

# On the Relative Complexity of 2 Labelled Modal Tableaux

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# Overview

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# Motivation

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- Experimental comparison
  - optimisation of the implementation
  - programming skills
- Theoretical comparison
  - identify the appropriate logic
  - identify the appropriate class of formulas
  - identify the appropriate comparison measure

$\langle W, R, v \rangle$

- $w \models \Box A$  iff  $\forall x : wRx, x \models A$
- $w \models \Diamond A$  iff  $\exists x : wRx, x \models A$
- $\Box A \equiv \neg \Diamond \neg A$

Axiom	Condition on $R$
K: $\Box(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (\Box A \rightarrow \Box B)$	no conditions
D: $\Box A \rightarrow \Diamond A$	serial, $\forall x \exists y (xRy)$
T: $\Box A \rightarrow A$	reflexive, $\forall x (xRx)$
4: $\Box A \rightarrow \Box \Box A$	transitive, $\forall x, y, z (xRy \wedge yRz \rightarrow xRz)$
B: $A \rightarrow \Box \Diamond A$	symmetric, $\forall x, y (xRy \rightarrow yRx)$
5: $\Diamond A \rightarrow \Box \Diamond A$	euclidean, $\forall x, y, z (xRy \wedge xRz \rightarrow yRz)$

# Tableaux

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- Semantic tableaux method is a refutation proof method
- We start from the negation of the formula we want to prove, and systematically we try to build a model/countermodel according to inference rules that correspond to the semantic evaluation clauses
- A tableaux is a binary tree
- When we discover a contradiction we close the branch
- A proof of  $A$  is a closed tree for  $\neg A$

- forest of classical trees
- labels to simulate the possible world structure

## **Labelled Modal Tableaux**

- $A : i$
- ground labels:  
 $(w_3, w_2, w_1)$ ;
- free variable labels:  
 $(W_3, w_2, W_1, w_1)$ .

## **Free Variable Labelled Modal Tableaux**

- \* propagation based (Single Step Tableaux)
- \* unification based (KEM)

# Methodology

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- Logic: modular, and no “optimisations” can be/have been devised; DB.
- Formulas: they should challenge only the modal features and not the propositional ones;  $p \rightarrow (\Box\Diamond)^n p$ .
- Comparison Measure: it should be appropriate for the problem at hand.

## *p-simulation*

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A proof system  $\mathcal{A}$  *p-simulates* a proof system  $\mathcal{B}$  iff there is a function  $g$ , computable in polynomial time, which maps proofs in  $\mathcal{B}$  for any given formula  $\phi$ , to proofs in  $\mathcal{A}$  for  $\phi$ . (Cook & Reckhow 1979)

- Semi-decidable systems;
- can compare only derivations of theorems;
- Non-deterministic notion;
- Not exhaustive searches.

## *p*-search-simulation

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A system  $\mathcal{A}$  *p*-search-simulates a system  $\mathcal{B}$  iff there is a polynomial function  $g$  such that for any formula  $\phi$ ,  $g$  maps derivations (trees) from  $\phi$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  to derivations (trees) from  $\phi$  in  $\mathcal{B}$  (de Nivelle, Schmidt & Hustadt 2000).

- We can compare derivations for generic formulas;
- It requires exhaustive proof search procedures.

# Label Formalism

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$$i = (\underbrace{W_2}_{h(i)}, (\underbrace{w_3}_{h(b(i))}, \underbrace{(w_2, (W_1, w_1))}_{b(b(i))}))$$

each  $b(\dots b(i)) = s(i)$

$$s^3(i) = (w_2, (W_1, w_1))$$

$$h^3(i) = w_2$$

$$c^3(i) = (W_2, (w_3, w_0))$$

where  $w_0 = (w_2, (W_1, w_1))$

# Single Step Tableaux (SST)

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Massacci (1994,2000), Beckert and Gorè (2001)

$$\frac{\pi : i}{\pi_0 : w_n, i} \pi \qquad \frac{\diamond p : W_2, w_0}{p : w_3, W_2, w_0}$$

$$\frac{\nu : i}{\nu_0 : W_n, i} \nu_D \qquad \frac{\square p : w_1, w_0}{p : W_1, w_1, w_0}$$

$$\frac{\nu : i}{\nu_0 : b(i)} \nu_B \qquad \frac{\square p : w_1, w_0}{p : w_0}$$

$$\frac{X : i}{\frac{\neg X : j}{\times} i, j \text{ unify}}$$

$$\frac{\pi : i}{\pi_0 : W_n, i}$$

$$\frac{\nu : i}{\nu_0 : W_n, i}$$

$$X : i$$

$$\frac{\neg X : j}{\times} i, j \sigma_{DB}\text{-unify}$$

- world-unification: two world symbols;
- basic-unification ( $\sigma$ ): two labels stepwise;
- axiom-unification ( $\sigma^D, \sigma^B$ ): two labels axiom-wise;
- logic-unification  $\sigma_{DB}$ : two labels recursively

# Basic Unification

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- Two atomic labels unify iff
  - they are the same constant
  - one of them is a variable
- Two labels  $i$  and  $k$  unify iff
  - they have the same length
  - for each  $n$ ,  $h^n(i)$  and  $h^n(k)$  unify

$$\begin{array}{l} W_2, w_2, w_1 \\ w_3, W_1, w_1 \end{array}$$

**Proposition 1** *The basic unification of two labels can be computed in linear time.*

$$\Phi_C^{i,n} = \{s^m(i) : m > n \text{ and } h^m(i) \in \Phi_C\}$$

$$\Phi_V^{i,n} = \{s^m(i) : m > n \text{ and } h^m(i) \in \Phi_V\}$$

**Definition 1** Given a label  $i$  and an integer  $n$ , we will say that  $i$  has the bmorphism property for  $n$  iff there is a morphism  $\theta : \Phi_C^{i,n} \mapsto \Phi_V^{i,n}$  such that

1.  $\theta$  is injective, and
2. if  $\theta(s^k(i)) = s^l(i)$ , then  $k < l$ .

