

Adventures in Lambek Calculus

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Introduction: Algebra of Formal Languages

- ▶ Let Σ be a finite alphabet.
- ▶ By Σ^+ we denote the set of all non-empty words over Σ .
- ▶ $\mathcal{P}(\Sigma^+)$ is the set of all formal languages over Σ without the empty word.
- ▶ We introduce the following algebraic operations on $\mathcal{P}(\Sigma^+)$:

$$A \cdot B = \{uv \mid u \in A, v \in B\}$$

$$A \setminus B = \{u \in \Sigma^+ \mid (\forall v \in A) vu \in B\}$$

$$B / A = \{u \in \Sigma^+ \mid (\forall v \in A) uv \in B\}$$

$$A \vee B = A \cup B; \quad A \wedge B = A \cap B$$

- ▶ The most interesting operations are two divisions, \setminus and $/$. They are connected to product in the following way:

$$B \subseteq A \setminus C \iff A \cdot B \subseteq C \iff A \subseteq C / B$$

Relational Algebras

- ▶ Another class of algebraic structures we are going to keep in mind is formed by the *algebras of binary relations*.
- ▶ Let W be a non-empty set. Fix a transitive binary relation $U \subseteq W \times W$, which we shall call the “universal” one.
- ▶ We take $\mathcal{P}(U)$, the set of all subrelations of U , and introduce algebraic operations in the same signature as on $\mathcal{P}(\Sigma^+)$:

$$R \cdot S = R \circ S$$

$$R \setminus S = \{\langle y, z \rangle \in U \mid (\forall \langle x, y \rangle \in R) \langle x, z \rangle \in S\}$$

$$S / R = \{\langle x, y \rangle \in U \mid (\forall \langle y, z \rangle \in R) \langle x, z \rangle \in S\}$$

$$R \vee S = R \cup S; \quad R \wedge S = R \cap S$$

- ▶ Again,

$$S \subseteq R \setminus T \iff R \cdot S \subseteq T \iff R \subseteq T / S$$

Residuated Lattices

- ▶ Both algebras of languages and relational algebras are special kinds of a more general class of algebraic structures, *residuated lattices*.
- ▶ A residuated lattice is a tuple $\mathfrak{A} = (\mathcal{A}, \preceq, \cdot, \backslash, /, \vee, \wedge)$, where:
 - ▶ \preceq is a partial order which forms a lattice, \vee and \wedge are lattice join and meet;
 - ▶ (\mathcal{A}, \cdot) is a semigroup;
 - ▶ $b \preceq a \backslash c \iff a \cdot b \preceq c \iff a \preceq c / b$, for any $a, b, c \in \mathcal{A}$.
- ▶ Residuated lattices give algebraic semantics to substructural logics, like, for example, Heyting algebras do for intuitionism.
N. Galatos, P. Jipsen, T. Kowalski, H. Ono. Residuated Lattices: An Algebraic Glimpse at Substructural Logics. Springer, 2007.
- ▶ The logic of residuated lattices is the multiplicative-additive Lambek calculus.

Multiplicative-Additive Lambek Calculus (MALC)

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \overline{A \vdash A} \text{ Id} \\
 \\
 \frac{\Pi \vdash A \quad \Gamma, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, \Pi, A \setminus B, \Delta \vdash C} L \setminus \quad \frac{A, \Pi \vdash B}{\Pi \vdash A \setminus B} R \setminus \quad (\Pi \text{ is not empty}) \\
 \\
 \frac{\Pi \vdash A \quad \Gamma, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, B / A, \Pi, \Delta \vdash C} L / \quad \frac{\Pi, A \vdash B}{\Pi \vdash B / A} R / \quad (\Pi \text{ is not empty}) \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \cdot B, \Delta \vdash C} L \cdot \quad \frac{\Pi_1 \vdash A \quad \Pi_2 \vdash B}{\Pi_1, \Pi_2 \vdash A \cdot B} R \cdot \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A, \Delta \vdash C \quad \Gamma, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \vee B, \Delta \vdash C} L \vee \quad \frac{\Pi \vdash A}{\Pi \vdash A \vee B} \quad \frac{\Pi \vdash B}{\Pi \vdash A \vee B} R \vee \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \wedge B, \Delta \vdash C} \quad \frac{\Gamma, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \wedge B, \Delta \vdash C} L \wedge \quad \frac{\Pi \vdash A \quad \Pi \vdash B}{\Pi \vdash A \wedge B} R \wedge
 \end{array}$$

Multiplicative-Additive Lambek Calculus (MALC)

- ▶ The cut rule of the following form:

$$\frac{\Pi \vdash A \quad \Gamma, A, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, \Pi, \Delta \vdash C} \text{Cut}$$

is admissible in MALC.

- ▶ As said above, algebraic models of MALC are *residuated lattices*: variables and formulae are interpreted as elements of \mathcal{A} , and a sequent $A_1, \dots, A_n \vdash B$ is interpreted as $A_1 \cdot \dots \cdot A_n \preceq B$.
- ▶ Models on algebras of formal languages and models on relational algebras are called *L-models* and *R-models* respectively.
- ▶ MALC can be also viewed as a non-commutative intuitionistic version of linear logic (J.-Y. Girard, 1987). This was noticed by V. M. Abrusci (1990).

Lambek Categorical Grammars

- ▶ The original motivation for the Lambek calculus is its usage for describing natural language syntax (J. Lambek, 1958).
- ▶ This usage is connected to L-models.
- ▶ For each letter $a \in \Sigma$ the grammar associates one or more syntactic types, which are formulae of the Lambek calculus:
 $a \triangleright A$.
- ▶ A word $a_1 \dots a_n$ is considered grammatically correct, if the corresponding sequent $A_1, \dots, A_n \vdash s$ is derivable.
- ▶ The standard example is “John loves Mary,” with the corresponding sequent $np, (np \setminus s) / np, np \vdash s$.

