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## UNIFICATION IN SOME SUBSTRUCTURAL LOGICS OF BL-ALGEBRAS AND HOOPS

**A b s t r a c t.** Abstract. It is shown that substructural logics of  $k$ -potent BL-algebras and  $k$ -potent hoops have unitary unification (in fact, transparent unifiers) while Basic Fuzzy Logic, BL (the logic of BL-algebras), and  $\infty$ -valued Łukasiewicz logic (the logic of MV-algebras) do not have unitary unification. It follows that every  $k$ -potent substructural logic containing BL is structurally complete in the restricted sense, but Basic Logic itself is not.

Given an equational theory  $E$ , equational unification or  $E$ -unification is concerned with finding a substitution  $\sigma$  of individual variables that makes two given terms  $t_1, t_2$  equal, or *unified*, modulo the theory  $E$ , i.e.  $\vdash_E \sigma t_1 = \sigma t_2$ . Such a substitution is called a *unifier* for  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ ; if such a unifier exists then  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are called *unifiable*. Given two unifiers  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$ , we say that  $\sigma$  is *more general than*  $\tau$ , in symbols  $\tau \preceq \sigma$ , if  $\tau$  is an instance of  $\sigma$ , i.e.  $\vdash_E \delta(\sigma(x)) = \tau(x)$ , for some substitution  $\delta$ . A unifier  $\sigma$  for  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  is a *most general unifier*, a *mgu*, if it is more general than any other unifier for  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ .

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*Unification type* of a theory  $E$ , equivalently, of a variety  $\mathcal{V}_E$ , can be unitary, finitary, infinitary or nullary, according to a number of  $\preceq$ -maximal  $E$ -unifiers of „the worst case” of  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ , see [1], [8].

Unification is basic to Resolution Theorem and Term Rewriting Systems. We consider logics of partially ordered algebras such that among the algebraic operations there is a pair  $(\cdot, \Rightarrow)$  called an *adjoint* or *residuated pair*, which satisfies the following condition of residuation:

$$c \leq a \Rightarrow b \text{ iff } a \cdot c \leq b \quad (1)$$

in other words,  $\Rightarrow$  is a residuum of  $\cdot$ .  $(\cdot, \Rightarrow)$  are represented by the connectives  $(\&, \rightarrow)$  of fusion and implication in the corresponding logics. In particular we consider the following classes of algebras which contain the residuated pair  $(\cdot, \Rightarrow)$  as a reduct: hoops, basic hoops, Wajsberg (or Łukasiewicz) hoops, BL-algebras, Gödel algebras, and corresponding to them, substructural logics which are related to fuzzy logics, see [7], [10], [6].

All of the above algebras belong to the class of  $FL_{ew}$ -algebras, i.e. commutative integral residuated lattices, corresponding to the substructural logics over  $FL_{ew}$ , Full Lambek calculus with weakening and exchange but without contraction, introduced by Ono, see [7], [13], [14].

Hoops originated in a manuscript by Büchi and Owens in the 70's. Later, they were considered by Blok and Pigozzi [3], Blok, Ferreirim [2] and others. Hoops capture a common  $\{\&, \rightarrow\}$  fragment of all fuzzy logics.

BL-algebras or Basic Logic algebras have been introduced by P.Hájek [10] as an algebraic counterpart of Basic Fuzzy Logic, BL, which is a common generalization of the three main fuzzy logics: Gödel logic, Łukasiewicz logic and Product logic. Gödel algebras, Wajsberg algebras and product algebras are the algebraic counterparts of these logics, respectively. It was proved that the variety of BL-algebras is generated by all algebras  $([0, 1], \star, \Rightarrow, 0, 1)$ , where  $\star$  is a continuous  $t$ -norm on the real interval  $[0, 1]$  and  $\Rightarrow$  its residuum.

