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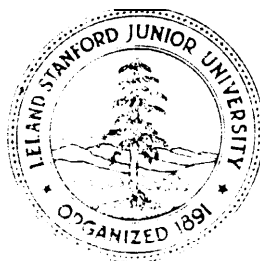
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ABSTRACT

A proof system based on temporal logic is presented for proving properties of concurrent programs based on the shared-variables computation model. The system consists of three parts: the general uninterpreted part, the domain dependent part and the program dependent part. In the general part we give a complete proof system for first-order temporal logic with detailed proofs of useful theorems. This logic enables reasoning about general time sequences. The domain dependent part characterizes the special properties of the domain over which the program operates. The program dependent part introduces program axioms which restrict the time sequences considered to be execution sequences of a given program.

The utility of the full system is demonstrated by proving invariance, liveness and precedence properties of several concurrent programs. Derived proof principles for these classes of properties, are obtained and lead to a compact representation of proofs.

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A. INTRODUCTION

In this work we present a proof system based on temporal logic for proving the properties of concurrent programs. We refer the reader to [MP1] for a more detailed discussion of the computational model of concurrent programs, and the advantages offered by the language of temporal logic in formulating properties of concurrent programs.

1. THE TEMPORAL LANGUAGE: SYNTAX AND SEMANTICS

We first describe the temporal language we are going to use. This language contains special constructs that are suitable for reasoning about programs.

The language uses a set of basic symbols consisting of individual variables and constants, propositions, and function and predicate symbols. The set is partitioned into two subsets: global and local symbols. Intuitively speaking, the global *symbols* denote entities that do not change during a program execution. The *local symbols*, on the other hand, may change their meanings and values in different states throughout the execution. For our purpose, the only local symbols that interest us are local individual variables and propositions. We will have global symbols of all types.

We use the usual set of boolean connectives: \wedge , \vee , \supset , \equiv , and \sim together with the equality predicate $=$ and the first-order quantifiers \forall and \exists . These operators are referred to as the *classical* operators. The quantifiers \forall and \exists are applied only to global individual variables.

The *modal operators* used are: \Box , \Diamond , \circ , and \mathcal{U} , which are called respectively the *always*, *sometime*, *next* and *until* operators. The first three operators are unary while the \mathcal{U} operator is binary. We use the *next* operator, \circ , in two different ways -- as a temporal operator applied to formulas and as a temporal operator applied to terms.

A *model* (I, α, σ) for our language consists of a (global) interpretation I , a (global) assignment α and a sequence of states σ .

- The *interpretation* I specifies a nonempty domain D and assigns concrete elements, functions and predicates to the (global) individual constants, function and predicate symbols.
- The *assignment* α assigns a value over the appropriate domain to each of the global individual variables.
- The *sequence* $\sigma = s_0, s_1, \dots$ is an infinite sequence of states. Each *state* s_i assigns values to the local individual variables and propositions.

For a sequence

$$\sigma = s_0, s_1, \dots$$

we denote by

$$\sigma^{(i)} = s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots$$

the i -truncated suffix of σ .

Given a temporal formula w , we present below an inductive definition of the truth value of w in a model (I, α, a) . The value of a subformula or term τ under (I, α, a) is denoted by $\tau|_{\sigma}^{\alpha}$, with I being implicitly understood.

Consider first the evaluation of terms:

- For a local individual variable or local proposition y :

$$y|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = s_0[y],$$

i.e., the value assigned to y in s_0 , the first state of σ .

- For a global individual variable u :

$$u|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \alpha[u],$$

i.e., the value assigned to u by α .

- For an individual constant the evaluation is given by I :

$$c|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = I[c].$$

- For a k -ary function f :

$$f(t_1, \dots, t_k)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = I[f](t_1|_{\sigma}^{\alpha}, \dots, t_k|_{\sigma}^{\alpha}),$$

i.e., the value is given by the application of the interpreted function $I[f]$ to the values of t_1, \dots, t_k evaluated in the model (I, α, σ) .

- For a term t :

$$(\circ t)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = t|_{\sigma^{(1)}}^{\alpha},$$

i.e., the value of $\circ t$ in $\sigma = s_0, s_1, \dots$ is given by the value of t in the 1-truncated suffix $\sigma^{(1)} = s_1, s_2, \dots$.

Consider now the evaluation of formulas:

- For a k -ary predicate p (including equality):

$$p(t_1, \dots, t_k)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = I[p](t_1|_{\sigma}^{\alpha}, \dots, t_k|_{\sigma}^{\alpha}).$$

More again, we first evaluate the arguments in the model and then test $I[p]$ on them.

- For a disjunction:

$$(w_1 \vee w_2)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true} \text{ if and only if } w_1|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true} \text{ or } w_2|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true}.$$

And similarly for the other binary boolean connectives \wedge , \supset , and \equiv .

- For a negation:

$$(\sim w)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true} \text{ if and only if } w|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{false}.$$

- For a next-time application:

$$(\bigcirc w)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = w|_{\sigma^{(1)}}^{\alpha}.$$

Thus $\bigcirc w$ means: w will be true in the *next* instant — read “next w ”.

- For an all- times application:

$$(\Box w)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true if and only if} \text{ for every } k \geq 0, w|_{\sigma^{(k)}}^{\alpha} = \text{true},$$

i.e., w is true for all suffix sequences of σ . Thus $\Box w$ means: w is true for *all* future instants (including the present) -- read “always w ” or “henceforth w ”.

- For a some- time application:

$$(\Diamond w)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true if and only if} \text{ there exists a } k \geq 0$$

such that $w|_{\sigma^{(k)}}^{\alpha} = \text{true}$,

i.e., w is *true* on at least one suffix of σ . Thus $\Diamond w$ means: w will be true for *some* future instant (possibly the present) -- read “sometime w ” or “eventually w ”.

- For an until application:

$$w_1 \Downarrow w_2 |_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true if and only if} \text{ for some } k \geq 0, w_2 |_{\sigma^{(k)}}^{\alpha} = \text{true and} \\ \text{for all } i, 0 \leq i < k, w_1 |_{\sigma^{(i)}}^{\alpha} = \text{true}.$$

Thus $w_1 \Downarrow w_2$ means: there is a future instant in which w_2 holds, and such that *until* that instant w_1 continuously holds -- read “ w_1 until w_2 ” ([KAM], [GPSS]).

- For a universal quantification:

$$(\forall u.w)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true if und only if} \text{ for every } d \in D, w|_{\sigma}^{\alpha'} = \text{true},$$

where $\alpha' = \alpha \circ [u \leftarrow d]$ is the assignment, obtained from α by assigning d to u .

- For an existential quantification:

$$(\exists u.w)|_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \text{true if and only if} \text{ for some } d \in D, w|_{\sigma}^{\alpha'} = \text{true},$$

where $\alpha' = \alpha \circ [u \leftarrow d]$.

Following are some examples of temporal expressions and their intuitive interpretations:

$$u \supset \Diamond v$$

If u is presently true, v will eventually become true,

$$\Box \uparrow u \supset \Box \uparrow v$$

Whenever u becomes true it will eventually be followed by v .

$$\Box \uparrow w$$

At some future instant w will become permanently true.

$$\Diamond(w \wedge \bigcirc \sim w)$$

There will be a future instant **such** that w is true at that instant and false at the next.

$$\Box \Diamond w$$

Every future instant is followed by a later one in which w is true,

thus w is true infinitely often.

$\Box \Diamond \supset \Box \Diamond$

If u ever becomes true, then v is true at that instant and ever after.

$\Box u \vee (u \cup v)$

Either u holds continuously or it holds until an occurrence of v .

This is *the* weak form of the *until* operator that states that u will hold continuously until the first occurrence of v if v ever happens or indefinitely otherwise.

$\exists ((\sim v) \cup u)$ If v ever happens, its first occurrence is preceded by (or coincides with) u .

If w is true under the model (I, α, a) , we say that (I, α, a) *satisfies* w or that (C, a, a) is a (*satisfying*) *model* for w . We denote this by

$$(I, \alpha, a) \models w.$$

A formula w is *satisfiable* if there exists a satisfying model for it.

A formula w is *valid* if it is true in every model; in this case we write

$$\models w.$$

Sometimes we are interested in a restricted class of models C . A formula w which is true for every model in C is said to be *C-valid*, denoted by

$$C \models w.$$

Example:

The formula $\Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2)$ is valid, i.e.,

$$\models \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2).$$

It says that if there exists an instant in which both w_1 and w_2 are true then there exists an instant in which w_1 is true and there exists an instant in which w_2 is true.

Reversing the implication does not yield a valid formula, i.e.,

$$\not\models (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2) \supset \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2).$$

For, consider an interpretation consisting of a sequence of states:

$$\sigma : s_0, s_1, \dots$$

such that w_1 is true on all odd numbered states and false elsewhere, and w_2 is true on all the even numbered states and false on the odd ones. Then certainly both $0 w_1$ and $0 w_2$ are true on σ , hence $0 w_1 \mathbf{A} 0 w_2$ is true. On the other hand, there is no state on which both w_1 and w_2 are true simultaneously. Hence $\Diamond(w_1 \mathbf{A} w_2)$ is false. Consequently the implication is false under the interpretation σ . \blacksquare

2. THE PROOF SYSTEM

Having defined valid formulas, we naturally look for a deductive system in which validity can be proved. In such a system we take some of the valid formulas as axioms and provide a set of sound inference rules by which we hope to be able to prove the other valid formulas as theorems. A formula w is a theorem of the system either if it is an axiom of the system or has a proof in which it is derived from the axioms using the inference rules of the system. We denote the fact that, w is a theorem is *provable* within the system by $\vdash w$.

Our interest in the temporal logic formalism is mainly motivated by the applicability of this logic to proving properties of concurrent programs. Therefore, apart from developing the general basic logical properties of the operators and their interrelations, we will mostly be interested in properties that are valid over computations of a given concurrent program P . Thus, the notion of validity our system will try to capture is that of a formula being true for all possible computations of the given program, and not necessarily over an arbitrary model. This corresponds to the concept of $A(P)$ -validity where $A(P)$ is the class of all models corresponding to computations of P .

We structure our proof system into three main layers dependent on the universal validity of the theorems that can be derived in each layer. In the first layer, called the *general part*, we deal with the general temporal properties of discrete linear sequences (arbitrary models). Theorems proved in that part are valid for all sequences over arbitrary domains. They universally hold for arbitrary computations of all programs over such domains, as well as for sequences which cannot even be derived as the computations of a program. In the next layer the *domain part*, we restrict our attention to a particular domain D and provide tools for proving validity over models all of which are interpreted over D . The third, most restrictive layer is the *program part*. Here we restrict our attention to a particular program P and develop tools for proving validity only over models whose sequences are legal computations of P .

In a forthcoming paper, the program dependent part is proved to be complete relative to the general temporal theory over the data domain. We also show that its dependence on the particular computation model studied is modular, by presenting a similar system for proving properties of CSP programs.

B. GENERAL PART

We start the general part by describing first the axiomatic system for propositional temporal logic in which we do not, admit predicates or quantification.

3. THE PROPOSITIONAL TEMPORAL SYSTEM (\Box, \Diamond, \circ AND \cup)

The proof system for the propositional part, consists of the following axioms:

AXIOMS:

A 1 .	$\vdash \sim \Diamond w \equiv \Box \sim w$
A 2 .	$I - \Box(w_1 \supset w_2) \supset (\Box w_1 \supset \Box w_2)$
A3.	$\vdash \Box w \supset w$
A4.	$I - \circ \sim w \equiv \sim \circ w$
A5.	$\vdash \circ(w_1 \supset w_2) \supset (\circ w_1 \supset \circ w_2)$
A6.	$\vdash \Box \circ w \supset \circ w$
A 7 .	$\vdash \Box w \supset \circ \Box w$
A8.	$\vdash \Box \Diamond w \supset \circ w \supset \Diamond \Box w$
A9.	$\vdash (w_1 \cup w_2) \equiv [w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge \circ(w_1 \cup w_2))]$
A10.	$\vdash (w_1 \cup w_2) \supset \Diamond w_2.$

Axiom A1 defines \circ as the dual of \Box ; it states that at all times w is false **if and only if** it is not the case that sometimes w holds. Axiom A2 states that if universally w_1 implies w_2 then if at all times w_1 is true then so is w_2 . Axiom A3 establishes the present as part of the future by stating that if w is true at all future instants it must be true at the present. Axiom A4 establishes \circ as self-dual. Consequently it implies that the next instant exists and is unique, and restricts our models to linear sequences (no branching). Axiom A5 is the analogue of A2 for the \circ operator. Axiom A6 states that the next instant is one of the future states. Axiom A7 states that if w holds in all future instants it also holds in all instants which lie in the future of the next instant. Axiom A8 is the “computational induction” axiom; it states that if a property is inherited over one step transitions, it is invariant, over any suffix sequence whose first state satisfies w . Axiom A9 characterizes the *until* operator by distributing its effect into what is implied for the present and what is implied for the next instant. Axiom A10 simply states that “ w_1 until w_2 ” implies that w_2 will eventually happen.

INFERENCE RULES:

R1. *Propositional Tautology* — PT

If u is an instance of a propositional tautology then $\vdash u$

R2. *Modus Ponens* — MP

If $\vdash u \supset v$ and $\vdash u$ then $\vdash v$

R3. \Box *Insertion* -- $\Box I$

If $\vdash u$ then $\vdash \Box u$

All these rules are sound. The soundness of R1 and R2 is obvious. Note that in R1 we also include temporal instances of tautologies; WC may substitute an arbitrary temporal formula for a proposition letter in obtaining an instance. For example, the formula $\Box w \supset \Box w$ is a temporal instance of the tautology $p \supset p$. To justify R3, we recall that validity of w means that w is true in all models, hence $\Box w$ is also valid.

DERIVED RULES AND THEOREMS:

Before giving some theorems that can be proved in this system, we develop several useful derived rules:

Propositional Reasoning -- PR

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \vdash (u_1 \wedge u_2 \wedge \dots \wedge u_n) \supset v \\ \vdash u_1, \vdash u_2, \dots, \text{ and } \vdash u_n \end{array}}{\vdash v}$$

The notation above is used to describe inference rules. IL has the general form

$$\frac{\vdash \varphi_1, \vdash \varphi_2, \dots, \vdash \varphi_m}{\vdash \psi}$$

and means that if we have already proved $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ (the *assumptions* or premises of the rule), WC are allowed by this rule to infer ψ (the *conclusion* or *consequent* of the rule).

Proof:

The rule PR follows from the propositional tautology (Rule R1)

$$\vdash [(u_1 \wedge u_2 \wedge \dots \wedge u_n) \supset v] \supset [u_1 \supset (u_2 \supset (\dots (u_n \supset v) \dots))]$$

by applying MP (Rule R2) $n + 1$ times. \blacksquare

Whenever we apply this derived rule without explicitly indicating the **premise**

$$\vdash (u_1 \wedge u_2 \wedge \dots \wedge u_n) \supset v,$$

it means that the premise is an instance of a propositional tautology.

\circ <i>Insertion</i> — 01 <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> $\frac{t-U}{\vdash o u}$ </div>
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Proof:

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|----|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| 1. | t-u | | given |
| 2. | $\vdash \square \blacklozenge$ | | by 01 |
| 3. | $\vdash \mathbf{ou}$ | by A6 and MP | \blacksquare |

The first theorem that we derive in the system is:

T 1 . $\vdash w \supset \blacklozenge w$

Proof:

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|----|--|----------------------------|----------------|
| 1. | $\vdash (\square \sim w) \supset \neg w$ | | by A3 |
| 2. | $\mathbf{t-w} \supset (\sim \square \sim w)$ | | by PR |
| 3. | $\mathbf{t-w} \supset \mathbf{ow}$ | by A1 and PR | \blacksquare |

The theorem implies (by **MP**) the derived rule

\blacklozenge <i>Insertion</i> — 01 <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> $\frac{\vdash u}{\vdash o u}$ </div>

T 2 . $\vdash \mathbf{O} w \supset \mathbf{O} w$

Proof:

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|----|--|--|-------|
| 1. | $\vdash (\square \sim w) \supset (\mathbf{O} - w)$ | | by A6 |
|----|--|--|-------|

$$2. \vdash (\sim O \sim w) \supset (\sim \Box \sim w)$$

by PR

$$3. t - o w \supset o w$$

by A1, A4, and PR \lrcorner

The following three rules (and a similar rule for the *until* operator presented later) show that all the temporal operators are monotonic in the sense that an argument may be replaced by a weaker statement yielding a weaker expression.

$\Box \Box$ Rules	
(a) $\frac{t-u \supset v}{\vdash \Box u \supset \Box v}$	(b) $\frac{\vdash u \equiv v}{\vdash \Box u \equiv \Box v}$

Proof of (a):

$$1. t-u \supset v \quad \text{given}$$

$$2. \vdash \Box t \supset \Box u \quad \text{by } \Box I$$

$$3. \vdash \Box t \supset \Box u \supset (\Box u \supset \Box v) \quad \text{by A2}$$

$$4. \vdash \Box u \supset \Box v \quad \text{by 2, 3 and MP}$$

Rule (b) then follows by propositional reasoning by using the tautology

$$\{(U \supset v) \wedge (v \supset u)\} \equiv (u \equiv v). \quad \lrcorner$$

$\Box \Diamond$ Rules	
(a) $\frac{t-u \supset v}{\vdash \Box u \supset \Box v}$	(b) $\frac{\vdash u \equiv v}{\vdash \Diamond u \equiv \Diamond v}$

Proof of (a):

$$1. t-u \supset v \quad \text{given}$$

$$2. t - v \supset u \quad \text{by PR}$$

$$3. \vdash \Box \sim v \supset \Box \sim u \quad \text{by } \Box I$$

$$4. \vdash \sim \Diamond v \supset \sim \Diamond u \quad \text{by A1 and PR}$$

$$5. \vdash \Diamond u \supset \Diamond v \quad \text{by PR}$$

Rule (b) then follows by propositional reasoning. \lrcorner

<i>0 0 Rules</i>	
$(a) \frac{\vdash u \supset v}{\vdash \circ u \supset \circ v}$	$(b) \frac{t-u \equiv v}{\vdash \circ u \equiv \circ v}$

Proof of (a):

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|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. $\vdash u \supset v$ | given |
| 2. $t-\circ(u \supset v)$ | by 01 |
| 3. $\vdash \circ u \supset \circ v$ | by A5 and MP |

Rule (b) follows by propositional reasoning. ┌

<i>Computational Induction Rule — CI</i>	
	$\frac{\vdash u \supset \circ u}{\circ \blacklozenge \supset \square \circ}$

Proof:

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| 1. $t-u \supset \circ u$ | given |
| 2. $\circ \blacklozenge \supset \circ u$ | by $\square I$ |
| 3. $\vdash \square(u \supset \circ u) \supset (u \supset \square u)$ | by $\wedge 8$ |
| 4. $\vdash u \supset \square u$ | by 2, 3 and MP ┌ |

<i>Derived Computational Induction Rule -- DCI</i>	
	$\frac{\vdash u \supset (v \wedge \circ u)}{\vdash u \supset \square v}$

Proof:

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|--|----------------------|
| 1. $\vdash u \supset (v \wedge \circ u)$ | given |
| 2. $\vdash u \supset \circ u$ | by PR |
| 3. $\vdash u \supset \square u$ | by CI |
| 4. $t-u \supset v$ | by 1 and PR |
| 5. $t-\bullet u \supset \square v$ | by $\square \square$ |

$$6. \vdash u \supset \Box v$$

by 3, 5 and PR \blacksquare

The following two theorems show that the \Box and \circ operators are both idempotent:

$$T3. \Box \Box w \equiv \Box w$$

Proof:

$$1. \vdash \Box \Box w \supset \Box w$$

by A3

$$2. \vdash \Box w \supset \circ \Box w$$

by A7

$$3. \vdash \Box w \supset \Box \Box w$$

by CI

$$4. \vdash \Box w \equiv \Box \Box w$$

by 1, 3 and PR \blacksquare

$$T4. \mathbf{I} - \circ w \equiv \circ \circ w$$

Proof:

$$1. \vdash \sim \diamond w \equiv \Box \sim w$$

by A1

$$2. \vdash \Box \sim w \equiv \mathbf{0} \mathbf{0} - w$$

by T3

$$3. \vdash \Box \sim \diamond w \equiv \dots$$

by 1 and EI \Box

$$4. \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{E1} - \circ w \equiv \sim \diamond \diamond w$$

by A1

$$5. \vdash \sim \diamond w \equiv \sim \diamond \diamond w$$

by 1, 2, 3, 4 and PR

$$6. \vdash \diamond w \equiv \diamond \diamond w$$

by PR \blacksquare

Because of these last two theorems we can collapse any string of consecutive identical modalities such as $\Box \dots \Box$ or $\circ \dots \circ$ into a single modality of the same type.

The following theorem establishes that \Box is the dual of \circ . Note that A1 states that \circ is the dual of \Box , i.e., $\circ w \equiv \sim \Box \sim w$.

$$T5. \vdash (\circ - w) \equiv (\sim \Box w)$$

Proof:

$$1. \vdash (\sim \sim w) \equiv w$$

by PT

2. $\vdash (\Box \sim \sim w) \equiv \Box \diamond$ by \Box CI
3. $\vdash (\sim \Diamond \sim w) \equiv \Box \diamond$ by AI and PR
4. $\vdash \Box (\Diamond \sim w) \equiv (\sim \Box \diamond)$ by PR \blacksquare

T6. $\Box (\Box \Diamond \Diamond \supset w_2) \supset \Box (\Box w_1 \supset \Diamond w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (w_1 \supset w_2) \equiv (\sim w_2 \supset \sim w_1)$ by PT
2. $\vdash \Box (\Box \Diamond \Diamond \supset w_2) \equiv \Box (\sim w_2 \supset \sim w_1)$ by \Box ICI
3. $\vdash \Box \sim w_2 \supset \sim w_1 \supset (\Box \sim w_2 \supset \Box \sim w_1)$ by A2
4. $\vdash (\Box \sim w_2 \supset \Box \sim w_1) \equiv (\sim \Diamond w_2 \supset \sim \Diamond w_1)$ by AI and PR
5. $\vdash (\sim \Diamond w_2 \supset \sim \Diamond w_1) \equiv (\Diamond w_1 \supset \Diamond w_2)$ by PT
6. $\vdash \Box (\Box \Diamond \Diamond \supset w_2) \supset (\Diamond w_1 \supset \Diamond w_2)$ by 2, 3, 4, 5 anti PR \blacksquare

The following theorems show the interaction between the temporal and the boolean operators.

T7. I- $\Box (w_1 \wedge w_2) \equiv (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset w_1$ by PT
2. $\vdash \Box (\Box \Diamond \Diamond \supset w_2) \supset \Box w_1$ by \Box ICI
3. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset w_2$ by PT
4. $\vdash \Box (\Box \Diamond \Diamond \supset w_2) \supset \Box w_2$ by \Box IEI
5. $\vdash \Box (w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2)$ by 2, 4 and PR
6. $\vdash w_1 \supset (w_2 \supset w_1 \wedge w_2)$ by PT
7. $\vdash \Box \Diamond \Diamond \supset \Box (w_2 \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by $\Box \Box$
8. $\vdash \Box (w_2 \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2)) \supset (\Box w_2 \supset \Box (w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by A2
9. $\vdash \Box w_1 \supset (\Box w_2 \supset \Box (w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by 7, 8 and PR
10. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2) \supset \Box (w_1 \wedge w_2)$ by PR

$$11. \vdash \Box (w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\Box w_1 \vee \Box w_2) \quad \text{by 5, 10 and PR } \lrcorner$$

$$T8. \vdash \Diamond(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\Diamond w_1 \vee \Diamond w_2)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash \Box \sim(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv \Box (\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2)$ by PT and CI \Box
2. $\vdash \Box (\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \equiv (\Box \sim w_1 \wedge \Box \sim w_2)$ by T7
3. $\vdash (\Box \sim w_1 \wedge \Box \sim w_2) \equiv \sim(\sim \Box \sim w_1 \vee \sim \Box \sim w_2)$ by PR
4. $\vdash \Box \sim(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv \sim(\sim \Box \sim w_1 \vee \sim \Box \sim w_2)$ by 1, 2, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash \sim \Diamond(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv \sim(\Diamond w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2)$ by A1 and PR
6. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\Diamond w_1 \vee \Diamond w_2)$ by PR \lrcorner

Note that because of the universal character of \Box it can be distributed over \wedge (Theorem T7), while \Diamond , which is of existential character can be distributed over \vee (Theorem T8). Next, we show that interchanging a temporal operator with a boolean operator of the opposite character yields implication in one direction only; the implication is not necessarily true in the other direction.

$$T9. \Diamond(\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2) \supset \Box(\Diamond w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash \Box w_1 \supset \Box(\Diamond w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2)$ by PT and EI CI
2. $\vdash \Box w_2 \supset \Box(\Diamond w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2)$ by PT and $\Box \Box$
3. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2) \supset \Box(\Diamond w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2)$ by 1, 2 and PR \lrcorner

$$T10. \vdash \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset (\Diamond w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset \Diamond w_1$ by PT and $\Diamond \Diamond$
2. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset \Diamond w_2$ by PT and $\Diamond \Diamond$
3. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset (\Diamond w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2)$ by 1, 2 and PR \lrcorner

T11. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2) \supset \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \supset (w_2 \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by PT
2. $\vdash \Box w_1 \supset \Box(w_2 \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by $\Box\Box$
3. $\vdash \Box(w_2 \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2)) \supset (\Diamond w_2 \supset \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by T6
4. $\vdash \Box w_1 \supset (\Diamond w_2 \supset \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by 2, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2) \supset \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2)$ by PR \blacksquare

Next we consider the commutativity properties of the *next* operator \circ . In view of $\Lambda 4$, \circ is self-dual and can be considered LO be of both existential and universal character. Indeed it commutes with every other boolean or temporal operator as well as with quantifiers.