Part I: Distributivity

- ▶ Both L-models and R-models are distributive (as lattices):
 $(A \wedge B) \vee C \equiv (A \vee C) \wedge (B \vee C)$.
- ▶ In general, however, residuated lattices can be non-distributive.
- ▶ Thus, $(A \vee C) \wedge (B \vee C) \vdash (A \wedge B) \vee C$ is not derivable
MALC, which prevents the latter from being L-complete or
R-complete.
- ▶ Indeed, if this sequent were derivable, then it would be true in
all residuated lattices, which would make them all distributive
(which is not the case).
- ▶ There exists a natural, non-distributive modification of
L-models which avoids this problem and gains completeness
(C. Wurm 2017).

Partial Completeness Results

- ▶ $L\wedge$, i.e., MALC without \vee , is R-complete (H. Andr  ka & Sz. Mikul  s 1994)
- ▶ The Lambek calculus without \vee and \wedge , is L-complete (M. Pentus 1995)
- ▶ $L(\backslash, /, \wedge)$, that is, MALC with only three connectives: $\backslash, /, \wedge$, is L-complete (W. Buszkowski 1982)
- ▶ Open question: L-completeness of $L\wedge$ (i.e., MALC without \vee).
- ▶ It is also unknown whether adding distributivity as an extra axiom yields completeness.
- ▶ *We show that the situation with $L\vee$ (i.e., MALC without \wedge) is different from the one with $L\wedge$.*

Distributivity without \wedge

- **Theorem.** The sequent

$$\begin{aligned} & ((x / y) \vee x) / ((x / y) \vee (x / z) \vee x), (x / y) \vee x, \\ & ((x / y) \vee x) \setminus ((x / z) \vee x) \vdash (x / (y \vee z)) \vee x \end{aligned}$$

is not derivable in $L\vee$, but can be derived using the distributivity axiom (and cut).

- Thus, $L\vee$ is neither L-complete nor R-complete (because L-models and R-models are distributive).

How to Guess the Sequent?

- ▶ **Lemma.** If $A \vdash D$ and $B \vdash D$ are derivable (join), then for $C = (A / D) \cdot A \cdot (A \setminus B)$ we have $C \vdash A$ and $C \vdash B$ (meet). (see Lambek 1958, Pentus 1994)
- ▶ In particular, $C = (A / (A \vee B)) \cdot A \cdot (A \setminus B)$ is a meet for A and B .
- ▶ Take $A = (x / y) \vee x$ and $B = (x / z) \vee x$.
- ▶ By distributivity,

$$((x / y) \vee x) \wedge ((x / z) \vee x) \vdash ((x / y) \wedge (x / z)) \vee x$$

- ▶ The succedent is equivalently replaced by $(x / (y \vee z)) \vee x$.
- ▶ The antecedent is replaced by a stronger meet $C = (A / (A \vee B)) \cdot A \cdot (A \setminus B)$ (it is stronger, since $C \vdash A$, $C \vdash B$, thus $C \vdash A \wedge B$).
- ▶ This yields, using cut, derivability of our sequent in the presence of distributivity.

Proving Non-Derivability in L_V

- ▶ Non-derivability of our sequent in L_V does *not* come automatically from non-derivability of the distributivity law, since our new meet C is stronger than $A \wedge B$.
- ▶ However, the derivability problem is decidable, so we can just use derivability-checking software (developed by P. Jipsen, available online), which gives the answer in several seconds.
- ▶ In our WoLLIC 2019 paper, we also do manual proof search.
- ▶ One can also construct an algebraic countermodel (shorter, but requires some creativity).

Commutative and Affine Generalizations

- ▶ Adding the permutation rule of the following form

$$\frac{\Gamma, A, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, B, A, \Delta \vdash C} \text{ P}$$

to MALC (that is, making things commutative) gives the multiplicative-additive fragment of intuitionistic linear logic (ILL).

- ▶ If one additionally adds weakening

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A, \Delta \vdash C} \text{ W}$$

this will give the multiplicative-additive fragment of intuitionistic affine logic (IAL).

Commutative and Affine Generalizations

- ▶ The sequent

$$\begin{gathered} ((x / y) \vee x) / ((x / y) \vee (x / z) \vee x), (x / y) \vee x, \\ ((x / y) \vee x) \backslash ((x / z) \vee x) \vdash (x / (y \vee z)) \vee x \end{gathered}$$

is still not derivable if we add commutativity (permutation rule), that is, in ILL.

- ▶ For the affine case (IAL, with weakening rule), the sequent should be slightly modified

$$\begin{gathered} ((x / y) \vee w) / ((x / y) \vee (x / z) \vee w), (x / y) \vee w, \\ ((x / y) \vee w) \backslash ((x / z) \vee w) \vdash (x / (y \vee z)) \vee w \end{gathered}$$

Part II: Systems with the Unit

- ▶ In intuitionistic linear logic, the unit constant (multiplicative truth) is axiomatized as follows:

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, 1, \Delta \vdash C} \text{ L1} \qquad \overline{\vdash 1} \text{ R1}$$

- ▶ Thus, adding 1 requires abolishing antecedent non-emptiness restriction.
- ▶ In residuated lattices, this corresponds to moving from arbitrary semigroups (recall that, in any residuated lattice, (\mathcal{A}, \cdot) is a semigroup) to monoids: $(\mathcal{A}, \cdot, 1)$.
- ▶ In particular, we modify the definition of L-models by allowing the empty word in languages.

