  $f$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property.

**Proposition 14.** For any  $\varphi \in \text{Form}$  and  $x \in X$ ,  $[\varphi]_x^f = x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1^f$ .

*Proof.* By induction on the complexity of  $\varphi$ .

(1) If  $\varphi$  is an atomic formula, then we apply Definition 12 and we are done.

$$(2) [\perp]_x = \bar{x} = x \rightarrow 0 = x \rightarrow [\perp]_1.$$

(3)  $\varphi = \alpha \vee \beta$ . By induction hypothesis,  $[\alpha]_x = x \rightarrow [\alpha]_1$  and  $[\beta]_x = x \rightarrow [\beta]_1$ , hence, by Lemma 3, we get

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi]_x &= [\alpha]_x \vee [\beta]_x = (x \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \vee (x \rightarrow [\beta]_1) \leq x \rightarrow ([\alpha]_1 \vee [\beta]_1) = \\ &= x \rightarrow [\alpha \vee \beta]_1 = x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1. \end{aligned}$$

(4)  $\varphi = \alpha \wedge \beta$ . By induction hypothesis,  $[\alpha]_x = x \rightarrow [\alpha]_1$  and  $[\beta]_x = x \rightarrow [\beta]_1$ , hence, using Lemma 2, (2), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi]_x &= [\alpha]_x \wedge [\beta]_x = (x \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \wedge (x \rightarrow [\beta]_1) = x \rightarrow ([\alpha]_1 \wedge [\beta]_1) = \\ &= x \rightarrow [\alpha \wedge \beta]_1 = x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1. \end{aligned}$$

(5)  $\varphi = \alpha \odot \beta$ .

By induction hypothesis,  $[\alpha]_u = u \rightarrow [\alpha]_1$  and  $[\beta]_u = u \rightarrow [\beta]_1$ , for all  $u \in X$ .

Then  $[\varphi]_x = \bigvee_{y,z \in x} (x \rightarrow yz) [\alpha]_y [\beta]_z = \bigvee_{y,z \in x} (x \rightarrow yz) (y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) (z \rightarrow [\beta]_1)$ .

Let  $y, z \in X$ . Hence, by Lemma 1, (5),

$$x(x \rightarrow yz) (y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) (z \rightarrow [\beta]_1) \leq yz (y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) (z \rightarrow [\beta]_1) \leq [\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1$$

Therefore, by Lemma 1, (1), we get

$$(x \rightarrow yz) (y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) (z \rightarrow [\beta]_1) \leq x \rightarrow [\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1$$

This last inequality holds for all  $y, z \in X$ , therefore

$$(a) [\varphi]_x \leq x \rightarrow [\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1$$

Particulary,  $[\varphi]_1 \leq [\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1$ . On the other hand,

$$[\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1 = (1 \rightarrow [\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1) ([\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) ([\beta]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1) \leq [\alpha \odot \beta]_1 = [\varphi]_1$$

It follows that

$$(b) [\varphi]_1 = [\alpha \odot \beta]_1 = [\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1$$

From (a) and (b) we infer that

$$(c) [\varphi]_x \leq x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1$$

The converse inequality  $x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1 \leq [\varphi]_x$  follows easily by

$$x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1 = x \rightarrow [\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1 = (x \rightarrow [\alpha]_1 [\beta]_1) ([\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) ([\beta]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1) \leq [\varphi]_x$$

(6)  $\varphi = \alpha \rightarrow \beta$ .

By induction hypothesis,  $[\alpha]_u = u \rightarrow [\alpha]_1$  and  $[\beta]_u = u \rightarrow [\beta]_1$ , for all  $u \in X$ .

Then, by Lemma 1, (6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi]_x &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\alpha]_y \rightarrow [\beta]_{xy}) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \rightarrow (xy \rightarrow [\beta]_1)) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (xy (y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \rightarrow [\beta]_1) \end{aligned}$$



