# Verified Decision Procedures for Modal Logics

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# Overview

## What

- Verified decision procedures for modal logics K, KT and S4
- Verified backjumping for modal logic K
- How
  - Decision procedures as functions in Lean
  - With soundness, completeness and termination proved

### Literature

 Tableaux based on sequent calculus given by Heuerding, Seyfried, and Zimmermann (HSZ)

Different proofs of correctness

# Syntax

### Definition (Syntax)

The syntax of formulas is given by the following grammar:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{N} &::= 0 \mid S \mathbb{N} \\ \varphi &::= \mathbb{N} \mid \neg \varphi \mid \varphi \land \varphi \mid \varphi \lor \varphi \mid \varphi \lor \varphi \mid \Box \varphi \mid \Diamond \varphi \end{split}$$

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We work with a simpler language NNF given by the following grammar:

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# Semantics

## Definition (Kripke models)

A Kripke model is a triple (S,R,V) where S is a set of states, and  $R\subseteq S\times S$  and  $V\subseteq \mathbb{N}\times S$  are two binary relations. A KT model is a Kripke model whose R is reflexive. An S4 model is a KT model whose R is transitive.

# Definition (forcing)

Let M = (S, R, V) be a Kripke model. The forcing relation  $\Vdash$  is defined as follows:

$(M,s) \Vdash n$	if $V(n,s)$
$(M,s) \Vdash \neg n$	$if\;(M,s)\not\Vdash n$
$(M,s)\Vdash \varphi \wedge \psi$	$if\ (M,s) \Vdash \varphi \  and  \ (M,s) \Vdash \psi$
$(M,s)\Vdash \varphi \vee \psi$	$\text{if }(M,s)\Vdash\varphi \   \text{or} \   (M,s)\Vdash\psi$
$(M,s)\Vdash \Box \varphi$	if for all $t \in S, R(s,t)$ implies $(M,t) \Vdash \varphi$
$(M,s)\Vdash \Diamond \varphi$	if there exists $t \in S, R(s,t)$ and $(M,t) \Vdash \varphi$
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## Definition (satisfiability)

Let M be a Kripke model. A state  $s \in M$  satisfies a set  $\Gamma$  of formulas, written  $(M, s) \vDash \Gamma$ , if for all  $\varphi \in \Gamma$ ,  $(M, s) \vDash \varphi$ . A set  $\Gamma$  of formulas is satisfiable if there is a Kripke state that satisfies it. Otherwise, we say that  $\Gamma$  is unsatisfiable.

# Calculus

Tableau for modal logic K:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (id) \ \frac{n, \neg n, \Gamma}{\text{unsatisfiable}} & (\land) \ \frac{\varphi \land \psi, \Gamma}{\varphi, \psi, \Gamma} & (\lor) \ \frac{\varphi \lor \psi, \Gamma}{\varphi, \Gamma \ \psi, \Gamma} \\ & (K) \ \frac{\Diamond \varphi, \Box \Sigma, \Gamma}{\varphi, \Sigma} \end{array}$$

Tableau for modal logic KT and S4:

$$(T) \ \frac{\Box\varphi,\Gamma}{\varphi,\Box\varphi,\Gamma} \qquad (S4) \ \frac{\Diamond\varphi,\Box\Sigma,\Gamma}{\varphi,\Box\Sigma}$$

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# Alternative form

$$(K) \ \frac{\Diamond \varphi, \Box \Sigma, \Gamma}{\varphi, \Sigma}$$

should be understood as

$$(K) \begin{array}{c} \Diamond \Delta, \Box \Sigma, \Gamma \\ \hline \varphi_0, \Sigma \quad \varphi_1, \Sigma \quad \dots \quad \varphi_n, \Sigma \end{array}$$

where

$$\blacktriangleright \Delta = \{\varphi_0 \dots \varphi_n\} \neq \emptyset$$

- Γ is a set of literals
- $\Gamma$  does not contain a pair  $n, \neg n$

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Propagate the status upwards

# Formalization

```
structure kripke (states : Type) :=
(val : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow states \rightarrow Prop)
(rel : states \rightarrow states \rightarrow Prop)
```

def sat {st} (k : kripke st) (s) ( $\Gamma$  : list nnf) :=  $\forall \varphi \in \Gamma$ , force k s  $\varphi$ 

Rearranging val and rel during propagation is tedious.
 Defining a Kripke model from scratch whenever a rule is applied is also unsatisfying.