Undecidability with the Unit

- ▶ The multiplicative unit constant, 1, is necessarily interpreted in L-models as $\{\varepsilon\}$ (due to $A \cdot 1 \vdash A$).
- ▶ Axiomatising the unit as multiplicative truth in linear logic yields incomplete systems: for example, $(1 \wedge G) \cdot F \equiv F \cdot (1 \wedge G)$ is true in L-models, but not derivable in non-commutative linear logic.
- ▶ We present a minimal system $L^{+\varepsilon}(\backslash, \wedge, 1)$, which captures the following L-correct principles: $A \cdot \{\varepsilon\} = \{\varepsilon\} \cdot A$ (“commuting”) and $\{\varepsilon\} \cdot \{\varepsilon\} = \{\varepsilon\}$ (“doubling”).
- ▶ Notice that it is in the language of $\backslash, \wedge, 1$ only.

$L^{+\varepsilon}(\backslash, \wedge, 1)$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \overline{A \vdash A} \text{ Id} \qquad \overline{A, 1 \vdash A} 1 \\
 \\
 \frac{\Pi \vdash A \quad \Gamma, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, \Pi, A \backslash B, \Delta \vdash C} L\backslash \qquad \frac{A, \Pi \vdash B}{\Pi \vdash A \backslash B} R\backslash \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \wedge B, \Delta \vdash C} \quad \frac{\Gamma, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \wedge B, \Delta \vdash C} L\wedge \qquad \frac{\Pi \vdash A \quad \Pi \vdash B}{\Pi \vdash A \wedge B} R\wedge \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A, (1 \wedge G), \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, (1 \wedge G), A, \Delta \vdash C} L\varepsilon \qquad \frac{\Gamma, (1 \wedge G), A, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A, (1 \wedge G), \Delta \vdash C} R\varepsilon \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, (1 \wedge G), (1 \wedge G), \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, (1 \wedge G), \Delta \vdash C} D\varepsilon
 \end{array}$$

- **Theorem.** Any system which includes $L^{+\varepsilon}(\backslash, \wedge, 1)$ and is L-sound is undecidable.
- In particular, so is the set of all L-true sequents, but for this set we do not even know whether it is r.e.

Undecidability Proof Sketch

- ▶ We encode 2-counter Minsky machines.
- ▶ The direction from computations to derivations is established by constructing the corresponding proofs in $L^{+\varepsilon}(\setminus, \wedge, 1)$.
- ▶ The backwards direction is performed via L-models.

Encoding Minsky Machines

- ▶ Atoms (propositional variables): e_1, e_2 (start/end markers); p_1, p_2 (the number of p_i 's is the value of counter c_i); ℓ_0, ℓ_1, \dots (states of the machine); b .
- ▶ If the machine is in state L_i , with $c_1 = k_1$ and $c_2 = k_2$, then it is encoded as follows:

$$e_1, \underbrace{p_1, \dots, p_1}_{k_1 \text{ times}}, \ell_i, \underbrace{p_2, \dots, p_2}_{k_2 \text{ times}}, e_2$$

Encoding Minsky Machines

- Each instruction I of the machine is encoded by the corresponding formula A_I
($F^{bb} = (F \setminus b) \setminus b$ is the pseudo-double-negation):

I	A_I
$L_i : inc(c_1); goto L_j;$	$\ell_i \setminus (p_1 \cdot \ell_j)^{bb}$
$L_i : inc(c_2); goto L_j;$	$\ell_i \setminus (\ell_j \cdot p_2)^{bb}$
$L_i : dec(c_1); goto L_j;$	$(p_1 \cdot \ell_i) \setminus \ell_j^{bb}$
$L_i : dec(c_2); goto L_j;$	$(\ell_i \cdot p_2) \setminus \ell_j^{bb}$
$L_i : if(c_1 = 0) goto L_j;$	$(e_1 \cdot \ell_i) \setminus (e_1 \cdot \ell_j)^{bb}$
$L_i : if(c_2 = 0) goto L_j;$	$(\ell_i \cdot e_2) \setminus (\ell_j \cdot e_2)^{bb}$

Encoding Minsky Machines

- ▶ All operations are encoded into a leading $1 \wedge G$, where G is a big conjunction.
- ▶ G includes the following formulae:
 - ▶ A_I for each instruction I of our Minsky machine. Each A_I is of the form $g_{\alpha,\beta} = \beta \setminus \alpha^{bb}$.
 - ▶ $g_{\xi,\xi} = \xi \setminus \xi^{bb}$ for each atom ξ .
 - ▶ $(e_1 \cdot \ell_0 \cdot e_2) \setminus b$, for terminating computation. (L_0 is the final state, and the counters are required to be zero.)

Lemma

The sequent $1 \wedge G, \Delta \vdash b$, where Δ encodes the initial configuration of the machine, is derivable in $L^{+\varepsilon}(\setminus, \wedge, 1)$ if and only if the machine reaches state L_0 with zero counters, starting from this initial configuration.

From Computations to Derivations

- ▶ Since G includes $g_{\alpha,\beta} = (\beta \setminus \alpha^{bb})$, then derivability of $1 \wedge G, \alpha, \Delta \vdash b$ yields derivability of $1 \wedge G, \Delta, \beta \vdash b$.
 - ▶ This enables Minsky commands, but only on the left side of the configuration.
 - ▶ This derivation essentially uses “doubling.”
- ▶ Cyclic transpositions. If G includes $g_{\xi,\xi} = \xi \setminus \xi^{bb}$ for any atom ξ (which is the case), and Δ_1, Δ_2 are all atomic, then derivability of $1 \wedge G, \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \vdash b$ yields derivability of $1 \wedge G, \Delta_2, \Delta_1 \vdash b$.
 - ▶ This allows locating $1 \wedge G$ near the necessary place in the configuration.
- ▶ Finally, we have $(e_1 \cdot \ell_0 \cdot e_2) \setminus b$ in G .
 - ▶ This encodes the finish of computation, $(L_0, 0, 0)$.