In case of algebras with 1 (*unit*) and with  $\Rightarrow, \cdot$  considered here, unification problem  $t_1 =? t_2$  in a class  $\mathcal{V}$  of algebras is equivalent to  $t =? 1$ , for  $t = (t_1 \Rightarrow t_2) \cdot (t_1 \Rightarrow t_2)$  or, in logical terms, to finding a substitution  $\sigma$  such that  $\vdash_L \sigma\phi$ , where  $L$  is a logic determined by  $\mathcal{V}$ . The subsumption preorder  $\preceq$  is related to  $\vdash_L$ , provability in  $L$ .

The set of all formulas  $F_\Delta$  is built up from variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  by means of the connectives from a set  $\Delta$ , where  $\{\&, \rightarrow\} \subseteq \Delta \subseteq \{\&, \rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, \perp\}$ , ( $\perp =$  constant falsity). Further connectives are defined:  $\top$  (constant truth) is  $x \rightarrow x$ , a negation  $\neg\phi$  is  $\phi \rightarrow \perp$  and  $\phi \equiv \psi$  is  $(\phi \rightarrow \psi) \& (\psi \rightarrow \phi)$ .

By a logic we mean a set of formulas closed on Modus Ponens and substitution.  $\Gamma \vdash_L \phi$  means that a formula  $\phi$  is derivable from a set of formulas  $\Gamma$  and from  $L$  by Modus Ponens.  $\vdash_L \phi$  means that  $\phi$  is provable in  $L$ .

Let  $\mathbf{A} = (A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, 1, 0)$  be a residuated lattice. A map  $\epsilon : \{x_i\} \rightarrow A$  can be uniquely extended to a homomorphism (denoted by the same letter)  $\epsilon : F \rightarrow A$ , called a valuation, in such a way that:  $\epsilon(A \& B) = \epsilon(A) \cdot \epsilon(B)$ ,  $\epsilon(A \rightarrow B) = \epsilon(A) \Rightarrow \epsilon(B)$ ,  $\epsilon(A \vee B) = \epsilon(A) \vee \epsilon(B)$ ,  $\epsilon(A \wedge B) = \epsilon(A) \wedge \epsilon(B)$ ,  $\epsilon(\perp) = 0$ . By restriction of  $\epsilon$  to  $\{\&, \rightarrow\}$  we get a valuation in a hoop  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow)$ .

The *logic of  $\mathbf{A}$*  (i.e. a logic determined by  $\mathbf{A}$ ), denoted by  $L(\mathbf{A})$ , is a set of all formulas valid in  $\mathbf{A}$ , i.e.  $\phi \in L(\mathbf{A})$  iff  $\epsilon(\phi) = 1$ , for every valuation  $\epsilon : F \rightarrow A$ ; that is  $L(\mathbf{A})$  consists of all  $\mathbf{A}$ -tautologies. The *logic of a class of algebras  $\mathcal{V}$* , is a set of all formulas  $\phi$  such that  $\phi \in L(\mathbf{A})$ , for all  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{V}$ .

We denote by  $\underline{x}$  a finite set of variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . We write  $\phi(\underline{x})$  to express that a formula  $\phi$  contains variables only from  $\underline{x}$ .  $F(\underline{x})$  denotes the set of all formulas of the form  $\phi(\underline{x})$ . A substitution  $\sigma : \underline{x} \rightarrow F$  is a *unifier* for  $\phi(\underline{x})$  in  $L$ , if  $\vdash_L \sigma\phi$ ; then  $\phi$  is called *unifiable*. The most general unifier, a mgu, for  $\phi$  in  $L$ , is a unifier  $\sigma$  for  $\phi$  such that  $\sigma \preceq \tau$  for any unifier  $\tau$  for  $\phi$ . A unifier of the type  $\sigma : \underline{x} \rightarrow \{\perp, \top\}$  is called *ground*.

Unification in  $L$  depends on the collection of connectives used in  $L$ . Hence we write „a logic  $L$  in  $\Delta$ ”, where  $\{\&, \rightarrow\} \subseteq \Delta \subseteq \{\&, \rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, \neg\}$ , to mean that  $L \subseteq F_\Delta$ , i.e. all formulas in  $L$  contain only connectives from  $\Delta$ .

