

# Interpolation Theorem for $L_{DBCC}$ and $L_{DBCK}$

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## 1 Introduction

It is known that the interpolation theorem holds for the logics  $\mathbf{LR}$  and  $\mathbf{LRW}$ , which are obtained from the relevant logic  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathbf{RW}$  respectively by omitting the distributive axiom  $A \wedge (B \vee C) \rightarrow (A \wedge B) \vee (A \wedge C)$  (see [7] and [2]). On the other hand, Urquhart proved in [13] that the interpolation theorem fails for  $\mathbf{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{RW}$  and some other relevant logics. He also claims that the interpolation theorem fails for the positive versions of all the logics discussed, provided that either the language contains the constant  $t$  or the formula  $((A \supset B) \wedge A) \supset B$  is provable. This fact shows that the distributive axiom seems to play a critical role in the interpolation problems for substructural logics. In the present study we will show that the interpolation theorem holds for the logics  $L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{DBCK}$ , which are obtained from  $L_{BCC}$  and  $L_{BCK}$ , respectively, by adding the distributive law  $A \wedge (B \vee C) \rightarrow (A \wedge B) \vee (A \wedge C)$  as an initial sequent. Ono and Komori proved in [11] that the interpolation theorem holds for  $L_{BCC}$  and  $L_{BCK}$ .

Slaney in [12] introduced sequent systems without cut rule which are equivalent to  $L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{DBCK}$ . We will take Slaney's systems, but in a slightly modified form, and use essentially Maehara's method introduced in [6] to prove the interpolation theorem for these logics.

A note about the names of the logics discussed. To avoid any confusion with those

[11] and [12], here we also use the names of logics  $L_{BCC}$ ,  $L_{BCK}$ ,  $L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{DBCK}$ . However it must be noticed that the letters C and K which appear in them have no connection with the combinators C and K. Better names for them can be found in [9] or [10]. In those papers Ono introduced the basic logical system FL (*full Lambek logic*) and then gave the names  $FL_w$  and  $FL_{ew}$  for  $L_{BCC}$  and  $L_{BCK}$  since they can be obtained from FL by adding the weakening rule and the exchange and weakening rules, respectively. By the reason mentioned above we will denote our systems, which are equivalent to  $L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{DBCK}$ , by  $L_\circ L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_\circ L_{DBCK}$ , respectively.

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## 2 Gentzen sequent systems $L_\circ L_{DBCC}$ and $L_\circ L_{DBCK}$

Slaney in [12] introduced sequent systems without cut rule  $LL_{DBCC}$  and  $LL_{DBCK}$ , in the same way as relevant systems discussed in [3] and [5]. These systems are equivalent to  $L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{DBCK}$ . They contain two types of structural connectives, the *extensional structural connective* “,” which corresponds to the extensional conjunction and the *intensional structural connective* “;” which corresponds to the intensional conjunction or fusion. Having these two types of structural connective, two types of structural rules (extensional and intensional) will be formulated in these systems. By using these rules, the distributive law can be derived.

In the following, we will give a definition of these systems, but in a slightly modified form. As in [12] our language will contain the false constant  $\perp$ , implication  $\supset$ , disjunction  $\vee$  and two kinds of conjunction, i.e. the extensional conjunction  $\wedge$  and the intensional conjunction  $*$ .

First, for our sequent system  $L_\circ L_{DBCC}$ , *structures* (see [5]), which are called *bunches of premises* in [12], are defined recursively as follows;

- 1) any formula is a structure,
- 2) for  $n \geq 2$ , if each  $X_i$  is a structure for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , then both sequences  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  and  $(X_1; \dots; X_n)$  are structures.

Structures of the form  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  and of the form  $(X_1; \dots; X_n)$  are said to be *extensional* and *intensional*, respectively. Each structure  $X_i$  is called an *immediate constituent* of  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  and  $(X_1; \dots; X_n)$ . Here, if  $X_k$  is of the form  $(Y_1, \dots, Y_{m_1})$

for some structures  $Y_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m_1$ , then the above  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  should be understood as  $(X_1, \dots, X_{k-1}, Y_1, \dots, Y_m, X_{k+1}, \dots, X_n)$ . Similarly, if  $X_l$  is of the form  $(Y_1; \dots; Y_{m_2})$  for some structures  $Y_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m_2$ , then the above  $(X_1; \dots; X_n)$  should be understood as  $(X_1; \dots; X_{l-1}; Y_1; \dots; Y_{m_2}; X_{l+1}; \dots; X_n)$ . Thus, we will assume that no extensional (intensional) structures have an extensional (intensional) structure as their immediate constituent.

