



Investigations of  
Proof Theory and Automated Reasoning  
for Non-classical Logics

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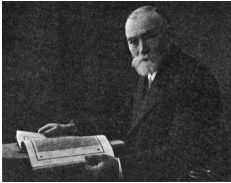
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Axiomatic calculi



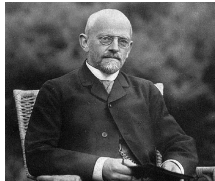
**Starting points:** Instances of axiom schemas

**Rules:** Two inference rules are enough  
(including *MP*)

Identity law:

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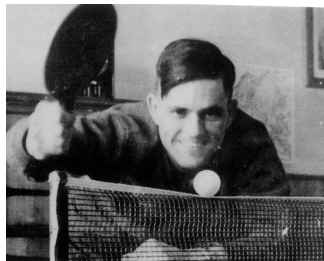


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Natural deduction

Starting points: Assumptions  $\approx$  Leaves of a tree

Rules: For each logical operator of the language, we have an **introduction rule** and an **elimination rule**  $\approx$   
Generating new tree nodes



Identity Law:

$$\frac{[A]^1}{A \rightarrow A} \rightarrow I:1$$



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G3-style Sequent calculi

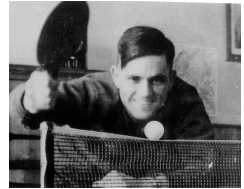
$\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$ , where  $\Gamma, \Delta$  are **finite multisets of formulas**.

**Starting points:** Initial sequents  $\approx$  Trivial deductions

**Rules:** For each logical operator of the language, we have a **right rule**  $\approx$  introduction rule in ND; and a **left rule**  $\approx$  (generalised) elimination rule in ND

Identity law:

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## Introduction

### Structural Proof Theory for Modal Logics

- Verification-based epistemic states

- Intuitionistic belief

- Intuitionistic knowledge

- Intuitionistic strong Löb logic

- Interpretability logics

### Automated reasoning

- Gödel-Löb in HOL Light

- Universal algebra in UniMath



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# Verification-based epistemic states

Brouwer-Heyting-Kolmogorov interpretation

*We adopt the view that an **an intuitionistic epistemic state (belief or knowledge) is the result of verification** where a verification is evidence considered sufficiently conclusive for practical purposes.*

(Artemov and Protopopescu 2016)

We can read any formula  $\Box A$  as asserting that  $A$  has a proof which is not necessarily specified in the process of verification, or more generally that it is verified that  $A$  holds in some not specified constructive sense.

This allows to apply intuitionistic epistemic reasoning in various contexts which are not necessarily in the standard domain of BHK; for instance:

- Testimony of authority;
- Zero-knowledge protocols;
- Highly probable truth;
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# Intuitionistic belief

(Artemov and Protopopescu 2016)

## Axioms

1. Axioms of propositional intuitionistic logic;
2.  $\Box(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \Box A \rightarrow \Box B$ ; (K-scheme)
3.  $A \rightarrow \Box A$ . (co-reflection)

## Rules

$$\frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A}{B} \text{MP}$$

A model for  $\mathbb{I}EL^-$  is a quadruple  $\langle W, \leq, v, E \rangle$  where

- ▶  $\langle W, \leq, v \rangle$  is a standard model for intuitionistic propositional logic;
- ▶  $E$  is a binary 'knowledge' relation on  $W$  such that:
  - if  $xEy$ , then  $x \leq y$ ; and
  - if  $x \leq y$  and  $yEz$ , then  $xEz$ ;
- ▶  $v$  extends to a forcing relation  $\Vdash$  such that
  - $x \Vdash \Box A$  iff  $y \Vdash A$  for all  $y$  such that  $xEy$ .

## Modal adequacy for $\mathbb{I}EL^-$

$\mathbb{I}EL^-$  is sound and complete w.r.t.  $\mathbb{I}EL^-$  relational frames.



# Natural deduction for intuitionistic belief

(PB 2021)

Let  $IEL^-$  be the calculus extending NJp by the following rule:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma_1 \\ \vdots \\ \Box A_1 \end{array} \quad \dots \quad \begin{array}{c} \Gamma_n \\ \vdots \\ \Box A_n \end{array} \quad [A_1, \dots, A_n], \Delta}{\Box B} \quad \Box \mathcal{I}$$

where  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta$  are *multisets of formulas*, and  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  are *all discharged*.<sup>1</sup>

We say that  $B$  is the major premise of the rule, and each  $\Box A_i$  is a minor premise, whose corresponding discharged assumption is  $A_i$ .

