

ON THE EXTENSION OF S4 WITH $CLMpMLp$

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Over the last few years various logicians have considered the modal system obtained by extending $S4^1$ with

$$CLMpMLp,$$

but no demonstration that the system is decidable, or description of a characteristic model for it, has been published.² The purpose of this paper is to fill this gap by showing the system to have the finite model property—so that it is decidable (by [2], Lemma 4) and characterized by order closure models (by [1], Lemma 1)—and obtaining a characteristic order closure model for it. I assume familiarity with closure algebras (see [3] and [4]), with the order closure models of [1], and with the finite model property (see [2]). I do not distinguish between a closure algebra and the model obtained from it by designating the unit element; a closure algebra can be regarded as a Boolean algebra with a closure operator defined on it, and this representation is the most convenient for my purposes. I use the symbol $-$ for relative complement, instead of in its normal role of complement proper; and I use the interior operator \mid (complement of closure of complement).

(It may be of interest that the system can also be obtained by extending $S4$ with either of the rules

$$\begin{aligned} \vdash M\alpha &\implies \vdash ML\alpha \\ \vdash M\alpha, \vdash M\beta &\implies \vdash MK\alpha\beta. \end{aligned}$$

To prove this I derive them in rotation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) Given } CLMpMLp, \\ \vdash M\alpha &\implies \vdash LM\alpha \\ &\implies \vdash LM\alpha, \vdash CLM\alpha ML\alpha \\ &\implies \vdash ML\alpha. \\ \text{(b) Given } \vdash M\alpha &\implies \vdash ML\alpha, \text{ since } \vdash_{S4} CLMLpCLMLqMKpqq, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vdash M\alpha, \vdash M\beta &\implies \vdash ML\alpha, \vdash ML\beta \\ &\implies \vdash LML\alpha, \vdash LML\beta \\ &\implies \vdash LML\alpha, \vdash LML\beta, \vdash CLML\alpha CLML\beta MK\alpha\beta \\ &\implies \vdash MK\alpha\beta. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Given $\vdash M\alpha, \vdash M\beta \implies \vdash MK\alpha\beta$, since $\vdash_{S_4} CMCPqCLpMq,$
 $\vdash_{S_4} MCMpp, \vdash_{S_4} MCMpCpLp \implies \vdash MKCMppCpLp$
 $\implies \vdash MCMpKpCpLp$
 $\implies \vdash MCMpLp$
 $\implies \vdash MCMpLp, \vdash CMCMpLpCLMpMLp$
 $\implies \vdash CLMpMLp.$

In what follows I shall refer to the Lindenbaum algebra of equivalence classes of words in the system as \mathfrak{M} ($= \langle \mathfrak{B}, \mathbf{C} \rangle$). This is known to be a closure algebra characterising the system—see Theorem 3.6 of [4]. In the next three paragraphs I show how to embed a given finite fragment of \mathfrak{M} in a finite closure algebra which verifies the system. For each non-thesis of the system, construct such a closure algebra on the values of the parts of the non-thesis in a rejection with \mathfrak{M} : clearly the system has the finite model property with these models.

Following [3], for any finite sub-set Y of the elements of \mathfrak{M} , I define $\mathfrak{M}_Y = \langle \mathfrak{B}_Y, \mathbf{C}_Y \rangle$ as follows:

(1) \mathfrak{B}_Y is the (finite) sub-Boolean algebra of \mathfrak{B} generated by Y .

(2) \mathbf{C}_Y is the function on \mathfrak{B}_Y given by $\mathbf{C}_Y x = \bigcup_{i \in I} y_i$, where $\{y_i \mid i \in I\}$ is the set of all elements y of \mathfrak{B}_Y such that $x \subseteq y = \mathbf{C}_Y x$.

Given a finite sub-set X of the elements of \mathfrak{M} , I use a_x for the element of \mathfrak{M} given by

$$a_x = \bigcup_{x \in \mathfrak{M}_x} (\mathbf{C}x - x) ,$$

take $X' = X \cup \{a_x\}$, and define an algebra $\mathfrak{M}_x^1 = \langle \mathfrak{B}_x^1, \mathbf{C}_x^1 \rangle$ by

(3) $\mathfrak{B}_x^1 = \mathfrak{B}_x$

(4) \mathbf{C}_x^1 is the function on \mathfrak{B}_x^1 given by $\mathbf{C}_x^1 x = (x - a_x) \cup (\mathbf{C}_{x'}x \cap a_x)$.

