

Cut-Elimination, Cut-Restriction

Timo Lang

University College London

April 10th 2024 @ LLAMA Seminar

In a nutshell:

- This talk is about the **proof theory** of various **nonclassical logics**.

In a nutshell:

- This talk is about the **proof theory** of various **nonclassical logics**.
- To find normal forms of proofs, we use the **Gentzen method**:

In a nutshell:

- This talk is about the **proof theory** of various **nonclassical logics**.
- To find normal forms of proofs, we use the **Gentzen method**:
 - 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.

In a nutshell:

- This talk is about the **proof theory** of various **nonclassical logics**.
- To find normal forms of proofs, we use the **Gentzen method**:
 - 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.
 - 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

In a nutshell:

- This talk is about the **proof theory** of various **nonclassical logics**.
- To find normal forms of proofs, we use the **Gentzen method**:
 - 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.
 - 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

In a nutshell:

- This talk is about the **proof theory** of various **nonclassical logics**.
- To find normal forms of proofs, we use the **Gentzen method**:
 - 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.
 - 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

What can we do if this fails? (e.g. **S5**)

In a nutshell:

- This talk is about the **proof theory** of various **nonclassical logics**.
- To find normal forms of proofs, we use the **Gentzen method**:
 - 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.
 - 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

What can we do if this fails? (e.g. **S5**)

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a ^{some calculus} ~~sequent calculus~~ for the logic.
- 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

In a nutshell:

- This talk is about the **proof theory** of various **nonclassical logics**.
- To find normal forms of proofs, we use the **Gentzen method**:
 - 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.
 - 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

What can we do if this fails? (e.g. **S5**)

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a ~~sequent calculus~~ ^{some calculus} for the logic.
- 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

Revised Gentzen method, v2:

- 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~ _{cut-restriction}.

↑ This talk!



Agata Ciabattoni (TU Vienna)



Revantha Ramanayake (RU Groningen)

Introduction
The Sequent Calculus and Cut-Elimination

Exercise: Show $\vdash_{IL} (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)$.

Exercise: Show $\vdash_{IL} (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)$.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{}{A}^1 \quad \frac{\frac{}{(A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C)}^2}{A \rightarrow B}}{B} \quad \frac{\frac{}{(A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C)}^2}{B \rightarrow C}}{\frac{\frac{C}{A \rightarrow C}^1}{(A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)}^2}
 \end{array}$$

Exercise: Show $\vDash_{IL} p \vee \neg p$

Exercise: Show $\not\vdash_{IL} p \vee \neg p$

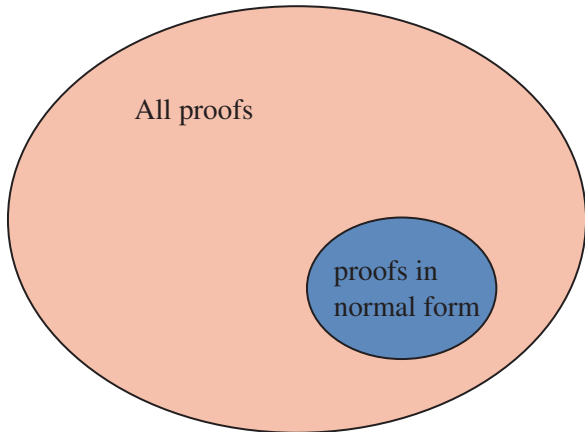
$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} ? \\ \vdots \\ p \end{array}}{p \vee \neg p} \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} ? \\ \vdots \\ \neg p \end{array}}{p \vee \neg p} \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} ? \\ \vdots \\ A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} ? \\ \vdots \\ A \rightarrow (p \vee \neg p) \end{array}}{p \vee \neg p}$$

I tried very hard but couldn't find a proof... ???

The space of all well-formed proofs is **incomprehensibly large**.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} ? \\ \vdots \\ A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} ? \\ \vdots \\ A \rightarrow (p \vee \neg p) \end{array}}{p \vee \neg p}$$

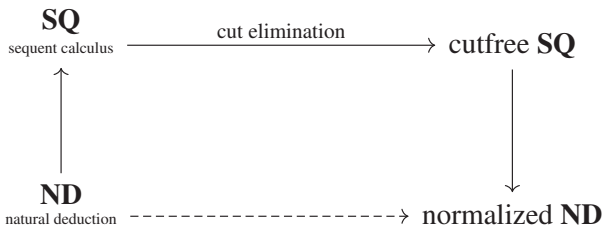
Solution: Normal forms





Gerhard Gentzen (1909-1945)

“Investigations into logical deduction” (1935)



Sequent Calculus

SQ \equiv a meta-calculus for constructing **ND** proofs.

$$\underbrace{A_1, \dots, A_n \Rightarrow B}_{\text{sequent}}$$

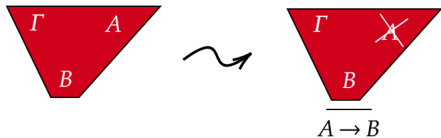
“there exists a proof of B from assumptions A_1, \dots, A_n ”

