

## THE RULE OF PEIRCE

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Wajsberg's [1] gave several bases for classical implication in which  $CCCpqp$  (Peirce) was replaced by the rule: *From  $CCa\beta a$  to infer  $a$* . Our question is whether this can be done with the Łukasiewicz base which generalizes so many of Wajsberg's other results,  $CCpqCCqrCpr$ ,  $CpCa\beta$ ,  $CCCpqp$ , (the rules of detachment and substitution always here being taken for granted). The answer is negative, by the matrix

$C$	$1$	$2$	$0$
$*1$	$1$	$0$	$0$
$2$	$1$	$1$	$0$
$0$	$1$	$1$	$1$

which is part of Wajsberg's Matrix A. This verifies Syllogism and  $CpCqq$ , the rules of detachment and Peirce are satisfied, but  $CpCCppp = 0$  when  $p = 2$ . However Peirce can be replaced in the Łukasiewicz base by the modified rule:

*From  $C\gamma CCa\beta a$  to infer  $C\gamma a$ ,*

Since this rule with syllogism yields Peirce. In fact, let  $P.n$  be the most general result of applying the modified rule to thesis  $n$ , and  $D.m.n$  be the most general result of detaching a substitution in thesis  $n$  from a substitution in thesis  $m$ , and let  $CCpqCCqrCpr$  be thesis 1; then Peirce =  $P.D.1.P.1$ .

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