# On Purely Relevant Logics

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1 Introduction The system  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  (which consists of the implication-negation axioms of RM) was investigated in [3] and shown there to be an optimal relevance logic in its language. We note there, however, that one cannot add to it an R-style extensional conjunction  $\wedge$ , with  $A \wedge B \rightarrow A$ ,  $A \wedge B \rightarrow B$  as axioms and the adjunction rule of inference  $(A, B \vdash A \land B)$ , without losing its relevance character (see [1], 29.5, and [3], III.8).

This state of affairs is not altogether surprising. Anderson and Belnap faced a similar problem when they came to add to  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  (or  $E_{\Rightarrow}$ ) extensional connectives. In  $R_{\Rightarrow}$ , e.g., the meaning of  $\rightarrow$  is given by the "relevant deduction theorem", according to which a sentence of the form  $A_1 \rightarrow (A_2 \rightarrow \ldots \rightarrow (A_n \rightarrow B) \ldots)$  is provable in  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  iff there is a proof in  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  of B from the assumptions  $A_1, \ldots, A_n$  which uses all the  $A_i$ 's. (Here the meaning of "proof" is the usual one, while the meaning of "use" is to be understood according to the relevantist's analysis of this term (see [1], Chapter 1).) Accordingly, if one wishes to add to  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  an extensional conjunction such that  $A \land B \vdash A$ ,  $A \land B \vdash B$  and  $A, B \vdash A \land B$  are all valid modes of inference, then he must recognize  $A \land B \rightarrow A$ ,  $A \land B \rightarrow B$  and  $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A \land B)$  as valid sentences. However, it is well known that by adding these schemes to  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  we get classical logic.

Anderson and Belnap's first step in order to solve this difficulty was to give up  $A \to (B \to A \land B)$  as a valid sentence and to introduce instead adjunction as a new, primitive rule of inference (besides M.P. for  $\to$ ). A second, unavoidable step was to propose some new concepts of "proof" relative to which some version of the deduction theorem does hold. (In [1] and [5] three competing definitions can be found of what a "proof" in R or E is. This is an obvious evidence that the relevantists have no clear intuition at this point.) These concepts of proofs all seem ad hoc and entail many absurdities. Consider an example:  $A \land (B \to B)$  can be inferred, according to them, if we assume both A and  $B \to B$  but not if we assume A alone, although  $B \to B$  is a logical truth of the system and so it would be ridicuous to pretend assuming it.

Our opinion is that the real source of these difficulties is the relevantist's unfortunate attempt to express pure *extensional* inferences (like that of A from  $A \wedge B$ ) using *relevant* implication. Their failure to do so in the case of adjunction and the total impossibility of this idea<sup>2</sup> in the case of  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  are only indications of something more fundamental: when  $\rightarrow$  is relevant  $A \wedge B \rightarrow A$  (in contrast to  $A \wedge B + A$ ) should be taken as valid only if the conjunction connective  $\wedge$  occurring in it has a relevant character too. In particular  $A \wedge B \rightarrow B$  is to be valid only if a necessary condition for the truth of  $A \wedge B$  is that A and B are relevant to each other.

In this paper we follow this line of thought by adding to  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  and  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  a relevant conjunction, instead of the meant-to-be extensional one of R and RM. Nevertheless, we shall try to keep as close as possible to the original systems and ideas of Anderson and Belnap (leaving a more radical approach for some other time). The most straightforward way to achieve this is to adjoin to  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  and  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  the rules and axioms of  $R_{fde}$  (the "first-degree-entailments" fragment of R and  $E^3$ ) without any further modifications. In this way we obtain two systems, PR and PRM respectively, which might be called "purely relevant" since they possess the variable-sharing property with respect to both  $\rightarrow$  and  $\land$ . We show that R and RM can be obtained from PR and PRM by adding to them axioms, the intuitive meaning of which is that any two sentences are relevant to each other. We show further that the adjunction rule and the disjunction syllogism have quite a parallel role in the context of PR, PRM, R, and RM.

For reasons which are discussed in [3],  $RMI_{\approx}$  seems to us preferable to  $R_{\approx}$ in the context of pure relevance logic. (For example, it has an appropriate idempotent relevant disjunction, which  $R_{\approx}$  has not.) Therefore, we devote our attention to PRM in the rest of this paper. We show, among other things, that this system has an infinite characteristic matrix, which resembles Sugihara matrix but has two "zeroes" instead of the single one of Sugihara. This limitation to precisely two zeroes seems nonintuitive to us, and indeed PRM contains some unpleasant theorems like  $R(A, B) \vee R(A, C) \vee R(B, C)$ , where R(A, B) is a sentence of the language which intuitively means that A and B are relevant to each other. By weakening a little bit the distribution axiom of PRM (which was inherited from R), we get another system,  $PRM^*$ , which has a more satisfactory semantics and in which sentences of the above sort are not provable. However,  $PRM^*$  still contains nonintuitive theorems like  $R(A, B) \vee R(A \wedge B, C)$  and so still leaves something to be desired.<sup>5</sup> In order to get a really appropriate pure relevance logic we need a more radical approach to distribution and so a further departure from Anderson and Belnap systems is called for. This will be the subject of another paper.6

### 2 Preliminaries: Logical systems

# The system R

## **Axioms**

**R1** 
$$A \rightarrow A$$

**R2** 
$$(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)$$

**R3** 
$$A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow B \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)$$

**R4** 
$$(A \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B)) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B)$$

R5 
$$A \wedge B \rightarrow A$$
  
R6  $A \wedge B \rightarrow B$   
R7  $(A \rightarrow B) \wedge (A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow A \rightarrow (B \wedge C)$   
R8  $A \rightarrow A \vee B$   
R9  $B \rightarrow A \vee B$   
R10  $(A \rightarrow C) \wedge (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \vee B) \rightarrow C$   
R11  $(A \vee B) \wedge (A \vee C) \rightarrow A \vee (B \wedge C)$   
R12  $(A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)$ 

R13  $\sim \sim A \rightarrow A$ .

Rules of inference  $\frac{A \quad A \to B}{B}$  (M.P.)  $\frac{A \quad B}{A \land B}$  (Adj.)

