

CONCERNING THE PROPER AXIOM FOR S4.04
AND SOME RELATED SYSTEMS

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This paper examines the group of modal axioms covered by the general schema

$$(X) \quad Xp \rightarrow (p \rightarrow Lp)$$

where X is an affirmative modality of S4. Familiarity is assumed with the properties of maximal-consistent sets of wff, and with the post-Henkin method of completeness proofs. Soundness proofs are left to the reader throughout.

(X) yields seven cases:

Case 1. Zeman's S4.04 axiom

$$L1 \quad LMLp \rightarrow (p \rightarrow Lp) \quad \text{cf. [5], p. 250}$$

In the field of S4, L1 is equivalent to

$$L2 \quad p \rightarrow L(MLp \rightarrow p)$$

That L1 is a consequence of L2 is easy to see. For the converse we have¹

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| (1) $MLp \rightarrow ML(MLp \rightarrow p)$ | C2 |
| (2) $\sim MLp \rightarrow (MLp \rightarrow p)$ | PC |
| (3) $\sim LMMLp \rightarrow ML(MLp \rightarrow p)$ | (2), C2 |
| (4) $\sim MLp \rightarrow ML(MLp \rightarrow p)$ | (3), S4, PC |
| (5) $ML(MLp \rightarrow p)$ | (1), (4), PC |
| (6) $LML(MLp \rightarrow p)$ | (5), T ⁰ |
| (7) $LML(MLp \rightarrow p) \rightarrow ((MLp \rightarrow p) \rightarrow L(MLp \rightarrow p))$ | L1, $p/MLp \rightarrow p$ |
| (8) $(MLp \rightarrow p) \rightarrow L(MLp \rightarrow p)$ | (6), (7), PC |
| (9) $p \rightarrow L(MLp \rightarrow p)$ | (8), PC |

We now present a semantic analysis that distinguishes L1 and L2 in

1. This proof is due to Professor G. E. Hughes.