We begin with logics of hoops in  $\{\&, \rightarrow\}$  and expand to logics of residuated lattices in  $\{\&, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, (\neg)\}$ , in two parts: I. without negation and II. with negation, or constant  $\perp$ .

**Hoops.** A **hoop** is an algebra  $\mathbf{A} = (A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$  of type  $(2, 2, 0)$  such that  $(A, \cdot, 1)$  is a commutative *monoid* with the unit 1, (i.e. satisfying:  $x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z$ ,  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$ ,  $x \cdot 1 = 1$ ) which satisfies the axioms:

$$(H1) \quad x \Rightarrow x = 1$$

$$(H2) \quad x \Rightarrow (y \Rightarrow z) = (x \cdot y) \Rightarrow z$$

$$(H3) \quad (x \Rightarrow y) \cdot x = (y \Rightarrow x) \cdot y.$$

A relation  $\leq$  on any hoop  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$  defined as follows:  $x \leq y$  iff  $x \Rightarrow y = 1$  is a partial order; then  $(A, \leq)$  is a  $\wedge$ -semilattice. In fact, for any  $x, y \in A$ :

$$x \wedge y = x \cdot (x \Rightarrow y), \quad (2)$$

which is called *divisibility*. Hence the class of hoops form a variety.

A hoop  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$  is *basic* if it is *prelinear*, i.e. for  $x, y, z \in A$ :

$$(x \Rightarrow y) \Rightarrow z \leq ((y \Rightarrow x) \Rightarrow z) \Rightarrow z. \quad (3)$$

In basic hoops we have  $x \vee y = ((x \Rightarrow y) \Rightarrow y) \wedge ((y \Rightarrow x) \Rightarrow x)$ , i.e. the join is definable. Hence any basic hoop  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$  is definitionally equivalent to a commutative integral divisible residuated lattice, with the greatest element 1,  $(A, \wedge, \vee, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$ , cf.[12]. Basic hoops are also called *generalized BL-algebras* since they are subalgebras of 0-free reducts of BL-algebras cf [6].

A hoop  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$  is a *Wajsberg hoop* or a *Lukasiewicz hoop* if, for  $x, y \in A$ :  $(x \Rightarrow y) \Rightarrow y = (y \Rightarrow x) \Rightarrow x$ . Every Wajsberg hoops is basic.

A *bounded hoop* is an algebra  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 0, 1)$  such that  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$  is a hoop and  $0 \leq x$ , for all  $x \in A$ . In such hoops negation is defined by  $\neg x = x \Rightarrow 0$ . Bounded Wajsberg hoops are equivalent to Wajsberg algebras and to MV-algebras, which are algebraic models of Łukasiewicz many-valued logics.

An **FL<sub>ew</sub>-algebra** is an algebra  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$  such that  $(A, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$  is a bounded (i.e. with 0 and 1) lattice,  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$  is a commutative monoid and the condition of residuation (1) holds.

A **BL-algebra** (a Basic Logic algebra) is a FL<sub>ew</sub>-algebra satisfying divisibility (2) and

$$(x \Rightarrow y) \vee (y \Rightarrow x) = 1 \quad (\text{prelinearity}). \quad (4)$$

Note: (4) is equivalent to (3), and (2) implies distributivity in  $(A, \wedge, \vee)$ .

A hoop or a BL-algebra  $A$  is *k-potent*, if, for every  $x \in A$ ,

$$(E_k) \quad x^{k+1} = x^k. \quad (5)$$

An element  $x \in A$ , is *idempotent*, if  $x^2 = x$ ; similarly, a formula  $\phi$  is *idempotent* in  $L$ , if  $\vdash_L \phi^2 \equiv \phi$ . A logic  $L$  is *k-potent* if  $\vdash_L \phi^k \rightarrow \phi^{k+1}$  for any  $\phi$ . If  $L$  is *k-potent*, then  $\vdash_L (\phi^k)^2 \equiv \phi^k$ , for any  $\phi$ . By Blok and Pigozzi

[3], a variety of hoops (BL-algebras) has Equationally Definable Principal Congruences, EDPC, iff it is  $k$ -potent, for some  $k$ .