LJ

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \overline{A \Rightarrow A} \quad (id) \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A, B, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, B, A, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad (e_l) \quad \frac{\Gamma, A, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad (c_l) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad (w_l) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A} \quad (w_r) \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Delta, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad (cut) \\
 \\
 \overline{\perp \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad (\perp) \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \wedge B \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad \frac{\Gamma, B \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \wedge B \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad (\wedge_l) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \wedge B} \quad (\wedge_r) \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Pi \quad \Gamma, B \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \vee B \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad (\vee_l) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \vee B} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \vee B} \quad (\vee_r) \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Delta, B \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, \Delta, A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow \Pi} \quad (\rightarrow_l) \quad \frac{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \rightarrow B} \quad (\rightarrow_r)
 \end{array}$$

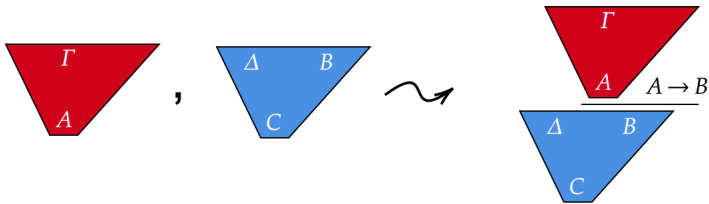
rule in **SQ** \equiv proof transformation in **ND**.

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \rightarrow B} (\rightarrow_R)$$



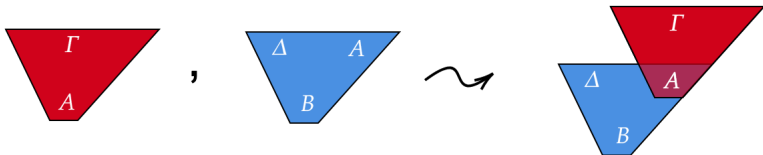
rule in **SQ** \equiv proof transformation in **ND**.

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Delta, B \Rightarrow C}{\Gamma, \Delta, A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow C} (\rightarrow_L)$$



rule in **SQ** \equiv proof transformation in **ND**.

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Delta, A \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow B} \text{ (cut)}$$



proof in SQ \equiv recipe for constructing an ND-proof.

sequent calculus:

$$\frac{\frac{A \Rightarrow A}{A \Rightarrow A \vee B} \quad \frac{C \Rightarrow C}{C \wedge D \Rightarrow C}}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D), A \Rightarrow C} \frac{}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D) \Rightarrow A \rightarrow C}$$

natural deduction:

proof in SQ \equiv recipe for constructing an ND-proof.

sequent calculus:

$$\frac{\frac{A \Rightarrow A}{A \Rightarrow A \vee B} \quad \frac{C \Rightarrow C}{C \wedge D \Rightarrow C}}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D), A \Rightarrow C} \frac{}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D) \Rightarrow A \rightarrow C}$$

natural deduction:

A

C

proof in **SQ** \equiv recipe for constructing an **ND**-proof.

sequent calculus:

$$\frac{\frac{A \Rightarrow A}{A \Rightarrow A \vee B} \quad \frac{C \Rightarrow C}{C \wedge D \Rightarrow C}}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D), A \Rightarrow C} \frac{}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D) \Rightarrow A \rightarrow C}$$

natural deduction:

$$\frac{\frac{A}{A \vee B}}{\frac{C \wedge D}{C}}$$

proof in SQ \equiv recipe for constructing an ND-proof.

sequent calculus:

$$\frac{\frac{A \Rightarrow A}{A \Rightarrow A \vee B} \quad \frac{C \Rightarrow C}{C \wedge D \Rightarrow C}}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D), A \Rightarrow C} \frac{}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D) \Rightarrow A \rightarrow C}$$

natural deduction:

$$\frac{\frac{A}{A \vee B} \quad A \vee B \rightarrow C \wedge D}{\frac{C \wedge D}{C}}$$

proof in **SQ** \equiv recipe for constructing an **ND**-proof.

sequent calculus:

$$\frac{\frac{A \Rightarrow A}{A \Rightarrow A \vee B} \quad \frac{C \Rightarrow C}{C \wedge D \Rightarrow C}}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D), A \Rightarrow C}}{(A \vee B) \rightarrow (C \wedge D) \Rightarrow A \rightarrow C}$$

natural deduction:

$$\frac{[A]}{A \vee B} \quad \frac{A \vee B \rightarrow C \wedge D}{C \wedge D}}{C}}{A \rightarrow C}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \overline{A \Rightarrow A} \text{ (id)} \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A, B, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, B, A, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (e}_l\text{)} \quad \frac{\Gamma, A, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (c}_l\text{)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (w}_l\text{)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A} \text{ (w}_r\text{)} \\
 \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Delta, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (cut)} \\
 \overline{\perp \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\perp)} \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Pi \quad \Gamma, B \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \wedge B \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\wedge}_l\text{)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \wedge B} \text{ (\wedge}_r\text{)} \\
 \frac{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Pi \quad \Gamma, B \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, A \vee B \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\vee}_l\text{)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \vee B} \text{ (\vee}_r\text{)} \\
 \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Delta, B \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, \Delta, A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\rightarrow}_l\text{)} \quad \frac{\Gamma, A \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \rightarrow B} \text{ (\rightarrow}_r\text{)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Delta, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (cut)}$$

Proofs constructed **without cut** are particularly nice.

