

Implications as rules in dialogues

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Dialogues

A dialogue for $a \rightarrow (b \wedge a)$

positions	{	0.	P	$a \rightarrow (b \wedge a)$	
		1.	O	a	[0, attack]
		2.	P	$b \wedge a$	[1, defense]
		3.	O	\wedge_2	[2, attack]
		4.	P	a	[3, defense]
			} moves		

Argumentation forms

X and Y , where $X \neq Y$, are variables for P and O .

implication \rightarrow : assertion: $XA \rightarrow B$
 attack: YA
 defense: XB

conjunction \wedge : assertion: $XA_1 \wedge A_2$
 attack: $Y \wedge_i$ (Y chooses $i = 1$ or $i = 2$)
 defense: XA_i

Dialogues

Dialogue (1)

A *dialogue* is a sequence of moves

- (i) where P and O take turns,
- (ii) according to the argumentation forms,
- (iii) and P makes the first move.

Dialogue (2)

(D) P may assert an atomic formula only if it has been asserted by O before.

(E) O can only react on the immediately preceding P -move.

(plus some other conditions)

A dialogue beginning with PA is called *dialogue for the formula A*.

Argumentation forms P/O -symmetric.

Asymmetry between proponent P and opponent O due to (D) and (E).

Dialogues

P wins a dialogue

P wins a dialogue for a formula *A* if

- (i) the dialogue is finite,
- (ii) begins with the move *PA* and
- (iii) ends with a move of *P* such that *O* cannot make another move.

Example, dialogue won by *P*

0. *P* $(a \vee b) \rightarrow \neg \neg (a \vee b)$
1. *O* $a \vee b$ [0, *A*]
2. *P* \vee [1, *A*]
3. *O* a [2, *D*]
4. *P* $\neg \neg (a \vee b)$ [1, *D*]
5. *O* $\neg (a \vee b)$ [4, *A*]
6. *P* $a \vee b$ [5, *A*]
7. *O* \vee [6, *A*]
8. *P* a [7, *D*]

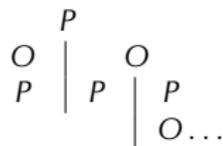
Dialogue not won by *P*

0. *P* $(a \vee b) \rightarrow \neg \neg (a \vee b)$
1. *O* $a \vee b$ [0, *A*]
2. *P* $\neg \neg (a \vee b)$ [1, *D*]
3. *O* $\neg (a \vee b)$ [2, *A*]
4. *P* $a \vee b$ [3, *A*]

Strategies

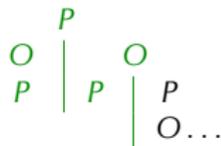
Strategy

A *dialogue tree* contains all possible dialogues for A as paths.



A *strategy* for a formula A is a subtree S of the dialogue tree for A such that

- (i) S does not branch at even positions (i.e. at P -moves),
- (ii) S has as many nodes at odd positions as there are possible moves for O ,
- (iii) all branches of S are dialogues for A won by P .



Database perspective: Clausal definitions

Definitional clause (for atomic a)

A *definitional clause* is an expression of the form

$$a \leftarrow B_1 \wedge \dots \wedge B_n$$

for $n \geq 0$, where a is atomic and B_i can be complex.

Clausal definition

A finite set \mathcal{D} of definitional clauses

$$\mathcal{D} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a \leftarrow \Delta_1 \\ \vdots \\ a \leftarrow \Delta_k \end{array} \right.$$

is a *definition* of a , where $\Delta_i = B_1^i \wedge \dots \wedge B_{n_i}^i$ is the body of the i -th clause.

Definitional closure and reflection

For a given definition

$$\mathcal{D} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a \leftarrow \Delta_1 \\ \vdots \\ a \leftarrow \Delta_k \end{array} \right.$$

we have for sequents:

Principle of definitional closure ($\vdash \mathcal{D}$)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta_j}{\Gamma \vdash a} (\vdash \mathcal{D})$$

Principle of definitional reflection ($\mathcal{D} \vdash$)

$$(\mathcal{D} \vdash) \frac{\Gamma, \Delta_1 \vdash C \quad \dots \quad \Gamma, \Delta_k \vdash C}{\Gamma, a \vdash C}$$

(for propositional atoms; for first-order a proviso is needed)

Definitional closure and reflection

In sequent calculus:

Proof theory is extended to atomic formulas.

Proofs do not have to begin with atomic formulas.

Implications in definition (database/logic program) read as rules.

Symmetry at level of definitional closure/reflection.

For dialogues:

Add end-rule for complex formulas.

Equivalent to sequent calculus with complex initial sequents.