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<sup>1</sup>Notice that this calculus differs from the system introduced in (de Paiva and Ritter 2004) by allowing the set  $\Delta$  of additional hypotheses in the subdeduction of  $B$ .

# Natural deduction for intuitionistic belief

Typed system

As for NJp, a modal  $\lambda$ -calculus is then obtained by decorating IEL<sup>-</sup>-deductions with proof names.

The  $\lambda$ -term corresponding to  $\Box I$  is indeed ruled by the single constructor:

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash f_1 : \Box A_1 \quad \cdots \quad \Gamma_n \vdash f_n : \Box A_n \quad x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n, \Delta \vdash g : B}{\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_n, \Delta \vdash (\text{box}[x_1, \dots, x_n]. g \text{ with } f_1, \dots, f_n) : \Box B}$$

# Rewritings

$\rho$

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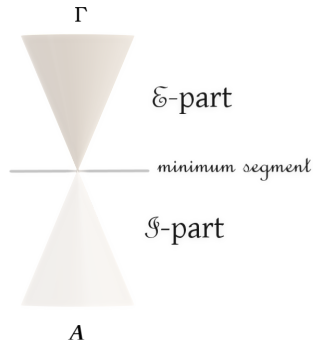
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## Lemma

The following hold:

- ▶ The reflection rule is admissible in  $IEL^-$ .
- ▶  $IEL^-$  satisfies the disjunction property.
- ▶  $IEL^-$  is  $\Box$ -prime.
- ▶ If  $IEL^- \vdash \Box(A \vee B)$ , then  $IEL^- \vdash \Box A$  or  $IEL^- \vdash \Box B$ .
- ▶  $IEL^-$  is consistent.
- ▶  $IEL^-$  is decidable.

## Proof.

These properties are proven in (Artemov and Protopopescu 2016) by semantic arguments.

Here we can rely on syntactic considerations involving (canonicity and) the subformula property of the calculus.

## Computational trinitarism

LOGIC	TYPE THEORY	CATEGORY THEORY
proposition	type	object
proof	term	arrow
theorem	inhabitant	element-arrow
conjunction	product type	product
true	unit type	terminal object
implication	function type	exponential
disjunction	sum type	(weak) coproduct
false	empty type	(weak) initial object

# Proof theoretic semantics for $IEL^-$

(PB 2021)

An  $IEL^-$ -category is a bi-CCC  $\mathcal{C}$ , equipped with a pointed monoidal endofunctor  $\square : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  whose point is monoidal.

$\Rightarrow$  algebraic semantics of deductions in  $IEL^-$

But what kind of identity of proofs does an  $IEL^-$ -category capture?

# Proof theoretic semantics for IEL<sup>-</sup>

Rewritings  $\eta_{\Box}$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \\ \vdots \\ \Box A \end{array} \quad [A] \quad \Box \mathcal{I}}{\Box A} \quad \eta_{\Box} \quad \begin{array}{c} \Gamma \\ \vdots \\ \Box A \end{array}$$

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# Categorical interpretation

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## Theorem (Soundness)

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be an  $\text{IEL}^-$ -category. Then there is a canonical interpretation  $\llbracket - \rrbracket$  of  $\text{IEL}^-$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  such that

- ▶ a formula  $A$  is mapped to a  $\mathcal{C}$ -object  $\llbracket A \rrbracket$ ;
- ▶ a deduction  $f$  of  $A_1, \dots, A_n \vdash_{\text{IEL}^-} B$  is mapped to an arrow

$$\llbracket f \rrbracket : \llbracket A_1 \rrbracket \times \dots \times \llbracket A_n \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket B \rrbracket;$$

- ▶ for any two deductions  $f$  and  $g$  which are equal modulo standard rewritings extended by  $\rho_{\square} + \eta_{\square}$ , we have  $\llbracket f \rrbracket = \llbracket g \rrbracket$ .

