# Multi-type display calculus for Propositional Dynamic Logic

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#### **Abstract**

We introduce a multi-type display calculus for Propositional Dynamic Logic (PDL). This calculus is complete w.r.t. PDL, and enjoys Belnap-style cut-elimination and subformula property.

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# 1 Introduction

The present paper introduces a cut-free, multi-type display calculus for the full language of Propositional Dynamic Logic (PDL). Methodologically, the contribution of the present paper follows the 'multi-type' approach introduced in [10]. This approach is inspired by ideas developed in the area of proof-theoretic semantics (cf. [12] for more on this point), and aims at facilitating the build-up of a modular and uniform proof-theory of dynamic logics. In [10], the dynamic epistemic logic (DEL) of Baltag-Moss-Solecki is accounted for, by embedding the original DEL-language into a more expressive language in which not only formulas are generated from formulas and actions (as it happens in the symbol  $\langle \alpha \rangle A$ ) and formulas are generated from formulas and agents (as it happens in the symbol  $\langle a \rangle A$ ), but also *actions* are generated from the interactions between *agents* and *actions*.

The key idea of this approach is that the new language is *multi-typed*: namely, actions, agents and formulas are all first-class citizens of the language, each of them belongs to at least one type, and each generation step mentioned above is accounted for in an explicit way via special connectives taking arguments of *different types*. Specifically, the multi-type DEL-setting of [10] consists of the following types: Ag for agents, Fnc for functional actions, Act for general actions, and Fm for formulas. An important technical solution adopted in the DEL-setting, which will be relevant also to the present treatment of PDL, is that (epistemic) actions are assigned *two* distinct types: indeed, Fnc is the basic type of epistemic actions, and essentially reflects the action-parameters of the dynamic modal connectives in the original DEL-language, whereas Act is the type of actions as they appear to a given agent, and they have no explicit counterpart in the original language.

The introduction of different types lays the ground for overcoming some of the difficulties which typically make the proof-theoretic treatment of dynamic logics not straightforward, and have hindered the smooth transfer of results from one dynamic logic to another. In the specific case of PDL, the main hurdle lies in the encoding of the induction axiom into a structural rule. Due to the inductive 'loop' (by which we mean a given parametric formula occurring both in antecedent and in consequent position), the induction axiom cannot straightforwardly be captured at the structural level, given that structures mean different things depending on their (antecedent or consequent) position in a sequent. However, as it is well known,(cf. [15]), the induction axiom reflects, in the context of *formulas*, the fact that the *positive iteration* + (resp. *iteration*, also known as *Kleene star* \*) semantically is

the (reflexive and) transitive closure operator *on actions*. This fact can (and should) be captured by finitary (structural) rules *purely in the context of actions*, that is, without formulas playing a mediating role. As in the case of DEL (cf. [10]), the multi-type environment can be used to provide the additional expressivity needed to capture the informational contents of various dynamic axioms in the context most naturally suited to support them.

Summing up, the multi-type methodology aims at generating calculi enjoying the following features, as witnessed e.g. by the calculus defined in [10]: (1) a neat division of labour, required by proof-theoretic semantics, between operational and structural rules; (2) a neat division of labour between structural rules describing the properties *pertinent to each type*, and structural rules describing the *interaction* between different types; (3) all rules enjoying closure under uniform substitution of parametric operational terms for arbitrary structures within each type.

Feature (3) is crucial to the definition of the *multi-type* version of *properly dis- playable calculi* (cf. Wansing's definition [25, Section 4.1]. See Section 2.3 for more on this). The cut elimination result for any such calculus follows straightforwardly from the corresponding Belnap-style metatheorem [10, Theorem 3.3].

The multi-type display calculus for PDL introduced in the present paper has a design similar to the one in [10], from which features analogous to (1) and (3) above will follow. This calculus is shown to be properly displayable (cf. Definition 2.5), and hence its cut elimination and subformula property smoothly follow from the Belnap-style metatheorem [10, Theorem 3.3]. In this calculus, both actions and formulas are first-class citizens; each of them belongs to at least one type; connectives similar to the ones introduced in [10] account for the generation of compound terms taking arguments of different types. Specifically, the multi-type PDL-setting consists of the following types: TAct for transitive actions, Act for general actions, and Fm for formulas. As it was the case of the setting of [10], in the present setting actions are assigned two distinct types: indeed, Act is the basic type of actions, and encodes the generic action-parameters of the dynamic modal connectives in the original PDL-language, whereas the type TAct of transitive actions is home to the  $\alpha^+$  action-terms in the original language. The interaction between the two types of actions makes it possible to capture transitive closure, at the operational level, purely in the context of actions.

However, the present system does not enjoy feature (2) above. Indeed, the present setting is not yet expressive enough to capture transitive closure at the *structural* level. Hence, the induction axiom is captured by means of infinitary rules, and making use of the mediating role of formulas. We conjecture that being able to express transitive closure at the structural level is key to dispensing with the infinitary rules, which is our next goal for future developments in this line research.

The organization of the paper goes as follows: in Section 2, we collect the relevant preliminaries on PDL, and we recall the generalization of the notion of proper display calculi to the multi-type setting, and its corresponding extension of Belnap's cut elimination metatheorem. In Section 3, we introduce the multi-type display calculus for PDL, which we refer to as Dynamic Calculus for PDL.

In Section 4, we discuss the soundness of some of the rules w.r.t. the standard semantics. In Section 5, we prove that this calculus is complete w.r.t. PDL. In Section 6, we prove that it enjoys the Belnap-style cut elimination. In Section 7, we discuss the different techniques available to prove that the calculus is conservative. In Section 8, we collect some conclusions and indicate further directions. Most of the proofs and derivations are collected in Appendices 9.2 and 9.3.

# 2 Preliminaries

In the present section, we collect some basic facts: in subsection 2.1, we briefly review the Hilbert-style axiomatization of Propositional Dynamic Logic (PDL); in subsection 2.3 we introduce the definition of proper multi-type display calculi, and state their cut elimination metatheorem. This definition and theorem are more compact versions of the ones of [10], hence they will not be expanded on, but the Belnap-style cut elimination for the Dynamic Calculus for PDL (cf. Section 6) will be shown on the basis of this more compact definition.

# 2.1 Propositional Dynamic Logic

In our review of PDL, we will loosely follow [15]. However, our presentation differs from that in [15] in some respects, which will be discussed below.

Let AtProp and AtAct be countable and disjoint sets of atomic propositions and atomic actions, respectively. The set  $\mathcal{L}$  of the formulas A of Propositional Dynamic Logic (PDL), and the set Act( $\mathcal{L}$ ) of the *actions*  $\alpha$  *over*  $\mathcal{L}$  are defined simultaneously as follows:

$$A ::= p \in \mathsf{AtProp} \mid \neg A \mid A \lor A \mid \langle \alpha \rangle A \ (\alpha \in \mathsf{Act}(\mathcal{L})),$$
 
$$\alpha ::= a \in \mathsf{AtAct} \mid \alpha \, ; \alpha \mid \alpha \cup \alpha \mid A? \mid \alpha^+ \ (A \in \mathcal{L}).$$

Let the symbols  $\wedge$  and  $\perp$  be defined as usual, that is  $A \wedge B := \neg(\neg A \vee \neg B)$  and  $\perp := A \wedge \neg A$  for some formula  $A \in \mathcal{L}$ .

Models for this language are tuples  $M = (W, \{R_a \mid a \in \mathsf{AtAct}\}, V)$ , such that  $R_a \subseteq W \times W$  for each  $a \in \mathsf{AtAct}$  and  $V(p) \subseteq W$  for each  $p \in \mathsf{AtProp}$ . For each non atomic  $\alpha \in \mathsf{Act}(\mathcal{L})$ , the relation  $R_\alpha \subseteq W \times W$  is defined recursively as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lll} R_{\alpha\,;\,\beta} & := & R_{\alpha} \circ R_{\beta} & = \{(u,v) \mid \exists w \in W((u,w) \in R_{\alpha} \text{ and } (w,v) \in R_{\beta})\} \\ R_{\alpha\,\cup\,\beta} & := & R_{\alpha} \cup R_{\beta} & = \{(u,v) \mid (u,v) \in R_{\alpha} \text{ or } (u,v) \in R_{\beta}\} \\ R_{\alpha^{+}} & := & (R_{\alpha})^{+} & = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} R_{\alpha}^{n} \\ R_{A^{2}} & := & \{(w,w) \mid w \in V(A)\}. \end{array}$$

where  $R_{\alpha}^{n}$  is defined as follows:  $R_{\alpha}^{1} := R$  and  $R_{\alpha}^{n+1} := R_{\alpha}^{n} \circ R_{\alpha}$  for every  $n \ge 1$ . Given the stipulations above, the definitions of satisfiability and validity of propositions are the usual ones in modal logic; in particular the evaluation of formulas of the form  $\langle \alpha \rangle A$  (resp.  $[\alpha]A$ ) makes use of the corresponding relation  $R_{\alpha}$ :

$$M, w \Vdash \langle \alpha \rangle A$$
 iff  $\exists v \in W(wR_{\alpha}v \text{ and } M, w \Vdash A)$   
 $M, w \Vdash [\alpha] A$  iff  $\forall v \in W(\text{if } wR_{\alpha}v \text{ then } M, w \Vdash A)$ 

The following list of axioms and rules constitutes a sound and complete Hilbert-style deductive system for PDL with box as primitive modality and diamond defined as usual  $\langle \alpha \rangle A := \neg [\alpha] \neg A$ . We list the *Fix-Point Axiom* (also called *Mix Axiom*) and the *Induction Axiom* (also called *Segerberg Axiom*) in the version with \* (cf. [23, 9, 15]) and with + (cf. [17, 18]). For proofs of the completeness of PDL, the reader is referred to [19]. For the sake of the developments of the following sections, we take the axiomatisation of PDL with positive iteration +, rather than with Kleene star \*.

#### **Box-axioms**

K	$\vdash [\alpha](A \to B) \to ([\alpha]A \to [\alpha]B)$
Choice	$\vdash [\alpha \cup \beta]A \leftrightarrow [\alpha]A \land [\beta]A$
Composition	$\vdash [\alpha;\beta]A \leftrightarrow [\alpha][\beta]A$
Test	$\vdash [A?]B \leftrightarrow (A \to B)$
Distributivity	$\vdash [\alpha](A \land B) \leftrightarrow [\alpha]A \land [\alpha]B$
Fix Point *	$\vdash [\alpha^*] A \leftrightarrow A \land [\alpha] [\alpha^*] A$
Induction *	$\vdash A \land [\alpha^*] (A \to [\alpha] A) \to [\alpha^*] A$
Fix Point +	$\vdash [\alpha^+]A \leftrightarrow [\alpha]A \land [\alpha][\alpha^+]A$
Induction +	$\vdash ([\alpha]A \land [\alpha^+](A \to [\alpha]A)) \to [\alpha^+]A$

#### **Inference Rules**

Modus Ponens if  $\vdash A \rightarrow B$  and  $\vdash A$ , then  $\vdash B$   $[\alpha]$ -Intro if  $\vdash A$ , then  $\vdash [\alpha]A$ 

As was done in [10], motivated by the fact that the calculus of Section 3 is modular and can be easily rearranged to take propositional bases which are strictly weaker than the Boolean one, both box and diamond operators will be taken as primitive (see also [13] for an axiomatisation of PDL with independent modalities).

# **Diamond-axioms**

Choice	$\vdash \langle \alpha \cup \beta \rangle A \leftrightarrow \langle \alpha \rangle A \vee \langle \beta \rangle A$
Composition	$\vdash \langle \alpha ; \beta \rangle A \leftrightarrow \langle \alpha \rangle \langle \beta \rangle A$
Test	$\vdash \langle A? \rangle B \leftrightarrow A \land B$
Distributivity	$\vdash \langle \alpha \rangle (A \lor B) \leftrightarrow \langle \alpha \rangle A \lor \langle \alpha \rangle B$
Fix point *	$\vdash \langle \alpha^* \rangle A \leftrightarrow A \lor \langle \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha^* \rangle A$
Induction *	$\vdash \langle \alpha^* \rangle A \leftrightarrow A \lor \langle \alpha^* \rangle (\neg A \land \langle \alpha \rangle A)$
Fix point +	$\vdash \langle \alpha^+ \rangle A \leftrightarrow \langle \alpha \rangle A \lor \langle \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha^+ \rangle A$
Induction +	$\vdash \langle \alpha^+ \rangle A \to \langle \alpha \rangle A \lor \langle \alpha^+ \rangle (\neg A \land \langle \alpha \rangle A)$

#### **Inference Rules**

Modus Ponens if  $\vdash A \to B$  and  $\vdash A$ , then  $\vdash B$  $\langle \alpha \rangle$ -Intro if  $\vdash A \to \bot$ , then  $\vdash \langle \alpha \rangle A \to \bot$  The language of PDL will be also extended with the modalities  $\overline{\alpha}$  and  $\widehat{\alpha}$  which are adjoint to  $\langle \alpha \rangle$  and  $[\alpha]$  respectively for each action  $\alpha$ . These modalities correspond to the *converse operator*  $(\cdot)^{-1}$  with the following semantics: for any action  $\alpha$ ,

$$R_{\alpha^{-1}} := R_{\alpha}^{-1},$$

where  $R^{-1} := \{(u, v) \mid (v, u) \in R\}$  for every relation R. As mentioned in [15], the converse operator is useful to talk about 'running a program backward' or reversing actions, although this is not always possible in practice. The modal operators  $\overline{\alpha}$  and  $\widehat{\alpha}$  are semantically interpreted in the standard way using the relation  $R_{\alpha}^{-1}$ . The relevant additional rules are reported below (see also [17, 18] for an analogous extension).