\mathfrak{M}_Y is known to be a closure algebra—see Lemma 2.3 of [3]—and \mathfrak{M}_x^1 can be shown to be a closure algebra by straightforward applications of the properties of $\mathfrak{M}_{x'}$. (In showing that $\mathbf{C}_x^1 \mathbf{C}_x^1 x = \mathbf{C}_x^1 x$, note that $\mathbf{C}_{x'} \mathbf{C}_x^1 x = \mathbf{C}_{x'} x$, since $\mathbf{C}_{x'} x$ contains $\mathbf{C}_{x'}(x - a_x)$ and $\mathbf{C}_{x'}(\mathbf{C}_{x'}x \cap a_x)$.)

The properties of $\mathfrak{M}_{x'}$ can also be used to check that

$$\mathbf{I}_{x'}^1 x = (x - a_x) \cup (\mathbf{I}_{x'}x \cap a_x)$$

Using this we find that $\mathbf{I}_x^1 a_x$ is \wedge ; for

$\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{C}x - x) = \wedge$ in all closure algebras;

$\therefore \mathbf{I} \bigcup_{x \in \mathfrak{M}_x} (\mathbf{C}x - x) = \wedge$ in \mathfrak{M} , using the strong verification of the rule $\vdash M\alpha,$

$\vdash M\beta \implies \vdash MK\alpha\beta$ in \mathfrak{M} ;

$\therefore \mathbf{I}a_x = \wedge$, by the definition of a_x ;

$\therefore \mathbf{I}_{x'}a_x = \wedge$, using the properties of $\mathfrak{M}_{x'}$;

$\therefore \mathbf{I}_x^1 a = (a_x - a_x) \cup (\mathbf{I}_{x'}a_x \cap a_x) = \wedge$.

I can now show that \mathfrak{M}_x^1 verifies $\vdash M\alpha \implies \vdash ML\alpha$, and so the system; for if $\mathbb{I}_x^1 x$ is \wedge then $(x - a_x)$ is \wedge , and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{I}_x^1 \mathbf{C}_x^1 x &= \mathbb{I}_x^1 ((x - a_x) \cup (\mathbf{C}_{x'} x \cap a_x)) \\ &= \mathbb{I}_x^1 (\mathbf{C}_{x'} x \cap a_x) \\ &\subseteq \mathbb{I}_x^1 a_x, \end{aligned}$$

so that $\mathbb{I}_x^1 \mathbf{C}_x^1 x$ is \wedge .

I must finally show that the fragment of \mathfrak{M} with elements X is embedded in \mathfrak{M}_x^1 . That it is embedded qua Boolean algebra follows immediately from definitions (1) and (3). It remains to show that if x and $\mathbf{C}x$ are in X then $\mathbf{C}_x^1 x$ is $\mathbf{C}x$. It is known that in this case $\mathbf{C}_{x'} x$ is $\mathbf{C}x$ (see Lemma 2.3 of [3]); therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}_x^1 x &= (x - a_x) \cup (\mathbf{C}_{x'} x \cap a_x) \\ &= (x - a_x) \cup (\mathbf{C}x \cap a_x) \\ &= (x - a_x) \cup ((x \cup (\mathbf{C}x - x)) \cap a_x) \\ &= (x - a_x) \cup (x \cap a_x) \cup ((\mathbf{C}x - x) \cap a_x) \\ &= x \cup (\mathbf{C}x - x), \text{ since } a_x \supseteq \mathbf{C}x - x \text{ by the definition of } a_x \text{ and the hypothesis that } x \text{ is in } X, \\ &= \mathbf{C}x. \end{aligned}$$

We now know that the system is characterized by order closure models, and the rest of the paper is devoted to discussing them. For this I must add some notation to that of [1]. (Also, on one point I wish to alter that of [1]: the construction on quasi-ordered sets, given on p. 253 of [1], which is represented by a subscript 1, shall be represented by a superscript 1 here.) I use the term *bottom point* for a member a of a quasi-ordered set for which $a \geq x$ only if $a \leq x$, and use the term *strict bottom point* for a member a of a quasi-ordered set for which $a \geq x$ only if $a = x$. I use \mathfrak{R}^- for the quasi-ordered set obtained from \mathfrak{R} by deleting its strict bottom points, and use \mathfrak{R}^b for the quasi-ordered set obtained from \mathfrak{R} by adding a point strictly below each bottom point.

