

A SECOND DEDUCTION THEOREM FOR REJECTION THESES IN  
 ŁUKASIEWICZ'S SYSTEM OF MODAL LOGIC

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In an earlier paper<sup>1</sup> I proved the following deduction theorem for rejection theses of Jan Łukasiewicz's system<sup>2</sup> of modal logic:

$$\neg A_1, \dots, \neg A_{m-1}, \neg A_m \vdash \neg B \Rightarrow \neg A_1, \dots, \neg A_{m-1} \vdash \ulcorner \neg NCBA_m \urcorner.$$

In this paper I shall prove a second deduction theorem for such theses, viz.

$$\vdash A_1, \dots, \vdash A_{m-1}, \vdash A_m \vdash \neg B \Rightarrow \vdash A_1, \dots, \vdash A_{m-1} \vdash \ulcorner \neg KA_mB \urcorner.$$

As mentioned in my earlier paper, by "rejection thesis" I mean the last line of any valid deduction in Łukasiewicz's system of the form  $\neg\Delta$ . There are several such theses already proved by Łukasiewicz, e.g., theses 115-122,<sup>3</sup> but obviously there are many more which are able to be proved. This second deduction theorem is, like the first, designed to facilitate the deduction of these latter theses.

The strategy to be used in proving this theorem will be to first assume that the antecedent of the theorem is true, i.e., that there is a finite sequence of wffs which constitutes a demonstration of  $\neg B$  from the premises  $\vdash A_1, \dots, \vdash A_m$ , and then to indicate how one may construct, from this initial sequence, a second sequence which will constitute a demonstration of  $\ulcorner \neg KA_mB \urcorner$  from the premises  $\vdash A_1, \dots, \vdash A_{m-1}$ .

Before giving the details of my proof, I shall first introduce some conventions:

$R_1$  = Rule of substitution for assertions: from  $\vdash A$  one may infer the result of substituting a wff  $B$  for a sentential variable  $c$  throughout  $A$ .

$R_2$  = Rule of detachment for assertions: from  $\vdash A$  and  $\ulcorner \vdash CAB \urcorner$  one may infer  $\vdash B$ .

$R_3$  = Rule of substitution for rejections: from  $\neg A$ , where  $A$  is a substitution instance of  $B$ , one may infer  $\neg B$ .<sup>4</sup>

$R_4$  = Rule of detachment for rejections: from  $\ulcorner \vdash CAB \urcorner$  and  $\neg B$  one may infer  $\neg A$ .<sup>5</sup>

Theorem  $\vdash A_1, \dots, \vdash A_{m-1}, \vdash A_m \vdash \neg B \Rightarrow \vdash A_1, \dots, \vdash A_{m-1} \vdash \ulcorner \neg KA_mB \urcorner$ .

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*Proof:* Assume  $\vdash \mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \vdash \mathbf{A}_m \vdash_{\mathcal{L}} \neg \mathbf{B}$  and let  $\Sigma_1, \dots, \Sigma_i, \dots, \Sigma_k$  denote its demonstration. Construct the sequence which for every  $\Sigma_i$  of the form  $\vdash \Gamma$  has a  $\Sigma_j^*$  of the form  $\vdash \mathbf{CA}_m \Gamma$  and which for every  $\Sigma_i$  of the form  $\neg \Delta$  has a  $\Sigma_j^*$  of the form  $\vdash \neg \mathbf{KA}_m \Delta$ . We now show how to use this latter sequence to construct a demonstration of  $\vdash \mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \vdash \mathbf{A}_{m-1} \vdash_{\mathcal{L}} \neg \mathbf{KA}_m \mathbf{B}$ . (In order to avoid problems regarding substitution in hypotheses, allow  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  in the following to be distinct variables which do not occur in any hypotheses or anywhere in the original sequence.) Consider the following cases:

*Case 1:*  $\vdash \Sigma_i$  is an assertion axiom, an axiom variant or  $\vdash \mathbf{A}_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m - 1$ ). Use the following proof to demonstrate  $\vdash \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_i$ :

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| 1. $\vdash \mathbf{C}p_1 \mathbf{C}p_2 p_1$           | <b>PC</b> <sup>6</sup>                            |
| 2. $\vdash \mathbf{C}\Sigma_i \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_i$ | 1; $\mathbf{R}_1, p_1/\Sigma_i, p_2/\mathbf{A}_m$ |
| 3. $\vdash \Sigma_i$                                  |   |
| 4. $\vdash \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_i$                    | 2; 3; $\mathbf{R}_2$                              |

*Case 2:*  $\vdash \Sigma_i$  is  $\vdash \mathbf{A}_m$ . Use the following proof to demonstrate  $\vdash \neg \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_i$ , i.e.,  $\vdash \neg \mathbf{CA}_m \mathbf{A}_m$ :

