

Combining proof search and linear counter-model construction

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Gödel-Dummett logic LC

- Intermediate logic: $IL \subset LC \subset CL$
- Syntactic characterization: $IL + (X \supset Y) \vee (Y \supset X)$
- Semantic models:
 - Linear Kripke trees (no branching)
 - The lattice $\bar{\mathbb{N}} = \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ with its natural order
- Complexity:
 - LC (and CL) are NP-complete
 - IL is PSPACE-complete

Deciding LC

- **Proof search and counter-models combined**
 - Strongly invertible rules to reduce sequents
 - Semantic fixpoint computation to decide irreducible sequents
- **Efficient** (duplication-free, loop-free) proof-search
 - IL (Dyckhoff & Hudelmair, Weich, Larchey & Galmiche)
 - Intermediate logics (Avellone et al. and Fiorino)
 - LC (Dyckhoff, Avron, Larchey)
- **Invertibility** and strong invertibility of logical rules
 - No backtracking in proof-search
 - Counter-model generation

The results

- Duplication-free proof search with bounded logical rules
 - Sequents \rightarrow *flat sequents* (indexing)
 - Flat sequents \rightarrow *pseudo-atomic sequents* (proof-search)
- Decision of pseudo-atomic sequent
 - Fixpoint computation
 - Either a **proof** (with a new proof rule)
 - Or a **counter-model**
- Graph based fixpoint computation

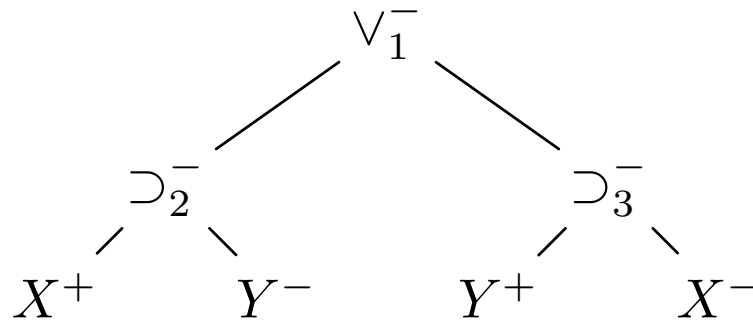
Flattening by indexing

- **Flat sequent:** flat and pseudo-atomic formulae.

$$X, X \supset Y, (X \otimes Y) \supset Z \text{ or } X \supset (Y \otimes Z) \vdash X \text{ or } X \supset Y$$

- Indexing result: $\vdash D \Leftrightarrow \delta^-(D) \vdash X_D$

- Example of indexing of $\vdash (X \supset Y) \vee (Y \supset X)$



$$(X_2 \vee X_3) \supset X_1, (X \supset Y) \supset X_2, (Y \supset X) \supset X_3 \vdash X_1$$

Proof-search (duplication free)

- Reduction of any flat sequent into **pseudo-atomic sequents**

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \supset C \vdash \Delta \quad \Gamma, B \supset C \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, (A \wedge B) \supset C \vdash \Delta} [\supset_2]$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \supset B, A \supset C \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, A \supset (B \wedge C) \vdash \Delta} [\supset'_2]$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \supset C, B \supset C \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, (A \vee B) \supset C \vdash \Delta} [\supset_3]$$

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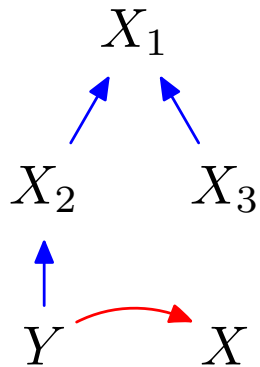
$$\frac{\Gamma, B \supset C \vdash \boxed{A \supset B}, \Delta \quad \Gamma, C \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, (A \supset B) \supset C \vdash \Delta} [\supset_4]$$

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- The connectors \otimes of flat formulae (like $(X \otimes Y) \supset Z$)
 - occur has the internal nodes of the initial formula tree
 - are decomposed exactly once by proof-search branch
- All premises are strongly invertible and there is no duplication

An example of proof search branch

- Proof search as syntactic graph orientation



$$\begin{array}{c}
 \dots \\
 \hline
 X_2 \supset X_1, X_3 \supset X_1, Y \supset X_2, (Y \supset X) \supset X_3 \vdash X \supset Y, X_1 \\
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 X_2 \supset X_1, X_3 \supset X_1, \boxed{X \supset Y} \supset X_2, (Y \supset X) \supset X_3 \vdash X_1 \quad [\supset_4] \text{ left} \\
 \hline
 \boxed{X_2 \vee X_3} \supset X_1, (X \supset Y) \supset X_2, (Y \supset X) \supset X_3 \vdash X_1 \quad [\supset_3]
 \end{array}$$

Counter-models by fixpoint computation

- Deciding the pseudo-atomic sequent:

$$\Gamma_a \vdash X_1 \supset Y_1, \dots, X_n \supset Y_n \quad (\Gamma_a \text{ atomic implications})$$

- Define the following functor of subsets of $[1, n]$:

$$\varphi(I) = \{i \mid \Gamma_a, \mathcal{X}_I \Vdash Y_i\}$$

- Compute the greatest fixpoint sequence:

$$I_0 = [1, n] \supsetneq I_1 = \varphi([1, n]) \supsetneq \dots \supsetneq I_p = \varphi^p([1, n]) = \mu_\varphi$$