It is easily checked that a finite order closure model verifies the system if and only if each bottom point of the quasi-ordered set on which it is defined is a strict bottom point. Here, then, is a set of models characterizing the system. Following Example 1 of [1], I shall use this to show that \mathfrak{S}^{1b+} (for \mathfrak{S}^1 see the third paragraph of p. 258 of [1]) is a characteristic model for the system. It is easily checked that this model verifies the system, so it remains to show that every word rejected by a finite model of the kind described is rejected by \mathfrak{S}^{1b+} . First I need the following variant of Lemma 5 of [1].

Lemma. *If \mathfrak{R} is a finite quasi-ordered set such that \mathfrak{R}^+ is a model for the system, and if \mathfrak{Q} is a partially ordered set such that \mathfrak{R}^{-e+} is isomorphic to a subalgebra of \mathfrak{Q}^+ , then \mathfrak{R}^+ is isomorphic to a subalgebra of \mathfrak{Q}^{1b+} .*

Proof. Let Φ be the isomorphism between \mathfrak{R}^{-e+} and a subalgebra of \mathfrak{Q}^+ . I define a mapping Ψ of \mathfrak{R} onto \mathfrak{Q}^{1b} in two steps:

(1) If $\{a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ is an equivalence class of members of \mathfrak{R}^- then

$$\Psi a_i = \{ \langle b, i \rangle \mid b \in \Phi\{a_0\} \}, \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n - 1,$$

$$\Psi a_n = \{ \langle b, j \rangle \mid b \in \Phi\{a_0\}, j \geq n \}.$$

(2) If a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n are strict bottom points immediately below a point b , and D is the set of those bottom points of \mathfrak{Q} which are in $\Phi\{b\}$, then

$$\Psi a_i = \{ \langle c, i \rangle \mid \langle c, i \rangle < \langle d, i \rangle \text{ for } d \in D \}, \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n - 1,$$

$$\Psi a_n = \{ \langle c, j \rangle \mid \langle c, j \rangle < \langle d, j \rangle \text{ for } d \in D, j \geq n \}.$$

(In both cases, when n is 0 apply the second clause to a_0 .) Mapping sets of points of \mathfrak{R} onto the unions of their images under Ψ gives the required isomorphism.

Now suppose we are given a non-thesis of the system. We know that this is rejected by a finite order closure model, \mathfrak{R}^+ say, for the system. We may take \mathfrak{R}^{-e} to have a greatest point, since a word rejected by an order closure model must be rejected by the order closure model on the sub-tree of points below a point in a non-empty value of the word in the original model. By Lemmas 3 and 10 of [1], \mathfrak{R}^{-e+} is isomorphic to a sub-algebra of \mathfrak{S}_i^+ (for \mathfrak{S}_i see the first paragraph of p. 258 of [1]) for some i . Therefore, by the Lemma given above, \mathfrak{R}^+ must be isomorphic to a sub-algebra of \mathfrak{S}_i^{1b+} ; so the given non-thesis is rejected by \mathfrak{S}_i^{1b+} . So the given non-thesis is rejected by \mathfrak{S}_i^{1b+} , using any allocation which copies a rejecting allocation in \mathfrak{S}_i^{1b+} in a sub-tree of depth $i + 1$.

NOTES

1. In this paper I take S4, and extensions of it, to be given with $\vdash \alpha \implies \vdash L\alpha$ as a derivation rule.
2. While in Oxford in 1963, Kripke mentioned some very interesting results for this system with predicates and quantifiers, so I would not be surprised if he has also obtained the results given here.

Added 18-8-65: It is pointed out to me that this system was first put forward by McKinsey, in 1945, and that systems containing *CLMpMLp* are being examined by Prior, Sobociński, and Ivo Thomas in current numbers of the *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic*. See the discussion in [5].

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