

$f(x)$ speedup if S can simulate T with an increase in size $f(x)$. We will also, following Reckhow [13] and Urquhart [18] name two proof systems polynomially equivalent (p-equivalent), if they polynomially simulate one another.

1.2. Survey of previous results

We will now give a short overview of previous results on simulation of various proof systems. It is noteworthy, however, to say that simulation of various kinds of natural deduction and, more importantly, of speedups provided by ones over others is not very well researched, since most papers consider such systems as analytical tableaux (cf. [14]), resolution (cf. [15]), Frege systems and their various extensions.

It is noteworthy to mention that all results considering simulations of various proof systems can be, according to D'Agostino [5], divided into two kinds: it is either proven that one system p-simulates another (in this case simulation procedure as well as speedup are provided), or it is proven that f (see Definition 2) has super-polynomial lower bound (in this case lower bound is presented).

The main result in the field is due to Reckhow [13]: it was shown that all natural calculi, Gentzen-style calculi with cut rule and Frege systems p-simulate each other independently of connectives they use, provided they are sound and complete. This allows us not to prove that our systems **can** simulate one another polynomially.

Another result we are going to use extensively in the present paper is due to S.R. Buss and M.L. Bonnet [1]. They investigate speedups provided by different proof systems, including $nd\mathcal{F}$, $d\mathcal{F}$, PKT, PKT* and ND. Their results are presented in the figure 1.

Simulation of Gentzen systems is investigated much better. Main results are due to Urquhart.

1. It is shown in [16] that Gentzen systems with cut p-simulate cut-free Gentzen systems but reverse p-simulation is impossible.
2. It is shown in [17] that, although tree-like resolution (cf. [15]) p-simulates tree-like³ Gentzen systems without cut, reverse simulation is impossible. On the other hand, dag-like Gentzen systems without cut are p-equivalent to resolution.
3. It is, furthermore, shown in [18] that tree-like Gentzen systems without cut are p-equivalent to analytic tableaux described in [14] but

³ A Gentzen system is called tree-like if all sequents are counted.

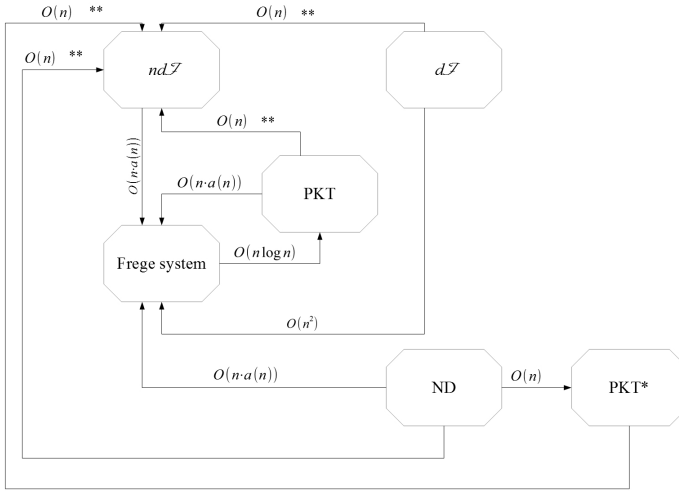


Figure 1. ** — for proofs wherein no line is used as a hypothesis of a rule of inference more than once; a is inverse Ackermann function

cannot p-simulate truth tables and reverse simulation is impossible either. Another important result is that tree-like Gentzen systems without cut cannot p-simulate dag-like Gentzen systems without cut.

It is also important to mention the paper by Finger [6] wherein was proved that dag-like Gentzen systems without cut but with substitution rule linearly simulate tree-like Gentzen systems with cut.

Another important result is mentioned by Cook and Nguyen in [3] and attributed to Krajíček [10]. He shows that tree-like Gentzen systems with cut p-simulate dag-like Gentzen systems with cut.

2. Simulation of natural deduction

In this section we prove some theorems that provide speedups of one natural deduction system over another.