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| 1. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}p_1 \mathbf{C}p_2 p_3 \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}p_1 p_2 \mathbf{C}p_1 p_3$ | <b>PC</b>                                |
| 2. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}p_1 \mathbf{C}p_2 p_1 \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}p_1 p_2 \mathbf{C}p_1 p_1$ | 1; $\mathbf{R}_1, p_3/p_1$               |
| 3. $\vdash \mathbf{C}p_1 \mathbf{C}p_2 p_1$   | <b>PC</b>                                |
| 4. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}p_1 p_2 \mathbf{C}p_1 p_1$  | 2; 3; $\mathbf{R}_2$                     |
| 5. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}p_1 \mathbf{C}p_2 p_1 \mathbf{C}p_1 p_1$                              | 4; $\mathbf{R}_1, p_2/\mathbf{C}p_2 p_1$ |
| 6. $\vdash \mathbf{C}p_1 p_1$   | 3; 5; $\mathbf{R}_2$                     |
| 7. $\vdash \mathbf{CA}_m \mathbf{A}_m$  | 6; $\mathbf{R}_1, p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$      |

*Case 3:*  $\vdash \Sigma_i$  is generated by the use of  $\mathbf{R}_2$  and two earlier steps in the sequence,  $\vdash \Sigma_a$  and  $\vdash \neg \mathbf{C}\Sigma_a \Sigma_i$ . Use the following proof to demonstrate  $\vdash \neg \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_i$ :

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| 1. $\vdash \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_a$   |   |
| 2. $\vdash \mathbf{CA}_m \mathbf{C}\Sigma_a \Sigma_i$  |   |
| 3. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}p_1 \mathbf{C}p_2 p_3 \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}p_1 p_2 \mathbf{C}p_1 p_3$          | <b>PC</b>   |
| 4. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{CA}_m \mathbf{C}\Sigma_a \Sigma_i \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_a \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_i$ | 3; $\mathbf{R}_1, p_1/\mathbf{A}_m, p_2/\Sigma_a, p_3/\Sigma_i$ |
| 5. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_a \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_i$   | 2; 4; $\mathbf{R}_2$  |
| 6. $\vdash \mathbf{CA}_m \Sigma_i$   | 1; 5; $\mathbf{R}_2$  |

*Case 4:*  $\neg \Sigma_i$  is a rejection axiom. Use the following proof to demonstrate  $\vdash \neg \mathbf{KA}_m \Sigma_i$ :

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| 1. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{K}p_2 p_1 p_1$           | <b>PC</b>   |
| 2. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{KA}_m \Sigma_i \Sigma_i$ | 1; $\mathbf{R}_1, p_1/\Sigma_i, p_2/\mathbf{A}_m$ |
| 3. $\neg \Sigma_i$                                     |   |
| 4. $\neg \mathbf{KA}_m \Sigma_i$                       | 2; 3; $\mathbf{R}_4$                              |

*Case 5:*  $\Sigma_a$  is a substitution instance of  $\Sigma_i$ , and  $\neg \Sigma_a$  is a rejection axiom. Use the following proof to demonstrate  $\vdash \neg \mathbf{KA}_m \Sigma_i$ :

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| 1. $\vdash \mathbf{C} \mathbf{K}p_2 p_1 p_1$ | <b>PC</b> |
| 2. $\neg \Sigma_a$                           |           |

3.  $\neg \Sigma_i$  2; R<sub>3</sub>
4.  $\vdash CK\mathbf{A}_m \Sigma_i \Sigma_i$  1; R<sub>1</sub>,  $p_1/\Sigma_i$ ,  $p_2/\mathbf{A}_m$
5.  $\neg KA_m \Sigma_i$  3; 4; R<sub>4</sub>

Case 6:  $\neg \Sigma_i$  is generated by the use of R<sub>4</sub> and two earlier steps in the sequence,  $\neg \Sigma_a$  and  $\vdash \neg C \Sigma_i \Sigma_a$ . Use the following proof to demonstrate  $\vdash \neg KA_m \Sigma_i$ :

1.  $\vdash C\mathbf{A}_m C \Sigma_i \Sigma_a$
2.  $\neg KA_m \Sigma_a$
3.  $\vdash CCp_1 Cp_2 p_3 Cp_1 CNp_3 Np_2$  PC
4.  $\vdash CCA_m C \Sigma_i \Sigma_a CA_m CN \Sigma_a N \Sigma_i$  3; R<sub>1</sub>,  $p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$ ,  $p_2/\Sigma_i$ ,  $p_3/\Sigma_a$
5.  $\vdash C\mathbf{A}_m CN \Sigma_a N \Sigma_i$  1; 4; R<sub>2</sub>
6.  $\vdash CCp_1 Cp_2 p_3 CCp_1 p_2 Cp_1 p_3$  PC
7.  $\vdash CCA_m CN \Sigma_a N \Sigma_i; CCA_m N \Sigma_a CA_m \Sigma_i$  6; R<sub>1</sub>,  $p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$ ,  $p_2/\Sigma_a$ ,  $p_3/\Sigma_i$
8.  $\vdash CCA_m N \Sigma_a CA_m \Sigma_i$  5; 7; R<sub>2</sub>
9.  $\vdash CCCp_1 p_2 Cp_1 p_3 CNCp_1 p_2$  PC
10.  $\vdash CCCA_m N \Sigma_a CA_m N \Sigma_i CNCA_m N \Sigma_i NCA_m N \Sigma_a$  9; R<sub>1</sub>,  $p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$ ,  $p_2/N \Sigma_a$ ,  $p_3/N \Sigma_i$
11.  $\vdash CNCA_m N \Sigma_i NCA_m N \Sigma_a$  8; 10; R<sub>2</sub>
12.  $\vdash CCNCp_1 Np_2 NCp_1 Np_3 CKp_1 p_2 Kp_1 p_3$  PC
13.  $\vdash CCNCA_m N \Sigma_i NC \mathbf{A}_m N \Sigma_a CK\mathbf{A}_m \Sigma_i KA_m \Sigma_a$  12; R<sub>2</sub>,  $p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$ ,  $p_2/\Sigma_i$ ,  $p_3/\Sigma_a$
14.  $\vdash CK\mathbf{A}_m \Sigma_i KA_m \Sigma_a$  11; 13; R<sub>2</sub>
15.  $\neg KA_m \Sigma_i$  2; 14; R<sub>4</sub>

