

ON THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE BIGOS-KALMÁR AXIOMS
 FOR SENTENTIAL CALCULUS

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1 *Introduction* Let

$$K_1 = \{CpCqp, CCpCqrCCpqCpr\},$$

$$K_2 = K_1 \cup \{CNpCpq\},$$

$$K_3 = K_2 \cup \{CpNNp, CpCNqNCpq\},$$

$$B = K_2 \cup \{CCpqCCNpq\},$$

$$M = K_3 \cup \{CCpqCCNpq\},$$

$$K = M \cup \{CpCqKpq, CNqNKpq, CNpNKpq, CpApq, CqApq, CNpCNqNApq, CpCqEpq, CpCNqNEpq, CNpCqNEpq, CNpCNqEpq\}.$$

By *Kalmár's Lemma* we mean the inference rule denoted as *Hilfssatz 3* in Kalmár [2] and as Lemma 1.12 in Mendelson [3]. The proof of Kalmár's Lemma given by Kalmár [2] uses all of the tautologies in K . In turn the proof of Kalmár's Lemma given by Mendelson [3] makes use of only the subset M of K . Following Kalmár and Mendelson, Pogorzelski [4] proves the following theorems.

Lemma 1 For any sentential calculus \mathcal{L} , if K_1 is a subset of the theorems of \mathcal{L} , then the *Deduction Theorem* is a derived inference rule of \mathcal{L} .

Lemma 2 For any sentential calculus \mathcal{L} , if K_3 is a subset of the theorems of \mathcal{L} , then *Kalmár's Lemma* is a derived inference rule of \mathcal{L} .

Theorem 3 For any sentential calculus \mathcal{L} , if M is a subset of the theorems of \mathcal{L} , then \mathcal{L} is complete.

With respect to Theorem 3, Pogorzelski asked if M forms an independent system of axioms for a sentential calculus. In turn Yvonne Bigos [1] gave a proof of the following theorem, which we introduce in section 2.

Theorem I Tautologies $CpNNp$ and $CpCNqNCpq$ are redundant in axiom system M for a sentential calculus.

Lastly, the author proves the following:

Theorem II *The set \mathbf{B} forms an independent system of axioms for a sentential calculus.*

It follows from Theorem II that \mathbf{K}_3 and \mathbf{M} can be replaced by \mathbf{B} in the preceding Lemma 2 and Theorem 3.

2 Theorem of Bigos By $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$ we mean the sentential calculus obtained by taking the tautologies of \mathbf{B} as axioms and using, for inference rules, *modus ponens* and substitution. Within a given proof in $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$ we will use L_i to denote the wff on the i 'th line of the proof. An application of one of the two inference rules is denoted as follows:

(a) *Substitution Rule*. $SR(x)$: $p_1/P_1, \dots, p_n/P_n \vdash L_k$, where x denotes a theorem of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$ or it denotes $L_i (i < k)$, and L_k denotes the wff obtained by replacing in x the sentential variable p_i by the wff $P_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$.

(b) *Modus ponens*. $MP(x, y) \vdash L_k$, where x and y denote theorems of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$ or wffs $L_i, L_j (i, j < k)$, and y is of the form CxL_k .

An application of the Deduction Theorem, which we will prove in Lemma 4, will be abbreviated as:

$$H \vdash L_k, DT(L_k, L_j) \vdash CL_kL_j,$$

where $H \vdash L_k$ denotes that L_k is a hypothesis and L_j is the wff of proof line $j > k$.

We denote the tautologies of \mathbf{B} by:

- B1. $CpCqp$,
- B2. $CCpqCCNpq$,
- B3. $CNpCpq$,
- B4. $CCpCqrCCpqCpr$.

Lemma 4 *The Deduction Theorem is a derived inference rule of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$.*

Proof: Since $\mathbf{K} \subset \mathbf{B}$, Lemma 4 follows immediately from Lemma 1.

Lemma 5 *Cpp is a theorem of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$.*

Proof: 1. $SR(B2)$: $q/Cpp \vdash CCpCpCCNpCpCp$. 2. $SR(B1)$: $q/p \vdash CpCp$.
3. $MP(L_2, L_1) \vdash CCNpCCpCp$. 4. $SR(B3)$: $q/p \vdash CNpCp$. 5. $MP(L_4, L_3) \vdash Cp$.

Lemma 6 *$CpNNp$ is a theorem of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$.*

Proof: 1. $H \vdash p$. 2. $SR(B1)$: $q/Np \vdash CpCNp$. 3. $MP(L_1, L_2) \vdash CNp$. 4. $SR(B2)$: $p/NNp, q/NNp \vdash CCNNpNNpCCNNpNNpNNp$. 5. $SR(\text{Lemma 5})$: $p/NNp \vdash CNNpNNp$. 6. $MP(L_5, L_4) \vdash CCNNpNNpNNp$. 7. $SR(L_3)$: $p/NNp \vdash CNNpNNp$. 8. $MP(L_7, L_6) \vdash NNp$. 9. $DT(L_1, L_8) \vdash CpNNp$.