'1'12. $\vdash \circ(w_1 \wedge w_2) \equiv (\circ w_1 \wedge \circ w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \supset (\circ w_2 \supset (\circ w_1 \wedge \circ w_2))$ by PT
2. $\vdash \circ w_1 \supset \circ(w_2 \supset (\circ w_1 \wedge \circ w_2))$ by $\circ\circ$
3. $\vdash \circ(w_2 \supset (\circ w_1 \wedge \circ w_2)) \supset (\circ w_2 \supset \circ(w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by A5
4. $\vdash \circ w_1 \wedge (\circ w_2 \supset \circ(w_1 \wedge w_2))$ by **2, 3** and PR
5. $\vdash (\circ w_1 \wedge \circ w_2) \supset \circ(w_1 \wedge w_2)$ by PR
6. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset w_1$ by PT
7. $\vdash \circ(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset \circ w_1$ by $\circ\circ$
8. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset w_2$ by PT
9. $\vdash \circ(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset \circ w_2$ by $\circ\circ$
10. $\vdash \circ(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset (\circ w_1 \wedge \circ w_2)$ by 7, 9 and PR
11. $\vdash \circ(w_1 \wedge w_2) \equiv (\circ w_1 \wedge \circ w_2)$ by 5, 10 and PR \blacksquare

T13. $\vdash \circ(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\circ w_1 \vee \circ w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash O(\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \equiv [(O \sim w_1) \wedge (O \sim w_2)]$ by T12
2. $\vdash O(\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \equiv [(\sim O w_1) \wedge (\sim O w_2)]$ by A4 and PR
3. $\vdash O \sim(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv [(\sim O w_1) \wedge (\sim O w_2)]$ by 0 0 and PR
4. $\vdash \sim O(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv \sim(O w_1 \vee O w_2)$ by A4 and PR
5. $\vdash O(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (O w_1 \vee O w_2)$ by PR \blacksquare

T14. $\vdash O(w_1 \supset w_2) \equiv (O w_1 \supset O w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash O(\sim w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (O \sim w_1) \vee (O w_2)$ by T13
2. $\vdash O(\sim w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\sim O w_1) \vee (O w_2)$ by A4 and PR
3. $\vdash O(w_1 \supset w_2) \equiv (O w_1 \supset O w_2)$ by 0 0 and PR \blacksquare

T15. $\vdash O(w_1 \equiv w_2) \equiv (O w_1 \equiv O w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash [O(w_1 \supset w_2) \wedge O(w_2 \supset w_1)] \equiv [(O w_1 \supset O w_2) \wedge (O w_2 \supset O w_1)]$ by T14 and PR
2. $\vdash O[(w_1 \supset w_2) \wedge (w_2 \supset w_1)] \equiv [(O w_1 \supset O w_2) \wedge (O w_2 \supset O w_1)]$ by T12 and PR
3. $\vdash O(w_1 \equiv w_2) \equiv (O w_1 \equiv O w_2)$ by 0 0 and PR \blacksquare

The previous theorems show that the next operator, O , commutes with each of the boolean operators. The following two theorems establish commutation of O with LHC temporal operators \square and \circ .

T16. $\vdash O \square w \equiv \square O w$

Proof:

1. $\vdash O \square w \supset (w \supset O w)$ by PT

2. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box w$ by $\Box \Box$
3. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box w \supset \Box \Box (w \supset \Box w)$ by A7
4. $\Box \Box \Box (w \supset \Box w) \supset \Box (w \supset \Box \Box w)$ by A8 and $\Box 0$
5. $\Box \Box \Box (w \supset \Box \Box w) \supset (\Box w \supset \Box \Box w)$ by A5
6. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset (\Box w \supset \Box \Box w)$ by 2, 3, 4, 5 and PR
7. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box w$ by A3
8. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box w$ by 6, 7 and PR
9. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box \Box w$ by A7 and $\Box 0$
10. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box \Box w$ by CI
11. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box w$ by A3 and $\Box 0$
12. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box w$ by $\Box \Box$
13. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box w$ by 10, 12 and PR
14. $\Box \Box \Box w \equiv \Box \Box w$ by 8, 13 and PR \blacksquare

T17. $\Box \Box w \equiv \Box w$

Proof:

1. $\Box \Box \sim w \equiv \Box \Box \sim w$ by T16
2. $\Box \Box \Box w \equiv \Box \Box w$ by A1, A4, \Box CI, $\Box 0$ and PR
3. $\Box \Box \Box w \equiv \Box \Box w$ by PR \blacksquare

T18. $\Box \Box \Box w \equiv \Box \Box w$

Proof:

1. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box w$ by A3
2. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box w$ by A7
3. $\Box \Box \Box w \supset \Box \Box \Box w$ by $\Box 0$
4. $\Box \Box \Box w \equiv \Box \Box \Box w$ by T17 and PR

$$5. \vdash \diamond \square w \quad \mathbf{3} \quad \square \diamond \square w$$

by 3, 4 and PR

$$6. \vdash \diamond \square w \supset \square \diamond \square w$$

by CI

$$7. \vdash \square \diamond \square w \equiv \diamond \square w$$

by 1, 6 and PR

$$\mathbf{T19.} \vdash \diamond \square \diamond w \equiv \square \quad \text{Ow}$$

Proof: By duality from T18.

These last two theorems together with T3 and T4 ($\square \text{ CI } w \equiv \square \quad \text{!}u$ and $\diamond \diamond w \equiv \text{O}w$, respectively) give us a normal prefix form for a string of the form

$$m_1 m_2 \dots m_k(w),$$

where each m_i is either E1 or 0 . We use first T2 and T3 to collapse any substring of the form CI^n and \diamond^n to a single \square or 0 . What remains must be a string of alternating \square and 0 . If it contains more than one operator then it is equivalent by T18 and T19 to a string with just two operators -- the last two. Consequently any string such as the above must be equivalent to one of the following four possibilities:

$$\square \quad \bullet \diamond w, \quad \square \quad \text{!}w \text{ or } \quad \diamond \square w.$$

In the more general case that the string also contains some occurrences of the next-time operator 0 , we may use the commutation of 0 with both CI and 0 to obtain the four normal forms:

$$0^k \square w, \quad 0^k \diamond w, \quad 0^k \square \diamond w \quad \text{and} \quad 0^k \diamond \square w$$

for some $k \geq 0$.

$$\mathbf{T20.} \vdash \square \quad \text{!}w \equiv (w \text{ A } 0 \square w)$$

Proof:

$$1. \vdash \square w \quad \mathbf{3} \quad w$$

by A3

$$2. \vdash \square \text{!}w \supset \square \square w$$

by A7

$$3. \vdash \square \quad u) \supset (w \text{ A } 0 \square w)$$

by 1, 2 and PR

$$4. \vdash \square \quad \text{ocl}w \supset 0(w \text{ A } 0 \square w)$$

by 00

$$5. \vdash (w \text{ A } 0 \square w) \supset 0(w \text{ A } 0 \square w)$$

by PR

6. $\vdash (w \wedge \Box w) \supset \Box (w \wedge \Box w)$ by CI
7. $\vdash \Box (w \wedge \Box w) \supset \Box w$ by PT and \Box CI
8. $\vdash (w \wedge \Box w) \supset \Box w$ by 6, 7 and PR
9. $\vdash \Box w \equiv (w \wedge \Box w)$ by 3, 8 and PR \blacksquare

T21. $\vdash \Box w \equiv (w \vee \Box \Diamond w)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash \Box \sim w \equiv (\sim w \wedge \Box \sim w)$ by T20
2. $\vdash \sim \Diamond w \equiv \sim (w \vee \Box \sim w)$ by A1 and PR
3. $\vdash \sim \Box \sim w \equiv w \vee \Box \sim w$ by A4, A1, 0 0 and PR
4. $\vdash \Diamond w \equiv (w \vee \Box \Diamond w)$ by 2, 3 and PR \blacksquare

Theorems T20 and T21 give a fixpoint characterization of the \Box and \Diamond operators respectively. They each give an equation using only boolean operators, the formula w and the operator \Box . The solutions to these equations are $\Box w$ and $\Diamond w$ respectively. This shows that in some sense \Box is the most basic operator since the other operators may be defined by means of fixpoint equations using \Box . Axiom A9 similarly characterizes the \cup operator by a Gxpoint equation.

7.22. $\vdash (w \wedge \Diamond \sim w) \supset \Diamond (w \wedge \Box \sim w)$.

This is the dual of the “computational induction” axiom A8. It states that if w is true now and is false sometime in the future, then there exists some instant such that w is true at that instant and false at the next.

Proof:

1. $\vdash \Box (w \supset \Box w) \supset \Box \Diamond \Box w$ by A8
2. $\vdash \sim (w \supset \Box \Diamond w) \supset \sim \Box (w \supset \Box w)$ by PR
3. $\vdash (w \wedge \sim \Box w) \supset \Diamond \sim (w \supset \Box w)$ by T5 and PR
4. $\vdash \Diamond \sim (w \supset \Box w) \equiv \Diamond (w \wedge \sim \Box w)$ by PT and 0 0
5. $\vdash (w \wedge \sim \Box w) \supset \Diamond (w \wedge \sim \Box w)$ by 3, 4 and PR
6. $\vdash (w \wedge \Diamond \sim w) \supset \Diamond (w \wedge \Box \sim w)$ by T5, A4 and PR \blacksquare

The following derived rules correspond to proof rules existing in most axiomatic verification systems:

<i>Consequence Rules</i>		
$\Box Q$ rule	$\Diamond Q$ rule	$\circ Q$ rule
$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \vdash u_1 \supset u_2 \\ \vdash u_2 \supset \Box v_1 \\ \vdash v_1 \supset v_2 \end{array}}{\vdash u_1 \supset \Box v_2}$	$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \vdash u_1 \supset u_2 \\ \vdash u_2 \supset \Diamond v_1 \\ \vdash v_1 \supset v_2 \end{array}}{\vdash u_1 \supset \Diamond v_2}$	$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \vdash u_1 \supset u_2 \\ \vdash u_2 \supset \circ v_1 \\ \vdash v_1 \supset v_2 \end{array}}{\vdash u_1 \supset \circ v_2}$

Proof of $\Diamond Q$:

1. $\vdash u_1 \supset u_2$ given
2. $\vdash u_2 \supset \circ v_1$ given
3. $\vdash v_1 \supset v_2$ given
4. $\vdash \Diamond v_1 \supset \Diamond v_2$ by 3 and \circ
5. $\vdash u_1 \supset \Diamond v_2$ by 1, 2, 4 and PR ┌

The $\Box Q$ and $\circ Q$ rules are proved similarly by the $\Box C$ -rule and $\circ O$ -rule, respectively.

<i>Concatenation Rules</i>	
$\Box C$ rule	$\Diamond C$ rule
$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \vdash u \supset \Box v \\ \vdash v \supset \Box w \end{array}}{\vdash \Box u \supset \Box \Box w}$	$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \vdash u \supset \Box \Diamond \\ \vdash \Box \Diamond \supset \Diamond w \end{array}}{\vdash u \supset \Box \Diamond w}$

Proof of UC:

1. $\vdash u \supset \Box v$ given
2. $\vdash v \supset \Box w$ given
3. $\vdash \Box v \supset \Box \Box w$ by 2 and $\Box C$
4. $\vdash \Box v \supset \Box \Diamond$ by T3 and PR
5. $\vdash u \supset \Box w$ by 1, 4 and PR ┌

The $\circ C$ rule is proved similarly by the $\circ O$ -rule. Note that the corresponding $\circ C$ rule does not hold.

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} 1 - w \supset \diamond v \\ \vdash w \supset [v \vee (u \text{ A } \bigcirc w)] \end{array}}{\vdash w \supset (u \text{ U } v)}$$

Proof:

1. $t - w \supset \diamond v$ given
2. $\vdash w \supset [v \vee (u \text{ A } \bigcirc w)]$ given
3. $\vdash [v \vee (u \text{ A } \bigcirc (u \text{ U } v))] \supset (u \text{ U } v)$ by A9 and PR
4. $\vdash \sim(u \text{ U } v) \supset [\sim v \text{ A } (\sim u \vee \bigcirc \sim(u \text{ U } v))]$ by A4 and PR
5. $\vdash [w \text{ A } \sim(u \text{ U } v)] \supset [\sim v \text{ A } \bigcirc w \text{ A } \bigcirc \sim(u \text{ U } v)]$ by 2, 4 and PR
6. $\vdash [w \wedge \sim(u \text{ U } v)] \supset [\sim v \text{ A } \bigcirc (w \text{ A } \sim(u \text{ U } v))]$ by T12 and PR
7. $t - [w \text{ A } \sim(u \text{ U } v)] \supset \square \sim v$ by DCI,
taking u to be $w \text{ A } \sim(u \text{ U } v)$ and v to be $\sim v$
8. $\vdash [w \text{ A } \sim(u \text{ U } v)] \supset \sim \square \sim v$ by 1, T5 and PR
9. $\vdash w \supset (u \text{ U } v)$ by 7, 8 and PR \blacksquare

The RUI rule, together with axioms A9 and A10, can be viewed as a characterization of the $u \text{ U } v$ construct as a *maximal* solution of the two implications:

$$(*) \quad \begin{cases} x \supset [v \vee (u \text{ A } \bigcirc x)] \\ x \supset \diamond v \end{cases}$$

The ordering by which maximality is defined is the ordering induced by defining *false* \sqsubseteq *true*.

Axioms A9 and A10 imply that

$$\begin{aligned} (u \text{ U } v) &\supset [v \vee (u \text{ A } \bigcirc u \text{ U } v)] \\ (u \text{ U } v) &\supset \bigcirc v \end{aligned}$$

Thus they show $x = u \text{ U } v$ to be a solution of the implications (*). The rule RUI states that any other solution $x = w$ must satisfy $w \supset (u \text{ U } v)$ which implies that whenever w is true so is $u \text{ U } v$. Interpreted in our ordering this is representable as $w \sqsubseteq (u \text{ U } v)$. Thus $x = u \text{ U } v$ is the maximal solution to (*).

An intuitive explanation as to why $u \text{ U } v$ is indeed the maximal solution of (*) can be given as follows:

Let w be any proposition satisfying (t) everywhere in a sequence $\sigma = s_0, s_1, \dots$. We note that (*) may have many solutions. In particular $x = \text{false}$ is a trivial solution. However an obvious property of every solution w is that if w is true in some state s_i , this state must satisfy u and the next state s_{i+1} must also satisfy w unless s_i satisfies v . Thus once w is true it can stop being true only in a v -state. In view of the second implication such a v -state is guaranteed. Consequently whenever w is true in a state, $u \ll v$ must also be true in that state.

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Left Until Introduction</i> — LUI</p> $\frac{\vdash [v \vee (u \wedge \bigcirc w)] \supset w}{\vdash (u \ll v) \supset w}$
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Proof:

1. $\vdash [v \vee (u \wedge \bigcirc w)] \supset w$ given
2. $\vdash u \vee v \supset [v \vee (u \wedge \bigcirc(u \ll v))]$ by A9 and PR
3. $\vdash \sim w \supset [\sim v \wedge (\sim u \vee \bigcirc \sim w)]$ by 1, A4 and PR
4. $\vdash [u \ll v \wedge \sim w] \supset [\sim v \wedge u \wedge \bigcirc(u \ll v) \wedge \bigcirc \sim w]$ by 2, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash [u \ll v \wedge \sim w] \supset [\bigcirc(u \ll v) \wedge \bigcirc \sim w]$ by PR
6. $\vdash [u \ll v \wedge \sim w] \supset \bigcirc(u \ll v \wedge \sim w)$ by T12 and PR
7. $\vdash [u \ll v \wedge \sim w] \supset \square(u \ll v \wedge \sim w)$ by CI
8. $\vdash [u \ll v \wedge \sim w] \supset \sim v$ by 3 and PR
9. $\vdash \square(u \ll v \wedge \sim w) \supset \square \sim v$ by $\square \square$
10. $\vdash [u \ll v \wedge \sim w] \supset \sim \diamond v$ by 7, 9, A1 and PR
11. $\vdash [u \ll v \wedge \sim w] \supset \diamond v$ by A10 and PR
12. $\vdash u \ll v \supset w$ by 10, 11 and PR \blacksquare

The LUI rule, together with axiom A9, can be viewed as a characterization of the $u \ll v$ construct as the *minimal* solution of the implication:

$$(**) [v \vee (u \wedge \bigcirc x)] \supset x$$

Axiom A9 implies that $x = u \ll v$ is a solution of (**). The LUI rule states that any other solution of (**), $x = w$, is implied by $u \ll v$. This means that whenever $u \ll v$ is true so is w , which is interpretable in our ordering as $u \ll v \sqsubseteq w$. Thus $u \ll v$ is the minimal of all possible solutions.

Note that (**) possesses many solutions. In particular $x = \text{true}$ is a trivial solution. However, the minimal solution is unique and is given by $u \ll v$.

<i>UU Rules</i>	
$\vdash u_1 \supset u_2$	$\vdash u_1 \equiv u_2$
(a) $\vdash v_1 \supset v_2$	(b) $\vdash v_1 \equiv v_2$
$\frac{}{\vdash u_1 \cup v_1 \supset u_2 \cup v_2}$	$\frac{}{\vdash u_1 \cup v_1 \equiv u_2 \cup v_2}$

Proof of (a):

1. $\vdash u_1 \supset u_2$ given
2. $\vdash v_1 \supset v_2$ given
3. $\vdash [v_2 \vee (u_2 \wedge \bigcirc(u_2 \cup v_2))] \supset u_2 \cup v_2$ by A9
4. $\vdash [v_1 \vee (u_1 \wedge \bigcirc(u_2 \cup v_2))] \supset u_2 \cup v_2$ by 1, 2, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash u_1 \cup v_1 \supset u_2 \cup v_2$ by L \cup I

The proof of part (b) follows from (a) by propositional reasoning and the symmetric application of (a). ┌

This rule together with the \square , \square , \bigcirc and \bigcirc rules show that all the temporal operators are monotonic in all their arguments.

T23. $\vdash (\sim w) \cup w \equiv \bigcirc w$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (\sim w) \cup w \supset \bigcirc w$ by A10
2. $\vdash \diamond w \supset [w \vee \bigcirc \diamond w]$ by T21 and PR
3. $\vdash \bigcirc w \supset [w \vee (\sim w \wedge \bigcirc \diamond w)]$ by PR
4. $\vdash \diamond w \supset \bigcirc w$ by PT
5. $\vdash \bigcirc w \supset (\sim w) \cup w$ by 3, 4 and RUI
6. $\vdash (\sim w) \cup w \equiv \bigcirc w$ by 1, 5 and PR └

T24. $\vdash (\square w_1 \wedge \diamond w_2) \supset (w_1 \cup w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash [\square w_1 \wedge \diamond w_2] \supset \diamond w_2$ by PR

2. $\vdash [\Box w_1 \text{ A } \Diamond w_2] \supset [(w_1 \text{ A } \bigcirc \Box w_1) \wedge (w_2 \vee \bigcirc \Diamond w_2)]$ by PR, T20 and T21
3. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \text{ A } \Diamond w_2) \supset [w_2 \vee (w_1 \text{ A } \bigcirc \Box w_1 \text{ A } \bigcirc \Diamond w_2)]$ by PR
4. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \text{ A } \Diamond w_2) \supset [w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge \bigcirc (\Box w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_2))]$ by T12 and PR
5. **I-** $[\Box w_1 \text{ A } \Diamond w_2] \supset w_1 \Downarrow w_2$ by 1, 4 and RUI,
taking w to be $\Box w_1 \text{ A } \bigcirc w_2$, u to be w_1 , and v to be w_2 \blacksquare

T25. t- $(w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \Downarrow w_2 \equiv w_1 \Downarrow w_2$

Proof:

1. t- $(w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \Downarrow w_2 \supset [w_2 \vee w_1 \Downarrow w_2]$ by A9 and PR
2. **I-** $w_2 \supset w_1 \Downarrow w_2$ by A9 and PR
3. $\vdash (w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \Downarrow w_2 \supset w_1 \Downarrow w_2$ by 1, 2 and PR
4. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \supset \Diamond w_2$ by A10
5. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \supset [w_2 \vee (w_1 \text{ A } \bigcirc (w_1 \Downarrow w_2))]$ by A9 and PR
6. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \supset [w_2 \vee (w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \text{ A } \bigcirc (w_1 \Downarrow w_2))]$ by PR
7. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \supset (w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \Downarrow w_2$ by 4, 6 and RUI
8. $\vdash (w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \Downarrow w_2 \equiv w_1 \Downarrow w_2$ by 3, 7 and PR \blacksquare

T26. I- $w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \equiv w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2)$

Proof:

1. **I-** $w_2 \supset w_1 \Downarrow w_2$ by A9 and PR
2. **I-** $w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \text{ } \mathbf{3} \text{ } w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2)$ by UU
3. **I-** $w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \supset [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \vee [w_1 \text{ A } \bigcirc (w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2))]]$ by A9 and PR
4. **I-** $w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \text{ } \mathbf{3} \text{ } \{w_2 \vee [w_1 \wedge \bigcirc (w_1 \Downarrow w_2)] \vee [w_1 \wedge \bigcirc (w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2))]\}$
by A9 and PR
5. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \text{ } \mathbf{3} \text{ } \{w_2 \vee [w_1 \text{ A } \bigcirc (w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \vee w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2))]\}$ by T13 and PR
6. $\vdash [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \vee w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2)] \supset w_1 \Downarrow (w_1 \Downarrow w_2)$ by 2 and PR

7. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup (w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset \{w_2 \vee [w_1 \wedge \bigcirc(w_1 \sqcup (w_1 \sqcup w_2))]\}$ by 6 with 0 0, 5, and PR
8. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup (w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset \diamond(w_1 \sqcup w_2)$ by A10
9. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup w_2 \supset \diamond w_2$ by A10
10. I- $\diamond(w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset 0 \diamond w_2$ by 0 0
11. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup (w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset \diamond w_2$ by 8, 10, T4 and PR
12. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup (w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset w_1 \sqcup w_2$ by 11, 7 and RUI ,
taking w to be $w_1 \sqcup (w_1 \sqcup w_2)$, u to be w_1 , and v to be w_2
15. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup w_2 \equiv w_1 \sqcup (w_1 \sqcup w_2)$. by 2, 12 and PR \blacksquare

\cup <i>Insertion</i> -- UI	
$\text{(a) } \frac{t-v}{\vdash u \sqcup v}$	$\text{(b) } \frac{l-u, \vdash \diamond v}{t- uuv}$
for an arbitrary u	

Proof:

- (a)
1. t-v given
 2. t- v \supset uuv by A9 and PR
 3. $\vdash u \sqcup v$ by 1, 2 and PR
- (b)
1. l-u given
 2. $\vdash \diamond v$ given
 3. $\vdash \square \diamond$ by 1 and $\square I$
 4. $\vdash (\square u \wedge \diamond v) \supset u \sqcup v$ by T24
 5. $\vdash u \sqcup v$ by 2, 3, 4 and PR \blacksquare

\cup <i>Concatenation</i> -- UC	
$\vdash v_1 \supset u \sqcup v_2$	
$\vdash v_2 \supset u \sqcup v_3$	
$\vdash v_1 \supset u \sqcup v_3$	

Proof:

