

From Axioms to Rules: The Factory of Modal Proof Systems



2. Lecture

Sequent calculi for modal logic



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Is proof theory the theory of proof systems?

Hilbert system: many axioms, few rules

$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow B \rightarrow A \\ \Box(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (\Box A \rightarrow \Box B) \\ \vdots \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} A \quad A \rightarrow B \\ \hline B \end{array}}{B} \text{mp}$$

$$\frac{A}{\Box A} \text{ncc}$$

→ even proving $A \rightarrow A$ is tedious!

Gentzen system: few axioms, many rules

→ easier proof search through analyticity

→ fine granularity to study proof structure

First some notation

1) the sequent arrow \vdash (turnstile)

2) the comma $,$

$$\underbrace{A_1, \dots, A_n}_{\Gamma_1} \vdash \underbrace{B_1, \dots, B_p}_{\Gamma_2}$$

multisets
of formulas

NOTATIONS:

- 1) omit multiset brackets $\{\cdot\}$
- 2) write union $\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2$ as Γ_1, Γ_2

means

$$A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n \rightarrow B_1 \vee \dots \vee B_p$$

$$= \text{fm}(\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2)$$

(formula interpretation)

Propositional sequent rules

$$(\Lambda \Gamma_1) \wedge a \rightarrow (\forall \Gamma_2) \vee a$$

Axioms

identity

$$\frac{}{\Gamma_1, a \vdash \Gamma_2, a}$$



cut

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2 \quad \Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2}$$

conjunction

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A, B \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1, A \wedge B \vdash \Gamma_2} \wedge_L$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2 \quad \Gamma_1 \vdash B, \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 \vdash A \wedge B, \Gamma_2} \wedge_R$$

disjunction

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2 \quad \Gamma_1, B \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1, A \vee B \vdash \Gamma_2} \vee_L$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 \vdash A \vee B, \Gamma_2} \vee_R$$

implication

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2, A \quad \Gamma_1, B \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1, A \rightarrow B \vdash \Gamma_2} \rightarrow_L$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A \vdash B, \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 \vdash A \rightarrow B, \Gamma_2} \rightarrow_R$$

units

$$\frac{}{\Gamma_1, \perp \vdash \Gamma_2} \perp_L$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma_1 \vdash T, \Gamma_2} T_R$$

negation

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1, \neg A \vdash \Gamma_2} \neg_L$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 \vdash \neg A, \Gamma_2} \neg_R$$

Modal Rules

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2}{\Box \Gamma_1 \vdash \Box A, \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Box_R$$

notation: $\Box \Gamma = \Box A_1, \dots, \Box A_n$ if $\Gamma = A_1, \dots, A_n$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Box \Gamma_1, \Diamond A \vdash \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Diamond_R$$

Structural rules

weakening $\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2, A} w_L$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2} w_R$$

contraction $\frac{\Gamma_1, A, A \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2} C_L$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2, A, A}{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2, A} C_R$$

of sequent $\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2$

A derivation is a tree where each node is labelled by a rule
and each edge is labelled by a sequent.
and the root is the sequent $\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2$

A proof is a derivation in which each leaf is an occurrence
of an axiom (here: id, \perp_L or \top_R).

Examples

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{A, B \vdash A}{A \vdash B \rightarrow A} \rightarrow_R}{\vdash A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)} \rightarrow_R}{?}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{A \vdash B, A \vdash ?}{A \rightarrow B, A \vdash B} \rightarrow_L \frac{B, A \vdash B \vdash ?}{\square(A \rightarrow B), \square A \vdash \square B} \square_R}{\square(A \rightarrow B) \vdash \square A \rightarrow \square B} \rightarrow_R}{\vdash \square(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (\square A \rightarrow \square B)} \rightarrow_R$$

Lemma (General identity)

The rule $\frac{}{A \vdash A}$ is derivable (in previous systems)

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for all A , there exists a proof of $A \vdash A$

Proof: by induction on the structure of A

$$A ::= a \mid T \mid \perp \mid (A \wedge A) \mid (A \vee A) \mid (A \rightarrow A) \mid \neg A \mid \Box A \mid \Diamond A$$

* $A = a$: $a \vdash a$ is derivable using id

* $A = T$: $T \vdash T$ is derivable using T_R

* $A = \perp$: $\perp \vdash \perp$ is derivable using \perp_L

BASE CASES

INDUCTIVE CASES

* $A = B \star C$ for $\star = \wedge, \vee$ or \rightarrow :