#### **Inference Rules**

$$\begin{array}{ll} (\langle \alpha \rangle \dashv \overline{\underline{\alpha}})\text{-Adj.} & \vdash \langle \alpha \rangle A \to B \text{ iff } \vdash A \to \overline{\underline{\alpha}} B \\ (\widehat{\underline{\alpha}} \dashv [\alpha])\text{-Adj.} & \vdash A \to [\alpha]B \text{ iff } \vdash \widehat{\underline{\alpha}} A \to B \end{array}$$

# 2.2 Multi-type calculi

Here we report on the environment of multi-type display calculi introduced in [10, Section 3].

Our starting point is a propositional language, the terms of which form n pairwise disjoint types  $T_1 cdots T_n$ , each of which with its own signature. We will use a, b, c and x, y, z to respectively denote operational and structural terms of unspecified (possibly different) type. Further, we assume that operational connectives and structural connectives are given *both* within each type *and* also between different types, so that the display property holds (at least for derivable sequents, cf. [10, Definition 2], see also below).

In the applications we have in mind, the need will arise to support types that are semantically ordered by inclusion. For example, in Section 3 we will introduce, beside the type Fm of formulas, two types TAct and Act of transitive and general actions, respectively. The need for enforcing the distinction between transitive and general actions in the specific situation of Section 3 arises by the presence of rules such as *absorption* (see table 'Iteration Structural Rules' in section 3), which is sound for transitive actions but not for general actions. The semantic point of view suggests to treat TAct as a proper subset of Act, but our syntactic stipulations, although will be sound w.r.t. this state of affairs, will be tuned for the more general situation in which the sets TAct and Act are disjoint. This is convenient as each term can be assigned a unique type *unambiguously*. This is a crucial requirement for the Belnap-style cut elimination theorem below, and will be explicitly stated in condition C'<sub>2</sub> in the next subsection.

**Definition 2.1.** A sequent  $x \vdash y$  is *type-uniform* if x and y are of the same type.

In a display calculus, the cut rule is typically of the following form:

$$X \vdash A \qquad A \vdash Y \\ \hline X \vdash Y \qquad Cut$$

where X, Y are structures and A is a formula. This translates straightforwardly to the multi-type environment, by the stipulation that cut rules of the form

$$\frac{x \vdash a \qquad a \vdash y}{x \vdash y} Cut$$

are allowed in the given multi-type system for each type.

**Definition 2.2.** A cut rule is *strongly type-uniform* if its premises and conclusion are of the same type.

**Relativized display property.** The full display property is a key ingredient in the proof of the cut-elimination metatheorem.

**Definition 2.3.** (cf. [1, Section 3.2]) A proof system enjoys the *full display property* iff for every sequent  $X \vdash Y$  and every substructure Z of either X or Y, the sequent  $X \vdash Y$  can be transformed, using the rules of the system, into a logically equivalent sequent which is either of the form  $Z \vdash W$  or of the form  $W \vdash Z$ , for some structure W. In the first case, Z is *displayed in precedent position*, and in the second case, Z is *displayed in succedent position*. The rules enabling this equivalent rewriting are called *display postulates*.

For instance, it enables a system enjoying it to meet Belnap's condition  $C_8$  for the cut-elimination metatheorem. However, it turns out that an analogously good behaviour can be guaranteed of any sequent calculus enjoying the following weaker property:

**Definition 2.4.** A proof system enjoys the *relativized display property* iff for every *derivable* sequent  $X \vdash Y$  and every substructure Z of either X or Y, the sequent  $X \vdash Y$  can be transformed, using the rules of the system, into a logically equivalent sequent which is either of the form  $Z \vdash W$  or of the form  $W \vdash Z$ , for some structure W.

The calculus defined in Section 3 does not enjoy the full display property, but does enjoy the relativized display property above, which enables it to verify the condition C'<sub>8</sub> (see Section 2.3). The relativized display property is discussed in more details in [10, Section 2.3].

# 2.3 Proper multi-type display calculi, and their cut elimination metatheorem

**Definition 2.5.** A multi-type display calculus is *proper* if it satisfies the following list of conditions:

 $C_1$ : preservation of operational terms. Each operational term occurring in a premise of an inference rule *inf* is a subterm of some operational term in the conclusion of *inf*.

 $C_2$ : Shape-alikeness of parameters. Congruent parameters are occurrences of the same structure.<sup>1</sup>

**C'2:** Type-alikeness of parameters. Congruent parameters have exactly the same type. This condition bans the possibility that a parameter changes type along its history.

 $C_3$ : Non-proliferation of parameters. Each parameter in an inference rule *inf* is congruent to at most one constituent in the conclusion of *inf*.

 $C_4$ : Position-alikeness of parameters. Congruent parameters are either all antecedent or all succedent parts of their respective sequents.

C<sub>5</sub>: Display of principal constituents. If an operational term a is principal in the conclusion sequent s of a derivation  $\pi$ , then a is in display.

C'6: Closure under substitution for succedent parts within each type. Each rule is closed under simultaneous substitution of arbitrary structures for congruent operational terms occurring in succedent position, within each type.

C'7: Closure under substitution for precedent parts within each type. Each rule is closed under simultaneous substitution of arbitrary structures for congruent operational terms occurring in precedent position, within each type.

 $C_8$ : Eliminability of matching principal constituents. This condition requests a standard Gentzen-style checking, which is now limited to the case in which both cut formulas are *principal*, i.e. each of them has been introduced with the last rule application of each corresponding subdeduction. In this case, analogously to the proof Gentzen-style, condition  $C_8$  requires being able to transform the given deduction into a deduction with the same conclusion in which either the cut is eliminated altogether, or is transformed in one or more applications of the cut rule, involving proper subterms of the original operational cut-term. In addition to this, specific to the multi-type setting is the requirement that the new application(s) of the cut rule be also *strongly type-uniform* (cf. condition  $C_{10}$  below).

**C**<sub>9</sub>: **Type-uniformity of derivable sequents.** Each derivable sequent is type-uniform.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See [12, Section 2.2, Condition C<sub>2</sub>].

 $C_{10}$ : Strong type-uniformity of cut rules. All cut rules are strongly type-uniform (cf. Definition 2.2).

**Theorem 2.6.** Any multi-type display calculus satisfying  $C_2$ ,  $C'_2$ ,  $C_3$ ,  $C_4$ ,  $C_5$ ,  $C'_6$ ,  $C'_7$ ,  $C'_8$ ,  $C_9$  and  $C_{10}$  is cut-admissible. If also  $C_1$  is satisfied, then the calculus enjoys the subformula property.

The proof of the theorem above is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.3 in [10].

# 3 Language and rules

As mentioned in the introduction, the key idea is to introduce a language in which actions are not accounted for as *parameters* indexing the dynamic connectives, but as *logical terms* in their own right. In the present section, we define a *multi-type language* into which the language of PDL translates, and in which the different types interact via special unary or binary connectives. The present setting consists of the following types: Act for actions, TAct for transitive actions, and Fm for formulas. We stipulate that Act, TAct and Fm are pairwise disjoint.

An algebraically motivated introduction. Similarly to the binary connectives introduced in [10], the following binary connectives (referred to as *heterogeneous connectives*) facilitate the interaction between the two types of actions and the formulas:

 $(3.1) \Delta_0, \blacktriangle_0 : TAct \times Fm \to Fm$ 

$$(3.2) \Delta_1, \, \blacktriangle_1 : \operatorname{Act} \times \operatorname{Fm} \to \operatorname{Fm}.$$

We think of the connectives above as being semantically interpreted as maps preserving existing joins in each coordinate (see below), between algebras suitable to interpret general actions, transitive actions, and formulas respectively. For instance, suitable domains of interpretation for formulas can be complete atomic Boolean algebras or perfect Heyting algebras; suitable domains of interpretation for actions (in different versions of PDL) can be quantal frames [22, Chapter III.2], or Kleene algebras with tests (KATs) [15, page 421], appropriate subalgebras of which can serve as domains of interpretation for transitive actions (possibly w.r.t. to certain restrictions of the signature).

Connected to the standard relational semantic setting for PDL outlined in Section 2.1, for any relational model M based on the set W, the complex algebra based on  $\mathcal{P}W$  is taken as the domain of interpretation for Fm-type terms, and Act-type (resp. TAct-type) terms are interpreted as (transitive) relations on W. This way, in particular, for any model M, the domain of interpretation of TAct is the relation algebra based on the complete lattice  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$  of the transitive relations on W (indeed,  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$  is a sub- $\bigcap$ -semilattice of  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ ).

A natural requirement of the algebraic environment outlined above, which is verified by the algebras arising from the standard semantic setting of Kripke models,

is that the interpretations of these heterogeneous connectives are *actions*, i.e., that (the domains of interpretation of) both Act and TAct induce module structures (cf. [22, Chapter II.2]) on (the domain of interpretation of) Fm. That is, the following conditions hold for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \text{Act}$ ,  $\gamma, \delta \in \text{TAct}$ , and  $A \in \text{Fm}$ ,

(3.3) 
$$\gamma \Delta_0(\delta \Delta_0 A) = (\gamma; \delta) \Delta_0 A \qquad \alpha \Delta_1(\beta \Delta_1 A) = (\alpha; \beta) \Delta_1 A$$

$$(3.4) \gamma \blacktriangle_0(\delta \blacktriangle_0 A) = (\delta; \gamma) \blacktriangle_0 A \alpha \blacktriangle_1(\beta \blacktriangle_1 A) = (\beta; \alpha) \blacktriangle_1 A.$$

In the semantic contexts mentioned above, the fact that the interpretations of the connectives  $\Delta_i$  and  $\Delta_i$  for i=0,1 are completely join-preserving in both coordinates implies that each of them has right adjoint in each coordinate. In particular, the following additional connectives have a natural interpretation as the right adjoints of  $\Delta_i$  and  $\Delta_i$  for i=0,1 in their second coordinate:

$$(3.5) \qquad \longrightarrow_0, \rightarrow_0 : \mathsf{TAct} \times \mathsf{Fm} \to \mathsf{Fm}$$

$$(3.6) \qquad \rightarrow_1, \rightarrow_1 : \operatorname{Act} \times \operatorname{Fm} \rightarrow \operatorname{Fm}.$$

Also, the following connectives can be naturally interpreted in the setting above, as right adjoints of  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_1$  in their first coordinate:

$$(3.7) \qquad \qquad \blacktriangleleft_1, \, \blacktriangleleft_1 \quad : \quad \mathsf{Fm} \times \mathsf{Fm} \to \mathsf{Act}.$$

Intuitively, for all formulas A, B, the term  $B \triangleleft_1 A$  denotes the weakest action  $\alpha$  such that, if A was true before  $\alpha$  was performed, then B is true after any successful execution of  $\alpha$ . The connectives above, when restricted to the diagonal subset of Fm × Fm, are the ones Pratt described as the *weakest preservers* in [21].

**Virtual adjoints, part 1.** However,  $\Delta_0$  and  $\Delta_0$  cannot be assumed to have right adjoints in their first coordinate (the reason for this will be discussed in part 2 below). Hence, the following connectives cannot be assigned a natural interpretation:

$$(3.8) \qquad \qquad \blacktriangleleft _0, \, \lessdot _0 \quad : \quad \mathsf{Fm} \times \mathsf{Fm} \to \mathsf{TAct}.$$

We adopt the following notational convention about the three different shapes of arrows introduced so far. Arrows with straight tails ( $\rightarrow$  and  $\rightarrow$ ) stand for connectives which have a semantic counterpart and which are included in the language of the Dynamic Calculus for PDL (see the grammar of operational terms on page 16); arrows with no tail (e.g.  $\triangleleft$  and  $\triangleleft$ ) do have a semantic interpretation but are *not* included in the language at the operational level, and arrows with squiggly tails ( $\triangleleft$  and  $\triangleleft$ ) stand for syntactic objects, called *virtual adjoints*, which do not have a semantic interpretation, but will play an important role, namely guaranteeing the dynamic calculus to enjoy the relativized display property (cf. Definition 2.4).

In what follows, virtual adjoints will be introduced *only* as structural connectives. That is, they will not correspond to any operational connective, and they will not appear actively in any rule schema other than the display postulates (cf. Definition 2.3).

$$\langle \alpha \rangle A$$
 becomes  $\alpha \vartriangle_1 A$   $\widehat{\alpha} A$  becomes  $\alpha \blacktriangle_1 A$   $[\alpha]A$  becomes  $\alpha \multimap_1 A$  becomes  $\alpha \multimap_1 A$   $\widehat{\alpha} A$  becomes  $\alpha \multimap_1 A$   $\alpha^+ \lozenge A$  becomes  $\alpha^+ \vartriangle_0 A$   $\alpha^+ A$  becomes  $\alpha^+ \multimap_0 A$ .

Table 1: Translating box- and diamond-formulas of PDL into multi-type terms.