- They have the **subformula property**:

Only subformulas of the proven theorem appear

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \Delta, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (cut)}$$

Proofs constructed **without cut** are particularly nice.

- They have the **subformula property**:
Only subformulas of the proven theorem appear
- They have **no detours**, e.g.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ B \end{array}}{A \wedge B} \\ A \\ \vdots$$

Theorem (Gentzen 1934)

Every proof in LJ (and $LK, LJ^\forall, LK^\forall$) can be rewritten into an equivalent proof that does not use cuts.

Theorem (Gentzen 1934)

Every proof in LJ (and $LK, LJ^\forall, LK^\forall$) can be rewritten into an equivalent proof that does not use cuts.

Corollaries:

- 1 consistency of **CL** and **IL**
- 2 decidability of propositional **IL**
- 3 midsequent theorem for prenex formulas
- 4 consistency of arithmetic (w/o induction 1934, complete 1936)

Revised Gentzen method, v1
Generalising the Sequent Calculus

- Gentzen's method

“find a sequent calculus, prove cut-elimination”

works for many other logics

- Gentzen's method

“find a sequent calculus, prove cut-elimination”

works for many other logics

- **But** not for all of them!

- Gentzen's method

“find a sequent calculus, prove cut-elimination”

works for many other logics

- **But** not for all of them!

- modal logic **S5** (while **K**, **KT**, **S4** are fine)

- Gentzen's method

“find a sequent calculus, prove cut-elimination”

works for many other logics

- **But** not for all of them!

- modal logic **S5** (while **K**, **KT**, **S4** are fine)

- many intermediate logics $L = \mathbf{IL} + A$,

- for example $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{IL} + (p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$ (Gödel logic)

- Gentzen's method

“find a sequent calculus, prove cut-elimination”

works for many other logics

- **But** not for all of them!

- modal logic **S5** (while **K**, **KT**, **S4** are fine)
- many intermediate logics $L = \mathbf{IL} + A$,
for example $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{IL} + (p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$ (Gödel logic)
- Bi-intuitionistic logic **BiInt**

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

some calculus

- 1 Find a sequent-calculus for the logic.
- 2 Prove cut-elimination.

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a **sequent-calculus** for the logic.
- 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 A \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow A \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \Gamma_1 \Rightarrow A_1 \mid \dots \mid \Gamma_n \Rightarrow A_n \\
 \text{formula} \quad \quad \quad \text{sequent (1935)} \quad \quad \quad \text{hypersequent (1971)} \\
 \\
 \rightsquigarrow \quad [\Gamma_1, [\Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \Gamma_3] \Rightarrow A_1] \Rightarrow A_2 \quad \rightsquigarrow \dots \\
 \quad \quad \quad \text{nested sequent (1992?)}
 \end{array}$$

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a **sequent-calculus** for the logic.
- 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 A \\
 \text{formula}
 \end{array}
 \rightsquigarrow
 \begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma \Rightarrow A \\
 \text{sequent (1935)}
 \end{array}
 \rightsquigarrow
 \begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma_1 \Rightarrow A_1 \mid \dots \mid \Gamma_n \Rightarrow A_n \\
 \text{hypersequent (1971)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow
 \begin{array}{c}
 [\Gamma_1, [\Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \Gamma_3] \Rightarrow A_1] \Rightarrow A_2 \\
 \text{nested sequent (1992?) }
 \end{array}
 \rightsquigarrow \dots$$

- **S5** and **G** have a **hypersequent system** with cut elimination
- **BiInt** has a **nested sequent system** with cut elimination
- ...

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a **some calculus** sequent-calculus for the logic.
- 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 A \\
 \text{formula}
 \end{array}
 \rightsquigarrow
 \begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma \Rightarrow A \\
 \text{sequent (1935)}
 \end{array}
 \rightsquigarrow
 \begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma_1 \Rightarrow A_1 \mid \dots \mid \Gamma_n \Rightarrow A_n \\
 \text{hypersequent (1971)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow
 \begin{array}{c}
 [\Gamma_1, [\Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \Gamma_3] \Rightarrow A_1] \Rightarrow A_2 \\
 \text{nested sequent (1992?) }
 \end{array}
 \rightsquigarrow \dots$$

- **S5** and **G** have a **hypersequent system** with cut elimination
- **BiInt** has a **nested sequent system** with cut elimination
- ...

Caveat: The more complex the calculus, the less useful is cut-elimination!