From Derivations to Computations

- ▶ Let Σ (alphabet) include all atoms.
- ▶ Let B_M be the set of “terminating strings,” that is, codes of configurations of the Minsky machine M , such that the machine, starting from this configuration, reaches the terminating one $(L_0, 0, 0)$.
- ▶ Consider the following L-interpretation:

$$w(a) = \begin{cases} \{a\}, & \text{if } a \neq b \\ \{xy \mid yx \in B_M\}, & \text{for } a = b \end{cases}$$

- ▶ **Lemma.** For any instruction I of M , $w(A_I) \ni \varepsilon$. Hence, $w(1 \wedge G) = \{\varepsilon\}$.
- ▶ If $1 \wedge G, e_1, \underbrace{p_1, \dots, p_1}_{k_1 \text{ times}}, \ell_i, \underbrace{p_2, \dots, p_2}_{k_2 \text{ times}} \vdash b$ is derivable, then interpretation of the antecedent is in $w(b)$, whence the configuration (L_i, k_1, k_2) terminates to $(L_0, 0, 0)$.

Models on Regular Languages

- ▶ Recall that the class of regular languages is the minimal class of languages including \emptyset , $\{\varepsilon\}$, singletons $\{a\}$ for any $a \in \Sigma$, and closed under language multiplication, union, and iteration (Kleene star): $A^* = \{\varepsilon\} \cup A \cup (A \cdot A) \cup (A \cdot A \cdot A) \cup \dots$
- ▶ A specific class of L-models includes only models in which all languages are regular.
- ▶ We shall call such models LREG-models.
- ▶ This definition is consistent, since the class of regular languages is closed under Lambek operations.
- ▶ Without the unit constant 1, the calculus $L(\backslash, /, \wedge)$ is complete w.r.t. LREG-models (this follows from Buszkowski's and Sorokin's work).

Models on Regular Languages

- ▶ The situation changes if we add the unit.
- ▶ We still consider theories in the language of MALC with the unit constant.
- ▶ As shown by the encoding of Minsky machines above, the theory of **all** L-models in the language of $\backslash, \wedge, 1$ is undecidable; more precisely— Σ_1^0 -hard.
- ▶ **NB:** we do not claim that it belongs to Σ_1^0 , it could be harder!
- ▶ On the other hand, the theory of the **subclass** of LREG-models belongs to the Π_1^0 class.
- ▶ Indeed, we now have to quantify over regular languages, that is, over regular expressions. This yields an *arithmetical* universal quantifier, thus Π_1^0 .

Models on Regular Languages

- ▶ Since no Σ_1^0 -hard language can belong to Π_1^0 , we get the following

Theorem

The theories of L -models and of $LREG$ -models, in the language of $\setminus, \wedge, 1$, are different.

○ NO regular model property

Theorem 1.1 We can find a sequent of the specific form

$$\mathbb{1} \wedge G, \Delta \vdash b$$

so that

- (a) We can construct an L-model such that the sequent is not valid in the model,
- (b) But the sequent is valid in any LREG-models.

- The minimalistic propositional systems that are still PSPACE-complete

Main Complexity Results:

Commutative (Linear logic)	Non-commutative (Lambek, circular)
$\mathcal{L}^1(\backslash)$ is NP-complete (Kanovich)	$\mathcal{L}^1(\backslash)$ is polytime (Savateev)
$\mathcal{L}^1(\backslash, \wedge)$ is PSPACE-complete	$\mathcal{L}^1(\backslash, \wedge)$ is PSPACE-complete
$\mathcal{L}^1(\backslash, \vee)$ is PSPACE-complete	$\mathcal{L}^1(\backslash, \vee)$ is PSPACE-complete

One implication, one conjunction or one disjunction. Here $\mathcal{L}^1(\backslash)$, $\mathcal{L}^1(\backslash, \wedge)$, etc., denote fragments with **only one** variable.

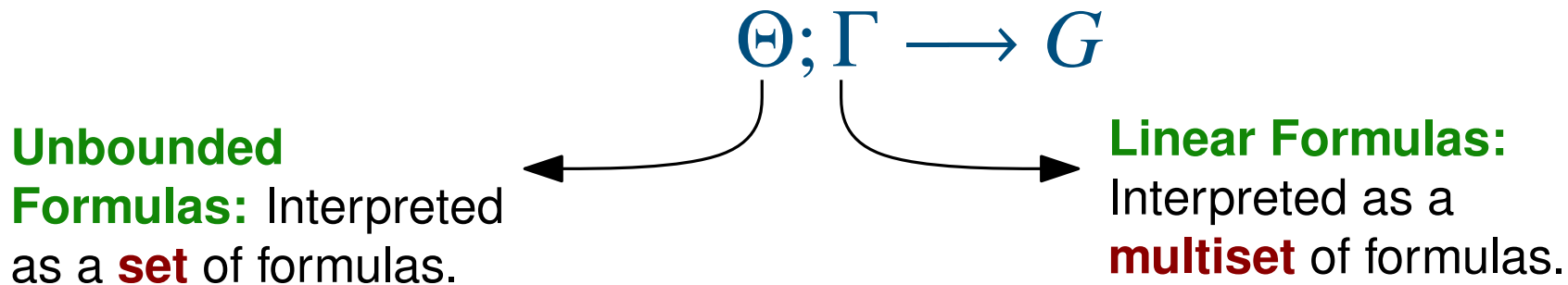
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Logical Frameworks