In the sequel, the letters  $X, Y, Z, U$  and  $W$  with or without subscripts will denote structures. We will omit parentheses when no confusions will occur.

*Substructures* of a given structure  $X$  in  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$  are defined as follows;

- 1) if a structure  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  occurs in  $X$  then
  - 1.1) each  $X_i$  is a substructure of  $X$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,
  - 1.2) any subsequence of the sequence  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is a substructure of  $X$ ,
- 2) if a structure  $X_1; \dots; X_n$  occurs in  $X$  then
  - 2.1) each  $X_i$  is a substructure of  $X$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,
  - 2.2) any subsequence of the sequence  $X_1; \dots; X_n$  is a substructure of  $X$ .

Here, *subsequences* are defined as usual. Thus, suppose  $X = Y, (Z; U), W$ . Then  $(Z; U), W$  and  $X$  itself are examples of subsequences of  $X$ . On the other hand,  $Z$  and  $Y, Z, W$  are examples of sequences which are not subsequences of  $X$ .

Following [12], an expression like  $\Gamma(X)$  is used for denoting the structure with an indicated substructure-occurrence  $X$  in it. Then  $\Gamma(Y)$  denotes the structure obtained from  $\Gamma(X)$  by replacing the indicated substructure-occurrence  $X$  in it by a structure  $Y$ . A *sequent* is an expression of the form  $X \rightarrow A$ , where  $X$  is a structure (possibly empty) and  $A$  is a formula. Then  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$  will be given as follows:

It consists of the initial sequents  $A \rightarrow A$  and  $\perp \rightarrow A$ ,

the following structural rules

$$\frac{\Gamma(Y, X) \rightarrow C}{\Gamma(X, Y) \rightarrow C} \text{ (E - exchange)} \quad \frac{\Gamma(X) \rightarrow C}{\Gamma(X, Y) \rightarrow C} \text{ (E - weakening)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(X, X) \rightarrow C}{\Gamma(X) \rightarrow C} \text{ (E - contraction)} \quad \frac{\Gamma(X) \rightarrow C}{\Gamma(X; Y) \rightarrow C} \text{ (I - weakening)}$$

and the following rules for logical connectives

$$\frac{X; A \rightarrow B}{X \rightarrow A \supset B} \text{ (}\rightarrow\supset\text{)} \quad \frac{X \rightarrow A \quad \Gamma(B) \rightarrow C}{\Gamma(A \supset B; X) \rightarrow C} \text{ (}\supset\rightarrow\text{)}$$

$$\frac{X \rightarrow A}{X \rightarrow A \vee B} (\rightarrow \vee 1) \quad \frac{X \rightarrow B}{X \rightarrow A \vee B} (\rightarrow \vee 2) \quad \frac{\Gamma(A) \rightarrow C \quad \Gamma(B) \rightarrow C}{\Gamma(A \vee B) \rightarrow C} (\vee \rightarrow)$$

$$\frac{X \rightarrow A \quad Y \rightarrow B}{X, Y \rightarrow A \wedge B} (\rightarrow \wedge) \quad \frac{\Gamma(A, B) \rightarrow C}{\Gamma(A \wedge B) \rightarrow C} (\wedge \rightarrow)$$

$$\frac{X \rightarrow A \quad Y \rightarrow B}{X; Y \rightarrow A * B} (\rightarrow *) \quad \frac{\Gamma(A; B) \rightarrow C}{\Gamma(A * B) \rightarrow C} (* \rightarrow)$$

For instance, applying (*E* – contraction) to a sequent of the form  $(Y, X, X, Z) \rightarrow C$ , we can get the sequent  $(Y, X, Z) \rightarrow C$ . Thus,  $X, X$  in  $\Gamma(X, X)$  will be understood not as a substructure but as a *subexpression*. We will use these sloppy definitions, simply to avoid unnecessary complications. ( See the footnotes 28 and 29 in Dunn [4]. )

For our sequent system  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$ , if we define intensional structures as sequences, some difficulties will occur in the proof of the interpolation theorem given in the next section. So, instead of taking sequences, we will take multisets, since the exchange law holds in it. Thus for  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$  we will modify the definition of structures as follows;

- 1) any formula is a structure,
- 2) for  $n \geq 2$ , if each  $X_i$  is a structure for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , then both the sequence  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  and the multiset  $\{X_1; \dots; X_n\}$  are structures.

