

# On the forcing semantics for MTL logic

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Monoidal  $t$ -norm based logic (MTL logic) is the logic of left-continuous  $t$ -norms and was introduced by Esteva and Godo [1]. We define the weak forcing value  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  of an MTL formula  $\varphi$  in a complete MTL-algebra  $\mathcal{X}$ . Besides the truth value  $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{X}}$ ,  $|\varphi|_{\mathcal{X}}$  constitutes an alternative way to evaluate the formula  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ . The weak forcing value is a refinement of the notion of validity in a Kripke model (in the sense of [2] and [3]).

It is of great interest to compare the two kinds of semantics: the truth value and the weak forcing. We conclude that the axioms (A2), (A6), (A7), (A9) and (A10) are not valid in the new semantics.

In [2] and [3] was proved that the  $r$ -forcing is a more adequate notion for reflecting the logical structure of MTL. Arising from  $r$ -forcing, we shall define the  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued forcing property and the forcing value  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$  of a formula of MTL in a complete MTL-algebra  $\mathcal{X}$ . The first notion is obtained from an  $\mathcal{X}$ -valued weak forcing property  $f$  by adding a condition that homogenizes the action of  $f$  w.r.t. the elements of  $X$ . Then one can define in a natural way the forcing value  $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{X}}$ , resulting a semantic  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}}$  distinct from  $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{X}}$ .

One of the main results of the above quoted papers asserts that the Kripke completeness (defined by means of  $r$ -forcing) coincides with the usual algebraic completeness of MTL. We shall extend this result by proving that  $[\cdot]_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{X}}$  coincides.

We also give an algebraic proof for the fact that the forcing value coincides with the truth value by using the notion of forcing operator.

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