

# Multiquantals

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## 1. Introduction

The “formulas-as-types” idea (in the type-theoretical approach) is the idea that a formula may be identified with the set of its proofs. Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a set of such “formulas”, a set of abstract sets whose elements are viewed as their “proofs”. Let  $Seq = \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F}) \times \mathbb{F}$  (where  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F})$  denotes the power set of  $\mathbb{F}$ ) be the set of “sequents”, pairs  $\Gamma \vdash A$  consisting of a family  $\Gamma \subseteq \mathbb{F}$  of formulas and of a formula  $A \in \mathbb{F}$  and representing the metalogical claim that  $A$  is a consequence of  $\Gamma$ . Finally, let  $Q$  be a quantale which is introduced in order to grade sequents. In this paper we show that graded sequents form a multicategory in the sense of J. Lambek [2]. Moreover, it appears that this multicategory has additional properties analogous to those of a quantaloid [5]. We call it “multiquantaloid”.

## 2. Quantales and quantal formulas

We begin with a discussion of quantales. This term was first suggested in 1986 by C.J. Mulvey [3] to model “the logic of quantum mechanics”, a logic involving an associative (in general noncommutative) operation “AND THEN”.

DEFINITION 2.1 ([4], [5]). *A quantale is a complete lattice  $Q$  together with an associative binary operation  $\circ$  satisfying:*

$$q \circ \bigvee_i q_i = \bigvee_i q \circ q_i \quad \text{and} \quad \left( \bigvee_i q_i \right) \circ q = \bigvee_i (q_i \circ q)$$

*for all  $q \in Q$  and all families  $\{q_i\} \subseteq Q$ . A quantale  $Q$  is called unital if it has an element  $1$  such that  $1 \circ q = q = q \circ 1$  for all  $q \in Q$ . It is called commutative if  $p \circ q = q \circ p$  for all  $p, q \in Q$ .*

Examples of quantales include real or complex numbers with usual multiplication or addition, the interval  $[0, 1]$  of real numbers with a “triangular norm”, a lower semicontinuous semigroup operation, complete Boolean algebras, complete Heyting algebras and complete MV-algebras.

DEFINITION 2.2. *Let  $Q$  be a quantale and  $A$  and  $B$  be two formulas (sets of “proofs”). A  $Q$ -matrix  $X$  from  $A$  to  $B$  is a mapping assigning to each pair  $a, b$  of*

elements of  $A \times B$  an element  $x_{ab}$  of  $Q$ .  $Q$ -matrices compose by “matrix multiplication”: for  $X: A \rightarrow B$  and  $Y: B \rightarrow C$ , the composite  $X \circ Y = Z: A \rightarrow C$  has its general element given by

$$x_{ac} = \bigvee_{b \in B} x_{ab} \circ y_{bc}.$$

It is clear that this composition is associative. If  $Q$  is unital, then the  $Q$ -matrix  $1_A: A \rightarrow A$  defined by

$$(1_A)_{aa'} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } a = a', \\ \perp, & \text{if } a \neq a' \end{cases}$$

(where  $\perp$  denotes the bottom element of  $Q$ ) is the unit  $Q$ -matrix on  $A$  (neutral with respect to  $\circ$ ). Now we turn to a “multidimensional” version of this definition.

**DEFINITION 2.3.** Let  $Q$  be a quantale,  $\Gamma = \{A_i\}$  a family of formulas and  $A$  a formula. A  $Q$ -multimatrix  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$  from  $\Gamma$  to  $A$  is a mapping assigning to each family  $\gamma = \{a_i \in A_i\}$  of proofs of respective formulas and to each proof  $a \in A$  an element  $f_{\gamma a}$  of  $Q$ . If  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$  and  $g: \Delta(A) \rightarrow B$  (where  $\Delta(A)$  denotes a family  $\Delta = \{B_j\}$  of formulas with a fixed formula  $A$ , i.e.,  $B_{j_0} = A$  for some  $j_0$ ) are  $Q$ -matrices, then they can be “composed” to produce a  $Q$ -matrix  $f \hat{A} g: \Delta(\Gamma) \rightarrow B$  (where the notation  $\Delta(\Gamma)$  indicates that the family  $\Gamma$  is “substituted” into the family  $\Delta$  instead of the formula  $A$ ) having its general element given by

$$(f \hat{A} g)_{\delta(\gamma)b} = \bigvee_{a \in A} f_{\gamma a} \circ g_{\delta(a)b},$$

where  $\delta(a) = \{b_j \in B_j \mid b_{j_0} = a\}$ ,  $\delta(\gamma) = \{b_j \in B_j \mid b_{j_0} = \gamma\}$ ,  $b \in B$ . (The notation  $f \hat{A} g$  indicates the “orientation” of composition where  $f$  is substituted into  $g$ .)