Substructures are defined similarly to that in the case for  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$ . Since we define intensional structures as multisets, we can dispense with the intensional exchange rule. Thus,  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$  will have the same initial sequents, structural rules and rules for logical connectives as the above  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$ .

For the equivalence of  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$  ( $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$ ) and Hilbert system  $H_{DBCC}$  ( $H_{DBCK}$ ), see the proof of the equivalence of  $LL_{DBCC}$  ( $LL_{DBCK}$ ) and  $H_{DBCC}$  ( $H_{DBCK}$ ) in [12].

### 3 Interpolation theorem for $L_{DBCC}$ and $L_{DBCK}$

We will show that the interpolation theorem holds for  $L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{DBCK}$  by using the systems  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$ , respectively. In the following the expressions  $V(X)$  denotes the set of propositional variables which occur in  $X$ .

Ono and Komori proved in [11] that the interpolation theorem holds for  $L_{BCC}$  and  $L_{BCK}$  by showing that interpolation theorem of the following form holds for them:

If a sequent  $X; Y; Z \rightarrow D$  is provable, then there is a formula  $C$  such that

- 1)  $Y \rightarrow C$  is provable,
- 2)  $X; C; Z \rightarrow D$  is provable,
- 3)  $V(C) \subset V(Y) \cap [V(X; Z) \cup V(D)]$ .

Here, all of  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  are sequences of formulas of the form  $A_1; \dots; A_n$ .

Thus for  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$ , a desirable form of interpolation theorem might be of the following:

Let  $X \rightarrow D$  be a provable sequent. Suppose that  $Z$  is a substructure-occurrence in  $X$ . Then there is a formula  $C$  such that

- 1)  $Z \rightarrow C$  is provable,
- 2)  $X_{\{C/Z\}} \rightarrow D$  is provable,
- 3)  $V(C) \subset V(Z) \cap [V(X_{\{-/Z\}}) \cup V(D)]$ .

Here  $X_{\{C/Z\}}$  denotes the structure obtained from  $X$  by replacing  $Z$  by  $C$  and  $X_{\{-/Z\}}$  denotes the structure obtained from  $X$  by deleting  $Z$ .

In fact, even the following stronger form of interpolation theorem holds for them.

**Theorem 1** Let  $Z_i$  be a substructure-occurrence in a structure  $Z$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Suppose that 1)  $Z_j$  and  $Z_k$  do not intersect each other when  $j \neq k$  and 2) there is no structure-occurrences of the form  $Z'; Z''$  in  $Z$  such that  $Z'$  contains  $Z_j$  and  $Z''$  contains  $Z_k$  for some  $j$  and  $k$ . Then, if the sequent  $Z \rightarrow D$  is provable, there exist formulas  $C_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  such that

- 1) each  $Z_j \rightarrow C_j$  is provable for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,
- 2)  $Z_{\{C_i/Z_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$  is provable,
- 3) for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $V(C_j) \subset V(Z_j) \cap [V(Z_{\{-/Z_i\}_i}) \cup V(D)]$ ,

Here  $Z_{\{C_i/Z_i\}_i}$  denotes the structure obtained from  $Z$  by replacing  $Z_i$  by  $C_i$  for every  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $Z_{\{-/Z_i\}_i}$  denotes the structure obtained from  $Z$  by deleting  $Z_i$  for every  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

To understand the conditions of  $Z_i$  in the above theorem, let us consider the case where  $X = (X_1; X_2; X_3), X_4, (X_5; X_6)$ . Here the above conditions are not satisfied if we take  $n = 2$ ,  $Z_1 = X_1$  and  $Z_2 = X_3$ , for  $X_1$  and  $X_3$  are substructures of  $Z' = X_1$  and  $Z'' = X_2; X_3$ , respectively. On the other hand, if we take  $n = 2$ ,  $Z_1 = X_1$  and  $Z_2 = X_5$ , then the above conditions are satisfied. In this case the above theorem says that if  $X \rightarrow D$  is provable, then there exist formulas  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  such that

- 1) both  $X_1 \rightarrow C_1$  and  $X_5 \rightarrow C_2$  are provable,
- 2)  $(C_1; X_2; X_3), X_4, (C_2; X_6) \rightarrow D$  is provable,
- 3)  $V(C_1) \subset V(X_1) \cap [V((X_2; X_3), X_4, X_6) \cup V(D)]$  and  
 $V(C_2) \subset V(X_5) \cap [V((X_2; X_3), X_4, X_6) \cup V(D)]$ .