$\frac{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \quad G \alpha, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi}{G \Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (cut)}$	$\frac{}{G \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha} \text{ (init)}$	$\frac{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{G \perp, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (1l)}$	$\frac{}{G \Rightarrow \perp} \text{ (1r)}$
$\frac{G \alpha, \beta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{G \alpha \cdot \beta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\cdot l)}$	$\frac{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \quad G \Delta \Rightarrow \beta}{G \Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta} \text{ (\cdot r)}$	$\frac{G \Gamma \Rightarrow}{G \Gamma \Rightarrow 0} \text{ (0r)}$	$\frac{}{G 0 \Rightarrow} \text{ (0l)}$
$\frac{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \quad G \beta, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi}{G \Gamma, \alpha \rightarrow \beta, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\rightarrow l)}$	$\frac{G \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \beta}{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \beta} \text{ (\rightarrow r)}$	$\frac{G \alpha_i, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{G \alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\wedge l)}$	$\frac{}{G \perp, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\perp l)}$
$\frac{G \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi \quad G \beta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{G \alpha \vee \beta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (\vee l)}$	$\frac{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \quad G \Gamma \Rightarrow \beta}{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \wedge \beta} \text{ (\wedge r)}$	$\frac{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha_i}{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \vee \alpha_2} \text{ (\vee r)}$	$\frac{}{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \top} \text{ (\top r)}$
$\frac{G}{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (EW)}$		$\frac{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi}{G \Gamma \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{ (EC)}$	

The inference rules of **FLe** are obtained by dropping ' $G |$ ' and removing (EW), (EC).

Figure 4. Inference Rules of FLe -

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\Gamma \vdash_G \Delta}{\Gamma, x : \top \vdash_G \Delta} \top L \quad \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash_G x : \top, \Delta} \top R \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, x : A, x : B \vdash_G \Delta}{\Gamma, x : A \wedge B \vdash_G \Delta} \wedge L \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_G x : A, \Delta \quad \Gamma \vdash_G x : B, \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash_G x : A \wedge B, \Delta} \wedge R \\
 \\
 \frac{}{\Gamma, x : \perp \vdash_G \Delta} \perp L \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_G \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash_G x : \perp, \Delta} \perp R \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash_G \Delta \quad \Gamma, x : B \vdash_G \Delta}{\Gamma, x : A \vee B \vdash_G \Delta} \vee L \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_G x : A, x : B, \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash_G x : A \vee B, \Delta} \vee R \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, x : A \supset B \vdash_G x : A, \Delta \quad \Gamma, x : B \vdash_G \Delta}{\Gamma, x : A \supset B \vdash_G \Delta} \supset L \quad \frac{\Gamma, y : A \vdash_{G \oplus_x(x,y)} y : B, \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash_G x : A \supset B, \Delta} \supset R \\
 \\
 \frac{\Gamma, y : A \vdash_{(y,x) \oplus_x G} y : B, \Delta}{\Gamma, x : A \prec B \vdash_G \Delta} \prec L \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_G x : A, \Delta \quad \Gamma, x : B \vdash_G x : A \prec B, \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash_G x : A \prec B, \Delta} \prec R
 \end{array}$$

Pinto/Uustalu: A proof-theoretic study of bi-intuitionistic propositional sequent calculus

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, A, B \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, A \wedge B \Rightarrow \Delta} \wedge_L \quad \frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \quad \Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, B}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \wedge B} \wedge_R \\
\frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Delta \quad \Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, B \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, A \vee B \Rightarrow \Delta} \vee_L \quad \frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A, B}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \vee B} \vee_R \\
\frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \quad \Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, B \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow \Delta} \rightarrow_L \quad \frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Delta, B}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \rightarrow B} \rightarrow_R
\end{array}$$

The crown initial structures and the crown modal rules:

$$\frac{}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, p \Rightarrow \Delta, p} \text{Init} \quad \frac{}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Gamma, \perp \Rightarrow \Delta} \perp_L \quad \frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Sigma, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Box A \Rightarrow \Sigma \Rightarrow \Pi} 5 \quad \frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Rightarrow A}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Rightarrow \Box A} K$$

The crown structural rules:

$$\frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Omega \Rightarrow \Xi \mid \Omega \Rightarrow \Xi}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Omega \Rightarrow \Xi} \text{EC} \quad \frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H}}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Omega \Rightarrow \Xi} \text{EW} \\
\frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Sigma, A, A \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Sigma, A \Rightarrow \Pi} \text{IC}_L \quad \frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Sigma \Rightarrow \Pi, A, A}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Sigma \Rightarrow \Pi, A} \text{IC}_R \quad \frac{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Sigma \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Rightarrow \|\mathcal{H} \mid \Sigma, \Omega \Rightarrow \Pi, \Xi} \text{IW}$$

FIG. 2 The crown rules of the calculus for $\mathbf{K5}$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{id}_p \frac{}{\mathcal{G}\{p, \bar{p}\}} \quad \text{id}_T \frac{}{\mathcal{G}\{\top\}} \quad \wedge \frac{\mathcal{G}\{\varphi \wedge \psi, \varphi\} \quad \mathcal{G}\{\varphi \wedge \psi, \psi\}}{\mathcal{G}\{\varphi \wedge \psi\}} \\
 \vee \frac{\mathcal{G}\{\varphi \vee \psi, \varphi, \psi\}}{\mathcal{G}\{\varphi \vee \psi\}} \quad \Box_t \frac{\mathcal{G}, \Box\varphi, [\varphi]}{\mathcal{G}, \Box\varphi} \quad \Box_{t'} \frac{[\Sigma, \Box\varphi], [\varphi]}{\Sigma, \Box\varphi} \quad \Diamond_t \frac{\mathcal{G}, \Diamond\varphi, [\Sigma, \varphi]}{\mathcal{G}, \Diamond\varphi, [\Sigma]} \\
 \Box_c \frac{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Box\varphi], [\varphi]}{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Box\varphi]} \quad \Box_{c'} \frac{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Box\varphi], [[\varphi]]}{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Box\varphi]} \quad \Diamond_c \frac{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Diamond\varphi], (\Pi, \varphi)}{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Diamond\varphi], (\Pi)} \\
 d_t \frac{\mathcal{G}, \Diamond\varphi, [\varphi]}{\mathcal{G}, \Diamond\varphi} \quad d_c \frac{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Diamond\varphi], [\varphi]}{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Diamond\varphi]} \quad d_{c'} \frac{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Diamond\varphi], [[\varphi]]}{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Diamond\varphi]} \quad t \frac{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Diamond\varphi, \varphi]}{\mathcal{G}, [\Sigma, \Diamond\varphi]}
 \end{array}$$