## Theorem (Completeness)

If the interpretation of two  $\text{IEL}^-$ -deductions is equal in all  $\text{IEL}^-$ -categories, then the two deductions are equal modulo standard  $+\rho_{\square} + \eta_{\square}$ -rewritings.

# Intuitionistic factivity of knowledge

(Artemov and Protopopescu 2016)

Knowledge  $\simeq$  Justified **True** Belief

## Axioms

1. Axioms of propositional intuitionistic logic;
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## Rules

$$\frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A}{B} \text{MP}$$

A model for  $\mathbb{I}EL$  is a model for  $\mathbb{I}EL^- \langle W, \leq, v, E \rangle$ , where the relation  $E$  satisfies the seriality condition

- for any  $x \in W$ , there exists a  $y \in W$  such that  $xEy$ .

## Modal adequacy for $\mathbb{I}EL$

$\mathbb{I}EL$  is sound and complete w.r.t.  $\mathbb{I}EL$  relational frames.

# Natural deduction for intuitionistic knowledge

(PB 2022)

Let IEL be the system extending the natural deduction calculus  $IEL^-$  by the following elimination rule:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \\ \vdots \\ \square A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [A], \Delta \\ \vdots \\ \perp \end{array}}{\perp} \square \mathcal{E}$$

where  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta$  are *multisets of formulas*, and  $A$  is discharged by  $\square \mathcal{E}$ .

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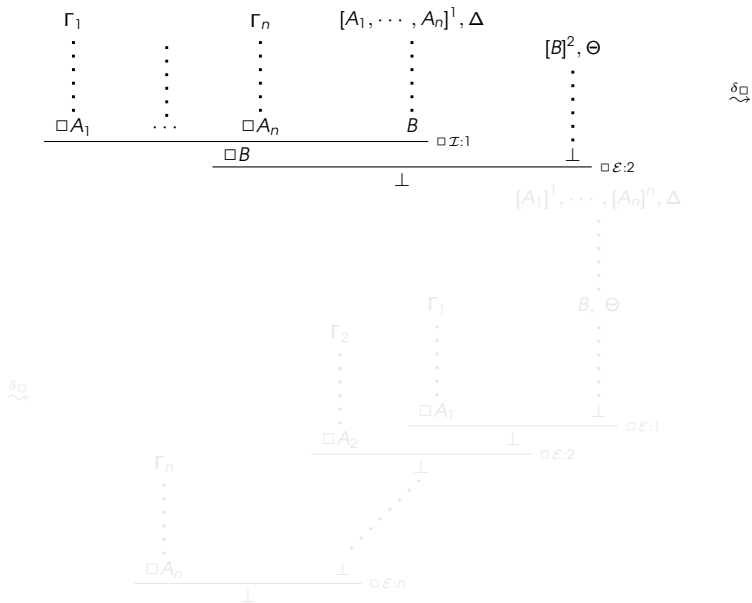
Typed system

It is straightforward to extend the modal  $\lambda$ -calculus for  $IEL^-$  by decorating  $\Box\mathcal{E}$  with proof names.

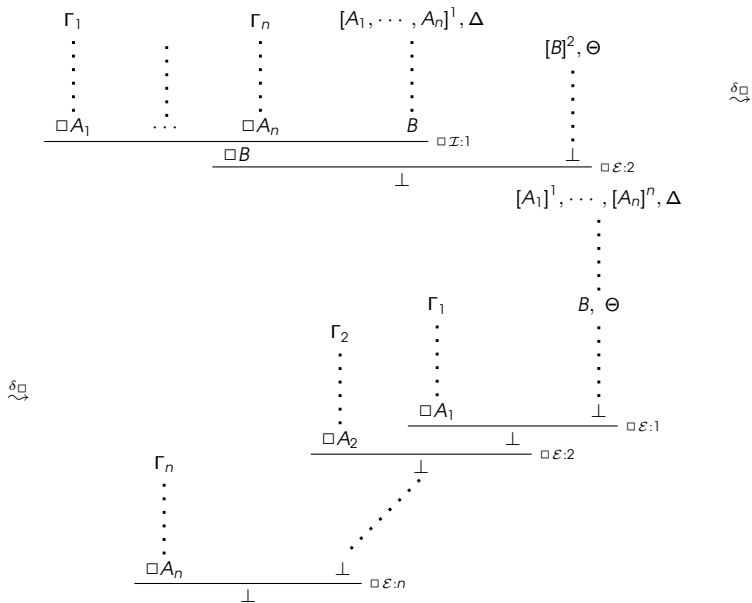
The  $\lambda$ -term corresponding to  $\Box\mathcal{E}$  gives the eliminator for modal terms, as expected:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f : \Box A \quad x : A, \Delta \vdash g : \perp}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash (\text{unbox } f \text{ with } x.g) : \perp}$$