Transparent unifiers were defined by Wroński [19] (see also [18]), for quasivarieties of equivalence algebras as follows. Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a class of algebras of the same type,  $F$  be the set of all terms ( $F(\underline{x})$  terms built in  $\underline{x}$  respectively) of  $\mathbf{K}$ ,  $p(\underline{x}), q(\underline{x})$  terms with variables in  $\underline{x} = x_1, \dots, x_k$ . A unifier  $\sigma$  for  $p, q$  is *transparent* if  $\models_{\mathbf{K}} (p = q \Rightarrow \sigma(x) = x)$ , for every  $x$ . In view of the completeness theorem:  $\models_{\mathbf{K}} = \vdash_L$  we arrive at the following definition.

Let  $\phi(\underline{x})$  be unifiable in  $L$ . A substitution  $\sigma : \underline{x} \rightarrow F$  is a *transparent* unifier for  $\phi$  in  $L$  if  $\sigma$  is a unifier for  $\phi$  in  $L$ ,  $\vdash_L \sigma\phi$ , and, for  $x \in \underline{x}$

$$\phi \vdash_L (\sigma(x) \equiv x). \quad (6)$$

The formula  $\phi$  in (6) should be in the form that allows to generate a congruence (e.g. idempotent), see [5], Sect. 2.4. We say that a *logic*  $L$  has *transparent unifiers* if every unifiable formula in  $L$  has a transparent unifier. Transparent unifiers have an advantage (here): they are preserved under extensions. Unitary unification is not preserved „upwards”: the logic KC of weak excluded middle has unitary unification [9] but some its extensions have nullary unification.

## 1. Substructural logics without negation $\neg$ .

In the following theorem (i) is due to Blok and Pigozzi [3] and (ii) was proved in [17] with the assistance of the automated reasoning program Otter.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$  be a hoop and  $e$  an idempotent element of  $A$ . Then the following equations hold for  $x, y \in A$*

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad e \Rightarrow (x \Rightarrow y) &= (e \Rightarrow x) \rightarrow (e \Rightarrow y) \\ (ii) \quad e \Rightarrow (x \cdot y) &= (e \Rightarrow x) \cdot (e \Rightarrow y) \end{aligned}$$

Hence the map  $f(x) = e \Rightarrow x$ , for  $x \in A$ , is an endomorphism of  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$ . Moreover,  $f$  is a retraction,  $f \circ f = f$ .

**Corollary 2.** *For any logic  $L$  of hoops, and an idempotent formula  $\phi \in F(\underline{x})$ ,  $\sigma(x) = \phi \rightarrow x$ , for  $x \in \underline{x}$ , is a transparent unifier (hence a mgu).<sup>1</sup>*

Note that  $\sigma$  is „weakly transparent”, i.e., for any unifier  $\tau$  for  $\phi$ , we have  $\vdash_L \tau(\sigma(x)) \equiv \tau(x)$ , for  $x \in \underline{x}$ ; hence  $\sigma$  is a mgu for  $\phi$ .

**Corollary 3.** *Every logic in  $\{\&, \rightarrow\}$  or  $\{\&, \wedge, \rightarrow\}$  determined by any class of  $k$ -potent hoops,  $k \geq 1$ , has transparent unifiers; hence it has unitary unification.*

**Corollary 4.** *Every idempotent formula of any logic in  $\{\&, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow\}$  of basic hoops has a transparent unifier.*

**Corollary 5.** *Any logic in  $\{\&, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow\}$  of  $k$ -potent basic hoops (in particular, of  $k$ -potent generalized BL-algebra [12]) has unitary unification. The transparent unifier for  $\phi$  has the form  $\sigma(x) = \phi^k \rightarrow x$  for  $x \in \underline{x}$ .*