van der Giessen/Jalali/Kuznets: Extensions of K5: Proof Theory and Uniform Lyndon Interpolation

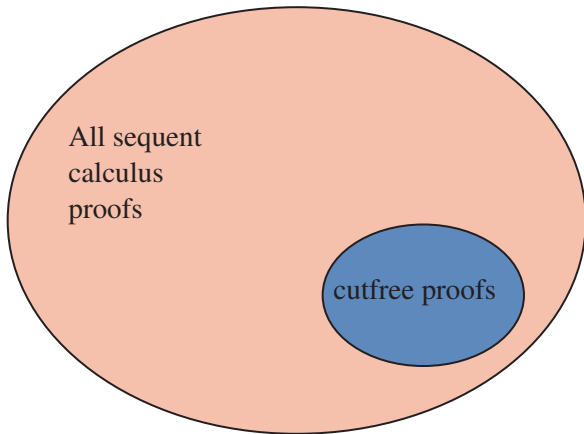
Revised Gentzen Method, v2
Cut-restriction

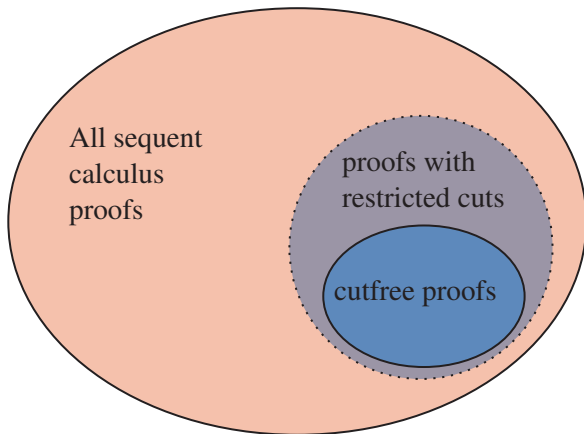
Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a ~~sequent calculus~~ ^{some calculus} for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~.

Revised Gentzen method, v2:

- 1 Find a ~~sequent calculus~~ ^{sequent calculus} for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~.
_{cut-restriction}





A particular cut-restriction

A sequent calculus has the **analytic cut property** (ACP) if every provable sequent has a proof using only **analytic cuts**:

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A, \Delta \quad \Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} \text{ cut} \quad A \in \text{subf}(\Gamma, \Delta)$$

A particular cut-restriction

A sequent calculus has the **analytic cut property** (ACP) if every provable sequent has a proof using only **analytic cuts**:

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow A, \Delta \quad \Gamma, A \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} \textit{cut} \quad A \in \text{subf}(\Gamma, \Delta)$$

Theorem (Kowalski/Ono 2017)

Let S be a sequent calculus with cut as the only non-analytic rule. TFAE:

- 1 S has the global subformula property
- 2 S has the local subformula property
- 3 S has the analytic cut property

Two cut-restriction results from the literature

Theorem (Takano 1992)

S5 has a sequent calculus with the ACP.

Theorem (Kowalski/Ono 2017)

BiInt has a sequent calculus with the ACP.

A cut-restriction result for intermediate logics

Theorem (Ciabattoni, Ramanayake, L. 2021)

If $\mathbf{IL} + A$ has a cutfree hypersequent calculus, then $\mathbf{IL} + A$ has a sequent calculus where only set-restricted axiom cuts are needed.

$A = A(p, q)$

$$\frac{\Gamma, A(\wedge_i \psi_i, \wedge_j \rho_j) \Rightarrow B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow B} \text{ (cut)}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \Rightarrow \varphi \end{array}$$

where $\psi_i, \rho_j \in \text{subf}(\varphi)$.

(Remark: can be generalised to substructural logics)

calculus-free reformulation

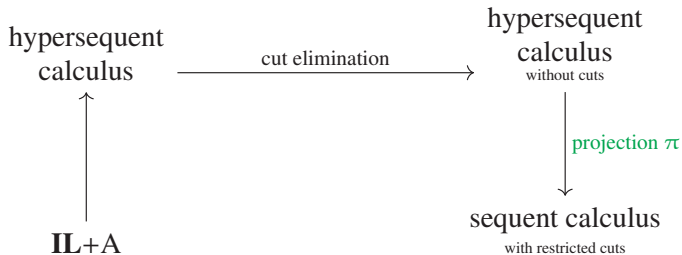
Theorem (Ciabattoni, Ramanayake, L. 2021)

If $\mathbf{IL} + A$ has a cutfree hypersequent calculus, then $\mathbf{IL} + A$ satisfies a refined deduction theorem:

$$\varphi \in \mathbf{IL} + A \iff \left(\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \rightarrow \varphi \right) \in \mathbf{IL}$$

for some set-restricted instances A_1, \dots, A_n of A .

proof via projections



π only introduces **set-restricted cuts**.

