

An Algebraic Proof of the Disjunction Property

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- Can we have uniform methods which work for wider classes of substructural logics?

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- **MALL** = **InFL**_e = **FL**+(e)+(α \ 0) \ 0 ⇒ α,
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- By **complexity** of a substructural logic **L** we mean the complexity of its set of theorems. Due to algebraizability it is the same as the complexity of the **equational theory** for $\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{L})$.

Correspondence between logic and algebra

Logic	Algebra
logic FL axiom φ inference rule (r) axiomatic extension L of FL rule extension L of FL consistent	variety FL identity $1 \leq \varphi$ quasi-identity (r) subvariety $V(\mathbf{L})$ of FL subquasivariety $Q(\mathbf{L})$ of FL nontrivial

- A logic **L** is **consistent** if there φ such that $\not\vdash_{\mathbf{L}} \varphi$.

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Remark

One cannot use the coding of quantifiers from MALL. It does not work for some logics having the DP, e.g. $\mathbf{FL} + \alpha\beta \wedge \alpha\gamma \Rightarrow \alpha(\beta \wedge \gamma)$.

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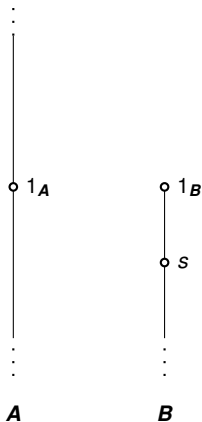
Proof.

Let $a \in A$ such that $a < 1$ and $B = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\}$. The submonoid B gives rise to an FL-algebra \mathbf{B} by setting

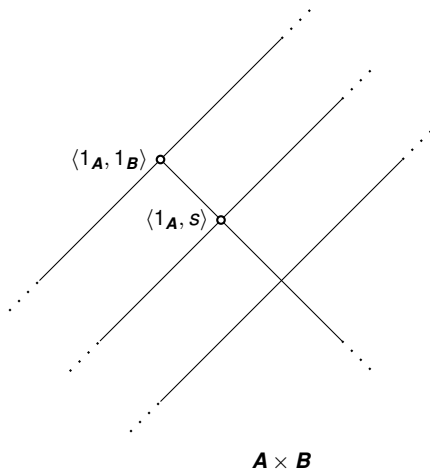
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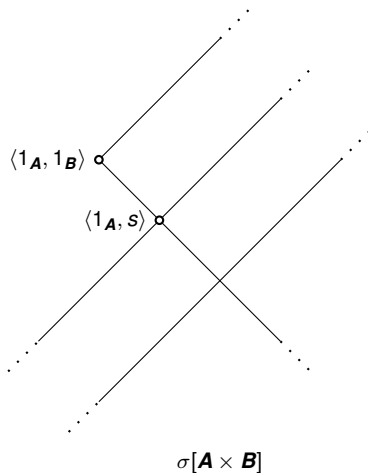
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Examples of \mathcal{M}_2 -axioms

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$\alpha\beta \Rightarrow \beta\alpha$	exchange (e)
$\alpha \Rightarrow \mathbf{1}$	integrality, left weakening (i)
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$\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha\alpha$	contraction (c)
$\alpha^n \Rightarrow \alpha^m$	knotted axioms ($n, m \geq 0$)
$\alpha \wedge (\alpha \setminus \mathbf{0}) \Rightarrow$	no-contradiction
$\alpha\beta/\beta \Rightarrow \alpha, \alpha \setminus \alpha\beta \Rightarrow \beta$	cancellativity
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$((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee \gamma) \wedge \beta \Rightarrow (\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\gamma \wedge \beta)$	modularity
$\alpha\beta \wedge \alpha\gamma \Rightarrow \alpha(\beta \wedge \gamma)$	(\cdot, \wedge) -distributivity
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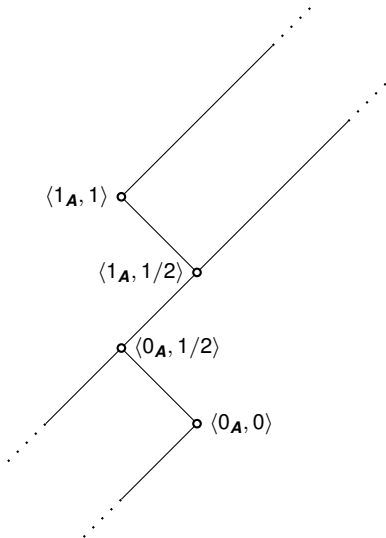
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The DP is a sufficient condition for PSPACE-hardness but not a necessary one. A counterexample is \mathbf{LQ} obtained by extending intuitionistic logic with the law $\neg\alpha \vee \neg\neg\alpha$.