

# Complexity upper bounds for JD4

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# Outline

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## Justification Logic - Syntax

- Constants:  $c_i, i \in \mathbb{N}$
- Variables:  $x_i, i \in \mathbb{N}$
- Justification Terms :
  - Constants and variables are terms
  - If  $t_1, t_2$  are terms, so are

$$(t_1 \cdot t_2), (t_1 + t_2), (!t_1)$$

- $\cdot$  is called application,  $+$  is called sum and  $!$  proof checker.
- Sentence letters:  $p_i, i \in \mathbb{N}$
- If  $p$  is a sentence letter,  $t$  is a term and  $\phi_1, \phi_2$  are formulas, then so are

$$p, \perp, (\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2), (t : \phi_1)$$

# $J_{\emptyset}$

- Finitely many schemes of classical propositional logic
- $s : (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (t : \phi \rightarrow s \cdot t : \psi)$  - Application Axiom
- 

$$s : \phi \rightarrow s + t : \phi$$

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- Monotonicity Axiom

- Modus Ponens Rule :

$$\frac{\phi \rightarrow \psi \quad \phi}{\psi}$$

# JD, JT, J4, JD4, LP

- $t : \phi \rightarrow \phi$  - Factivity Axiom
- $t : \phi \rightarrow !t : t : \phi$  - Positive introspection
- $t : \perp \rightarrow \perp$  - Consistency Axiom
- $JD_{\emptyset} = J_{\emptyset} +$  Consistency
- $JT_{\emptyset} = J_{\emptyset} +$  Factivity
- $J4_{\emptyset} = J_{\emptyset} +$  Positive introspection
- $JD4_{\emptyset} = J_{\emptyset} +$  Consistency + Positive introspection
- $LP_{\emptyset} = J_{\emptyset} +$  Factivity + Positive introspection

## Constant Specification

- A constant specification for a justification logic  $JL$  is any set

$$\mathcal{CS} \subset \{c : A \mid c \text{ is a constant, } A \text{ an axiom of } JL\}$$

A c.s. is:

- axiomatically appropriate if each axiom is justified
- injective if every constant justifies at most one axiom
- schematic if every constant justifies a certain number of axiom schemes
- schematically injective if it is schematic and every constant justifies at most one scheme
- finite if it is a finite set
- almost schematic if it is the union of a schematic and a finite c.s.

# More Inference Rules

$R4_{CS}$

$$\overline{c : A},$$

where  $c : A \in CS$

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# Fitting-Semantics (F-models)

$(W, R, V, \mathcal{A})$ , where

- $W \neq \emptyset$  is the set of worlds
- $R$  is a binary relation on  $W$  (accessibility relation),
- $V$  assigns a subset of  $W$  to each propositional variable,  $p$ , and
- $\mathcal{A}$  assigns a subset of  $W$  to each pair of a justification term and a formula.

# Fitting-Semantics (F-models)

The accessibility relation conditions

$R$  must be...

- Reflexive if the logic includes the factivity axiom.
- Transitive if the logic includes the positive introspection axiom.
- Serial if the logic includes the consistency axiom.

# Fitting-Semantics (F-models)

## The admissible evidence function conditions

- Application closure: for any formulas  $\phi, \psi$  and justification terms  $t, s$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(s, F \rightarrow G) \cap \mathcal{A}(t, F) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(s \cdot t, G).$$

- Sum closure: for any formula  $\phi$  and justification terms  $t, s$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(t, \phi) \cup \mathcal{A}(s, \phi) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(t + s, \phi).$$

- Simplified  $\mathcal{CS}$ -closure: for any axiom  $A$ , constant  $c$ , such that  $c : A \in \mathcal{CS}$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(c, A) = W,$$

if positive introspection is included in the axioms, or

- $\mathcal{CS}$ -closure: for any axiom  $A$ , constant  $c$ , such that  $c : A \in \mathcal{CS}$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(\underbrace{(! \dots !}_{n+1} c, \underbrace{(! \dots !}_n c \dots : c : A) = \mathcal{A}(c, A) = W,$$

otherwise.

# Fitting-Semantics (F-models)

The admissible evidence function conditions

- Positive introspection closure: for any formula  $\phi$  and justification term  $t$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(t, \phi) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(!t, t : \phi),$$

if the logic includes positive introspection.

