Complexity of Path Semantics

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In this paper I show that Path Semantics is extremely more complex than classical logic, by calculating the complexity of binary functions in Path Semantical Quantum Propositional Logic.

In normal Boolean Algebra^[1], there are 16 binary functions^[2]:

$$|bool \times bool \rightarrow bool| = |bool|^{|bool \times bool|} = 2^4 = 16$$

Each of the 16 binary functions have a name:

0000 false₂

0001 and

0010 nimply/exc

0011 fstb

0100 nrimply/rexc

0101 sndb

0110 negb/xor

0111 or

1000 nor

1001 eqb/nxor

1010 nsndb

1011 rimply/nrexc

1100 nfstb

1101 imply/nexc

1110 nand

1111 true₂

For each symmetric normal path^[3] by `not`, one gets a pair of binary functions, for example:

$$and[not] \le or$$
 $or[not] \le and$

These two normal paths are known as "De Morgan's laws" [4].

This means that there are 8 functions pairs that are central to how we think about Boolean algebra.

However, normal Boolean algebra can be extended in different ways. For example, one way is Answered Modal Logic^[5] or Uberwrong Logic^[6], which are equivalent. Another way is Homotopy Level Two Computing^[7]. There exists other four-value logics as well^[8].

Since four-value logic extends normal Boolean algebra by replacing a single bit with two bits, it follows that all extensions to four-value logic are in some sense isomorphic. Yet, the number of binary functions in four-value logic is so vast, that treating these four-value logics as the same language is impractical:

$$|bool^2 \times bool^2 \rightarrow bool^2| = |bool^2| |bool^2 \times bool^2| = 4^{16} = 4294967296$$

It means, most of these functions are never given any name in practice. This is why for example Uberwrong Logic can have 16 "authentic" functions and 16 "inauthentic" functions, although any of these functions are just one among 4294967296 others. The bias of language is a perspective.

The number of binary functions in an extended logic of N-bit values is given by the formula:

$$(2^n)^((2^n)^2)$$

Here is a table of this sequence up to 5 bits:

N	Number of binary functions
0	1
1	16
2	4294967296
3	6277101735386680763835789423207666416102355444464034512896
4	1797693134862315907729305190789024733617976978942306572734300811577326758 0550096313270847732240753602112011387987139335765878976881441662249284743 0639474124377767893424865485276302219601246094119453082952085005768838150 6823424628814739131105408272371633505106845862982399472459384797163048353 56329624224137216
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An easier formula to use is one that tells the position in binary format, a `1` followed by `0`s:

$$n*((2^n)^2)$$

For example, at N = 18, the number that counts binary functions take up more than 1 TiB of memory. The complexity of this logic is incomprehensible to humans.

When considering that Homotopy Level Two Computing is just a simplification of Path Semantical Quantum Propositional Logic^[9] where `~` can be applied at most once, it follows that Path Semantics^[10] is extremely complex. Most of Path Semantics will forever be hidden and unnamed.

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