

# EXOTIC BARYCENTRIC ALGEBRAS

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## REAL AFFINE SPACES

Given a vector space (a module)  $A$  over a field (a subring  $R$  of)  $\mathbb{R}$ .

An **affine space**  $A$  **over**  $R$  (or **affine**  $R$ -**space**) is the algebra

$$\left( A, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i r_i \mid \sum_{i=1}^n r_i = 1 \right).$$

This algebra is equivalent to

$(A, P, \underline{R})$ , (or to  $(A, \underline{R})$  if 2 is invertible in  $R$ ), where

$$\underline{R} = \{ \underline{r} \mid r \in R \}, \text{ and } xyzP = x - y + z$$

and

$$xy\underline{r} = \underline{r}(x, y) = x(1 - r) + yr.$$

The class  $\underline{\underline{R}}$  of all affine  $R$ -spaces is a variety.

Abstractly,  $\underline{\underline{R}}$  is defined as the class of idempotent entropic Mal'cev algebras  $(A, P, \underline{R})$  with a ternary Mal'cev operation  $P$  and binary operations  $\underline{r}$  for each  $r \in R$ , satisfying the identities:

$$xy\underline{0} = x = yx\underline{1},$$

$$xy\underline{p} \ xy\underline{q} \ \underline{r} = xy \ \underline{pqr},$$

$$xy\underline{p} \ xy\underline{q} \ xy\underline{r} \ P = xy \ \underline{pqr}P.$$

for all  $p, q, r \in R$ .

The variety  $\underline{\underline{R}}$  satisfies also the **entropic** identities

$$xy\underline{p} \ zt\underline{p} \ \underline{q} = xz\underline{q} \ yt\underline{q} \ \underline{p}$$

for all  $p, q \in R$  and the **cancellation laws**

$$(xy\underline{p} = xz\underline{p}) \rightarrow y = z$$

for all  $p \in R$  with  $p \neq 0$ .

## CONVEX SETS and BARYCENTRIC ALGEBRAS

Let  $F$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  
 $I^\circ(F) := ]0, 1[ = (0, 1) \subset F$  and  
 $I(F) := [0, 1] \subset F$ .

**Convex subsets** of affine  $F$ -spaces are  
 $I^\circ(F)$ -subreducts  $(A, \underline{I^\circ(F)})$  of  $F$ -spaces.

The class  $\mathcal{Cv}(F)$  of convex sets generates  
the variety  $\mathcal{B}(F)$  of  $F$ -**barycentric algebras**  
axiomatized by the following:

**idempotence:**  $x\underline{xp} = x$   
(I),

**skew-commutativity:**  $x\underline{yp} = x\underline{y\underline{1-p}} =: x\underline{yp'}$   
(SC),

**skew-associativity:**  $x\underline{yp} \underline{zq} = x\underline{yzq / (p \circ q)} \underline{p \circ q}$   
(SA)

for all  $p, q \in I^\circ$ . Note that  
 $p \circ q = (p'q')' = p + q - pq$ .

## MODES

An algebra  $(A, \Omega)$  is a **mode** if it is

- **idempotent:**

$$x \dots x \omega = x,$$

for each  $n$ -ary  $\omega \in \Omega$ , and

- **entropic:**

$$\begin{aligned} & (x_{11} \dots x_{1n} \omega) \dots (x_{m1} \dots x_{mn} \omega) \varphi \\ &= (x_{11} \dots x_{m1} \varphi) \dots (x_{1n} \dots x_{mn} \varphi) \omega. \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\omega, \varphi \in \Omega$ .

Affine  $R$ -spaces and their subreducts (subalgebras of reducts) are modes. In particular,  $F$ -barycentric algebras are modes.

## **$F$ -BARYCENTRIC ALGEBRAS**

**Theorem** The class  $\mathcal{C}_v(F)$  and the quasivariety  $\mathcal{C}(F)$  of cancellative  $F$ -barycentric algebras coincide.

**Proposition** The following conditions are equivalent for any non-trivial subalgebra  $(A, \underline{I}^o(F))$  of  $(F, \underline{I}^o(F))$ :

- (a)  $(A, \underline{I}^o(F))$  is a line segment of  $(F, \underline{I}^o(F))$ ;
- (b)  $(A, \underline{I}^o(F))$  is isomorphic to  $(I(F), \underline{I}^o(F))$ ;
- (c)  $(A, \underline{I}^o(F))$  is generated by two (different) elements;
- (d)  $(A, \underline{I}^o(F))$  is a free algebra on two free generators in the quasivariety  $\mathcal{C}(F)$  and in the variety  $\mathcal{B}(F)$ .