Extend to (definitional) reasoning for atomic formulas.

P/O-symmetry will obtain.

C-dialogues

C-dialogue

A *C-dialogue* is a dialogue with the condition (end-rule)

- (C) *O* can attack a formula *A* if and only if
 - (i) *A* has not yet been asserted by *O*, or
 - (ii) *A* has already been attacked by *P*.

The notions 'dialogue won by *P*', 'dialogue tree' and 'strategy' as defined for dialogues are directly carried over to the corresponding notions for C-dialogues.

Difference dialogue / C-dialogue won by *P*:

- (i) Dialogue can only end with assertion of atomic formula,
- (ii) whereas C-dialogue ends with assertion of a complex or atomic formula.

C-dialogues

Example, C-strategy for $(a \vee b) \rightarrow \neg \neg (a \vee b)$

0. P $(a \vee b) \rightarrow \neg \neg (a \vee b)$
1. O $a \vee b$ [0, A]
2. P $\neg \neg (a \vee b)$ [1, D]
3. O $\neg (a \vee b)$ [2, A]
4. P $a \vee b$ [3, A]

O cannot attack $a \vee b$ since the conditions of (C) are not satisfied:

- (i) $a \vee b$ has already been asserted by O and
- (ii) $a \vee b$ has not been attacked by P .

The C-dialogue is won by P , and it is a C-strategy for $(a \vee b) \rightarrow \neg \neg (a \vee b)$.

C-dialogues

Complex initial sequent

$$(\text{Id}) \frac{}{A \vdash A} \quad (A \text{ atomic or complex})$$

Theorem (Isomorphism)

C-strategies and sequent calculus derivations with complex initial sequents are isomorphic.

(Modulo structural inferences, depending on level of precision in trafo.)

(Proof for intuitionistic logic by T. Piecha à la Sørensen/Urzyczyn.)

Important in definitional reasoning where meaning of atomic formulas can be given by complex formulas (corresponds to complex assumptions).

Definitional reasoning

Argumentation form

For each atom a defined by \mathcal{D} $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a \leftarrow \Delta_1 \\ \vdots \\ a \leftarrow \Delta_k \end{array} \right.$

definitional reasoning: assertion: $X a$
 attack: $Y \mathcal{D}$
 defense: $X \Delta_i$ (X chooses $i = 1, \dots, k$)

(‘ \mathcal{D} ’ special symbol indicating attack.)

With $O \mathcal{D} \simeq$ *definitional closure* ($\vdash \mathcal{D}$); with $P \mathcal{D} \simeq$ *definitional reflection* ($\mathcal{D} \vdash$).

Definitional dialogues

Definitional dialogues are C-dialogues

- (i) plus argumenation form of definitional reasoning
- (ii) can start with assertion of atomic formula.

Implications as rules: Argumentation forms

assertion: $O A \rightarrow B$

attack: *no attack*

defense: *(no defense)*

assertion: $O A_1 \wedge A_2$

attack: $P \wedge_i$ ($i = 1$ or 2)

defense: $O A_i$

assertion: $P A \rightarrow B$

question: $O ?$

choice: $P |A \rightarrow B|$ $P C$ only if $O C \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B)$ before

attack: $O A$

defense: $P B$

assertion: $P A_1 \wedge A_2$

question: $O ?$

choice: $P |A_1 \wedge A_2|$ $P C$ only if $O C \rightarrow (A_1 \wedge A_2)$ before

attack: $O \wedge_i$ ($i = 1$ or 2)

defense: $P A_i$

P/O-symmetry of argumentation forms is given up.

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attack: $O A$

defense: $P B$

Likewise for atoms a :

assertion: $P a$

question: $O ?$

choice: $P C$ only if $O C \rightarrow a$ before

P/O -symmetry of argumentation forms is given up.

Implications as rules: Dialogues and strategies

Dialogues

(C') O can question a (complex or atomic) formula A if and only if

- (i) A has not yet been asserted by O , or
- (ii) A has already been attacked by P .

(D') P may assert an atomic formula without O having asserted it before.

(E) O can only react on the immediately preceding P -move.

(Strategies defined as before.)

Corresponds to sequent calculus with alternative schema

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma, A \rightarrow B \vdash B}$$

Yields 'dialogical' interpretation of implications-as-rules concept.