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All the results about  $IEL^-$  are modularly extended to IEL:

### Theorem (PB 2022)

The following hold:

- ▶ *The subformula property holds for normal IEL-deductions.*
- ▶ *In any normal IEL-deduction of  $A$ , the last rule applied is the introduction rule for the main connective of  $A$ .*
- ▶ *The reflection rule is admissible in IEL.*
- ▶ *IEL satisfies the disjunction property.*
- ▶ *IEL is  $\Box$ -prime.*
- ▶ *If  $IEL \vdash \Box(A \vee B)$ , then  $IEL \vdash \Box A$  or  $IEL \vdash \Box B$ .*
- ▶ *IEL is consistent.*
- ▶ *IEL is decidable.*
- ▶  *$IEL^- \subsetneq IEL$ .*
- ▶ *For  $L \in \{IEL^-, IEL\}$ ,  $L \not\vdash \Box(A \vee B) \rightarrow \Box A \vee \Box B$ .*

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(Visser and Zoethout 2018)

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A model for ISL is a quadruple  $\langle W, \leq, v, R \rangle$  where

- ▶  $\langle W, \leq, v \rangle$  is a standard model for intuitionistic propositional logic;
- ▶  $R$  is a binary relation on  $W$  such that:
  - if  $xRy$ , then  $x \leq y$ ; and
  - if  $x \leq y$  and  $yRz$ , then  $xRz$
  - $R$  is transitive;
  - $R$  is Noetherian;
- ▶  $v$  extends to a forcing relation  $\Vdash$  such that
  - $x \Vdash \Box A$  iff  $y \Vdash A$  for all  $y$  such that  $xRy$ .

## Modal adequacy for ISL

ISL is sound and complete w.r.t. ISL relational frames.

# Natural deduction for iSL

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Let ISL be the system extending the natural deduction calculus  $IEL^-$  by the following elimination rule:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma, [\Box A]^* \\ \vdots \\ A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [A]^*, \Delta \\ \vdots \\ C \end{array}}{C} \Box E:*$$

where  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta$  are *multisets of formulas*, and  $\Box E$  allows both multiple and vacuous discharge.

# Natural deduction for iSL

Typed system

The  $\lambda$ -term corresponding to  $\Box\mathcal{E}$  gives the eliminator for modal *variables*:

$$\frac{x : \Box A, \Gamma \vdash f : A \quad y : A, \Delta \vdash g : C}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash (\text{l\"ob } x.f \text{ with } y.g) : C}$$