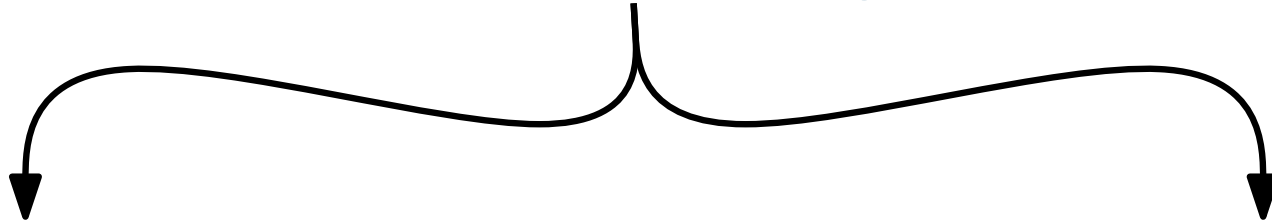
Logical Specifications allow for the specification of deductive systems, logics, and operational semantics.

- **Linear Logical Frameworks:** Specify state conscious systems;



Logical Frameworks

Two extensions of **Linear Logical Frameworks**:



Subexponentials

[Nigam, Olarte, Pimentel, Reis]

$$\Theta_1; \dots; \Theta_n; \Gamma_1; \dots; \Gamma_m \longrightarrow G$$

Allows for **many unbounded and linear contexts**.

- **Extended expressiveness:** specification of systems with several contexts: logics, concurrent programming, etc.

Ordered Logics

[Pfenning, Simmons, Polakow]

$$\Theta; \Gamma; L \longrightarrow G$$

L - **Ordered Formulas**: Interpreted as a **list** of formulas.

- **Extended expressiveness:** specification of systems with some order (PL evaluation strategies, systems with lists, etc.)

Contribution 1: A logical framework with commutative and non-commutative subexponentials.

Proof System with Subexponentials

Subexponential Signature

$$\Sigma = \langle \mathcal{I}, \leq, \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E} \rangle$$

SNILL $_{\Sigma}$ proof system.

- \mathcal{I} is a set of labels, $\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{I}$
- \leq is a pre-order relation over \mathcal{I} upwardly closed w.r.t. $\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}$.

For each $s \in \mathcal{I}$:

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow G}{\Gamma_1, !^s F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow G} \text{Der} \qquad \frac{!^{s_1} F_1, \dots, !^{s_n} F_n \longrightarrow F}{!^{s_1} F_1, \dots, !^{s_n} F_n \longrightarrow !^s F} !^s_R, \text{ provided, } s \leq s_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$$

For each $w \in \mathcal{W}$ and $c \in \mathcal{C}$:

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \longrightarrow G}{\Gamma, !^w F, \Delta \longrightarrow G} W \quad \frac{\Gamma_1, !^c F, \Delta, !^c F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow G}{\Gamma_1, !^c F, \Delta, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow G} C_1 \quad \frac{\Gamma_1, !^c F, \Delta, !^c F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow G}{\Gamma_1, \Delta, !^c F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow G} C_2$$

For each $e \in \mathcal{E}$:

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, \Delta, !^e F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, !^e F, \Delta, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C} E_1 \qquad \frac{\Gamma_1, !^e F, \Delta, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, \Delta, !^e F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C} E_2$$

Application: Type-Logical Grammar

Assign logical formulas (or types) to sentences.

$$\begin{array}{c} N \setminus S / N \\ \text{"John loves Mary."} \\ N \qquad \qquad N \end{array} \qquad \frac{N \rightarrow N \quad \frac{N \rightarrow N \quad S \rightarrow S}{N, N \setminus S \rightarrow S}}{N, N \setminus S / N, N \rightarrow S}$$

The proof of formulas for sentences **may have contraction**: parasitic extraction.

"John signed the paper without reading it"

"The paper that John signed without reading."

"It" has been omitted twice.

Application: Type-Logical Grammar

“The paper that John signed without reading.”

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{N, N \setminus S / N, N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N, N \rightarrow S}{\frac{N, N \setminus S / N, !^s N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N, !^s N \rightarrow S}{N, N \setminus S / N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N, !^s N \rightarrow S}} \\
 \frac{N, N \setminus S / N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N \rightarrow S / !^s N}{N / CN, CN, (CN \setminus CN) / (S / !^s N), N, N \setminus S / N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N \rightarrow N} \quad \frac{N / CN, CN, CN \setminus CN \rightarrow N}{N / CN, CN, (CN \setminus CN) / (S / !^s N), N, N \setminus S / N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N \rightarrow N}
 \end{array}$$

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Contraction
 to fill the
 gap.

Type-Logical Grammars

Our previous work [**IJCAR18**] proposed a Subexponential Non-Commutative Linear Logical Framework for Type-Logical Grammars (and distributed systems):

“The paper that John signed without reading.”