1. $\vdash v_1 \supset u \ll v_2$ given
2. $\vdash v_2 \supset u \ll v_3$ given
3. $\vdash u \ll v_2 \supset u \ll (u \ll v_3)$ by UU
4. $\vdash v_1 \supset u \ll (u \ll v_3)$ by 1, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash v_1 \supset u \ll v_3$ by T26 and PR₄

$$T27. I - [\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \ll w_3] \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2) \ll (w_1 \wedge w_3)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_2 \ll w_3 \supset \Diamond w_3$ by A10
2. $\vdash [\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \ll w_3] \supset (\Box w_1 \wedge \Diamond w_3)$ by PR
3. $\vdash [\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \ll w_3] \supset \Diamond (w_1 \wedge w_3)$ by T11 and PR
4. $\vdash w_2 \ll w_3 \supset [w_3 \vee (w_2 \wedge \bigcirc (w_2 \ll w_3))]$ by A9 and PR
5. $\vdash [\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \ll w_3] \supset [(\Box w_1 \wedge w_3) \vee (\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \wedge \bigcirc (w_2 \ll w_3))]$ by PR
6. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \wedge w_3) \supset (w_1 \wedge w_3)$ by A3 and PR
7. $\vdash [\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \wedge \bigcirc (w_2 \ll w_3)] \supset [w_1 \wedge w_2 \wedge \bigcirc \Box w_1 \wedge \bigcirc (w_2 \ll w_3)]$ by T20 and PR
8. $\vdash [\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \wedge \bigcirc (w_2 \ll w_3)] \supset [(w_1 \wedge w_2) \wedge \bigcirc (\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \ll w_3)]$ by T12 and PR
9. $\vdash [\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \ll w_3] \supset \{(w_1 \wedge w_3) \vee [(w_1 \wedge w_2) \wedge \bigcirc (\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \ll w_3)]\}$ by 5, 6, 8 and PR
10. $\vdash [\Box w_1 \wedge w_2 \ll w_3] \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2) \ll (w_1 \wedge w_3)$ by 3, 9 and RU1 ┌

The next theorem displays the commutation relation between the \bigcirc and the \ll operators.

$$T28. I - (\bigcirc w_1) \ll (\bigcirc w_2) \equiv \bigcirc (w_1 \ll w_2)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \ll w_2 \equiv [w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge \bigcirc (w_1 \ll w_2))]$ by A9

- 2 . $\vdash \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2) \equiv \{w_2 \vee (\mathcal{O} w_1 \wedge \mathcal{O} \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2))\}$ by T12, T13, 0 0 and PR
3. $\vdash [\mathcal{O} w_2 \vee (\mathcal{O} w_1 \wedge \mathcal{O} \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2))] \supset \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2)$ by PR
- 4 . $\vdash (\mathcal{O} w_1) \sqcup (\mathcal{O} w_2) \supset \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2)$ by LUI, taking w to be $w_1 \sqcup w_2$
5. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup w_2 \supset \diamond w_2$ by A10
6. $\vdash \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset \mathcal{O} \diamond w_2$ by 0 0
7. $\vdash \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset \diamond \mathcal{O} w_2$ by T17 and PR
8. $\vdash \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset \{\mathcal{O} w_2 \vee [\mathcal{O} w_1 \wedge \mathcal{O} \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2)]\}$ by 2 and PR
9. $\vdash \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2) \supset (\mathcal{O} w_1) \sqcup (\mathcal{O} w_2)$ by 7, 8 and RUT,
taking w to be $\mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2)$, u to be $\mathcal{O} w_1$, and v to be $\mathcal{O} w_2$
- 10 . $\vdash (\mathcal{O} w_1) \sqcup (\mathcal{O} w_2) \equiv \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_2)$ by 4, 9 and PR ┌

Having classified \square as a universal operator, \mathcal{O} as an existential operator and \mathcal{O} as being both universal and existential, we observe that \sqcup is universal with respect to its first argument and existential with respect to its second argument. This yields the commutation properties listed in T29 and T30.

$$\text{T29. } \vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \sqcup w_3 \equiv [w_1 \sqcup w_3 \wedge w_2 \sqcup w_3]$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset w_1$ by PT
2. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \sqcup w_3 \supset w_1 \sqcup w_3$ by UU
3. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \sqcup w_3 \supset w_2 \sqcup w_3$ similarly
4. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \sqcup w_3 \supset [w_1 \sqcup w_3 \wedge w_2 \sqcup w_3]$ by 2, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup w_3 \supset \diamond w_3$ by A10
6. $\vdash [w_1 \sqcup w_3 \wedge w_2 \sqcup w_3] \supset \diamond w_3$ by PR
7. $\vdash w_1 \sqcup w_3 \supset \{w_3 \vee [w_1 \wedge \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_3)]\}$ by A9 and 1'11
8. $\vdash w_2 \sqcup w_3 \supset \{w_3 \vee [w_2 \wedge \mathcal{O}(w_2 \sqcup w_3)]\}$ by A9 and PR
9. $\vdash [w_1 \sqcup w_3 \wedge w_2 \sqcup w_3] \supset \{w_3 \vee [(w_1 \wedge w_2) \wedge \mathcal{O}(w_1 \sqcup w_3 \wedge w_2 \sqcup w_3)]\}$ by 7, 8, T12 and PR
10. $\vdash [w_1 \sqcup w_3 \wedge w_2 \sqcup w_3] \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2) \sqcup w_3$ by 6, 9 and RUI,
taking w to be $(w_1 \sqcup w_3) \wedge (w_2 \sqcup w_3)$, u to be $w_1 \wedge w_2$, and v to be w_3

$$11. \quad \vdash (w_1 \text{ A } w_2) \ll w_3 \equiv [w_1 \ll w_3 \text{ A } w_2 \ll w_3]$$

by 4, LO and PR \blacksquare

$$\text{T30. t- } w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \equiv [w_1 \ll w_2 \vee w_1 \ll w_3]$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_2 \supset (w_2 \vee w_3)$ by PT
2. $\vdash w_1 \ll w_2 \supset w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3)$ by UU
3. $\vdash w_1 \ll w_3 \supset w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3)$ similarly
4. $\vdash [w_1 \ll w_2 \vee w_1 \ll w_3] \supset w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3)$ by 2, 3 and PR
5. $\text{I- } w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \supset \{(w_2 \vee w_3) \vee [w_1 \wedge \text{O}(w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3))]\}$ by A9 and PR
6. $\vdash [w_2 \vee (w_1 \text{ A } \text{O}(w_1 \ll w_2))] \supset w_1 \ll w_2$ by A9 and PR
7. $\text{I- } \sim(w_1 \ll w_2) \supset \{\sim w_2 \text{ A } [\sim w_1 \vee \text{O}\sim(w_1 \ll w_2)]\}$ by A4 and PR
8. $\vdash \sim(w_1 \ll w_3) \supset \{\sim w_3 \text{ A } [\sim w_1 \vee \text{O}\sim(w_1 \ll w_3)]\}$ similarly
9. $\vdash [w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_2) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_3)] \supset$
 $\quad [\sim w_2 \text{ A } \sim w_3 \text{ A } w_1 \text{ A } \text{O}(w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3)) \text{ A } \text{O}\sim(w_1 \ll w_2) \text{ A } \text{O}\sim(w_1 \ll w_3)]$
by 5, 7, 8 and PR
10. $\vdash [w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_2) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_3)] \supset$
 $\quad \{\sim(w_2 \vee w_3) \text{ A } \text{O}[w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_2) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_3)]\}$
by T12 and PR
- ft. $\text{t- } [w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_2) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_3)] \supset \square \sim(w_2 \vee w_3)$ by DCI
12. $\vdash w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \supset \diamond(w_2 \vee w_3)$ by A10
13. $\vdash w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \supset \sim[\sim(w_1 \ll w_2) \text{ A } \sim(w_1 \ll w_3)]$ by 11, 12, A1 and PR
14. $\text{I- } w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \supset [w_1 \ll w_2 \vee w_1 \ll w_3]$ by PR
15. $\vdash w_1 \ll (w_2 \vee w_3) \equiv [w_1 \ll w_2 \vee w_1 \ll w_3]$ by 4, 14 and PR \blacksquare

$$\text{T31. } \vdash [\diamond w_1 \vee \diamond w_2] \supset [(\sim w_1) \ll w_2 \vee (\sim w_2) \ll w_1]$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash [\diamond w_1 \vee \diamond w_2] \supset \diamond(w_1 \vee w_2)$ by T8 and PR

2. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \vee w_2) \supset (\sim(w_1 \vee w_2)) \Downarrow (w_1 \vee w_2)$ by T23 and PR
3. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \vee w_2) \supset (\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \Downarrow (w_1 \vee w_2)$ by UU and PR
4. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \vee w_2) \supset [(\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \Downarrow w_1 \vee (\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \Downarrow w_2]$ by T30 and PR
5. $\vdash (\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \Downarrow w_1 \supset (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_1$ by $\Downarrow \Downarrow$ and PR
6. $\vdash (\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \Downarrow w_2 \supset (\sim w_1) \Downarrow w_2$ by UU and PR
7. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \vee w_2) \supset [(\sim w_1) \Downarrow w_2 \vee (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_1]$ by 4, 5, 6 and PR
8. $\vdash (\Diamond w_1 \vee \Diamond w_2) \supset [(\sim w_1) \Downarrow w_2 \vee (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_1]$ by 1, 7 and PR \blacksquare

The following two theorems display the one way implication resulting from the interchange of the U with a boolean operator of the opposite character.

T'32. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \wedge w_1 \Downarrow w_3]$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset w_2$ by PT
2. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset w_1 \Downarrow w_2$ by \Downarrow U and PR
3. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset w_1 \Downarrow w_3$ similarly
4. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \wedge w_1 \Downarrow w_3]$ by 2, 3 and PR \blacksquare

T33. $\vdash [w_1 \Downarrow w_3 \vee w_2 \Downarrow w_3] \supset (w_1 \vee w_2) \Downarrow w_3$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \supset (w_1 \vee w_2)$ by IT
2. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow w_3 \supset (w_1 \vee w_2) \Downarrow w_3$ by UU
3. $\vdash w_2 \supset (w_1 \vee w_2)$ by PT
4. $\vdash w_2 \Downarrow w_3 \supset (w_1 \vee w_2) \Downarrow w_3$ by UU
5. $\vdash [w_1 \Downarrow w_3 \vee w_2 \Downarrow w_3] \supset (w_1 \vee w_2) \Downarrow w_3$ by 2, 4 and PR \blacksquare

T34. $\vdash (w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \supset [w_1 \Downarrow w_3 \supset w_2 \Downarrow w_3]$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \supset \Diamond w_3$ by A10
2. $\vdash [(w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \wedge w_1 \Downarrow w_3] \supset$
 $\{w_3 \vee [(w_1 \supset w_2) \wedge O((w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3) \wedge w_1 \wedge O(w_1 \Downarrow w_3)]\}$ by A9 and PR
3. $\vdash [(w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \wedge w_1 \Downarrow w_3] \supset$
 $\{w_3 \vee [w_2 \wedge O((w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3) \wedge O(w_1 \Downarrow w_3)]\}$ by PR
4. $\vdash [(w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \wedge w_1 \Downarrow w_3] \supset$
 $\{w_3 \vee [w_2 \wedge O((w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \wedge w_1 \Downarrow w_3)]\}$ by T12 and PR
5. $\vdash [(w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \wedge w_1 \Downarrow w_3] \supset w_2 \Downarrow w_3$ by 1, 4 and RUI,
 taking w to be $((w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3) \wedge (w_1 \Downarrow w_3)$, u to be w_2 , and v to be w_3
6. $\vdash (w_1 \supset w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \supset [w_1 \Downarrow w_3 \supset w_2 \Downarrow w_3]$ by PR \blacksquare

T35. $\vdash [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \wedge (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3] \supset w_1 \Downarrow w_3$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \supset \Diamond w_3$ by A10
2. $\vdash [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \wedge (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3] \supset \Diamond w_3$ by PR
3. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \supset \{w_2 \vee [w_1 \wedge O(w_1 \Downarrow w_2)]\}$ by A9 and PR
4. $\vdash (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3 \supset \{w_3 \vee [\sim w_2 \wedge O((\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3)]\}$ by A9 and PR
5. $\vdash [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \wedge (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3] \supset$
 $\{w_3 \vee [w_1 \wedge \sim w_2 \wedge O(w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \wedge O((\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3)]\}$ by 3, 4 and PR
6. $\vdash [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \wedge (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3] \supset$
 $\{w_3 \vee [w_1 \wedge O(w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \wedge (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3)]\}$ by T12 and PR
7. $\vdash [w_1 \Downarrow w_2 \wedge (\sim w_2) \Downarrow w_3] \supset w_1 \Downarrow w_3$ by 2, 6 and RUI \blacksquare

T36. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset (w_1 \Downarrow w_2) \Downarrow w_3$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \Downarrow (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset \Diamond (w_2 \wedge w_3)$ by A10

2. $\vdash (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset w_3$ by PT
3. $\vdash \diamond(w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset \diamond w_3$ by 0 0
4. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset \diamond w_3$ by 1, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset \{(w_2 \wedge w_3) \vee [w_1 \wedge \bigcirc(w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \wedge w_3))]\}$ by A9 and PR
6. $\vdash (w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset w_2$ by PT
7. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset w_1 \mathbb{U}w_2$ by UU
8. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset \{w_3 \vee [w_1 \mathbb{U}w_2 \wedge \bigcirc(w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \wedge w_3))]\}$ by 5, 7 and PR
9. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \wedge w_3) \supset (w_1 \mathbb{U}w_2) \mathbb{U}w_3$ by 4, 8 and RUI \blacksquare

The following two theorems are referred to as “collapsing” theorems, since they may be used to derive a consequence of smaller nesting depth from a nested until expression.

T 3 7 . $\vdash (w_1 \mathbb{U}w_2) \mathbb{U}w_3 \supset (w_1 \vee w_2) \mathbb{U}w_3$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}w_2 \supset [w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge \bigcirc(w_1 \mathbb{U}w_2))]$ by A9 and PR
2. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}w_2 \supset (w_1 \vee w_2)$ by PR
3. $\vdash (w_1 \mathbb{U}w_2) \mathbb{U}w_3 \supset (w_1 \vee w_2) \mathbb{U}w_3$ by UU \blacksquare

T 3 8 . $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3) \supset (w_1 \vee w_2) \mathbb{U}w_3$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3) \supset \diamond(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3)$ by A10
2. $\vdash w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3 \supset \bigcirc w_3$ by A10
3. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3) \supset \bigcirc w_3$ by 1, 2 and $\diamond C$
4. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3) \supset \{w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3 \vee [w_1 \wedge \bigcirc(w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3))]\}$ by A9 and PR
5. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3) \supset \{w_3 \vee [w_2 \wedge \bigcirc(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3)] \vee [w_1 \wedge \bigcirc(w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3))]\}$ by A9 and PR
6. $\vdash w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3 \supset w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3)$ by A9 and PR
7. $\vdash [w_2 \wedge \bigcirc(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3)] \supset [(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \bigcirc(w_1 \mathbb{U}(w_2 \mathbb{U}w_3))]$ by 0 0 and PR

8. $t \vdash [w_1 \text{ A } \text{O}(w_1 \text{U}(w_2 \text{U} w_3))] \supset [(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \text{O}(w_1 \text{U}(w_2 \text{U} w_3))]$ by PR
9. $I \vdash w_1 \text{U}(w_2 \text{U} w_3) \supset \{w_3 \vee [(w_1 \vee w_2) \text{ A } \text{O}(w_1 \text{U}(w_2 \text{U} w_3))]\}$ by 5, 7, 8 and PR
10. $t \vdash w_1 \text{U}(w_2 \text{U} w_3) \supset (w_1 \vee w_2) \text{U} w_3$ by 3, 9, and RUI \blacksquare

A very useful derived operator is the unless operator $u \text{U} v$ being defined by

$$u \text{U} v \equiv [\Box u \vee (u \text{U} v)].$$

The unless operator does not insist on the fact that v actually happens but it requires that u holds until such an occurrence. If v never happens u must hold forever. This operator is related to the binary “as long as” operator $p \Box q$, reading “ q as long as p ,” introduced by Lamport in [L2]. The meaning of this construct is that q holds continuously as long as p is continuously maintained. We may express $p \Box q$ by:

$$p \Box q \equiv q \text{U} (\sim p).$$

Following is a rule for establishing the unless operator.

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$$\frac{\vdash u \supset \text{O}(u \vee v)}{\vdash u \supset (u \text{U} v)}$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash u \supset \text{O}(u \vee v)$ given
2. $\vdash u \supset [\text{O} u \vee \text{O} v]$ by T13
3. $\vdash \sim(u \text{U} v) \supset \{\sim v \text{ A } [\sim u \vee \text{O} \sim(u \text{U} v)]\}$ by $\Lambda 9$, T4 and PR
4. $I \vdash \text{O} \sim(u \text{U} v) \supset \text{O} \sim v$ by 0 0 and PR
5. $\vdash [u \text{ A } \sim(u \text{U} v)] \supset [u \text{ A } \text{O} \sim(u \text{U} v)]$ by 3 and PR
6. $\vdash [u \text{ A } \sim(u \text{U} v)] \supset [u \text{ A } \text{O} \sim(u \text{U} v) \text{ A } \sim \text{O} v]$ by 4, 5, A4 and PR
7. $\vdash [u \text{ A } \sim(u \text{U} v)] \supset [u \text{ A } \text{O} u \text{ A } \text{O} \sim(u \text{U} v)]$ by 2, 6 and PR
8. $\vdash [u \text{ A } \sim(u \text{U} v)] \supset [u \text{ A } \text{O}(u \text{ A } \sim(u \text{U} v))]$ by T7 and PR
9. $\vdash [u \text{ A } \sim(u \text{U} v)] \supset \Box u$ by DCI
10. $I \vdash u \supset (\Box u \vee (u \text{U} v))$ by PR

11. $t - u \supset (u \mathcal{U} v)$

by definition of \mathcal{U} ┌

This concludes the description of the propositional section of general temporal logic. The axiomatic system presented for this section of the logic is known to be complete, and the validity problem decidable (IP'S). Consequently, there exists a procedure that tests each formula in PTL (Propositional Temporal Logic) for validity, and constructs a proof in the presented system if the statement is valid. The procedure given in [PS] takes exponential time in the size of the tested formula.

4. QUANTIFIERS

Since we intend to use terms and predicates in our reasoning we have to extend our system to admit individual variables, terms and quantification. Let us consider additional axioms involving quantifiers and their interaction with the temporal operators.

AXIOMS:

A11. $\vdash \exists x . w \equiv \forall x . \sim w$

A12. $\vdash (\forall x . w(x)) \supset w(t)$

where t is any term globally free for x in w

A13. $\vdash (\forall x . \bigcirc w) \supset (\bigcirc \forall x . w)$

In these axioms, x is any global individual variable. Axioms **A11** and **A12** are the usual predicate calculus axioms: **A11** defines \exists as the dual of \forall and **A12** is the *instantiation axiom*. Axiom **A13** is the Barcan formula for the \bigcirc operator; it states that since both operators \forall and \bigcirc have universal characteristics they commute. **We** use the substitution notation $w(x)$ replaced by $w(t)$ to denote the substitution of the term t for all free occurrences of x in w .

A- term t is said to be globally free for x in w if substitution of t for all free occurrences of x in w : (a) does not create new bound occurrences of (global) variables, and (b) does not, create new occurrences of local variables in the scope of a temporal operator. A trivial case: if t is x itself, then t is free for x . Condition (a) is the one stipulated in classical predicate logic. Condition (b) is special to modal and temporal logics with quantification. Condition (b) is essential for **A12**, because without it we could derive the formula

$$(\forall x . \diamond(x < y)) \supset \diamond(y < y),$$

which is not valid for a local variable y .

An additional rule of inference is:

INFERENCE RULE:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{R4. } \forall \text{ Insertion } \text{--- } \forall I \\
 \frac{\vdash u \supset v}{\vdash u \supset \forall x.v} \\
 \text{where } x \text{ is not free in } u.
 \end{array}$$

DERIVED RULES AND THEOREMS:

From R4 we can obtain the derived rule

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Instantiation Rule } \text{--- } \text{INST} \\
 \frac{\vdash w(x)}{\vdash w(t)} \\
 \text{where } t \text{ is any term globally free for } x \text{ in } w.
 \end{array}$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash w(x)$ given
2. $t \vdash \forall x.w(x)$ by $\forall I$ (taking u to be *true*)
3. $I \vdash (\forall x.w(x)) \supset w(t)$ by A12
4. $\vdash w(t)$ by 2, 3 and MI' \lrcorner

The following are the duals of A 12 and R4 for the existential quantifier \exists :

T39. $\vdash w(t) \supset \exists x.w(x)$
 where t is any term globally free for x in w .

Proof:

1. $t \vdash (\forall x. \sim w(x)) \supset \sim w(t)$ by A12
2. $\vdash (\sim \exists x.w(x)) \supset \sim w(t)$ by A11 and PR
3. $t \vdash w(t) \supset \exists x.w(x)$ by IR' \lrcorner

Note again that we need here the additional condition (b) ensuring that the substitution of t for x in w does not, create new occurrences of local variables in the scope of a modal operator.

<p><i>3 Insertion - - \existsI</i></p> $\frac{I-u \supset v}{t- \exists x.u \supset v}$ <p>where x is not free in v</p>
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Proof:

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|----|---|------------------------|
| 1. | $\vdash u \supset v$ | given |
| 2. | $\vdash \sim v \supset \sim u$ | by PR |
| 3. | $\vdash \sim v \supset \forall x. \sim u$ | by \forall I |
| 4. | $\vdash \sim v \supset \sim \exists x.u$ | by Λ 11 and PR |
| 5. | $\vdash \exists x.u \supset v$ | by PR \lrcorner |

<i>\forall Rules</i>			
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Proof of (a):

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| 1. | $\vdash \forall x.u \supset u$ | by Λ 12 |
| 2. | $\vdash u \supset v$ | given |
| 3. | $\vdash \forall x.u \supset v$ | by PR |
| 4. | $\vdash \forall x.u \supset \forall x.v$ | by \forall I, since $\forall x.u$ contains no free occurrences of x. |

Rule (b) then follows by propositional reasoning. \lrcorner

<i>\exists Rules</i>	
<p>(a) $\frac{\vdash u \supset v}{\vdash \exists x.u \supset \exists x.v}$</p>	<p>(b) $\frac{\vdash u \equiv v}{\vdash \exists x.u \equiv \exists x.v}$</p>

Proof of (a):

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| 1. | $\vdash u \supset v$ | given |
| 2. | $\vdash (\sim v) \supset (\sim u)$ | by PR |
| 3. | $\vdash (\forall x. \sim v) \supset (\forall x. \sim u)$ | by \forall I |
| 4. | $\vdash (\mathbf{4x.2}) \supset (\sim \exists x.u)$ | by Λ 11 and PR |

Rule (b) then follows by propositional reasoning. \blacksquare

From the axiom A1,

$$\vdash \sim \diamond w \equiv o - w ,$$

we can clearly deduce the formula

$$\vdash \sim(w \vee \Box \sim w) \equiv \sim(w \vee \sim \diamond w)$$

by propositional reasoning (PR). However, we cannot deduce by PR the formula

$$\Box \Box \sim w \equiv c1 - o w$$

or

$$\forall x. \Box \sim w \equiv \forall x. \sim o w .$$

Here, the replacement of $\Box \sim w$ by $\sim o w$ is under the scope of the operator \Box and the quantifier $\forall x$, respectively, and thus cannot be justified by propositional reasoning alone. For this reason we need the following equivalence rule.

Equivalence Rule ---- ER

Let w' be the result of replacing an occurrence of a subformula v_1 in w by v_2 . Then

$$\frac{\vdash v_1 \equiv v_2}{\vdash w \equiv w'}$$

Proof:

By induction on the structure of w .

Case: w is v_1 . Then w' is v_2 and $\vdash v_1 \equiv v_2$ implies $\vdash w \equiv w'$.

Case: w is of the form $\sim u$. We assume that $\vdash v_1 \equiv v_2$ implies $\vdash u \equiv u'$. Then by propositional reasoning $\vdash \sim u \equiv \sim u'$, i.e., $\vdash w \equiv w'$.

Case: w is of the form $u_1 \vee u_2$. We assume that if $\vdash v_1 \equiv v_2$, then $\vdash u_1 \equiv u_1'$ and $\vdash u_2 \equiv u_2'$. Then by propositional reasoning $\vdash (u_1 \vee u_2) \equiv (u_1' \vee u_2')$, i.e., $\vdash w \equiv w'$.

The cases where w is of forms $u_1 \wedge u_2$, $u_1 \supset u_2$, etc. are similar.

Case: w is of the form $\Box u$. We assume that if $\vdash v_1 \equiv v_2$, then $\vdash u \equiv u'$. By the \Box CI-rule, $\vdash \Box u \equiv \Box u'$, i.e., $\vdash w \equiv w'$.

The cases in which w is of forms $0 u$, $0 u$, and $u_1 \cup u_2$ are treated similarly, using the $0 \diamond$ -rule, the $0 0$ -rule, and the UU -rule, respectively.

Case: w is of the form $\forall x.u$. We assume that if $t \vdash v_1 \equiv v_2$, then $t \vdash u \equiv u'$. Then by the $\forall\forall$ -rule, $t \vdash \forall x.u \equiv \forall x.u'$, i.e., $t \vdash w \equiv w'$.

The case where w is of form $\exists x.u$ is proved similarly by the $\exists\exists$ -rule. ┌

Deduction Rule -- DED

$$\frac{w_1 \vdash w_2}{\vdash (\Box w_1) \supset w_2}$$

where the $\forall I$ rule (Rule R4) is never applied to a free variable of w_1 in the derivation of $w_1 \vdash w_2$.