**Remark.** If the assumption of prelinearity is dropped then unitary unification is lost; example: the  $\{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$ -reduct of intuitionistic logic. A (Hilber style) rule  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n / \psi$  is *admissible* in  $L$  if, for every substitution  $\tau$ ,  $\vdash_L \tau\phi_1, \dots, \vdash_L \tau\phi_n$  implies  $\vdash_L \tau\psi$ ; it is *derivable* in  $L$ , if  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n \vdash_L \psi$ .  $L$  is *structurally complete* if every structural (i.e. closed under substitution) and admissible rule in  $L$  is derivable in  $L$ , see [15].

**Corollary 6.** *Any logic  $L$  in  $\{\cdot, \wedge, \rightarrow\}$  (in  $\{\cdot, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$ ) of  $k$ -potent (basic) hoops is hereditarily Structurally Complete; in terms of algebra: every subquasivariety of  $k$ -potent (basic) hoops is a variety, i.e. it is deductive, [11].*

## 2. Substructural Logics with negation $\neg$

. In this part we consider logics with negation  $\neg$  (or  $\perp$ ) and the algebras with the least element 0. Recall that  $\neg x = x \Rightarrow 0$  and  $\neg\phi \equiv \phi \rightarrow \perp$ . Allowing negation often changes unification type to „worse”.

**Example:** Consider reducts of intuitionistic logic in  $\{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \neg\}$ . Unification is: unitary in  $\{\rightarrow\}$ -reduct (Prucnal 1972); **not** unitary in  $\{\rightarrow, \neg\}$ -

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<sup>1</sup>Prucnal [16] used such a substitution in implicational fragment of intuitionistic logic.

reduct (Wroński [18]), unitary in  $\{\rightarrow, \wedge\}$  and  $\{\rightarrow, \wedge, \neg\}$ -reducts (Wroński [18]); note that it is finitary (not unitary) in full  $\{\rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, \neg\}$ , (Ghilaridi [9]).

In any BL-algebra the set  $\{0, 1\}$  is closed under  $\cdot, \Rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, \neg$ , hence every formula unifiable in BL has a ground unifier.

**Lemma 7.** *Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a BL-algebra and  $e$  an idempotent element in  $\mathbf{A}$ . Then for every  $a, b \in A$ , the following equations hold*

- (i)  $e \cdot a = e \wedge a$ ,
- (ii)  $\neg\neg e = (\neg\neg e)^2$ ,
- (iii)  $\neg\neg e \cdot [(e \Rightarrow a) \Rightarrow (e \Rightarrow b)] = [(e \Rightarrow a) \Rightarrow \neg\neg e \cdot (e \Rightarrow b)]$ ,
- (iv)  $[(e \Rightarrow a) \Rightarrow (e \Rightarrow b)] = [\neg\neg e \cdot (e \Rightarrow a) \Rightarrow \neg\neg e \cdot (e \Rightarrow b)] = [\neg\neg e \cdot (e \Rightarrow a) \Rightarrow (e \Rightarrow b)]$ .

The proof is omitted; for useful equations see [4],[6],[10].

**Theorem 8.** *Let  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$  be a BL-algebra,  $e$  an idempotent element of  $A$  and  $\tau : A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  a homomorphism,  $\tau(e) = 1$ . Then the map*

$$f(x) = (e \Rightarrow x) \cdot (\neg e \Rightarrow \tau(x)), \text{ for } x \in A, \quad (7)$$