NOTE: The algebra  $(I(F), \underline{I}^o(F))$  embeds into each non-trivial  $F$ -convex set.

**Proposition** The quasivariety  $\mathcal{C}(F) = \mathcal{C}_v(F)$  of  $F$ -convex sets is a minimal subquasivariety of the variety  $\mathcal{B}(F)$ .

In particular,  $\mathcal{C}(F)$  is generated by any one of  $(F, \underline{I}^o(F))$  and  $(I(F), \underline{I}^o(F))$ .

**Proposition** Let  $R$  be a (unital) subring of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then the free algebra over  $X$  in the quasivariety of subreducts of a given type  $\tau$  of affine  $R$ -spaces is isomorphic to the  $\tau$ -subreduct, generated by  $X$ , of the free affine  $R$ -space over  $X$ .

The set of elements of the free  $\underline{I}^o(R)$ -algebra over  $X = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$  coincides with the  $n$ -dimensional **simplex**  $S_n(R)$  over  $R$ :

$$\{x_0 a_0 + \dots + x_n a_n \mid a_i \in I(R), \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 1\}.$$



## DYADIC CONVEX SETS

Consider the ring

$$\mathbb{D} = \mathbb{Z}[1/2] = \{m2^{-n} \mid m, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

of **dyadic rational numbers**.

A **dyadic convex set** is the intersection of a real convex set with the space  $\mathbb{D}^k$ .

- Dyadic convex sets are subreducts  $(A, \underline{I}^o(\mathbb{D}))$  of affine  $\mathbb{D}$ -spaces.

**Proposition** Each dyadic convex set  $(A, \underline{I}^o(\mathbb{D}))$  is equivalent to  $(A, \cdot) = (A, \frac{1}{2}(x + y))$ .

The operation  $\cdot$  is:

idempotent:  $x \cdot x = x$ ,

commutative:  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$ ,

entropic (medial):  $(x \cdot y) \cdot (z \cdot t) = (x \cdot z) \cdot (y \cdot t)$ .

Hence the dyadic convex sets are **commutative binary modes** (or CB-modes).

## REAL VERSUS DYADIC

- Not each dyadic interval is isomorphic to the interval  $I(\mathbb{D})$ , and not each is generated by its endpoints.

**Example** The dyadic interval  $[0, 3]$  is generated by no less than 3 elements, and is not isomorphic to  $I(\mathbb{D})$ . The minimal set of generators is given e.g. by the numbers 0, 2, 3.

- There are infinitely many isomorphism types of dyadic intervals.
- The  $\underline{I}^o(\mathbb{D})$ -reduct of an affine  $\mathbb{D}$ -space  $\mathbb{D}$  may not be an interval of  $\mathbb{D}$ .
- The quasivariety of convex subsets of affine  $\mathbb{D}$ -spaces forms a proper subclass of the quasivariety of cancellative commutative binary modes (barycentric algebras over  $\mathbb{D}$ ).
- The dyadic unit interval  $I(\mathbb{D})$  does not embed into each  $\underline{I}^o(\mathbb{D})$ -subreduct of an affine  $\mathbb{D}$ -space.

## CONVEX SETS OVER SUBRINGS OF $\mathbb{R}$

Natural requirements for "convex subsets" of affine  $R$ -spaces, where  $R \leq \mathbb{R}$ :

- $R \neq \mathbb{Z}$  (we need non-trivial unit interval),
- excluding non-faithful affine  $R$ -spaces (so that "convex sets" embed into affine spaces over  $R$  but not over homomorphic images of  $R$ ).

Suitable candidates:

**principal ideal subdomains  $R$  of  $\mathbb{R}$ .**

Advantages:

- well developed theory of such  $R$ -modules (and hence also affine  $R$ -spaces)
- nice characterizations of quasivarieties (Belkin)  
(In particular faithful affine  $R$ -spaces form a (minimal) quasivariety.)