IH: $B \vdash B$ and $C \vdash C$ are derivable

e.g. for $\star = \rightarrow$:

$$\frac{\frac{B \vdash B \quad C \vdash C}{B \vdash C, B \vdash C} w_R \quad \frac{C \vdash C}{C, B \vdash C} w_L}{\frac{B \rightarrow C, B \vdash C}{B \rightarrow C \vdash B \rightarrow C}} \rightarrow_L$$

* $A = \heartsuit B$ for $\heartsuit = \top, \Box$ or \Diamond :

IH: $B \vdash B$ is derivable

$$\frac{B \vdash B}{\Diamond B \vdash \Diamond B} \Diamond_k$$

$$\frac{B \vdash B}{\Box B \vdash \Box B} \Box_k$$

$$\frac{\frac{B \vdash B}{\top B, B \vdash \top} \top_L}{\top B \vdash \top B} \top_R$$

Examples

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{A \vdash A}{A, B \vdash A} w_L}{A \vdash B \rightarrow A} \rightarrow_R}{\vdash A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)} \rightarrow_R$$

general identity

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{A \vdash A}{A \vdash B, A} w_R}{B \vdash B} w_L}{B, A \vdash B} \rightarrow_L}{\frac{\frac{A \rightarrow B, A \vdash B}{\Box(A \rightarrow B), \Box A \vdash \Box B} \Box R}{\frac{\frac{\Box(A \rightarrow B) \vdash \Box A \rightarrow \Box B}{\vdash \Box(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (\Box A \rightarrow \Box B)} \rightarrow_R}{\vdash \Box(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (\Box A \rightarrow \Box B)} \rightarrow_R}}{\Box R}$$

What about our notion of truth?

Theorem (Soundness and Completeness)

TFAE = The Following Are Equivalent

1) Formula A is provable in modal logic K

2) Formula A is valid (in all frames)

3) There is a proof of sequent $\vdash A$ in the system

$\{\text{id}, \text{cut}, \perp_L, T_R, \heartsuit_R, \heartsuit_L, \star_R, \star_L\}$

for $\heartsuit \in \{\Box, \Diamond\}$ and $\star \in \{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$

Proof We take $1 \leftrightarrow 2$ as given and prove $3 \leftrightarrow 1$

1) Formula A is provable in modal logic K

$3 \rightarrow 1$

It is enough to prove that

(\wedge fm (premisses))

→ fm (conclusion) is
provable in K

formula interpretation



$1 \rightarrow 3$

It is enough to prove that
the axioms and rules of K
are derivable in the
sequent system



3) There is a proof of sequent $\vdash A$ in the system

{id, cut, \perp_L , T_R , \heartsuit_R , \heartsuit_L , \star_R , \star_L }

for $\heartsuit \in \{\Box, \Diamond\}$ and $\star \in \{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$

1 → 3:

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, B, \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 \vdash A \vee B, \Gamma_2} \vee_R$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (\wedge \Gamma_1) \rightarrow ((A \vee B) \vee (\vee \Gamma_2)) \\ \Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2 \\ \Gamma_1 \vdash B, \Gamma_2 \end{array}}{\begin{array}{c} (\wedge \Gamma_1) \rightarrow (A \vee (\vee \Gamma_2)) \\ (\wedge \Gamma_1) \rightarrow (B \vee (\vee \Gamma_2)) \\ \Gamma_1 \vdash A \wedge B, \Gamma_2 \\ (\wedge \Gamma_1) \rightarrow ((A \wedge B) \vee (\vee \Gamma_2)) \end{array}} \wedge R$$

via mp on $((C \rightarrow A) \wedge (C \rightarrow B)) \rightarrow (C \rightarrow A \wedge B)$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (\wedge \Gamma_1) \rightarrow (A \vee (\vee \Gamma_2)) \\ \Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2 \end{array}}{\square \Gamma_1 \vdash \square A, \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Box_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\wedge \Gamma_1) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\neg \Gamma_2)) \\ & \square ((\wedge \Gamma_1) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\neg \Gamma_2))) \quad \text{via nec} \\ & \square (\wedge \Gamma_1) \rightarrow (\square A \rightarrow \square (\neg \Gamma_2)) \quad \text{via mp on k twice} \\ & \wedge (\square \Gamma_1) \rightarrow (\square A \vee \vee \Diamond \Gamma_2) \quad \text{via } \wedge \square \Gamma_1 \equiv \square (\wedge \Gamma_1) \\ & \quad \text{and } \vee \Diamond \Gamma_2 \equiv \Diamond (\vee \Gamma_2) \end{aligned}$$