The adjunction relations  $\triangle \dashv \rightarrow$ ,  $\triangleleft$  and  $\blacktriangle \dashv \rightarrow$ ,  $\triangleleft$  stipulated above translate into the following clauses for every action  $\alpha$ , every transitive action  $\delta$ , and all formulas *A* and *B*:

(3.9) 
$$\delta \triangle_0 A \leq B \text{ iff } A \leq \delta \rightarrow_0 B$$
  $\delta \blacktriangle_0 A \leq B \text{ iff } A \leq \delta \rightarrow_0 B$ 

$$(3.10) \quad \alpha \triangle_1 A \leq B \text{ iff } A \leq \alpha \rightarrow_1 B \qquad \alpha \blacktriangle_1 A \leq B \text{ iff } A \leq \alpha \rightarrow_1 B$$

(3.10) 
$$\alpha \triangle_1 A \leq B \text{ iff } A \leq \alpha \longrightarrow_1 B$$
  $\alpha \blacktriangle_1 A \leq B \text{ iff } A \leq \alpha \longrightarrow_1 B$   
(3.11)  $\alpha \triangle_1 A \leq B \text{ iff } \alpha \leq B \blacktriangleleft_1 A$   $\alpha \blacktriangle_1 A \leq B \text{ iff } \alpha \leq B \triangleleft_1 A.$ 

Translating PDL into the multitype language, part 1. The intended link between the dynamic connectives of PDL and the multi-type language informally outlined above is illustrated in Table 1. This table will be extended to account for the disambiguation of the action-only connectives (see further on). This yields the definition of a formal translation between the language of PDL (possibly extended with adjoints) and that of the Dynamic Calculus. We omit the details of this straightforward inductive definition. In Section 4, this translation will be elaborated on, and the interpretation of the language of the Dynamic Calculus will be defined so that the translation above preserves the validity of sequents. In the light of this translation, the adjunction conditions in clauses (3.9) and (3.10) correspond to the following adjunction conditions:

$$\langle \alpha^+ \rangle + \underline{\alpha^+} \qquad \widehat{\underline{\alpha}^+} + [\alpha^+] \qquad \langle \alpha \rangle + \underline{\alpha} \qquad \widehat{\underline{\alpha}} + [\alpha].$$

Transitive closure as left adjoint. The other key idea of the design of this calculus is to shape the proof-theoretic behaviour of the iteration connective in PDL on the order-theoretic behaviour of the transitive closure. Namely, it is well known (cf. [7, 7.28]) that the map associating each binary relation on a given set W with its transitive closure can be characterized order-theoretically as the left adjoint of the inclusion map  $\iota: \mathcal{T}(W \times W) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ . Indeed, for every  $R \in \mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ and every  $T \in \mathcal{T}(W \times W)$ ,

$$R^+ \subseteq T$$
 iff  $R \subseteq \iota(T)$ .

This motivates the introduction of two different types of actions: they are needed in order to properly express this adjunction. Thus, we consider the following pair of adjoint maps:

$$(3.12) \qquad \qquad (\cdot)^{+} \quad : \quad \mathsf{Act} \to \mathsf{TAct}$$

$$(3.13) \qquad (\cdot)^{-} : \mathsf{TAct} \to \mathsf{Act}.$$

The  $(\cdot)^+ + (\cdot)^-$  adjunction relation stipulated above translates into the following clause for every action  $\alpha$ , and every transitive action  $\delta$ :

(3.14) 
$$\alpha^{+} \leq \delta \quad \text{iff} \quad \alpha \leq \delta^{-}.$$

**Type-disambiguation of action-parameters.** We aim at designing a multi-type calculus which verifies condition C'<sub>2</sub> about type-alikeness of parameters. The stipulation that TAct and Act are disjoint is motivated by this goal, but this alone is not enough. We also need to introduce several copies of sequential composition and non deterministic choice, as follows:

$$(3.15) \qquad \qquad \cup_1, \ ;_1 \ : \ \mathsf{Act} \times \mathsf{Act} \to \mathsf{Act}$$

$$(3.16) \qquad \qquad \cup_2, \; ;_2 \; : \; \mathsf{TAct} \times \mathsf{Act} \to \mathsf{Act}$$

$$(3.17) \qquad \qquad \cup_3, \; ;_3 \; : \; \mathsf{Act} \times \mathsf{TAct} \to \mathsf{Act}$$

$$(3.18) \qquad \qquad \cup_4, \; ;_4 \; : \; \mathsf{TAct} \times \mathsf{TAct} \to \mathsf{Act}.$$

**Adjoints for action-connectives.** When actions are interpreted e.g. in  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$  for some set W, the natural interpretation of  $;_1$  (resp. of  $\cup_1$ ) is completely join-preserving (resp. meet-preserving) in each coordinate. This implies that their right (resp. left) adjoints exist in each coordinate, hence the following connectives have a natural interpretation:

$$(3.19) \qquad \qquad \supset_{-1}, \, \neg \subset_{1} : \operatorname{Act} \times \operatorname{Act} \to \operatorname{Act}$$

Here below, the conditions relative to these adjunctions: for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathsf{Act}$ ,

$$(3.21) \alpha \leq \beta \cup_1 \gamma \text{ iff } \beta \supset_{-1} \alpha \leq \gamma \text{ iff } \alpha \subset_1 \gamma \leq \beta$$

(3.22) 
$$\alpha : \beta \leq \gamma \text{ iff} \quad \beta \leq \alpha \rightarrow \gamma \quad \text{iff} \quad \alpha \leq \gamma \leftarrow \beta.$$

Also, residuated operations exist for the *j*-indexed variants,  $j \in \{2, 3\}$ , of ; in their Act-coordinate, and for all *j*-indexed variants of  $\cup$  in both coordinates. These operations provide a natural interpretation for the following connectives:

$$(3.23) \supset_2, \Rightarrow_2 : \mathsf{TAct} \times \mathsf{Act} \to \mathsf{Act}$$

$$(3.24) -C_3, \leftarrow_3 : Act \times TAct \rightarrow Act$$

$$(3.25) \qquad -C_2, \supset -3 : Act \times Act \to TAct$$

$$(3.27) -C_4 : Act \times TAct \rightarrow TAct.$$

The adjunction clauses relative to the connectives above are analogous to those displayed in (3.21)–(3.22) relative to the connectives of their same shape.

**Virtual adjoints, part 2.** Since the {2, 3, 4}-indexed (resp. 0-indexed) variants of ; (resp. of  $\triangle$  and  $\blacktriangle$ ) are to be regarded as restrictions of their 1-indexed counterpart, they cannot be assumed to be completely join-preserving in their TAct-coordinates. This point is somewhat delicate, so it is worth being expanded on. In the standard semantic setting, the domains of interpretation of Act- and Tact-terms are the algebras  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$  and  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$ , the domains of which are respectively given by all the binary relations and all the transitive relations on a given set W. As mentioned early on,  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$  is a sub  $\cap$ -semilattice of  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ , and hence it is itself a complete lattice. However, for every  $X \subseteq \mathcal{T}(W \times W)$ , we have that  $\bigvee X$  in  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$ coincides with the transitive closure  $(\bigcup X)^+$  of  $\bigcup X$ . This means in particular that, while meets in  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$  coincide with meets in  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ , joins in  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$  are in general different from joins in  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ , or equivalently,  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$  is not a sub  $\bigcup$ -semilattice of  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ . This implies that if the *j*-indexed (resp. 0-indexed) variants of; (resp. of  $\triangle$  and  $\triangle$ ) are to be regarded as restrictions of their 1-indexed counterpart, they will preserve the joins of  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$  but not necessarily those of  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$ . This explains why the *j*-indexed variants of; for  $j \neq 1$  (resp.  $\Delta_0$  and  $\triangle$  0) cannot be assumed to be completely join-preserving in their TAct-coordinates. This implies that they do not have right adjoins in their TAct-coordinates.<sup>2</sup> Hence, the following connectives, which are also referred to as virtual adjoints, are not semantically justified:

$$(3.28) \qquad \leftarrow_2, \rightarrow_3 : \operatorname{Act} \times \operatorname{Act} \to \operatorname{TAct}$$

$$(3.29) \qquad \rightarrow_4, : \operatorname{TAct} \times \operatorname{Act} \to \operatorname{TAct}$$

$$(3.30) \qquad \leftarrow_4 : \operatorname{Act} \times \operatorname{TAct} \to \operatorname{TAct}.$$

$$(3.31) \qquad \triangleleft_0, \blacktriangleleft_0 : \operatorname{Fm} \times \operatorname{Fm} \to \operatorname{TAct}.$$

Again, as discussed in [10, Section 4], virtual adjoints are important to guarantee the dynamic calculus for PDL to enjoy the relativized display property, which in turn guarantees the calculus to verify the condition C'<sub>8</sub>, crucial to the Belnap-style cut elimination metatheorem. However, to ensure that the virtual adjoints do not add unwanted proof power to the calculus, they will be added to the language only at the structural level, and they will not explicitly interact with any other connective in any rule but in the display rules relative to them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Precisely because meets in  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$  coincide with meets in  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ , (the interpretations of) all the *j*-indexed variants of  $\cup$  for  $2 \le j \le 4$  are completely meet-preserving in each coordinate, and hence they do have adjoints in each coordinate. A case *sui generis* is the one of the connective  $\iota_0$ , which denotes the right adjoint of the test operator  $?_0$  regarded as a map into transitive actions. Notice that, whenever  $\mathcal{X}$  is a collection of subsets of the diagonal relation  $1_W = \{(z, z) \mid z \in W\}$ , the join of  $\mathcal{X}$  in  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$  does coincide with  $\bigcup \mathcal{X}$ . Hence, (the interpretation of)  $?_0$  is completely join preserving, which implies that  $\iota_0$  is semantically justified.

Table 2: Type-disambiguation of action-parameters in PDL.

**Translating PDL into the multitype language, part 2.** To have a complete account of how PDL formulas are to be translated into formulas of the multi-type language, Table 2 integrates Table 1.

The different copies of connectives introduced above are needed for the calculus to satisfy condition  $C_2$  about the type-alikeness of parameters. However, in concrete derivations, as soon as the type of the atomic constituents is clearly identifiable, the subscripts can be dropped. The disambiguation will also involve the action-type constants, which will be introduced only as structural connectives, but not as operational ones. Specifically, the structural constants  $\Phi_0$  and  $\Phi_1$  (when occurring in antecedent position) both correspond to the action skip, regarded as a transitive action or as a general action, respectively. Likewise, the structural constants  $T_0$  and  $T_1$ , when occurring in antecedent (resp. succedent position) both correspond to the action top (resp. crash) regarded as a transitive action, and as a general action, respectively.

**Axiomatizing PDL in the multitype language.** Given the translation based on Tables 1 and 2, the original axioms of PDL can be translated as indicated below. In what follows, the variables a, b denote terms of type Act or TAct, the variables A, B denote terms of type Fm and  $\alpha$  is a term of type Act. For every  $1 \le j \le 4$  and i = 0, 1,

#### **Box-axioms**

K	$\alpha \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B)$	F	$(\alpha \Rightarrow A) \rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow B)$
Choice	$(a \cup_j b) \rightarrow A$	⊣⊢	$(a \rightarrow\!\!\!\!> A) \land (b \rightarrow\!\!\!\!> A)$
Composition	$(a; jb) \rightarrow A$	⊣⊢	$a \Rightarrow (b \Rightarrow A)$
Test	$A?_i \rightarrow B$	⊣⊢	$A \to B$
Distributivity	$a \rightarrow\!$	⊣⊢	$(a \rightarrow\!\!\!\!> A) \land (a \rightarrow\!\!\!\!> B)$
Fix point +	$\alpha^+ \rightarrow A$	⊣⊢	$(\alpha \rightarrow\!$
Induction +	$\alpha^+ \rightarrow A$	⊣	$(\alpha \rightarrow\!$

#### **Diamond-axioms**

Choice	$(a \cup_j b) \triangle A$	⊣⊢	$(a \triangle A) \lor (b \triangle A)$
Composition	$(a; {}_{i}b) \triangle A$	⊣⊢	$a \vartriangle (b \vartriangle A)$
Test	$A?_i \triangle B$	⊣⊢	$A \wedge B$
Distributivity	$a\mathrel{\vartriangle} (A \mathrel{\vee} B)$	⊣⊢	$(a \triangle A) \lor (a \triangle B)$
Fix point +	$\alpha^+ \Delta A$	⊣⊢	$(\alpha \vartriangle A) \lor \alpha \vartriangle \alpha^+ \vartriangle A)$
Induction +	$\alpha^+ \wedge A$	F	$(\alpha \vartriangle A) \lor (\alpha^+ \vartriangle (\neg A \land (\alpha \vartriangle A)))$

Note that the subscripts of the arrow- and triangle-shaped connectives are completely determined by the type of their arguments in the first coordinate, and hence they have been omitted.