THEOREM 1. $\Gamma \mid \frac{nd\mathcal{F}}{n} A \Rightarrow \Gamma \mid \frac{d\mathcal{F}}{O(n)} A$

PROOF. The proof is straightforward, since every instance of axiom schema and every hypothesis in $nd\mathcal{F}$ -derivation remain w.l.o.g. an axiom and hypothesis respectively in $d\mathcal{F}$ -derivation, every instance of mp_n and dr_n become an instance of mp_g and dr_g respectively. \square



THEOREM 2. $\Gamma \mid \frac{d\mathcal{F}}{n} D \Rightarrow \Gamma \mid \frac{nd\mathcal{F}}{O(n^2)} D$

PROOF. We prove this theorem with the method used by Buss and Bonnet in [1] in their proof of Theorem 4.

Recall that every line in a $d\mathcal{F}$ -derivation is a sequent of the form $\Gamma \vDash D$. Suppose, we have a $d\mathcal{F}$ -proof π_g of a sequent $\Gamma \vDash D$ of length n . This means that $d\mathcal{F}$ -derivation is actually the following sequence

$$\Gamma_1 \vDash A_1, \dots, \Gamma_n \vDash A_n \equiv \Gamma \vDash D$$

Our simulation goes as follows. We first substitute each sequent $\Gamma_i \vDash A_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$) for the formula $\bigwedge \Gamma_i \supset A_i$ with $\bigwedge \Gamma_i$ denoting conjunction of all formulas in Γ_i ordered and associated arbitrarily. This gives us the following sequence π' :

$$\bigwedge \Gamma_1 \supset A_1, \dots, \bigwedge \Gamma_n \supset A_n \quad (1)$$

It is important to note that since $d\mathcal{F}$ is complete, all formulas in (1) are tautologies. However, π' is not a valid $nd\mathcal{F}$ -proof, which means that we have to show by induction on n that we can fill in every gap in no more than $O(n)$ steps. The proof splits into four cases depending on how $\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ was inferred.

CASE 2.1. $\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ is an assumption or hypothesis.

In this case $\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ has the form $A_n \vDash A_n$ and becomes $A_n \supset A_n$ in π' . One can prove $A_n \supset A_n$ in $nd\mathcal{F}$ in a constant number of steps.

CASE 2.2. $\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ is an instance of an axiom schema.

$\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ has the form $\vDash A_n$ and becomes A_n in $nd\mathcal{F}$ -derivation with A_n being an axiom schema. Since $d\mathcal{F}$ and $nd\mathcal{F}$ use the same axiom schemata, we prove A_n in $nd\mathcal{F}$ in one step by simply writing it down.

CASE 2.3. $\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ is inferred by mp_g .

This means that $\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ has the form $\Gamma_n \vDash B$ and there are two such sequents, namely $\Gamma_{n_1} \vDash A$ and $\Gamma_{n_2} \vDash A \supset B$, that $n_1, n_2 < n$ and $\Gamma_{n_1} \cup \Gamma_{n_2} = \Gamma_n$. These sequents become $\bigwedge \Gamma_n \supset B$, $\bigwedge \Gamma_{n_1} \supset A$, and $\bigwedge \Gamma_{n_2} \supset (A \supset B)$ in π' respectively. We fill in the gap as follows.



$$\begin{array}{l}
\vdots \\
\wedge \Gamma_{n_1} \supset A \\
\vdots \\
\wedge \Gamma_{n_2} \supset (A \supset B) \\
\left[\begin{array}{l}
\wedge \Gamma_n - \text{assumption} \\
\vdots (*) \\
\wedge \Gamma_{n_1} \\
A - mp_n \\
\vdots (*) \\
\wedge \Gamma_{n_2} \\
A \supset B - mp_n \\
B - mp_n
\end{array} \right. \\
\wedge \Gamma_n \supset B - dr_n
\end{array}$$

Let Γ_n contain m formulas, $\Gamma_{n_1} - m_1$ formulas, and $\Gamma_{n_2} - m_2$ formulas. It is clear that neither of these numbers is greater than n . One can show by induction on m that both $\wedge \Gamma_{n_1}$ and $\wedge \Gamma_{n_2}$ can be inferred from $\wedge \Gamma_n$ in $O(m)$ steps.

CASE 2.4. $\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ is inferred by dr_g .