## ***R*-CONVEX SETS**

**Definition** Let  $R$  be a principal ideal subdomain of the ring  $\mathbb{R}$  containing the ring  $\mathbb{Z}$  of integers but different from  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Then a subset  $C$  of an affine  $R$ -space  $(A, P, \underline{R})$  is called an  **$R$ -convex set** if the affine space is faithful and  $C$  is an  $\underline{I}^o(R)$ -subreduct of  $(A, P, \underline{R})$ .

- The class of  $\underline{I}^o(R)$ -subreducts of faithful affine  $R$ -spaces is a quasivariety, denoted as  $\mathcal{C}v(R)$ .
- Two distinct points of an  $R$ -convex subset of an affine  $R$ -space may belong to more than one of its one-dimensional subspaces. (E.g. the subalgebra of  $(\mathbb{D}, \underline{I}^o(\mathbb{D}))$  generated by 0 and 3 is a  $\mathbb{D}$ -convex set but it does not contain all points of the  $\mathbb{D}$ -line  $(\mathbb{D}, \underline{\mathbb{D}})$  lying between 0 and 3.)

## GEOMETRIC $R$ -CONVEX SETS

**Proposition** The quasivariety  $\mathcal{C}v(R)$  is generated by the algebra  $(R, \underline{I}^o(R))$ , and hence, it is minimal.

**Definition** For  $a \neq b$  in an affine  $R$ -space  $A$ , let

$$\ell(a, b) = \{a\underline{br} \mid r \in R\}.$$

For  $c, d \in \ell(a, b)$ , with  $c \leq d$ , the **segment** of  $\ell(a, b)$  joining  $c$  and  $d$  is the set

$$[c, d]_{\ell(a, b)} := \{x \in \ell(a, b) \mid c \leq x \leq d\}.$$

An  $R$ -convex subset  $C$  of a faithful affine  $R$ -space  $A$  is **geometric**, if for all  $a, b \in A$  with  $a \neq b$  and  $c, d \in C$ , if  $c, d \in \ell(a, b)$ , then  $[c, d]_{\ell(a, b)} \subseteq C$ .

**Proposition** Let  $C$  be an  $R$ -convex subset of the affine space  $R^k$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- $C$  is a geometric convex subset of  $R^k$ ;
- $C$  is the intersection of  $R^k$  and the convex hull  $ch_{\mathbb{R}}(C)$  of  $C$  in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , in fact

$$(C, \underline{I}^o(R)) = (ch_{\mathbb{R}}(C), \underline{I}^o(R)) \cap (R^k, \underline{I}^o(R));$$

- $C$  is the intersection of  $R^k$  and some convex subset of  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .

**Corollary** The class of geometric  $R$ -convex sets generates the quasivariety  $\mathcal{Cv}(R)$  of  $R$ -convex sets.

## BARYCENTRIC ALGEBRAS $(B, I)$

Let  $I = I(\mathbb{R})$  and  $I^o = I^o(\mathbb{R})$ .

Convex sets as algebras  $(B, \underline{I})$ :

(I) and (SC) hold, but (SA) is not defined for  $p \circ q = 0$ .

Define a new binary operation  $\rightarrow$  on  $I$ :

$$p \rightarrow q = \begin{cases} q/p & \text{if } p > q; \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then for all  $p, q \in I^o$ ,  $q < q1\underline{p} = p \circ q$  and

$$q/(p \circ q) = p \circ q \rightarrow q.$$

And for all  $p, q \in I$ , (SA) can be written as:

$$x\underline{y}p \underline{z}q = x (y\underline{z}p \circ q \rightarrow q) \underline{p} \circ q \quad (\text{SA}')$$

## HOW TO AXIOMATIZE $I^o$ or $I$ ?

Barycentric algebras were defined as algebras  $(B, \underline{I}^o)$  or  $(B, \underline{I})$  satisfying certain identities. However the intervals  $I^o$  and  $I$  were not axiomatized in an abstract way. Hence the following two questions.

**1. How to axiomatize  $I^o$  or  $I$ ?**

**2. How to extend the definition of barycentric algebras to include barycentric algebras over algebras axiomatizing  $I$ ?**

Note that the operations of  $I$  needed in the axiomatization of barycentric algebras are the arithmetical operations  $+$ ,  $\cdot$ ,  $'$ ,  $/$  and linear ordering restricted to  $I$ .



## LΠ-ALGEBRAS

LΠ-algebras were introduced by F. Montagna, F. Esteva and L. Godo as an algebraization of the so-called LΠ-logic. This logic results from the combination of Łukasiewicz and product logics, two of the main fuzzy logics.