**Additional conditions.** As done and discussed in the setting of [10], in order to express in the multi-type language that e.g.  $\langle \alpha \rangle$  and  $[\alpha]$  are "interpreted over the same relation", Sahlqvist correspondence theory (cf. e.g. [5, 6, 4] for a state-of-the art-treatment) provides us with two alternatives: one of them is that we impose the following Fischer Servi-type conditions [24] to hold for all a of type Act or TAct and  $A, B \in Fm$ : for i = 0, 1,

$$(a \vartriangle_i A) \to (a \multimap_i B) \le \delta \multimap_i (A \to B) \qquad (a \blacktriangle_i A) \to (a \multimap_i B) \le a \multimap_i (A \to B)$$

$$a \vartriangle_i (A \rightarrowtail_i B) \le (a \multimap_i A) \rightarrowtail_i (a \vartriangle_i B) \qquad a \blacktriangle_i (A \rightarrowtail_i B) \le (a \multimap_i A) \rightarrowtail_i (a \blacktriangle_i B).$$

To see that the conditions above correspond to the usual Fischer Servi axioms in standard modal languages, one can observe that the conditions in the first line above are images, under the translation discussed above, of the Fischer Servi axioms reported on e.g. in [12, Section 6.1]. The second alternative is to impose that, for every  $0 \le i \le 2$ , the connectives  $\Delta_i$  and  $\blacktriangle_i$  yield *conjugated* diamonds (cf. discussion in [12, Section 6.2]); that is, the following inequalities hold for all a of type Act or TAct and  $A, B \in Fm$ :

$$(a \triangle_i A) \wedge B \leq a \triangle_i (A \wedge (a \blacktriangle_i B)) \qquad (a \blacktriangle_i A) \wedge B \leq a \blacktriangle_i (A \wedge (a \triangle_i B))$$
$$a \rightarrow_i (A \vee (a \rightarrow_i B)) \leq (a \rightarrow_i A) \vee B \qquad a \rightarrow_i (A \vee (a \rightarrow_i B)) \leq (a \rightarrow_i A) \vee B.$$

The operational language, formally. Let us introduce the operational terms of the multi-type language by the following simultaneous induction, based on sets

AtProp of atomic propositions, and AtAct of atomic actions:

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{Fm} \ni A ::= p \in \mathsf{AtProp} \mid \bot \mid \top \mid A \land A \mid A \lor A \mid A \to A \mid A \rightarrowtail_A \mid \\ \delta \vartriangle_0 A \mid \delta \multimap_0 A \mid \alpha \vartriangle_1 A \mid \alpha \multimap_1 A \mid \\ \delta \blacktriangle_0 A \mid \delta \multimap_0 A \mid \alpha \blacktriangle_1 A \mid \alpha \multimap_1 A \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{Act} \ni \alpha ::= \pi \in \mathsf{AtAct} \mid \delta^- \mid A?_1 \mid \\ \alpha :_1 \alpha \mid \delta :_2 \alpha \mid \alpha :_3 \delta \mid \delta :_4 \delta \mid \\ \alpha \cup_1 \alpha \mid \delta \cup_2 \alpha \mid \alpha \cup_3 \delta \mid \delta \cup_4 \delta \end{split}$$

TAct 
$$\ni \delta ::= \alpha^+ \mid A?_0$$

**Structural language, formally.** Display calculi manipulate two closely related languages: the operational and the structural. Let us introduce the structural language of the Dynamic Calculus, which as usual matches the operational language. We have *formula-type* structures, *transitive action-type structures*, *action-type structures*, defined by simultaneous recursion as follows:

$$\mathsf{FM} \ni X ::= A \mid \mathsf{I} \mid X, X \mid X > X \mid X < X \mid \mathsf{\Pi} \boldsymbol{\dot{\iota}}_1 \mid \Delta \boldsymbol{\dot{\iota}}_0 \mid$$
$$\Delta \triangle_0 X \mid \Delta \triangleright_0 X \mid \mathsf{\Pi} \triangle_1 X \mid \mathsf{\Pi} \triangleright_1 X \mid$$
$$\Delta \blacktriangle_0 X \mid \Delta \blacktriangleright_0 X \mid \mathsf{\Pi} \blacktriangle_1 X \mid \mathsf{\Pi} \blacktriangleright_1 X$$

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{ACT}\ni\Pi ::= \alpha \mid & \mathsf{T}_1 \mid \Phi_1 \mid \Delta^{\ominus} \mid X ?_1 \mid \\ & \Pi \ \boldsymbol{;}\ _1\Pi \mid \Pi \succ_1 \Pi \mid \Pi \prec_1 \Pi \mid \Delta \ \boldsymbol{;}\ _2\Pi \mid \Delta \succ_2 \Pi \mid \Pi \ \boldsymbol{;}\ _3\Delta \mid \Pi \prec_3 \Delta \mid \Delta \ \boldsymbol{;}\ _4\Delta \mid \\ & \Pi \ \emptyset_1 \ \Pi \mid \Pi \supset_1\Pi \mid \Pi \subset_1\Pi \mid \Delta \ \emptyset_2 \ \Pi \mid \Delta \supset_2\Pi \mid \Pi \ \emptyset_3 \ \Delta \mid \Pi \subset_3\Delta \mid \Delta \ \emptyset_4 \ \Delta \mid \\ & X \triangleleft_1 X \mid X \blacktriangleleft_1 X \end{split}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{TACT} \ni \Delta ::= & \ \mathbb{T}_0 \, | \, \Phi_0 \, | \, \Pi^\oplus \, | \, X ?_0 \, | \\ & \ \Pi \leftrightsquigarrow_2 \Pi \, | \, \Pi \ggg_3 \Pi \, | \, \Delta \ggg_4 \Pi \, | \, \Pi \leftrightsquigarrow_4 \Delta \, | \\ & \ \Pi \subset_2 \Pi \, | \, \Pi \supset_3 \Pi \, | \, \Delta \supset_4 \Pi \, | \, \Pi \subset_4 \Delta \\ & \ X \Lsh_0 X \, | \, X \blacktriangleleft_0 X \end{aligned}$$

**The propositional base.** As is typical of display calculi, each operational connective corresponds to one structural connective. In particular, the propositional base connectives behave exactly as in [12, 10], and their corresponding rules are reported in Appendix 9.1.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The operational connectives  $\top, \bot, \land, \lor, \rightarrow$  belong to the language of the most common axiomatizations of propositional classical logic. The operational connectives in brackets  $-\!\!\!<, \leftarrow, \succ$  are mentioned in the table for the sake of exhaustiveness. In particular,  $\leftarrow$  and  $\rightarrow$  (resp.  $-\!\!\!<$  and  $\succ$ ) are

Structural symbols	I		,		<		>	
Operational symbols	Т	上	٨	V	(~<)	(←)	(>-)	$\rightarrow$

**Action connectives, part 1.** As to the 0-ary and binary action-type connectives the table below provides the connection between structural and operational connectives for  $1 \le j \le 4$ , h = 1, 2, and k = 1, 3. The indexes of the structural connectives are omitted. <sup>4</sup>

Structural symbols	I	Ø	$\supset$	
Operational symbols	(τ) (1)	U	$(\supset_j)$	$(-\subset_j)$
Structural symbols	Φ	;	>	~
Operational symbols	(1)	;	$(\rightarrow_h)$	(←1)

**Heterogeneous connectives.** Similarly to [10], the heterogeneous structural connectives correspond one-to-one with the operational ones, as illustrated in the following table: for i = 0, 1,

Structural symbols	$\triangle_i$	$ ightharpoonup_i$	<b>■</b> 1
Operational symbols	$\Delta_i$	<b>→</b> <sub>i</sub>	( <b>◄</b> <sub>1</sub> )
Structural symbols	$\blacktriangle_i$	$\triangleright_i$	$\triangleleft_1$

That is, the structural connectives are to be interpreted in a context-sensitive way, but the present language lacks the operational connectives which would correspond to them on one or both of the two sides. This is of course because in the present setting we do not need them. However, in a setting in which they would turn out to be needed, it would not be difficult to introduce the missing operational connectives. The operational rules for the heterogeneous connectives are essentially the same as the analogous rules given in [10, Section 4]: in what follows, let x, y and a respectively stand for structural and operational terms of a type which can be either TAct or Act, and let Y, Z and B respectively stand for structural and operational terms of type Fm; then, for i = 0, 1,

interderivable in the presence of the rule *exchange*, and the same is true of the dual connectives  $\prec$  and  $\succ$ . The latter two connectives are known as *subtraction* or *disimplication*. The formula  $A \succ B$  (resp.  $A \prec B$ ) is classically equivalent to  $\neg A \land B$  (resp.  $A \land \neg B$ ).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The operational connectives in brackets are given for the sake of completeness, but they do not belong to the language of the most common axiomatizations of PDL considered here. See [17, 18, 21] for some extensions of the language and their interpretations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>See [17, 18, 21] for some extensions of the language and their interpretations.

#### **Actions-Propositions Operational Rules**

Clearly, the rules above yield the operational rules for the dynamic modal operators under the translation given early on. Notice that each sequent is always interpreted in one domain; however, since the connectives take arguments of different types (and in this sense we are justified in referring to them as *heterogeneous connectives*), premises of binary rules are of course interpreted in different domains.

**Identity and cut rules.** Axioms will be given in each type; here below,  $\pi \in AtAct$ , and  $p \in AtProp$ :

#### **Identity Rules**

$$\pi \operatorname{Id} \frac{}{\pi \vdash \pi} \qquad p \operatorname{Id} \frac{}{p \vdash p}$$

where the first axiom is of type Act, and the second one is of type Fm. Further, we allow the following *strongly type-uniform* cut rules on the operational terms:

#### **Cut Rules**

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \delta \quad \delta \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta} \delta Cut \quad \frac{\Pi \vdash \alpha \quad \alpha \vdash \Sigma}{\Pi \vdash \Sigma} \alpha Cut \quad \frac{X \vdash A \quad A \vdash Y}{X \vdash Y} \land Cut$$

**Display postulates for heterogeneous connectives.** Recall that x is a structural variable of type TAct or Act, and Y and Z are structural variables of type Fm; for i = 0, 1,

# **Actions-Propositions Display Postulates**

$$\Delta_{i} \blacktriangleright_{i} \frac{x \triangle_{i} Y \vdash Z}{Y \vdash x \blacktriangleright_{i} Z} \qquad \frac{x \blacktriangle_{i} Y \vdash Z}{Y \vdash x \triangleright_{i} Z} \blacktriangle_{i} \triangleright_{i}$$

$$\Delta_{1} \blacktriangleleft_{1} \frac{\pi \triangle_{1} Y \vdash Z}{\pi \vdash Z \blacktriangleleft_{1} Y} \qquad \frac{\pi \blacktriangle_{1} Y \vdash Z}{\pi \vdash Z \triangleleft_{1} Y} \blacktriangle_{1} \triangleleft_{1}$$

$$\Delta_{0} \blacktriangleleft_{0} \frac{\delta \triangle_{0} Y \vdash Z}{\delta \vdash Z \blacktriangleleft_{0} Y} \qquad \frac{\delta \blacktriangle_{0} Y \vdash Z}{\delta \vdash Z \triangleleft_{0} Y} \blacktriangle_{0} \triangleleft_{0}$$

Notice that sequents occurring in each display postulate above are *not* of the same type. However, it is easy to see that the display postulates preserve the typeuniformity (cf. Definition 2.1); that is, if the premise of any instance of a display postulate is a type-uniform sequent, then so is its conclusion.

Necessitation, Conjugation, Fischer Servi, and Monotonicity rules. For i =0, 1,

#### **Necessitation Rules**

$$nec_i \triangle \frac{I \vdash W}{x \triangle_i I \vdash W} \frac{I \vdash W}{x \blacktriangle_i I \vdash W} nec_i \blacktriangle$$

The following rules are derivable from the ones above using the display postulates:

$$nec_i \triangleright \frac{W \vdash I}{W \vdash x \triangleright_i I} \qquad \frac{W \vdash I}{W \vdash x \triangleright_i I} \quad nec_i \triangleright$$

#### **Conjugation Rules**

$$(conj_{i} \triangle) \frac{x \triangle_{i}((x \blacktriangle_{i} Y), Z) \vdash W}{Y, (x \triangle_{i} Z) \vdash W} \frac{W \vdash x \triangleright_{i}((x \blacktriangleright_{i} Y), Z)}{W \vdash Y, (x \triangleright_{i} Z)} (conj_{i} \Rightarrow)$$

$$(conj_{i} \blacktriangle) \frac{x \blacktriangle_{i}((x \triangle_{i} Y), Z) \vdash W}{Y, (x \blacktriangle_{i} Z) \vdash W} \frac{W \vdash x \blacktriangleright_{i}((x \triangleright_{i} Y), Z)}{W \vdash Y, (x \blacktriangleright_{i} Z)} (conj_{i} \Rightarrow)$$

The rules above are interderivable with the following rules using the appropriate display postulates:

Fischer-Servi Rules
$$FS_{i} \triangle \frac{(x \triangleright_{i} Y) > (x \triangle_{i} Z) \vdash W}{x \triangle_{i} (Y > Z) \vdash W} \qquad \frac{W \vdash (x \triangle_{i} Y) > (x \triangleright_{i} Z)}{W \vdash x \triangleright_{i} (Y > Z)} FS_{i} \triangleright FS_{i} \triangle \frac{(x \blacktriangleright_{i} Y) > (x \blacktriangle_{i} Z) \vdash W}{x \blacktriangle_{i} (Y > Z) \vdash W} \qquad \frac{W \vdash (x \blacktriangle_{i} Y) > (x \blacktriangleright_{i} Z)}{W \vdash x \blacktriangleright_{i} (Y > Z)} FS_{i} \blacktriangleright FS_{i} \triangle FS_{$$

The following rules encode the fact that both arrow- and triangle-shaped heterogeneous connectives are order preserving in their second coordinate.

#### **Monotonicity Rules**

$$mon_{i} \triangle \frac{(x \triangle_{i} Y), (x \triangle_{i} Z) \vdash W}{x \triangle_{i} (Y, Z) \vdash W} \qquad \frac{W \vdash (x \triangleright_{i} Y), (x \triangleright_{i} Z)}{W \vdash x \triangleright_{i} (Y, Z)} mon_{i} \triangleright$$

$$mon_{i} \triangle \frac{(x \triangle_{i} Y), (x \triangle_{i} Z) \vdash W}{x \triangle_{i} (Y, Z) \vdash W} \qquad \frac{W \vdash (x \blacktriangleright_{i} Y), (x \blacktriangleright_{i} Z)}{W \vdash x \blacktriangleright_{i} (Y, Z)} mon_{i} \blacktriangleright$$

**Action rules.** The following rules encode conditions (3.3) and (3.4). For  $1 \le j \le 4$ , the subscripts for  $\triangle$ ,  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\triangleright$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  are omitted since they are uniquely determined by j, and x, y are structural variables of the suitable action- or transitive action-type.