$\Gamma_n \vDash A_n$ has the form $\Gamma_n \vDash A \supset B$ which becomes $\wedge \Gamma_n \supset (A \supset B)$ in π' . We, moreover, have $\Gamma_{n_1} \vDash B$ in π_g such that $n_1 < n$ and $\Gamma_n = \Gamma_{n_1} \setminus A$. $\Gamma_{n_1} \vDash B$ becomes $\wedge \Gamma_{n_1} \supset B$. We have two cases depending on whether A is in Γ_{n_1} .

CASE 2.4.1. $A \notin \Gamma_{n_1}$.

In this case $\Gamma_n = \Gamma_{n_1}$. We proceed as follows.

$$\begin{array}{l}
\vdots \\
\wedge \Gamma_{n_1} \supset B \\
\left[\begin{array}{l}
\wedge \Gamma_{n_1} - \text{assumption} \\
B - mp_n \\
\left[\begin{array}{l}
A - \text{assumption} \\
A \supset B - dr_n
\end{array} \right. \\
\wedge \Gamma_n \supset (A \supset B) - dr_n
\end{array} \right.
\end{array}$$

CASE 2.4.2. $A \in \Gamma_{n_1}$

Simulation goes as follows.



$$\begin{array}{l}
 \vdots \\
 \wedge \Gamma_{n_1} \supset B \\
 \left[\begin{array}{l}
 \wedge \Gamma_n - \text{assumption} \\
 \left[\begin{array}{l}
 A - \text{assumption} \\
 \vdots (*) \\
 \wedge \Gamma_{n_1} \\
 B - mp_n
 \end{array} \right. \\
 A \supset B - dr_n
 \end{array} \right. \\
 \wedge \Gamma_n \supset (A \supset B) - dr_n \text{ because } \Gamma_n = \Gamma_{n_1}
 \end{array}$$

Let Γ_n contain m formulas and $\Gamma_{n_1} - m_1$ formulas. It is clear that neither of these numbers is greater than n . One can show by induction on m that $\wedge \Gamma_{n_1}$ can be inferred from $\wedge \Gamma_n$ and A in $O(m)$ steps. \square

2.1. Fitch system

THEOREM 3. $\Gamma \mid_n^{nd\mathcal{F}} D \Rightarrow \Gamma \mid_{O(n)}^{\mathbf{F}} D$

PROOF. We prove this theorem by induction on n . Our induction hypothesis is as follows. **For any $m < n$ \mathbf{F} linearly simulates $nd\mathcal{F}$ so that all formulas occurring in an $nd\mathcal{F}$ derivation also occur in the \mathbf{F} derivation.**

The proof splits into four cases depending on how D was derived.

CASE 3.1. D is either an assumption or a member of Γ .

In this case D becomes an assumption or a member of Γ in the \mathbf{F} -derivation respectively.

CASE 3.2. D is an instance of an axiom schema.

In this case D can be proved in \mathbf{F} in a constant number of steps.

CASE 3.3. D is derived by mp_n .

In this case $D = B$ and $nd\mathcal{F}$ -derivation has one of the two following forms.

$$\left[\begin{array}{l}
 \vdots \\
 A \supset B \\
 \vdots \\
 A \\
 B - mp_n
 \end{array} \right. \quad \left[\begin{array}{l}
 \vdots \\
 A \supset B \\
 \vdots \\
 A \\
 B - mp_n
 \end{array} \right.$$



We proceed respectively as follows.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 A \supset B \quad \text{IH} \\
 \vdots \\
 A \quad \text{IH} \\
 \hline
 B \quad \supset\text{E}
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 A \supset B \quad \text{IH} \\
 \hline
 \begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 A \quad \text{IH} \\
 A \supset B \quad \text{R} \\
 \hline
 B \quad \supset\text{E}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

In both cases we derive A and $A \supset B$ by induction hypothesis and B by $\supset\text{E}$ in a constant number of steps. In the right case, however, we have to reiterate one of the hypotheses of $\supset\text{E}$ which takes us exactly one step.

CASE 3.4. D was derived by dr_n .