# Rewritings

 $\circ_{\square}^1$ 

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma_1 \quad \dots \quad \Gamma_n \quad [A_1, \dots, A_n]^1, \Delta, [\Box\Box B]^2 \\
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 \Box A_1 \quad \dots \quad \Box A_n \quad B \quad \Box\Box B \\
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 \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \\
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 \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \\
 \Box A_1 \quad \Box A_i \quad \Box A_n \quad B \quad \Box B^2, \Theta \\
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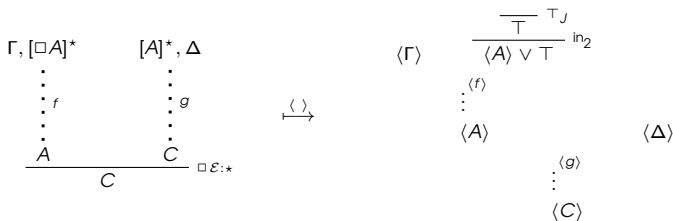
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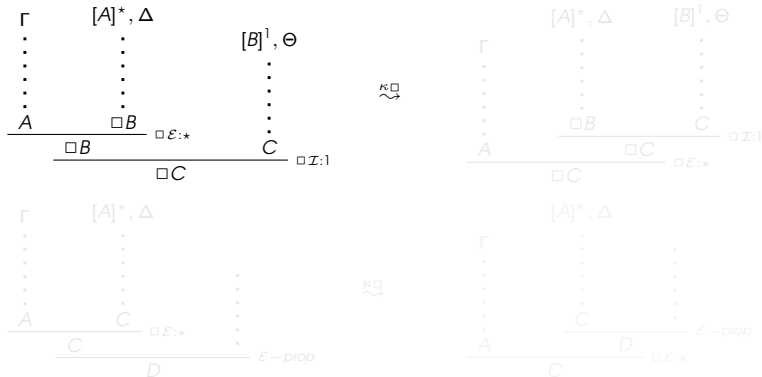
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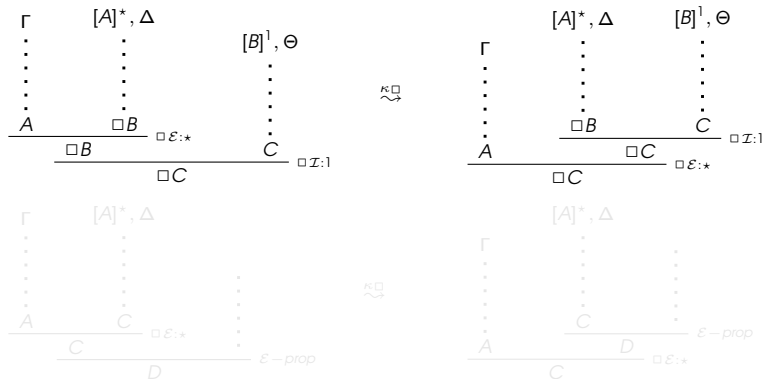
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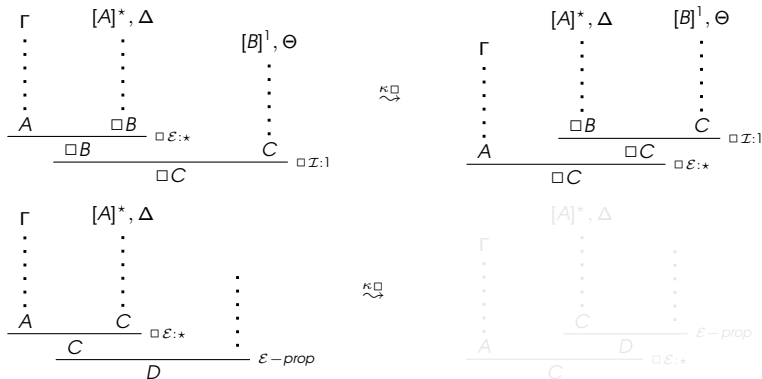
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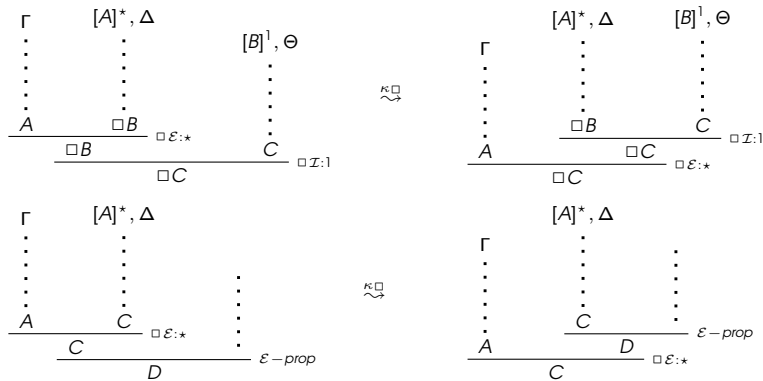


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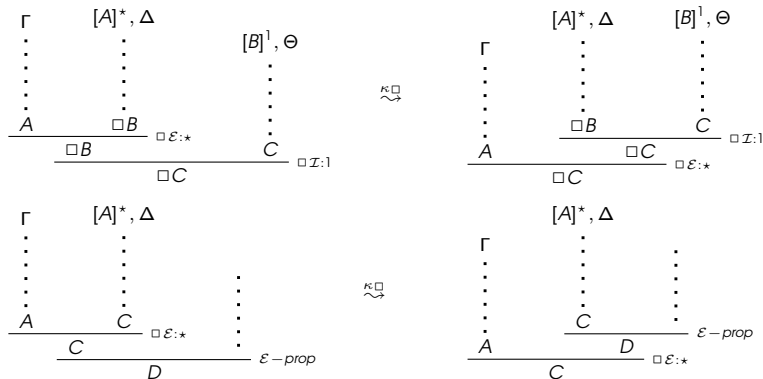
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## Conjecture