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{N, N \setminus S / N, N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N, N \rightarrow S}{N, N \setminus S / N, !^S N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N, !^S N \rightarrow S} \quad \text{Der}}{N, N \setminus S / N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N, !^S N \rightarrow S} \quad C_L}{\frac{N, N \setminus S / N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N \rightarrow S / !^S N \quad N / CN, CN, CN \setminus CN \rightarrow N}{N / CN, CN, (CN \setminus CN) / (S / !^S N), N, N \setminus S / N, (N \setminus S) \setminus (N \setminus S) / GC, GC / N \rightarrow N}}$$

Type-Logical Grammars

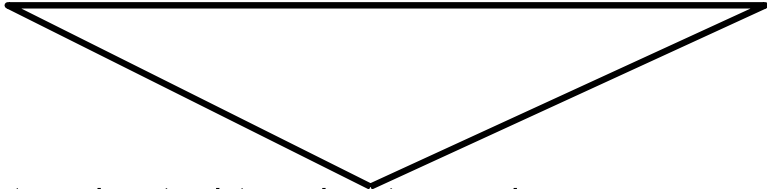
However, as shown recently [JLC 2020], our proposed logical framework does not satisfy **Lambek's Non Emptiness Property**.

“All sequent antecedents shall not be empty.”

This means that our previous logical framework may type sentences that are not grammatically correct.

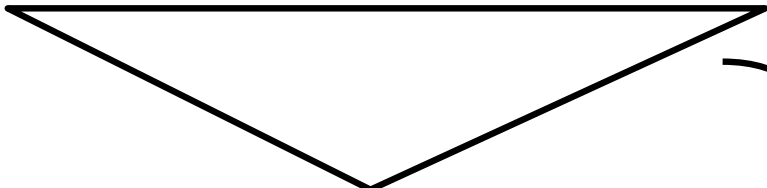
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$$(N / N) / (N / N), N / N, N \rightarrow N$$

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Does not satisfy Lambek's
Non-Emptiness Property



Key Inspiration

Subexponentials

Two types of subexponentials $!$ and ∇

$!$ is non-commutative

from Soft Linear Logic

- Multiplexing rule instead of contraction:

$$\frac{\Gamma, F, \dots, F, \Delta \rightarrow G}{\Gamma, !F, \Delta \rightarrow G} !_L$$

from Light Linear Logic

$$\frac{F \rightarrow G}{!F \rightarrow !G} !_R \quad \frac{F \rightarrow G}{\nabla F \rightarrow \nabla G} \nabla_R$$

Exactly one formula in the antecedent.

Our proposed non-commutative logical framework **SLLM** contains subexponentials with behavior from soft and light linear logics..

Lambek System with Nonemptiness [1958]

$$\frac{}{F \rightarrow F} I$$

Initial

$$\frac{\Pi \rightarrow G \quad \Gamma_1, F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, F / G, \Pi, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C} /_L \quad \frac{\Pi, F \rightarrow G}{\Pi \rightarrow G / F} /_R, \text{ where } \Pi \neq \emptyset$$

Right Division

$$\frac{\Pi \rightarrow F \quad \Gamma_1, G, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, \Pi, F \setminus G, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C} \setminus_L \quad \frac{F, \Pi \rightarrow G}{\Pi \rightarrow F \setminus G} \setminus_R, \text{ where } \Pi \neq \emptyset$$

Left Division

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, F, G, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, F \cdot G, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C} \cdot_L \quad \frac{\Gamma_1 \rightarrow F \quad \Gamma_2 \rightarrow G}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow F \cdot G} \cdot_R$$

Product

$$\frac{\Pi \rightarrow F\{e/x\}}{\Pi \rightarrow \forall x.F} \forall_R \quad \frac{\Gamma_1, F\{t/x\}, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, \forall x.F, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C} \forall_L$$

Quantifier

The order of formulas is important.

Subexponentials

Two subexponentials: $!$ and ∇ .

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{ } \xrightarrow{k > 0} \text{ } \\
 \text{ } \xrightarrow{k \text{ times}} \text{ } \\
 \frac{\Gamma_1, \overbrace{A, A, \dots, A}, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, !A, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C} \quad !_L \quad (k \geq 1) \qquad \frac{A \rightarrow C}{!A \rightarrow !C} \quad !_R
 \end{array}$$

No weakening, no contraction and no exchange

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, \nabla A, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow C} \quad \nabla_L \qquad \frac{A \rightarrow C}{\nabla A \rightarrow \nabla C} \quad \nabla_R$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \nabla A, \Gamma_3 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, \nabla A, \Gamma_2, \Gamma_3 \rightarrow C} \qquad \frac{\Gamma_1, \nabla A, \Gamma_2, \Gamma_3 \rightarrow C}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \nabla A, \Gamma_3 \rightarrow C} \quad \nabla_E$$

No weakening and no contraction.

Basic Properties

Theorem

- The calculus **SLLM** enjoys admissibility of the Cut Rule.
- Given an atomic A and sequent $\Gamma(A) \longrightarrow C(A)$ derivable in **SLLM**, then for any formula B , $\Gamma(B) \longrightarrow C(B)$ is also derivable in **SLLM**.