It is clear that in the case when  $\Gamma = \{A_1\}$  and  $\Delta(A) = A$   $Q$ -multimatrices and their composites reduce to  $Q$ -matrices and their composites.

**DEFINITION 2.4.** A  $Q$ -formula is a formula  $A$  together with a  $Q$ -matrix  $X: A \rightarrow A$  which is idempotent, i.e.,  $X \circ X = X$ . This  $Q$ -matrix is called the graduation of a  $Q$ -formula. (To economize on brackets, we shall write  $A$  for the (graduated)  $Q$ -formula  $(A, X)$ .)

It is clear that a formula  $A$  together with the unit  $Q$ -matrix  $1_A: A \rightarrow A$  (when  $Q$  is unital) forms a  $Q$ -formula.

**DEFINITION 2.5.** Let  $\Gamma (= \{A_i\}) \vdash A$  be a sequent. A (graded)  $Q$ -sequent  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$  is a  $Q$ -multimatrix from  $\Gamma$  to  $A$  (forgetting graduations) such that  $X_i \circ f = f = f \circ X$  for every  $i$ , where  $X_i$  and  $X$  are graduations of formulas  $A_i$  and  $A$ , respectively. Composites of underlying  $Q$ -multimatrices of  $Q$ -sequents will be called cuts.

It is clear that any sequent  $\Gamma (= \{A_i\}) \vdash A$  is a  $Q$ -sequent (putting  $X = 1_A$ ,  $X_i = 1_{A_i}$  for all  $i$ ). Note that the concept of graded sequents (graded consequence relations) was proposed by M.K. Chakraborty [1] as a certain fuzzy subset of  $Seq$  with values in some lattice. In our setting the role of this lattice could play  $Q$ -multimatrices.

### 3. Multicategories and multiquantaloids

We will see that  $Q$ -sequents together with cuts form a multicategory in the sense of J. Lambek.

**DEFINITION 3.1.** ([2]) *Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a class of “objects” and let  $\bar{\mathcal{M}}$  be the free monoid generated by  $\mathcal{M}$  (its elements are strings  $\Gamma = A_1 \dots A_n$  of objects, where  $n$  may be zero, in which case  $\Gamma$  is the empty string, which will be denoted by a blank) together with two mappings as follows:*

- (i) *A mapping assigning to each string  $\Gamma \in \bar{\mathcal{M}}$  and each  $A \in \mathcal{M}$  a set  $\mathcal{M}(\Gamma, A)$  in this set is called a morphism (in the original text multiarrow or arrow)  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$  of  $\mathcal{M}$ , with domain  $\Gamma$  and codomain  $A$ . Each such morphism has a unique domain and a unique codomain.*
- (ii) *A mapping assigning to each triple  $(\Gamma, \Delta, \Theta)$  of strings of objects of  $\mathcal{M}$  a map  $\mathcal{M}(\Gamma, A) \times \mathcal{M}(\Delta A \Theta, B) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\Delta \Gamma \Theta, B)$ . For morphisms  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$  and  $g: \Delta A \Theta \rightarrow B$ , this mapping is written as  $(f, g) \mapsto f \hat{A} g$  and the morphism  $f \hat{A} g: \Delta \Gamma \Theta \rightarrow B$  will here be called the cut (of orientation  $A$ ) of  $f$  with  $g$ .*

*The class  $\mathcal{M}$  with these two mappings is called a multicategory when the following axioms hold:*