#### **Actions Rules**

$$act_{j} \triangle \frac{x \triangle (y \triangle Z) \vdash W}{(x \cdot ;_{j} y) \triangle Z \vdash W} \quad act_{j} \triangle \frac{x \triangle (y \triangle Z) \vdash W}{(y \cdot ;_{j} x) \triangle Z \vdash W}$$

The following rules are derivable from the ones above using the display postulates:

$$\frac{W \vdash x \triangleright (y \triangleright Z)}{W \vdash (x ; y) \triangleright Z} act_j \triangleright \qquad \frac{W \vdash x \blacktriangleright (y \blacktriangleright Z)}{W \vdash (y ; y) \blacktriangleright Z} act_j \triangleright$$

**Rules for test and iteration.** Also the *unary* heterogeneous structural connectives correspond one-to-one with the operational ones, as illustrated in the following table (the indices are omitted):

Structural symbols	?		$(\cdot)^{\oplus}$		$(\cdot)^{\ominus}$	
Operational symbols	?		$(\cdot)^+$			(·)-

The operational rules for these connectives are given in the table below, where i = 0, 1, and x is a structural variable of suitable action-type or transitive action-type, uniquely determined so as to satisfy type-regularity.

# **Test and Iteration Operational Rules**

$$?_{L}^{i} \frac{A?_{i} \vdash x}{A?_{i} \vdash x} \frac{X \vdash A}{X?_{i} \vdash A?_{i}} ?_{R}^{i} +_{L} \frac{\alpha^{\oplus} \vdash \Delta}{\alpha^{+} \vdash \Delta} \frac{\Psi \vdash \alpha}{\Psi^{\oplus} \vdash \alpha^{+}} +_{R} -_{L} \frac{\delta \vdash \Delta}{\delta^{-} \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}} \frac{\Psi \vdash \delta^{\ominus}}{\Psi \vdash \delta^{-}} -_{R}$$

# **Test and Iteration Display Postulates**

$$?\mathbf{\dot{c}}_{i} = \frac{X?_{i} \vdash x}{X \vdash x\mathbf{\dot{c}}_{i}} \qquad \qquad \oplus \ominus = \frac{\Pi^{\oplus} \vdash \Delta}{\Pi \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}}$$

#### **Test Structural Rules**

$$? \triangle i = \frac{X, Y \vdash Z}{X?_i \triangle_i Y \vdash Z} = \frac{X, Y \vdash Z}{Y?_i \blacktriangle_i X \vdash Z} ? \blacktriangle i$$

The following rules are display equivalent to the ones above.

$$? \triangleright i \frac{Y \vdash X > Z}{Y \vdash X?_i \triangleright_i Z} = \frac{Y \vdash X > Z}{Y \vdash X?_i \triangleright_i Z} ? \triangleright i$$

### Absorption and promotion/demotion rules.

#### **Absorption Rules**

$$abs\ 1 \frac{\Pi \vdash \Delta^{\ominus} \qquad \Sigma \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}}{\Pi ;_{1} \Sigma \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta \qquad \Xi \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma ;_{4} \Xi \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}} \ abs\ 4$$

$$abs\ 2 \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta \qquad \Sigma \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}}{\Gamma ;_{2} \Sigma \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}} \qquad \frac{\Sigma \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}}{\Sigma ;_{3} \Gamma \vdash \Delta^{\ominus}} \ abs\ 3$$

#### **Promotion/Demotion Rules**

Using the rules above and the Display Postulates, the following rules are derivable:

$$dem \rhd \frac{X \vdash \Pi^{\oplus} \triangleright_{0} Y}{X \vdash \Pi \triangleright_{1} Y} \qquad \frac{X \vdash \Pi^{\oplus} \blacktriangleright_{0} Y}{X \vdash \Pi \blacktriangleright_{1} Y} dem \blacktriangleright$$
$$dem \lhd \frac{\Pi^{\oplus} \vdash X \triangleleft_{0} Y}{\Pi \vdash X \triangleleft_{1} Y} \qquad \frac{\Pi^{\oplus} \vdash X \blacktriangleleft_{0} Y}{\Pi \vdash X \blacktriangleleft_{1} Y} dem \blacktriangleleft$$

**Fixed point structural rules.** The following rules correspond to the fixed point axioms.

#### **Fixed Point Structural Rules**

$$FP \triangleq \frac{\Pi \triangle_1 X \vdash Y \qquad (\Pi \ \ ;_3 \Pi^{\oplus}) \triangle_1 X \vdash Y}{\Pi^{\oplus} \triangle_0 X \vdash Y} \qquad \frac{\Pi \blacktriangle_1 X \vdash Y \qquad (\Pi \ \ ;_3 \Pi^{\oplus}) \blacktriangle_1 X \vdash Y}{\Pi^{\oplus} \blacktriangle_0 X \vdash Y} FP \blacktriangle_1$$

Using the rules above and the Display Postulates, the following rules are derivable:

$$FP \rhd \frac{X \vdash \Pi \triangleright_1 Y \quad X \vdash (\Pi \ \ ; \ _3\Pi^\oplus) \triangleright_1 Y}{X \vdash \Pi^\oplus \triangleright_0 Y} \quad \frac{X \vdash \Pi \blacktriangleright_1 Y \quad X \vdash (\Pi \ \ ; \ _3\Pi^\oplus) \blacktriangleright_1 Y}{X \vdash \Pi^\oplus \blacktriangleright_0 Y} FP \blacktriangleright_1 Y$$

$$FP \lhd \frac{\Pi \vdash Y \lhd_1 X \qquad (\Pi \ \boldsymbol{;} \ _3\Pi^\oplus) \vdash Y \lhd_1 X}{\Pi^\oplus \vdash Y \lhd_0 X} \qquad \frac{\Pi \vdash Y \blacktriangleleft_1 X \qquad (\Pi \ \boldsymbol{;} \ _3\Pi^\oplus) \vdash Y \blacktriangleleft_1 X}{\Pi^\oplus \vdash Y \blacktriangleleft_0 X} FP \blacktriangleleft_1 X$$

The infinitary *iteration* rules are given below:

#### **Omega-Iteration Structural Rules**

$$\omega \vartriangle \frac{\left(\begin{array}{c|c}\Pi^{(n)} \bigtriangleup_1 X \vdash Y \mid n \geq 1\end{array}\right)}{\Pi^{\oplus} \bigtriangleup_0 X \vdash Y} \quad \frac{\left(\begin{array}{c|c}\Pi^{(n)} \blacktriangle_1 X \vdash Y \mid n \geq 1\end{array}\right)}{\Pi^{\oplus} \blacktriangle_0 X \vdash Y} \omega \blacktriangle$$

Using the rules above and the Display Postulates, the following rules are derivable:

$$\omega \triangleright \frac{\left( \begin{array}{c|c} X \vdash \Pi^{(n)} \triangleright_{1} Y \mid n \geq 1 \end{array} \right)}{X \vdash \Pi^{\oplus} \triangleright_{0} Y} \qquad \frac{\left( \begin{array}{c|c} X \vdash \Pi^{(n)} \blacktriangleright_{1} Y \mid n \geq 1 \end{array} \right)}{X \vdash \Pi^{\oplus} \blacktriangleright_{0} Y} \omega \blacktriangleright$$

$$\omega \triangleleft \frac{\left( \begin{array}{c|c} \Pi^{(n)} \vdash Y \triangleleft_{1} X \mid n \geq 1 \end{array} \right)}{\Pi^{\oplus} \vdash Y \triangleleft_{1} X \mid n \geq 1 \end{array}} \omega \blacktriangleleft$$

**Rules for action constants.** For the following rules, j = 1, 2 and k = 1, 3. Moreover, x, y, z are structural variables of the suitable action- or transitive action-type. The index on **T** is omitted because it is uniquely determined by j and k.

#### T-Rules

$$\frac{x \vdash y}{x \vdash \mathbf{T} \not \downarrow_j y} \mathbf{T}_{1R}^j \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta^{\ominus} \vdash \mathbf{T} \not \downarrow_3 \Gamma} \mathbf{T}_{1R}^3 \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta^{\ominus} \vdash \mathbf{T} \not \downarrow_4 \Gamma} \mathbf{T}_{1R}^4$$

$$\frac{x \vdash y}{x \vdash y \not \downarrow_k \mathbf{T}} \, \mathbf{T}^k_{2R} \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta^{\ominus} \vdash \Gamma \not \downarrow_2 \mathbf{T}} \, \mathbf{T}^2_{2R} \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta^{\ominus} \vdash \Gamma \not \downarrow_4 \mathbf{T}} \, \mathbf{T}^4_{2R}$$

For the following rules, j = 1, 2 and k = 1, 3. Moreover, x, y, z are structural variables of the suitable action- or transitive action-type. The index on  $\Phi$  is omitted because it is uniquely determined by j and k.

#### Φ-Rules

$$\Phi^{j}_{1L} = \frac{x \vdash y}{\Phi \; ;_{j} x \vdash y} \quad \Phi^{3}_{1L} = \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Phi \; ;_{3} \Delta \vdash \Gamma^{\ominus}} \quad \Phi^{4}_{1L} = \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Phi \; ;_{4} \Delta \vdash \Gamma^{\ominus}}$$

$$\Phi^{k}_{2L} = \frac{x \vdash y}{x \; ;_{k} \; \Phi \vdash y} \quad \Phi^{2}_{2L} = \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta \; ;_{2} \; \Phi \vdash \Gamma^{\ominus}} \quad \Phi^{4}_{2L} = \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta \; ;_{4} \; \Phi \vdash \Gamma^{\ominus}}$$

**Structural rules for binary action connectives.** For the following rules (cf. [17, 18] for Weakening w.r.t. sequential composition), j = 1, 2 and k = 1, 3. Moreover, x, y, z are structural variables of the suitable action- or transitive action-type.

#### **Weakening Rules for Actions**

$$\frac{x \vdash y}{x \vdash z \not \downarrow_j y} W_{1R}^h \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta^{\ominus} \vdash \Pi \not \downarrow_3 \Gamma} W_{1R}^3 \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta^{\ominus} \vdash \Gamma' \not \downarrow_4 \Gamma} W_{1R}^4$$

$$\frac{x \vdash y}{x \vdash y \not \downarrow_k z} W_{2R}^l \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta^{\ominus} \vdash \Gamma \not \downarrow_2 \Pi} W_{2R}^2 \quad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Gamma}{\Delta^{\ominus} \vdash \Gamma \not \downarrow_4 \Gamma'} W_{2R}^4$$

For the following rules, k = 1, 4 and x, y, z are structural variables of the suitable action- or transitive action-type required by type-regularity.

#### **Contraction Rule for Actions**

$$\frac{y \vdash x \ \emptyset_k \ x}{y \vdash x} \ C_R^k$$

Additional *contraction* rules can be derived using the *promotion/demotion* rules. For the following rules, k = 1, 4. Moreover, x, y, z are structural variables of the suitable action- or transitive action-type required by type-regularity.

#### **Exchange Rules for Actions**

$$\frac{\sum \vdash \Delta \ \emptyset_2 \ \Pi}{\sum \vdash \Pi \ \emptyset_3 \ \Delta} \ E_R^{2\emptyset 3} \qquad \frac{z \vdash x \ \emptyset_k \ y}{z \vdash y \ \emptyset_k \ x} \ E_R^{k\emptyset k}$$

For the following rules, the indices are omitted, under the convention that they span over all the combinations allowed by the grammar, by type-regularity and by type-alikeness of parameters. The variables x, y, z are of the suitable action- or transitive action-type.

#### **Associativity Rules for Actions**

$$A_{L} \frac{x ; (y; z) \vdash w}{(x; y); z \vdash w} \frac{w \vdash (z \not y) \not x}{w \vdash z \not y (y \not x)} A_{R}$$

**Dynamics and non-deterministic choice.** In the following *choice* rules, the index on  $\emptyset$  is uniquely determined and is omitted. These rules encode the fact that  $\triangleleft_1$  and  $\triangleleft_1$  are monotone in their first coordinate and antitone in their second coordinate.

#### **Structural Rules for Non-Deterministic Choice**

$$\begin{array}{ll} \textit{choice} \blacktriangleleft_{1} & \dfrac{\Psi \vdash (Y \blacktriangleleft_{1}X) \between (Z \blacktriangleleft_{1}X)}{\Psi \vdash (Y,Z) \blacktriangleleft_{1}X} & \dfrac{\Psi \vdash (Y \mathrel{\triangleleft}_{1}X) \between (Z \mathrel{\triangleleft}_{1}X)}{\Psi \vdash (Y,Z) \mathrel{\triangleleft}_{1}X} \textit{ choice} \mathrel{\triangleleft}_{1} \\ \\ \textit{choice} \blacktriangleleft^{1} & \dfrac{\Psi \vdash (X \blacktriangleleft_{1}Y) \between (X \blacktriangleleft_{1}Z)}{\Psi \vdash X \mathrel{\triangleleft}_{1}(Y,Z)} & \dfrac{\Psi \vdash (X \mathrel{\triangleleft}_{1}Y) \between (X \mathrel{\triangleleft}_{1}Z)}{\Psi \vdash X \mathrel{\triangleleft}_{1}(Y,Z)} \textit{ choice} \mathrel{\triangleleft}^{1} \\ \end{array}$$

More rules on non-deterministic choice and sequential composition. For the following rules,  $1 \le k \le 4$ . Moreover, x, y, z are structural variables of the suitable action- or transitive action-type.