- The sequent has a counter-model iff. $\mu_\varphi = \emptyset$
- Counter model extracted from the sequence $I_0 \supsetneq I_1 \supsetneq \dots \supsetneq I_p$

The fixpoint as a new proof-rule

- In the case $\mu_\varphi = \{i_1, \dots, i_k\}$ is not empty
- The fixpoint property induces a new proof rule

$$\frac{\Gamma_a, X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_k} \vdash Y_{i_1} \quad \dots \quad \Gamma_a, X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_k} \vdash Y_{i_k}}{\Gamma_a \vdash X_1 \supset Y_1, \dots, X_n \supset Y_n} \quad [\supset_N]$$

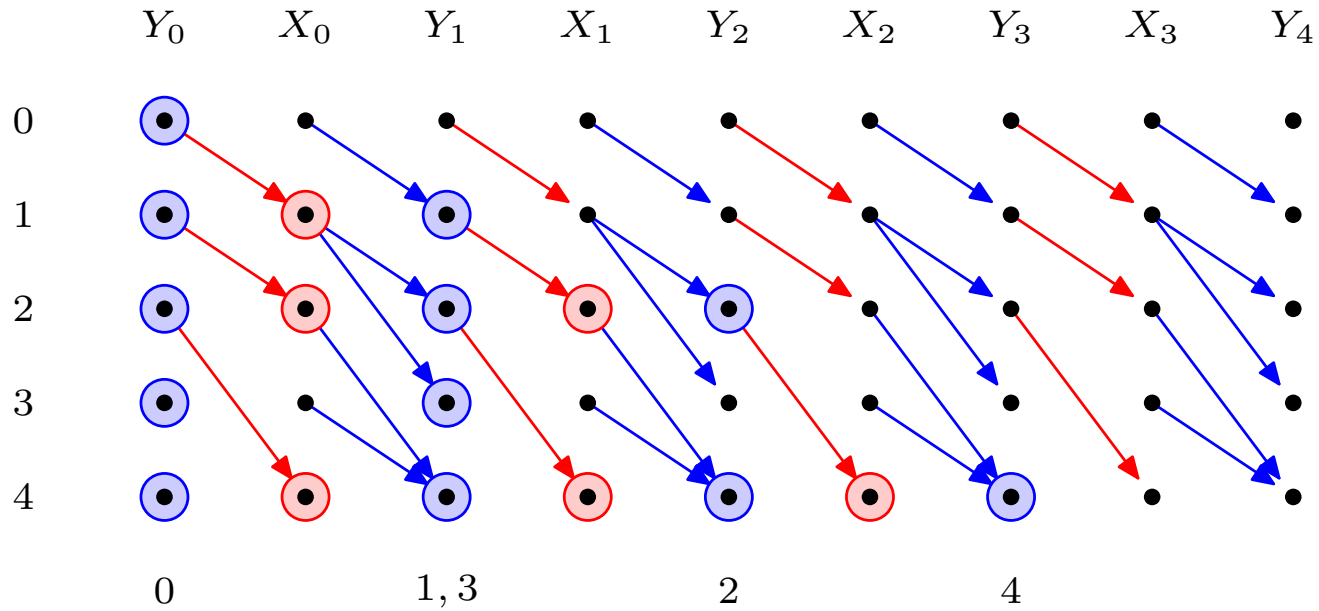
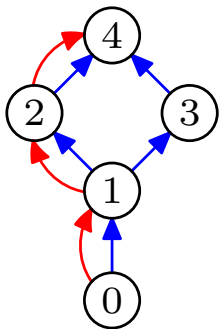
- All the premises are valid (fixpoint property)
- We obtain a one step proof (exponential with $[\supset_R]$ Dyckhoff)

The decision algorithm

- A **combination** of proof-search and counter-model generation
- **Indexing** of the sequent into a flat sequent
- **Reduction** to a set of pseudo-atomic sequents (proof-search)
- For $\Gamma_a \vdash X_1 \supset Y_1, \dots, X_n \supset Y_n, Z_1, \dots, Z_k$ (say \mathcal{S})
- If one of the atomic $\Gamma_a \vdash Z_i$ is valid so is the sequent \mathcal{S}
- Or **compute the fixpoint** for $\Gamma_a \vdash X_1 \supset Y_1, \dots, X_n \supset Y_n$
 - Case $\mu \neq \emptyset$, get a proof of the sequent \mathcal{S} (weakening)
 - Case $\mu = \emptyset$, obtain a counter-model
 - This counter-model also holds for the sequent \mathcal{S}

Example of fixpoint computation

$0 \supset 1, 1 \supset 2, 1 \supset 3, 2 \supset 4, 3 \supset 4 \vdash 2 \supset 1, 1 \supset 0, 4 \supset 2$



$\llbracket 0 \rrbracket = 0, \llbracket 1 \rrbracket = \llbracket 3 \rrbracket = 1, \llbracket 2 \rrbracket = 2, \llbracket 4 \rrbracket = 3$

Conclusion and perspectives

- A new efficient graph based decision procedure for LC
- Linear time algorithm for fixpoint computation
- Sharing fixpoint computation among branches
 - On the fly fixpoint computation
- Extension to other intermediate logics