That is, if under the assumption w_1 we can derive $\vdash w_2$, where rule R4 is never applied to a free variable of w_1 , then there exists a proof establishing $\vdash (\Box w_1) \supset w_2$. We clearly must also be careful in using any theorem or derived rule such as the $\forall\forall$ or $\exists\exists$ rule that was established using the $\forall I$ rule.

The additional \Box operator in the conclusion is obviously necessary since in general $w_1 \vdash w_2$ does not imply $t \vdash w_1 \supset w_2$. For example, obviously $w \vdash \Box w$ is true (an immediate application of rule R3: $t \vdash w$ by assumption and therefore $\vdash \Box w$ by $\Box I$); but $w \supset \Box w$ is not, a theorem.

Proof:

The proof of the temporal Deduction Rule follows the same arguments used in the proof of the classical deduction theorem of Predicate Calculus. By the given $w_1 \vdash w_2$, there exists a proof of the form:

$\vdash u_1$
 $\vdash u_2$
 .
 .
 $\vdash u_m$

such that $u_1 = w_1$ is the hypothesis on which the proof relies, and $u_m = w_2$ is the consequence of the proof. We replace each line $\vdash u_i$ in the proof of $w_1 \vdash w_2$ by the line $\vdash \Box w_1 \supset u_i$, and show that this transformation preserves soundness. That is

given	show
$\vdash u_1$	$\vdash (\Box w_1) \supset u_1$
$\vdash u_2$	$\vdash (\Box w_1) \supset u_2$
.	.
.	.
.	.

Case: u_i is obtained by rule R4 (using previous $\vdash u \supset v$, i.e. u_k , Lo get $\vdash u \supset \forall x.v$, i.e. u_i , where x is not free in \mathbf{u}).

By our deduction rule assumption, we know that x is also not free in w_1 .

1. $\vdash (\Box w_1) \supset (u \supset v)$ induction hypothesis
2. $\vdash ((\Box w_1) \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}) \supset v$ by PR
3. $\mathbf{I}\text{-} ((\Box w_1) \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}) \supset \forall x.v$ by R4
(since x is not free in u or w_1)
4. $\vdash (\Box w_1) \supset (u \supset \forall x.v)$ by PR ┌

A different approach to coping with the application of the CI insertion rule (rule R3) is Lo forbid it altogether. We then get the following restricted deduction rule:

Restricted Deduction Rule -- RDED

$$\frac{w_1 \vdash w_2}{\mathbf{I}\text{-} w_1 \supset w_2}$$

where $\Box\mathbf{I}$ (rule R3) is never applied and $\forall\mathbf{I}$ (rule R4) is never applied to a free variable of w_1 in the derivation of $w_1 \vdash w_2$.

Here, we are not allowed to use rule $\Box\mathbf{I}$ or any theorem or derived rule in whose proof $\Box\mathbf{I}$ was used.

The proof* of RDED follows exactly that of DED except that Lhc case in which rule R3 is applied does not arise.

QUANTIFIER THEOREMS:

T40. $\mathbf{I}\text{-} (\mathbf{4x.w}) \equiv (\mathbf{3x.} \sim w)$

Proof:

1. $\mathbf{I}\text{-} (\sim \sim w) \equiv w$ by PT
2. $\mathbf{t}\text{-} (\forall x. \sim \sim w) \equiv \forall x.w$ by $\forall\mathbf{V}$
3. $\mathbf{I}\text{-} (\sim \exists x. \sim w) \equiv \forall x.w$ by A1 1 and PR
4. $\mathbf{t}\text{-} \sim \forall x.w \equiv \mathbf{3x.} \sim w$ by PR ┌

T41. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \wedge w_2) \equiv (\forall x.w_1 \wedge \forall x.w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash \forall x.w_1 \supset w_1$ by A12
2. $\vdash \forall x.w_2 \supset w_2$ by A12
3. $\vdash (\forall x.w_1 \wedge \forall x.w_2) \supset (w_1 \wedge w_2)$ by 1, 2 and PR
4. $\vdash (\forall x.w_1 \wedge \forall x.w_2) \supset \forall x.(w_1 \wedge w_2)$ by \forall I
5. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset w_1$ by PT
6. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset \forall x.w_1$ by \forall \forall
7. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset w_2$ by PT
8. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset \forall x.w_2$ by \forall \forall
9. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \wedge w_2) \supset (\forall x.w_1 \wedge \forall x.w_2)$ by 6, 8 and PR
10. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \wedge w_2) \equiv (\forall x.w_1 \wedge \forall x.w_2)$ by 4, 9 and PR \lrcorner

T42. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\exists x.w_1 \vee \exists x.w_2)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash \forall x.(\sim w_1 \wedge \sim w_2) \equiv (\forall x. \sim w_1 \wedge \forall x. \sim w_2)$ by T41
2. $\vdash \forall x. \sim(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\forall x. \sim w_1 \wedge \forall x. \sim w_2)$ by ER
3. $\vdash \sim \exists x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\sim \exists x.w_1 \wedge \sim \exists x.w_2)$ by A11 and PR
4. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (\exists x.w_1 \vee \exists x.w_2)$ by PR \lrcorner

T43. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv [w_1 \vee \forall x.w_2]$ where x is not free in w_1 .

Proof:

1. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \supset [w_1 \vee w_2]$ by A12
2. $\vdash [\forall x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \sim w_1] \supset w_2$ by PR

3. $\vdash [\forall x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \sim w_1] \supset \forall x.w_2$ by $\forall I$,
since x is not free in $\forall x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \sim w_1$
4. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \supset [w_1 \vee \forall x.w_2]$ by PR
5. $\vdash w_1 \supset [w_1 \vee w_2]$ by PT
6. $\vdash \forall x.w_2 \supset w_2$ by $\wedge 12$
7. $\vdash \forall x.w_2 \supset [w_1 \vee w_2]$ by PR
8. $\vdash [w_1 \vee \forall x.w_2] \supset [w_1 \vee w_2]$ by 5, 7 and PR
9. $\vdash [w_1 \vee \forall x.w_2] \supset \forall x.(w_1 \vee w_2)$ by $\forall I$,
since x is not free in $w_1 \vee \forall x.w_2$
10. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv [w_1 \vee \forall x.w_2]$ by 4, 9 and PR \blacksquare

T44. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \wedge w_2) \equiv [w_1 \wedge \exists x.w_2]$ where x is not free in w_1

Proof: By duality on the previous theorem.

The following two theorems show that the \circ operator also commutes with the quantifiers.

T45. $\vdash (\forall x. \circ w) \equiv (\circ \forall x.w)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (\forall x. \circ w) \supset (\circ \forall x.w)$ by $\wedge 13$
2. $\vdash \forall x.w \supset w$ by $\wedge 12$
3. $\vdash (\circ \forall x.w) \supset \circ w$ by $\circ \circ$
4. $\vdash (\circ \forall x.w) \supset (\forall x. \circ w)$ by VI
5. $\vdash (\forall x. \circ w) \equiv (\circ \forall x.w)$ by 1, 4 and PR \blacksquare

T46. $\vdash (\exists x. \circ w) \equiv (\circ \exists x.w)$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (\forall x. \circ \sim w) \equiv (\circ \forall x. \sim w)$ by T45

2. $\vdash (\forall x. \sim \bigcirc w) \equiv (\bigcirc \neg \exists x. w)$
3. $\vdash (\neg \exists x. \bigcirc w) \equiv (\sim \bigcirc \exists x. w)$
4. $\vdash (\exists x. \bigcirc w) \equiv (\bigcirc \exists x. w)$

The following two theorems show that each temporal operator commutes with the quantifier that has similar character (universal, or existential).

$$\text{T47. } \vdash (\forall x. \Box w) \equiv (\Box \forall x. w)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash \Box w \supset [w \wedge \bigcirc \Box w]$ by T20 and PR
2. $\vdash (\forall x. \Box w) \supset \forall x. (w \wedge \bigcirc \Box w)$ by VV
3. $\vdash (\forall x. \Box w) \supset [(\forall x. w) \wedge (\forall x. \bigcirc \Box w)]$ by T41 and PR
4. $\vdash (\forall x. \Box w) \supset [(\forall x. w) \wedge (\bigcirc \forall x. \Box w)]$ by T45 and PR
5. $\vdash (\forall x. \Box w) \supset (\Box \forall x. w)$ by DCI, taking u to be $\forall x. \Box w$ and v to be $\forall x. w$
6. $\vdash (\forall x. w) \supset w$ by A12
7. $\vdash (\Box \forall x. w) \supset \Box w$ by $\Box \Box$
8. $\vdash (\Box \forall x. w) \supset (\forall x. \Box w)$ by VI
9. $\vdash (\forall x. \Box w) \equiv (\Box \forall x. w)$ by 5, 8 and PR \blacksquare

$$\text{T48. } \vdash (\exists x. \bigcirc w) \equiv (\bigcirc \exists x. w)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (\forall x. \Box \sim w) \equiv (\Box \forall x. \sim w)$ by T47
2. $\vdash (\forall x. \sim \bigcirc w) \equiv (\Box \neg \exists x. w)$ by A1, A11 and ER (twice)
3. $\vdash (\sim \exists x. \bigcirc w) \equiv (\sim \bigcirc \exists x. w)$ by A1, A11 and PR
4. $\vdash (\exists x. \bigcirc w) \equiv (\bigcirc \exists x. w)$ by PR \blacksquare

Theorem T47 implies the commutativity of \forall with \Box : Both have a universal character, with one quantifying over individuals and the other quantifying over states. Similarly, theorem T48

implies the commutativity of $\mathbf{3}$ with $\mathbf{0}$. The first two theorems (T45 and 1'46) imply the commutativity of \vee and $\mathbf{3}$ with $\mathbf{0}$.

The next two theorems are consistent with the interpretation that the \mathbb{U} operator is universal with respect to its first argument and existential with respect to the second.

T49. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \equiv (\forall x.w_1) \mathbb{U} w_2$ where x is not free in w_2

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2 \supset [w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge \mathbf{O}(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2))]$ by A9 and PR
2. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset \forall x.[w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge \mathbf{O}(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2))]$ by $\forall\forall$
3. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset [w_2 \vee \forall x.(w_1 \wedge \mathbf{O}(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2))]$ by VI and PR, since x is not free in w_2
4. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset [w_2 \vee (\forall x.w_1 \wedge \forall x. \mathbf{O}(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2))]$ by T41 and PR
5. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset [w_2 \vee (\forall x.w_1 \wedge \mathbf{0} \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2))]$ by T45 and PR
6. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset \diamond w_2$ by A12, A10 and PR
7. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset (\forall x.w_1) \mathbb{U} w_2$ by 5, 6 and RUI, taking w to be $\forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2)$, u to be $\forall x.w_1$, and v to be w_2
8. $\vdash (\forall x.w_1) \mathbf{3} w_1$ by A12
9. $\vdash (\forall x.w_1) \mathbb{U} w_2 \supset w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2$ by $\mathbb{U}\mathbb{U}$
10. $\vdash (\forall x.w_1) \mathbb{U} w_2 \supset \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2)$ by VI, since x is not free in w_2
11. $\vdash \forall x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \equiv (\forall x.w_1) \mathbb{U} w_2$ by 7, 10 and PR \blacksquare

T50. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \equiv w_1 \mathbb{U} (\exists x.w_2)$ where x is not free in w_1

Proof:

1. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2 \supset \diamond w_2$ by A10
2. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset (\exists x. \diamond w_2)$ by 33
3. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset (\diamond \exists x.w_2)$ by T48 and PR
4. $\vdash w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2 \supset [w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge \mathbf{O}(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2))]$ by A9 and PR
5. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2) \supset [(\exists x.w_2) \vee \exists x.(w_1 \wedge \mathbf{O}(w_1 \mathbb{U} w_2))]$ by T42, 33 and PR

6. $t - \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2) \supset [(\exists x.w_2) \vee (w_1 \wedge \exists x. O(w_1 \cup w_2))]$ by T44 and PR,
since x is not free in w_1
7. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2) \supset ((\exists x.w_2) \vee [w_1 \wedge O \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2)])$ by T46 and PR
8. $t - \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2) \supset w_1 \cup (\exists x.w_2)$ by 3, 7, RUI and PR
9. $\vdash [w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge O(w_1 \cup w_2))] \supset w_1 \cup w_2$ by A9 and PR
10. $t - \exists x.[w_2 \vee (w_1 \wedge O(w_1 \cup w_2))] \supset \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2)$ by 33
11. $t - [(\exists x.w_2) \vee \exists x.(w_1 \wedge O(w_1 \cup w_2))] \supset \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2)$ by T42 and PR
12. $\vdash [(\exists x.w_2) \vee (w_1 \wedge \exists x. O(w_1 \cup w_2))] \supset \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2)$ by T44 and PR,
since 2 is not free in w_1
13. $t - [(\exists x.w_2) \vee (w_1 \wedge O \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2))] \supset \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2)$ by T46 and PR
14. $\vdash w_1 \cup (\exists x.w_2) \supset \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2)$ by LUI,
taking u to be w_1 , v to be $\exists x.w_2$ and w to be $\exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2)$
15. $\vdash \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2) \equiv w_1 \cup (\exists x.w_2)$ by 8, 14 and PR ┌

While operators of similar character, i.e., both universal or both existential, commute to yield equivalent formulas, operators of opposite character usually admit implication in one direction only. Thus we have:

$$T51. \vdash \exists x. \Box w \supset \Box \exists x.w$$

$$T52. t - \Diamond \forall x.w \supset \forall x. \Diamond w$$

$$T53(a). \vdash \exists x.(w_1 \cup w_2) \supset (\exists x.w_1) \cup w_2 \text{ where } x \text{ is not free in } w_2$$

$$(b). \vdash w_1 \cup (\forall x.w_2) \supset \forall x.(w_1 \cup w_2) \text{ where } x \text{ is not free in } w_1$$

Theorems of similar character are:

$$T54(a). \vdash \exists x.(u \cup v) \supset (\exists x.u) \cup (\exists x.v)$$

$$(b). \vdash (\forall x.u) \cup (\forall x.v) \supset \forall x.(u \cup v)$$

THE NEXT OPERATOR APPLIED TO TERMS:

The use of the next operator O applied to terms is governed by the axioms:

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| <p>A14. $\vdash \bigcirc f(t_1, \dots, t_n) = f(\bigcirc t_1, \dots, \bigcirc t_n)$
for any function f and terms t_1, \dots, t_n</p> <p>A15. $\vdash \bigcirc p(t_1, \dots, t_n) \equiv p(\bigcirc t_1, \dots, \bigcirc t_n)$
for any predicate p and terms t_1, \dots, t_n</p> |
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These axioms are consistent with the evaluation rules that we gave which stated that in order to evaluate an expression $\bigcirc \mathcal{E}(t_1, \dots, t_n)$, we can evaluate $\mathcal{E}(\bigcirc t_1, \dots, \bigcirc t_n)$ whether \mathcal{E} is a function or a predicate.

5. EQUALITY

Equality is handled by the following axioms:

AXIOMS:

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| <p>A16. Reflexivity of Equality</p> <p style="text-align: center;">$\vdash t = t$ for any term t</p> <p>A17. Substitutivity of Equality</p> <p style="text-align: center;">$\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [w(t_1, t_1) \equiv w(t_1, t_2)]$
where t_2 is any term globally free for t_1 in w
and where w does not contain temporal operators</p> <p>A18. $\vdash \bigcirc(t_1 = t_2) \equiv (\bigcirc t_1 = \bigcirc t_2)$ _____</p> |
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We use $w(t_1, t_2)$ to indicate that t_2 replaces some of the occurrences of t_1 in w .

The axiom A18 is a special case of A15 when the predicate p is the equality predicate.

Recall that a term t_2 is said to be **globally** free for t_1 in w if substitution of t_2 for all free occurrences of t_1 in w : (a) does not create new bound occurrences of (global) variables, (i.e., t_2 is free for t_1 in w), and (b) does not create new occurrences of local variables in the scope of a modal operator.

Note that the classical axiom for substitutivity of equality A 17

$$\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [w(t_1, t_1) \equiv w(t_1, t_2)]$$

(where t_2 is free for t_1 in w) is not correct if w contains temporal operators. We could take $w(t_1, t_2) = \Box(t_1 = t_2)$ and deduce from A17

$$\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [\Box(t_1 = t_1) \supset \Box(t_1 = t_2)],$$

i.e.,

$$\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset \Box (t_1 = t_2),$$

which is not a valid statement (since $t_1 = t_2$ may contain local variables).

T55. Commutativity of Equality

$$\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \mathbf{3} (t_2 = t_1)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [(t_1 = t_1) \equiv (t_2 = t_1)]$ by A17
2. $\vdash t_1 = t_1$ by A16
3. $\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset (t_2 = t_1)$ by 1, 2 and PR \blacksquare

T56. Transitivity of Equality

$$\vdash [(t_1 = t_2) \mathbf{A} (t_2 = t_3)] \supset (t_1 = t_3)$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [(t_1 = t_3) \equiv (t_2 = t_3)]$ by A17
2. $\vdash [(t_1 = t_2) \mathbf{A} (t_2 = t_3)] \supset (t_1 = t_3)$ by PR \blacksquare

T57. Term Equality

$$\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [\tau(t_1, t_1) = \tau(t_1, t_2)] \quad \text{for any term } \tau$$

$$(b) \vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [\tau(t_1, t_1) = \tau(t_1, t_2)]$$

provided τ does not contain the next operator.

Proof of (a):

By induction on the structure of τ .

Case: $\tau(t_1, t_1) = t_1$ and $\tau(t_1, t_2) = t_1$. Then

1. $\vdash t_1 = t_1$ by A16
2. $\vdash \Box (t_1 = t_2) \mathbf{3} [\tau(t_1, t_1) = \tau(t_1, t_2)]$ by PR and definition of $\tau(t_1, t_1)$ and $\tau(t_1, t_2)$

Case: $\tau(t_1, t_1) = t_1$ and $\tau(t_1, t_2) = t_2$. Then

1. $\mathcal{V} \vdash \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box t_2 \equiv (t_1 \Box t_2)$ by A3
2. $\vdash \Box (t_1 = t_2) \supset [\tau(t_1, t_1) = \tau(t_1, t_2)]$
by the definition of $\tau(t_1, t_1)$ and $\tau(t_1, t_2)$

Case: $\tau(t_1, t_1) = f(\tau_1(t_1, t_1), \dots, \tau_k(t_1, t_1))$ and $\tau(t_1, t_2) = f(\tau_1(t_1, t_2), \dots, \tau_k(t_1, t_2))$. Then

1. $\mathbf{I} \vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [\tau_i(t_1, t_1) = \tau_i(t_1, t_2)]$, for $i = 1, \dots, k$
by the induction assumption.
2. $\vdash \bigwedge_{i=1}^k [\tau_i(t_1, t_1) = \tau_i(t_1, t_2)] \supset$
 $[f(\tau_1(t_1, t_1), \dots, \tau_k(t_1, t_1)) = f(\tau_1(t_1, t_2), \dots, \tau_k(t_1, t_2))]$
by repeated application of A17 and using T56 for transitivity of equality.

A typical step in this repeated application is:

$$\begin{aligned} \vdash [\tau_i(t_1, t_1) = \tau_i(t_1, t_2)] \supset \\ [f(\tau_1(t_1, t_2), \dots, \tau_{i-1}(t_1, t_2), \tau_i(t_1, t_1), \dots, \tau_k(t_1, t_1)) = \\ f(\tau_1(t_1, t_2), \dots, \tau_{i-1}(t_1, t_2), \tau_i(t_1, t_2), \tau_{i+1}(t_1, t_1), \dots, \tau_k(t_1, t_1))] \end{aligned}$$

justified by A17 and the fact that $\tau_i(t_1, t_2)$ is free for $\tau_i(t_1, t_1)$ in $f(\dots)$ since f does not contain any temporal operators.

3. $\vdash \Box (t_1 = t_2) \supset [\tau(t_1, t_1) = \tau(t_1, t_2)]$
by 1, 2, PR and the definition of $\tau(t_1, t_1)$ and $\tau(t_1, t_2)$.

Case: $\tau(t_1, t_1) = \mathbf{O} \tau'(t_1, t_1)$ and $\tau(t_1, t_2) = \mathbf{O} \tau'(t_1, t_2)$. Then

1. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [\tau'(t_1, t_1) = \tau'(t_1, t_2)]$ by the induction hypothesis
2. $\mathcal{V} \vdash \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box t_2 \supset \mathbf{O} [\tau'(t_1, t_1) \Box \tau'(t_1, t_2)]$ by O0
3. $\mathbf{I} \vdash \mathbf{O} [\tau'(t_1, t_1) = \tau'(t_1, t_2)] \supset [\mathbf{O} \tau'(t_1, t_1) = \mathbf{O} \tau'(t_1, t_2)]$ by A18 and PR
4. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset \mathbf{O} \Box(t_1 = t_2)$ by A7
5. $\vdash \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box t_2 \supset (\mathbf{O} \tau'(t_1, t_1) \Box \mathbf{O} \tau'(t_1, t_2))$ by 4, 2, 3 and PR
6. $\vdash \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box t_2 \supset [\tau(t_1, t_1) \Box \tau(t_1, t_2)]$ by the definition of $\tau(t_1, t_1)$, $\tau(t_1, t_2)$.

Proof of (b):

1. $\mathbf{I} \vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [(\tau(t_1) = \tau(t_2)) \equiv (\tau(t_2) = \tau(t_1))]$ by A17 (no 0 in τ)
2. $\mathbf{I} \vdash \tau(t_2) = \tau(t_2)$ by A16

$$3. \quad \vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset (\tau(t_1) = \tau(t_2)) \quad \text{by 1, 2 and PR} \quad \blacksquare$$

The following theorem generalizes **A17** to arbitrary formulas.

T58. Substitutivity of Equality

$$\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [w(t_1, t_1) \equiv w(t_1, t_2)] \quad \text{where } t_2 \text{ is free for } t_1 \text{ in } w.$$

Proof:

By induction on the structure of w .

Case: w contains no temporal operators. Then

1. $\vdash (t_1 = t_2) \supset [w(t_1, t_1) \equiv w(t_1, t_2)]$ by A17
2. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset (t_1 = t_2)$ by A3
3. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [w(t_1, t_1) \equiv w(t_1, t_2)]$ by MP

Case: $w(t_1, t_2)$ is of the form $\tau_1(t_1, t_2) = \tau_2(t_1, t_2)$. Then

1. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [\tau_1(t_1, t_1) = \tau_1(t_1, t_2)]$ by T57
2. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [\tau_2(t_1, t_1) = \tau_2(t_1, t_2)]$ by T57
3. $\vdash [\tau_1(t_1, t_1) = \tau_1(t_1, t_2)] \supset [(\tau_1(t_1, t_1) = \tau_2(t_1, t_1)) \equiv (\tau_1(t_1, t_2) = \tau_2(t_1, t_2))]$
by AL7 of the form $(\theta_1 = \theta_2) \supset [(\theta_1 = \tau_2(t_1, t_1)) \equiv (\theta_2 = \tau_2(t_1, t_1))]$
with $\theta_1 = \tau_1(t_1, t_1)$ and $\theta_2 = \tau_1(t_1, t_2)$
4. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [(\tau_1(t_1, t_1) = \tau_2(t_1, t_1)) \equiv (\tau_1(t_1, t_2) = \tau_2(t_1, t_2))]$
by 1, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [(\tau_1(t_1, t_2) = \tau_2(t_1, t_2)) \equiv (\tau_1(t_1, t_2) = \tau_2(t_1, t_2))]$
similarly by A17, using 2
6. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [(\tau_1(t_1, t_1) = \tau_2(t_1, t_1)) \equiv (\tau_1(t_1, t_2) = \tau_2(t_1, t_2))]$
by 4, 5 and PR
7. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [w(t_1, t_1) \equiv w(t_1, t_2)]$ by the definition of $w(t_1, t_2)$

Case: w is of the form $Cl u$. Then

1. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2) \supset [u(t_1, t_1) \equiv u(t_1, t_2)]$ induction hypothesis
2. $\vdash \Box(t_1 = t_2)$ assumption

3. $I- u(t_1, t_1) \equiv u(t_1, t_2)$ by MP
 4. $\vdash \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond t_1 \equiv \Box \Diamond t_1$ by $\Box \Box$
- Thus, $\Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond t_2 \vdash I- [\Box u(t_1, t_1) \equiv \Box u(t_1, t_2)]$
5. $\Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond (t_1 = t_2) \supset [\Box u(t_1, t_1) \equiv \Box u(t_1, t_2)]$ by DED
 6. $\Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond t_2 \supset [\Box u(t_1, t_1) \equiv \Box u(t_1, t_2)]$ by T3 and PR

The cases in which w is of the form $0 u$, $0 u$, $\forall x.u$ and $\exists x.u$ are treated similarly, using the 0 O-rule, the 0 O-rule, the W-rule and the $\exists \exists$ -rule, respectively.