Next, let us consider the proof of Theorem 1 for  $L_\circ L_{DBCC}$ . As usual, the theorem is proved by induction on the number  $l$  of inferences in the proof figure of the sequent  $Z \rightarrow D$ . Here we will show the proof for the following case.

**Case 1.**  $l > 0$  and the last inference is  $(\vee \rightarrow)$ . Here  $Z \rightarrow D$  will be of the form  $\Gamma(A \vee B) \rightarrow D$  and the last inference will be of the following form;

$$\frac{\Gamma(A) \rightarrow D \quad \Gamma(B) \rightarrow D}{\Gamma(A \vee B) \rightarrow D} (\vee \rightarrow)$$

Suppose that  $Z_i$  is substructure-occurrence in  $\Gamma(A \vee B)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , such that the conditions in the theorem are satisfied. Here we will consider the following subcase;

**Subcase 1.1** The 'displayed'  $A \vee B$  in  $\Gamma(A \vee B)$  occurs in  $Z_k$  for some  $k$ .

Let  $U_k = Z_{k\{A/A \vee B\}}$  and  $U_i = Z_i$  when  $i \neq k$ . Then by the hypothesis of induction there exist formulas  $C_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  such that

- 1a) each  $U_j \rightarrow C_j$  is provable for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,
- 2a)  $\Gamma(A)_{\{C_i/U_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$  is provable,
- 3a) for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $V(C_j) \subset V(U_j) \cap [V(\Gamma(A)_{\{-/U_i\}_i}) \cup V(D)]$ .

Let  $W_k = Z_{k\{B/A \vee B\}}$  and  $W_i = Z_i$  when  $i \neq k$ . Then by the hypothesis of induction there exist formulas  $C'_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  such that

- 1b) each  $W_j \rightarrow C'_j$  is provable for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,
- 2b)  $\Gamma(B)_{\{C'_i/W_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$  is provable,
- 3b) for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $V(C'_j) \subset V(W_j) \cap [V(\Gamma(B)_{\{-/W_i\}_i}) \cup V(D)]$ .

Now, for  $i \neq k$  by applying  $(\rightarrow \wedge)$  to  $U_i \rightarrow C_i$  and  $W_i \rightarrow C'_i$ , we can get  $U_i, W_i \rightarrow C_i \wedge C'_i$ . Note that when  $i \neq k$ ,  $U_i = W_i = Z_i$ . Then, by applying  $(E - contraction)$  to this sequent we can get  $Z_i \rightarrow C_i \wedge C'_i$ ;

$$\frac{\frac{U_i \rightarrow C_i \quad W_i \rightarrow C'_i}{U_i, W_i \rightarrow C_i \wedge C'_i} (\wedge \rightarrow)}{Z_i \rightarrow C_i \wedge C'_i} (E - contraction)$$

By applying  $(\rightarrow \vee 1)$  to  $U_k \rightarrow C_k$  and  $(\rightarrow \vee 2)$  to  $W_k \rightarrow C'_k$  we can get  $U_k \rightarrow C_k \vee C'_k$  and

$W_k \rightarrow C_k \vee C'_k$ , respectively. Then by applying  $(\vee \rightarrow)$  to them we can get  $Z_k \rightarrow C_k \vee C'_k$ :

$$\frac{\frac{Z_{k\{A/AVB\}} \rightarrow C_k}{Z_{k\{A/AVB\}} \rightarrow C_k \vee C'_k} (\rightarrow \vee 1) \quad \frac{Z_{k\{B/AVB\}} \rightarrow C'_k}{Z_{k\{B/AVB\}} \rightarrow C_k \vee C'_k} (\rightarrow \vee 2)}{Z_{k\{AVB/AVB\}} \rightarrow C_k \vee C'_k} (\vee \rightarrow)$$

So by 1a) and 1b),  $Z_k \rightarrow C_k \vee C'_k$  and  $Z_i \rightarrow C_i \wedge C'_i$  are provable when  $i \neq k$ .