# Uniform and cumulative models

### Tree models

#### inductive model

 $| \texttt{ cons } : \texttt{ list } \mathbb{N} \to \texttt{ list model } \to \texttt{ model }$ 

### Interpretation functions

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# Uniform and cumulative models

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Builder
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def builder : kripke model :=
{ val := \lambda n s, mval n s,
rel := \lambda s<sub>1</sub> s<sub>2</sub>, mrel s<sub>1</sub> s<sub>2</sub> }
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Recall:

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Each state is a tree.

# Handling the K-rule

$$(K) \xrightarrow{\Diamond \Delta, \Box \Sigma, \Gamma}_{\varphi_0, \Sigma \quad \varphi_1, \Sigma \quad \dots \quad \varphi_n, \Sigma}$$

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$$\begin{array}{l} \texttt{def tmap} \\ \{\texttt{p} : \texttt{list nnf} \rightarrow \texttt{Prop} \} (\texttt{f} : \Pi \ \Gamma, \ \texttt{p} \ \Gamma \rightarrow \texttt{node } \Gamma) : \\ \Pi \ \Gamma : \texttt{list (list nnf), } (\forall \ \texttt{i} \in \Gamma, \ \texttt{p} \ \texttt{i}) \rightarrow \\ \texttt{psum } \{\texttt{i} \ // \ \texttt{i} \in \Gamma \ \land \ \texttt{unsatisfiable } \texttt{i} \} \\ \quad \{\texttt{x} \ // \ \texttt{batch\_sat } \texttt{x} \ \Gamma\} \end{array}$$

# Formalization

Return type:

Decision procedure:

```
def tableau : \Pi \Gamma : list nnf, node \Gamma := ...
using_well_founded
{rel_tac := \lambda _ _, '[exact \langle_, measure_wf node_size\rangle]}
```

Wrapper:

def is\_sat ( $\Gamma$  : list nnf) : bool := ...

# Formalization

```
theorem correctness (\Gamma : list nnf) :
is_sat \Gamma = tt \leftrightarrow
\exists (st : Type) (k : kripke st) s, sat k s \Gamma
```

# KT issues

Non-termination:

$$(T) \ \frac{\Box \varphi, \Gamma}{\varphi, \Box \varphi, \Gamma}$$

Tableau with histories:

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- Correctness is not obvious due to reflexivity

# Correctness

## Definition (reflexive sequents)

A sequent  $\Sigma \mid \Gamma$  is called reflexive if for every  $\Box \varphi \in \Sigma$ , if a tree model  $m := cons \ v \ l$  satisfies the following two conditions:

1.  $m \models \Gamma$ , and

2. for every 
$$s \in l$$
, for every  $\Box \psi \in \Sigma$ ,  $s \Vdash \psi$ .

then  $m \Vdash \varphi$ .

## Theorem (KT sequents)

Let  $\Sigma \mid \Gamma$  be a sequent generated by KT tableau. Then

- 1.  $\Sigma$  contains only  $\Box$ -formulas.
- 2.  $\Sigma \mid \Gamma$  is reflexive.

```
structure seqt : Type :=
(main : list nnf)
(hdld : list nnf)
-- reflexive sequents
(pmain : srefl main hdld)
-- there are only boxed formulas in hdld
(phdld : box_only hdld)
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 $\blacktriangleright$  The measure trick  $(degree(\Sigma\cup\Gamma), l(\Gamma))$  for KT does not work

$$(S4) \ \frac{\Box \Sigma \mid \Diamond \varphi, \Gamma}{\varnothing \mid \varphi, \Box \Sigma}$$

S4 tableau with histories

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# Formalization