*is an endomorphism of  $(A, \cdot, \Rightarrow, 1)$ . Moreover,  $f$  is a retraction,  $f \circ f = f$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $e$  be an idempotent element in  $A$  and  $\tau : A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  a homomorphism such that  $\tau(e) = 1$ . By induction on the length of a term  $t$  in variables  $\underline{x}$  we show that:

$$(\star) \quad f(t) = \begin{cases} e \Rightarrow t, & \text{if } \tau(t) = 1, \\ (e \Rightarrow t) \cdot \neg\neg e, & \text{if } \tau(t) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Assume that  $(\star)$  holds for  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ . Let  $t = t_1 \Rightarrow t_2$ . We have the cases: 1)  $\tau t_1 = 1, \tau t_2 = 0$ , i.e.  $\tau t = 0$ , then, by Theorem 1 and by Lemma 7, (iii),  $(\star)$  holds ; 2)  $\tau t_1 = 0, \tau t_2 = 0$  and 3)  $\tau t_1 = 0, \tau t_2 = 1$  follows similarly by Lemma 7, (iv); and 4)  $\tau t_1 = 1, \tau t_2 = 1$ , by Theorem 1, (i).

For  $t = t_1 \cdot t_2$ ,  $(\star)$  holds, by Theorem 1, (ii) and Lemma 7. For  $t = 0$  we have  $f(0) = \neg\neg t \cdot \neg t = 0$ . The other operations are definable.  $\square$

**Theorem 9.** *For every logic  $L$  containing Basic Logic BL, if  $\phi \in F(\underline{x})$  is a formula idempotent and unifiable in  $L$ , with a ground unifier  $\tau$ , then it has the transparent of the form:*

$$\sigma_\phi(x) = (\phi \rightarrow x) \& (\neg\phi \rightarrow \tau(x)), \text{ for } x \in \underline{x}.$$

*In particular, for every  $k$ -potent logic  $L$  containing Basic Logic BL, if  $\phi \in F(\underline{x})$  is unifiable in  $L$ , then it has the transparent unifier of the form:*

$$\sigma_\phi(x) = (\phi^k \rightarrow x) \& (\neg\phi^k \rightarrow \tau(x)), \text{ for } x \in \underline{x},$$

where  $\tau$  is a ground unifier for  $\phi$ . Hence unification in  $L$  is unitary.

**Proof.** Let  $\phi$  be a unifiable and idempotent formula in  $L$  and  $\tau$  a ground unifier for  $\phi$ . By induction on the length of  $\psi \in F(\underline{x})$  we show that:

$$(\star) \quad \sigma_\phi(\psi) \equiv \begin{cases} \phi \rightarrow \psi, & \text{if } \tau(\psi) \equiv \top, \\ (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \& \neg\neg\phi, & \text{if } \tau(\psi) \equiv \perp. \end{cases}$$

In particular,  $\sigma_\phi(\phi) \equiv \phi \rightarrow \phi$ ,  $\sigma_\phi$  is a unifier for  $\phi$ . Moreover, since  $\phi$  is idempotent,  $\sigma_\phi$  is transparent, i.e.,  $\vdash_L \phi \rightarrow [(\sigma_\phi(x) \rightarrow x) \& (x \rightarrow \sigma_\phi(x))]$ .  $\square$

**Remark.** It follows that unification is unitary in Gödel logic (Wroński's result, cf. [18]) and in finite-valued Łukasiewicz logics.

If  $k$ -potency, or EDPC, is dropped, then unitary unification is lost.

**Lemma 10.** *In Łukasiewicz logic  $L_\infty$  the following holds:*

$$(Dis) \quad \text{If } \vdash_{L_\infty} \phi \vee \neg\phi, \text{ then } \vdash_{L_\infty} \phi \text{ or } \vdash_{L_\infty} \neg\phi.$$

**Proof.** Recall that Łukasiewicz logic  $L_\infty$  is characterized by the Wajsberg algebra  $\mathfrak{W}_{[0,1]} = ([0, 1], \cdot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ , where:  $\neg x = 1 - x$  and  $x \rightarrow y = \min\{1, 1 - x + y\}$  are continuous real functions; their compositions (corresponding to formulas) are continuous functions  $[0, 1]^k \rightarrow [0, 1]$ . Now observe that, by the Darboux property of continuous functions, for every formula  $\phi$ :

