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AN INTEGER-VALUED MATRIX CHARACTERISTIC FOR IMPLICATIONAL S5

The strict-implicational fragment C5 of S5 was first axiomatized in [1], C. A. Meredith having shown that an adequate base is provided by taking modus ponens ("MP") as sole rule together with the substitution instances of CqCpp, CCpqCCqrCpr and, with 'P' short for 'Cpr', CCCPqPP.

The standard matrix characteristic for C5 may be extracted from the Henle matrix H given for full S5 in [2]. Our values is the subsets of the set Z_+ of positive integers. The designated value is the empty set, \emptyset , and a conditional $C\alpha\beta$ has the value \emptyset if the value of its antecedent includes as a subset the value assigned to its consequent. I note that this matrix is obtained from the Henle matrix as described for full S5 in [2] by extracting its "strict-implicational part", that is the corresponding matrix for $LC\alpha\beta$; I have also dualized, interchanging sets and their complements (while replacing ' \subseteq ' with ' \supseteq ' throughout).

Of course this matrix employs a nondenumerably infinite set of values. The author knows of two other matrices characteristic for C5 described, via their full S5 counterparts, in the literature: one, due to Prior [4], employs as values the (nondenumerable) set of all denumerable sequences of 0's and 1's; the other, due to Rescher [5], uses the real numbers between 0 and 1 inclusive, again a nondenumerable set.

Now it has become a commonplace, since Lindenbaum first proved it in the 1920's that every sentential calculus has characteristic matrix that is, at worst denumerable. It can be a useful aid to thinking about such systems to discover single, denumerable matrices characteristic for them. The aim of this note is to describe such a matrix for C5, and to prove soundness and completeness.

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1 The Multiples Matrix

The Multiples Matrix, **MM**, has as its set of values the set **N** of natural numbers: 1, 2, 3, ... together with 0. The sole designated value is 1. And the function ς associated with the connective C is defined for a and b in **N** so that $\varsigma(a,b)=1$ if a is a multiple of b and $\varsigma(a,b)=0$ otherwise. Thus, ς is the characteristic function of the relation is a multiple of.

Soundness Theorem. Each theorem of C5 is a tautology of MM.

PROOF. It is clear that the rule MP preserves tautologousness: if α and $C\alpha\beta$ both take the value 1 for some assignment of values of \mathbf{MM} to the letters occurring in them, then the value taken by α on that assignment must be 1, and must also be a multiple of the value taken by β , whence β 's value must itself be 1. So it suffices to show that each of C5's axioms is an \mathbf{MM} -tautology.

Re. CpCqq: Whatever value is assigned to q is among its own multiples, so that Cqq takes the value 1. Whatever value is assigned to p is a multiple of 1. So for each assignment of values of \mathbf{MM} to p and q, CpCqq takes the value 1.

Re. CCpqCCqrCpr: Suppose there is an assignment of values – say a to p, b to q and c to r – according to which CCpqCCqrCpr takes the value 0 in **MM**. Then Cpq must take the value 1 and CCqrCpr the value 0. The first of these alleged facts assures that a is a multiple of b, and the second that $\varsigma(b,c)=1$ while $\varsigma(a,c)=0$. But then b is the multiple of c whence a, being a multiple of b must also be a multiple of c, contradicting the conclusion that $\varsigma(a,c)=0$.

Re. CCCPqPP: Suppose that, for some assignment of values to letters, CCPqP takes the value 1 and P the value 0. Then the value taken by CPq must be a multiple of that taken by P, that is, of 0. This can only be the case if CPq itself takes the value 0, whence the value taken by P must not be a multiple of the value of q. But the value of P is 0 and is thus a multiple of the value of q whatever the latter may be, since $0 = b \times 0$ for every natural number b.

2 Completeness

To show efficiently that each MM-tautology is a theorem of C5, it is convenient to employ a sequence of finite matrices defined along Henle lines:

DEFINITION. For each positive integer n, the matrix \mathbf{H}_n is to have as values the subsets of $\{1,\ldots,n\}$, and as sole designated value the empty set, \emptyset . For values A and B of \mathbf{H}_n , $\varsigma(A,B)$ is to be \emptyset if $A \supseteq B$ and $\{1,\ldots,n\}$ otherwise.

These matrices are dualized from some introduced by Scroggs [6], again interchanging sets and their complements while replacing \subseteq with \supseteq . Accordingly, the following result may be recovered from the corresponding result for full S5 in [6], which I remark was apparently first established by Parry [3]:

LEMMA. A wff of C5 in which at most n distinct sentence letters occur is a theorem of C5 iff it is a tautology of \mathbf{H}_n .

Now it is easy enough to find, for each such \mathbf{H}_n , a submatrix \mathbf{S}_n of the Multiples Matrix isomorphic to it. As values, \mathbf{H}_n uses the subsets of $\{1,\ldots,n\}$. For the values of \mathbf{S}_n we use 0, 1, the first n prime numbers, P_1,\ldots,P_n , and the square-free products of these primes.

LEMMA. For $n \geq 2$, \mathbf{H}_n is isomorphic to the submatrix \mathbf{S}_n of \mathbf{MM} .

PROOF. Define the function h from the set of values of \mathbf{H}_n to the set of values of \mathbf{S}_n as follows. Let $h(\{i\}) = P_i$ for each positive integer i; let $h(\{1,\ldots,n\}) = 0$, with $h(\{i_1,\ldots,i_m\}) = P_{i_1} \times \ldots \times P_{i_m}$ otherwise; and let $h(\emptyset) = 1$. Thus h sends the empty subset of $\{1,\ldots,n\}$ to 1, singletons to distinct primes, pair-sets to the product of the two corresponding primes, triples to products of their relevant primes, etc., finally sending $\{1,\ldots,n\}$ itself to 0. Clearly for two subsets A and B of $\{1,\ldots,n\}$, $A \supseteq B$ iff h(A) is a multiple of h(B), whence h is an isomorphism between \mathbf{H}_n and \mathbf{S}_n .

Completeness Theorem. Each tautology of MM is a theorem of C5.

PROOF. Assume contrapositively that α is not provable in C5. By the first lemma, α fails in some \mathbf{H}_n . By the second, it therefore fails as well in the corresponding submatrix \mathbf{S}_n of \mathbf{MM} , whence α fails in \mathbf{MM} itself.

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3 Some matters for further study

Scroggs shows in [6] that the proper extensions of full S5 are linearly ordered by inclusion of their theorem sets, and that all have finite characteristic matrices. In contrast, the extensions of C5 form a far more complex lattice, one largerly awaits further investigations. Some such extensions (cf. [7]) are characterized only by infinite matrices. And not even those characterized by finite matrices are linearly ordered; for example, the logic characterized by the submatrices of MM with values $\{1, 2, 3, 0\}$ and $\{1, 2, 4, 0\}$ respectively, are independent of one another, each containing theorems the other lacks.

Nor do the systems characterized by the submatrices of **MM** even exhaust the extensions of C5. Indeed, let us call an extension of C5 Hallden-complete just in the case it contains no theorems of the form $CC\alpha\beta\beta$ where α and β have no sentence letters in common and neither α nor β is itself a theorem of the extension in question. Then, as the author plans to show in a latter paper, an extension of C5 is characterized by a submatrix of **MM** if and only if it is Hallden-complete.

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