#### Display Postulates for Non-Deterministic Choice and Sequential Composition

$$\frac{z \vdash x \not b_k y}{x \supset_k z \vdash y} \quad \frac{z \vdash x \not b_k y}{z \subset_k y \vdash x} \quad \frac{x \not b_j y \vdash z}{y \vdash x \succ_j z} \quad \frac{x \not b_j y \vdash z}{x \vdash z \prec_j y}$$

Finally, the rules for the operational connectives  $\cup_j$  and j are given below. For the following rules,  $1 \le j \le 4$ , and the variables x, y and f, g respectively denote structural and operational terms of suitable type uniquely determined by j and by term-uniformity.

#### Operational Rules for Non-Deterministic Choice and Sequential Composition

$$\cup_{L}^{j} \frac{f \vdash x \qquad g \vdash y}{f \cup_{j} g \vdash x \bigvee_{j} y} \quad \frac{x \vdash f \bigvee_{j} g}{x \vdash f \cup_{j} g} \cup_{R}^{j} \quad ;_{L}^{j} \frac{f \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}_{j} g \vdash x}{f ;_{j} g \vdash x} \quad \frac{x \vdash f \quad y \vdash g}{x \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet}_{j} y \vdash f ;_{j} g} \; ;_{R}^{j}$$

# 4 Soundness

In the present section, we discuss the soundness of the rules of the dynamic calculus and prove that those which do not involve virtual adjoints (cf. Section 3) are sound with respect to the standard relational semantics. As we will see, the interpretation of the multi-type language which we are about to define preserves the translation from the standard PDL language to the multi-type one, which was outlined in Tables 1 and 2.

A *model* for the multi-type language for PDL is a tuple N = (W, v) such that W is a nonempty set, and v is a variable assignment from AtProp  $\cup$  AtAct mapping each  $p \in AtProp$  to a subset  $[\![p]\!]_V \subseteq W$ , and each  $\pi \in AtAct$  to a binary relation

 $R_{\pi} \subseteq W \times W$ . Clearly, these models bijectively correspond to standard Kripke models for PDL: indeed, for every standard Kripke model  $M = (W, \mathcal{R}, V)$  such that  $\mathcal{R} = \{R_{\pi} \mid \pi \in \mathsf{AtAct}\}$ , let  $N_M := (W, v_M)$ , where  $v_M(p) = V(p)$  for every  $p \in \mathsf{AtProp}$ , and  $v_M(\pi) = R_{\pi}$  for every  $\pi \in \mathsf{AtAct}$ . Conversely, for every N = (W, v) as above, let  $M_N := (W, \mathcal{R}_N, V_N)$  such that  $\mathcal{R}_N := \{v(\pi) \mid \pi \in \mathsf{AtAct}\}$ , and  $V_N(p) = v(p)$  for every  $p \in \mathsf{AtProp}$ . It is immediate to verify that  $N_{M_N} = N$  and  $M_{N_M} = M$  for every M and N as above. Clearly each model N as above gives rise to algebras  $\mathcal{P}(W)$ ,  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$  and  $\mathcal{T}(W \times W)$ , which provide suitable domains of interpretations of terms of type Fm, Act and TAct, respectively.

Structures will be translated into operational terms of the appropriate type, and operational terms will be interpreted according to their type. In order to translate structures as operational terms, structural connectives need to be translated as logical connectives. To this effect, non-modal, propositional structural connectives are associated with pairs of logical connectives, and any given occurrence of a structural connective is translated as one or the other, according to its (antecedent or succedent) position. The following table illustrates how to translate each propositional structural connective of type FM, in the upper row, into one or the other of the logical connectives corresponding to it on the lower row: the one on the left-hand (resp. right-hand) side, if the structural connective occurs in precedent (resp. succedent) position.

Structural symbols	<		>		;		I	
Operational symbols	$\prec$	<b>←</b>	>	$\rightarrow$	Λ	V	Т	上

Recall that, in the Boolean setting treated here, the connectives  $\prec$  and  $\succ$  are interpreted as  $A \prec B := A \land \neg B$  and  $A \succ B := \neg A \land B$ . The soundness of structural and operational rules which only involve active components of type FM has been discussed in [12] and is here therefore omitted.

The following table illustrates, with the reading indicated above, how to translate each action-type structural connective. Notice that some of the operational connectives in the table below are not included in the operational language of the dynamic calculus for PDL. However, as discussed in Section 3, the operational symbols below are the ones endowed with a semantic justification (so although the indexes are omitted, it is understood that the table below refers to no virtual adjoints). So even if they are not included in the language, they are used in the present section to facilitate the semantic interpretation of structures occurring in sequents. Notice also that the structural connectives below have a semantic interpretation only when occurring in precedent (resp. succedent) position. Hence, not every structure is going to be semantically interpretable. However, as we will see, this is enough for checking the soundness of the rules.

Structural symbols	$\mathbf{T}$		Ø		$\supset$				
Operational symbols	1			U	<b>&gt;</b> −				
Structural symbols	Φ		;		>		<		
Operational symbols	1		;		$\rightarrow$			<b>←</b>	
Structural symbols	,	?		i	(⋅)⊕		(⋅)⊖		
Operational symbols	2		i		(·) <sup>+</sup>			( )-	

The interpretation of the connectives above corresponds to the standard one discussed in Sections 2 and 3. Below, a and b are operational terms of type Act or TAct,  $\alpha$ ,  $\delta$  and A are operational terms of type Act, TAct and Fm respectively, and the indexes are omitted.

$$\begin{aligned}
& [a \cup b]_{v} = \{(z, z') \in W \times W \mid (z, z') \in [a]_{v} \text{ or } (z, z') \in [b]_{v}\} \\
& [a ; b]_{v} = \{(z, z') \in W \times W \mid \exists w . (z, w) \in [a]_{v} \& (w, z') \in [b]_{v}\} \\
& [[1]_{v} = \{(z, z') \in W \times W \mid (z, z') \neq (z, z')\} = \emptyset \\
& [[1]_{v} = \{(z, z) \in W \times W \mid z \in W\} \\
& [A?]_{v} = \{(z, z) \in W \times W \mid z \in [A]_{v}\} \\
& [ai]_{v} = \{z \in W \mid (z, z) \in [a]_{v}\} \\
& [ai]_{v} = \{z \in W \mid (z, z) \in [a]_{v}\} \\
& [a^{+}]_{v} = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} [a]_{v}^{n} \\
& [a^{+}]_{v} = [\delta]_{v} \\
& [a \rightarrow b]_{v} = \{(z, z') \in W \times W \mid \forall w . ((w, z) \in [a]_{v} \Rightarrow (w, z') \in [b]_{v})\} \\
& [a \leftarrow b]_{v} = \{(z, z') \in W \times W \mid \forall w . ((z', w) \in [b]_{v} \Rightarrow (z, w) \in [a]_{v})\} \\
& [a \supset -b]_{v} = \{(z, z') \in W \times W \mid (z, z') \in [b]_{v} \& (z, z') \notin [a]_{v}\} = [b \subset a]_{v}
\end{aligned}$$

Given this standard interpretation, the verification of the soundness of the pureaction rules is straightforward, and is omitted.

As to the heterogeneous connectives, their translation into the corresponding operational connectives is indicated in the table below, to be understood similarly to the one above, where the index i ranges over  $\{0, 1\}$ .

Structural symbols	$\triangle_i$		$\blacktriangle_i$		$\triangleright_i$		$ ightharpoonup_i$		$\triangleleft_1$		$\blacktriangleleft_1$	
Operational symbols	$\Delta_i$		$\blacktriangle_i$			$\rightarrow \triangleright_i$		<b>→</b> <sub>i</sub>		$\triangleleft_1$		<b>◄</b> 1

The interpretation of the heterogeneous connectives involving formulas and actions corresponds to that of the well known forward and backward modalities discussed in Section 3 (below on the right-hand side we recall the notation in the

standard language of PDL with adjoint modalities):

$$\llbracket \alpha \vartriangle_1 A \rrbracket = \{ z \in W \mid \exists z' . z R_{\alpha} z' \& z' \in \llbracket A \rrbracket \}$$
 
$$\langle \alpha \rangle A$$

$$\llbracket \alpha \blacktriangle_1 A \rrbracket = \{ z \in W \mid \exists z . z' R_{\alpha} z \& z' \in \llbracket A \rrbracket \}$$
 
$$\widehat{\alpha} A$$

$$\llbracket \alpha \rightarrow_1 A \rrbracket = \{ z \in W \mid \forall z' . z R_{\alpha} z' \Rightarrow z' \in \llbracket A \rrbracket \} \qquad [\alpha] A$$

$$\llbracket \alpha \to_1 A \rrbracket = \{ z \in W \mid \forall z \, . \, z' R_\alpha \, z \Rightarrow z' \in \llbracket A \rrbracket \}$$
  $\overline{\alpha} A$ 

The connectives  $\Delta_0$ ,  $\rightarrow_0$ ,  $\Delta_0$ ,  $\rightarrow_0$ , involving formulas and transitive actions, are interpreted in the same way, replacing the relation  $R_\alpha$  with the appropriate transitive relations  $R_\delta$ . Finally, the following syntactic adjoints can be given an interpretation as follows:

$$[\![B \lhd_1 A]\!]_v = \{(z, z') \in W \times W \mid z \in [\![A]\!]_v \implies z' \in [\![B]\!]_v\}$$
$$[\![B \blacktriangleleft_1 A]\!]_v = \{(z, z') \in W \times W \mid z' \in [\![A]\!]_v \implies z \in [\![B]\!]_v\}$$

It can also be readily verified that the translation of Section 3 preserves the semantic interpretation, that is,  $[\![A]\!]_M = [\![A']\!]_{N_M}$  for every Kripke model M and any PDL-formula A, where A' denotes the translation of A in the language of the dynamic calculus.

The soundness of all operational rules for heterogeneous connectives immediately follows from the fact that their semantic counterparts as defined above are monotone or antitone in each coordinate.

The soundness of the cut-rules follows from the transitivity of the inclusion relation in the domain of interpretation of each type.

The display rules  $(\Delta_i, \rightarrow_i)$  and  $(\blacktriangle_i, \rightarrow_i)$  for  $0 \le i \le 1$ , and  $(\Delta_1, \blacktriangleleft_1)$  and  $(\blacktriangle_1, \blacktriangleleft_1)$  are sound as the semantics of the triangle and arrow connectives form adjoint pairs.

On the other hand, in the display rules  $(\Delta_0, \blacktriangleleft_0)$  and  $(\blacktriangle_0, \blacktriangleleft_0)$ , the arrow-connectives are what we call *virtual adjoints* (cf. Section 3), that is, they do not have a semantic interpretation. In the next section, we will discuss a proof method to show that their presence in the calculus is safe.<sup>6</sup> Soundness of necessitation, conjugation, Fischer Servi, and monotonicity rules is straightforward and proved as in [12, Section 6.2]. In the remainder of the section, we discuss the soundness of the fixed point and omega-rules. As to the soundness of  $FP\Delta$ , fix a model N = (W, v), assume that the structures X, Y and  $\Pi$  have been assigned interpretations, denoted (abusing notation)  $[\![X]\!]_v$ ,  $[\![Y]\!]_v \subseteq W$  and  $R = [\![\Pi]\!]_v \subseteq W \times W$ , and that the premises of  $FP\Delta$  are satisfied, that is:

$$R^{-1}[[X]]_v \subseteq [Y]_v$$
 and  $(R \circ R^+)^{-1}[[X]]_v \subseteq [Y]_v$ .

We need to show that  $(R^+)^{-1}[\llbracket X \rrbracket_v] \subseteq \llbracket Y \rrbracket_v$ . By definition,  $R^+ = \bigcup_{n \ge 1} R^n$ , where  $R^1 = R$ , and  $R^{n+1} = R \circ R^n$ . Hence,  $(R^+)^{-1}[\llbracket X \rrbracket_v] = \bigcup_{n \ge 1} (R^n)^{-1}[\llbracket X \rrbracket_v]$ . Therefore it is enough to show that, for every  $n \ge 1$ ,

$$(R^n)^{-1}[[X]]_{v}] \subseteq [[Y]]_{v}.$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>At the moment, this is still a conjecture.

This is shown by induction on n. Both the base and the induction cases follow by the assumptions. The soundness of the remaining FP-rules is shown similarly, and is omitted.

As to the soundness of the rule  $\omega \triangle$ , fix N, let  $[\![X]\!]_v$ ,  $[\![Y]\!]_v$  and  $R = [\![\Pi]\!]_v$  as above. The assumption that the premises of  $\omega \triangle$  are all satisfied boil down to the inclusion  $(R^n)^{-1}[\![X]\!]_v] \subseteq [\![Y]\!]_v$  holding for every  $n \ge 1$ . Hence,

$$(R^+)^{-1}[[\![X]\!]_v] = \bigcup_{n>1} (R^n)^{-1}[[\![X]\!]_v] \subseteq [\![Y]\!]_v,$$

as required. The soundness of the remaining  $\omega$ -rules is shown similarly, and is omitted.

# 5 Completeness

In the present section, we discuss the completeness of the Dynamic Calculus for PDL w.r.t. the semantics of Section 4. We show that the translation (cf. Section 3) of each of the PDL axioms is derivable in the Dynamic Calculus. Unlike what we did in [10], here we need to consider all possible version of the axioms arising from the disambiguation procedure. Our completeness proof is indirect, and relies on the fact that PDL is complete w.r.t. the standard Kripke semantics, and that the translation preserves the semantic interpretation on the standard models (as discussed in Section 4).

