

Intuitionistic modalities through proof theory

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Work on constructive modal logic (starts with) Curry-Howard:
 λ -calculi that arose as byproducts of the proof theory of modal logic
and their associated computational & categorical interpretations
[Kavvos 2016]

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$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow B}{\Box \Gamma \Rightarrow \Box B} \Box_k$$

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[Wijesekera 1990]

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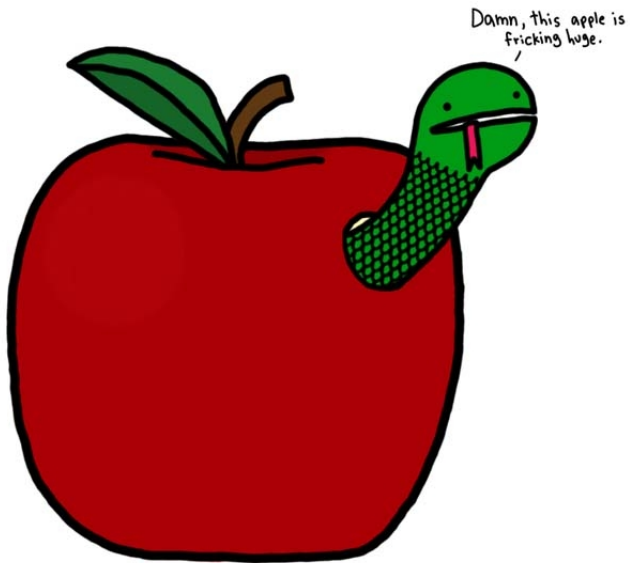
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our logic comes from categorical logic

In fact, it is the logical isolate of a multimodal MLTT

[Kavvos & Gratzer 2023]

Relatively well-known axiomatic systems & sequent calculi

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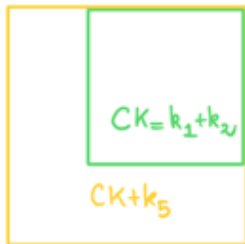
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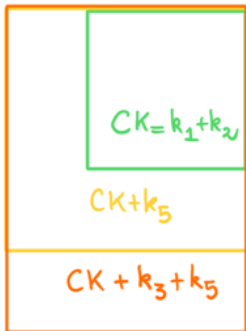
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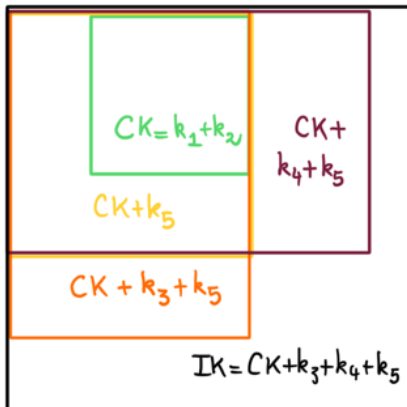
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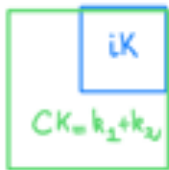
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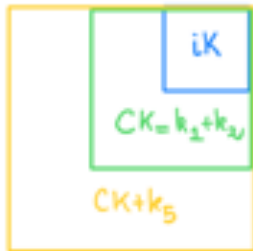
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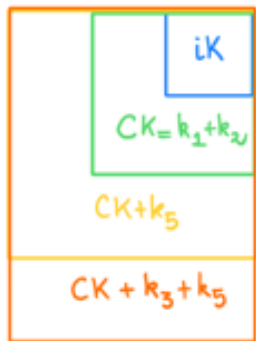
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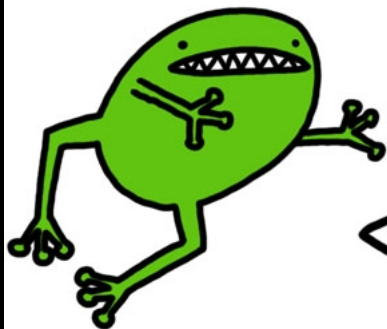
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Not cut-free complete:

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 \frac{\frac{A \Rightarrow A \quad B \rightarrow C \Rightarrow B \rightarrow C}{A \vee (B \rightarrow C) \Rightarrow A, B \rightarrow C}}{\diamond(A \vee (B \rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow \diamond A, \diamond(B \rightarrow C)} \quad \frac{\frac{B \Rightarrow B \quad C \Rightarrow C}{B \rightarrow C, B \Rightarrow C}}{\diamond(B \rightarrow C), \Box B \Rightarrow \diamond C} \\
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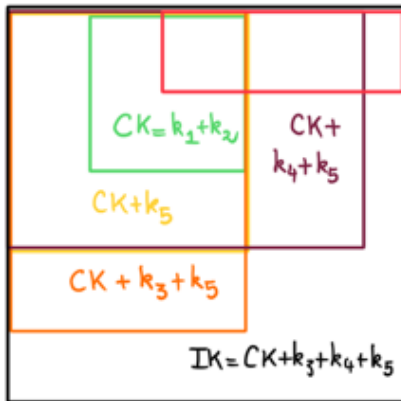
nooooooo!



Why should we even look at diamonds?

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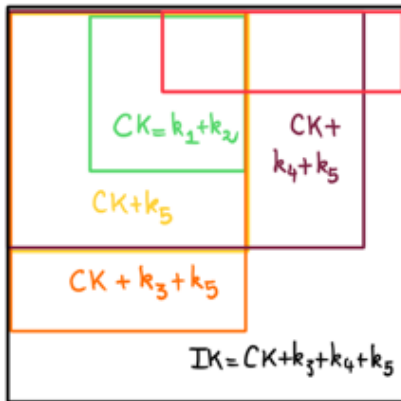
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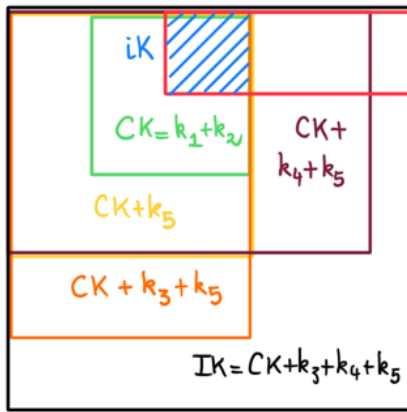
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L_1 is $\Box$ -conservative over L_2 if they have the same $\diamond$ -free theorems.

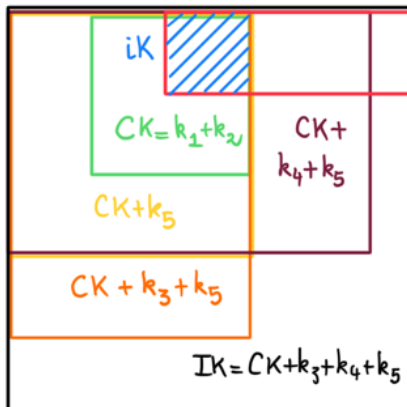


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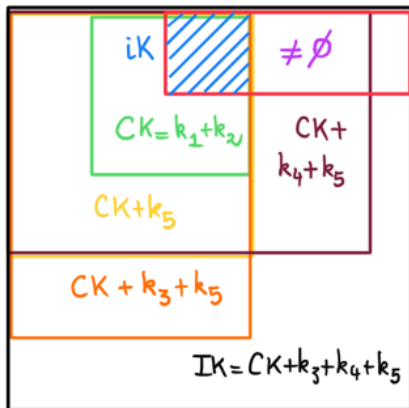
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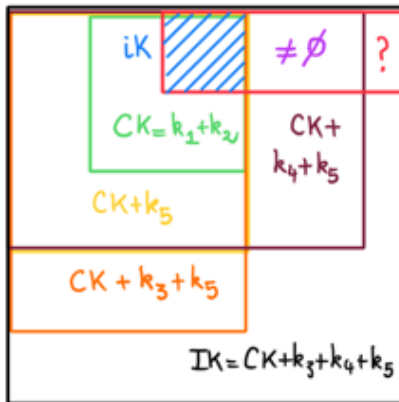