**Associativity:** *If  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$ ,  $g: \Delta A \Theta \rightarrow B$  and  $h: \Phi B \Psi \rightarrow C$  are morphisms of  $\mathcal{M}$  (with indicated domains, codomains and orientations of cuts), then*

$$(f \hat{A} g) \hat{B} h = f \hat{A} (g \hat{B} h).$$

**Commutativity:** *If  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$ ,  $g: \Delta \rightarrow B$ ,  $h: \Phi A \Theta B \Psi \rightarrow C$  are morphisms of  $\mathcal{M}$ , then*

$$f \hat{A} (g \hat{B} h) = g \hat{B} (f \hat{A} h).$$

**Identity:** *For each object  $A$  of  $\mathcal{M}$  there exists a morphism  $1_A: A \rightarrow A$  (called the identity morphism of  $\mathcal{M}$ ) such that*

$$f: \Gamma \rightarrow A \Rightarrow f \hat{A} 1_A = f; \quad g: \Gamma A \Delta \rightarrow B \Rightarrow 1_A \hat{A} g = g.$$

Observe that the axioms for a multicategory are much like the axioms for a category, except that morphisms  $f: C \rightarrow A$  have been replaced by morphisms  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$  (where  $\Gamma$  may be empty) and that for the cut of morphisms  $f$  and  $g$  in a multicategory we have non-single possibility but maybe a lot of choices for orientations in the domain of  $g$ . In the following we will take a freedom to modify the terminology proposed by J. Lambek – instead of strings of objects we will take arbitrary families of objects.

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** *Let  $Q$  be a commutative quantale. Then  $Q$ -sequents form a multicategory  $Q\text{-Seq}$ : its objects are  $Q$ -formulas, its morphisms are  $Q$ -sequents, and its identity morphisms are graduations of  $Q$ -formulas. (In the case when  $Q$  is non-commutative the axiom of commutativity of Definition 3.1 is not valid. Then  $Q\text{-Seq}$  satisfies only two axioms: Associativity and Identity.)*

*Proof.* Verifying each of the axioms in turn, we argue as follows. The axiom of associativity: for any  $Q$ -sequents  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$ ,  $g: \Delta\langle A \rangle \rightarrow B$  and  $h: \Phi\langle B \rangle \rightarrow C$ ,  $(f \hat{A} g) \hat{B} h = f \hat{A} (g \hat{B} h)$  is satisfied, because for each families  $\gamma, \delta\langle A \rangle, \phi\langle B \rangle$  of proofs of families  $\Gamma, \Delta\langle A \rangle, \Phi\langle B \rangle$  of  $Q$ -formulas, respectively, and all  $c \in C$ , obviously, the equality

$$\bigvee_{b \in B} \left( \bigvee_{a \in A} f_{\gamma a} \circ g_{\delta\langle a \rangle b} \right) \circ h_{\phi\langle b \rangle c} = \bigvee_{a \in A} f_{\gamma a} \circ \left( \bigvee_{b \in B} g_{\delta\langle a \rangle b} \circ h_{\phi\langle b \rangle c} \right)$$

holds. The axiom of commutativity: for any  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$ ,  $g: \Delta \rightarrow B$ ,  $h: \Phi\langle A \rangle\langle B \rangle \rightarrow C$ ,  $f \hat{A} (g \hat{B} h) = g \hat{B} (f \hat{A} h)$  is satisfied because, by the commutativity of  $Q$ , for each families  $\gamma, \delta, \phi\langle A \rangle\langle B \rangle$  of proofs of families  $\Gamma, \Delta, \Phi\langle A \rangle\langle B \rangle$  of formulas, respectively, and each  $c \in C$ , the equality

$$\bigvee_{a \in A} f_{\gamma a} \circ \left( \bigvee_{b \in B} g_{\delta b} \circ h_{\phi\langle a \rangle\langle b \rangle c} \right) = \bigvee_{b \in B} g_{\delta b} \circ \left( \bigvee_{a \in A} f_{\gamma a} \circ h_{\phi\langle a \rangle\langle b \rangle c} \right)$$

holds. Finally, let  $X: A \rightarrow A$  be the graduation of a  $Q$ -formula  $A$ . Then it is easy to check that it is the identity morphism of  $A$ . The first part of the axiom of identity: if  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$ , then  $f \hat{A} X = f$ , because, by Definition 2.5, for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $a \in A$ ,  $\bigvee_{a' \in A} f_{\gamma a'} \circ x_{a' a} = f_{\gamma a}$ . Finally, the second part of the axiom of identity: if  $g: \Gamma\langle A \rangle \rightarrow B$ , then  $X \hat{A} g = g$  holds, since, for all  $a \in A$ ,  $\gamma\langle a \rangle \in \Gamma\langle A \rangle$ ,  $b \in B$ ,  $\bigvee_{a' \in A} x_{a a'} \circ g_{\gamma\langle a' \rangle b} = g_{\gamma\langle a \rangle b}$ .