- Monotonicity: for any formula  $\phi$ , justification term  $t$  and  $a, b \in W$ , if  $aRb$  and  $a \in \mathcal{A}(t, \phi)$ , then  $b \in \mathcal{A}(t, \phi)$ , if the consistency axiom is included.

# Fitting-Semantics (F-models)

Truth is defined in the following way

Given a state  $a$ :

- $M, a \not\models \perp$ .
- If  $p$  is a propositional variable, then  $\mathcal{M}, a \models p$  iff  $a \in V(p)$
- If  $\phi, \psi$  are formulas, then  $\mathcal{M}, a \models \phi \rightarrow \psi$  if and only if  $M, a \models \psi$ , or  $\mathcal{M}, a \not\models \phi$ .
- If  $\phi$  is a formula and  $t$  a term, then  $\mathcal{M}, a \models t : \phi$  if and only if  $a \in \mathcal{A}(t, \phi)$  and for all  $b \in W$ , if  $aRb$ , then  $\mathcal{M}, b \models \phi$ .

$J_{CS}$ ,  $JD_{CS}$ ,  $JT_{CS}$ ,  $J4_{CS}$ ,  $JD4_{CS}$ ,  $LP_{CS}$  are sound and complete w.r.t. their F-models. For  $JD_{CS}$ ,  $JD4_{CS}$ ,  $CS$  must be axiomatically appropriate.

## M(Mkrtychev) - models

J, JD, JT, J4, JD4, LP are also sound and complete with respect to their M-models.

M-models are F-models of only one state, with one extra condition in the case of JD and JD4:

**Consistent Evidence Condition:**  $\mathcal{A}(t, \perp) = \emptyset$

Since there is only one world, we may consider  $\mathcal{A}(t, \phi) = \text{true}$ , or just  $\mathcal{A}(t, \phi)$  to be another way to say  $\mathcal{A}(t, \phi) = W$ . Similarly for  $V$ .

# The $*$ -calculi

$*$ -expressions are expressions of the form  $*(t, \phi)$ , where  $t$  is a justification term and  $\phi$  is a formula. On these expressions and given some constant specification,  $\mathcal{CS}$ , we can define the  $*$ -calculi.

The  $*_{\mathcal{CS}}$ -calculus:

Axioms:  $*(!! \dots !!c, ! \dots !!c : \dots : !c : c : A)$ ,  
where  $c : A \in \mathcal{CS}$

$$\frac{*(s, \phi \rightarrow \psi) \quad *(t, \phi)}{*(s \cdot t, \psi)}$$

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And the  $*!_{\mathcal{CS}}$ -calculus:

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# The $*$ -calculi and why are they of interest here

## Theorem (Mkrtychev, 1997)

Let  $\mathcal{JL}$  be one of the justification logics mentioned above. For a set of  $*$ -expressions,  $\mathcal{B}^*$ , define  $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{Tm} \times \mathcal{JL} \longrightarrow \{True, False\}$  s.t. for any term  $t$  and any formula  $\phi$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(t, \phi) = true \iff \mathcal{B}^* \vdash_{*_{CS}} *(t, \phi).$$

Then, if there exists an admissible evidence function  $\mathcal{A}_{ad}$  s.t.  $\mathcal{B}^* \subseteq \{*(t, \phi) | \mathcal{A}_{ad}(t, \phi) = true\}$ , then  $\mathcal{A}$  is a legitimate admissible evidence function and for any term  $t$  and any formula  $\phi$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(t, \phi) = true \implies \mathcal{A}_{ad}(t, \phi) = true.$$

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# The $*$ -calculi and why are they of interest here

## Theorem (Krupski 2003, Kuznets 2008)

Let  $\mathcal{CS}$  be a schematic constant specification in  $NP$ . Then,

1. There exists a non-deterministic algorithm that runs in polynomial time and determines, given a finite set  $S$  of  $*$ -expressions, a formula  $\phi$  and a term  $t$ , whether

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# The Problem we are trying to solve

For justification logic  $JL_{CS}$  and efficiently decidable constant specification ( $CS \in P$ , or  $NP$ ), given a formula  $\phi$ , decide whether  $JL_{CS} \vdash \phi$  or not.

Assumptions will be made on the properties of the constant specification.