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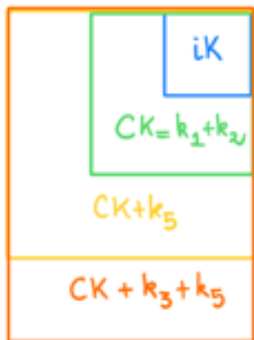
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Open question: Is IK $\square$ -conservative over $CK + k_4 + k_5$?



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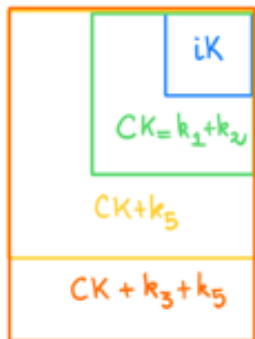
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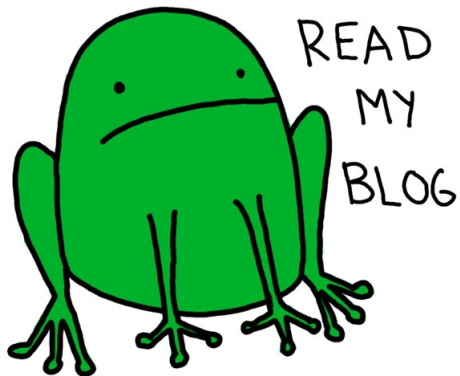


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As a simple translation of the axioms, either $\Diamond A \leadsto \top$ or $\Diamond A \leadsto \perp$.





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<https://prooftheory.blog/2024/03/20/a-note-on-conservativity-in-constructive-modal-logics/>

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As a corollary of a Gödel-Gentzen **negative translation** for $CK + k_4 + k_5$.



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[Das & M. 2023]

Modalities need structure

nested
sequents



Modalities

locks & keys

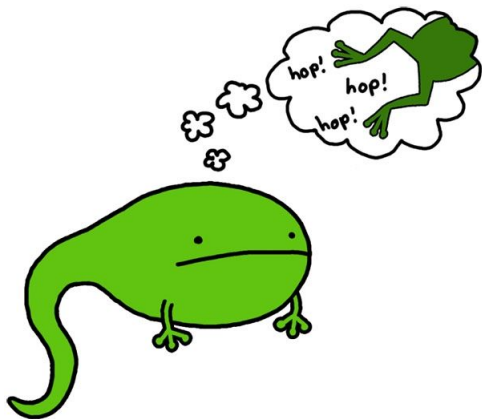


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dual context



prefixed tableaux



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In classical modal logic: $\Diamond A \equiv \neg \Box \neg A$ with $\neg A := A \rightarrow \perp$.

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First attempt at constructurizing

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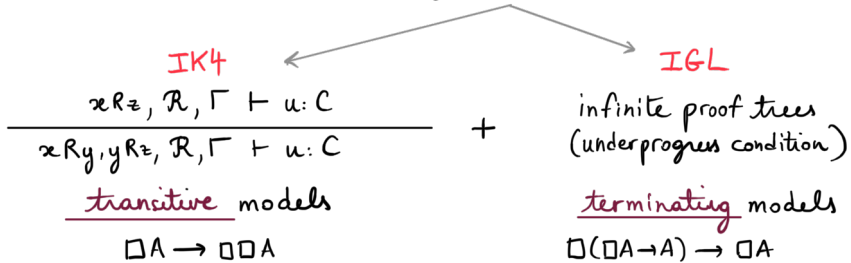
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Pro:

- ▶ Direct connection with standard translation
- ▶ Manageable & easy to extend



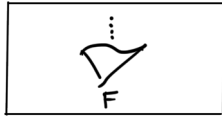
[Das, van der Giesen, M. 2024]

Con:

- ▶ No direct connection with semantics

Decision procedure via proof search

is F valid in $\mathcal{L}$?