 $R_{\rightarrow}$  and  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  are the  $\{\rightarrow\}$  and the  $\{\sim,\rightarrow\}$  fragments, respectively, of R. RM is the system obtained from R by replacing R1 by RM1:  $A \rightarrow (A \rightarrow A)$ .

 $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  is the system in the  $\{\sim, \rightarrow\}$  language having RM1, R2-R6 as axioms, and M.P. as the rule of inference.  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  is the implicational fragment of  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$ .

A thorough investigation of both systems, including a characteristic matrix and Gentzen-type calaculi, is given in [3].

 $RM_{\Rightarrow}$  is the implication-negation fragment of RM. It is a proper extension of  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$ , and is usually called Soboćinski three-valued logic (see [8], [7], and [1], pp. 148-149).  $RM_{\Rightarrow}$  (as well as  $RM_{\rightarrow}$ ) has only the classical logic as a proper extension (see [3]).

 $RM_{\rightarrow}$  is the implicational fragment of RM (see [6] and [3] for two different formulations).

### Other connectives

$$A + B =_{df} (\sim A) \rightarrow B$$
$$A \circ B = \sim (\sim A + \sim B).$$

The importance of  $\circ$  is due to the fact that  $A \to (B \to C)$  and  $(A \circ B) \to C$  are equivalent in  $R_{\preceq}$ .

The system  $R_{fde}$  (first-degree fragment of R and E)

#### **Axioms**

- (1)  $A \wedge B \rightarrow A$
- (2)  $A \wedge B \rightarrow B$
- $(3) A \to A \vee B$
- (4)  $B \rightarrow A \vee B$
- (5)  $A \rightarrow \sim \sim A$
- (6)  $\sim \sim A \rightarrow A$
- (7)  $(A \lor B) \land (A \lor C) \rightarrow A \lor (B \land C)$ .

In (1)-(7) A, B, C do not contain  $\rightarrow$ .

#### Rules of inference:

(I1) 
$$\frac{A \to B, B \to C}{A \to C}$$

(I2) 
$$\frac{A \to B}{\sim B \to \sim A}$$

(I3) 
$$\frac{A \to B \quad A \to C}{A \to B \land C}$$

(I4) 
$$\frac{A \to C \quad B \to C}{(A \lor B) \to C}$$
.

All theorems of  $R_{fde}$  are first-degree-entailments, i.e., sentences of the form  $A \to B$  where A and B do not contain  $\to$ .

An ordinary Sugihara matrix is a structure  $\langle S, \leq, \sim, \rightarrow \rangle$  in which  $\langle S, \leq \rangle$  is a linearly ordered set.  $\sim$  is a unary operation satisfying De-Morgan conditions  $(\sim \sim a = a, a \leq b \Rightarrow \sim b \leq \sim a), \rightarrow$  is a binary operation defined by:

$$a \to b$$
: 
$$\begin{cases} -a \lor b & a \le b \\ -a \land b & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

we call  $a \in S$  designated iff  $\neg a \le a$ .<sup>7</sup> An ordinary Sugihara matrix S is called normal if  $a \ne \neg a$  for  $a \in S$ . By NS, the normal Sugihara matrix, we shall mean here the integers without 0 (with the usual  $\le$  and  $\sim$ ), and by the abnormal Sugihara matrix we similarly mean the integers. We note the Meyer has shown that the normal Sugihara matrix NS as well as the abnormal one are characteristic for RM (see [1]).

# I. Definition 1

(a) PR is the system obtained from R by replacing (adj) by the following relevant adjunction rule:

$$\frac{A \to B \quad A \to C}{A \to B \land C}$$
 (re. adj)

(b) *PRM* is the system obtained from *RM* by the same replacement.

### Theorem 1

- (i) PR is equivalent to  $R_{\Rightarrow} \cup R_{fde}$  (i.e., the system in the language of R which has as axioms and rules of inference exactly those of  $R_{\Rightarrow} \cup R_{fde}$ , all extended to the language of R).
- (ii) PRM is equivalent to  $RMI_{\Rightarrow} \cup R_{fde}$

*Proof:* (i) It is not hard to see that  $R_{\Rightarrow} \cup R_{fde} \subseteq PR$ . We show here, as an example, that PR is closed under rule I4 of  $R_{fde}$ . We need first a lemma:

### Lemma 1

- (a) If  $|_{\overline{PR}}A \to B$  and  $|_{\overline{PR}}A \to C$  then  $|_{\overline{PR}}(A \to B) \land (A \to C)$
- (b) If  $\vdash_{\overline{PR}} C \to A$  and  $\vdash_{\overline{PR}} B \to A$  then  $\vdash_{\overline{PR}} (C \to A) \land (B \to A)$ .

That PR is closed under I4 is an immediate consequence of part (b) of the lemma and Axiom R11.

*Proof:* (a) If  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}}A \to B$  and  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}}A \to C$ , then  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}}A \to (B \land C)$  by re. adj. Since  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}}B \land C \to B$ , also  $A \to (B \land C) \to .A \to B$  is provable, and similarly  $A \to (B \land C) \to .A \to C$  is. Using re. adj. once more, followed by M.P., we see that  $(A \to B) \land (A \to C)$  is provable.

(b) Suppose  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}}C \to A$  and  $|_{\overline{PR}}B \to A$ . Then  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}} \sim A \to \sim C$  and  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}} \sim A \to \sim B$ . By part (a)  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}}(\sim A \to \sim B) \wedge (\sim A \to \sim C)$ . Since  $|_{\overline{R_{\sim}}}(\sim A \to \sim B) \to (B \to A)$ , we get easily that  $|_{\overline{PR(M)}}(B \to A) \wedge (C \to A)$ .

