

# Propositional Dynamic Logic With Belnapian Truth Values

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# Overview

**BPDL**, a four-valued paraconsistent version of propositional dynamic logic **PDL**

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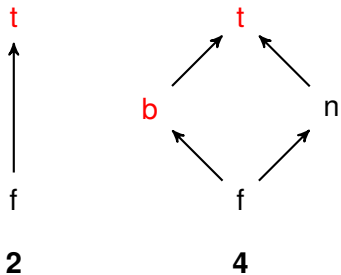
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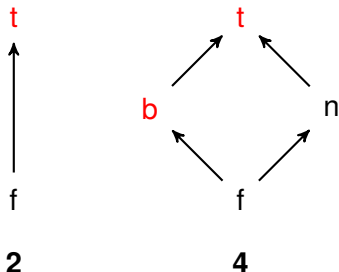
- **PDL** (Fischer and Ladner, 1979) is a (deductive) verification formalism used to prove correctness of programs, relations among programs etc.
- **PDL** models program states as complete and consistent possible worlds
- Programs understood more generally (e. g. database queries and transformations; algorithmic transformations of bodies of information) go beyond this; they require **incomplete** and **inconsistent states**
- Belnap (1977a, 1977b) and Dunn (1976) introduce such states
- We outline **BPDL**, a version of **PDL** built on an extension of the Belnap–Dunn logic studied by Odintsov and Wansing (2010)

Belnapian states

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$$\perp^{\mathbf{L}} = f$$

$$\sim^{\mathbf{L}} e = \begin{cases} f & \text{if } e = t \\ t & \text{if } e = f \\ e & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$e \wedge^{\mathbf{L}} e' = \inf\{e, e'\}$$

$$e \vee^{\mathbf{L}} e' = \sup\{e, e'\}$$

$$e \rightarrow^{\mathbf{L}} e' = \begin{cases} e' & \text{if } e \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{L}) \\ t & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\neg^{\mathbf{L}} e = e \rightarrow^{\mathbf{L}} \perp^{\mathbf{L}}$$

# BK (Odintsov and Wansing, 2010)

## Kripke L-models and BK

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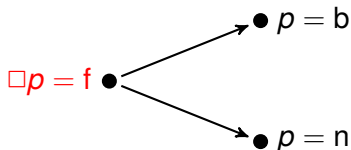


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## Example 1



# BK (Odintsov and Wansing, 2010)

## Theorem 2

*The sound and complete axiomatization of BK is*

1. **CL** in  $\{AF, \perp, \rightarrow, \wedge, \vee\}$ ;

2. *Strong negation axioms:*

$$\begin{aligned} \sim\sim\phi &\leftrightarrow \phi, \quad \sim(\phi \wedge \psi) \leftrightarrow (\sim\phi \vee \sim\psi), \quad \sim(\phi \vee \psi) \leftrightarrow (\sim\phi \wedge \sim\psi), \\ \sim(\phi \rightarrow \psi) &\leftrightarrow (\phi \wedge \sim\psi), \quad \top \leftrightarrow \sim\perp; \end{aligned}$$

3. *The K axiom*  $\Box(\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\Box\phi \rightarrow \Box\psi)$  *and the Necessitation rule*  $\phi/\Box\phi$ ;

4. *Modal interaction principles:*

$$\begin{aligned} \neg\Box\phi &\leftrightarrow \Diamond\neg\phi, \quad \neg\Diamond\phi \leftrightarrow \Box\neg\phi, \\ \sim\Box\phi &\leftrightarrow \Diamond\sim\phi, \quad \Box\phi \leftrightarrow \sim\Diamond\sim\phi, \\ \sim\Diamond\phi &\leftrightarrow \Box\sim\phi, \quad \Diamond\phi \leftrightarrow \sim\Box\sim\phi. \end{aligned}$$

Belnapian **PDL**

# BPDL

## Language

(*ACT*)  $\alpha ::= a \in ACT_0 \mid \alpha; \alpha \mid \alpha \cup \alpha \mid \alpha^* \mid \phi?$

(*FRM*)  $\phi ::= p \in FRM_0 \mid \perp \mid \sim\phi \mid \phi \wedge \phi \mid \phi \vee \phi \mid \phi \rightarrow \phi \mid [\alpha]\phi \mid \langle \alpha \rangle \phi$