Every formula  $B$  occurring in a normal – w.r.t. the standard system extended by  $\rho_{\square} + \pi_{\square} + o_{\square}^1 + o_{\square}^2 + \kappa_{\square}$  – ISL-deduction  $f$  of  $A$  from assumptions  $\Gamma$  is a subformula of  $A$  or of some formula in  $\Gamma$ .

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We define

$$\Box A := \neg A \triangleright \perp, \text{ and } \Diamond A := \neg \Box \neg A.$$

Let us define as proper extensions of  $\mathbb{IL}$

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is called the Montagna schema;

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- ▶  $\mathbb{ILW} := \mathbb{IL} + W$ , where

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Therefore

$x \Vdash A \triangleright B$  iff  $x \Vdash \Box(A \rightarrow \langle \rangle_x B)$ .

Moreover, in any irreflexive transitive *finite* frame

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Henceforth

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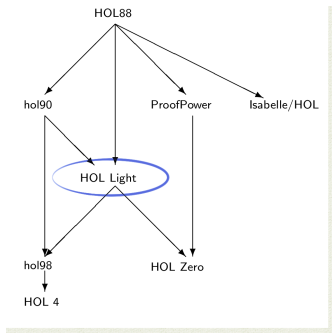
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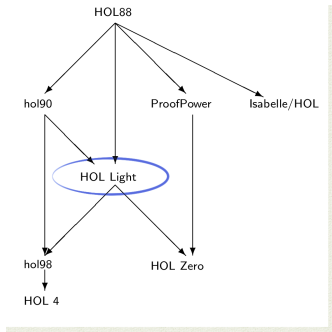


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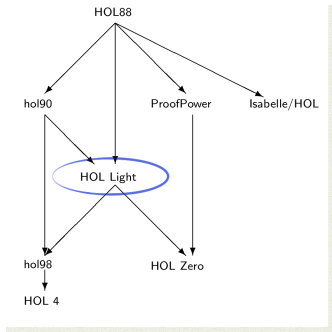


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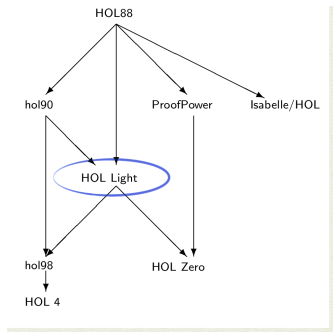


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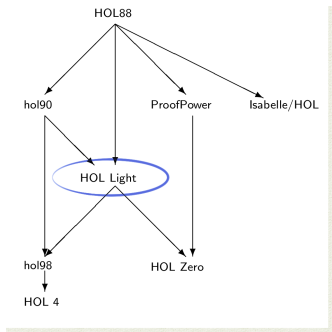
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The abstract properties of the provability predicate of any “reasonable” arithmetical theory over a classical base are captured by the system  $\text{GL}$ , that is made of:

▶ Axioms of classical propositional logic

▶ Axiom K :  $\Box(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \Box A \rightarrow \Box B$

▶ Axiom GL :  $\Box(\Box A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow \Box A$

▶ MP Rule  $\frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A}{B}$

▶ Nec Rule  $\frac{A}{\Box A}$

## Theorem (Modal adequacy)

$$\text{GL} \vdash A \quad \text{iff} \quad \text{TFT} \models A$$

where *TFT* is the class of relational frames  $\mathcal{F} = \langle W, R \rangle$  where  $W$  is finite,  $R \subseteq W \times W$  is transitive and  $\langle W, R \rangle$  defines a tree.

In (Maggesi and PB 2021) we have presented a formalisation in HOL Light of that theorem, and adopted an hybrid proof strategy which considers the difficulties determined by the non-compactness of GL, without incurring in syntactic subtleties sketched in (Boolos 1995).

But we wanted something more...

# Our theorem prover

G3KGL

**Initial sequents:**

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