Next, from  $\Gamma(A)_{\{C_i/U_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$ , by applying  $(E - weakening)$  and  $(\wedge \rightarrow)$ ,  $n - 1$  times, we can get  $\Gamma(A)_{\{E_i/U_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$ , where  $E_k = C_k$  and  $E_i = C_i \wedge C'_i$  when  $i \neq k$ . Also, from  $\Gamma(B)_{\{C'_i/W_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$ , by applying  $(E - weakening)$ ,  $(E - exchange)$  and  $(\wedge \rightarrow)$ ,  $n - 1$  times, we can get  $\Gamma(B)_{\{E'_i/W_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$ , where  $E'_k = C'_k$  and  $E'_i = C_i \wedge C'_i$  when  $i \neq k$ . Note again that when  $i \neq k$ ,  $U_i = W_i = Z_i$ . Then by applying  $(\vee \rightarrow)$  to  $\Gamma(A)_{\{E_i/U_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$  and  $\Gamma(B)_{\{E'_i/W_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$  we can get  $\Gamma(A \vee B)_{\{E''_i/Z_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$ , where  $E''_k = C_k \vee C'_k$  and  $E''_i = E'_i = E_i = C_i \wedge C'_i$  when  $i \neq k$ . So by 2a) and 2b), we can get the proof of  $\Gamma(A \vee B)_{\{E''_i/Z_i\}_i} \rightarrow D$  as follows;

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\Gamma(A)_{\{C_i/U_i\}_i} \rightarrow D}}{\text{applications of } (E - weakening)} \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\Gamma(B)_{\{C'_i/W_i\}_i} \rightarrow D}}{\text{applications of } (E - weakening)}}{\text{applications of } (E - exchange)}}{\text{applications of } (\wedge \rightarrow)} \quad \frac{\text{applications of } (\wedge \rightarrow)}{\Gamma(B)_{\{E'_i/W_i\}_i} \rightarrow D}}{\Gamma(A \vee B)_{\{E''_i/Z_i\}_i} \rightarrow D} (\vee \rightarrow)$$

Lastly, by 3a) and 3b) we can easily show that

- a) for  $h = 1, \dots, k-1, k+1, \dots, n$ ,  $V(C_h \wedge C'_h) \subset V(Z_h) \cap [V(\Gamma(A \vee B)_{\{-/Z_i\}_i}) \cup V(D)]$ ,
- b)  $V(C_k \vee C'_k) \subset V(Z_k) \cap [V(\Gamma(A \vee B)_{\{-/Z_i\}_i}) \cup V(D)]$ .

Thus  $C_h \wedge C'_h$  for  $h = 1, \dots, k-1, k+1, \dots, n$ , and  $C_k \vee C'_k$  become the *interpolants*.

The proof of Theorem 1 for  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$  goes similarly to the above proof of Theorem 1 for  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$ . In fact as we define intensional structures by multisets, we can omit some subcases in the proof.

**Corollary 2** *The interpolation theorem holds for  $L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{DBCK}$ . More precisely, if the formula  $A \supset B$  is provable (in  $L_{DBCC}$  or  $L_{DBCK}$ ), then there is a formula  $C$  such that both  $A \supset C$  and  $C \supset B$  are provable and  $V(C) \subset [V(A) \cap V(B)]$ .*

As an important application of Theorem 1, we can get the following theorem, which says that the Maksimova's principle of variable separation holds for  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$ . The detail of the proof will be announced in [8]. In fact, our interpolation theorem in a stronger form is necessary for proving this.

**Theorem 3** *Suppose that  $A_1 \supset A_2$  and  $B_1 \supset B_2$  have no propositional variables in common. Then the following holds for  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCC}$  and  $L_{\circ}L_{DBCK}$ .*

- 1) *if the sequent  $A_1 \wedge B_1 \rightarrow A_2 \vee B_2$  is provable, then either  $A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  or  $B_1 \rightarrow B_2$  is provable,*
- 2) *if the sequent  $A_1 \wedge B_1 \rightarrow A_2$  is provable, then either  $A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  or  $B_1 \rightarrow$  is provable,*
- 3) *if the sequent  $A_1 \rightarrow A_2 \vee B_2$  is provable, then either  $A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  or  $\rightarrow B_2$  is provable.*

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