

# Dualisability of a Class of Unary Algebras

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  - Dualisability: Clark, Davey, Pitkethly (2003); Hyndman, Willard (2000); ...
  - Bases of quasi-equations: Bestsennyi (1989); Hyndman, Casperson (2009); ...
  - Lattices of subalgebras/congruences/topologies: Nation (1974), Lampe (1974), Bordalo (1989), Kartashova (2011), ...

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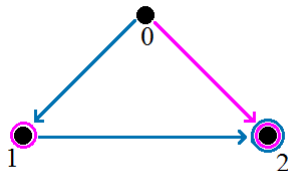
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- Unary algebras are easily visualised.





# Narrowing It Down

The class of all unary algebras is quite broad.

- Can narrow it down in two ways:
  - Restrict the size of the universe: Clark, Davey, and Pitkethly (2003) fully classified the dualisability of three-element unary algebras. Pitkethly (2002) extended this classification to include full and strong dualisability.
  - Impose restrictions on the term operations of the algebra: Casperson, Hyndman, Mason, Nation, and Schaan (submitted) used this approach in the context of finite bases of quasi-equations.

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## Theorem (Casperson et al. submitted)

If  $\underline{\mathbf{M}}$  is a 4-element  $\{0, 1\}$ -valued unary algebra with 0, then one of the following holds:

- 1 the  $\leq$  on  $\{0, 1\}$  can be pp-defined via a formula of the form  $\exists w x \approx f(w) \ \& \ y \approx g(w)$ ;
- 2 the graph of addition modulo 2 on  $\{0, 1\}$  can be pp-defined via a formula of the form  $\exists w x \approx p(w) \ \& \ y \approx q(w) \ \& \ z \approx r(w)$ ;
- 3 the rows of  $\underline{\mathbf{M}}$  form an order ideal under  $0 \leq 1$ .

# A Place to Start

I was introduced to natural duality theory with the following question:

## Question

If the rows of a  $\{0, 1\}$ -valued unary algebra with 0 form an order ideal under  $0 \leq 1$ , under what circumstances is the algebra dualisable?

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It is straightforward to show that when the rows of an algebra form a lattice order, the conditions of this theorem are satisfied.

# When $\text{Rows}(\underline{M})$ is not a Lattice Order?

By further narrowing the scope down to  $\{0, 1\}$ -valued algebras with 0 with unique rows, a pattern started to develop using a refinement of the Ghost Element Method found in Clark, Davey, and Pitkethly (2003) which states that the presence of a “ghostly element” is necessary for dualisability.



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This pp-formula pp-defines the relation

$$R = \{\langle 0, 0 \rangle, \langle 0, 1 \rangle, \langle 1, 0 \rangle\} \text{ on } \underline{\mathbf{M}}.$$

# V-Ghostable Algebras

## Definition

Suppose there exist  $Z \subseteq F^{\mathbf{M}}$ , distinct  $t$  and  $u \in F^{\mathbf{M}} \setminus Z$ , and a collection  $\{E_i\}$  of subsets of  $F^{\mathbf{M}}$  such that we can pp-define the relation  $R = \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0)\}$  via

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi : \exists w [ & \bigwedge_{z \in Z} z(w) \approx 0 ] \\ & \& \left[ \bigwedge_{E \in \{E_i\}} [ \bigwedge_{d, e \in E} d(w) \approx e(w) ] \right] \\ & \& [x \approx t(w)] \& [y \approx u(w)] \end{aligned}$$

such that if  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  witness the same element of  $R$ , then  $w_1 = w_2$ . Then  $\mathbf{M}$  is a **v-ghostable algebra**.

# Example

$$\exists w \left[ \bigwedge_{z \in Z} z(w) \approx 0 \right] \& \left[ \bigwedge_{E \in \{E_i\}} \left[ \bigwedge_{d, e \in E} d(w) \approx e(w) \right] \right] \& [x \approx t(w)] \& [y \approx u(w)]$$

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## Idea of Proof

Having a  $v$ -ghosting formula provides a uniform way to apply the refined Ghost Element Method.



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We use a double induction on the number of occurrences of the rows  $\langle 0, 1 \rangle$  and  $\langle 1, 0 \rangle$  in the reduct to build up  $v$ -ghosting formulae.

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Neither is dualisable. Ross Willard assisted us with proving this for  $\mathbf{M}_1$ . The proof for  $\mathbf{M}_2$  utilizes Pitkethly's (2010) result that if a finite unary algebra is dualisable, it is dualisable via a finite set of relations.



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