# On a natural fuzzification of Boolean logic 

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The sign exchange thus implements an antitone bijection on the rational interval $[-1,1]$ where the zero value appears as contradiction fix-point.

## Split Truth/Falseness Semantics


positive (truth oriented) view point

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Truthfulness of a given expression $x$ is thus only defined in case the expression's credibility $r_{x}$ exceeds the credibility $r_{\neg x}$ of its contradiction $\neg x$, otherwise the logical point of view is switched to $\neg x$, i.e the contradicted version of the expression.

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The operator triple $<-$, min, max $>$ implements on the rational interval $[-1,1]$ an ordinal credibility calculus, denoted for short $\mathcal{L}_{o}$ that gives a first example of what we shall call a natural fuzzification of propositional calculus.

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## Fuzzification/Polarization: an adjoint pair

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## A Bochvar-like fuzzification

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## $\mathcal{L}_{b}$ is a natural fuzzification

we must show that the curly operators $\curlyvee$ and $\curlywedge$ verify $\mu \circ \pi=\pi \circ \mu$ :

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