Let us now confine attention to important additional properties of the multicategory  $Q\text{-Seq}$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.3.** *For every family  $\Gamma$  of objects of  $Q\text{-Seq}$  and for every object  $A$  of  $Q\text{-Seq}$ , the “hom-set”  $Q\text{-Seq}(\Gamma, A)$  of all morphisms from  $\Gamma$  to  $A$  is a complete lattice. Moreover, the cut of  $Q\text{-Seq}$  preserves arbitrary joins in both sides: for all objects  $A, B$ , for all families  $\Gamma, \Delta\langle A \rangle$  of objects of  $Q\text{-Seq}$ , for all morphisms  $f: \Gamma \rightarrow A$ ,  $g: \Delta\langle A \rangle \rightarrow B$  and for all families  $\{f_i: \Gamma \rightarrow A\}$  and  $\{g_i: \Delta\langle A \rangle \rightarrow B\}$  of morphisms of  $Q\text{-Seq}$ ,*

$$f \hat{A} \bigvee_i g_i = \bigvee_i (f \hat{A} g_i) \quad \text{and} \quad \left( \bigvee_i f_i \right) \hat{A} g = \bigvee_i (f_i \hat{A} g). \quad (1)$$

*Proof.* Since  $Q$  is a complete lattice, it follows that every  $Q\text{-Seq}(\Gamma, A)$  is also a complete lattice for the pointwise partial order: if  $\{f_i: \Gamma \rightarrow A\}$  is a family of  $Q$ -

sequents then the relations

$$\left(\bigvee_i f_i\right)_{\gamma a} = \bigvee_i (f_i)_{\gamma a} \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\bigwedge_i f_i\right)_{\gamma a} = \bigwedge_i (f_i)_{\gamma a}$$

define  $Q$ -sequents  $\bigvee_i f_i$  and  $\bigwedge_i f_i$ , respectively. Since cut of  $Q$ -sequents is defined in terms of *joins* and  $\circ$ , it will preserve *joins* of  $Q$ -sequents in each variable: for every formula  $A$ , for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $\delta \langle A \rangle \subseteq \Delta \langle A \rangle$ ,  $b \in B$ ,

$$\bigvee_{a \in A} f_{\gamma a} \circ \left(\bigvee_i g_i\right)_{\delta \langle a \rangle b} = \bigvee_i \left(\bigvee_{a \in A} f_{\gamma a} \circ (g_i)_{\delta \langle a \rangle b}\right)$$

and

$$\bigvee_{a \in A} \left(\bigvee_i f_i\right)_{\gamma a} \circ g_{\delta \langle a \rangle b} = \bigvee_i \left(\bigvee_{a \in A} (f_i)_{\gamma a} \circ g_{\delta \langle a \rangle b}\right),$$

i.e., (1) holds. This proves the assertion.

We generalize these properties of  $Q$ -Seq to arbitrary multicategories.

**DEFINITION 3.4.** *A multiquantaloid is a multicategory such that its hom-sets are complete lattices and its cut preserves arbitrary joins in both variables, i.e., (1) holds. In the absence of commutativity in the sense of Definition 3.1 (e.g.,  $Q$ -Seq in the case when  $Q$  is noncommutative), I prefer to speak of “noncommutative” multiquantaloids.)*

Note that multiquantaloids generalize the notion of quantaloid, a category whose hom-sets are complete lattices and composition preserves arbitrary joins in both variables [5].

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## REZIUMĖ

### *R.P. Gylys. Multikvantaločiai*

Apibrėžiama nauja multikvantaločio sąvoka. Nusakome multikvantaločią kaip multikategoriją, kurios morfizmai sudaro pilnas gardeles, o pjūviai išsaugo bet kokius supremumus. Iš vienos pusės multikvantaločiai apibendrina kvantaločio sąvoką, o iš kitos jų morfizmai bei jų pjūviai turi loginius atitikmenis.