$\phi \vee \neg\phi$  is valid in  $\mathfrak{W}_{[0,1]}$  iff  $\phi$  is valid in  $\mathfrak{W}_{[0,1]}$  or  $\neg\phi$  is valid in  $\mathfrak{W}_{[0,1]}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 11.** *Unification in Łukasiewicz logic  $L_\infty$  is not unitary.*



**Proof.** The formula  $x \vee \neg x$  has two unifiers  $\sigma_0(x) = \perp$  and  $\sigma_1(x) = \top$  in  $L_\infty$ . Assume to the contrary, that  $L_\infty$  has unitary unification; let  $\sigma$  be a mgu for  $x \vee \neg x$ . i.e.  $\vdash_{L_\infty} \sigma(x) \vee \neg\sigma(x)$ . By the property (*Dis*) we have  $\vdash_{L_\infty} \sigma(x)$  or  $\vdash_{L_\infty} \neg\sigma(x)$ , i.e.  $\sigma$  is equivalent either to  $\sigma_1$  or to  $\sigma_0$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

**Conjecture.** Unification in Łukasiewicz logic  $L_\infty$  is infinitary or nullary.

**Theorem 12** (Glivenko property). (*Cignoli, Torrens [4]*)

$$(i) \vdash_{\text{BL}} \neg\neg\phi \text{ iff } \vdash_{L_\infty} \phi$$

$$(ii) \vdash_{\text{BL}} \neg\phi \text{ iff } \vdash_{L_\infty} \neg\phi$$

**Lemma 13.** *In Basic Logic BL the following holds:*

$$(Dis) \quad \text{If } \vdash_{\text{BL}} \neg\phi \vee \neg\neg\phi, \text{ then } \vdash_{\text{BL}} \neg\phi \text{ or } \vdash_{\text{BL}} \neg\neg\phi.$$

**Corollary 14.** *If  $\text{BL} \subseteq L \subseteq L_\infty$ , then unification in  $L$  is not unitary.*

Recall that every structural rule, in Hilbert style, can be represented as a join of rules with basic sequents, i.e. such that there is a sequent  $\phi_1(\underline{x}), \dots, \phi_n(\underline{x})/\psi(\underline{x})$  such that any application of the rule is an instance of  $\phi_1(\underline{x}), \dots, \phi_n(\underline{x})/\psi(\underline{x})$ . A rule with the basic sequent  $\phi_1(\underline{x}), \dots, \phi_n(\underline{x})/\psi(\underline{x})$  has *unifiable premises*, if  $\phi_1(\underline{x})\&\dots\&\phi_n(\underline{x})$  is unifiable; e.g. for Modus Ponens:  $x_1 \rightarrow x_2, x_1/x_2$ , the formula  $(x_1 \rightarrow x_2)\&x_1$  is unifiable. Applying the transparent unifier for  $\phi_1(\underline{x})\&\dots\&\phi_n(\underline{x})$  we get:

**Corollary 15.** *Every  $k$ -potent logic  $L$  containing Basic Logic BL is structurally complete in the following restricted sense: every structural and admissible rule with unifiable premises in  $L$  is derivable in  $L$ .*

**Remarks.** In Łukasiewicz logics and in Basic Logic not all consistent formulas are unifiable (the converse is true). Example:  $\psi(x_1) \rightarrow \neg\psi(x_1)$ , where  $\psi(x_1)$  is any formula such that for any valuation  $v$  in a linear Wajsberg algebra we have  $v(\psi(x_1)) = 1$ , for  $v(x_1) \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $v(\psi(x_1)) = 0$ , otherwise.

**Corollary 16.** *The logics  $L_\infty$  and BL are not structurally complete, even in the restricted sense.*

**Proof.** Consider the following rule with the basic sequent:

$$\neg\neg[(x \vee \neg x)^2] \vee \neg[(x \vee \neg x)^2] / \neg\neg[(x \vee \neg x)^2].$$

The premise is unifiable. By the property (*Dis*) the rule is admissible, but it is not derivable in  $L_\infty$  (and in BL).  $\square$

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