Case: w is of the form $u \cup v$.

1. $\Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond (t_1 = t_2) \supset [u(t_1, t_1) \equiv u(t_1, t_2)]$ induction hypothesis
 2. $\Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond (t_1 = t_2) \supset [v(t_1, t_1) \equiv v(t_1, t_2)]$ induction hypothesis
 3. $\Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond t_2$ assumption
 4. $I- u(t_1, t_1) \equiv u(t_1, t_2)$ by 1, 3 and MP
 5. $\vdash v(t_1, t_1) \equiv v(t_1, t_2)$ by 2, 3 and MP
 6. $\vdash (u(t_1, t_1) \cup v(t_1, t_1)) \equiv (u(t_1, t_2) \cup v(t_1, t_2))$ by 4, 5 and ER
- Thus, $\Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond t_2 \vdash I- [(u(t_1, t_1) \cup v(t_1, t_1)) \equiv (u(t_1, t_2) \cup v(t_1, t_2))]$
7. $\Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond (t_1 = t_2) \supset [(u(t_1, t_1) \cup v(t_1, t_1)) \equiv (u(t_1, t_2) \cup v(t_1, t_2))]$ by DED
 8. $\vdash \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond \Box \Diamond t_2 \supset [(u(t_1, t_1) \cup v(t_1, t_1)) \equiv (u(t_1, t_2) \cup v(t_1, t_2))]$ by T3 and PR

6. FRAME AXIOMS AND RULES

In this section we consider the consequences of the partition of the set of all variables into local and global variables. By the semantic definition, global variables are given their value by the global-assignment a , and these values do not vary from slate to state. Consequently, for a global variable u it must be universally true that $u = 0 u$, i.e., the value of u at any state is identical to its value in the next state (see A19 below). The following axioms are called frame axioms in reference to the “frame axiom” in Hoare’s deductive system for program verification ([ILL]).

Recall that we split the set of our symbols into two subsets: global and local symbols. The logical consequence of this convention is the following frame axiom:

A19. *Frame Axiom*

$\vdash x = 0 x$ for every global variable x

WC can therefore prove by induction on the structure of the term t and the formula w the following frame **theorems**:

T59. For a term t and formula w

- (a) $\vdash t = Ot$
where t is global, i.e., does not contain local symbols
- (b) $\vdash w \equiv \Box w$
where w is global, i.e., does not contain local symbols.
- (c) $\vdash w(\bigcirc y_1, \bullet \dots, \bigcirc y_n) \equiv \bigcirc w(y_1, \bullet \dots, \bigcirc y_n)$
where y_1, \dots, y_n are all the local variables in w .

We present several frame theorems that facilitate moving global formulas in and out of the scope of temporal operators.

T60. $\vdash \Box (w_1 \vee w_2) \equiv (w_1 \vee \Box w_2)$
where w_1 is global, i.e., contains no local symbols.

Proof:

1. $\vdash \sim w_1 \supset \Box \sim w_1$ by T59b
2. $\vdash [\Box(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \Box \sim w_1] \equiv \Box ((w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \sim w_1)$ by T7 and PR
3. $\vdash [(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \sim w_1] \supset w_2$ by PT
4. $\vdash [\Box(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \Box \sim w_1] \supset \Box w_2$ by 2, 3, \Box and I'R
5. $\vdash [\Box(w_1 \vee w_2) \wedge \sim w_1] \supset \Box w_2$ by 1, 4 and PR
6. $\vdash \Box (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2) \equiv \Box (w_1 \wedge w_2)$ by PR
7. $\vdash w_1 \supset \Box \bullet \bullet$ by T59b
8. $\vdash (w_1 \wedge \Box w_2) \supset (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box \bullet \bullet)$ by PR
9. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2) \supset \Box (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box \bullet \bullet)$ by T9
10. $\vdash (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box \bullet \bullet) \supset \Box (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box \bullet \bullet)$ by 8, 9 and PR
11. $\vdash \Box (\Box w_1 \wedge \Box w_2) \equiv \Box (w_1 \wedge \Box w_2)$ by 6, 10 and PR

T61. $\vdash \Diamond(w_1 \wedge w_2) \equiv (w_1 \wedge \bullet w_2)$ where w_1 is global.

Proof: The proof follows from T60 by duality.

A derived frame rule that we will be using is

<p>Frame Rule --- FR</p> $\frac{\vdash u \supset \Diamond v}{\vdash (w \mathbf{A} u) \supset \Diamond(w \mathbf{A} v)}$ <p>where w is global</p>

Proof:

- | | | |
|-----|---|---|
| 1. | $\vdash u \supset \Diamond v$ | given |
| 2. | $\vdash (w \mathbf{A} u) \supset (w \mathbf{A} \Diamond v)$ | by PR |
| 3 . | $\vdash (w \wedge \Diamond v) \supset \Diamond(w \wedge v)$ | by T61 and PR |
| 4. | $\vdash (w \mathbf{A} u) \supset \Diamond(w \mathbf{A} v)$ | by 2, 3 and PR ┌ |

C. DOMAIN PART

The next part of the system contains domain axioms that specify the necessary properties of the domain of interest. Thus, to reason about programs manipulating natural numbers, we need the set of **Peano Axioms**, and to reason about trees we need a set of axioms giving the basic properties of **trees** and the basic operations defined on them.

7. INDUCTION AXIOMS AND RULES

An essential axiom schema for many domains is the **induction axiom schema**. This (and all other schemas) should be formulated to admit temporal instances as subformulas. Thus the induction principle for natural numbers can be stated as follows:

A20. Induction Axiom

$$\vdash \{R(0) \wedge \forall n[R(n) \supset R(n + 1)]\} \supset R(k)$$

for any statement R .

One instance of this axiom, which will be used later, is obtained by taking $R(n)$ to be $\Box(Q(n) \supset \Diamond \psi)$:

T62. Induction Theorem:

$$\vdash \{\Box(Q(0) \supset \Diamond \psi) \wedge \forall n[\Box(Q(n) \supset \Diamond \psi) \supset \Box(Q(n+1) \supset \Diamond \psi)]\} \supset \Box(Q(k) \supset \Diamond \psi).$$

Using this induction theorem we can derive the following useful induction rule:

\Diamond Induction Rule — \Diamond IND

$$\begin{array}{l} \vdash Q(0) \supset \Diamond \psi \\ \vdash Q(n + 1) \supset [\Diamond \psi \vee \Diamond Q(n)] \\ \hline \vdash Q(k) \supset \Diamond \psi \end{array}$$

\Diamond IND is useful for proving convergence of a loop: show that $Q(0)$ guarantees $\Diamond \psi$ and that for each n , either $Q(n + 1)$ implies $Q(n)$ across the loop or it already establishes $\Diamond \psi$ and no further execution is necessary. Then for any k , $Q(k)$ ensures that $\Diamond \psi$ is established.

Proof:

1. $\vdash Q(0) \supset \Diamond \psi$ given
2. $\Box(Q(n) \supset \Diamond \psi) \supset \Box(Q(n+1) \supset \Diamond \psi)$ by $\Box I$

3. $\vdash Q(n+1) \supset (O\psi \vee OQ(n))$ given
4. $\vdash \Box(Q(n) \supset \Diamond\psi) \supset (\Diamond Q(n) \supset \Diamond\psi)$ by T6, T4 and PR
5. $\vdash [Q(n) \supset \Box(Q(n+1) \supset \Diamond\psi)] \supset \Diamond\psi$ by 3, 4 and PR
6. $\vdash \Box(Q(n) \supset \Diamond\psi) \supset (Q(n+1) \supset \Diamond\psi)$ by PR
7. $\vdash \Box IO(Q(n) \supset \Diamond\psi) \supset \Box (Q(n+1) \supset \Diamond\psi)$ by \Box ICI
8. $\vdash \Box (Q(n) \supset \Diamond\psi) \supset \Box IO(Q(n+1) \supset \Diamond\psi)$ by T3 and PR
9. $\vdash \forall n[\Box(Q(n) \supset O\psi) \supset \Box (Q(n+1) \supset O\psi)]$ by VI
10. $\vdash \Box(Q(k) \supset \Diamond\psi)$ by 2, 9 and T62
11. $\vdash Q(k) \supset \Diamond\psi$ by A3 and MP



While induction over the natural numbers is usually sufficient in order to prove properties of sequential programs, we need induction over more general orderings in order to reason about concurrent programs ([LPS]). Thus we have to formulate a more general induction principle over arbitrary well-founded orderings.

Let $(A, <)$ be a partially ordered set. We call the ordering $<$ a **well-founded ordering** if there exists no infinitely decreasing sequence of elements in A :

$$\alpha_1 > \alpha_2 > \alpha_3 > \dots$$

For each well-founded ordering $(A, <)$, the following is a valid induction rule:

R5. *Well-Founded Induction Rule* — WIND

$$\frac{\vdash \forall \beta[(\beta < \alpha) \supset w(\beta)] \supset w(\alpha)}{\vdash w(\alpha)}$$

This rule should hold for an arbitrary temporal formula $w(a)$ dependent on a global variable $\alpha \in A$, and we adopt it as a primitive inference rule.

To justify the rule semantically we may argue as follows:

Assume that the premise of the rule is true but the conclusion is not. Then there must exist a model M and an α_1 such that $w(\alpha_1)$ is false under M . By the premise there must exist some α_2 such that $\alpha_2 < \alpha_1$ and $w(\alpha_2)$ is false under M . Arguing in a similar way we obtain an infinitely decreasing sequence:

$$\alpha_1 > \alpha_2 > \alpha_3 > \dots$$

such that for each i , $w(\alpha_i)$ is false under M . This of course contradicts the well foundedness of $(A, <)$.

Note that the induction axiom and rules can be derived from WIND by taking $(A, <)$ to be $(N, <)$.

In order to use the WIND rule, one has to establish that the ordering $<$ is indeed a well-founded ordering. Several specific orderings are known to be well-founded (such as lexicographic ordering over tuples of integers, multisets, etc.), and may be freely used. However the general statement that an ordering ' $<$ ' is well-founded is a second order statement which may require second order reasoning for its establishment.

By substitution of a special form of a temporal formula we can obtain the following induction principle for 0 formulas:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \textbf{Well-Founded 0 Induction Rule -- OWIND} \\
 \hline
 \vdash w(\alpha) \supset \diamond(\psi \vee \exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)]) \\
 \hline
 \vdash w(\alpha) \supset \mathbf{0} \psi
 \end{array}$$

We show that \diamond WIND follows from WIND.

Proof:

1. $\vdash w(\alpha) \supset \diamond(\psi \vee \exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)])$ given
2. $\vdash w(\alpha) \supset (\diamond\psi \vee \diamond\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)])$ by T8 and PR
3. $\vdash \square(\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)] \supset \diamond\psi) \supset$
 $\quad (\diamond\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)] \supset \diamond\psi)$ by T6, T4 and PR
4. $\vdash \{w(\alpha) \wedge \square(\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)] \supset \diamond\psi)\} \supset \diamond\psi$ by 2, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash \square(\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)] \supset \diamond\psi) \supset (w(\alpha) \supset \diamond\psi)$ by PR
6. $\vdash (\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)] \supset \diamond\psi) \equiv (\sim\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)] \vee \diamond\psi)$ by PT
7. $\vdash (\sim\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)] \vee \diamond\psi) \equiv (\forall\beta[\sim(\beta < \alpha) \vee \sim w(\beta)] \vee \diamond\psi)$
by A11, ER and PR
8. $\vdash (\forall\beta[\sim(\beta < \alpha) \vee \sim w(\beta)] \vee \mathbf{0} \psi) \equiv \forall\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \supset (w(\beta) \supset \diamond\psi)]$
by T43, PR and ER, since 0 ψ does not depend on β
9. $\vdash (\exists\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \wedge w(\beta)] \supset \diamond\psi) \equiv \forall\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \supset (w(\beta) \supset \diamond\psi)]$
by 6, 7, 8 and PR
10. $\vdash \square\forall\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \supset (w(\beta) \supset \diamond\psi)] \supset (w(\alpha) \supset \diamond\psi)$ by 9, 5 and ER
11. $\vdash \square \forall\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \supset (w(\beta) \supset \diamond\psi)] \supset \square (w(\alpha) \supset \diamond\psi)$ by T3, $\square\square$ and PR
12. $\vdash \square \forall\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \supset (w(\beta) \supset \diamond\psi)] \supset \square \square (w(\alpha) \supset \diamond\psi)$ by T47 and PR
13. $\vdash \forall\beta[(\beta < \alpha) \supset \square(w(\beta) \supset \diamond\psi)] \supset \square (w(\alpha) \supset \diamond\psi)$
by T60, ER and PR, since $(\beta < \alpha)$ is global
14. $\vdash \square (w(\alpha) \supset \diamond\psi)$ by WIND, taking $w(\alpha)$ to be $\square(w(\alpha) \supset \mathbf{0} \psi)$
15. $\vdash w(\alpha) \supset \diamond\psi$ by A3 and PR ┌

D. PROGRAM PART

Our proof system must be augmented by additional axioms that reflect the structure of the program under consideration. The additional axioms constrain the state sequences to be exactly the set of execution sequences of the program under study. This relieves us from the need to include program text explicitly in the system; all the necessary information is captured by the additional axioms.

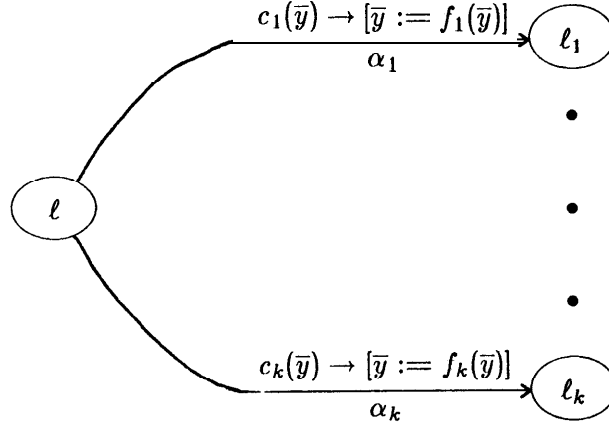
8. PROGRAMS AND COMPUTATIONS

In our model a concurrent program consists of m parallel processes:

$$P : \bar{y} := g(\bar{x}); [P_1 \parallel \dots \parallel P_m].$$

Each process P_i is represented as a transition graph with locations (nodes) $\mathcal{L}_i = \{\ell_0^i, \dots, \ell_i^i\}$. The edges in the graph are labelled by guarded commands of the form $c(\bar{y}) \rightarrow [\bar{y} := f(\bar{y})]$ whose meaning is that if $c(\bar{y})$ is true the edge may be traversed while replacing \bar{y} by $f(\bar{y})$.

Let $\ell, \ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_k \in \mathcal{L}_i$ be locations in process P_i :



The variables $\bar{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ are shared by all processes. We define $E_\ell(\bar{y}) = c_1(\bar{y}) \vee \dots \vee c_k(\bar{y})$ to be the **exit condition** at node ℓ . We do not require that the conditions c_i be either exclusive or exhaustive.

The advantage of the transition graph representation is that programs are represented in a uniform way and that we have only to deal with one type of instruction. We show first that programs represented in a linear text form can easily be translated into graph form.

Assume that a linear text program allows the following types of instructions:

Assignment: $\bar{y} := f(\bar{y})$

Conditional Branch: **if** $p(\bar{y})$ **then go to** ℓ_1 **else go to** ℓ_2

Halt: **halt**

Waiting loop: **loop until** $p(\bar{y})$

loop w hile $p(\bar{y})$

and the semaphore instructions

Request: **request**(y)

Release: **release**(y)

A linear text program for each of the processes has the following form:

$\ell_0 : I_0$

$\ell_1 : I_1$

$\ell_t : \mathbf{halt}$ or **go to** ℓ_j

where $\ell_0, \ell_1, \dots, \ell_t$ are labels and I_0, I_1, \dots are instructions from the list above.

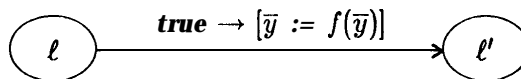
The graph representation of such a program for process P_i will be a labelled graph with $\mathcal{L}_i = \{\ell_0, \dots, \ell_t\}$ as the set of nodes. For each instruction I at label $\ell \in \mathcal{L}_i$ we construct edges as follows:

► for the instruction

$\ell : \bar{y} := f(\bar{y})$

$\ell' :$

construct

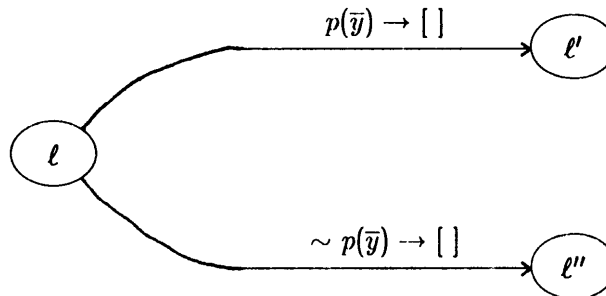


► for the instruction

$\ell : \mathbf{if } p(\bar{y}) \mathbf{ then go to } \ell' \mathbf{ else go to } \ell''$

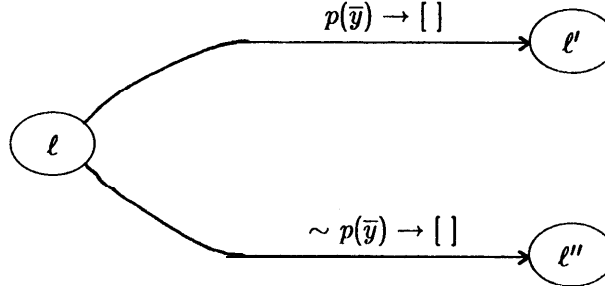
$\ell' :$

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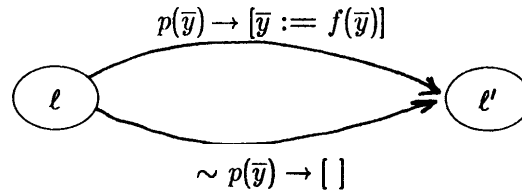
- ▶ for the instruction
 $\ell : \text{if } p(\bar{y}) \text{ then go to } \ell'$
 $\ell'' :$

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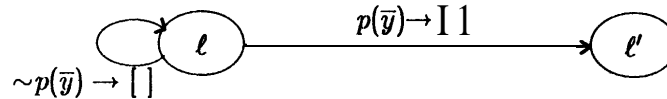
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 $\ell : \text{if } p(\bar{y}) \text{ then } \bar{y} := f(\bar{y})$
 $\ell' :$..

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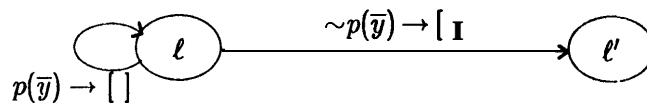
- ▶ for the instruction
 $\ell : \text{loop until } p(\bar{y})$
 $\ell' :$

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- ▶ for the instruction
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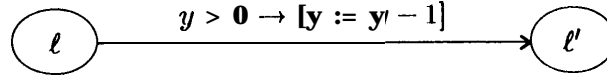
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- ▶ for the instruction

$\ell : \mathbf{request}(y)$
 $\ell' :$

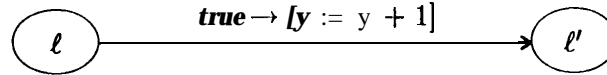
construct



► for the instruction

$\ell : \mathbf{release}(y)$
 $\ell' :$

construct



For **halt** at label ℓ we construct no edges out of ℓ .

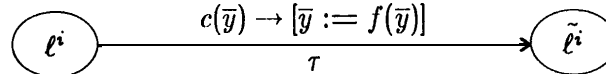
The actual translation into graph form need not be carried out explicitly. Rather, the general axiomatic description of transition diagrams can be easily translated to axioms for each of the types of instructions in the linear text form.

A state of the program P is a tuple of the form $s = \langle \bar{\ell}; \bar{\eta} \rangle$ with $\bar{\ell} \in \mathcal{L}_1 \times \dots \times \mathcal{L}_m$ and $\bar{\eta} \in D^n$, where D is the domain over which the program variables y_1, \dots, y_n range. The vector $\bar{\ell} = \langle \ell^1, \dots, \ell^m \rangle$ is the set of current locations which are next to be executed in each of the processes. The vector $\bar{\eta}$ is the set of current values assumed by the program variables \bar{y} at state s .

Let $s = \langle \ell^1, \dots, \ell^i, \dots, \ell^m; \bar{\eta} \rangle$ be a state. We say that process P_i is **enabled** on s if $E_{\ell^i}(\bar{\eta}) = \mathbf{true}$. This implies that if we let P_i run at this point, there is at least one condition c_j among the edges departing from ℓ^i that is true. Otherwise, we say that P_i is **disabled** on s . An example of a disabled process is the case where ℓ^i labels an instruction **request**(y) and $y = 0$. Another example is that of ℓ^i labeling a **halt** statement. A state is defined to be **terminal** if no P_i is enabled on it.

Given a program P we define the notion of a **computation step** of P .

Let $s = \langle \ell^1, \dots, \ell^m; \bar{\eta} \rangle$ and $\tilde{s} = \langle \tilde{\ell}^1, \dots, \tilde{\ell}^m; \tilde{\eta} \rangle$ be two states of P . Let τ be a transition in P_i of the form:



such that $c(\bar{\eta}) = \mathbf{true}$, $\tilde{\eta} = f(\bar{\eta})$, and for every $j \neq i$, $\tilde{\ell}^j = \ell^j$. Then we say that \tilde{s} can be obtained from s by a **Pi-step** (a single computation step), and write

$$s \xrightarrow{P_i} \tilde{s}.$$

An **initialized admissible computation** of a program P for an input $\bar{x} = \bar{\xi}$ is a labelled maximal sequence of states of P :

$$\sigma : s_0 \xrightarrow{P_{i_1}} s_1 \xrightarrow{P_{i_2}} s_2 \xrightarrow{P_{i_3}} s_3 \longrightarrow \dots$$

which satisfies the following three conditions. (The sequence σ is considered *maximal* if it cannot be extended, i.e., it is either infinite or ends with a state s_k which is terminal.)

A. Initialization:

The first state s_0 has the form:

$$s_0 = \langle \bar{\ell}_0; g(\bar{\xi}) \rangle$$

where $\bar{\ell}_0 = (\ell_0^1, \dots, \ell_0^m)$ is the vector of initial locations. The values $g(\bar{\xi})$ are the initial values assigned to the \bar{y} variables for the input ξ .

B. State to State Sequencing:

Every step in the computation $s \xrightarrow{P_i} \tilde{s}$, is justified by a Pi-step.

C. Fairness:

Every P_i which is enabled on infinitely many states in σ must be activated infinitely many times in σ , i.e., there must be an infinite number of P_i -steps in σ .

We define an **admissible computation** of P for input $\bar{\xi}$ to be either an initialized admissible computation or a suffix of an initialized admissible computation.

Thus the class of admissible computations is closed under the operation of taking the suffix. This is needed in order to ensure soundness of the inference rule $\square I$ (123). We denote the class of all $\bar{\xi}$ -admissible computations of a program P by $\mathcal{A}(P, \bar{\xi})$.

An admissible computation is said to be **convergent** if it is finite:

$$\sigma : s_0 \xrightarrow{P_{i_1}} s_1 \longrightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{P_{i_f}} s_f .$$

If the terminal state s_f in a convergent computation is of the form $s_f = \langle \ell_t^1, \dots, \ell_t^m; \bar{\eta} \rangle$, where each ℓ_t^i labels a halt instruction, we say that the **computation has terminated**. Otherwise, we say that the **computation has blocked** or **is deadlocked**.

In order to describe properties of states we introduce a vector of **locution variables** $\bar{\pi} = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_m)$. Each π_i ranges over \mathcal{L}_i , and assumes the location value ℓ^i in a state

$$s = \langle \ell^1, \dots, \ell^i, \dots, \ell^m; \bar{\eta} \rangle.$$

Thus we may describe a state $s = \langle \bar{\ell}; \bar{\eta} \rangle$ by saying that in this state $\bar{\pi} = \bar{\ell}$ and $\bar{y} = \bar{\eta}$.

A **state formula** $Q = Q(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ is any formula which contains no temporal operators. It is built up of terms and predicates over the location and program variables $(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ and may also refer to global variables.

We frequently abbreviate the statement $\pi_i = \ell$ to *at ℓ* . Since the \mathcal{L}_i 's are disjoint, there is no difficulty in identifying the particular π_i which assumes the value ℓ .