Thus  $[\varphi]_x \leq x [\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1$ . Particulary,  $[\varphi]_1 \leq 1 [\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1$ .  
 For any  $y \in X$ , we have  $y(y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) ([\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1) \leq [\beta]_1$ , hence  
 $[\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1 \leq y(y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \rightarrow [\beta]_1 = (y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow [\beta]_1)$   
 Therefore  $[\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1 \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow [\beta]_1)) = [\alpha \rightarrow \beta]_1 = [\varphi]_1$ .  
 It follows that  
 (d)  $[\varphi]_1 = [\alpha \rightarrow \beta]_1 = [\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1$ ,  
 hence  $[\varphi]_x \leq x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1$ . On the other hand, by using Lemma 1, (7), we obtain  
 $x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1 = x \rightarrow ([\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1) = x[\alpha]_1 \rightarrow [\beta]_1 \leq xy (y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \rightarrow [\beta]_1 =$   
 $= (y \rightarrow [\alpha]_1) \rightarrow (xy \rightarrow [\beta]_1) = [\alpha]_y \rightarrow [\beta]_{xy}$   
 Then  $x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1 \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\alpha]_y \rightarrow [\beta]_{xy}) = [\varphi]_x$ .  
 We conclude that  $[\varphi]_x = x \rightarrow [\varphi]_1$ .

**Corollary 15.** *Let  $f$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property. For any  $\varphi, \psi \in Form$  we have:*

- (1)  $[\varphi \vee \psi]_1^f = [\varphi]_1^f \vee [\psi]_1^f$ ;
- (2)  $[\varphi \wedge \psi]_1^f = [\varphi]_1^f \wedge [\psi]_1^f$ ;
- (3)  $[\varphi \odot \psi]_1^f = [\varphi]_1^f \cdot [\psi]_1^f$ ;
- (4)  $[\varphi \rightarrow \psi]_1^f = [\varphi]_1^f \rightarrow [\psi]_1^f$ .

*Proof.* By the proof of Proposition 14.

For any  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property  $f$ , let us consider the evaluation  $\lambda_f : V \rightarrow X$  defined by  $\lambda_f(\varphi) = f(\varphi, 1)$ , for any  $\varphi \in V$ .

**Proposition 16.** *For any  $\varphi \in Form$ , we have  $[\varphi]_1 = \hat{\lambda}_f(\varphi)$ .*

*Proof.* By induction on the complexity of  $\varphi$ , according to Corollary 15

If  $e : V \rightarrow X$  is an evaluation, then we define the function  
 $f_e : (V \cup \{\perp\}) \times X \rightarrow X$  by  $f_e(\varphi, x) = x \rightarrow e(\varphi)$ , for all  $\varphi \in V \cup \{\perp\}$  and  $x \in X$ .  
 By definition,  $f_e$  is a  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property.

**Proposition 17.** *Let  $f = f_e$  the  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property associated with the evaluation  $e$ . For all  $\varphi \in Form$  and  $x \in X$ , we have  $[\varphi]_x^f = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi)$ .*

*Proof.* By induction on the complexity of  $\varphi$ :

- $\varphi$  is an atomic formula:  $[\varphi]_x^f = f(\varphi, x) = x \rightarrow e(\varphi) = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi)$ ;
- $\varphi = \alpha \vee \beta$ : by induction hypothesis,  $[\alpha]_x^f = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)$ ,  $[\beta]_x^f = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)$ .

Then, by using Lemma 2, (4), we obtain

$$[\varphi]_x^f = [\alpha]_x^f \vee [\beta]_x^f = (x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \vee (x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)) \leq$$

$$\leq x \rightarrow (\hat{e}(\alpha) \vee \hat{e}(\beta)) = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi)$$

By Lemma 3, (2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi) &= x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha \vee \beta) = x \rightarrow (\hat{e}(\alpha) \vee \hat{e}(\beta)) = \\ &= (x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \wedge (x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)) = [\alpha]_x^f \wedge [\beta]_x^f \leq [\alpha]_x^f \vee [\beta]_x^f = \\ &= [\alpha \vee \beta]_x^f = [\varphi]_x^f \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $[\varphi]_x^f = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi)$ .

– the case  $\varphi = \alpha \wedge \beta$  follows similarly;

–  $\varphi = \alpha \odot \beta$ : by definition and induction hypothesis  $[\alpha]_x^f = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)$ ,  $[\beta]_x^f = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)$ , we get

$$[\varphi]_x^f = \bigvee_{y,z \in X} (x \rightarrow yz) [\alpha]_y^f [\beta]_z^f = \bigvee_{y,z \in X} (x \rightarrow yz) (y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) (z \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta))$$

Let  $y, z \in X$ . Then  $x(x \rightarrow yz)(y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha))(z \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)) \leq \hat{e}(\alpha)\hat{e}(\beta)$ , hence  $(x \rightarrow yz)(y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha))(z \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)) \leq x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha \odot \beta) = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi)$ . It results that  $[\varphi]_x^f \leq x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi)$ . According to the previous expression of  $[\varphi]_x^f$ , the converse inequality  $x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi) = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)\hat{e}(\beta) \leq [\varphi]_x^f$  is obvious;

