# Medvedev's logic and products of converse well orders

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In spite of the similarity in the above semantic characterizations, logical properties of  $\rm Grz.2$  and  $\rm Mdv$  are different. In particular:

 ${\rm Grz.2}$  is given by a finite set of axioms, so in view of its completeness with respect to a class of finite frames, it is decidable.

It is well known that both modal and intuitionistic Medvedev logics are not finitely axiomatizable [Maksimova, Shehtman, Skvortsov 1979; Prucnal 1979].

Whether the Medvedev logic (modal or intuitionistic) is recursively axiomatizable is an old-standing open problem.

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Inclusions between logics  $\Gamma(n)$  and  $\Delta(n)$ :



Proposition For all  $n < \omega$ ,

$$(1) = \Gamma(1) = \operatorname{Grz.3}_{2}$$

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The logics  $\Gamma(2)$  and  $\Delta(2)$  can be considered in the context of interval temporal logic. Let Wbe the set of closed segments [m, n] of integer numbers containing a fixed integer (e.g., 0):

$$W := \{[m, n] : m \le 0 \le n\}.$$

It is immediate that  $Log(W, \supseteq)$  is  $\Gamma(2)$  and  $Log(W \setminus \{[0,0]\}, \supseteq)$  is  $\Delta(2)$  according to the fact that  $(W, \supseteq)$  is isomorphic to  $(\omega, \ge)^2$ ; the isomorphism is defined by letting

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Observation: for two L and K,  $L \subseteq K$  implies  $\mathrm{ML}^{L}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{R}) \supseteq \mathrm{ML}^{K}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{R}).$ 

 $\operatorname{MTh}^{L}(\mathcal{C},\mathcal{R})$  is *robust* iff for every language  $K \supseteq L$  we have

 $\mathrm{MTh}^{\mathsf{K}}(\mathcal{C},\mathcal{R})=\mathrm{MTh}^{\mathsf{L}}(\mathcal{C},\mathcal{R}).$ 

Intuitively, the robust theory can be considered as a "true" modal logic of the model-theoretic relation  ${\cal R}$  on  ${\cal C}.$ 

Theorem. Let  $n < \omega$ , and let  $\tau$  be a signature consisting of *n* unary predicates and possibly some constants. The robust modal logic of the class of models of  $\tau$  with the submodel relation is  $\Gamma(2^n)$  if  $\tau$  has at least one constant, and  $\Delta(2^n)$  otherwise.

For an ordinal  $\alpha$ , the  $\alpha$ th level of a Noetherian frame  $\mathfrak{F} = (X, \geq)$  consists of all points of  $\mathfrak{F}$  having the rank  $\alpha$  in the well-founded frame  $(X, \leq)$ . Let  $\mathfrak{P}_{n,m}$  denote the restriction of the frame  $(\omega, \geq)^n$  to its levels  $\geq m$ 



For 
$$1 \le n < \omega$$
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$$\Gamma(1, m) = \text{Grz.3 for all } m \leq \omega$$
,

(ii) 
$$\Gamma(n, 0) = \Gamma(n)$$
 and  $\Gamma(n, 1) = \Delta(n)$ ,

(iii) 
$$\Gamma(\omega, 0) = \text{Grz.2}$$
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#### Theorem

• 
$$\Gamma(n,m) \supseteq \Gamma(n',m')$$
 if  $n \le n' \le \omega$  and  $m \le m' \le \omega$ ,  
•  $\Gamma(n,\omega) \nsubseteq \Gamma(n+1,0)$ ,  
•  $\Gamma(n,m) \nsubseteq \Gamma(n',m')$  if  $\binom{m+n-1}{n-1} < \binom{m'+n'-1}{n'-1}$ .

Corollary.  $\Gamma(n, m) \supset \Gamma(n', m)$  if n < n';  $\Gamma(n, m) \supset \Gamma(n, m')$  if m < m'.

Q. What about the inclusions of the logics that are not under the scope of the Theorem? E.g., is  $\Gamma(3,1)\subseteq\Gamma(2,2)?$ 



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Given cardinals  $\kappa < \lambda$ , let  $\mathcal{P}_{\lambda,\kappa}(X) := \mathcal{P}_{\lambda}(X) \setminus \mathcal{P}_{\kappa}(X) = \{A \subseteq X : \kappa \leq |A| < \lambda\}.$ 

Proposition. For all  $m < \omega$ ,  $\Gamma(\omega, m) = Log(\mathcal{P}_{\omega,m}(\omega), \supseteq) = Log\{(\mathcal{P}_{n+1,m}(n), \supseteq) : n < \omega\}$ .

Related systems, the intuitionistic logics of  $(\mathcal{P}(\omega) \setminus \mathcal{P}(m), \supseteq)$ ,  $0 < m < \omega$ , were considered in [Shehtman, Skvortsov, 1986]: none of them are finitely axiomatizable.

We conjecture that the logics  $\Gamma(\omega, m)$  are not finitely axiomatizable as well.



Thank you!