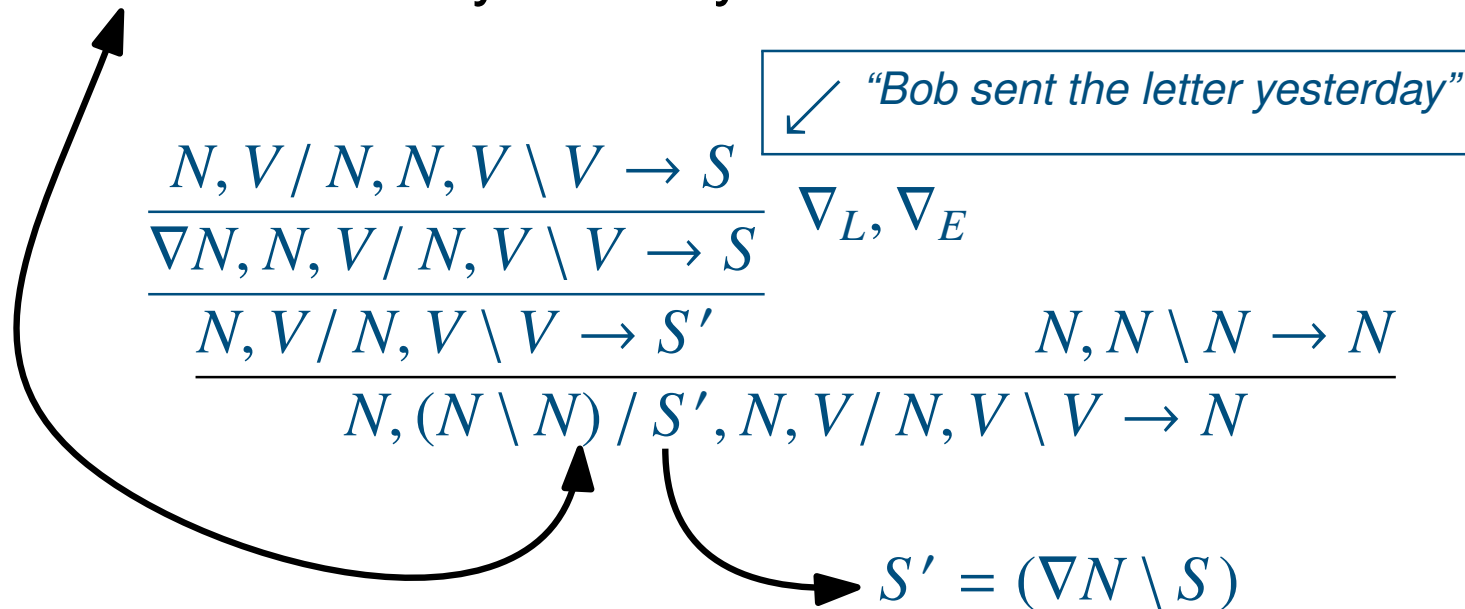
What if we take a more general rule: $\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow C}{!\Gamma \rightarrow !C} !_R$

$$\frac{\frac{B, B \setminus C \rightarrow C}{!B, !(B \setminus C) \rightarrow !C} \quad !C \rightarrow C \cdot C}{!B, !(B \setminus C) \rightarrow C \cdot C} \text{Cut}$$

No cut-free proof.

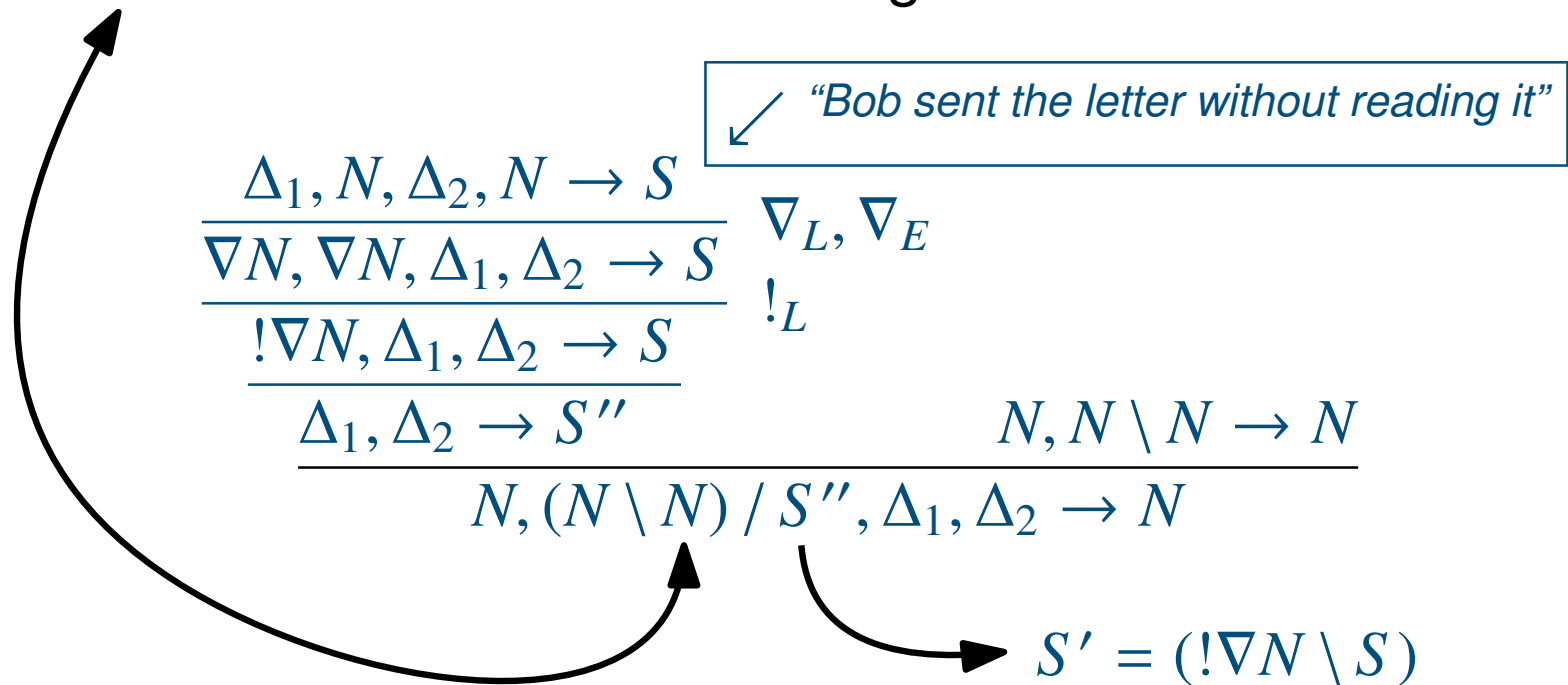
Examples

The letter that Bob sent yesterday.