Returning now to the proof of Theorem 1, we note first that all the systems we deal with in this paper are easily shown to be closed under substitutions of equivalents. As a consequence we can replace everywhere  $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)$  by  $A \circ B \rightarrow C$ ,  $A \vee B$  by  $\sim (\sim A \wedge \sim B)$ ,  $A \rightarrow C$  by  $\sim C \rightarrow \sim A$  and vice versa. Now, in order to show that  $PR \subseteq R_{\supset} \cup R_{fde}$  we only have to show that Axioms R7 and R10 are deducible in  $R_{\supset} \cup R_{fde}$ , and by the above remarks it is clear that it suffices to deduce R7 (say). Since  $|_{R_{\supset} \cup R_{fde}}(A \rightarrow B) \wedge (A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow A \rightarrow B$  we have that  $|_{R_{\supset} \cup R_{fde}}[((A \rightarrow B) \wedge (A \rightarrow C)) \circ A] \rightarrow B$ . Similarly  $|_{R_{\supset} \cup R_{fde}}[((A \rightarrow B) \wedge (A \rightarrow C)) \circ A] \rightarrow C$ . From these theorems R7 follows easily using re. adj. and the equivalence of  $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)$  and  $A \circ B \rightarrow C$ .

The proof of (ii) is similar.

The next definition introduces a matrix that will be shown later to be characteristic for *PRM*:

**Definition 2** AS, the augumented Sugihara matrix, is the matrix differing from the ordinary Sugihara matrix S by having two "zeroes",  $0_1$  and  $0_2$ , for which  $0_1 \vee 0_2 = 1$ ,  $0_1 \wedge 0_2 = -1$ ,  $-0_1 = 0_1$ ,  $-0_2 = 0_2$ . (As a consequence  $0_1 \rightarrow 0_1 = 0_1$ ,  $0_2 \rightarrow 0_2 = 0_2$ ,  $0_1 \rightarrow 0_2 = 0_2 \rightarrow 0_1 = -1$ .)

Note: In any other respect AS behaves exactly like S (e.g.,  $a \rightarrow b = \neg a \lor b$  if  $a \le b$ ,  $a \rightarrow b = \neg a \land b$  otherwise). Hence, in order to show that a particular formula, known to be valid in S (i.e., a theorem of RM), is also valid in AS it is enough to check assignments involving both  $0_1$  and  $0_2$ . Using this fact the proof of the following is straightforward:

#### Theorem 2

Every theorem of PRM is valid in AS.

As an immediate corollary we have:

**Theorem 3** PR and PRM have the sharing-of-variable property for both  $\rightarrow$  and  $\wedge$ , i.e.,  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $A \wedge B$  are provable only if A and B share a variable.

*Proof:* Suppose A and B do not share a variable. Let v be a valuation such that  $v(P) = 0_1$  for every P occurring in A,  $v(P) = 0_2$  for every P occurring in B. Then  $v(A) = 0_1$ ,  $v(B) = 0_2$ ,  $v(A \wedge B) = v(A \rightarrow B) = -1$ . Hence, by Theorem 2  $|PRM| A \rightarrow B$ ,  $|PRM| A \wedge B$ .

We introduce now two kinds of sentences, both expressing formally that A and B are relevant to each other:

#### **Definition 3**

- (a)  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \equiv_{df} (A \rightarrow A) \wedge (B \rightarrow B)$
- (b)  $R^+(A, B) \equiv_{df} (A \to A) + (B \to B)$ .

The next theorem contains the most important proof-theoretical properties of *PRM*:

### Theorem 4

- (a) A, B,  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PR}} A \wedge B$
- (b)  $\mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \land B) \rightarrow (A + B)$
- (c)  $R^+(A, B)$ ,  $(A \rightarrow B) + (B \rightarrow A)$  and  $(A \rightarrow B) \lor (B \rightarrow A)$  are equivalent in PRM
- (d) For any particular A and B,  $R^+(A, B)$  and  $R^{\wedge}(A, B)$  are interdeducible in PRM:

$$R^+(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A, B) \qquad R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^+(A, B)$$

- (e)  $A \rightarrow B \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A, B)$
- (f) (i)  $\mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A, A)$ ; (ii)  $\mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A, B) \to R^{\wedge}(B, A)$
- (g)  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A, \sim B)$
- (h) (i)  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A, B \to C)$ ; (ii)  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A, C \to B)$
- (i) (i)  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A \wedge C, B \wedge C)$ ; (ii)  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A \vee C, B \vee C)$
- (j) If T,  $A \mid_{\overline{PRM}} C$  and T,  $B \mid_{\overline{PRM}} C$  then T,  $A \vee B \mid_{\overline{PRM}} C$
- (k)  $B \mid_{\overline{PRM}} A \vee (A \to B)$ .

*Proof:* (a) Since  $|_{\overline{R_{\rightarrow}}} A \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A)$ , we have that  $A |_{\overline{PRM}} (A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A$ . Hence, by  $R^{\wedge}$  definition,  $A |_{\overline{PR}} R^{\wedge}(A, B) \rightarrow A$ . Similarly,  $B |_{\overline{PR}} R^{\wedge}(A, B) \rightarrow B$ . By re. adj. A, B  $|_{\overline{PR}} R^{\wedge}(A, B) \rightarrow A \wedge B$  and (a) follows.