Let us consider a program P over a domain \mathbf{D} with fixed interpretation \mathbf{I} for all the predicate, function and individual constant symbols. A model M is said to be **admissible** for P if it has the form:

$$M = (\mathbf{I}, \alpha, \hat{\sigma})$$

where α and $\hat{\sigma}$ satisfy the following condition:

There exists an $\alpha[\bar{x}]$ -admissible computation $\sigma \in \mathcal{A}(P, \alpha[\bar{x}])$ such that either

$$\sigma \text{ is infinite: } \sigma = s_0 \xrightarrow{P_{i_1}} s_1 \xrightarrow{P_{i_2}} s_2 \longrightarrow s_3 \dots$$

and

$$\hat{\sigma} = s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots$$

or

$$\sigma \text{ is finite: } \sigma = s_0 \xrightarrow{P_{i_1}} s_1 \xrightarrow{P_{i_2}} s_2 \longrightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{P_{i_f}} s_f$$

and then

$$\hat{\sigma} = s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots, s_f, s_f, \dots$$

Thus we force $\hat{\sigma}$ to be always infinite by indefinitely repeating the last state of σ if it is finite. This corresponds to our intuition that while the computation may have terminated, time still marches on, but no further change in the program will ever occur.

Let us denote the class of all admissible models for a program P by $\mathcal{C}(P)$. Note that this class, differently from $\mathcal{A}(P, \bar{\xi})$, contains computations corresponding to different inputs.

We define the state formula stating that a process P_i is enabled as follows:

$$Enabled(P_i; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y}) = \bigwedge_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}_i} [(\pi_i = \ell) \supset E_\ell(\bar{y})].$$

For the complete program P we defined

$$Enabled(P; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y}) = \bigvee_{i=1}^m Enabled(P_i; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y}).$$

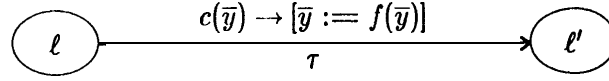
Thus a state $\mathbf{s} = \langle \bar{\ell}; \bar{\eta} \rangle$ is terminal iff

$$Enabled(P; \bar{\ell}; \bar{\eta}) = \mathbf{false}$$

and we may define

$$\mathbf{Terminal}(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y}) \equiv \sim Enabled(P; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y}).$$

Let the following be a transition τ in process P_i :



We define the transformation associated with the transition τ by:

$$r_\tau(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y}) . (\bar{\pi}[\ell'/\pi_i]; f(\bar{y})).$$

The transformation is obtained by replacing the current value ℓ of π_i by ℓ' and the values of \bar{y} by $f(\bar{y})$ *

Let $\varphi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ and $\psi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ be two state formulas. WC say:

- **The transition τ leads from φ to ψ** if the following implication is valid:

$$[\varphi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y}) \wedge \text{at } \ell \wedge c(\bar{y})] \supset \psi(r_\tau(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})).$$

- **The process P_i feuds from φ to ψ** if every transition τ in P_i leads from φ to ψ .
- **The program P feuds from φ to ψ** if every P_i leads from φ to ψ .

We are ready now to give a temporal axiomatization for the notion of computation under the program P .

9. AXIOMS AND RULES FOR CONCURRENT PROGRAMS

The first axiom states that the location variable π_i may only assume values in \mathcal{L}_i .

A21. Location Axiom -- LOC

$$\vdash \pi_i \in \mathcal{L}_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, m.$$

This is an abbreviation for:

$$\vdash (\pi_i = \ell_0^i) \vee (\pi_i = \ell_1^i) \vee \dots \vee (\pi_i = \ell_i^i).$$

Since all the locations are disjoint, it also follows from the equality axioms that π_i may be equal to at most one ℓ_j^i at a time.

For each of the three requirements defining an admissible computation we have a corresponding inference rule scheme:

R6. Initialization -- INIT

For an arbitrary temporal formula w :

$$\frac{\vdash [\text{at } \bar{\ell}_0 \wedge \bar{y} = y(z)] \supset \Box w}{\vdash c1w}$$

For let us assume that the premise to this rule holds. This implies that $\Box w$ is true for all initialized computations. By the semantic definition of \Box , this implies that w is true for every suffix of an initialized computation, i.e., for every admissible computation. Thus, w is C(P)-valid, and by generalization ($\Box I$) so is $\Box \text{lzu}$.

R7. Transition -- TRNS

Let $\varphi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ and $\psi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ be two state formulas.

$\vdash P$ leads from φ to ψ

$\vdash [\varphi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y}) \wedge \text{Terminal}(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})] \supset \psi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$

$\vdash \varphi \supset \bigcirc \psi$

Indeed let s be a state in the sequence $\hat{\sigma}$ corresponding to an admissible computation σ , and let s' be its successor in $\hat{\sigma}$. Assume that $\varphi(s)$ is true. There are two cases to be considered. In the first case, s' is derived from s by a Pi-step for some $i = 1, \dots, m$. But then, by the first premise, P_i leads from φ to ψ and therefore ψ must be true for s' . In the other case, s is terminal and $s' = s$ the repetition of the terminal state of a finite computation. But then s is terminal and satisfies the antecedent of the second premise, leading to $\psi(s) = \psi(s') = \text{true}$. Hence, in both cases $\psi(s')$ must hold and the conclusion of the rule follows.

Note that the first premise to this rule requires establishing many conditions involving the individual transitions of each of the processes. However, by examining the definitions of “leading from φ to ψ ” we see that they are all expressible as classical statements involving no temporal operators. Therefore this premise should be provable from the domain axioms plus the usual predicate calculus proof system. The second premise is also classical, and ensures the consequence after the sequence has reached a terminal state.

R8. Fairness -- FAIR

Let $\varphi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ and $\psi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ be two state formulas and P_k be one of the processes.

A. $\vdash P$ leads from φ to $\varphi \vee \psi$

B. $\vdash P_k$ leads from φ to ψ

$\vdash [\varphi \wedge \Box \Diamond \text{Enabled}(P_k)] \supset \varphi \cup \psi$

To give a semantic justification of this rule, consider a computation such that φ is true initially. By A, φ will hold until ψ is realized, if ever. By B, once P_k will be activated in a state satisfying φ it will achieve ψ in one step. Consider now a sequence σ such that $\varphi \wedge \Box \Diamond \text{Enabled}(P_k)$ is true on σ . This means that φ is initially true and P_k is enabled infinitely many times in σ . By fairness, P_k will eventually be activated, which, if ψ has not been realized before, will achieve ψ in one step.

Since $(\varphi \cup \psi) \supset \bigcirc \psi$, we often use the FAIR rule in order to derive the consequence

$[\varphi \wedge \Box \Diamond \text{Enabled}(P_k)] \supset \bigcirc \psi$.

There are several derived rules that can be obtained from the above axiomatization,

Invariance Rule — INV

$$\frac{\vdash P \text{ leads from } \varphi \text{ to } \varphi}{\vdash \varphi \supset \Box \varphi}$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash P$ leads from φ to φ given
2. $\vdash [\varphi \wedge \text{Terminal}] \supset \varphi$ by PT
3. $\vdash \varphi \supset \bigcirc \varphi$ by TRNS
4. $\vdash \varphi \supset \Box \varphi$ by CI \blacksquare

Initialized Invariance Rule -- IINVLet φ be a state formula

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{--} \\ \quad \vdash [\text{at } \bar{l}_0 \text{ A } \bar{y} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{Z})] \supset \varphi \\ \quad \vdash P \text{ leads from } \varphi \text{ to } \varphi \\ \hline \vdash \Box \varphi \end{array}$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash [\text{at } \bar{l}_0 \text{ A } \bar{y} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{F})] \supset \varphi$ given
2. $\vdash P$ leads from φ to φ given
3. $\vdash \varphi \supset \Box \varphi$ by 2 and INV
4. $\vdash [\text{at } \bar{l}_0 \text{ A } \bar{y} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{Z})] \supset \Box \varphi$ by 1, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash \Box \varphi$ by INIT \blacksquare

The IINV rule is the rule most often used in order to establish invariance properties of programs.

Unless Establishment Rule -- UERLet φ be a state formula

$$\frac{\vdash P \text{ leads from } \varphi \text{ to } \varphi \vee \psi}{\vdash \varphi \supset (\varphi \text{ U } \psi)}$$

Proof:

1. $\vdash P$ leads from φ to $\varphi \vee \psi$ given

2. $\vdash \varphi \supset (\varphi \vee \psi)$ by PT
3. $\vdash [\varphi \wedge \text{Terminal}] \supset (\varphi \vee \psi)$ by PR
4. $\vdash \varphi \supset O(\varphi \vee \psi)$ by 1, 3 and TRNS
5. $\vdash \varphi \supset (\varphi \cup \psi)$ by $\cup I$ \blacksquare

The following rule is a consequence of the FAIR rule.

<p>Eventuality Rule ---- EVNT</p> <p>Let $\varphi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ and $\psi(\bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ be two state formulas and P_k one of the processes.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">A. I- P leads from φ to $\varphi \vee \psi$</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">B. $\vdash P_k$ leads from φ to ψ</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">C . $\vdash \varphi \supset \diamond(\psi \vee \text{Enabled}(P_k))$</p> <hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: 40px;"/> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">$\vdash \varphi \supset \varphi \cup \psi$</p>

Proof:

1. I- P leads from φ to $\varphi \vee \psi$ given
2. t- P_k leads from φ to ψ given
3. t- $\varphi \supset O(\psi \vee \text{Enabled}(P_k))$ given
4. t- $[\varphi \wedge \Box \neg \text{Enabled}(P_k)] \supset \varphi \cup \psi$ by 1, 2 and FAIR
5. $\vdash \varphi \supset (\Box \varphi \vee \varphi \cup \psi)$ by 1 and CINV
6. I- $[\varphi \wedge \Box \sim \psi] \supset \diamond \text{Enabled}(P_k)$ by 3, T8, A1 and PR
7. $\Box \neg [\varphi \wedge \Box \sim \psi] \supset \Box \neg \diamond \text{Enabled}(P_k)$ by $\Box \Box$
8. $\vdash [\Box \varphi \wedge \Box \sim \psi] \supset \Box \diamond \text{Enabled}(P_k)$ by T3, T7 and PR
9. I- $[\Box \varphi \wedge \sim \Box \diamond \text{Enabled}(P_k)] \supset \diamond \psi$ by A1 and PR
10. $\vdash \Box \varphi \supset \diamond \psi$ by 4, 9, A3, A10 and PR
11. $\vdash \Box \varphi \supset \varphi \cup \psi$ by 10, T24 and PR
12. $\vdash \varphi \supset \varphi \cup \psi$ by 5, 11 and PR \blacksquare

In contrast with earlier rules, premise C of EVNT is not purely classical since it contains the temporal operator O . Since C has a form similar to the conclusion of the EVNT rule, it is to be expected that its derivation will require once more the application of the EVNT rule. This seems

to imply circular reasoning. However, note that at each nested application of the EVNT rule, another P_k is taken out of consideration. This is because in trying to establish $\mathbf{0} \text{ Enabled}(P_k)$ we need not consider any P_k -steps at all, since when they are possible, P_k is already enabled.

A useful special case of C that frequently suffices for the application of the EVNT rule is:

$$C' : \vdash \varphi \supset [\psi \vee \text{Enabled}(P_k)].$$

Note that the EVNT rule can also be used to establish properties of the form

$$\varphi \supset \diamond \psi,$$

since $\varphi \cup \psi \supset \diamond \psi$.

The EVNT rule is the one most often used in order to establish both eventuality (liveness) properties and precedence properties.

E. EXAMPLES

In this section we present several examples of proofs of properties of programs using the proof system described above.

10. EXAMPLE 1: DISTRIBUTED GCD

Let us consider the following example of a program computing the greatest common divisor of two positive integers in a distributed manner.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (y_1, y_2) := (x_1, x_2) \\
 \\
 \begin{array}{ll}
 \ell_0 : \text{if } y_1 > y_2 \text{ then } y_1 := y_1 - y_2 & m_0 : \text{if } y_1 < y_2 \text{ then } y_2 := y_2 - y_1 \\
 \ell_1 : \text{if } y_1 \neq y_2 \text{ then go to } \ell_0 & m_1 : \text{if } y_1 \neq y_2 \text{ then go to } m_0 \\
 \ell_2 : \text{halt} & m_2 : \text{halt}
 \end{array} \\
 \\
 \begin{array}{ll}
 - P_1 - & - P_2 -
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

We wish to prove total correctness for this program, i.e.,

Theorem:

$$\vdash [at(\ell_0, m_0) \wedge (y_1, y_2) = (x_1, x_2)] \supset \diamond [at(\ell_2, m_2) \wedge y_1 = \text{gcd}(x_1, x_2)]$$

We will split the proof into two parts, proving separately invariance and termination.

Lemma A:

$$\vdash \square [\text{gcd}(y_1, y_2) = \text{gcd}(x_1, x_2)]$$

Proof of Lemma A:

Let us denote $\text{gcd}(y_1, y_2) = \text{gcd}(x_1, x_2)$ by $\tilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$.

It is easy to check that every transition in P leads from $\tilde{\varphi}$ to $\tilde{\varphi}$. Also

$$\vdash [(y_1, y_2) = (x_1, x_2)] \supset \tilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2).$$

Thus we have the two premises to the IINV rule, which yields the desired result. \lrcorner

Lemma B:

$$\begin{aligned} \vdash [at\ell_{0,1} \wedge atm_{0,1} \wedge (y_1, y_2) > \mathbf{0} \wedge (y_1 + y_2) \leq n + 1 \wedge y_1 \neq y_2] \\ \supset \diamond[at\ell_{0,1} \wedge atm_{0,1} \wedge (y_1, y_2) > \mathbf{0} \wedge (y_1 + y_2 \leq n)] \end{aligned}$$

Here we use $at\ell_{0,1}$ as an abbreviation for $at\ell_0 \vee at\ell_1$, $atm_{0,1}$ for $atm_0 \vee atm_1$ and $(y_1, y_2) > \mathbf{0}$ for $(y_1 > \mathbf{0}) \wedge (y_2 > \mathbf{0})$.

Proof of Lemma B:

Let us define

$$\varphi(y_1, y_2, n): \quad at\ell_{0,1} \wedge atm_{0,1} \wedge (y_1, y_2) > \mathbf{0} \wedge (y_1 + y_2 \leq n).$$

Thus we have to prove: $_$

$$\vdash [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 \neq y_2)] \supset \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n).$$

We will split the proof into two cases:

$$\text{B1. } \vdash [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2)] \supset \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n)$$

$$\text{B2. } \vdash [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 < y_2)] \supset \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n)$$

The lemma obviously follows from these two statements.

To prove B1 we first observe that by PR:

$$1. \quad \vdash \varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \supset (at\ell_0 \vee at\ell_1)$$

Consider therefore first the case that P_1 is at ℓ_0 . We take

$$\varphi': \quad \varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2) \wedge at\ell_0$$

$$\psi': \quad \varphi(y_1, y_2, n).$$

We claim that φ' and ψ' satisfy the premises of EVNT with $P_k = P_1$.

To see this, consider requirement A of EVNT that states that every transition in P leads from φ' to $\varphi' \vee \psi'$.

Consider transitions in P_2 . The only relevant ones are $m_0 \rightarrow m_1$ and transitions leading out of m_1 . The transition $\mu \rightarrow m_1$ under $y_1 > y_2$ leaves φ' invariant. Again, under $y_1 > y_2$ the only transition out of m_1 goes to m_0 leaving φ' invariant.

The only transition enabled in P_1 is $\ell_0 \rightarrow \ell_1$ which replaces (y_1, y_2) by $(y_1 - y_2, y_2)$. If $y_1 + y_2 \leq n + 1$ and $y_1 > 0, y_2 > 0$ then certainly $(y_1 - y_2) + y_2 \leq n$ and $(y_1 - y_2) > 0, y_2 > 0$. Thus $\ell_0 \rightarrow \ell_1$ leads from φ' to ψ' . This also establishes requirement B with $P_k = P_1$.

Since $E_{\ell_0} = \text{true}$, condition C is trivially fulfilled. Consequently we conclude by the EVNT rule that $\vdash \varphi' \supset 0 \psi'$, i.e.,

$$2. \quad \vdash [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2) \wedge \text{at } \ell_0] \supset \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n).$$

Consider next the case where P_1 is at ℓ_1 . By taking

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi'' &: \varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2) \wedge \text{at } \ell_1 \\ \psi'' = \varphi' &: \varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2) \wedge \text{at } \ell_0. \end{aligned}$$

We can show that the premises of the EVNT rule are satisfied with respect to φ'', ψ'' . Consequently we have $\vdash \varphi'' \supset 0 \psi''$, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} 3. \quad & \vdash [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2) \wedge \text{at } \ell_1] \supset \\ & \quad \quad \quad \diamond [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2) \wedge \text{at } \ell_0] \\ 4. \quad & \vdash [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2) \wedge \text{at } \ell_1] \supset \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n) \quad \text{by 2, 3 and OC} \\ 5. \quad & \vdash [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 > y_2)] \supset \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n) \quad \text{by 1, 2, 4 and PR} \end{aligned}$$

This establishes B1.

By a symmetric argument we can establish B2. By propositional reasoning B1 and B2 lead to Lemma B. \blacksquare

Proof of theorem:

We will now proceed with the proof of the main theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} 6. \quad & \vdash [\varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \wedge (y_1 \neq y_2)] \supset \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n) \quad \text{Lemma B} \\ 7. \quad & \vdash \varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \supset [(y_1 = y_2) \vee \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n)] \quad \text{by PR} \\ 8. \quad & \vdash \varphi(y_1, y_2, n + 1) \supset [\diamond(y_1 = y_2) \vee \diamond \varphi(y_1, y_2, n)] \quad \text{by T1 and PR} \\ 9. \quad & \vdash \sim \varphi(y_1, y_2, 0) \quad \text{by PR,} \\ & \quad \quad \quad \text{using the domain property that the conjunction} \\ & \quad \quad \quad (y_1 > 0) \wedge (y_2 > 0) \wedge (y_1 + y_2 \leq 0) \text{ is impossible} \\ 10. \quad & \vdash \varphi(y_1, y_2, 0) \supset \diamond(y_1 = y_2) \quad \text{by PR} \\ 11. \quad & \vdash \varphi(y_1, y_2, n) \supset \diamond(y_1 = y_2) \quad \text{by 8, 10 and OIND} \\ 12. \quad & \vdash \exists n. \varphi(y_1, y_2, n) \supset \diamond(y_1 = y_2) \quad \text{by } \exists\text{I} \\ 13. \quad & \vdash [\text{at}(\ell_0, m_0) \wedge (y_1, y_2) = (x_1, x_2) > 0] \supset \exists n. \varphi(y_1, y_2, n) \end{aligned}$$

by taking $n = x_1 + x_2 > 0$.

By considering the different locations of P_1 and P_2 under the assumption that $y_1 = y_2$ it is easy (though long if carried out in full detail) to establish

$$14. \quad \vdash (y_1 = y_2) \supset \diamond[at(\ell_2, m_2) \wedge (y_1 = y_2)].$$

By combining 12, 13 and 14 using OC we obtain:

$$15. \quad \vdash [at(\ell_0, m_0) \wedge (y_1, y_2) = (x_1, x_2) > 0] \supset \diamond[at(\ell_2, m_2) \wedge (y_1 = y_2)].$$

Together with lemma **A** and T10 this gives

$$16. \quad \vdash [at(\ell_0, m_0) \wedge (y_1, y_2) = (x_1, x_2) > 0] \supset \diamond[at(\ell_2, m_2) \wedge y_1 = gcd(x_1, x_2)] \\ \text{since } (y_1 = y_2) \supset \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{1} = gcd(y_1, y_2)$$

Note that theorem T10 enables us to infer from a previously established invariant I -CI $\tilde{\varphi}$ and an implication $\vdash w_1 \supset \diamond w_2$ the implication $\vdash w_1 \supset \diamond(w_2 \wedge \tilde{\varphi})$. \blacksquare

II. EXAMPLE 2: SEMAPHORES

For our next example we will present a very simple program with semaphores:

$\mathbf{Y} := 1$	
$\ell_0 : request(y)$	$m_0 : request(y)$
$\ell_1 : release(y)$	$m_1 : release(y)$
$\ell_2 : go\ to\ \ell_0$	$m_2 : go\ to\ m_0$
$- P_1 -$	$- P_2 -$

This example models a solution to the mutual exclusion problem using semaphores.

There are two properties that we wish to prove for this program. The first is that of mutual exclusion, namely:

Lemma A:

$$\vdash \square[(\sim at \ell_1) \vee (\sim at m_1)]$$

Proof: .

Take

$$\varphi(\pi_1, \pi_2; y): \quad (at \ell_1 + at m_1 + y = 1) \wedge (y \geq 0).$$

In expressions such as the above WC interpret propositions as having the numerical value **1** when true and 0 otherwise.

We can easily show that φ is preserved under every transition. For example, consider the transition $\ell_0 \rightarrow \ell_1$. When it is enabled, we have $y > 0$, and the transition assigns to the variable y the value $y - 1$ which is nonnegative. Considering the value of the sum

$$at\ell_1 + atm_1 + y,$$

$at\ell_1$ changes from 0 to 1 on this transition but y is decremented by 1. Consequently the value of the sum remains invariant.

Initially, $at\ell_1 + atm_1 + y = 0 + 0 + 1 = 1$ and $y = 1 \geq 0$.

Hence φ satisfies the two premises of the INV rule, from which we conclude

$$I_1 : \vdash \Box[at\ell_1 + atm_1 + y = 1] \wedge (y \geq 0).$$

This implies

$$\vdash \Box[atm_1 \leq 1]$$

which is equivalent to Lemma A. \blacksquare

The second property is that of accessibility. It states that each process will eventually be admitted to its critical section. This is established by:

Lemma B:

$$\vdash at\ell_0 \supset \Diamond at\ell_1$$

and

$$\vdash atm_0 \supset \Diamond atm_1$$

Proof:

Let us define

$$\varphi_1 : at\ell_0 \wedge atm_1 \wedge y = 0$$

$$\psi_1 : y > 0$$

We show that φ_1 and ψ_1 satisfy the conditions of the EVNT rule with $k = 2$.

In fact the only enabled transition is $m_1 \rightarrow m_2$ which does lead from φ_1 to ψ_1 . While at m_1 , P_2 is always enabled. Thus we conclude:

$$1. \vdash [at\ell_0 \wedge atm_1 \wedge y = 0] \supset \Diamond(y > 0) \quad \text{by EVNT with } k = 2$$

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| 2. $\vdash [at\ell_0 \wedge atm_1] \supset \diamond(y > 0)$ | by I_1 above, 1 and PR |
| 3. $\vdash [at\ell_0 \wedge atm_{2,3}] \supset (y > 0)$ | also by I_1 and PR |
| 4. $\vdash at\ell_0 \supset \diamond(y > 0)$ | by T1, 2, 3, LOC and PR |

Take now

$\varphi_2 : at\ell_0$
 $\psi_2 : at\ell_1$

We check premises A to C in the EVNT rule with respect to the pair $\{\varphi_2, \psi_2\}$ taking $k = 1$. Clearly P always leads from φ_2 to $\varphi_2 \vee \psi_2$. The process P_1 always leads (when enabled) from φ_2 to ψ_2 . Condition C is guaranteed by 4 above. We therefore conclude

5. $\vdash at\ell_0 \supset 0 at\ell_1$.

By a completely symmetric argument we can show that:

$\vdash atm_0 \supset 0 atm_1$. ┘

12. EXAMPLE 3: MUTUAL EXCLUSION

As a third example we consider a program that solves the mutual exclusion problem without semaphores:

$(y_1, y_2, t) := (false, false, 1)$

ℓ_0 : Noncritical Section $\ell_1 : y_1 := true$ $\ell_2 : t := 1$ $\ell_3 : \text{if } y_2 = false \text{ then go to } \ell_5$ $\ell_4 : \text{if } t = 1 \text{ then go to } \ell_3$ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin: 5px 0;"> ℓ_5 : Critical Section $\ell_6 : t := false$ </div> $\ell_7 : go \ell_0$	m_0 : Noncritical Section $m_1 : y_2 := true$ $m_2 : t := 2$ $m_3 : \text{if } y_1 = false \text{ then go to } m_5$ $m_4 : \text{if } t = 2 \text{ then go to } m_3$ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin: 5px 0;"> m_5 : Critical Section $m_6 : y_2 := false$ </div> $m_7 : go to m_0$
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.. $- P_1 -$
 $- P_2 -$

For convenience we will abbreviate formulas $at\ell_i$ to ℓ_i .

The principle of operation of this program is that each process P_i has a variable y_i , $i = 1, 2$, which expresses the process's wish to enter its critical section. The variable y_i is set to *true* at ℓ_1 and m_1 and reset to *false* at ℓ_6 and m_6 , respectively. In addition, each process leaves a signature in the common variable t . The process P_1 sets it to 1 at ℓ_2 and P_2 sets it to 2 at m_2 . A process P_i may enter its critical section only if either $y_j = \textit{false}$ (meaning that the other process is not interested) or if $t = j$, for $j \neq i$. The latter case corresponds to both processes being interested in entering the critical section but P_j being the *last* to pass through the signing instructions at (ℓ_2, m_2) .

To formally prove that this program is correct we first prove several invariance properties.