```
structure sseqt : Type :=
(goal : list nnf)
(a : list psig)
(s : sig) -- sig := option psig
(h b m: list nnf)
(ndh : list.nodup h)
(ndb : list.nodup b)
(sph : h <+~ closure goal)
(spb : b <+~ closure goal)
(sbm : m \subseteq closure goal)
(ha : \forall \varphi \in h, (\langle \varphi, b \rangle : psig) \in a)
(hb : box_only b)
(ps_1 : \Pi (h : s \neq none), dsig s h \in m)
(ps_2 : \Pi (h : s \neq none), bsig s h \subseteq m)
```

# Termination

## Theorem (S4 termination)

Let  $A \parallel S \parallel H \parallel \Sigma \mid \Gamma$  be a sequent generated by S4 tableau and  $A' \parallel S' \parallel H' \parallel \Sigma' \mid \Gamma'$  its root. The triple

$$(l\circ cl(\Gamma')-l(\Sigma),l\circ cl(\Gamma')-l(H),l(\Gamma))$$

is decreasing under lexicographic order.

Start with the goal

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# S4 ill-founded reasoning

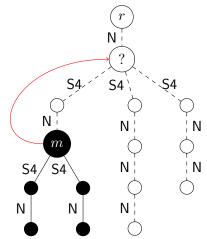


Figure: The red edge indicates that a loop-check is triggered at node m and a request is made. Black nodes are nodes with tree models constructed, and white nodes do not have a tree structure yet and their statuses are unknown to m. The node labeled r is the root.

Difficulties:

- Need to know where the previous handling (S4-rule application) happened
- Cannot construct a tree model due to referring to nodes above
- Difficult to decide the status due to reffering to nodes with unexplored branches,
- in particular, the statuses of the referred nodes depend on the one being decided

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- Propagate the tree model and the proofs of P upwards.
- Show that if the root sequent has a tree model m<sub>r</sub> with P proved, then interpretation functions can be defined on a type induced by m<sub>r</sub> to construct an S4 model m. It can be proved from P that m ⊨ Γ.

S4 tableau with histories

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Recall the  $(\lor)$  rule:

$$(\vee) \ \frac{\varphi \lor \psi, \Gamma}{\varphi, \Gamma \quad \psi, \Gamma}$$

- If the left child of the rule is unsatisfiable, there is a chance that the right child is also unsatisfiable.
- ▶ Happens when the principal formula  $\varphi \lor \psi$  is *not responsible* for a contradiction.

A marking set M is recursively defined on closed branches. Definition (responsibility)

1. For the id rule,  $M = \{p, \neg p\}$ .

2. Let  $M_l$  be the marking set of the lower sequent of the  $\wedge$ -rule.

$$M = \begin{cases} \{\varphi \land \psi\} \cup M_l & \text{if } \varphi \in M_l \text{ or } \psi \in M_l \\ M_l & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

3. Let  $M_l$  and  $M_r$  be the marking sets of the left and right lower sequent of the  $\lor$ -rule respectively.

$$M = \begin{cases} \{\varphi \lor \psi\} \cup M_l \cup M_r & \text{if } \varphi \in M_l \text{ or } \psi \in M_r \\ M_l \cup M_r & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

#### Definition (responsibility contd.)

Let l be the first unsatisfiable lower sequent of the K-rule, and  $M_l$  its marking set.

$$M = \Diamond (l.head) \cup \Box (l.tail \cap M_l)$$

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### Theorem (jumping)

If the left principal formula (i.e.,  $\varphi$ ) in the ( $\vee$ ) rule is not in the marking set of the left child, then the parent is unsatisfiable.

#### Theorem (marking property)

For each sequent  $\varphi, \Gamma$ , if  $\varphi$  is not in its marking set, then  $\Gamma$  is unsatisfiable.

#### Theorem (marking property revisited)

For each sequent  $\Gamma$ , if a subset  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$  contains nothing in the marking set, then  $\Gamma - \Delta$  is unsatisfiable.

def pmark ( $\Gamma$  m : list nnf) :=  $\forall \Delta$ , ( $\forall \delta \in \Delta$ ,  $\delta \notin$  m)  $\rightarrow \Delta \prec \Gamma \rightarrow$ unsatisfiable (list.diff  $\Gamma \Delta$ )

Force each closed node to carry a marking set with a proof of pmark.

inductive node ( $\Gamma$  : list nnf) : Type | closed :  $\Pi$  m, unsatisfiable  $\Gamma \rightarrow$  pmark  $\Gamma$  m  $\rightarrow$  node | open\_ : {s // sat builder s  $\Gamma$ }  $\rightarrow$  node

# Summary

#### What

- Verified decision procedures for modal logics K, KT and S4
- Verified backjumping for modal logic K
- How
  - Decision procedures as functions in Lean
  - With soundness, completeness and termination proved
- Literature
  - Tableaux based on sequent calculus given by Heuerding, Seyfried, and Zimmermann (HSZ)

Different proofs of correctness