# Call-by-Name and Call-by-Value in Normal Modal Logic

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**Abstract.** This paper provides a call-by-name and a call-by-value calculus, both of which have a Curry-Howard correspondence to the minimal normal logic  $\mathbf{K}$ . The calculi are extensions of the  $\lambda\mu$ -calculi, and their semantics are given by CPS transformations into a calculus corresponding to the intuitionistic fragment of  $\mathbf{K}$ . The duality between call-by-name and call-by-value with modalities is investigated in our calculi.

### 1 Introduction

Modal logics have a long history since logics with strict implications, and are now widely accepted both theoretically and practically. Especially, studies of modal logics by Kripke semantics [18] are quite active and a large number of results exist, for example, [7] is a textbook about such studies. Since Kripke semantics concern only provability, equality on proofs is less studied on modal logics compared with traditional logics.

It is well-known that the intuitionistic propositional logic exactly corresponds to the simply typed  $\lambda$ -calculus: formulae as types and proofs as terms. Such a correspondence is called a Curry-Howard correspondence after Howard's work [15]. A Curry-Howard correspondence enables us to study equality on proofs computationally. Though the correspondence can be extended to higher-order and predicate logics as shown in [3], we investigate only propositional logics in this paper. The aim of this study is to give a proper calculus that have a Curry-Howard correspondence to the modal logic  ${\bf K}$ . Through a Curry-Howard correspondence, any type system can be regarded as a logic by forgetting terms. In this sense, modal logics are contributing to practical studies for programming languages, e.g., staged computations [8] and information flow analysis [23]. Since  ${\bf K}$  is known as a minimal modal logic, this paper focuses on  ${\bf K}$  rather than  ${\bf S4}$ .

Before defining a calculus for  $\mathbf{K}$ , we consider the intuitionistic fragment of  $\mathbf{K}$ , which is called  $\mathbf{I}\mathbf{K}$  in this paper. In Section 2, the calculus for  $\mathbf{I}\mathbf{K}$  is defined as a refinement of Bellin *et al.*'s calculus [4] rather than Martini and Masini's[22]. Our calculus is sound and complete for the categorical semantics given in [4]. The study [19] about simply typed  $\lambda$ -calculus and cartesian closed categories is a typical study of categorical semantics. Categorical semantics of modal logics are studied by Bierman and de Paiva, and Bellin *et al.* in [6] and [4]. Their semantics are based on studies about semantics of linear logics (*e.g.*, [29] and [5]) since the exponential of the linear logic [12] is a kind of  $\mathbf{S4}$  modality.

A Curry-Howard correspondence between the classical propositional logic and the  $\lambda$ -calculus with continuations was provided in [13] by Griffin. Parigot has proposed the  $\lambda\mu$ -calculus as a calculus for the classical logic in [26]. Now, kinds of  $\lambda\mu$ -calculi exist and some of them are defined by CPS transformations. A CPS transformation was originally introduced in [11], and the relation between call-by-value and CPS semantics was first studied by Plotkin in [27]. De Groote defines a CPS transformation on a call-by-name  $\lambda\mu$ -calculus in [9], but in this paper, we adopt Selinger's CPS transformation [30], which is an extension of Hofmann and Streicher's [14]. In Section 3, we provide a call-by-name  $\lambda\mu$ -calculus with a box modality, which has a Curry-Howard correspondence to  $\mathbf{K}$ , by the CPS semantics into the calculus for  $\mathbf{IK}$  defined in Section 2. A call-by-value  $\lambda\mu$ -calculus is provided in [25] by Ong and Stewart. We define a call-by-value calculus for  $\mathbf{K}$  also as an extension of Selinger's call-by-value  $\lambda\mu$ -calculus [30] via the CPS transformation in Section 4.

The duality between call-by-name and call-by-value is an important property of the classical logic. The duality on a programming language with first-class continuations was first formalized by Filinski in [10]. It has been formalized on the  $\lambda\mu$ -calculi in [30] by Selinger, and reformulated as sequent calculi in [34] by Wadler. In [16], the duality is developed with recursion by the author. In Section 5, we study such duality on the classical modal logic K.

In addition, we investigate the logic **S4** with the CPS semantics. It is shown in Section 6 that a diamond modality is a monad in call-by-name **S4**.

#### Notations

We introduce notations specific to this paper.

- The symbol " $\equiv$ " denotes the  $\alpha$ -equivalence.
- We may omit superscripted and subscripted types if they are trivial.
- A notation " $\overrightarrow{M}$ " is used for a sequence of meta-variables " $M_1, \ldots, M_n$ ". Hence, an expression " $\overrightarrow{M}, \overrightarrow{N}$ " stands for the concatenation of  $\overrightarrow{M}$  and  $\overrightarrow{N}$ .
- For a unary operator  $\Phi(-)$ , we write " $\Phi(\overrightarrow{M})$ " for " $\Phi(M_1), \ldots, \Phi(M_n)$ ".
- We write " $\overrightarrow{N}(\theta \overrightarrow{x}.M)$ " for " $N_1(\theta x_1...N_n(\theta x_n.M)...$ " and " $[\overrightarrow{a}](\theta \overrightarrow{x}.M)$ " for " $[a_1](\theta x_1...[a_n](\theta x_n.M)...$ ", where  $\theta$  is  $\lambda$  or  $\mu$ .
- We write " $\neg \tau$ " for " $\tau \to \bot$ ".

## 2 Calculus for Intuitionistic Normal Modal Logic

In this section, we study the intuitionistic modal logic **IK**. Intuitionism of a diamond modality is not trivial, for example, [33] gives an account of it, but this section focuses on the box fragment of **IK**. We call also this fragment itself **IK** in this paper. A diamond modality is investigated in a classical logic after the next section.

It is well-known that the  $\lambda$ -calculus with conjunctions and disjunctions exactly corresponds to the intuitionistic propositional logic. Therefore, we extend