## Semantics

$\mathcal{M} = \langle S, R, v^4 \rangle$  where  $R : ACT \mapsto \mathcal{P}(S^2)$  and  $v^4$  is as in **BK**-models (for all  $\alpha \in ACT$ ). Moreover:

1.  $R(\alpha; \beta) = R(\alpha) \circ R(\beta)$
2.  $R(\alpha \cup \beta) = R(\alpha) \cup R(\beta)$
3.  $R(\alpha^*) = R(\alpha)^*$
4.  $R(\phi?) = \{ \langle x, x \rangle \mid v^4(\phi, x) \in \mathcal{D}(4) \}$

# Examples I

## 'Not false'

$\neg\sim p$  means that  $p$  is not false. As a result, the four Belnapian truth values are expressible as

- $p \wedge \neg\sim p$  (t, 'true and not false')
- $p \wedge \sim p$  (b, 'true and false')
- $\neg p \wedge \sim p$  (f, 'false and not true')
- $\neg p \wedge \neg\sim p$  (n, 'neither true nor false')

## Default rules

Every default rule  $d$  of the form  $\frac{p : q}{r}$  can be represented by an atomic program  $a_d$  satisfying  $(p \wedge \neg\sim q) \rightarrow [a_d]r$

## Examples II

### Inconsistency handling strategies

- **If-then-else** 'If there is inconsistent information about  $p$ , then do  $a_p$  (else  $b_p$ )', 'if there is inconsistent information about  $q$ , then do  $a_q$  (else  $b_q$ )':  $(p \wedge \sim p)?; a_p \cup \neg(p \wedge \sim p)?; b_p$  and  $(q \wedge \sim q)?; a_q \cup \neg(q \wedge \sim q)?; b_q$
- **While** 'While there is inconsistent information about  $p$ , do  $a_p$ ':  $((p \wedge \sim p)?; a_p)^*; \neg(p \wedge \sim p)?$

### Adding and removing information

Actions of adding or removing  $p$  to/from a database can be represented by atomic programs satisfying  $[a^{+p}]p$  and  $[a^{-p}]\neg p$ .

# Properties of **BPDL**

# BPDL and PDL

## Theorem 3

*The PDL axioms*

$$[\alpha \cup \beta]\phi \leftrightarrow ([\alpha]\phi \wedge [\beta]\phi)$$

$$[\alpha; \beta]\phi \leftrightarrow [\alpha][\beta]\phi$$

$$[\psi?]\phi \leftrightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \phi)$$

$$[\alpha^*]\phi \leftrightarrow (\phi \wedge [\alpha][\alpha^*]\phi)$$

$$[\alpha^*]\phi \leftarrow (\phi \wedge [\alpha^*](\phi \rightarrow [\alpha]\phi))$$

*are valid in BPDL (and so are their ‘diamond versions’).*

## Theorem 4

**BPDL** *is not compact.*



# Deduction theorem and decidability

## Theorem 5

*For finite  $\Gamma$  with all atomic programs in  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ :*

1.  $\Gamma \models \phi$  iff  $\models \bigwedge \Gamma \rightarrow \phi$
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## Theorem 6

$\models \phi$  is decidable (but  $\Gamma \models^g \phi$  for infinite  $\Gamma$  is (highly) undecidable).

## Proof.

Standard filtration argument. The equivalence classes in the filtration are defined to coincide on all  $\phi, \sim \phi$  where  $\phi \in FL(\psi)$ .  $\square$

# Completeness

## Theorem 7

*A sound and weakly complete axiomatisation of **BPDL** extends the (ACT-dimensional) axiomatisation of **BK** by the standard **PDL** axioms and their diamond versions.*

## Proof.

Filtration of the canonical structure. □

# Summary and future work

# In conclusion

## Summary

- **PDL** with non-standard states is relevant to formal verification of 'information-modifying' programs (such as, e.g., database transformations)
- **BPDL** is a well-behaved decidable formalism that can be used

## Future work

- Complexity of **BPDL**
- Other non-classical versions of **PDL**, for example: substructural **PDL**, fuzzy **PDL**
- Extensions to other program logics such as Dynamic Logic **DL** and Process Logic **PL**

Thank you!

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