In the present section, we restrict our attention to deriving the box-versions of the fix point and induction axioms for PDL. The derivations of the remaining box-axioms for PDL are collected in Appendix 9.3. The diamond-axioms can be also derived without appealing to the classical box/diamond interdefinability. These derivations follow a similar pattern to the ones given below and in Appendix 9.3; the details are omitted.

**Box-Fix point** +  $(\alpha \rightarrow A) \land (\alpha \rightarrow (\alpha^+ \rightarrow A)) + \alpha^+ \rightarrow A$ 

**Box-Induction** +  $(\alpha \rightarrow A) \land (\alpha^+ \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A))) \vdash \alpha^+ \rightarrow A$ 

The following (incomplete) derivation takes us to the point in which the infinitary rule  $\omega \triangleleft$  is applied:

$$\frac{\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \pi_{n} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha^{(\mathbf{n})} \blacktriangle (\alpha \rightarrow A, \alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A))) \vdash A \end{array} | n \geq 1\right)}{\alpha^{\oplus} \blacktriangle (\alpha \rightarrow A, \alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A))) \vdash A}$$

$$\frac{\alpha^{\oplus} \blacktriangle (\alpha \rightarrow A, \alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A))) \vdash A}{\alpha^{\oplus} \vdash A \stackrel{\frown}{\frown} (\alpha \rightarrow A, \alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A)))}$$

$$\frac{\alpha^{+} \vdash A \stackrel{\frown}{\frown} (\alpha \rightarrow A, \alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A)))}{\alpha^{+} \blacktriangleright A (\alpha \rightarrow A, \alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A))) \vdash A}$$

$$\frac{\alpha^{+} \blacktriangle (\alpha \rightarrow A, \alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A))) \vdash \alpha^{+} \triangleright A}{(\alpha \rightarrow A) \land (\alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A))) \vdash \alpha^{+} \triangleright A}$$

$$\frac{(\alpha \rightarrow A) \land (\alpha^{+} \rightarrow (A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A))) \vdash \alpha^{+} \rightarrow A}{[\alpha]A \land [\alpha^{+}](A \rightarrow [\alpha]A) \vdash [\alpha^{+}]A}$$
notation

To complete the proof we are reduced to showing that each premise of the application of the  $\omega \blacktriangle$  rule is derivable, that is:

*Proposition* 5.1. The following sequent is derivable for any  $n \ge 1$ :

In what follows, the abbreviations below will be useful:

- let  $\alpha^{(\odot \mathbf{n})}(-)$  abbreviate  $\underbrace{\alpha\odot(\alpha\odot\ldots(\alpha\odot(-))\ldots)}_n$ , for  $\odot\in\{\triangle, \blacktriangle, \triangleright, \blacktriangleright\}$ ;
- let  $\alpha^{(\cdot n)}(-)$  abbreviate  $\underbrace{\alpha \cdot (\alpha \cdot \ldots (\alpha \cdot (-)) \ldots)}_{n}$ , for  $\cdot \in \{ \triangle, \blacktriangle, \rightarrow \rangle, \rightarrow \};$

**Lemma 5.2.** Let  $B = A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A)$ . The following sequent is derivable for each  $n \geqslant 1$ :

$$\alpha^{(-\triangleright n)}(A), \alpha^{(-\triangleright n)}(B) \vdash \alpha^{(\triangleright n+1)}(A).$$

*Proof.* The statement is proved by the following schematic derivation.

$$n-1 \text{ appl's of} \rightarrow_{L} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha} \frac{A \vdash A}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha \triangleright A}$$

$$n \text{ appl's of} \triangleright_{L} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash \alpha \triangleright A}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha \triangleright A}$$

$$n \text{ appl's of} \triangleright_{L} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash A}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha \triangleright A}$$

$$n \text{ appl's of} \rightarrow_{L} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha} \frac{A \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash \alpha \triangleright A}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha \vdash \wedge A}$$

$$n \text{ appl's of} \triangleright_{L} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{A \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash \alpha \vdash \wedge A}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha \vdash \wedge A}$$

$$n \text{ appl's of} \triangleright_{L} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{A \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash \alpha \vdash \wedge A}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha \vdash \wedge A}$$

$$n \text{ appl's of} \triangleright_{L} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{A \vdash \alpha \land A \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{A \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha \vdash \wedge A}{\alpha \vdash \wedge A \vdash \alpha} \frac{A \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{A \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{A \vdash \alpha}$$

Corollary 5.3. Let  $B = A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A)$ . The following sequent is derivable for each  $n \ge 1$ :

$$\alpha^{(-\triangleright n)}(A), \alpha^{(-\triangleright n)}(B) \vdash \alpha^{(-\triangleright n+1)}(A).$$

*Proof.* The schematic derivation in the proof of Lemma 5.2 shows in particular that a derivation for the following sequent exists:

$$\alpha^{(\blacktriangle n)}(\alpha^{(\multimap n)}(A), \alpha^{(\multimap n)}(B)) \vdash \alpha \triangleright A.$$

Then, the desired derivation can be obtained by prolonging that derivation with n alternations of  $\rightarrow R$  and  $A \triangleright$ , as follows:

$$\frac{\alpha^{( \bigwedge \mathbf{n})}(\alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(A), \alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(B)) \vdash \alpha \triangleright A}{\alpha^{( \bigwedge \mathbf{n})}(\alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(A), \alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(B)) \vdash \alpha \rightarrow A}$$

$$\frac{\alpha^{( \bigwedge \mathbf{n}-1)}(\alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(A), \alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(B)) \vdash \alpha \triangleright (\alpha \rightarrow A)}{\alpha^{( \bigwedge \mathbf{n}-1)}(\alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(A), \alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(B)) \vdash \alpha \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A)}$$

$$\frac{\alpha^{( \bigwedge \mathbf{n}-1)}(\alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(A), \alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(B)) \vdash \alpha \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A)}{\alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(A), \alpha^{( \rightarrow n)}(B) \vdash \alpha^{( \rightarrow n+1)}(A)}$$

**Lemma 5.4.** Let  $B = A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A)$ . The following sequent is derivable for each  $n \ge 1$ :

$$\alpha^{(-1>1)}(A), \alpha^{(-1>1)}(B), \ldots, \alpha^{(-1>n-1)}(B), \alpha^{(-1>n)}(B) \vdash \alpha^{(-1>n+1)}(A).$$

*Proof.* Fix  $n \ge 1$ , let  $X_{n+1}$  abbreviate  $\alpha^{(\ \triangleright\ n+1)}(A)$ , and for each  $1 \le i < n$ , let  $C_i$  and  $D_i$  abbreviate  $\alpha^{(\ \triangleright\ i)}(A)$  and  $\alpha^{(\ \rightarrow\ i)}(B)$ , respectively. By Corollary 5.3, a derivation  $\pi_i$  of  $C_i$ ,  $D_i \vdash C_{i+1}$  is available for each  $1 \le i < n$ , and by Lemma 5.2, a derivation  $\pi_n$  of  $C_n$ ,  $D_n \vdash X_{n+1}$  is also available. Then the following derivation, which essentially consists in n-1 applications of Cut, proves the statement:

**Lemma 5.5.** The following sequent is derivable for each  $n \ge 1$  and every formula C:

$$\alpha^+ \rightarrow C + \alpha^{(- \triangleright n)}(C).$$

*Proof.* For n = 1, the following derivation proves the statement:

$$\frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha^{\oplus} \vdash \alpha^{+}} \quad C \vdash C$$

$$\frac{\alpha^{+} \rightarrow C \vdash \alpha^{\oplus} \triangleright C}{\alpha^{+} \rightarrow C \vdash \alpha \triangleright C}$$

$$\frac{\alpha^{+} \rightarrow C \vdash \alpha \triangleright C}{\alpha^{+} \rightarrow C \vdash \alpha \rightarrow C}$$

For  $n \ge 2$ , the following schematic derivation proves the statement:

- (\*) n-2 alternating applications of the structural rule act > and of the display postulate for the connectives > and  $\blacktriangle$ .
- (\*\*) n-1 alternating applications of the operational rule  $\rightarrow R$  and of the display postulate for the connectives  $\triangle$  and  $\triangleright$ .

$$\alpha^{(->1)}(A), \alpha^+ \rightarrow B \vdash \alpha^{(>n)}(A).$$

*Proof.* Fix  $n \ge 1$ , let  $X_{n+1}$  abbreviate  $\alpha^{(\ \triangleright\ n+1)}(A)$ , let  $D^+$  abbreviate  $\alpha^+ \to B$ , and for each  $1 \le i \le n$ , let  $C_i$  and  $D_i$  abbreviate  $\alpha^{(\ \rightarrow\ i)}(A)$  and  $\alpha^{(\ \rightarrow\ i)}(B)$ , respectively. By Lemma 5.4, a derivation  $\pi_n$  of the sequent

$$C_1, D_1, \ldots, D_n \vdash X_{n+1}$$

is available for each  $n \ge 1$  and for  $B = A \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow A)$ .

By Lemma 5.5, for each  $1 \le i \le n$ , a derivation  $\pi'_i$  of the sequent  $\alpha^+ \to C + \alpha^{(-1)}(C)$  is available for any C, so in particular for C = B we get a derivation of

$$D^+ \vdash D_i$$

Applying Cut n-1 times, the following derivation proves the statement:

Now we can finish the proof of Proposition 5.1 as follows:

*Proof.* By Lemma 5.6, a derivation of the sequent  $\alpha^{(->1)}(A)$ ,  $\alpha^+ \rightarrow B \vdash \alpha^{(>n)}(A)$  exists; then the desired derivation is obtained by prolonging that derivation as shown below.

# 6 Cut-elimination

In the present section, we prove that the multi-type display calculus for PDL is a proper display calculus (cf. Definition 2.5). By Theorem 2.6, this is enough to establish that the calculus enjoys the cut elimination and the subformula property. Conditions  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $C_3$ ,  $C_4$ ,  $C_5$ ,  $C_5$ ,  $C_5$ ,  $C_6$ ,  $C_7$  and  $C_{10}$  are straightforwardly verified by inspecting the rules and are left to the reader. Condition  $C_2$  can be straightforwardly verified by inspection on the rules, for instance by observing that the domains and codomains of adjoints are rigidly determined.

The following proposition shows that condition C<sub>9</sub> is met:

Proposition 6.1. Any derivable sequent in the calculus for PDL is type-uniform.

*Proof.* We prove the proposition by induction on the height of the derivation. The base case is verified by inspection; indeed, the following axioms are type-uniform by definition of their constituents:

$$\pi \vdash \pi \quad p \vdash p \quad \bot \vdash I \quad I \vdash \top$$

As to the inductive step, one can verify by inspection that all the rules of the calculus preserve type-uniformity, and that the Cut rules are strongly type-uniform.

Finally, the verification steps for C'<sub>8</sub> are collected in Appendix 9.2.

# 7 The open issue of conservativity

In the present section, we expand on the difficulties encountered in the proof of conservativity for the Dynamic Calculus for PDL.

**Semantic argument.** The main avenue to prove the conservativity of a display calculus w.r.t. the original logic that the calculus is meant to capture is semantic. Namely, if the original logic is complete w.r.t. a given semantics, then it is enough to prove that every rule is sound w.r.t. that semantics. This is not possible in the case of the Dynamic Calculus for PDL, since some display rules are not interpretable in the semantics due to the presence of virtual adjoints (cf. Section 3). This situation is analogous to that of the Dynamic Calculus for EAK.

**Syntactic elimination of virtual adjoints.** In the setting of the Dynamic Calculus for EAK, our proof was syntactical, and its pivot step was showing that any valid proof-tree the root of which is operational and of type Fm can be rewritten into a valid proof-tree involving no virtual adjoints (cf. [10, Section 7]). This process of removing virtual adjoints could take place essentially because the action-grammar of EAK was very poor. In the case of PDL, because the presence of the iteration in the grammar of actions, this fact is not true. However, the fact that virtual adjoints occur in essential ways in derivation trees of operational sequents

 $A \vdash B$  of type Fm does not imply per se that the calculus is not sound w.r.t. the original language.

**Display-Type Calculi.** Another option would be modifying the Dynamic Calculus for PDL so as to make it a display-type calculus rather than a display calculus. The modifications would require removing all the rules involving virtual adjoints and replacing the cut rules with suitable surgical cuts. However, in order to obtain a complete calculus, certain rules which are derived in the original Dynamic Calculus would also need to be added. This is the case of the following rule:

$$\frac{\alpha^{\oplus} \blacktriangle X \vdash Y}{\alpha^{+} \blacktriangle X \vdash Y}$$

Unfortunately, the rule above violates condition  $C_5$  requiring that principal constituents be displayed. Hence, cut elimination cannot be proved for the resulting calculus via Theorem 4.1 in [11].

Conservativity via translation. In [8] and [2], the conservativity issue for a display calculus for Full Intuitionistic Linear Logic (FILL) was resolved with a technique which we intend to adapt to PDL. This adaptation is still work in progress. In what follows, we report on the proof strategy adopted in [8], and discuss its possible adaptations. The main steps in the proof strategy are:

- 1. define a sound and complete display calculus for an extension of the logic with additional adjunctions. The extension considered in [8] is Bi-Intuitionistic Linear Logic (BiILL).
- 2. translate the display calculus to a shallow inference nested sequent calculus.
- 3. translate the shallow inference nested sequent calculus to a deep inference nested sequent calculus.
- 4. prove that the deep inference nested sequent calculus is sound with respect to the original logic. In the case of [3], the authors prove that the deep inference nested sequent calculus is sound with respect to FILL.

The adaptation of this technique to the setting of PDL is not straightforward. For instance, the first translation transforms logical connectives into meta-linguistic data structures such as ⊢ without losing information. The naive adaptation of this step to the setting of PDL would make us lose information. This direction is still work in progress.

