SOME REMARKS ABOUT THE FAMILY \boldsymbol{K} OF MODAL SYSTEMS

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1 Introduction K-systems can be defined as follows:

D1. S is a K-system $=_{df}$ S is deductively equivalent to some system S' such that:

- a. S' is an extension of the propositional calculus (PC)
- b. S' is governed by the following rules of inference: the rule of uniform substitution, modus ponens (MP), and $RL(\vdash \alpha \Longrightarrow \vdash L\alpha)$
- c. The following formulas are axioms of $S^{\prime}\colon$
 - A1. $Lp \supset p$ A2. $L(p \supset q) \supset (Lp \supset Lq)$ A3. $Lp \supset LLp$ S4-axioms
 - A4. $LMp \supset MLp$
- d. Every other axiom of S' is an S5-thesis
- e. S5 is not contained in S'.

The following formulas have been used in the construction of K-systems:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mathbf{G1.} & MLp \supset LMp \\ \mathbf{D2.} & L(Lp \supset Lq) \lor L(Lq \supset Lp) \\ \mathbf{J1.} & L(L(p \supset Lp) \supset p) \supset p \\ \mathbf{H1.} & p \supset L(Mp \supset p) \\ \mathbf{F1.} & L(Lp \supset q) \lor (MLq \supset p) \\ \mathbf{R1.} & p \supset (MLp \supset Lp). \end{array}$

As far as I know, only nine nonequivalent K-systems have been so far described (see [2], [4], [7], [11], and [12]):