- (b)  $\mid_{\overline{RMI}_{\sim}} (C \to A) \to ((C \to B) \to .C \to .A + B)$ . Substituting  $A \land B$  for C we obtain (b).
- (c)  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\rightarrow}} R^+(A, B) \Leftrightarrow ((A \to B) + (B \to A))$ . Also, since  $|_{\overline{R}_{\rightarrow}} (A \to C) \to .$   $((B \to C) \to . (A + B) \to C)$  we have, by taking C to be  $A \vee B$ ,  $|_{\overline{PR}} A + B \to A \vee B$ . Hence  $|_{\overline{PR}} ((A \to B) + (B \to A)) \to . (A \to B) \vee (B \to A)$ . Finally, since  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\rightarrow}} (A \to B) \to R^+(A, B)$ ,  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\rightarrow}} (B \to A) \to R^+(A, B)$ , also  $|_{\overline{PRM}} (A \to B) \vee (B \to A) \to R^+(A, B)$ .
- (d) That  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PR}} R^{+}(A, B)$  follows immediately from (b). For the other direction we have  $\mid_{\overline{RMI}_{\rightarrow}} \sim (A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow A)$  and  $R^{+}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{RMI}} \sim (A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow (B \rightarrow B)$ . Hence, by re. adj. we deduce that  $R^{+}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} \sim (A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow R^{\wedge}(A, B)$  and so  $R^{+}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} \sim R^{\wedge}(A, B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow A)$ . Similarly  $R^{+}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} \sim R^{\wedge}(A, B) \rightarrow (B \rightarrow B)$ . Applying re. adj. we get:  $R^{+}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} \sim R^{\wedge}(A, B) \rightarrow R^{\wedge}(A, B)$ . But  $\mid_{\overline{R}_{\rightarrow}} (\sim C \rightarrow C) \rightarrow C$ , so  $R^{+}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A, B)$ .
  - (e) This is a direct consequence of (c) and (d).
  - (f) We leave the proof to the reader.
  - (g) Since  $\mid_{\overline{RMI_{\sim}}} R^+(A, B) \to R^+(A, \sim B)$ , (g) is a consequence of (d).
  - (h) Similar to (g).
- (i) We show, for example, that  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{\wedge}(A \wedge C, B \wedge C)$ . Now we have:  $\mid_{\overline{RMI}_{\rightarrow}} R^{+}(A, B) \rightarrow .(A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow (\sim B \rightarrow A)))$ . Hence, by (d),  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow (\sim B \rightarrow A))$  and so:
- (1)  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \wedge C) \rightarrow ((B \wedge C) \rightarrow (\sim B \rightarrow A))$ . Also, since  $\mid_{\overline{RMI_{\approx}}} (B + C) \rightarrow (C \rightarrow (\sim B \rightarrow C))$ , we have that  $\mid_{\overline{PRM}} (B + C) \rightarrow (A \wedge C \rightarrow (\sim B \rightarrow C))$ . Hence, by (b),  $\mid_{\overline{PRM}} (B \wedge C) \rightarrow ((A \wedge C) \rightarrow (\sim B \rightarrow C))$ , or:

$$(2) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \wedge C) \to ((B \wedge C) \to (\sim B \to C)).$$

From (1) and (2) we infer  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \wedge C) \rightarrow ((B \wedge C) \rightarrow (\sim B \rightarrow A \wedge C))$ , so:

$$(3) \ R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \wedge C) \rightarrow ((B \wedge C) \rightarrow (\sim (A \wedge C) \rightarrow B)).$$

Using (b) and the fact that  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\Rightarrow}}(A+C) \rightarrow (C \rightarrow (\sim C \rightarrow A))$  we infer that:

$$(4) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \land C) \to ((B \land C) \to (\sim C \to A)).$$

Also, since  $|_{\overline{RMI_{\sim}}} C \rightarrow (C \rightarrow (\sim C \rightarrow C))$ , we have that

$$(5) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \land C) \to ((B \land C) \to (\sim C \to C)).$$

Applying re. adj. to (4) and (5) followed by a contraposition we get:

$$(6) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \wedge C) \to (B \wedge C) \to (\sim (A \wedge C) \to C).$$

- (6) and (3) give, again by re. adj.:  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} (A \wedge C) \rightarrow (B \wedge C) \rightarrow (\sim (A \wedge C) \rightarrow (B \wedge C))$ , i.e.,  $R^{\wedge}(A, B) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} R^{+}(A \wedge C, B \wedge C)$  (since  $\mid_{\overline{RMI}_{\sim}} R^{+}(A, B) \Leftrightarrow (A \rightarrow B \rightarrow (\sim A \rightarrow B))$ ). Now use (d).

Since it is easy to show that  $|_{\overline{PR}}B \wedge (B \to C). \to C$  and that  $E \to F|_{\overline{PRM}}$   $(G \vee E) \to (G \vee F)$ , we can conclude that

(1) 
$$A \vee B$$
,  $A \vee (B \rightarrow C) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} A \vee C$ 

(2) 
$$A \vee (B \to C)$$
,  $A \vee (B \to D) \mid_{\overline{PRM}} A \vee (B \to (C \wedge D))$ .

We can now use (1) and (2) to follow the proof in [1], pp. 301-302 and show that if T,  $B \mid_{\overline{PRM}} C$ , then T,  $A \lor B \mid_{\overline{PRM}} A \lor C$  and, then, (j).

We turn now to prove the converse of Theorem 2, i.e., completeness of PRM relative to AS. The proof is similar to that used by Dunn in [4] in order to show the completeness of RM relative to Sugihara matrix (first shown by Meyer). As a first step we generalize the semantics:

**Definition 4** By an augumented Sugihara matrix we mean either an ordinary Sugihara matrix or any structure obtained from a normal Sugihara matrix M, having a minimal designated value (we denote by 1), by adjoining to M two "zeroes"  $0_1$  and  $0_2$  and defining:  $0_1 \rightarrow 0_1 = -0_1 = 0_1$ ,  $0_2 \rightarrow 0_2 = -0_2 = 0_2$ ,  $0_1 \lor 0_2 = 1$ ,  $0_1 \land 0_2 = -1$ ,  $0_1 \rightarrow 0_2 = 0_2 \rightarrow 0_1 = -1$ . The designated values of the augumented matrix are those of M, together with  $0_1$  and  $0_2$ .

Note: It is not difficult to see that, like in an ordinary Sugihara matrix, the designated values are those a's satisfying  $\sim a \le a$  and that  $a \to b = \sim a \lor b$  if  $a \le b$ ,

 $\sim a \wedge b$  otherwise. (The order relation is determined, of course, by  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$ .) Further, any augumented Sugihara matrix is a distributive lattice in which  $\sim$  satisfies De-Morgan conditions ( $\sim \sim a = a$ ,  $a \le b \Leftrightarrow \sim b \le \sim a$ ) and the normal members of which form a chain.

**Theorem 2\*** If  $T \mid_{\overline{PRM}} A$ , M is an augumented Sugihara matrix, and v is a valuation in M in which every member of T has a designated value, then v(A) is designated too.

We leave to the reader the proof of the above theorem, as well as of the following lemma:

#### Lemma 2

- (a) If M is an augumented Sugihara matrix, v a valuation in M, A a sentence all atomic variables of which are among  $\{P_1, \ldots, P_n\}$ , then  $v(A) \in \{0_1, 0_2, \pm 1, \pm v(P_1), \ldots, \pm v(P_n)\}$ .
- (b) If, under the above conditions, v(A) is not designated then A is not valid in AS (Definition 2).