Lemma A:

$$\vdash y_1 \equiv \ell_{2..6}$$

Here $\ell_{2..6}$ stands for *at* $\ell_{2..6}$. Thus the lemma states that

$$y_1 = \textit{true} \text{ if and only if } \pi_1 \in \{\ell_2, \ell_3, \ell_4, \ell_5, \ell_6\}.$$

Proof:

To prove the Lemma we take

$$\varphi_1 : (y_1 \equiv \ell_{2..6})$$

and show that it is invariant under every transition, i.e., every transition leads from φ_1 to φ_1 .

The only transitions that can affect the truth of φ_1 are $\ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_2$ and $\ell_6 \rightarrow \ell_7$.

In $\ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_2$ both y_1 and *at* $\ell_{2..6}$ become simultaneously true. Similarly in $\ell_6 \rightarrow \ell_7$ both y_1 and *at* $\ell_{2..6}$ become simultaneously false. Thus

1. $\vdash (y_1 \equiv \ell_{2..6}) \supset \text{O}(y_1 \equiv \ell_{2..6})$ by TRNS
2. $\vdash \{ \textit{at}(\ell_0, m_0) \wedge [(y_1, y_2, t) = (\textit{false}, \textit{false}, 1)] \} \supset (y_1 \equiv \ell_{2..6})$
3. $\vdash \square_{(y_1 \equiv \ell_{2..6})}$ by 1, 2 and TINV ┌

Lemma B:

$$\vdash y_2 \equiv m_{2..6}$$

The lemma is proved by a symmetric argument.

Lemma C:

$$\vdash (t = 1) \vee (t = 2)$$

This lemma states that the only possible values of the variable t are **1** or 2.

Proof:

The Lemma is clearly provable by the IINV principle. Obviously, it is true initially since $t = 1$. The only transitions that modify the value of t set it either to 1 or to 2. Thus P always leads to a state satisfying $(t = 1) \vee (t = 2)$.

Lemma D:

$$\vdash \ell_{5,6} \supset [(\sim y_2) \vee (t = 2) \vee m_2]$$

Proof:

Let φ_2 stand for $\ell_{5,6} \supset [(\sim y_2) \vee (t = 2) \vee m_2]$.

It is clearly true *initially since* $\vdash \ell_0 \supset \sim \ell_{5,6}$. To show that every transition leads from φ_2 to $\sim \varphi_2$, consider the only transitions that may falsify φ_2 , i.e., that may possibly lead from φ_2 to $\sim \varphi_2$. Potentially they are:

- $\ell_3 \rightarrow \ell_5$. This transition is possible only under $\sim y_2$ which makes $(\sim y_2) \vee (t = 2) \vee m_2$ true.
- $\ell_4 \rightarrow \ell_5$. This is possible only when $t \neq 1$ which by Lemma C makes $(\sim y_2) \vee (t = 2) \vee m_2$ again true.

The other transitions we should consider are transitions of P_2 while P_1 is already at $\ell_{5,6}$. The only ones to be considered are those which affect any of the variables in $\sim y_2 \vee (t = 2) \vee m_2$.

- $m_1 \rightarrow m_2$. Causes m_2 to become true.
- $m_2 \rightarrow m_3$. Causes t to be set to 2.
- $m_6 \rightarrow m_7$. Sets y_2 to *false*, making $\sim y_2$ true.

The lemma follows by the IINV principle. ┌

Lemma E:

$$\vdash m_{5,6} \supset [(\sim y_1) \vee (t = 1) \vee \ell_2]$$

The lemma is proved by a completely symmetric argument.

Theorem:

$$\vdash (\sim \ell_{5,6}) \vee (\sim m_{5,6})$$

This theorem proves the mutual exclusion of the processes.

Proof:

1. $\vdash (\ell_{5,6} \wedge m_{5,6}) \supset [((\sim y_2) \vee (t = 2) \vee m_2) \wedge ((\sim y_1) \vee (t = 1) \vee \ell_2)]$
by lemmas C, D and PR
2. $\vdash (\ell_{5,6} \wedge m_{5,6}) \supset [y_1 \wedge y_2 \wedge \sim \ell_2 \wedge \sim m_2]$ by lemmas A, B, LOC and PR
3. $\vdash (\ell_{5,6} \wedge m_{5,6}) \supset [(t = 1) \wedge (t = 2)]$ by 1, 2 and PR
4. $\vdash \sim(\ell_{5,6} \wedge m_{5,6})$ by the equality axioms and PR,
using the domain fact that $1 \neq 2$
5. $\vdash (\sim \ell_{5,6}) \vee (\sim m_{5,6})$ by PR ┌

Next we will prove accessibility. We will only prove:

Theorem:

$$\vdash at \ell_1 \supset \diamond at \ell_5$$

The result for P_2 is completely symmetric.

Proof:

The proof will proceed by a sequence of statements most of which are proved by the EVNT rule in the version whose conclusion is $\varphi \supset O \psi$. Simple passages justified by propositional temporal reasoning will not be fully presented and their omission is denoted by mentioning PTR in the justification clause.

1. $\vdash (\ell_4 \wedge m_{3,4} \wedge t = 2) \supset O \ell_5$ by EVNT with $k = 1$,
using lemma A
2. $\vdash (\ell_3 \wedge m_{3,4} \wedge t = 2) \supset \diamond(\ell_4 \wedge m_{3,4} \wedge t = 2)$ by EVNT with $k = 2$,
using lemmas A, B
3. $\vdash (\ell_3 \wedge m_{3,4} \wedge t = 2) \supset O \ell_5$ by 2, 1 and OC
4. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_{3,4} \wedge t = 2) \supset O \ell_5$ by 1, 3 and PR
5. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_2) \supset \diamond[\ell_5 \vee (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_{3,4} \wedge t = 2)]$ by EVNT with $k = 2$

6. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_2) \supset \diamond \ell_5$ by 4, 5 and PTR
7. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_1) \supset \diamond [\ell_5 \vee (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_2)]$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{2}$
8. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_1) \supset \diamond \ell_5$ by 7, 6 and PTR
9. $\vdash (\ell_3 \wedge m_0) \supset \diamond [\ell_5 \vee (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_1)]$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{1}$
10. $\vdash (\ell_3 \wedge m_0) \supset 0 \ell_5$ by 9, 8 and PTR
11. $\vdash (\ell_4 \wedge m_0) \supset \diamond [\ell_5 \vee (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_1) \vee (\ell_3 \wedge m_0)]$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{1}$
12. $\vdash (\ell_4 \wedge m_0) \supset 0 \ell_5$ by 11, 8, 10 and PTR
13. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_0) \supset \diamond \ell_5$ by 10, 12 and PR
14. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_7) \supset \diamond [\ell_5 \vee (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_0)]$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{2}$
15. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_7) \supset \diamond \ell_5$ by 14, 13 and PTR
16. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_6) \supset \diamond (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_7)$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{2}$ and lemma E
17. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_6) \supset \diamond \ell_5$ by 16, 15 and PTR
18. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_5) \supset \diamond (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_6)$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{2}$ and lemma E
19. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_5) \supset \diamond \ell_5$ by 18, 17 and PTR
20. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_4 \wedge t = \mathbf{1}) \supset \diamond (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_5)$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{2}$ and lemma A
21. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_4 \wedge t = 1) \supset 0 \ell_5$ by 20, 19 and PTR
22. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_3 \wedge t = 1) \supset \diamond (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_4 \wedge t = 1)$
by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{2}$ and lemma A
23. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_3 \wedge t = 1) \supset 0 \ell_5$ by 22, 21 and PTR
24. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_{3,4} \wedge t = 1) \supset 0 \ell_5$ by 21, 23 and PR
25. $\vdash (\ell_{3,4} \wedge m_{3,4}) \supset \diamond \ell_5$ by 4, 24, lemma C and PR

We may summarize now as follows:

26. $\vdash \ell_{3,4} \supset [\ell_{3,4} \wedge (m_0 \vee m_1 \vee m_2 \vee m_3 \vee m_4 \vee m_5 \vee m_6 \vee m_7)]$ by LOC
27. $\vdash \ell_{3,4} \supset 0 \ell_5$ by 26, 13, 8, 6, 25, 19, 17, 15 and PTR
28. $\vdash \ell_2 \supset \diamond \ell_{3,4}$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{1}$
29. $\vdash \ell_2 \supset 0 \ell_5$ by 27, 28 and OC
30. $\vdash \ell_1 \supset \diamond \ell_2$ by EVNT with $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{1}$
31. $\vdash \ell_1 \supset 0 \ell_5$ by 29, 30 and $\diamond C$

F. COMPACT PROOF PRINCIPLES

In the preceding sections we introduced a comprehensive proof system for proving arbitrary temporal properties of concurrent programs. However, as demonstrated in the last examples a fully formal proof tends to be rather lengthy and sometimes tedious to follow. Consequently we will next discuss shorter and more compact representations of proofs and corresponding compact proof principles. All Lhsc principles can be derived in the basic proof system presented above. Consequently, a proof according to these principles can always be mechanically expanded into a more detailed proof using just the basic axioms. We will discuss the three main classes of properties one may wish to prove about programs, namely: invariance, liveness and precedence properties.

13. THE INVARIANCE PRINCIPLE

The IINV principle does not significantly simplify formal proofs. Most of the needed work in applying the IINV principle is in establishing the premise that the program P leads from φ to ψ . Several heuristics or meta-rules can be suggested in order to reduce the number of transitions that have to be checked, which in the worst case is proportional to the size of the program. For example:

- a) Only transitions that modify variables on which φ depends should be checked.
- b) Assume that φ has the form $\varphi = \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$ (similarly for implication), and that some variables y_1, \dots, y_m appear only in φ_1 . Then, in checking transitions that only modify Lhsc variables, it is sufficient to check transitions that may falsify φ_1 and one may assume in checking them that $\varphi_2 = \text{false}$.
- c) Assume that an invariance χ has already been established before. Let

$$[\varphi \wedge \chi] \supset (\sim \text{at } \ell)$$

for some location ℓ . Then no transitions of the form $\ell \rightarrow \ell'$ need ever be considered in showing that P leads from φ to ψ .

A simple generalization of the IINV rule is given by:

<p style="text-align: center;">Generalized Invariance Rule -- GINV</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A . $\vdash \varphi \supset \psi$</p> <p style="text-align: center;">B. I- $[\text{at} \& \text{A } \bar{y} = g(C)] \supset \varphi$</p> <p style="text-align: center;">C. I- P leads from φ to ψ</p> <hr style="width: 50%; margin: auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">$\vdash \Box \psi$</p>

Certainly premises B and C establish $\vdash \Box \varphi$ according to IINV, from which by premise A and the $\Box \Box$ rule, $\vdash \Box \psi$ follows.

The advantage of the GINV principle is that no additional temporal reasoning is required and the rule can be proved complete by itself. By this we mean that, given a program P , any state property ψ which is invariant for all executions of P can be proven invariant by a single application of the GTNV rule and no additional temporal reasoning.

Theorem:

The GINV rule is complete for proving invariance properties.

Proof:

Let $\psi = \psi(\bar{x}; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ be a state property, possibly dependent on the input variables \bar{x} . We define a state $s = \langle \bar{l}; \bar{\eta} \rangle$ to be $\bar{\xi}$ -accessible in P if there exists a segment of some computation initialized with $\bar{x} = \bar{\xi}$ that reaches s , i.e.,

$$\langle \bar{l}_0; g(\bar{\xi}) \rangle \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \langle \bar{l}; \bar{\eta} \rangle.$$

Define the predicate $\varphi = \varphi(\bar{x}; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ by:

$$\varphi(\bar{\xi}; \bar{l}; \bar{\eta}) = \mathbf{true} \Leftrightarrow \langle \bar{l}; \bar{\eta} \rangle \text{ is T-accessible.}$$

Thus, φ characterizes all the states that are \bar{x} -accessible. We will show that the predicate φ so defined satisfies, together with ψ , all the premises required by the rule GJNV.

Consider premise A. Since ψ is invariantly true in all computations of P it must be true for every accessible state $\langle \bar{l}; \bar{\eta} \rangle$. Consequently

$$\varphi(\bar{\xi}; \bar{l}; \bar{\eta}) \supset \psi(\bar{\xi}; \bar{l}; \bar{\eta});$$

when generalized to arbitrary $\bar{\xi}$, \bar{l} and $\bar{\eta}$ This implies

$$\models \varphi \supset \psi.$$

Since we assume that the underlying domain theory is adequate for proving all classically sound formulas this implies

$$\vdash \varphi \supset \psi.$$

Consider now premise B. Since every initial state is by definition accessible we certainly have

$$\models \varphi(\bar{x}; \bar{l}_0; g(z)).$$

Again by completeness of our domain part with respect to classical formulas, this leads to

$$\vdash [\text{at } \bar{l}_0 \wedge y = g(\bar{x})] \supset \varphi(\bar{x}; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y}).$$

Finally, consider premise C. Clearly every transition in P leads from an z -accessible state to another \bar{x} -accessible state. Consequently

$$\models P \text{ leads from } \varphi \text{ to } \varphi.$$

From this premise C follows by completeness of the domain part. \blacksquare

In the preceding theorem we have only shown the existence of an appropriate state predicate φ . We have not discussed the question of the exact formal language in which such a predicate can be expressed. However, assuming that our domain contains the integers or some isomorphic structure, and using a first-order language, it is not difficult to show that the statement:

“There exists a finite computation of P leading from $\langle \bar{l}_0; g(\bar{\xi}) \rangle$ to $\langle \bar{l}; \bar{\eta} \rangle$ ”

can be Gödel-encoded into a first-order statement over the integers.

14. LIVENESS PRINCIPLES

As a typical example of a detailed proof of liveness properties we may reexamine the proof of accessibility for the mutual exclusion program (Example 3). The structure of such a proof proceeds through a chain of events characterized by state assertions. Let the eventuality to be proved be $\varphi \supset \diamond \psi$ where both φ and ψ are state properties. We may regard $\psi = \varphi_0$ as being the last assertion in the chain. Then we identify an assertion φ_1 such that by a single application of the EVNT principle we can prove

$$\vdash \varphi_1 \supset \diamond \psi.$$

In the example considered we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi &: l_5 \\ \varphi_1 &: l_4 \wedge m_{3,4} \wedge (t = 2). \end{aligned}$$

Next, we identify an assertion φ_2 such that by a single application of the EVNT principle we can prove

$$\vdash \varphi_2 \supset \diamond(\varphi_1 \vee \psi).$$

In the general step, we identify an assertion φ_i such that by a single application of the EVNT principle we can prove

$$\vdash \varphi_i \supset \diamond\left(\bigvee_{j < i} \varphi_j\right).$$

Finally we have to prove $\varphi \supset \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^r \varphi_i\right)$ where $\dots, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_r$ is the chain of assertions constructed. We may summarize this proof pattern by the following proof principle:

The hui Reasoning Proof Principle --- CHAIN

Let $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_r$ be a sequence of state properties satisfying the following requirements:

A. $\vdash P$ leads from φ_i to $\bigvee_{j \leq i} \varphi_j$ for $i = 1, \dots, r$.

B. For every $i > 0$ there exists a $k = k_i$ such that:

$\vdash P_k$ leads from φ_i to $\bigvee_{j < i} \varphi_j$

C. For $i > 0$ and $k = k_i$ as above:

$\vdash \varphi_i \supset \diamond \left[\left(\bigvee_{j < i} \varphi_j \right) \vee \text{Enabled}(P_k) \right]$

$$\vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^r \varphi_i \right) \supset \left(\bigvee_{i=1}^r \varphi_i \right) \sqcup \varphi_0$$

Proof:

To justify this principle we will prove by induction on n , $n = 0, 1, \dots, r$, that

$$\vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^n \varphi_i \right) \supset \left(\bigvee_{i=1}^n \varphi_i \right) \sqcup \varphi_0.$$

For $n = 0$ we have $\vdash \varphi_0 \supset \varphi_0$ from which trivially follows by axiom $\Lambda 9$

$$\vdash \varphi_0 \supset (\text{false} \sqcup \varphi_0).$$

Note that we interpret an empty disjunction as false.

We assume that the statement above has been proved for certain n and we attempt to prove it for $n + 1$.

Consider the EVNT rule with $\varphi = \varphi_{n+1}$, $\psi = \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^n \varphi_i \right)$. By premise Λ of CHAIN we obtain that P leads from $\varphi_{n+1} = \varphi$ to

$$\left(\bigvee_{j \leq n+1} \varphi_j \right) = \left(\varphi_{n+1} \vee \left(\bigvee_{j \leq n} \varphi_j \right) \right) = (\varphi \vee \psi).$$

This provides premise Λ of EVNT. Let $k = k_{n+1}$. Then by premise B of CHAIN, P_k leads from $\varphi_{n+1} = \varphi$ to $\left(\bigvee_{j < n+1} \varphi_j \right) = \psi$. Similarly, premise C of CHAIN yields that

1. $\vdash \varphi \supset \diamond (\psi \vee \text{Enabled}(P_k)).$

By the EVNT rule it follows that

$$2. \vdash \varphi \supset \varphi \mathcal{U} \psi$$

or

$$3. \vdash \varphi_{n+1} \supset \varphi_{n+1} \mathcal{U} \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^n \varphi_i \right).$$

By the induction hypothesis and the UU rule this yields

$$4. \vdash \varphi_{n+1} \supset \varphi_{n+1} \mathcal{U} \left(\left(\bigvee_{i=1}^n \varphi_i \right) \mathcal{U} \varphi_0 \right).$$

Again by the induction hypothesis using part of A9, $w_2 \supset w_1 \mathcal{U} w_2$, we can obtain

$$5. \vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^n \varphi_i \right) \supset \varphi_{n+1} \mathcal{U} \left(\left(\bigvee_{i=1}^n \varphi_i \right) \mathcal{U} \varphi_0 \right).$$

Combining this with 4 above yields

$$6. \vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^{n+1} \varphi_i \right) \supset \varphi_{n+1} \mathcal{U} \left(\left(\bigvee_{i=1}^n \varphi_i \right) \mathcal{U} \varphi_0 \right).$$

By T38, $p \mathcal{U} (q \mathcal{U} r) \supset (p \vee q) \mathcal{U} r$, we can reduce the nesting depth of the U operator to get:

$$7. \vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^{n+1} \varphi_i \right) \supset \left(\left(\bigvee_{i=1}^{n+1} \varphi_i \right) \mathcal{U} \varphi_0 \right)$$

as needed.

Taking $n = r$ concludes the proof of the principle. \blacksquare

In presenting a proof according to the chain-reasoning principle it is usually sufficient to identify $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_r$ and for each i to point out the “helpful” process $P_k = P_{k_i}$. It can be left to the reader to verify that premises A to C are satisfied for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$.

We prefer to present such proofs in the form of a diagram. Consider a diagram consisting of nodes that correspond to the assertions $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_r$. For each transition affected by some process P_j , that leads from a state s satisfying φ_i to a state s' satisfying φ_ℓ , $\ell < i$, we draw an edge from the node φ_i to the node φ_ℓ and label it by P_j , the name of the responsible process. All edges corresponding to the helpful process $P_k = P_{k_i}$ are drawn as double arrows. We do not explicitly draw edges corresponding to transitions from φ_i back to itself. However it is assumed that such edges may exist for all but the helpful process for φ_i .

As an example we present a diagram form of the proof of accessibility for the Mutual Exclusion program. It is given in Fig. 1. In constructing such a proof we may freely use any invariants previously derived.

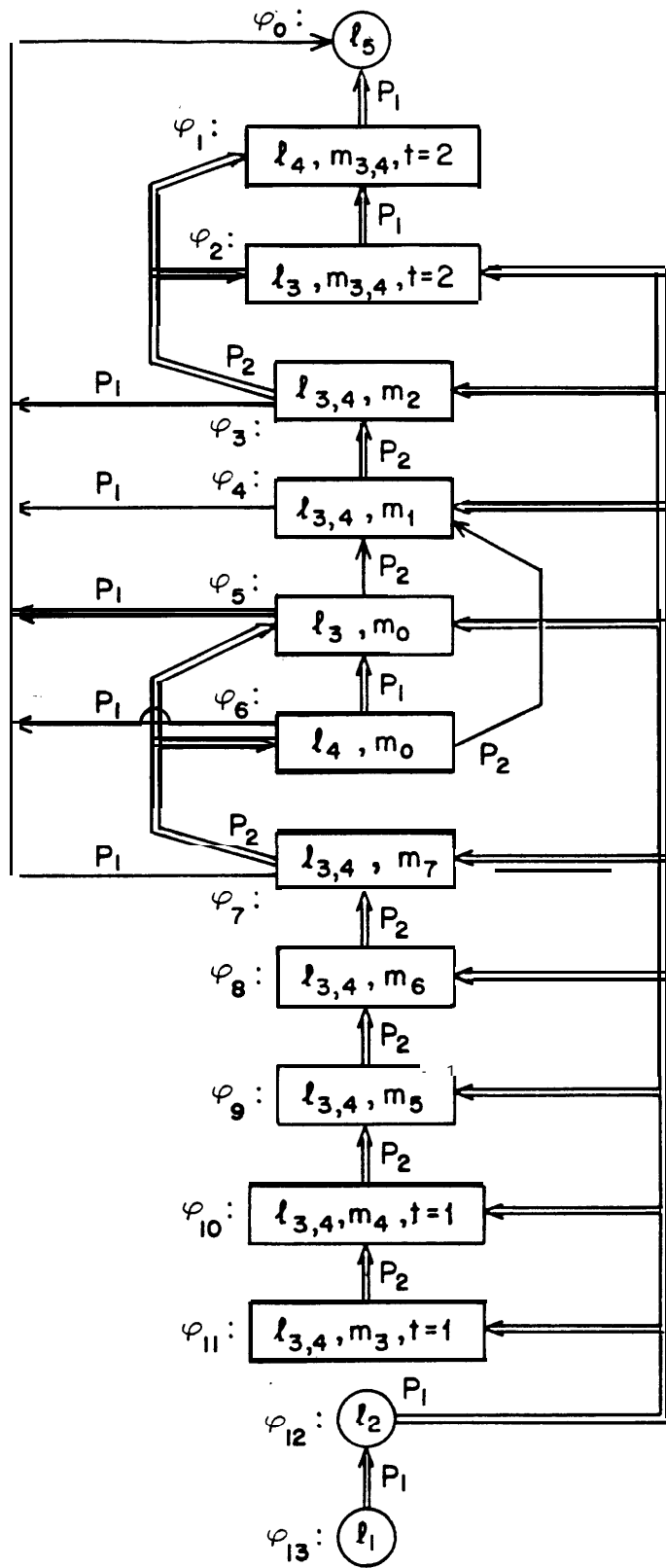
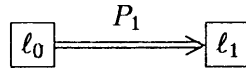


Fig. 1. Proof Diagram for the Mutual Exclusion Program

In this program, and typically in all non-terminating programs that have no semaphore instructions, we do not have to check premise C of the CHAIN or EVNT rule. This is because in non-terminating programs without semaphores every process is continuously enabled and therefore condition C is automatically satisfied.

In contrast let us consider the proof of accessibility for example 2 – a program with semaphores. Here we want to prove $\ell_0 \supset \diamond \ell_1$. The main diagram here is very simple:

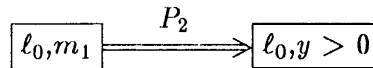


It denotes a single application of the EVNT rule with $\varphi : at \ell_0$ and $\psi : at \ell_1$ with $P_k = P_1$ being the helpful process.

However, in order to justify premise C, which is not trivial in this case, we have to prove

$$\vdash \ell_0 \supset \diamond(\ell_1 \vee y > 0).$$

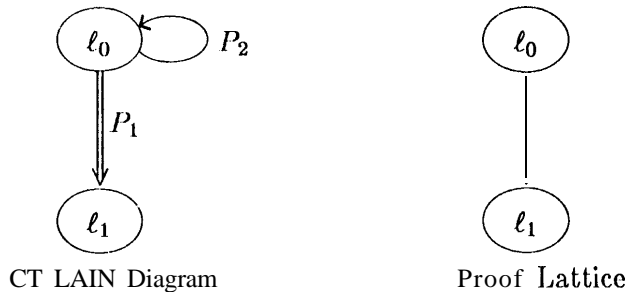
For this we have to consider P_2 's position. If P_2 is at m_0 or m_2 then $y = 1$ by the invariant I_1 proved above. The only other case is when P_2 is at m_1 where by a single application of the EVNT rule it will eventually move to m_2 producing a positive value of y . This may be represented by a secondary diagram:



The diagram representation of a proof according to the CHAIN principle is very similar to the proof lattices introduced in [OL] as a concise presentation of a proof of a liveness property. A superficial difference is that they **choose** to represent as edges the **consequences** of the EVNT rule, while in our representation edges stand for the premises of the EVNT rule which are also the premises to the CHAIN rule. To illustrate this difference, consider the following trivial program:



The liveness property to be proved is $\ell_0 \supset \diamond \ell_1$. Below are diagram representations of the CHAIN principle and a proof lattice according to [OL].