–  $\varphi = \alpha \rightarrow \beta$ : by induction hypothesis,  $[\alpha]_u^f = u \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)$ ,  $[\beta]_u^f = u \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)$ , for all  $u \in X$ . According to Lemma 2, (2), we can write

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi]_x^f &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\alpha]_y \rightarrow [\beta]_{xy}) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \rightarrow (xy \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta))) = \\ &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} (x \rightarrow ((y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)))) = \\ &= x \rightarrow \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta))) \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $[\varphi]_x^f \leq x \rightarrow ((1 \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \rightarrow (1 \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta))) = x \rightarrow (\hat{e}(\alpha) \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)) = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi)$ . Let  $y \in X$ . Then  $y(y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha))(\hat{e}(\alpha) \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)) \leq \hat{e}(\beta)$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{e}(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) &= \hat{e}(\alpha) \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta) \leq y(y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta) = \\ &= (y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)) \end{aligned}$$

This inequality is true for any  $y \in X$ , so

$$\hat{e}(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta)))$$

Applying Lemma 1, (7), we obtain

$$x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\varphi) = x \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \leq x \rightarrow \bigwedge_{y \in X} ((y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\alpha)) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow \hat{e}(\beta))) = [\varphi]_x^f$$

**Proposition 18.** *There exists a bijective correspondence between the  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing properties and the evaluations of MTL in  $\mathcal{X}$ .*

*Proof.* The assignments  $f \mapsto \lambda_f$  and  $e \mapsto f_e$  prove the bijective correspondence between the set of  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing properties and the set of evaluations in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

The following theorem is a consequence of the previous results.

**Theorem 19.** *For any formula  $\varphi$  of MTL, we have  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}} = \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$ .*

**Corollary 20.** *If the formula  $\varphi$  is provable in MTL, then  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}} = 1$ .*

## 7 Final discussion and open questions

We shall discuss two possible directions to extend and improve the results obtained in the previous sections.

**7.1** The predicate logic  $MTL\forall$  was introduced by Esteva and Godo in the paper [Esteva and Godo 2001]. The language of  $MTL\forall$  has the following primitive symbols: variables, predicates symbols, the connectives  $\vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow$ , the constant  $\perp$ , the quantifiers  $\exists, \forall$  and the paranthesis  $(, )$ . The axioms of  $MTL\forall$  are those of  $MTL$  plus:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| ( $\forall 1$ ) $\forall v \varphi \rightarrow \varphi(w/v)$  | ( $w$ is substitutable for $v$ in $\varphi$ ) |
| ( $\forall 2$ ) $\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \forall v \psi)$ | ( $v$ is not free in $\varphi$ )              |
| ( $\forall 3$ ) $\forall v (\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow (\varphi \vee \forall v \psi)$               | ( $v$ is not free in $\varphi$ )              |
| ( $\exists 1$ ) $\varphi(w/v) \rightarrow \exists v \varphi$  | ( $w$ is substitutable for $v$ in $\varphi$ ) |
| ( $\exists 2$ ) $\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\exists v \varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ | ( $v$ is not free in $\psi$ ).                |

The inference rules of  $MTL\forall$  are modus ponens and generalization:  $\frac{\varphi}{\forall x \varphi}$ .

The formulas and the sentences of  $MTL\forall$  are defined as usual. If  $D$  is a non-empty set, then  $MTL\forall(D)$  will be the language obtained from  $MTL\forall$  by adding the elements of  $D$  as new constants.

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a complete  $MTL$ -algebra and  $D$  a non-empty set. A first-order  $\mathcal{X}$ -evaluation with domain  $D$  is a function  $e$  from the set  $At(D)$  of atomic sentences in  $MTL\forall(D)$  into  $\mathcal{X}$ . Any first-order  $\mathcal{X}$ -evaluation  $e$  with domain  $D$  can be uniquely extended by induction to a function  $\hat{e}$  from the sentences of  $MTL\forall(D)$  into  $\mathcal{X}$ . The truth value  $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$  of a sentence  $\varphi$  of  $MTL\forall(D)$  in  $\mathcal{X}$  is defined as usual [Esteva and Godo 2001, Esteva et.al. 2002].