# Theorem 5 The completeness theorem

- (a) If T is a PRM-theory,  $T \mid_{\overrightarrow{PRM}} \phi$ , then there is an augumented Sugihara matrix M and a valuation v in M such that v(C) is designated for any  $C \in T$ , but  $v(\phi)$  is not.
- (b)  $\mid_{\overline{PRM}} A \text{ iff } A \text{ is valid in } AS.$

*Proof:* (b) follows immediately from (a), Theorem 2, and Lemma 2. To show (a), let T and  $\phi$  be as above. Following [1] and [4], we call a theory "prime" if, whenever  $T \vdash A \lor B$ , then either  $T \vdash A$  or  $T \vdash B$ . Using Theorem 4(j), we can extend T to a prime theory  $T_0$  such that  $T_0 \models_{\overrightarrow{PRM}} \phi$ . Let  $M = \langle M, \leq, \sim, \vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, T_M \rangle$  be the Lindenbaum algebra of T, constructed in the usual manner, 10 and denote by [A] the equivalence class of a sentence A. It is easy to see that M is a distributive lattice in which  $\sim$  satisfies De-Morgan conditions. Also, since  $T_0 \models_{\overrightarrow{PRM}} A \lor \sim A$  and  $T_0$  is prime,  $a \in T_M$  or  $\sim a \in T_M$  for any  $a \in M$ . Since  $\models_{\overrightarrow{RMI}} A \Leftrightarrow (\sim A \to A)$ ,  $a \in T_M$  iff  $\sim a \leq a$ . Further, if  $a \in T_M$  and  $a \leq b$ , then  $b \in T_M$ . As usual, if we define v(A) = [A], we get a well-defined valuation for which exactly the theorems of  $T_0$  are true. Hence all theorems of T are true for it and  $\phi$  is not.

Call now  $a \in M$  "normal" if  $a \neq \neg a$ . Since  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\neg}} A \rightarrow \neg A \rightarrow (A \Leftrightarrow \neg A)$ ,  $|_{\overline{RMI}} (A \Leftrightarrow \neg A) \rightarrow A$ ,  $|_{\overline{RMI}} (A \Leftrightarrow \neg A) \rightarrow \neg A$ , a is abnormal iff both a and  $\neg a$  are in  $T_M$ .

To end the proof we must show that M is (isomorphic to) an augumented Sugihara matrix. For this it suffices to show that: (a) The normal members of  $T_M$  form a chain under  $\leq$ . (b) If a and b are abnormal and different, then  $a \not\leq b$ ,  $b \not\leq a$ . (c) If a is abnormal, b normal and designated, then  $a \leq b$ . (d) There are at most two abnormal members in M. (Note: if there are two,  $0_1$  and  $0_2$ , then (a)-(c) imply that  $0_1 \vee 0_2$  is a first normal and designated member of M.)

(e) 
$$a \to b = \begin{cases} \neg a \lor b & a \le b \\ \neg a \land b & a \nleq b. \end{cases}$$

A key result in the proof of (a) and (c) will be the following consequence of Theorem 4(k) and the primeness of  $T_0$ :

(\*) If  $T_0 \not\vdash A$ ,  $T_0 \vdash B$ , then  $T_0 \vdash A \rightarrow B$ .

To prove (a) suppose [A],  $[B] \in T_M$  and that both are normal. Then  $T_0 \not\models A$  and  $T_0 \vdash B$ . (\*) implies, then, that  $T_0 \models_{\overline{RM}} A \to B$ . But  $\models_{\overline{RMI}_{\stackrel{\sim}{\to}}} (A \to B) \to A$  and  $A \to B$ , so by Theorem 4(c) and the primeness of  $A \to B$  or  $A \to B$ . But  $A \to B$  or  $A \to B$  or  $A \to B$ .

For (b), assume  $[A] = [\sim A]$ ,  $[B] = [\sim B]$  and  $[A] \leq [B]$ . Then  $T_0 \vdash A \rightarrow B$  and so  $T_0 \vdash \sim B \rightarrow \sim A$ . But  $[B] = [\sim B]$  and  $[\sim A] = [A]$  and so  $T_0 \vdash B \rightarrow A$  also. Hence [A] = [B].

For (c) suppose [A] is abnormal and [B] is normal and designated. Then  $T_0 
varphi \sim B$ ,  $T_0 
varphi \sim A$ . (\*) entails, therefore, that  $T_0 
varphi \sim B \rightarrow \sim A$ , and so  $T_0 
varphi A \rightarrow B$  and  $A 
varphi \leq B$ .

(d) follows easily from (a)-(c) and the fact that  $\langle M, \leq, \sim \rangle$  is a distributive De-Morgan lattice. For (e) we note first that since  $|_{\overline{PR}}(A+B) \to A \vee B$  and  $|_{\overline{PRM}}A \wedge B \to A+B$  (Theorem 4(b)), it is always the case that  $\sim a \wedge b \leq a \to b \leq \sim a \vee b$   $(a, b \in M)$ . Suppose now that  $[A] \leq [B]$ , i.e.,  $T_0 \vdash A \to B$ . Since  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\sim}}(A \to B) \to (\sim A \to (A \to B))$  and  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\sim}}(A \to B) \to (B \to (A \to B))$ , the assumption  $T_0 \vdash A \to B$  implies that  $T_0 \vdash (\sim A \vee B) \to (A \to B)$  and so  $[A] \to [B] = \sim [A] \vee [B]$  in this case.

Suppose finally that  $[A] \nleq [B]$ . Then  $T_0 \not\vdash A \to B$  and so  $T_0 \vdash \sim (A \to B)$ . But  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\Rightarrow}} \sim (A \to B) \to ((A \to B) \to \sim A)$ ,  $|_{\overline{RMI}_{\Rightarrow}} \sim (A \to B) \to (A \to B) \to B$ , so the present assumption implies that  $T_0 \vdash (A \to B) \to (\sim A \land B)$  and so  $[A \to B] = \sim [A] \land [B]$ .

This completes the proof of the theorem.