The meaning of bmorphism is that every constant can be consumed by a variable coming after it.

# *B-unification*

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Two labels  $\sigma^B$ -unify iff

- their distance is  $2n$
- the segments of the same length  $\sigma$ -unify
- the longest label has the bmorphism property for  $m$ , where  $m$  is the length of the shortest segment.

$$W_2, w_2, w_1$$
$$w_1$$

$$W_4, W_3, w_3, W_2, w_2, w_1$$
$$W_1, w_1$$

## Bmorphism Algorithm

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*Bmorphism*( $i, n$ )

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Bcount := 0
for  $x$  from  $\ell(i)$  to  $n + 1$ 
  if  $Bcount \geq 0$ 
    then if  $h^x(i) \in \Phi_V$ 
      then  $Bcount := Bcount + 1$ 
      else  $Bcount := Bcount - 1$ 
    return  $Bcount$ 
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$i = (W_3, (w_4, (W_2, (W_1, (w_3, (w_2, W_1))))))$

The *Bmorphism* function returns the following values for  $n$  from 7 to 1.

$i, 7 \mapsto 0, i, 6 \mapsto 1, i, 5 \mapsto 0, i, 4 \mapsto 1, i, 3 \mapsto 2, i, 2 \mapsto 1, i, 1 \mapsto 0$

## Complexity of B-unification

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**Proposition 2** *Let  $i$  be a label and  $n$  a positive integer such that  $n < \ell(i)$ .  $B\text{morphism}(i, n) \geq 0$  iff  $i$  has the  $b\text{morphism}$  property for  $n$ .*

**Proposition 3** *The  $\sigma^B$ -unification of two labels can be computed in linear time.*

## DB Unification

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$$[i; j]\sigma_{DB} = \begin{cases} [i; j]\sigma^{DB} \\ [c^n(i); c^m(j)]\sigma^{DB}, [s^n(i); s^m(j)]\sigma_{DB} \end{cases}$$

$$W_1, w_2, w_1$$

$$W_2, w_3, w_1$$

since

$$\begin{array}{l} W_1, w_2, w_0 \\ w_0 \end{array}$$

$$w_0 = \begin{array}{l} w_1 \\ W_2, w_3, w_1 \end{array}$$

# Complexity of DB-Unification

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**Proposition 4** *The  $\sigma_{DB}$  unification of an atomic label and a label can be computed in polynomial (quadratic) time.*

$$\begin{array}{ll} c^n(j) = w_0 & s^n(j) = j \\ c^{n-1}(j) = (h^n(j), w_0) & s^{n-1}(j) = b(j) \\ c^{n-2}(j) = (h^n(j), (h^{n-1}(j), w_0)) & s^{n-2}(j) = b(b(j)) \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ll} c^{n-1}(c^{n-1}(j)) = w_0 & s^{n-1}(s^{n-1}(j)) = b(j) \\ c^{n-2}(c^{n-1}(j)) = (h^{n-1}(j), w_0) & s^{n-2}(s^{n-1}(j)) = b(b(j)) \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{array}$$

**Proposition 5** *The length of the proof of  $p \rightarrow (\Box\Diamond)^n p$  in KEM is  $O(n^2)$ .*

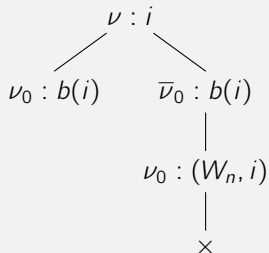
1.  $\neg(p \rightarrow (\Box\Diamond)^n p) : w_1$
2.  $p : w_1$
3.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^n p : w_1$
4.  $\neg\Diamond(\Box\Diamond)^{n-1} p : w_2, w_1$
5.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^{n-1} p : W_1, w_2, w_1$
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- $2n + 3$   $\neg p : W_n, w_{n+1}, \dots, W_1, w_2, w_1$

**Proposition 6** *The length of the proof of  $p \rightarrow (\Box\Diamond)^n p$  in SST is  $O(2^{n+1})$ .*

1.  $\neg(p \rightarrow (\Box\Diamond)^n p) : w_1$
2.  $p : w_1$
3.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^n p : w_1$
4.  $\neg\Diamond(\Box\Diamond)^{n-1} p : w_2, w_1$
5.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^{n-1} p : W_1, w_2, w_1$   $4\nu_D$
6.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^{n-1} p : w_1$   $4\nu_B$
7.  $\neg\Diamond(\Box\Diamond)^{n-2} p : w_3, W_1, w_2, w_1$
8.  $\neg\Diamond(\Box\Diamond)^{n-2} p : w_3, w_1$
9.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^{n-2} p : W_2, w_3, W_1, w_2, w_1$   $7\nu_D$
10.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^{n-2} p : w_2, w_1$   $7\nu_B$
11.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^{n-2} p : W_2, w_3, w_1$   $8\nu_D$
12.  $\neg(\Box\Diamond)^{n-2} p : w_1$   $8\nu_B$
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**Theorem 7** *SST cannot  $p$ -search-simulate KEM.*

**Lemma 8** *The rule  $\nu_B$  is a derived rule in KEM, and it can be derived in polynomial time.*



**Theorem 9** *KEM  $p$ -search-simulates SST.*