As we see, the CHAIN diagram contains a self-edge, labelled by P_2 (this time drawn explicitly) and a helpful edge labelled by P_1 . The process P_1 is guaranteed to get us to ℓ_1 . As a consequence

of this, by the EVNT rule, $\ell_0 \supset \circ \ell_1$. This conclusion is represented in the proof lattice by a single edge from ℓ_0 to ℓ_1 . Thus, the different choices of representation lead to the following minor syntactical differences between CHAIN diagrams and proof lattices:

- (a) Proof lattices are acyclic, whereas CHAIN diagrams are only weakly acyclic, i.e., may contain self-loops.
- (b) In CHAIN diagrams, edges are labelled by the processes responsible for the transition. Special identification is provided for edges traversed by the helpful process. In proof lattices, we no longer care about the identities of the processes since progress along the lattice has already been established.

However these differences are minor and a simple procedure for translation between CHAIN diagrams and proof lattices exists. The important part in both is the identification of the intermediate assertions that are represented as nodes. In constructing a proof, this is usually the creative and most demanding process. Both graph presentations provide a natural and intuitive representation of these assertions and the precedence relations between them.

The chain-reasoning principle assumed a finite number of links in the chain. It is quite adequate for finite-state programs, i.e., programs whose variables range over finite domains. However, once we consider programs over the integers it is no longer sufficient to consider only finitely many assertions. In fact, sets of assertions of quite high cardinality are needed. The obvious generalization of a finite set of assertions $\{\varphi_i \mid i = 0, \dots, r\}$ is to consider a single assertion $\varphi(\alpha)$, parametrized by a parameter α taken from a well-founded ordered set $(A, <)$. Obviously, the most important property of our chain of assertion is that program transitions eventually lead from φ_i to φ_j with $j < i$. This property can also be stated for an arbitrary well-founded ordering. Thus a natural generalization of the chain reasoning rule is the following:

The Well Founded Liveness Principle — WELL

Let $(A, <)$ be a *well-founded set*. Let $\varphi(\alpha) = \varphi(\alpha; \bar{x}; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ be a parametrized state formula.

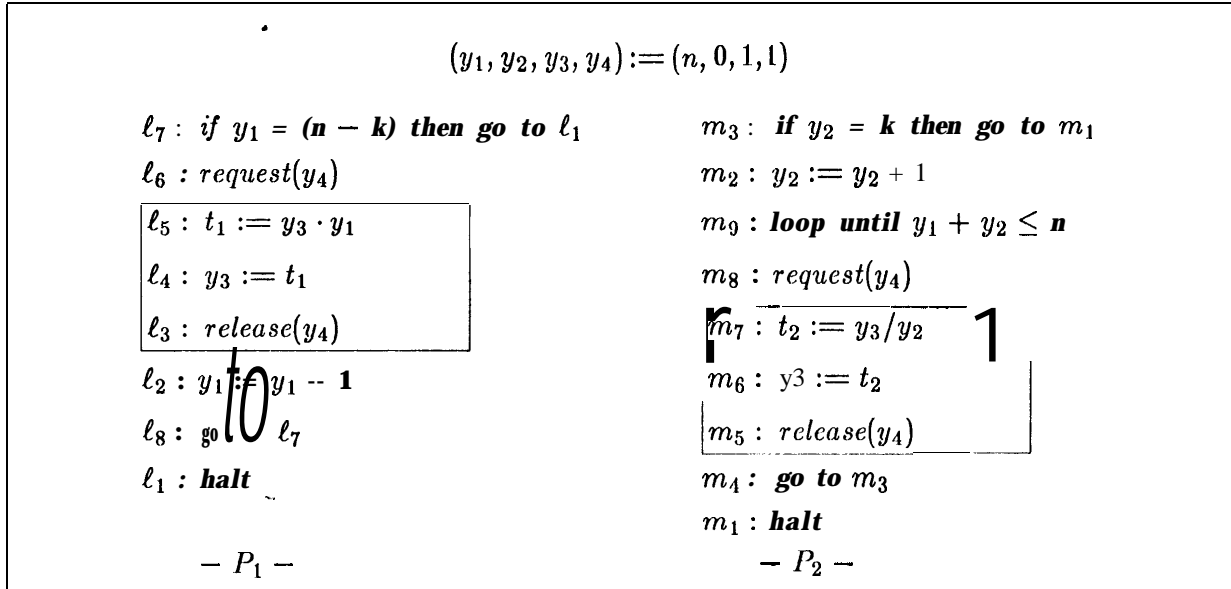
Let $h : A \rightarrow [1 \dots k]$ be a helpfulness function identifying for each $\alpha \in A$ the helpful process $P_{h(\alpha)}$ for states in $\varphi(\alpha)$.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{A. } \vdash P \text{ lends' from } \varphi(\alpha) \text{ to } \psi \vee (\exists \beta \preceq \alpha . \varphi(\beta)) \\
 \text{B. } \vdash P_{h(\alpha)} \text{ leads from } \varphi(\alpha) \text{ to } \psi \vee (\exists \beta < \alpha . \varphi(\beta)) \\
 \text{C. } \vdash p(a) \supset \diamond[\psi \vee (\exists \beta < \alpha . \varphi(\beta)) \vee \text{Enabled}(P_{h(\alpha)})] \\
 \hline
 \vdash (\exists \alpha . \varphi(\alpha)) \supset (\exists \alpha . \varphi(\alpha)) \cup \psi
 \end{array}$$

A justification of this rule can again be conducted, based on induction. Now, however, induction over arbitrary well-founded sets is required.

15. EXAMPLE 4: BINOMIAL COEFFICIENT

As an example for the application of the WELL principle, we consider the following program that computes the binomial coefficient $\binom{n}{k}$ for inputs $0 \leq k \leq n$.



The labelling scheme of the program has been constructed in a way that simplifies the expression of the assertion $\varphi(\alpha)$.

The computation of this program is based on the formula:

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-k+1)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot k}$$

The values of y_1 , i.e., $n, n-1, \dots, n-k+1$, are used to compute the numerator in P_1 , and the values of y_2 , i.e., $1, 2, \dots, k$, are used to compute the denominator. The process P_1 multiplies $n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-k+1)$ into y_3 while P_2 divides y_3 by $1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot k$.

The instruction

$$m_9 : \text{loop until } y_1 + y_2 \leq n$$

guarantees even divisibility of y_3 by y_2 . It synchronizes P_2 's operation with that of P_1 to ensure that y_3 is divided by i only after $(n-i+1)$ has already been multiplied into it. We rely here on the mathematical theorem that the product of i consecutive integers $n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-i+1)$ is always divisible by $i!$ (the quotient actually being the integer $\binom{n}{i}$).

The critical sections $l_{3..5}$ and $m_{5..7}$ are mutually protected by the semaphore variable y_4 . This protection ensures that y_3 is not updated by P_2 between, say, the computation of $y_3 \cdot y_1$ and the assignment of this value to y_3 . Without this protection, the updated value might have been overwritten by P_1 .

We start by establishing some invariant properties of this program.

$$I_1 : \vdash (at\ell_{3..5} + atm_{5..7} + y_4 = 1) \wedge (y_4 \geq 0).$$

This is the usual semaphore invariant. It can be proven by observing that initially this sum equals 1, and then by considering all possible transitions. For example, the $\ell_6 \rightarrow \ell_5$ transition changes $at\ell_{3..5}$ from 0 (*false*) to 1 (*true*), and also decrements y_4 by 1, leaving however the sum constant. From I_1 we can deduce mutual exclusion of the critical sections, i.e.,

$$\vdash (\sim\ell_{3..5}) \vee (\sim m_{5..7}).$$

As a consequence of this we can establish:

$$I_2 : \vdash (\ell_4 \supset t_1 = y_3 \cdot y_1) \wedge (m_6 \supset t_2 = y_3/y_2).$$

This holds due to the impossibility of interference by P_2 while P_1 is at ℓ_4 .

$$I_3 : \vdash (n - k + at\ell_{2..6}) \leq y_1 \leq n.$$

This invariance states that y_1 always lies between $n - k$ and n . When P_1 is at $\ell_{2..6}$, $y_1 > n - k$, whereas P_1 is at other locations, $y_1 \geq n - k$. To verify 4 we need only consider the transitions:

- $\ell_7 \rightarrow \ell_6$ which maintains $n - k < y_1 \leq n$, assuming it was previously known that $n - k \leq y_1 \leq n$.
- $\ell_2 \rightarrow \ell_8$ which results in $n - k \leq y_1 - 1 \leq n$ from $n - k < y_1 \leq n$.

$$I_4 : \vdash 0 \leq y_2 \leq (k - atm_2).$$

This invariance bounds the range of y_2 . We need consider the transitions $m_3 \rightarrow m_2$ and $m_2 \rightarrow m_4$ which can be shown to maintain I_4 .

$$I_5 : \vdash atm_{7..8} \supset (y_1 + y_2) \leq n.$$

Here we should consider two transitions:

- $m_9 \rightarrow m_8$ which is possible only if currently $y_1 + y_2 \leq n$.
- $\ell_2 \rightarrow \ell_8$ is the only transition modifying y_1 . However since it decrements y_1 it certainly preserves $y_1 + y_2 \leq n$.

Let us define the following virtual variables:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1^* &= \text{if } at\ell_{2,3} \text{ then } y_1 - 1 \text{ else } y_1 \\ y_2^* &= \text{if } atm_{6..9} \text{ then } y_2 - 1 \text{ else } y_2 \end{aligned}$$

These variables are roughly equal to y_1 and y_2 respectively and differ from them by 1 in certain ranges.

$$I_6 : \vdash y_3 = \lfloor n \cdot (n - 1) \dots (y_1^* + 1) \rfloor / [1 \cdot 2 \dots y_2^*].$$

To verify this invariant we have to check the transitions $\ell_4 \rightarrow \ell_3, m_6 \rightarrow m_5$. Making use of I_2 , they can be shown to maintain I_6 .

$$I_7 : \vdash [at\ell_1 \supset y_1 = (n - k)] \wedge [atm_1 \supset (y_2 = k)].$$

Using I_6, I_7 and the definition of y_1^*, y_2^* we obtain partial correctness of this program, namely

$$\vdash (at\ell_1 \wedge atm_1) \supset [y_3 = \binom{n}{k}].$$

To prove termination we will use the WELL rule in order to establish $\vdash \mathbf{0}(at\ell_1 \wedge atm_1)$. As the well-founded domain we take

$$(\mathbf{A}, \prec) = (\mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{N}, \prec_{lex}).$$

That is, the set of triplets of nonnegative integers ordered by lexicographic ordering. This ordering defines $(m_1, m_2, m_3) \prec (n_1, n_2, n_3)$ iff for the lowest $i, i = 1, 2, 3$ such that $m_i \neq n_i, \mathbf{m}; < \mathbf{n}$.

For our goal assertion we take $\psi : at\ell_1 \wedge atm_1$. The parameterized assertion is given by:

$$\varphi(\alpha; \ell_i, m_j; y_1, y_2) : (y_1 + k - y_2, j, i) = \alpha.$$

The helpfulness function is given by:

$$\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{a}) = h(r, \mathbf{j}, i) = (\mathbf{if } i = 1 \mathbf{ then } 2 \mathbf{ else } 1).$$

Thus as long as the first process P_1 has not terminated we rely on P_1 to be the helpful process. Once it has terminated, we take P_2 to be the helpful process.

We have to show that all the three premises of the WELL rule are satisfied.

Consider first premise A. We have to show that every transition of P leads to $\varphi(\beta)$ with $\beta \preceq \alpha$ if ψ is not already satisfied. By simple inspection of all the possible transitions we find that they all lead from $\langle \ell_i, m_j \rangle$ to $\langle \ell_{i'}, m_{j'} \rangle$ such that either $i' < i$ or $j' < j$ except for the following transitions:

- $\ell_2 \rightarrow \ell_3$. But this transition decrements y_1 producing a strict decrease in $y_1 + k - y_2$ which is the first component in α .
- $m_2 \rightarrow m_3$. In a similar way this transition increments y_2 , leading to a decrease in $y_1 + k - y_2$.
- $m_9 \rightarrow m_8$. This transition leaves α at the same value.

Consider now premise B. As we have shown above, all transitions provide a strict decrease in α . The only exception is $m_9 \rightarrow m_8$. However this is a transition which is considered helpful only when P_1 is at ℓ_1 . By I_7 , at this point $y_1 = (n - k)$ so that in view of $I_4, y_1 + y_2 \leq k$ and hence the only transition possible from m_9 is $m_9 \rightarrow m_8$.

To show premise C we have to prove that P_h is always eventually enabled. Consider first the case that $h = 1$. The only location in which it is not immediately enabled is when P_1 is at ℓ_6 while P_2 is at $m_{5..7}$ (in view of I_1). However by simple chain reasoning it is obvious that in such a case, P_2 will certainly reach m_4 in which y_4 becomes positive and P_1 enabled.

The case $h = 2$ is even simpler because it is only considered when P_1 is at ℓ_1 . Consequently, even when P_2 is at m_8 , which may potentially raise some problems, we have in view of I_1 and atl_1 that $y_4 > 0$ and P_2 is enabled.

Thus we conclude that $\psi : atl_1 \wedge atm_1$ must eventually be realized and therefore the program must terminate.

16. PRECEDENCE PROPERTIES

The next class of properties we will consider and provide proof principles for is that of precedence properties. These are properties, usually needing the \mathcal{U} operator for their expression, which ensure that some event precedes another event, or that a certain event will not happen until another event happens first. In view of the fact that the basic FAIR and EVNT rules did actually provide a conclusion containing the \mathcal{U} operator, they may be naturally utilized to form precedence proof principles which are generalizations of the corresponding liveness principles.

In the following we will often consider nested **until** expressions in which the nesting always occurs in the second argument. We therefore adopt the convention of representing the nested formula:

$$\varphi_n \mathcal{U} \left(\varphi_{n-1} \mathcal{U} \left(\dots \left(\varphi_1 \mathcal{U} \varphi_0 \right) \dots \right) \right)$$

by:

$$\varphi_n \mathcal{U} \varphi_{n-1} \mathcal{U} \dots \varphi_1 \mathcal{U} \varphi_0.$$

The semantic meaning of this formula is that, starting from the present there is going to be a period in which φ_n continuously holds, followed by another period in which φ_{n-1} continuously holds, . . . , followed by a period in which φ_1 continuously holds, until finally φ_0 occurs. Any of these periods may be empty, but the occurrence of φ_0 is guaranteed.

Let us consider first the proper generalization of the CHAIN rule in which we assume a **finite** chain of assertions $\varphi_r, \varphi_{r-1}, \dots, \varphi_1$ leading to the goal $\psi = \varphi_0$.

Let $0 < p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_s = r$ be a partition of the index range into s contiguous segments. Then we may formulate the following chain principle for precedence properties:

The Chain Rule for Precedence Properties — P-CHAIN

Let $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_r$ be a sequence of state assertions, and $0 = p_0 < p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_s = r$ a partition of $[1 \dots r]$.

A. $\vdash P$ leads from φ_i to $(\bigvee_{j \leq i} \varphi_j)$ for $i = 1, \dots, r$.

B. For every $i > 0$ there exists a $k = k_i$ such that:

$$\vdash P_k \text{ leads from } \varphi_i \text{ to } (\bigvee_{j < i} \varphi_j)$$

C. For $i > 0$ and $k = k_i$ as above:

$$\vdash \varphi \supset 0 \left[\left(\bigvee_{j < i} \varphi_j \right) \vee \text{Enabled}(P_k) \right]$$

$$\vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^r \varphi_i \right) \supset (\psi_s \cup \psi_{s-1} \dots \psi_1 \cup \varphi_0)$$

where

$$\psi_\ell \text{ is } \bigvee_{p_{\ell-1} < j \leq p_\ell} \varphi_j \text{ for } \ell = 1, \dots, s.$$

The conclusion states that starting at a state that satisfies one of the φ_i , $i = 0, \dots, r$, we are guaranteed to have a period in which $(\bigvee_{j=p_{s-1}+1}^{p_s} \varphi_j)$ continuously holds, followed by a period in which $(\bigvee_{j=p_{s-2}+1}^{p_{s-1}} \varphi_j)$ continuously holds, etc., until φ_0 is finally realized. Any of these periods may be empty.

Proof:

To justify the soundness of this conclusion we will first prove it for the most refined partition possible, namely:

$$\left(\bigvee_{i=0}^r \varphi_i \right) \supset (\varphi_r \cup \varphi_{r-1} \cup \varphi_{r-2} \cup \dots \cup \varphi_1 \cup \varphi_0).$$

This is proved in a way similar to the justification of the corresponding liveness principle. We show, by induction on n , $n = 0, 1, \dots, r$, that

$$\vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^n \varphi_i \right) \supset (\varphi_n \cup \varphi_{n-1} \cup \dots \cup \varphi_1 \cup \varphi_0).$$

For $n = 0$ we have $\vdash \varphi_0 \supset \varphi_0$ which is the induction statement for $n = 0$.

Assume that the statement above has been proved for a certain n and consider its proof for $n+1$.

Consider the EVNT rule with $\varphi = \varphi_{n+1}$, $\psi = (\bigvee_{i=0}^n \varphi_i)$. As shown in the proof of the liveness case, all the premises of the EVNT rule are satisfied. Consequently we may conclude:

$$\vdash \varphi_{n+1} \supset \varphi_{n+1} \cup \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^n \varphi_i \right).$$

By the induction hypothesis and the $\cup\cup$ rule this yields

$$\vdash \varphi_{n+1} \supset \varphi_{n+1} \cup (\varphi_n \cup \dots \cup \varphi_1 \cup \varphi_0).$$

Due to $\vdash v \supset (u \cup v)$ which is a consequence of axiom A9, the induction hypothesis can also be written as

$$\vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^n \varphi_i \right) \supset \varphi_{n+1} \cup (\varphi_n \cup \dots \cup \varphi_1 \cup \varphi_0).$$

Taking the disjunction of the last two gives

$$\vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^{n+1} \varphi_i \right) \supset \varphi_{n+1} \cup (\varphi_n \cup \dots \cup \varphi_1 \cup \varphi_0),$$

which is the required statement for $n+1$.

Consider now a coarser partition:

$$0 = p_0 < p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_s = r.$$

By consecutively merging any two contiguous assertions that fall into the same partition cell, using theorem T38:

$$\vdash (\varphi_{i+1} \cup (P_i \cup \varphi)) \supset ((\varphi_{i+1} \vee P_i) \cup \varphi),$$

we obtain the coarser conclusion:

$$\vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=0}^{n+1} \varphi_i \right) \supset \left(\bigvee_{p_{s-1} < j \leq p_s} \varphi_j \right) \cup \left(\bigvee_{p_{s-2} < j \leq p_{s-1}} \varphi_j \right) \cup \dots \cup \left(\bigvee_{0 < j \leq p_1} \varphi_j \right) \cup \varphi_0. \quad \blacksquare$$

Examples:

As our first example, let us consider the Mutual Exclusion program analyzed above. We have already proven that mutual exclusion is maintained by this program. We have also proven the liveness property that if P_1 wishes to enter its critical section it will eventually gain access to it. A more discriminating question is that, of how fair is our algorithm. That is, if P_1 wishes to enter

its critical section, how many times will P_2 be able to enter its own critical section before P_1 ? Is that, number bounded? WC refer to this question as the problem of bounded overtaking. Namely, how many times can P_2 overtake P_1 before P_1 enters his critical section.

Our first analysis makes use of Fig. 1 without any modifications. WC only read from it the stronger conclusion according to the stronger P-CHAIN rule. As a partition we choose $p_1 = 7$, $p_2 = 9$, $p_3 = r = 11$. Consequently, from the diagram of Fig. 1 we conclude by the P-CHAIN rule:

$$\vdash \left(\bigvee_{i=1}^{11} \varphi_i \right) \supset \left(\left(\bigvee_{i=10}^{11} \varphi_i \right) \cup \left(\bigvee_{i=8}^9 \varphi_i \right) \cup \left(\bigvee_{i=1}^7 \varphi_i \right) \cup \varphi_0 \right).$$

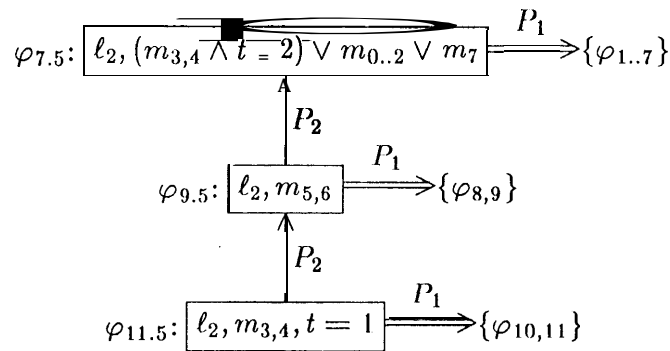
Replacing each of the right hand side disjunctions by a weaker property and the left hand side disjunction by a stronger statement we obtain:

$$\vdash \ell_{3,4} \supset ((\sim m_{5,6}) \cup m_{5,6} \cup (\sim m_{5,6}) \cup \ell_5).$$

This implies that if P_1 is at the waiting loop in $\ell_{3,4}$, there will be a period in which P_2 is not in the critical section $m_{5,6}$, followed by a period in which P_2 is inside the critical section $m_{5,6}$ followed by a period in which P_2 is outside the critical section which terminates by P_1 entering his critical section. Since any of these periods may be empty this is a worst-case analysis. But it certainly assures 1-bounded overtaking, i.e., once P_1 is in $\ell_{3,4}$, P_2 may overtake it at most once.

Having successfully analyzed the situation from $\ell_{3,4}$ on we may attempt to obtain a similar analysis from the moment that P_1 enters ℓ_2 .

This analysis calls for a refinement of the diagram of Fig. 1. The following is a subdiagram that should replace the node corresponding to φ_{12} in Fig. 1. It consists of three nodes labelled respectively $\varphi_{7.5}$, $\varphi_{9.5}$ and $\varphi_{11.5}$. The fractional indexing indicates that $\varphi_{7.5}$ should be inserted between φ_7 and φ_8 in Fig. 1. The edges out of φ_{13} should enter one of these three nodes. Edges out of $\varphi_{7.5}$ lead to some of $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_7$.



Similarly for edges out of $\varphi_{9.5}$ and $\varphi_{11.5}$. Considering the updated diagram composed of Fig. 1 and the above subdiagram we obtain the following conclusion:

$$\vdash \ell_{2..4} \supset \left(\left(\bigvee_{i=10}^{11.5} \varphi_i \right) \cup \left(\bigvee_{i=8}^{9.5} \varphi_i \right) \cup \left(\bigvee_{i=1}^{7.5} \varphi_i \right) \cup \varphi_0 \right).$$

This again leads to

$$\vdash \ell_{2..4} \supset ((\sim m_{5,6}) \cup m_{5,6} \cup (\sim m_{5,6}) \cup \ell_5),$$

which ensures 1-bounded overtaking even from ℓ_2 . Encouraged by this, we may next ask whether a similar result can be obtained from ℓ_1 . Unfortunately this is not the case. P_2 may enter its critical section an arbitrary number of times while P_1 is at ℓ_1 . This is obvious since while being at ℓ_1 , P_1 has not yet modified any variable in a way that will show that it is not still in ℓ_0 . And naturally while P_1 is at ℓ_0 , P_2 may enter the critical section any number of times if the algorithm is correct.

THE WELL-FOUNDED PRINCIPLE FOR PRECEDENCE PROPERTIES

A natural extension of the P-CHAIN rule to programs that require infinite chains of assertions again uses well founded ordered sets.

Let $(A, <)$ be a well founded ordered set. We require however that the ordering is total (or linear). That is, for every two distinct elements $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in A$ either $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$ or $\alpha_2 < \alpha_1$.

Well Founded Precedence Rule --- P-WELL

Let $\varphi(\alpha) = \varphi(\alpha; \bar{\pi}; \bar{y})$ be a parametrized state assertion with $\alpha \in A$.

Let $h : A \rightarrow [1 \dots k]$ be a helpfulness function.

Let $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots < \alpha_s$ be a sequence of elements of A .

t- P leads from $\varphi(\alpha)$ to $\psi \vee (\exists \beta \preceq \alpha . \varphi(\beta))$

$\vdash P_{h(\alpha)}$ leads from $\varphi(\alpha)$ to $\psi \vee (\exists \beta < \alpha . \varphi(\beta))$

t- $\varphi(\alpha) \supset \diamond[\psi \vee (\exists \beta < \alpha . \varphi(\beta)) \vee Enabled(P_{h(\alpha)})]$

$\vdash (\exists \alpha \preceq \alpha_s . \varphi(\alpha)) \supset (\psi_s \cup \psi_{s-1} \cup \dots \cup \psi_1 \cup \psi)$

where

ψ_ℓ is $\exists \beta(\alpha_{\ell-1} < \beta \preceq \alpha_\ell) . \varphi(\beta)$ for $\ell = 2, \dots, s$, and

ψ_1 is $\exists \beta(\beta \preceq \alpha_1) . \varphi(\beta)$

Note that while the range of the parameter in the assertions is infinite, the partition is still finite.

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