# How will upper bounds be established?

The cases of J, JT, J4, LP

- The compact character of M-models will be used.
- A tableau-like procedure will be used.
- M-models have two parts: a valuation and a possible evidence function.
- The procedure will have two parts.

## Informally,

- Given a formula  $\psi$ , (non-deterministically) produce a branch of a tableau, starting with  $F \psi$ . As is usually the case, the branch will try to describe a countermodel of  $\psi$ .
- The branch will include not only formulas of the language, but also  $*$ -expressions.
- A prefixed  $*$ -expression of the form  $T * (t, \phi)$  will correspond to  $\mathcal{A}(t, \phi) = \text{true}$  in the model.
- We can then check whether the  $*$ -calculus produces a negative  $*$  expression from the positive ones in the tableau. We know this check fails if and only if there is some legitimate admissible evidence function that satisfies all positive  $*$ -expressions and no negative ones.

# Upper bounds for Justification Logics

## Theorem (Kuznets, 2000)

$J_{CS}, JT_{CS}, J4_{CS}, LP_{CS} \in \Pi_2^P$ , for  $CS$  decidable almost schematic.

## Theorem (Kuznets 2008)

$JD_{CS}$  with a decidable, almost schematic and axiomatically appropriate  $CS$  is in  $\Pi_2^P$ .

It is easier to show that the corresponding satisfiability problem for these logics is in  $\Sigma_2^P$ .

The procedure used constructs non-deterministically a tableau branch. The non-propositional rules are the following. The first two are for logics  $J_{\mathcal{CS}}$  and  $J4_{\mathcal{CS}}$ . The following two are used for  $JT_{\mathcal{CS}}$  and  $LP_{\mathcal{CS}}$ .

$$\frac{T \ s : \psi}{T \ * (s, \psi)}$$

$$\frac{F \ s : \psi}{F \ * (s, \psi)}$$

$$\frac{T \ s : \psi}{\begin{array}{c} T \ \psi \\ T \ * (s, \psi) \end{array}}$$

$$\frac{F \ s : \psi}{F \ * (s, \psi) \mid F \ \psi}$$

If the branch is closed, reject. If not, check if for some  $*$ -expression produced, of the form  $F \ * (t, R)$ ,  $X \vdash_{*\mathcal{CS}} *(t, R)$ , where  $X$  is the set of all positively prefixed  $*$ -expressions in the branch. If yes, then reject. Otherwise, accept.

# Upper bounds for Justification Logics

## The case of JD

The procedure for  $JD_{\mathcal{CS}}$  is similar, but with few changes necessary, to account for the consistent evidence condition. New, numerical prefixes will be used to represent different models: we must make sure that the term-prefixed formulas are consistent - in other words that the set  $\{\psi | \mathcal{M} \models t : \psi \text{ for some } t\}$  is satisfiable. Instead of the tableau rules introduced above, the following ones are used:

$$\frac{n \ T \ s : \psi}{n \ T \ * (s, \psi)}$$

$$n + 1 \ T \ \psi$$

$$\frac{n \ F \ s : \psi}{n \ F \ * (s, \psi)}$$



# Upper bounds for Justification Logics

The case of JD - an observation

Although the procedure for JD as it was originally formalized is based on M-models, the tableau construction seems to describe something that looks like an F-model.

# The advantages and disadvantages of F- and M-models when the evidence is consistent

- General F-models are not convenient. Having many states does not help.
- This is why we consider M-models when studying the complexity of justification logics.
- There is only one world and the conditions for the admissible evidence are simple to check.
- Except in the case of JD and JD4. The consistent evidence condition ( $\neg \mathcal{A}(t, \perp)$ ) is hard to check.
- In the case of JD, this consistency is checked by trying to satisfy the term-prefixed formulas with another model. The end result is an F-model, where each state has only one successor.
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JD4<sub>CS</sub> is sound and complete w.r.t. its F-models, for an axiomatically appropriate constant specification. Additionally, it is complete w.r.t. its F-models that satisfy the following property.

**Strong Evidence Property:**  $\mathcal{M}, a \models t : F$  if and only if  
 $a \in \mathcal{A}(t, F)$

It is useful for later on, given an F-type admissible evidence function  $\mathcal{A}$  and a world  $u$  to define  $\mathcal{A}_u$  to be the set  $\{(t, \phi) | u \in \mathcal{A}(t, \phi)\}$ .