Examples

The letter that Bob sent without reading.



Lambek's non-emptiness restriction

Theorem

- The calculus **SLLM** provides Lambek's non-emptiness restriction: If a sequent $\Gamma \longrightarrow C$ is provable, then list Γ is not empty.
- No weakening.
- The introduction of **!** or **∇** never produces the empty list.

Focused Proof System

In the paper, we also propose a **focused proof system** for SLLM, thus enabling proof search.

Our previous work [IJCAR 2018] left open how to design focused proof system for subexponentials that do not allow both weakening and exchange.

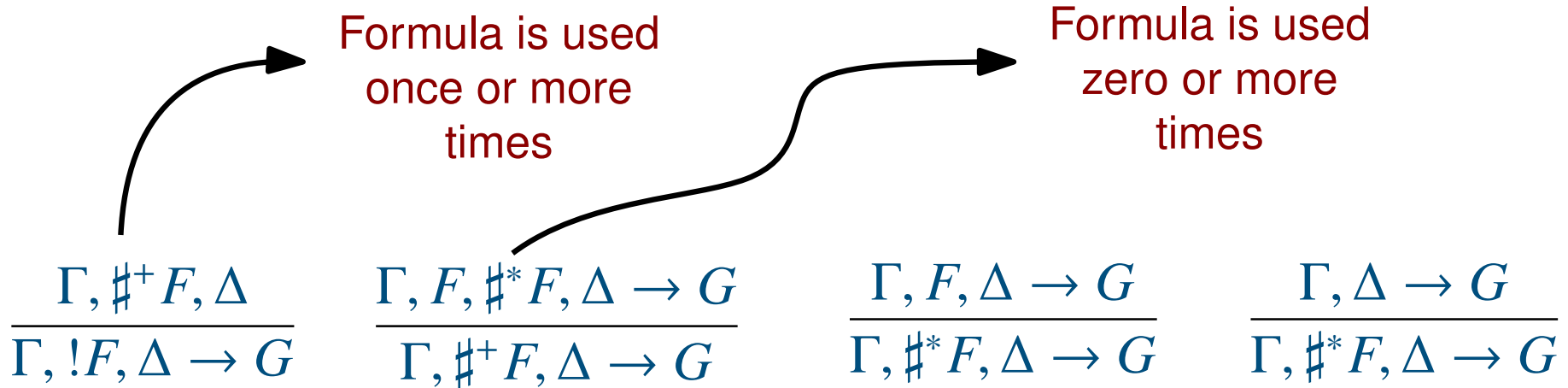
Key Challenge

$$\frac{\Gamma, F, \dots, F, \Delta \rightarrow G}{\Gamma, !F, \Delta \rightarrow G}$$

This rule has a great deal of non-determinism as one has to decide how many copies of F appears in the premise.

Solution Idea

Introduce two new modalities:



Structural rules are incorporated into the introduction rules:

$$\frac{\#^* C, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow F \quad \Gamma_1, \#^+ C, G, \Gamma_3 \rightarrow H}{\Gamma_1, \#^+ C, \Gamma_2, F \setminus G, \Gamma_3 \rightarrow H} \quad \frac{F \rightarrow G}{\Gamma_1^*, !F, \Gamma_2^* \rightarrow !G} \quad \frac{F \rightarrow G}{\Gamma_1^*, \nabla F, \Gamma_2^* \rightarrow \nabla G}$$

Theorem

- Let Γ, G be formulas not containing $\#^+, \#^*$. A sequent $\Gamma \longrightarrow G$ is provable in **SLLM#** if and only if it is provable in **SLLM**.

Complexity

Provability in **SLLM** is undecidable in general.

Encoding of Turing Machines (TMs):

- A Turing Machine configuration is encoded in the sequent context:

$[B_1, q_1, \xi, B_2]$ \longrightarrow TM state q_1 , tape with B_1, ξ, B_2 , and head looking at ξ .

- An instruction $I : q\xi \rightarrow q'\eta R$, for example, is encoded as the formula $!\nabla[(q \cdot \xi) \setminus (\eta \cdot q')]$:

\hookrightarrow The prefix enables the instruction to be used multiple times at any place of the tape.

- Strong correspondence (level of proofs): A deterministic TM M leads to a final configuration using instructions I_1, \dots, I_m only iff the following sequent is derivable in **SLLM**:

$$!\nabla A_{I_1}, !\nabla A_{I_2}, \dots, !\nabla A_{I_m}, B_1 \cdot q_1 \cdot \xi \cdot B_2 \longrightarrow q_0$$


- Focused proof system helps to prove this result.

Complexity

Some decidable fragments:

Theorems

- If we bound k in the multiplexing rule in the calculus **SLLM** with a fixed constant k_0 , such a fragment becomes decidable.
- In the case where we bound k in the multiplexing rule in the calculus **SLLM** with a fixed constant k_0 , and, in addition, we bound the depth of nesting of **!A**, we get NP-completeness.



This result provides NP-procedures for parsing complex and compound sentences in many practically important cases.

Conclusions and Future Work

We proposed **SLLM**, a proof system for type-logical grammars that:

- admits cut-elimination;
- admits substitution;
- satisfies Lambek's non-emptiness restriction.

We proposed a sound and complete focused proof system for **SLLM**

We investigated the complexity for **SLLM** provability.

For future work:

- Classical logic versions of our logical framework;
- Extending systems with additives;
- Implementation of lazy forms of proof search.

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