As an immediate corollary we have:

# **Theorem 6** *PRM is decidable.*

# II. (A) Adjunction and the disjunctive syllogism

#### Theorem 7

- (a) Adding adj to PR we get R.
- (b) Adding  $R^{\wedge}(A, B)$  or  $R^{+}(A, B)$  to PRM we get RM.
- (c) Adding  $R^+(A, B)$  to PR we get RM.

*Proof:* (a) Follows immediately from the definitions of PR and R.

- (b) Follows from Theorem 4 (a) and (b).
- (c) In [3] it is shown that, if we add  $R^+(A, B)$  to  $R_{\Rightarrow}$ , we get  $RM_{\Rightarrow}$ , which is an extension of  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$ . Hence  $PR \cup \{R^+(A, B)\}$  is equivalent to  $PRM \cup \{R^+(A, B)\}$  and part (c) follows from part (b).

Remark: Theorem 7 shows that R and RM are really close relatives. Both are obtained from PR by adding schemes that are interdeducible in PRM and which intuitively mean that any two sentences are relevant to each other.

**Theorem 8** The adjunction rule (adj) and the disjunctive syllogism  $(\gamma)$  are equivalent in the context of PR: closing PR by either of these rules gives R. Similar relations hold between PRM and RM.

*Proof:* That R(M) results from adding adj. to PR(M) is trivial. By Meyer-Dunn theorem ([1], Section 25) we know also that R and RM are closed under  $\gamma$ . Finally, in order to show that the system obtained from PR(M) by adding  $(\gamma)$  is R(M), it is enough, by Theorem 7, to show that  $R^{\wedge}(A, B)$  is derivable in this system. But  $|_{\overline{PR}} \sim (R^{\wedge}(A, B)) \Leftrightarrow (\sim (A \to A) \vee \sim (B \to B))$ , hence  $|_{\overline{PR}} \sim (A \to A) \vee (\sim (B \to B) \vee R^{\wedge}(A, B))$ . Since  $|_{\overline{PR}} \sim \sim (C \to C)$ , two applications of  $(\gamma)$  give  $R^{\wedge}(A, B)$ .

Theorem 8 shows great similarity in the role of adj. and  $\gamma$  with respect to relevance logic. <sup>11</sup> (This must not surprise us: Adj. can be used, in order to derive the "paradox"  $A \to (B \to A)$  in a way which is parallel to that in which  $\gamma$  is used in order to derive  $\sim A \to (A \to B)$ .) This similarity is strengthened by the next theorem which shows that  $\sim A \land (A \lor B) \to B$  can also be included in a system of "relevance" logic.

**Theorem 9** The system resulting from R by replacing R7 and R10 by  $\sim A \land (A \lor B)$ .  $\rightarrow B$  has the sharing-of-variable property for  $\rightarrow$ . This remains the case even if we add also the associative and commutative laws for  $\lor$  and  $\land$ , all forms of De-Morgan laws and all tautologies in the  $\{\sim, \lor, \land\}$  language.

*Proof:* We use a structure similar to the matrix  $M_0$  of [1], pp. 252-253. We only change the definition of  $x \wedge y$ ,  $x \vee y$  as follows:  $\wedge$  behaves like classical conjunction on  $\{-1,1\}$  and on  $\{-2,2\}$ . Also  $x \wedge y = +0$  if x, y are both designated but the previous cases do not apply,  $x \wedge y = -3$  otherwise.  $x \vee y$  is defined to be  $-(-x \wedge -y)$ . It is now easy to check that all theorems of the system described in the formulation of the theorem get designated values under each valuation in this structure. Now if A and B share no variable, we can define V(P) to be 1 if P is a propositional variable of A, V(P) = 2 otherwise. Then  $V(A) \in \{1, -1\}$ ,  $V(B) \in \{-2, 2\}$  and  $V(A \rightarrow B) = -3$ , which is not designated. Hence  $A \rightarrow B$  is not a theorem in this case.

# II. (B) A maximal pure relevant logic

#### **Definition 5**

- (a)  $A_2$  is the submatrix of AS consisting of  $\{-1, 1, 0_1, 0_2\}$ .
- (b)  $PRM_2$  is the set of sentences valid in  $A_2$ .

Note:  $A_2$  is a combination of two known four-valued matrices: the truth-table for  $\sim$  and  $\rightarrow$  and the designated values are like those in the matrix we call by the same name in [3], and which is isomorphic to the matrix introduced by Parks in [7] (see [1], p. 168). On the other hand, the truth tables for  $\sim$ ,  $\vee$  and  $\wedge$  are like those in the Smiley matrix and introduced in [1], Section 13.3. 12 It is important that the order relation defined on the Smiley matrix according to the lattice operations  $\vee$  and  $\wedge$  corresponds exactly to the one induced on the Parks matrix by  $\rightarrow$  and by the choice of designated values (i.e.,  $a \le b$  iff  $a \rightarrow b$  is designated).

#### Theorem 10

- (a)  $PRM_2$  has the variable-sharing property for both  $\rightarrow$  and  $\land$ .
- (b) Every logic extending PRM which has the variable-sharing property for  $\rightarrow$  is included in PRM<sub>2</sub>.

- (c) An axiomatization of  $PRM_2$  is obtained by adding to PRM the scheme  $A \lor (A \to B)$ .
- (d)  $PRM_2$  has only two proper extensions: the classical calculus and  $RM_3$  (the set of sentences valid in the Sugihara matrix  $M_3 = \{-1, 0, 1\}$ ) (see, e.g., [1], p. 470).
- Proof: (a) This is proved exactly as in the PRM case.
- (b) Let L be an extention of PRM having the sharing-of-variable property for  $\rightarrow$ . Then  $\not\vdash R^+(A, B)$ . Repeating the argument in the proof of Theorem 5, we can find an augumented Sugihara matrix M in which all theorems of L are valid but  $R^+(A, B)$  is not. Since  $R^+(A, B)$  is valid in any ordinary Sugihara matrix, M contains both  $0_1$  and  $0_2$  and so  $A_2$  is a submatrix of M. Hence all theorems of L are valid in L and  $L \subseteq PRM_2$ .
- (c) It is easy to check that  $A \vee (A \rightarrow B)$  is valid in  $A_2$ . On the other hand, if  $PRM + \{A \vee .A \rightarrow B\} \not\vdash \phi$ , then, by repeating the argument of Theorem 5, we can find an augumented Sugihara M in which  $A \vee .A \rightarrow B$  is valid but  $\phi$  is not. Clearly  $A \vee .A \rightarrow B$  can be valid in M iff it contains exactly one undesignated value. Hence M must be a submatrix of  $A_2$ , and so  $\phi$  is not valid in  $A_2$ .
- (d) By the proof of (b), if L is an extension of  $PRM_2$ , then  $\vdash R^+(A, B)$ . This means, by (c) and Theorem 7(c), that  $RM + \{A \lor (A \to B)\} \subseteq L$ . But it is known that this system, called  $RM_3$  in [1], has only one proper extension, namely, the classical calculus.<sup>13</sup>