# The case of JD4

Small models - but not too small

## Proposition

A formula is  $\text{JD4}_{\mathcal{CS}}$ -satisfiable, where  $\mathcal{CS}$  is axiomatically appropriate, if and only if it is satisfiable by an F-model  $\mathcal{M} = (W, R, V, \mathcal{A})$  for  $\text{JD4}_{\mathcal{CS}}$  that additionally satisfies the following properties:

- $W$  has exactly two elements,  $a, b$ .
- $R = \{(a, b), (b, b)\}$

This proposition will be very convenient, as we have reduced the number of worlds to just two, while avoiding the consistent evidence condition.

The 'if' direction is immediately apparent.

# Proof

## The 'only if' direction

Suppose  $\phi$  is satisfied by  $\mathcal{M}^* = (W, R, V', \mathcal{A}')$  at world  $a$ .

- There is an infinite sequence of elements of  $W$ ,  $\alpha = (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ , such that  $a_0 = a$ ,  $i < j \Rightarrow a_i R a_j$  &  $\mathcal{A}'_{a_i} \subseteq \mathcal{A}'_{a_j}$ . (By Seriality, Transitivity and Monotonicity)
- For any  $t : \psi$ , there is at most one  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathcal{M}^*, a_j \not\models t : \psi \rightarrow \psi$ .
- Let  $b$  be a term of  $\alpha$ , where  $\mathcal{M}^*, b \models t : \psi \rightarrow \psi$  for any  $t : \psi$ , subformula of  $\phi$ .
- $\mathcal{M}$  will be the model  $(\{a, b\}, \{(a, b), (b, b)\}, V, \mathcal{A})$ , where  $V, \mathcal{A}$  agree on  $a, b$  with  $V', \mathcal{A}'$ .

# Proof

$$\mathcal{M}, a \models \phi$$

More precisely,  $\mathcal{M}, a \models \psi$  iff  $\mathcal{M}^*, a \models \psi$ , for any  $\psi$ , subformula of  $\phi$  (by induction on  $\psi$ ).

- The propositional cases are easy.
- For any  $\chi$ , subformula of  $\phi$ ,  $\mathcal{M}^*, b \models \chi$  iff  $\mathcal{M}, b \models \chi$ .
- So, assuming  $\psi = t : \chi$ ,

$$\mathcal{M}^*, a \models \psi$$

$$\Updownarrow$$

$$a \in \mathcal{A}'(t, \chi) \ \& \ \mathcal{M}^*, b \models \chi$$

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$$a \in \mathcal{A}(t, \chi) \ \& \ \mathcal{M}, b \models \chi$$

$$\Updownarrow$$

$$\mathcal{M}, a \models \psi$$

## The upper bound for JD4

Using what we just proved, we can design an algorithm to establish that:

### Proposition

$\text{JD4}_{\mathcal{CS}}$  is in  $\Pi_2^P$ , for any axiomatically appropriate, schematic and efficiently decidable  $\mathcal{CS}$ .



## The algorithm for the JD4 case

The algorithm is almost identical to what was used in all the other cases. One difference is that the formulas now have  $T, F$  and  $a, b$  as prefixes. The non-propositional cases of the tableau procedure are covered by the following rules.

$$\frac{a \ T \ s : G}{a \ T \ * (s, G)', \quad b \ T \ s : G}$$

$$\frac{b \ T \ s : G}{b \ T \ * (s, G)', \quad b \ T \ G}$$

$$\frac{a \ F \ s : G}{a \ F \ * (s, G) \mid a \ F \ G'}$$

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## The algorithm for the JD4 case

If the branch is closed, reject. If not, let  $X_w$  be the set of all positive  $w$ -prefixed  $*$ -expressions in the branch, for any  $w \in \{a, b\}$ . Decide in nondeterministic polynomial time if for some  $*$ -expression produced, of the form  $w F * (t, R)$ , whether  $X_w \vdash_{*CS} *(t, R)$ . If yes, then reject. Otherwise, accept.

## Lower bounds

Theorem (Milnikel 2007, Buss, Kuznets 2009)

$JL_{CS}$  is  $\Pi_2^P$ -hard, for any  $JL \in \{ J, JD, JT, J4, JD4, LP \}$  and any axiomatically appropriate, and schematically injective  $CS$ .

# Finally,

Corollary (Milnikel 2007, Buss, Kuznets 2009)

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