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REMARKS ON DISCUSSIVE PROPOSITIONAL CALCULUS

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Jaśkowski has given a definition for system D_2 by interpretation in homogeneous predicate calculus of one variable see ([1], [2]). It is well known that homogeneous predicate calculus of one variable is equivalent to the modal system $S5$ of Lewis. Kotas in paper [3] and da Costa in paper [4] have shown that D_2 is finitely axiomatizable. In paper 4 the problem of construction discussive system based on a different modal system, for example $S4$, is given.

We shall show that for every modal system M such that $S4 \subseteq M \subseteq S5$ the discussive system $D(M)$ based on M is equal to D_2 . It does seem not trivial because $S4 \neq S5$.

We shall use signs $\rightarrow, \Rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, \sim, M, L$ for the material implication, the strict implication, for disjunction, conjunction, negation, possibility and necessity, respectively. Logical system we regard as the set of formulas. L and $s(L)$ are the set of thesis and the set of well formed formulas for a given system L , respectively. P, Q, R, \dots and so on are the signs for formulas and p, q, r, \dots and so are the signs for sentential variables.

Now we define system $M - S4$ (see [3]).

DEFINITION 1.

- a) $s(M - S4) = s(S4)$.
- b) $P \in M - S4$ iff $MP \in S4$.

LEMMA 1. *The following axiom schemes, rules of inferences and definitions constitute a complete axiomatization of $M - S4$:*

I. Axiom schemes:

1. $L(P \rightarrow (\sim P \rightarrow Q))$
2. $L((P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow [(Q \rightarrow R) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow R)])$
3. $L[(\sim P \rightarrow P) \rightarrow P]$
4. $L(LP \rightarrow P)$
5. $L(L(P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow (LP \rightarrow LQ))$
6. $L(LP \rightarrow LLP)$

II. Derivation rules:

$$(r_1) \frac{LP, L(P \rightarrow Q)}{LQ} \quad (r_3) \frac{LP}{P}$$

$$(r_2) \frac{LP}{LLP} \quad (r_4) \frac{MP}{P}$$

III. Definitions:

1. $P \wedge Q = \sim (\sim P \vee \sim Q)$
2. $P \leftrightarrow Q = (P \rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \rightarrow P)$
3. $P \Rightarrow Q = L(P \rightarrow Q)$
4. $MP = \sim L \sim P$.
5. $P \Leftrightarrow Q = L(P \leftrightarrow Q)$.

LEMMA 2. *Formula $L(MP \rightarrow LMP)$ is a thesis of system $M - S4$.*

System $M - S5$ arises from $S5$ in the same way as $M - S4$ from $S4$. It is easy to see (cf. [3]) that the sets of axioms and rules for $M - S5$ are the same as for $M - S4$ except of axiom number 6. In the system $M - S5$ as the sixth axiom is the formula $L(MP \rightarrow LMP)$. Thus from Lemmas 1, 2 we have $M - S5 \subset M - S4$. The converse inclusion is trivial.

THEOREM 1. $P \in M - S4$ iff $P \in M - S5$.

COROLLARY 1. *For every modal system M such that $S4 \subseteq M \subseteq S5$ we have: $MP \in M$ iff $MP \in S5$.*

Following Jaśkowski we shall give a definition for the discussive system $D(M)$ based on a modal system M .

DEFINITION 2. Connectives determined as follows:

- a. $P \rightarrow_d Q = MP \rightarrow Q$,
- b. $P \wedge_d Q = P \wedge MQ$,

we shall name a discussive implication and discussive conjunction, respectively.

DEFINITION 3. By discussive system $D(M)$ based on modal system M we mean:

- a. 1° If p, q, r, \dots are the sentential variables then $p, q, r, \dots \in s(D(M))$.
 2° If $P, Q \in s(D(M))$ then $P \vee Q, P \wedge Q, P \rightarrow_d Q, P \wedge_d Q, \sim P \in s(D(M))$.
 3° $s(D(M))$ is the smallest set satisfying the conditions 1° and 2°.
- b. $P \in D(M)$ iff $MP' \in M$ where P' is the formula obtained from P by elimination the symbols \rightarrow_d and \wedge_d according to their definitions.

In this notation $D(S5) = D_2$. The following theorem results from the Corollary 1 and Definition 3:

THEOREM 2. For every modal system M such that $S4 \subseteq M \subseteq S5$, $D(M) = D_2$.

In this way there arises the problem: For what different modal system M , $D(M) = D_2$?

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