Complete axiomatizations of lexicographic sums and products of modal logics

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We consider two natural operations on modal logics — lexicographic (or ordered) sums and products. Like "usual" product of modal logics, the lexicographic sum and the lexicographic product of modal logics are defined semantically — via corresponding operation on their frames.

Investigation of lexicographic products of modal logics was started by the first author in [2], where numerous completeness results were obtained. Lexicographic sums of modal logics appeared in many contexts: for example, sums of provability logics were axiomatized by L. Beklemishev [3]; the second author applied sums to investigate complexity of modal logics [4]; decidability and the finite model property of sums were investigated by S. Babenyshev and V. Rybakov [1].

We present new general completeness results for lexicographic sums and products of modal logics. In particular, it follows that in many cases these operations lead to the same logics (Theorems 1 and 2), and the resulting logic is the fusion extended by three certain Sahlqvist formulas. Theorem 3 describes more difficult case when we need infinitely many extra axioms to axiomatize lexicographic products; in particular, it gives the axiomatization of the lexicographic square of the minimal logic \mathbf{K} .

Definitions. For the sake of simplicity, we consider operations on monomodal logics.

Definition 1 Let I = (I, S) be a frame, $\{F_i = (W_i, R_i) \mid i \in I\}$ be a family of frames. The lexicographic (or ordered) sum $\sum_{I} F_i$ is the frame (W, R_+, S_+) ,

where W is the disjoin sum $\sum_{I} W_i = \{(w, i) \mid i \in I, w \in W_i\}$, and

$$(w,i)R_+(u,j) \iff i = j \& wR_iu, (w,i)S_+(u,j) \iff iSj.$$

If for all $i \ F_i = F$, we write $F \triangleright I$ for $\sum_{I} F_i$; the frame $F \triangleright I$ is called the lexicographic product of frames F and I.

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Definition 2 For logics L_1 , L_2 , put

$$\sum_{L_2} L_1 = \operatorname{Log}(\{\sum_{\mathsf{I}} \mathsf{F}_i \mid \mathsf{I} \models L_2, \ \{\mathsf{F}_i \mid i \text{ in } \mathsf{I}\} \models L_1\}),$$
$$L_1 \rhd L_2 = \operatorname{Log}(\{\mathsf{F} \rhd \mathsf{I} \mid \mathsf{F} \models L_1, \mathsf{I} \models L_2\}).$$

Completeness. A modal formula is *closed*, if it does not contain propositional variables. By a *closed sentence* we mean the standard translation of a closed modal formula. A logic L is *Horn axiomatizable*, if the class of all its frames is the class of all first-order models of a theory consisting of strict universal Horn sentences and closed sentences. The standard systems **K**, **T**, **K4**, **S4**, **S5** are examples of Horn axiomatizable logics.

Consider the following bimodal formulas:

$$\alpha = \Box_2 p \to \Box_1 \Box_2 p, \ \beta = \Box_2 p \to \Box_2 \Box_1 p, \ \gamma = \Diamond_2 p \to \Box_1 \Diamond_2 p.$$

 $L_1 * L_2$ denotes the fusion of logics L_1 and L_2 .

Theorem 1. Consider unimodal logics L_1 and L_2 . Suppose $L_1 * L_2 + \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ is Kripke complete, L_2 is Horn axiomatizable. Then $\sum_{L_2} L_1 = L_1 * L_2 + \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$.

Corollary 1. Let L_1 and L_2 be canonical unimodal logics, L_2 Horn axiomatizable. Then $\sum_{L_2} L_1 = L_1 * L_2 + \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}.$

The following theorem is a generalization of [2, Proposition 32].

Theorem 2. If L_1 and L_2 are Horn axiomatizable Kripke complete unimodal logics and $\Diamond \top \in L_1$, then $L_1 \triangleright L_2 = L_1 * L_2 + \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$.

Definition 3 For unimodal logics L_1, L_2 put

$$L_1 \triangleright_s L_2 = L_1 * L_2 + \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} \cup \Xi_1 \cup \Xi_2 \cup \Xi_3,$$

where

$$\begin{split} \Xi_1 &= \{ \Diamond_2 \Diamond_2 p \land \Diamond_2 \varphi \to \Diamond_2 (\Diamond_2 p \land \varphi) \mid \varphi \text{ is a } c\text{-formula} \}, \\ \Xi_2 &= \{ \Diamond_2 \Box_2 \bot \land \Diamond_2 \varphi \to \Diamond_2 (\Box_2 \bot \land \varphi) \mid \varphi \text{ is a } c\text{-formula} \}, \\ \Xi_3 &= \{ \Diamond_2^i \varphi \to \Box_2^j (\Diamond_2 \top \to \Diamond_2 \varphi) \mid i, j \ge 0, \ \varphi \text{ is a } c\text{-formula} \}, \end{split}$$

and by a c-formula we mean a closed modal formula without \Box_2 .

Theorem 3. If L_1 and L_2 are Horn axiomatizable Kripke complete logics, then $L_1 \triangleright L_2 = L_1 \triangleright_s L_2$.

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