# 8 Conclusions

The calculus introduced in the present chapter is an attempt at extending the methodology of display calculi to a fully-fledged PDL-type setting. Previous attempts in this direction (e.g. [25]) exclude both the Kleene star and the positive iteration. Accounting for these operations is proof-theoretically challenging, and indeed, the existing proposals in the literature, also outside the display calculus methodology, typically witness a trade-off between achieving syntactical full cut elimination at the price of having infinitary rules in the system (e.g. [20]), or dispensing with infinitary rules at the price of achieving cut elimination modulo analytic cut(s) (e.g. unpublished manuscript [16]). The present proposal aims at paying the way for escaping this trade-off. Indeed, our starting point is the basic understanding that the induction axioms/induction rules (which are the main hurdle to a smooth proof-theoretic treatment of PDL) ingeniously encode by means of formulas a piece of information which by rights pertains to actions; namely, they encode the relation between an action and its (reflexive and) transitive closure. This encoding is done either by resorting to infinitary axioms/rules, or by introducing some forms of 'loops' (i.e. formulas appearing both in the antecedent and in the consequent of an implication). Each of these two ways gives rise to issues which hinder a smooth proof-theoretic treatment of PDL. Taken together, these two alternatives are at the basis of the trade-off we wish to escape. Our idea for a solution (which needs to be perfected) involves introducing enough expressivity in the language so that formulas are not to be relied upon anymore to encode a piece of information which strictly speaking pertains purely to actions, and neither pertains to formulas, nor to the interaction between formulas and actions.

In particular, we aim at describing the proof-theoretic behaviour of the positive iteration operation + in terms of the order-theoretic behaviour of the transitive closure. Namely, we make use of the well known fact that the map associating each binary relation on a given set W to its transitive closure can be characterized order-theoretically as the left adjoint of the inclusion map sending the transitive relations on W into  $\mathcal{P}(W \times W)$ . The introduction of two different types of actions is then motivated by the need to properly express this adjunction. Thus, we expand the language, both at the structural and at the operational level, with the following pair of adjoint maps:

$$(\cdot)^+: \mathsf{Act} \to \mathsf{TAct} \qquad (\cdot)^-: \mathsf{TAct} \to \mathsf{Act}.$$

The adjunction relation  $(\cdot)^+ + (\cdot)^-$  is not enough to capture the informational content of the transitive closure. The missing pieces are: (1) the map  $(\cdot)^-$  being an order-embedding; (2) the fact that the TAct-type elements are transitive, i.e.  $\delta$ ;  $\delta \vdash \delta$  for each  $\delta \in$  TAct. Neither piece of information is captured at the operational level. Indeed, we can only prove

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c}
\delta \vdash \delta \\
\hline
\delta^- \vdash \delta^\ominus \\
\hline
\delta^{-\oplus} \vdash \delta
\end{array}}{\delta^{-+} \vdash \delta}$$

Hence, we had to resort to the omega-induction rules (which, besides being infinitary, take the form of interaction rules between formula-type and action-type

terms) to encode the transitive closure and derive the induction axioms. We conjecture that being able to express transitive closure at the structural level is key to dispensing with the infinitary rules, which is our next goal for future developments in this line research.

Finally, it is perhaps worth stressing that considerations such as the ones just made above can be made in a meaningful way only in the context of a multitype environment in which actions and formulas enjoy equal standing as first-class citizens. Thus, the multi-type approach can also function as a 'conceptual tool', by means of which technical difficulties such as the ones mentioned above can be explained in terms of problems of *expressivity*. In their turn, properties and considerations involving different degrees of expressivity can then be sharpened and made precise.

# 9 Appendix

# 9.1 The Calculus for the Propositional Base of PDL

#### **Propositions Structural Rules**

$$I_{L}^{1} \frac{X \vdash Y}{I \vdash Y < X} \qquad \frac{X \vdash Y}{X < Y \vdash I} I_{R}^{1} \qquad \qquad I_{L}^{2} \frac{X \vdash Y}{I \vdash X > Y} \qquad \frac{X \vdash Y}{Y > X \vdash I} I_{R}^{2}$$

$$W_{L}^{1} \frac{X \vdash Z}{Y \vdash Z < X} \qquad \frac{X \vdash Z}{X < Z \vdash Y} W_{R}^{1} \qquad \qquad W_{L}^{2} \frac{X \vdash Z}{Y \vdash X > Z} \qquad \frac{X \vdash Z}{Z > X \vdash Y} W_{R}^{2}$$

$$C_{L} \frac{X, X \vdash Y}{X \vdash Y} \qquad \frac{Y \vdash X, X}{Y \vdash X} C_{R} \qquad \qquad A_{L} \frac{X, (Y, Z) \vdash W}{(X, Y), Z \vdash W} \qquad \frac{W \vdash (Z, Y), X}{W \vdash Z, (Y, X)} A_{R}$$

$$E_{L} \frac{Y, X \vdash Z}{X, Y \vdash Z} \qquad \frac{Z \vdash X, Y}{Z \vdash Y, X} E_{R} \qquad Gri_{L} \frac{X > (Y; Z) \vdash W}{(X > Y); Z \vdash W} \qquad \frac{W \vdash X > (Y; Z)}{W \vdash (X > Y); Z} Gri_{R}$$

The last rules in the table above,  $Gri_L$  and  $Gri_R$ , are known as Grishin's rules: here they are useful to force the classical behaviour of our propositional base (if we remove Gri, we will obtain a weaker logic cfr. [14]).

#### **Propositions Display Postulates**

$$\frac{X,Y \vdash Z}{Y \vdash X > Z} \qquad \frac{Z \vdash X,Y}{X > Z \vdash Y}$$

$$\frac{X,Y \vdash Z}{X \vdash Z < Y} \qquad \frac{Z \vdash X,Y}{Z < Y \vdash X}$$

Below we list the rules for the operational connective (note that the latest three connectives with the name of the rule in brackets are those which do not belong to the language of the axioms that we have implicitly chosen).

#### **Propositions Operational Rules**

$$(\leftarrow_{L}) \frac{B \vdash Y \qquad X \vdash A}{B \leftarrow A \vdash Y < X} \qquad \frac{Z \vdash B < A}{Z \vdash B \leftarrow A} (\leftarrow_{R})$$

$$(\succ_{L}) \frac{A \gt B \vdash Z}{A \gt B \vdash Z} \qquad \frac{A \vdash X \qquad Y \vdash B}{X \gt Y \vdash A \gt B} (\gt_{R})$$

$$(\prec_{L}) \frac{B < A \vdash X}{B \multimap A \vdash X} \qquad \frac{Y \vdash B}{Y < X \vdash B \multimap A} (\prec_{R})$$

# 9.2 Cut Elimination for PDL, Principal Stage

In the present subsection, we report on the verification of condition C'<sub>8</sub> of the definition of quasi-proper multi-type display calculi (cf. Section 2.3).

Let us recall that C'<sub>8</sub> only concerns applications of the cut rules in which both occurrences of the given cut-term are *non parametric*. Notice that non parametric occurrences of atomic terms of type Fm involve an axiom on at least one premise, thus we are reduced to the following cases (the case of the constant  $\bot$  is symmetric to the case of  $\top$  and is omitted):

Notice that non parametric occurrences of any given (atomic) operational term  $\pi$  of type Act are confined to axioms  $\pi \vdash \pi$ , so the proofs are analogous to the previous case of operational term p of type Fm and they are omitted. In each of these cases, the cut in the original derivation is strongly-uniform by assumption, and is eliminated by the transformation. As to cuts on non atomic terms, let us now restrict our attention to those cut-terms the main connective of which is  $\Delta_i$ ,  $A_i$ ,  $P_i$ ,  $P_i$  for  $0 \le i \le 1$ . Here below we show the proofs only for the white heterogeneous connectives: the proofs for the black heterogeneous connectives are exactly the same modulo a uniform substitution of each white connective by the same black connective (both at the operational and structural level).

In each of these cases, the cut in the original derivation is strongly-uniform by assumption, and after the transformation, cuts of lower complexity are introduced which can be easily verified to be strongly-uniform for each  $0 \le i \le 1$ .

Finally, let us consider the unary modalities test  $?_i$  for  $0 \le i \le 1$ , positive iteration + and its left adjoint –.

In each case above, the cut in the original derivation is strongly-uniform by assumption, and after the transformation, cuts of lower complexity are introduced which can be easily verified to be strongly-uniform for each  $0 \le i \le 1$  in the first proof and also for the remaining two proofs.

The remaining operational connectives are straightforward and left to the reader.

### 9.3 Completeness for PDL

$$\mathbf{K} \quad \alpha \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B) \vdash (\alpha \rightarrow A) \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow B)$$

$$W, \frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \quad A \vdash A}{\alpha \Rightarrow A \vdash \alpha \triangleright A}$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A \Rightarrow B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$$

$$C. \frac{\alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)), \alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \vdash B}{\alpha \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)), (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B))) \vdash B}$$

$$(\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)), (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \Rightarrow A, \alpha \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

**Box-Choice**  $(\alpha \cup \beta) \rightarrow A + (\alpha \rightarrow A) \land (\beta \rightarrow A)$ 

$$\frac{\frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha}{\alpha \vdash \alpha \ \ \beta} \lor \emptyset}{\frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \cup \beta}{\alpha \vdash \alpha \cup \beta}} \lor \emptyset \lor \frac{\frac{\beta \vdash \beta}{\beta \vdash \alpha \ \ \beta} \lor \emptyset}{\frac{\beta \vdash \alpha \cup \beta}{\beta \vdash \alpha \cup \beta}} \lor \emptyset \lor \frac{A \vdash A}{A \vdash A}$$

$$\frac{(\alpha \cup \beta) \to A \vdash \alpha \supset A}{(\alpha \cup \beta) \to A \vdash \alpha \to A} \cdot \frac{(\alpha \cup \beta) \to A \vdash \beta \supset A}{(\alpha \cup \beta) \to A \vdash \beta \to A}$$

$$C, \frac{(\alpha \cup \beta) \to A, (\alpha \cup \beta) \to A \vdash (\alpha \to A) \land (\beta \to A)}{(\alpha \cup \beta) \to A \vdash (\alpha \to A) \land (\beta \to A)}$$

$$\frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \qquad A \vdash A}{\alpha \Rightarrow A \vdash \alpha \triangleright A} \qquad \frac{\beta \vdash \beta \qquad A \vdash A}{\beta \Rightarrow A \vdash \beta \triangleright A}$$

$$\frac{\alpha \blacktriangle \alpha \Rightarrow A \vdash A}{\alpha \clubsuit \alpha \Rightarrow A \vdash A} \qquad \frac{\beta \vdash \beta \qquad A \vdash A}{\beta \Rightarrow A \vdash \beta \triangleright A}$$

$$\frac{\alpha \vdash A \triangleleft \alpha \Rightarrow A}{\alpha \lor \beta \vdash (A \triangleleft \alpha \Rightarrow A) \land (A \triangleleft \beta \Rightarrow A)} \qquad choice \triangleleft$$

$$\frac{\alpha \cup \beta \vdash (A \triangleleft \alpha \Rightarrow A) \land (A \triangleleft \beta \Rightarrow A)}{\alpha \cup \beta \vdash A \triangleleft (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \beta \Rightarrow A)} \qquad choice \triangleleft$$

$$\frac{\alpha \cup \beta \blacktriangle (\alpha \Rightarrow A, \beta \Rightarrow A) \vdash A}{(\alpha \Rightarrow A) \land (\beta \Rightarrow A) \vdash \alpha \cup \beta \triangleright A}$$

$$\frac{(\alpha \Rightarrow A) \land (\beta \Rightarrow A) \vdash (\alpha \cup \beta) \Rightarrow A}{(\alpha \Rightarrow A) \land (\beta \Rightarrow A) \vdash (\alpha \cup \beta) \Rightarrow A}$$

#### **Box-Composition** $(\alpha; \beta) \rightarrow A + \alpha \rightarrow (\beta \rightarrow A)$

$$\frac{\alpha \vdash \alpha \qquad \beta \vdash \beta \qquad A \vdash A}{\alpha ; \beta \vdash \alpha ; \beta \qquad A \vdash A} \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \qquad \beta \vdash \beta \qquad A \vdash A \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \qquad \beta \vdash \beta \qquad A \vdash A \qquad \alpha \vdash \beta \vdash A \qquad \beta$$

Box-Test 
$$A? \rightarrow B + A \rightarrow B$$

$$\frac{A + A \qquad B + B}{A \rightarrow B + A > B} ? \triangleright$$

$$A? \blacktriangle A \rightarrow B + B$$

$$A? + B \triangleleft A \rightarrow B$$

$$A? \rightarrow B + A? \triangleright B$$

$$A? \rightarrow B + A \rightarrow B$$

$$A? \rightarrow B + A? \triangleright B$$

$$A? \rightarrow B + A \rightarrow B$$

# **Box-Distributivity** $\alpha \Rightarrow (A \land B) + \alpha \Rightarrow A \land \alpha \Rightarrow B$

$$C, \frac{W, \frac{A \vdash A}{A \land B \vdash A}}{(A \land B) \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A} \qquad W, \frac{B \vdash B}{A \land B \vdash B}$$

$$\alpha \vdash \alpha \qquad A \land B \vdash A \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \qquad A \land B \vdash B$$

$$\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \qquad A \land B \vdash B$$

$$\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

$$\alpha \vdash \alpha \land A \land B \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A \qquad \alpha \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow A \land \alpha \Rightarrow B$$

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