The π -transformation (1/3)

Assume $F \in \mathbf{LJ} + (p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$.

$$\frac{G \mid \Gamma_1, \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_1 \quad G \mid \Gamma_2, \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_2}{G \mid \Gamma_1, \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_1 \mid \Gamma_2, \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_2} \text{com}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\Rightarrow F$$

LEFT SPLIT

$$\frac{\Delta_2 \Rightarrow \wedge \Delta_2 \quad G \mid \Gamma_1, \wedge \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_1}{G \mid \wedge \Delta_2 \rightarrow \wedge \Delta_1, \Gamma_1, \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_1} \rightarrow_L$$

$$\frac{G \mid \wedge \Delta_2 \rightarrow \wedge \Delta_1, \Gamma_1, \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_1}{G \mid \wedge \Delta_2 \rightarrow \wedge \Delta_1, \Gamma_1, \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_1 \mid \Gamma_2, \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_2} \text{ew}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\wedge \Delta_2 \rightarrow \wedge \Delta_1 \Rightarrow F$$

The π -transformation (2/3)

$$\frac{G \mid \Gamma_1, \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_1 \quad G \mid \Gamma_2, \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_2}{G \mid \Gamma_1, \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_1 \mid \Gamma_2, \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_2} \text{ com}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\Rightarrow F$$

RIGHT SPLIT

$$\frac{\Delta_1 \Rightarrow \wedge \Delta_1 \quad G \mid \Gamma_2, \wedge \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_2}{G \mid \wedge \Delta_1 \rightarrow \wedge \Delta_2, \Gamma_2, \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_2} \rightarrow_L$$

$$\frac{G \mid \wedge \Delta_1 \rightarrow \wedge \Delta_2, \Gamma_2, \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_2}{G \mid \wedge \Delta_1 \rightarrow \wedge \Delta_2, \Gamma_2, \Delta_1 \Rightarrow \Pi_2 \mid \Gamma_1, \Delta_2 \Rightarrow \Pi_1} \text{ ew}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\wedge \Delta_1 \rightarrow \wedge \Delta_2 \Rightarrow F$$

The π -transformation (3/3)

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{LEFT SPLIT} \qquad \qquad \text{RIGHT SPLIT} \\
 \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \\
 \frac{\wedge\Delta_2 \rightarrow \wedge\Delta_1 \Rightarrow F \quad \wedge\Delta_1 \rightarrow \wedge\Delta_2 \Rightarrow F}{(\wedge\Delta_2 \rightarrow \wedge\Delta_1) \vee (\wedge\Delta_1 \rightarrow \wedge\Delta_2) \Rightarrow F} \vee_L \\
 \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{:=A} \\
 \frac{\hspace{10em}}{\Rightarrow F} \textit{cut}
 \end{array}$$

$$\Delta_1, \Delta_2 \subseteq \text{Subf}(F)$$

Recall:

Theorem (Takano 1992)

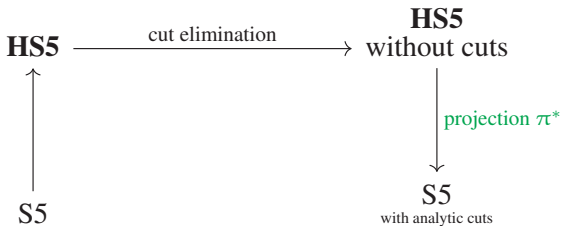
The sequent calculus for **S5** is complete if one admits analytic cuts.

Theorem (Kowalski/Ono 2017)

The sequent calculus for **BiInt** is complete if one admits analytic cuts.

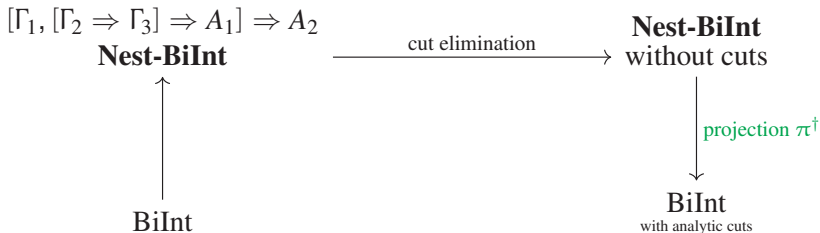
analytic > set-restricted

Also C/R/L 2021 (reproving Takano '92)



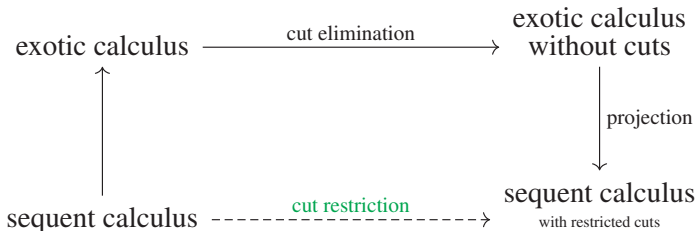
π^* only introduces **analytic cuts**.

unpublished 2022 (first syntactic proof, reproving Kowalski/Ono 2017)



π^\dagger only introduces **analytic cuts**.