Implications as rules: Example

0. $P \ (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c))$
1. $O \ ?$ question
2. $P \ |(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c))|$ choice
3. $O \ a \rightarrow b$ attack **assuming rule $b \leftarrow a$**
4. $P \ (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)$ defense

Implications as rules: Example

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| 0. | P | $(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c))$ | |
| 1. | O | ? | question |
| 2. | P | $ (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)) $ | choice |
| 3. | O | $a \rightarrow b$ | attack (assuming rule $b \leftarrow a$) |
| 4. | P | $(b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)$ | defense |
| 5. | O | ? | question |
| 6. | P | $ (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c) $ | choice |
| 7. | O | $b \rightarrow c$ | attack assuming rule $c \leftarrow b$ |
| 8. | P | $a \rightarrow c$ | defense |

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4. $P \ (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)$ defense
5. $O \ ?$ question
6. $P \ |(b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)|$ choice
7. $O \ b \rightarrow c$ attack (assuming rule $c \leftarrow b$)
8. $P \ a \rightarrow c$ defense
9. $O \ ?$ question
10. $P \ |a \rightarrow c|$ choice
11. $O \ a$ attack
12. $P \ c$ defense

Implications as rules: Example

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| 0. | P | $(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c))$ | |
| 1. | O | $?$ | question |
| 2. | P | $ (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)) $ | choice |
| 3. | O | $a \rightarrow b$ | attack (assuming rule $b \leftarrow a$) |
| 4. | P | $(b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)$ | defense |
| 5. | O | $?$ | question |
| 6. | P | $ (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c) $ | choice |
| 7. | O | $b \rightarrow c$ | attack (assuming rule $c \leftarrow b$) |
| 8. | P | $a \rightarrow c$ | defense |
| 9. | O | $?$ | question |
| 10. | P | $ a \rightarrow c $ | choice |
| 11. | O | a | attack |
| 12. | P | c | defense |
| 13. | O | $?$ | question |
| 14. | P | b | choice using rule $c \leftarrow b$ |

Implications as rules: Example

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| 2. | P | $ (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)) $ | choice |
| 3. | O | $a \rightarrow b$ | attack (assuming rule $b \leftarrow a$) |
| 4. | P | $(b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)$ | defense |
| 5. | O | ? | question |
| 6. | P | $ (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c) $ | choice |
| 7. | O | $b \rightarrow c$ | attack (assuming rule $c \leftarrow b$) |
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| 9. | O | ? | question |
| 10. | P | $ a \rightarrow c $ | choice |
| 11. | O | a | attack |
| 12. | P | c | defense |
| 13. | O | ? | question |
| 14. | P | b | choice (using rule $c \leftarrow b$) |
| 15. | O | ? | question |
| 16. | P | a | choice using rule $b \leftarrow a$ |

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12. $P \ c$ defense
13. $O \ ?$ question
14. $P \ b$ choice (using rule $c \leftarrow b$)
15. $O \ ?$ question
16. $P \ a$ choice (using rule $b \leftarrow a$)

O cannot question $P a$ due to (C') : a asserted by O before and not attacked by P .
Dialogue is won by P and is a strategy for $(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c))$.

Implications as rules and Cut

No 'Cut-elimination', but subformula property.

Argumentation form for Cut: assertion: $O A$ (or $O ?$, ...)
 attack: $P B$
 defense: $O B$

0. $P a \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b)$
1. $O ?$ [0, question]
2. $P |a \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b)|$ [1, choice]
3. $O a$ [2, attack]
4. $P (a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b$ [3, defense]
5. $O ?$ [4, question]
6. $P |(a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b|$ [5, choice]
7. $O a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)$ [6, attack] (assuming rule $(b \wedge c) \leftarrow a$)

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3. $O a$ [2, attack]
4. $P (a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b$ [3, defense]
5. $O ?$ [4, question]
6. $P |(a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b|$ [5, choice]
7. $O a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)$ [6, attack] (assuming rule $(b \wedge c) \leftarrow a$)
8. $P b \wedge c$ [Cut]

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| 1. | $O ?$ | [0, question] |
| 2. | $P a \rightarrow ((a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b) $ | [1, choice] |
| 3. | $O a$ | [2, attack] |
| 4. | $P (a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b$ | [3, defense] |
| 5. | $O ?$ | [4, question] |
| 6. | $P (a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)) \rightarrow b $ | [5, choice] |
| 7. | $O a \rightarrow (b \wedge c)$ | [6, attack] (assuming rule $(b \wedge c) \leftarrow a$) |
| 8. | $P b \wedge c$ | [Cut] |
| 9. | $O ?$ | [8, question] |
| 10. | $P a$ | [9, choice] using rule $(b \wedge c) \leftarrow a$ |
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| 12. | | |

Conclusions

- (i) Dialogical extension for clausal definitions (databases/logic programs).
- (ii) Implications treated as rules.
- (iii) In dialogical treatment *P/O*-symmetry of argumentation forms is given up.