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No



countermodel

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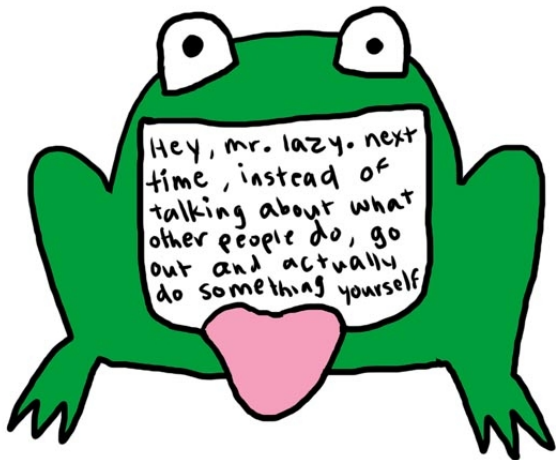
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Second attempt at constructivizing



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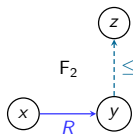
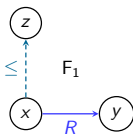
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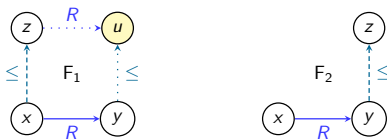
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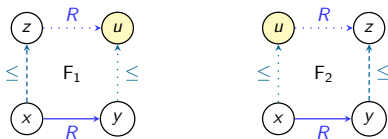
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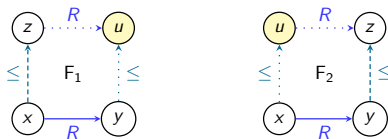
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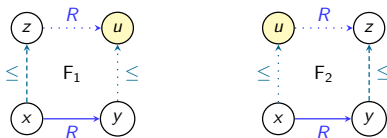
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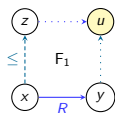
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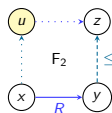
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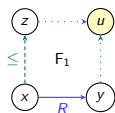
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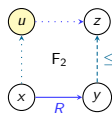
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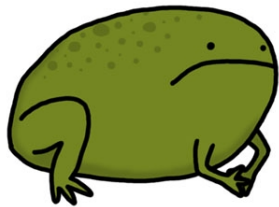
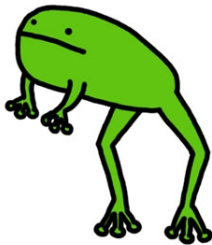
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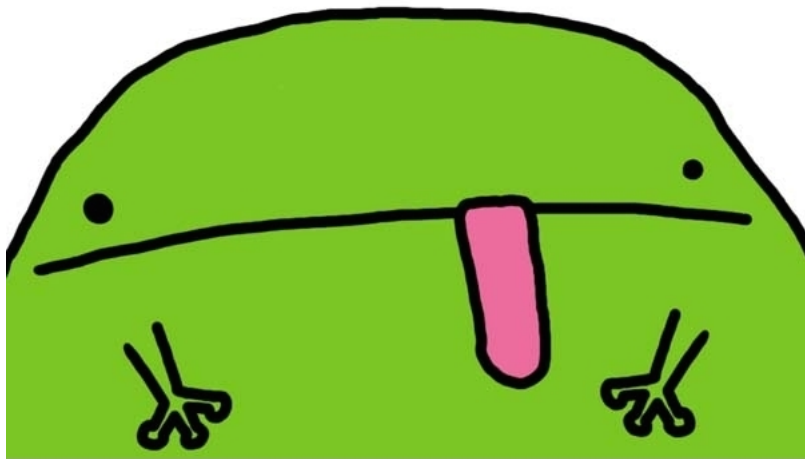
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Related Work :

- ▶ Gao & Olivetti (& co-authors)
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