Case 7:  $\Sigma_a$  is a substitution instance of  $\Sigma_i$  and  $\neg \Sigma_a$  is generated by use of R<sub>4</sub> and two earlier steps in the sequence,  $\neg \Sigma_b$  and  $\vdash \neg C \Sigma_a \Sigma_b$ . Use the following proof to demonstrate  $\vdash \neg KA_m \Sigma_i$ :

1.  $\vdash C\mathbf{A}_m C \Sigma_a \Sigma_b$
2.  $\vdash KA_m \Sigma_b$
3.  $\vdash CCp_1 Cp_2 p_3 Cp_1 CNp_3 Np_2$  PC
4.  $\vdash CCA_m C \Sigma_a \Sigma_b CA_m CN \Sigma_b N \Sigma_a$  3; R<sub>1</sub>,  $p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$ ,  $p_2/\Sigma_a$ ,  $p_3/\Sigma_b$
5.  $\vdash C\mathbf{A}_m CN \Sigma_b N \Sigma_a$  1; 4; R<sub>2</sub>
6.  $\vdash CCp_1 Cp_2 p_3 CCp_1 p_2 Cp_1 p_3$  PC
7.  $\vdash CCA_m CN \Sigma_b N \Sigma_a CCA_m N \Sigma_b CA_m N \Sigma_a$  6; R<sub>1</sub>,  $p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$ ,  $p_2/\Sigma_b$ ,  $p_3/\Sigma_a$
8.  $\vdash CCA_m N \Sigma_b CA_m N \Sigma_a$  5; 7; R<sub>2</sub>
9.  $\vdash CCCp_1 p_2 Cp_1 p_3 CNCp_1 p_2$  PC
10.  $\vdash CCCA_m N \Sigma_b CA_m N \Sigma_a CNCA_m N \Sigma_a NCA_m N \Sigma_b$  9; R<sub>1</sub>,  $p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$ ,  $p_2/N \Sigma_b$ ,  $p_3/N \Sigma_a$
11.  $\vdash CNCA_m N \Sigma_a NCA_m N \Sigma_b$  8; 10; R<sub>2</sub>
12.  $\vdash CCNCp_1 Np_2 NCp_1 Np_3 CKp_1 p_2 Kp_1 p_3$  PC
13.  $\vdash CCNCA_m N \Sigma_a NCA_m N \Sigma_b CK\mathbf{A}_m \Sigma_a KA_m \Sigma_b$  12; R<sub>1</sub>,  $p_1/\mathbf{A}_m$ ,  $p_2/\Sigma_a$ ,  $p_3/\Sigma_b$
14.  $\vdash CK\mathbf{A}_m \Sigma_a KA_m \Sigma_b$  11; 13; R<sub>2</sub>
15.  $\neg KA_m \Sigma_a$  14; 2; R<sub>2</sub>
16.  $\neg KA_m \Sigma_i$  15; R<sub>3</sub>

We shall thus be able to construct a new sequence the last line of which is  $\vdash \neg KA_m \mathbf{B}$ . This sequence constitutes a demonstration of this last line from the premises  $\vdash \mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \vdash \mathbf{A}_{m-1}$ .

## NOTES

1. "A deduction theorem for rejection theses in Łukasiewicz's system of modal logic," *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic*, vol. XX (1979), pp. 461-464.
2. I refer to the system developed by Łukasiewicz in "A system of modal logic," *The Journal of Computing Systems*, vol. 1 (1953), pp. 111-149.
3. *Ibid.*, p. 145.
4. *Ibid.*, p. 114.
5. *Ibid.*
6. I use 'PC' to stand for 'propositional calculus.' I feel free to make use of theses of the propositional calculus, since all of the axioms, and *a fortiori* all of the theses, of that calculus are demonstrable in Łukasiewicz's system. (*cf.* page 124 of "A system of modal logic".)

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