The general scheme



Q: *Can we do without the detour through exotic calculi?*

sequent calculus $\xrightarrow{\text{cut restriction}}$ sequent calculus
with analytic cuts

Theorem (Ciabattoni/L./Ramanayake 2023)

There is a sound and terminating algorithm that eliminates non-analytic cuts for all sequent calculi satisfying ♥.

Therefore all calculi satisfying ♥ have the ACP.

sequent calculus $\xrightarrow{\text{cut restriction}}$ sequent calculus
with analytic cuts

Theorem (Ciabattoni/L./Ramanayake 2023)

There is a sound and terminating algorithm that eliminates non-analytic cuts for all sequent calculi satisfying ♥.

Therefore all calculi satisfying ♥ have the ACP.

S5 ✓ **BiInt** ✓ multi-modal **S5** ✓ **G4** ✓ **BiInt**^{S5} ✓

The algorithm

All standard cut-reduction steps +

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots \delta_1}{\Rightarrow C_1, E} \quad \frac{\vdots \delta_2}{C_2 \Rightarrow E}}{\Rightarrow C_1 \prec C_2, E} (\prec_R) \quad \frac{\frac{\vdots \pi_1}{C_1 \Rightarrow C_2, F} (\prec_L)}{C_1 \prec C_2 \Rightarrow F} (\prec_L)}{\frac{\frac{\vdots \pi_2}{C_1 \prec C_2, D_1 \Rightarrow D_2}}{C_1 \prec C_2 \Rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2} (\rightarrow_R)}{\Rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2, E} (cut)}$$



$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots \delta_1}{\Rightarrow C_1, E} \quad \frac{\vdots \pi_1}{C_1 \Rightarrow C_2, F}}{\Rightarrow C_2, E, F} (cut)'' \quad \frac{\vdots \delta_2}{C_2 \Rightarrow E} (cut)'''}{\Rightarrow E, F} \quad \frac{\overline{F \Rightarrow F}}{\frac{\vdots \pi_2[F/C_1 \prec C_2]}{F, D_1 \Rightarrow D_2} (\rightarrow_R)}{F \Rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2} (cut)'}{\Rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2, E}$$

The algorithm

All standard cut-reduction steps +

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots \delta_1}{\Rightarrow C_1, E} \quad \frac{\vdots \delta_2}{C_2 \Rightarrow E}}{\Rightarrow C_1 \prec C_2, E} (\prec_R) \quad \frac{\frac{\vdots \pi_1}{C_1 \Rightarrow C_2, F} (\prec_L)}{C_1 \prec C_2 \Rightarrow F} (\prec_L)}{\frac{\frac{\vdots \pi_2}{C_1 \prec C_2, D_1 \Rightarrow D_2}}{C_1 \prec C_2 \Rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2} (\rightarrow_R)}{\Rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2, E} (cut)}$$



$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots \delta_1}{\Rightarrow C_1, E} \quad \frac{\vdots \pi_1}{C_1 \Rightarrow C_2, F}}{\Rightarrow C_2, E, F} (cut)'' \quad \frac{\vdots \delta_2}{C_2 \Rightarrow E} (cut)'''}{\Rightarrow E, F} \quad \frac{\overline{F \Rightarrow F} \quad \frac{\vdots \pi_2[F/C_1 \prec C_2]}{F, D_1 \Rightarrow D_2} (\rightarrow_R)}{F \Rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2} (cut)'}{\Rightarrow D_1 \rightarrow D_2, E}$$

♥ = the substitution is well-defined

A strengthening for S5

The only necessary cut formulas are

- 1 subformulas of the lower sequent of cut
- 2 are prefixed with \Box , and
- 3 appear in the scope of another \Box .

$$A(\dots \Box(\dots \Box C) \dots)$$

A strengthening for **S5**

The only necessary cut formulas are

- 1 subformulas of the lower sequent of cut
- 2 are prefixed with \Box , and
- 3 appear in the scope of another \Box .

$$\begin{array}{c}
 A(\dots\Box(\dots\Box C)\dots) \\
 \\
 \frac{\frac{\Box A \Rightarrow \Box A}{\Rightarrow \Box A, \neg\Box A} (\neg_R)}{\Rightarrow \Box A, \Box\neg\Box A} (5) \quad \frac{A \Rightarrow A}{\Box A \Rightarrow A} (T)}{\Rightarrow \Box\neg\Box A, A} (cut)
 \end{array}$$

Corollary: No cuts needed for modal depth ≤ 1 .

Conclusion
Back to the bigger picture!

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a ~~sequent-calculus~~ ^{some calculus} for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~.

Revised Gentzen method, v2:

- 1 Find a ~~sequent-calculus~~ ^{sequent calculus} for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~ _{cut-restriction}.

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a ^{some calculus}sequent-calculus for the logic.
- 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

Revised Gentzen method, v2:

- 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.
- 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.
cut-restriction

- the standard approach
- tons of results

- not so well understood
- some scattered results,
some recent progress

⇒ lots to do!

