

Analytic calculi for logics of indicative conditionals

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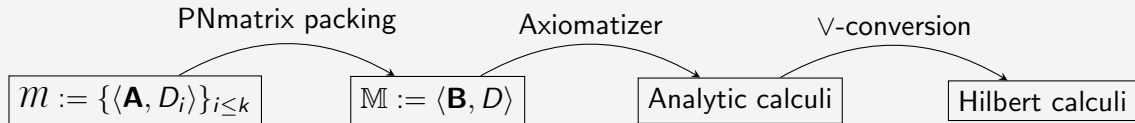
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- Briefly present these logics and their main formal/algebraic aspects.
- Illustrate and advertise our axiomatization methods for the study of many-valued logics:



(Some conditions have to be met at each step.)

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These logics were introduced decades ago, and recently we started a systematic exploration of their formal/algebraic properties:

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In general, axiomatizability via algebra for such logics can be quite challenging, and the resulting systems are not analytic.

Here, we axiomatize all these logics by [analytic multiple-conclusion](#) and traditional [Hilbert calculi](#), following a uniform and modular approach.

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Notes

- A matrix is a (total deterministic) PNmatrix.
- For a PNmatrix \mathbb{M} , $\Phi \vdash_{\mathbb{M}} \varphi$ iff $\Phi \triangleright_{\mathbb{M}} \{\varphi\}$.
- $\triangleright_{\{\mathbb{M}_i\}_i} := \bigcap_i \triangleright_{\mathbb{M}_i}$.
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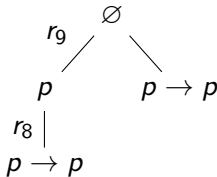
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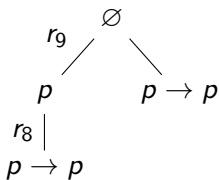
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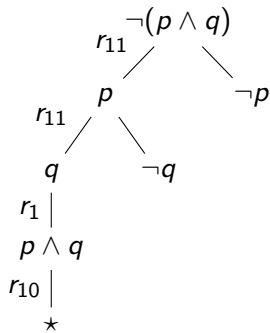
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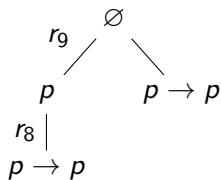
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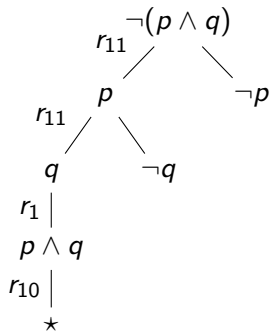
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R_{CL} is analytic and induces a decision procedure

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A **discriminator** for \mathbb{M} is a family $\{(\mathcal{D}_+^x, \mathcal{D}_-^x)\}_{x \in A}$ such that:

- $\mathcal{D}_+^x \cup \mathcal{D}_-^x$ isolates x
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We call \mathbb{M} **monadic** when there is a discriminator for it.

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- good to axiomatize fragments and expansions.

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If \vdash_{\triangleright} has a disjunction or an implication, then a m.c. axiomatization for \triangleright is convertible to a s.c. axiomatization for \vdash_{\triangleright} , preserving finiteness.

Fact

All of the considered logics of indicative conditionals have a disjunction.

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Logic: \neg -fragment

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This calculus is $\{p, \neg p\}$ -analytic.

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All the mentioned algebras of indicative conditionals are ordered (some of them have more than one definable ordering). How to axiomatize them?

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