Now we shall extend the definitions of preceding sections to the new setting. An  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property with domain  $D$  is a function  $f : (At(D) \cup \{\perp\}) \times X \rightarrow X$  such that  $f(\perp, 1) = 0$  and, for all  $\varphi \in At(D)$  and  $x, y \in X$ ,  $x \leq y$  implies  $f(\varphi, y) \leq f(\varphi, x)$ . In an analogous way we can define the notion of  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property with domain  $D$ .

Let  $f$  be an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property with domain  $D$ . For any sentence  $\varphi$  of  $MTL\forall(D)$  and  $x \in X$ , the element  $[\varphi]_x^f$  of  $X$  is defined by the conditions (1)-(6) of Definition 5 and the following new clauses:

- (i) If  $\varphi = \forall v \psi$ , then  $[\varphi]_x^f = \bigwedge_{d \in D} [\psi(d)]_x^f$ ;
- (ii) If  $\varphi = \exists v \psi$ , then  $[\varphi]_x^f = \bigwedge_{y < x} \bigvee_{y < z} \bigvee_{d \in D} [\psi(d)]_z^f$ .

Now, for any sentence  $\varphi$  of  $MTL\forall$ , we can define the weak forcing value  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and the forcing value  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$  of  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

For  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}}$  we can formulate the following open questions:

*Open question 21.* Analyse the behaviour of  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}}$  w.r.t. the axioms and some other types of sentences in  $MTL\forall$ .

*Open question 22.* Compare the semantics  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$ ,  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}}$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and extend the results of Section 5.

The following two propositions constitute a first step in solving the problem 21. We fix a  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property  $f$  with domain  $D$ .

**Proposition 23.** *Let  $\varphi(v)$  be a formula of  $MTL\forall$ ,  $\chi$  a sentence of  $MTL\forall$ ,  $x \in X$  and  $a \in D$ . Then the following properties hold:*

- (1)  $[\forall v \varphi]_x^f \leq [\varphi(a)]_x^f$ ;
- (2)  $[\varphi(a)]_x^f \leq [\exists v \varphi]_x^f$ ;
- (3)  $[\forall v (\chi \rightarrow \varphi)]_x^f = [\chi \rightarrow \forall v \varphi]_x^f$ ;
- (4)  $[\exists v \varphi \rightarrow \chi]_x^f = [\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)]_x^f$ .

*Proof.*

(1) Obvious.

(2) For any  $y < x$ , we have  $[\varphi(a)]_x^f \leq \bigvee_{y < z} \bigvee_{b \in D} [\varphi(b)]_z^f$ , hence  $[\varphi(a)]_x^f \leq \bigwedge_{y < x} \bigvee_{b \in D} [\varphi(b)]_z^f = [\exists v \varphi]_x^f$ .

(3) By the definition of  $[\cdot]_x^f$  and Lemma 2, (2), we get  $[\forall v (\chi \rightarrow \varphi)]_x^f = \bigwedge_{b \in D} \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\chi]_y^f \rightarrow [\varphi(b)]_{xy}^f) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\chi]_y^f \rightarrow \bigwedge_{b \in D} [\varphi(b)]_{xy}^f) = \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\chi]_y^f \rightarrow [\forall v \varphi]_{xy}^f) = [\chi \rightarrow \forall v \varphi]_x^f$ .

(4) Let  $b \in D$  and  $y \in X$ . According to Proposition 8, (4) and the previous inequality (2) we get  $[\exists v \varphi \rightarrow \chi]_x^f \leq [\exists v \varphi]_y^f \rightarrow [\chi]_{xy}^f \leq [\varphi(b)]_y^f \rightarrow [\chi]_{xy}^f$ . Therefore, for any  $b \in D$ , we have  $[\exists v \varphi \rightarrow \chi]_x^f \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\varphi(b)]_y^f \rightarrow [\chi]_{xy}^f) = [\varphi(b) \rightarrow \chi]_x^f$ . Thus  $[\exists v \varphi \rightarrow \chi]_x^f \leq \bigwedge_{b \in D} [\varphi(b) \rightarrow \chi]_x^f = [\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)]_x^f$ .