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a ^{some calculus}sequent-calculus for the logic.
- 2 Prove cut-elimination.

Revised Gentzen method, v2:

- 1 Find a sequent calculus for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~.
cut-restriction

- the standard approach
- tons of results

- not so well understood
- some scattered results,
some recent progress

⇒ lots to do!

Our TODO list

- direct proof of set-boundedness for $\mathbf{IL} + A$
- analytic cuts for K -type rules (relax ♥)
UPDATE: Ciabattoni/Tesi IJCAR 2024
- properties weaker than ACP, e.g. for $\mathbf{K5}$
- cyclic proofs
- ...

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a ~~sequent calculus~~ ^{some calculus} for the logic.
- 2 Prove **cut-elimination**.

Revised Gentzen method, v2:

- 1 Find a **sequent calculus** for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~.
cut-restriction

Revised Gentzen method, v1:

- 1 Find a ~~sequent calculus~~ ^{some calculus} for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~.

Revised Gentzen method, v2:

- 1 Find a ~~sequent calculus~~ ^{sequent calculus} for the logic.
- 2 Prove ~~cut-elimination~~.
_{cut-restriction}

How are these methods and their results **related**?

Are they two sides of the **same coin**?

Or is one of them **better**?

S5 (Modal logic of equivalence relations)

Ohnishi/Matsumoto 1957

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\Box A \Rightarrow \Box A}{\Rightarrow \Box A, \neg \Box A} (\neg_R)}{\Rightarrow \Box A, \neg \Box A} (5)}{\Rightarrow \Box A, \neg \Box A} \quad \frac{\frac{A \Rightarrow A}{\Box A \Rightarrow A} (T)}{\Box A \Rightarrow A} (cut)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Box \neg \Box A, A$$

BiInt (Bi-Intuitionistic logic)

Rauszer 1975

$$\frac{\frac{A \prec B, C \Rightarrow A \prec B}{A \prec B \Rightarrow C \rightarrow (A \prec B)} (\rightarrow_L) \quad \frac{A \Rightarrow A \quad B \Rightarrow B}{A \Rightarrow A \prec B, B} (\prec_R)}{A \Rightarrow B, C \rightarrow (A \prec B)} (cut)$$

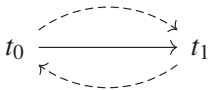
example due to Pinto/Uustalu 2003

Truth tables

P	Q	$P \rightarrow Q$	$Q \rightarrow P$	$(P \rightarrow Q) \vee (Q \rightarrow P)$
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	T

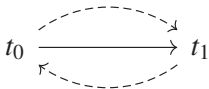
$$A \vee \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A$$

- 1 Assume $t_0 \not\models A$ and $t_0 \not\models \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A$.
- 2 Hence $\exists t_1 \geq t_0$ such that $t_1 \not\models \Diamond_P \neg A$.
- 3 Hence $\forall s \leq t_1, s \models A$.
- 4 Therefore $t_0 \models A$. ζ (1)



$$A \vee \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A$$

- 1 Assume $t_0 \not\models A$ and $t_0 \not\models \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A$.
- 2 Hence $\exists t_1 \geq t_0$ such that $t_1 \not\models \Diamond_P \neg A$.
- 3 Hence $\forall s \leq t_1, s \models A$.
- 4 Therefore $t_0 \models A$. ζ (1)

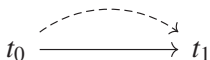


Not formalizable in an analytic (unlabelled) sequent calculus!

$$A \vee \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A$$

- 1 Assume $t_0 \not\models A$ and $t_0 \not\models \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A$.
- 2 Case 1: Assume $t_0 \models \Diamond_P \neg A$
 - Then $\exists t_1 \geq t_0$ such that $t_1 \not\models \Diamond_P \neg A$ and $t_1 \models \Diamond_P \neg A$. \checkmark
- 3 Case 2: Assume $t_0 \not\models \Diamond_P \neg A$
 - Then in particular, $t_0 \models A$. \checkmark (1)

Case 1:

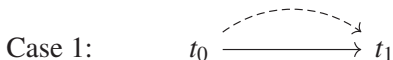


Case 2:

t_0

$$A \vee \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A$$

- 1 Assume $t_0 \not\models A$ and $t_0 \not\models \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A$.
- 2 Case 1: Assume $t_0 \models \Diamond_P \neg A$
 - Then $\exists t_1 \geq t_0$ such that $t_1 \not\models \Diamond_P \neg A$ and $t_1 \models \Diamond_P \neg A$. \checkmark
- 3 Case 2: Assume $t_0 \not\models \Diamond_P \neg A$
 - Then in particular, $t_0 \models A$. \checkmark (1)



Case 2: t_0

$$\frac{\frac{\Diamond_P \neg A \Rightarrow \Diamond_P \neg A}{\Diamond_P \neg A \Rightarrow \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A} (\Box_F) \quad \frac{\Rightarrow A, \neg A}{\Rightarrow A, \Diamond_P \neg A} (\Diamond_P)}{\Rightarrow A, \Box_F \Diamond_P \neg A} (cut)$$