# II. (C) Fragments of PRM and PRM<sub>2</sub>

**Theorem 11**  $R_{fde}$  is the first-degree-entailment fragment of both PRM and  $PRM_2$ .

*Proof:* By Theorem 1,  $R_{fde} \subseteq PRM \subseteq PRM_2$ . On the other hand in [1], 15.3 it is shown that  $|_{\overline{R_{fde}}} A \to B$  iff  $V(A) \leq V(B)$  for any valuation V in the Smiley matrix, so (see the note after Definition 5)  $|_{\overline{R_{fde}}} A \to B$  iff  $A \to B$  is valid in  $A_2$ , iff  $|_{\overline{PRM_2}} A \to B$ .

**Theorem 12** PRM and PRM<sub>2</sub> have the same  $\{\sim, \rightarrow\}$  and  $\{\rightarrow\}$  fragments. These fragments are proper extensions of RMI<sub> $\Rightarrow$ </sub> and RMI<sub> $\sim$ </sub>, respectively. Moreover, these fragments are relevantly maximal logics in the sense that they have the sharing-of-variable property and they include any other extension of RMI<sub> $\Rightarrow$ </sub> (or RMI<sub> $\rightarrow$ </sub>) having this property. (So no proper extensions of them in their language have this property.)

*Proof:* In [3] we call the above fragments of  $PRM_2$  (i.e., the sets of sentences in the  $\{\sim, \rightarrow\}^-$  and  $\{\rightarrow\}^-$  language valid in  $A_2$ ) " $RMI_{\Rightarrow}^2$ " and " $RMI_{\Rightarrow}^2$ " respectively. We show there that a complete axiomatization of  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}^2(RMI_{\Rightarrow}^2)$  is obtained by adding to  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}(RMI_{\Rightarrow})$  the scheme:  $[(P_1 \rightarrow P_2) \rightarrow P_3] \rightarrow [((P_1 \rightarrow P_3) \rightarrow P_2) \rightarrow (((P_2 \rightarrow P_3) \rightarrow P_1) \rightarrow .(P_1 \rightarrow P_1) + (P_2 \rightarrow P_2) + (P_3 \rightarrow P_3)].$  Now, it is not difficult to check that this formula is valid in AS and so provable in PRM. Hence,  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}(RMI_{\Rightarrow})$  is contained in PRM, and since  $PRM \subseteq PRM_2$ ,  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}^2(RMI_{\Rightarrow}^2)$  is exactly the  $\{\sim, \rightarrow\}$  ( $\{\rightarrow\}$ ) fragment of both systems. The other parts of the theorem contain properties of  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}^2$  and  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}^2$  that were proved in [3].

II. (D) A subsystem with a more intuitive semantics Theorem 5 shows that PRM and RM differ slightly: while in RM essentially all "paradoxical" sentences are equivalent, in PRM we can have exactly two different such sentences. It may seem more intuitive to have a potentially infinite number of "paradoxical" sentences, irrelevant (and so non-equivalent) to each other in pairs. This can be done, but only with the price of weakening the distribution axiom. This is not too high a price, though. The justification of this axiom is not clear anyway, and it is known to be the source of many unpleasant properties of the relevance system. 15

As a first step we introduce a new connective, definable in *PRM*, and prove a theorem about it. Both the connective and the theorem are important on their own right.

**Definition 6**  $A \supset B =_{df} (A \rightarrow B) \vee B$ . <sup>16</sup>

**Lemma**  $A, A \supset B \mid_{\overline{PR}} B.$ 

*Proof:* Since  $|_{\overline{R}} A \to ((A \to B) \to B)$ , it follows that  $A |_{\overline{PR}} (A \to B) \to B$ . Also,  $|_{\overline{PR}} B \to B$ , so  $A |_{\overline{PR}} (A \supset B) \to B$ . Hence the lemma.

**Theorem 13 The deduction theorem** Let T be an L-theory where L is any extension of PRM (having the same rules of inference), then T, A 
subseteq B iff T 
subseteq A 
subseteq B.

*Proof:* The lemma gives the "if" part. For the "only if" it is enough to check that the following three schemes are valid in AS and so provable in PRM: (i)  $A \supset A$ ; (ii)  $(A \supset B) \supset [(A \supset (B \to C)) \supset (A \supset C)]$ ; (iii)  $(A \supset .B \to C) \supset [(A \supset .B \to D) \supset (A \supset .B \to (C \land D))]$ .

We generalize now the semantics of PRM:

#### **Definition 7**

- (a) By a generalized Sugihara matrix we mean any structure which is either an ordinary Sugihara matrix, or results from a normal Sugihara matrix S, having a first designated value 1 by adding to it a set of neutral values  $\{I_i\}_{i\in J}$ , all taken to be designated. We further define:  $\sim I_i = I_i \rightarrow I_i = I_i \land I_i = I_i \land I_i = I_i$ , and if  $i \neq j$  then  $I_i \rightarrow I_j = I_i \land I_j = -1$ ,  $I_i \lor I_j = 1$ .
- (b) ES, the canonical generalized Sugihara matrix is obtained from the integers (without 0) by adding to them a countable set of neutral values in the manner described in (a).

Obviously, a sentence A is valid in any generalized Sugihara matrix iff it is valid in ES.

