

AN AXIOMATIZATION OF HERZBERGER'S 2-DIMENSIONAL
PRESUPPOSITIONAL SEMANTICS

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The purpose of this paper* is to axiomatize two 4-valued propositional logics suggested by Herzberger in [1], section VI. They are of philosophical interest because their interpretation makes use of two ideas inspired by Jean Buridan: (1) a proposition may correspond to the world and yet be untrue because it is semantically deviant, and (2) logically valid arguments preserve correspondence with reality, not truth. If the two non-classical truth-values of these systems are identified, the resulting tables for the classical connectives are the weak and strong systems of Kleene. Unlike Kleene's system, the 4-valued ones offer a choice of designated values that renders semantic entailment perfectly classical. Compare Herzberger [2] and Martin [5].

Let the set \mathcal{F} of formulas be inductively defined over a denumerable set of atomic formulas such that $\neg A$, $A \& B$, $\mathbf{C}A$, $\mathbf{B}A$, $\mathbf{T}A$, $\mathbf{F}A$, $\mathbf{t}A$, and $\mathbf{f}A$ are formulas if A and B are. Let \mathcal{W} be the set of all \mathbf{w} such that for some ν and \mathbf{v} ,

- (1) for any atomic formula A , $\nu(A), \mathbf{v}(A) \in \{0, 1\}$;
- (2) $\nu(\neg A) = 1$ if $\nu(A) = 0$; $\nu(\neg A) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\nu(A \& B) = 1$ if $\nu(A) = \nu(B) = 1$; $\nu(A \& B) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\nu(\mathbf{C}A) = 1$ if $\nu(A) = 1$; $\nu(\mathbf{C}A) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\nu(\mathbf{B}A) = 1$ if $\mathbf{v}(A) = 1$; $\nu(\mathbf{B}A) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\nu(\mathbf{T}A) = 1$ if $\nu(A) = \mathbf{v}(A) = 1$; $\nu(\mathbf{T}A) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\nu(\mathbf{F}A) = 1$ if $\nu(A) = 0$ and $\mathbf{v}(A) = 1$; $\nu(\mathbf{F}A) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\nu(\mathbf{t}A) = 1$ if $\nu(A) = 1$ and $\mathbf{v}(A) = 0$; $\nu(\mathbf{t}A) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\nu(\mathbf{f}A) = 1$ if $\nu(A) = \mathbf{v}(A) = 0$; $\nu(\mathbf{f}A) = 0$ otherwise;
- (3) $\mathbf{v}(\neg A) = 1$ if $\mathbf{v}(A) = 1$; $\mathbf{v}(\neg A) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\mathbf{v}(A \& B) = 1$ if $\mathbf{v}(A) = \mathbf{v}(B) = 1$; $\mathbf{v}(A \& B) = 0$ otherwise;
 $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{C}A) = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{B}A) = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{T}A) = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{F}A) = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{t}A) = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{f}A) = 1$;

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