Lemma 7 *$CCpqCCqrCpr$ is a theorem of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$.*

Proof: 1. $H \vdash Cp$. 2. $H \vdash Cqr$. 3. $H \vdash p$. 4. $MP(L_3, L_1) \vdash q$. 5. $MP(L_4, L_2) \vdash r$. 6. $DT(L_3, L_5) \vdash Cpr$. 7. $DT(L_2, L_6) \vdash CCqrCpr$. 8. $DT(L_1, L_7) \vdash CCpqCCqrCpr$.

Lemma 8 $CCpqCNqNp$ is a theorem of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$.

Proof: 1. $H \vdash Cpq$. 2. $H \vdash Nq$. 3. SR(B3): $p/q, q/Np \vdash CNqCqNp$. 4. MP(L_2, L_3) $\vdash CqNp$. 5. SR(Lemma 7): $r/Np \vdash CCpqCCqNpCpNp$. 6. MP(L_1, L_5) $\vdash CCqNpCpNp$. 7. MP(L_4, L_6) $\vdash CpNp$. 8. SR(B2): $q/Np \vdash CCpNpCCNpNpNp$. 9. MP(L_7, L_8) $\vdash CCNpNpNp$. 10. SR(Lemma 5): $p/Np \vdash CNpNp$. 11. MP(L_9, L_{10}) $\vdash Np$. 12. DT(L_2, L_{11}) $\vdash CNqNp$. 13. DT(L_1, L_{12}) $\vdash CCpqCNqNp$.

Lemma 9 $CpCNqNCpq$ is a theorem of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$.

Proof: 1. $H \vdash p$. 2. $H \vdash Cpq$. 3. MP(L_1, L_2) $\vdash q$. 4. DT(L_2, L_3) $\vdash CCpqq$. 5. SR(Lemma 8): $p/Cpq \vdash CCCpqqCNqNCpq$. 6. MP(L_4, L_5) $\vdash CNqNCpq$. 7. DT(L_1, L_6) $\vdash CpCNqNCpq$.

Theorem I Tautologies $CpNNp$ and $CpCNqNCpq$ are redundant in axiom system \mathbf{M} for a sentential calculus.

Proof: Theorem I follows immediately from Lemma 6 and 9.

3 Independence of system B of Bigos-Kalmár Axioms The following independence proofs will consist of constructing truth-tables for the primitive connectives on the basis of two or more truth-values,

$$0, 1, \dots, n,$$

with 0 being called the *designated* truth-value.

Definition 1 We say a wff ξ is a *tautology* with respect to the given truth-tables, if for every system of values for the variables of ξ —0, 1, . . . , n being admissible values— ξ is reducible to the designated truth-value.

If then the two inference rules have the property of preserving tautologies and every axiom but one is a tautology, it follows that the one axiom that is not a tautology is independent of the remaining. We further note that the inference rule of substitution trivially preserves tautologies regardless of the truth-tables under consideration.

Lemma 10 $B1$ is independent of the remaining axioms of \mathbf{B} .

Proof: Consider the following tables:

p	Np	Cpq	0	1	2
0	2	0	0	2	2
1	2	1	0	2	2
2	0	2	0	0	0.

$B2, B3,$ and $B4$ are tautologies and *modus ponens* preserves this property. But, with $p = 1$ and $q = 0, B1$ obtains the value 2, independence follows.

Lemma 11 $B2$ is independent of the remaining axioms of \mathbf{B} .

Proof: Using the tables

p	Np	Cpq	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0	0,

we find $B1$, $B3$, and $B4$ are tautologies, and *modus ponens* preserves tautologies. Since $B2$ obtains the value 1 for $p = q = 1$, it follows that it is independent of the remaining axioms of **B**.

Lemma 12 $B3$ is independent of the remaining axioms of **B**.

Proof: Consider the tables:

p	Np	Cpq	0	1
0	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	0.

Simple inspection will reveal that $B1$, $B2$, and $B4$ are tautologies and *modus ponens* preserves tautologies. But, for $p = 0$ and $q = 1$, $B3$ obtains the value 1, whence independence follows.

Lemma 13 $B4$ is independent of the remaining axioms of **B**.

Proof: Consider the tables¹:

p	Np	Cpq	0	1	2	3
0	3	0	0	1	2	3
1	2	1	0	0	2	0
2	1	2	0	1	0	3
3	0	3	0	0	0	0.

$B1$, $B2$, and $B3$ are tautologies with respect to these tables and *modus ponens* preserves this property. Hence, since $B4$ reduces to the value 2 when $p = 1$, $q = 3$, and $r = 2$, $B4$ is independent.

Theorem II *The set **B** forms an independent system of axioms for a sentential calculus.*

Proof: The theorem follows immediately from Lemmata 9-12.

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