**Theorem 14** Let PRM\* be the system obtained by replacing the distribution axiom of PRM by the following relevant version:

(**RD**)  $[R^{\wedge}(A, B) \vee R^{\wedge}(A, C) \vee R^{\wedge}(B, C)] \supset [(A \vee B) \wedge (A \vee C) \rightarrow .A \vee (B \wedge C)].$ 

Then PRM\* is complete for the set of sentences valid in ES.

*Proof:* It is easy to check that all theorems of  $PRM^*$  are valid in ES. For the completeness part of the theorem we note first that  $PRM^*$  has all the proper-

ties of PRM listed in Theorem 4. This is so because one can easily check that, whenever the distribution axiom is used in the proof of Theorem 4, <sup>17</sup> we can apply previous parts of that theorem and the lemma after Definition 6 for justifying the use of RD instead of distribution. Granting this, we can repeat now the proof of Theorem 5 for  $PRM^*$  word by word. There is just one exception: in one place in that proof, distribution is used directly (i.e., not through applications of Theorem 4): when we show that there are at most two neutral values. In  $PRM^*$  we do not have this limitation and so we just have to omit this step.

The next theorem summarizes those properties of PRM that  $PRM^*$  has as well. The proofs are exactly as those of the corresponding theorems for PRM (Theorems 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 13) and are left to the reader.

**Theorem 15**  $PRM^*$  has the sharing-of-variable property for both  $\rightarrow$  and  $\land$ , it is decidable, the deduction theorem for  $\supset$  holds in it, and it has all the proof-theoretical properties stated in Theorem 4. Further, adding to it either  $R^{\land}(A, B)$  or  $R^+(A, B)$  as an axiom, or either adj or  $\gamma$  as a rule of inference, we get RM.

Besides the properties shared by PRM and  $PRM^*$ , there are welcomed properties that PRM lacks but  $PRM^*$  has. The following theorem is a very important example:

**Theorem 16**  $PRM^*$  is a conservative extension of  $RMI_{\preceq}$ .

*Proof:* In [3] we show the submatrix of *ES* consisting of  $\{-1, 1, I_1, I_2, ...\}$  is characteristic for  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$ . From this fact and the fact that *ES* is sound for  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  the theorem follows easily.

Note: In [3] we show that any proper extension of  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  is obtained by adding schemes the meaning of which is that there are just a finite number of "paradoxical" statements. Since such a limitation is not intuitive (unless we reject the existence of *any* paradoxical statement)  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  is preferable to any of its extensions (excluding perhaps classical logic). (There are also other reasons to choose  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$  as the "true" relevance logic in the  $\{\rightarrow, \sim\}$  language. See [3].)

The submatrix of ES mentioned in the last proof was called  $A_{\infty}$  in [3], and it was shown there to be a minimal matrix characterizing  $RMI_{\Rightarrow}$ . For the full language of PR we have the following:

**Theorem 17** A complete axiomatization of the set of sentences in the language of PR which are valid in  $A_{\infty}$  is obtained by adding to PRM\* the scheme  $A \vee (A \rightarrow B)$ .

The proof resembles that of Theorem 10, and is left to the reader.

#### **NOTES**

- 1. Not to mention the ordinary, "official" one which is also sometimes used, e.g., in the proof of the admissibility of  $(\gamma)$ .
- 2. We consider this impossibility as another evidence of the pure relevance character of *RMI*<sub>\sigma</sub>.

- 3. We prefer here the name  $R_{fde}$  to  $E_{fde}$ , which was used in [1].
- 4. In view of these facts, we think that like RM, R itself may hardly be called "a relevance logic".
- 5. This observation is due to the referee.
- 6. In this paper, whenever we talk about provability from a set of assumptions we assume the ordinary (sometimes called "official" by the relevantists) sense of a "proof".
- 7. This definition of a Sugihara matrix is a version of Dunn's concept of a Sugihara chain appearing in [1], p. 421. The adjective "ordinary" was added to distinguish it from the generalization we introduce below.
- 8. This is shown in [3], III.8. From now on we shall not give a proof of a sentence in  $RAI_{\neg}$  (or  $RMI_{\neg}$ ) when we claim such a proof to exist, since  $RMI_{\neg}$  and  $RMI_{\rightarrow}$  have an efficient decision procedure (see [3]).
- 9. This is the first place we use distribution in the proof of Theorem 4. Hence (a)-(i) are true independently of this axiom.
- 10. I.e., we define  $A \equiv B$  iff  $T_0 \mid_{\overline{PRM}} A \Leftrightarrow B$ . (By  $A \Leftrightarrow B$  we mean either  $(A \to B) \circ (B \to A)$  or  $(A \to B) \wedge (B \to A)$ . Both are provable iff both  $A \to B$  and  $B \to A$  are provable.) This is an equivalence relation. Denote by [A] the equivalence class of A, and let M be the set of the equivalence classes. Define further:  $[A] \leq [B]$  iff  $T_0 \vdash A \to B$ ,  $[A] \wedge [B] = [A \wedge B]$ ,  $[A] \vee [B] = [A \vee B]$ ,  $\sim [A] = [A]$ ,  $[A] \to [B] = [A \to B]$ . These are all well-defined. Finally let  $T_M$ , the set of designated values, be  $\{[A] \mid T_0 \mid_{\overline{PRM}} A\}$ .
- 11. Note also the similarity with respect to R: R is closed, as a system, under both rules, but they cannot be applied freely in ("official") R-deduction from R-theories without violating basic relevant principles.
- 12. In [1] the matrix consists of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . The correspondence  $1 \Leftrightarrow 1, 4 \Leftrightarrow -1, 2 \Leftrightarrow 0_1, 3 \Leftrightarrow 0_2$  is an isomorphism of the two matrices relative to  $\{\sim, \land, \lor\}$ .
- 13. This is a consequence of Dunn's characterization of *RM*'s extensions. See [1], 29.4 and p. 470.
- 14. For the case of  $RMI_{\rightarrow}$  an equivalent formula containing only  $\rightarrow$  is given in [3].
- 15. In [1], p. 313 it is called "a headache for E and related systems" (in some respects).
- 16. More on this connective and its importance in the context of *RM* can be found in [2].
- 17. Actually only parts (j) and (k) depend on distribution (see note 9).

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