An **LΠ-algebra** is an algebra

$$(A, \oplus, \neg, \cdot_{\pi}, \rightarrow_{\pi}, 0, 1),$$

where  $(A, \oplus, \neg, 0, 1)$  is an *MV-algebra*, and  $(A, \cdot_{\pi}, \rightarrow_{\pi}, 1)$  is a **product algebra** (a commutative monoid with residuation), satisfying certain additional identities.

Recall: *MV*-algebras are algebras of infinitely-valued Łukasiewicz logic and product algebras are algebras of product logic.

Each LΠ-algebra has also a structure of a distributive lattice and satisfies

$$x \cdot_{\pi} (x \rightarrow_{\pi} y) = x \wedge y.$$

Typical examples are given by

- Boolean algebras, where

$$\vee = \oplus, \wedge = \cdot_{\pi}, x \rightarrow y = x \rightarrow_{\pi} y, \neg = ',$$

- interval  $L\Pi$ -algebras  $(I, \oplus, \neg, \cdot_{\pi}, \rightarrow_{\pi}, 0, 1)$ , where

$$\neg x := 1 - x;$$

$$x \oplus y := 1 \wedge (x + y);$$

$$x \cdot_{\pi} y := x \cdot y;$$

$$x \rightarrow_{\pi} y := \text{if } x \leq y \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } y/x.$$

$L\Pi$ -algebras form a variety, generated by the interval  $L\Pi$ -algebras and the Boolean algebra **2**.

## ABSTRACT BARYCENTRIC ALGEBRAS

An **abstract barycentric algebra** is a two sorted algebra  $(A, J, F \sqcup \{t\})$  with two sorts  $A$  and  $J$ , the set

$$F = \{\oplus, \neg, \cdot_{\pi}, \rightarrow_{\pi}, 0, 1\}$$

of operations defined on  $J$  with values in  $J$ , and one ternary operation

$$t : A \times A \times J \rightarrow A; (x, y, p) \mapsto xyp \underline{=} \underline{p}(y, x)$$

such that:

(A)  $(J, F)$  is an  $L\Pi$ -algebra;

(B) the operation  $t$  satisfies the following identities for  $x, y \in A$  and  $p \in J$ :

$$\underline{0}(x, y) = y = \underline{1}(y, x);$$

$$\underline{p}(x, x) = x;$$

$$\underline{p}(x, y) = \underline{\neg p}(y, x);$$

$$\underline{p}(x, \underline{q}(y, z)) = \underline{p \circ q}(\underline{(p \circ q \rightarrow_{\pi} q)}(x, y), z).$$

The derived operation  $\circ$  is defined by  $p \circ q := \neg((\neg p) \cdot_{\pi} (\neg q))$ .

## MAIN EXAMPLES

Each barycentric algebra  $(A, \underline{I})$  can be considered as abstract barycentric algebra  $(A, J = I)$ , where  $(I, F)$  is an interval  $L\Pi$ -algebra described before.

Each abstract barycentric algebra  $(A, J)$  has a subalgebra  $(A, \mathbf{2})$ , where  $\mathbf{2}$  is a two element Boolean algebra.

**Proposition** Each barycentric algebra  $(A, \underline{I})$  (a homomorphic image of a convex set) has an abstract counterpart (a homomorphic image of the counterpart of this convex set.)

Much of the theory of barycentric algebras  $(A, \underline{I})$  carry over to abstract barycentric algebras  $(A, I)$ .

## FURTHER EXAMPLES

**Proposition** Binary operations of Boolean affine spaces satisfy the identities (I), (SC) and (SA) defining barycentric algebras.

**Proposition** The binary reducts  $(A, J = B)$  of affine spaces over a Boolean ring  $B$  are abstract barycentric algebras.

Subalgebras of such binary reducts form the variety of so-called  **$B$ -sets** investigated by G. Bergman and T. Stokes. They all can be viewed as abstract barycentric algebras.

Certain  $B$ -sets extended by a semilattice operation form modes equivalent to **if-then-else-algebras** of E. G. Manes.

Finally, **rectangular modes** (investigated by R. Pöschel and M. Reichel) can be shown to be equivalent to some  $B$ -sets, whence they also can be viewed as abstract barycentric algebras.

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