**Proposition 24.** *Let  $\varphi(v)$ ,  $\psi(v)$  two formulas of  $MTL\forall$ . Then  $[\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)]_x^f \leq [\forall v \varphi \rightarrow \forall v \psi]_x^f$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $y \in X$  and  $a \in D$ . By Proposition 23, (1), and Proposition 8, (4), we get  $[\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)]_x^f \cdot [\forall v \varphi]_y^f \leq [\varphi(a) \rightarrow \psi(a)]_x^f \cdot [\varphi(a)]_y^f \leq [\psi(a)]_{xy}^f$ , hence  $[\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)]_x^f \cdot [\forall v \varphi]_y^f \leq \bigwedge_{a \in D} [\psi(a)]_{xy}^f$ . Thus  $[\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)]_x^f \leq [\forall v \varphi]_y^f \rightarrow [\forall v \psi]_{xy}^f$ , for each  $y \in X$ . Therefore,  $[\forall v (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)]_x^f \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} ([\forall v \varphi]_y^f \rightarrow [\forall v \psi]_{xy}^f) = [\forall v \varphi \rightarrow \forall v \psi]_x^f$ .

**7.2** Recently, a lot of non-commutative fuzzy algebras and their logical calculi were investigated [Cintula and Hájek 2006], [Gottwald 2005], [Iorgulescu 2006a], [Iorgulescu 2006b], [Piciu 2007]. Pseudo *MTL*-algebras (ps*MTL*-algebras, for short) were defined in [Flondor et.al. 2001] arising from the structure of the interval  $[0, 1]$  induced by a left-continuous non-commutative *t*-norm.

A ps*MTL*-algebra is a structure  $\mathcal{X} = (X, \vee, \wedge, \cdot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ , where:

- (C1)  $(X, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$  is a bounded lattice;
- (C2)  $(X, \cdot, 1)$  is a monoid;
- (C3)  $x \cdot y \leq z$  iff  $x \leq y \rightarrow z$  iff  $y \leq x \rightsquigarrow z$ ;
- (C4)  $(x \rightarrow y) \vee (y \rightarrow x) = (x \rightsquigarrow y) \vee (y \rightsquigarrow x) = 1$ .

By definition, a ps*MTL*-algebra  $\mathcal{X}$  is *representable* if it is isomorphic to a subdirect product of ps*MTL*-chains<sup>3</sup> The variety of representable ps*MTL*-algebras is characterized by Kühr's identities [Kühr 2003]:

$$\begin{aligned} (y \rightarrow z) \vee (z \rightsquigarrow ((x \rightarrow y) \cdot z)) &= 1 \\ (y \rightsquigarrow z) \vee (z \rightarrow (z \cdot (x \rightsquigarrow y))) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

The ps*MTL*-algebras constitute the algebraic base for the propositional calculus ps*MTL*, elaborated in [Hájek 2003a, Hájek 2003b]. An extension of ps*MTL* is ps*MTL*<sup>r</sup>, a logical system obtained from ps*MTL* by adding Kühr's axioms:

- (K1)  $(\psi \rightarrow \varphi) \vee (\chi \rightsquigarrow ((\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \odot \chi))$ ;
- (K2)  $(\psi \rightsquigarrow \varphi) \vee (\chi \rightarrow (\chi \odot (\varphi \rightsquigarrow \psi)))$ .

A standard completeness theorem for ps*MTL*<sup>r</sup> was proved by Jenei and Montagna in [Jenei and Montagna 2003], by using a generalization of a technique from [Jenei and F. Montagna 2002].

Two predicate logics ps*MTL*∇ and ps*MTL*∇<sup>r</sup> were developed by Hájek and Ševčík in [Hájek and Ševčík 2004] and an weak completeness theorem for the ps*MTL*<sup>r</sup> logic was established.

In the framework of logics ps*MTL*, ps*MTL*<sup>r</sup>, ps*MTL*∇ and ps*MTL*∇<sup>r</sup> we can formulate the following open questions:

*Open question 25.* Extend the Kripke semantics of [Montagna and Ono 2002, Montagna and Sacchetti 2004] to these non-commutative logics in order to obtain similar standard completeness theorems for ps*MTL*<sup>r</sup> and ps*MTL*∇<sup>r</sup>.

<sup>3</sup> A non-commutative residuated lattice is a structure  $\mathcal{X} = (X, \vee, \wedge, \cdot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$  verifying the conditions (C1)-(C3) (see [Jipsen and Tsinakis 2002]). Any totally ordered non-commutative residuated lattice is a ps*MTL*-chain.

*Open question 26.* Define appropriate notions of weak forcing value and forcing value for the logics  $\text{psMTL}$ ,  $\text{psMTL}^r$ ,  $\text{psMTL}\forall$ ,  $\text{psMTL}\forall^r$  and obtain non-commutative versions of the results proved in Sections 4 and 5.

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