3 → 1: we already showed how to derive $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)$ and $\square (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (\square A \rightarrow \square B)$

for nec $\frac{A}{\square A}$: suppose $\vdash A$ is derivable then $\frac{\vdash A}{\vdash \square A} \Box_k$

for mp $\frac{A \quad A \rightarrow B}{B}$: suppose $\begin{cases} \vdash A \\ A \vdash B \end{cases}$ derivable then $\frac{\vdash A \quad A \vdash B}{\vdash B} \text{ cut}$

Modal Rules (Extended)

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2}{\Box \Gamma_1 \vdash \Box A, \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Box_k$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Box \Gamma_1, \Diamond A \vdash \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Diamond_k$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, \Box \Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2, \Diamond \Gamma_2}{\Box \Gamma_1 \vdash \Box A, \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Box_{k4}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, \Box \Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2, \Diamond \Gamma_2}{\Box \Gamma_1, \Diamond A \vdash \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Diamond_{k4}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, \Box \Gamma_1, \Diamond \Gamma_3 \vdash A, \Gamma_2, \Diamond \Gamma_2, \Box \Gamma_4}{\Box \Gamma_1, \Diamond \Gamma_3 \vdash \Box A, \Diamond \Gamma_2, \Box \Gamma_4} \Box_{k45}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, \Box \Gamma_1, \Diamond \Gamma_3, A \vdash \Gamma_2, \Diamond \Gamma_2, \Box \Gamma_4}{\Box \Gamma_1, \Diamond \Gamma_3, \Diamond A \vdash \Diamond \Gamma_2, \Box \Gamma_4} \Diamond_{k45}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Box \Gamma_1 \vdash \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Diamond_\alpha$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1, \Box A \vdash \Gamma_2} \Box_t$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Diamond A, \Gamma_2} \Diamond_t$$

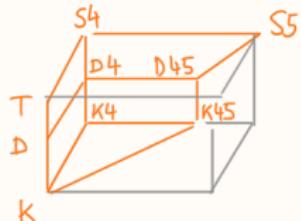
Theorem (Soundness and completeness) TFAE

- Formula A is provable in logic $\{ K \text{ or } D \text{ or } T \}$
 - $\{ K4 \text{ or } D4 \text{ or } S4 \}$
 - $\{ K45 \text{ or } D45 \text{ or } S5 \}$

- Sequent $\vdash A$ is provable in system ...

with cut!

$$+ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Box_k + \Diamond_k \\ \Box_{k4} + \Diamond_{k4} \\ \Box_{k45} + \Diamond_{k45} \end{array} \right\} + \Diamond_\alpha + \{ \Box_t + \Diamond_t \}$$



Issues

(i) locality and separation: $\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash A, T_2}{\Box \Gamma_1 \vdash \Box A, \Diamond T_2} \text{ok}$ $\frac{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Gamma_2}{\Box \Gamma_1, \Diamond A \vdash \Diamond \Gamma_2} \Diamond \text{ok}$

(ii) modularity: need to swap \Box_k for \Box_{k4} or \Box_{k5}
would like: keep \Box_k and add \Box_4 and/or \Box_5

(iii) generality: no complete system for $\begin{cases} K5 \text{ or } D5 \\ KB \text{ or } DB \text{ or } TB \end{cases}$
and more Scott-Lemmon axioms.

(iv) analyticity:

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\Box A \vdash \Box A}{\Box \Box A \vdash \Box A} \text{gid}}{\Diamond \Box A \vdash \Box A} \Diamond k4s}{\Diamond \Box A \vdash \Box A, A} \text{WR}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{A \vdash A}{A \vdash A} \text{gid}}{\Diamond \Box A, A \vdash A} \text{WL}}{\Diamond \Box A, \Box A \vdash A} \Box t$$

$$\frac{\Diamond \Box A \vdash A}{\vdash \Diamond \Box A \rightarrow A} \rightarrow R$$

cut

→ How TO design sequent systems for modal logics that
preserve these good properties?



Questions?