The proof of this case is straightforward since in both $nd\mathcal{F}$ and \mathbf{F} when dr_n (respectively $\supset\text{I}$) is applied, the last open assumption has to be closed. Hence, we simply substitute an instance of dr_n with an instance of $\supset\text{I}$. \square

THEOREM 4. $\Gamma \stackrel{\mathbf{F}}{\mid}_n D \Rightarrow \Gamma \stackrel{nd\mathcal{F}}{\mid}_{O(n)} D$.

PROOF. We prove the theorem by induction on n . The proof splits into cases, depending on how D was derived.

If D is a hypothesis or an assumption in \mathbf{F} -derivation, it becomes a hypothesis (resp. assumption) in $nd\mathcal{F}$ -derivation.

If D was reiterated, this simply means that it had already been derived earlier. Hence we obtain it by induction hypothesis.

Finally, D could be derived by one of the rules of inference. The only interesting case here would be rule $\vee\text{E}$ since we substitute all instances of $\supset\text{I}$ with dr_n and in all other cases we simply derive conclusion of a rule from its premises. This can be done in a constant number of steps because both $nd\mathcal{F}$ and \mathbf{F} are sound and complete. If D was derived by $\vee\text{E}$, \mathbf{F} -derivation has the following form.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 \hline
 A \vee B \\
 \hline
 \begin{array}{c}
 | \quad A \\
 \hline
 \vdots \\
 D \\
 | \quad B \\
 \hline
 \vdots \\
 D
 \end{array} \\
 D \qquad \vee E
 \end{array}$$

We proceed as follows.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 A \vee B \\
 \left[\begin{array}{l}
 A - \text{assumption} \\
 \vdots \\
 D - \text{by IH} \\
 A \supset D - dr_n
 \end{array} \right. \\
 \left[\begin{array}{l}
 B - \text{assumption} \\
 \vdots \\
 D - \text{by IH} \\
 B \supset D - dr_n
 \end{array} \right. \\
 \vdots \\
 D - \text{in a constant number of steps}
 \end{array}$$

As one can see, we have derived D in a constant number of steps. \square

2.2. Gentzen's natural deduction ND

THEOREM 5. $\Gamma \mid \frac{d_{\mathcal{F}}}{n} D \Rightarrow \Gamma \mid \frac{\text{ND}}{O(n)} D$.

PROOF. The proof is straightforward since each step in $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ -derivation is either an axiom which has an ND-proof of constant length, an assumption or member of Γ which remains an assumption or member of Γ in ND-derivation, or was derived by either mp_g or dr_g . We substitute an

instance of mp_g for FB $-\frac{A \quad A \supset B}{B}$ — and dr_g for FE $-\frac{[A]}{B}$ ⁴. We can do this since we aren't required to close the last open assumption in both $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ and ND. \square

THEOREM 6. $\Gamma \mid \frac{ND}{n} D \Rightarrow \Gamma \mid \frac{d_{\mathcal{F}}}{O(n)} D$.

PROOF. Recall that we assumed that ND has dag-like proofs. This means that we can following Reckhow [13] designate each step of the derivation of C from Γ as $\Delta \vDash A$ with Δ being the set of all open assumptions and formulas from Γ .

We need this convention because $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ proofs are sequences of sequents (cf. [1, P.691]), not trees of them so our simulation results won't be affected by the necessity of deriving one formula multiple times from same assumptions.

We prove the theorem by induction on n .

CASE 6.1 (Base case. $n = 1$).

If $n = 1$, D is either an assumption or a member of Γ . In both cases we have a $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ -derivation of exactly one line, namely, $D \vDash D$.

CASE 6.2 (Induction step.).

We suppose that for all $m < n$ if all occurrences of falsum are substituted for the fixed contradictory formula $-\!p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ simulates ND linearly so that every step occurring in the ND derivation, except for occurrences of falsum is present in the $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ derivation. Occurrences of \wedge are substituted with $p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$. We now need to show this for n . We have different cases depending on how D was derived.

The cases of all rules, except for

$$\text{OB: } \frac{A \vee B \quad \frac{[A] \quad [B]}{C} \quad C}{C}$$

and

$$\text{NE: } \frac{[A]}{\neg A}$$

are straightforward and will be omitted here.

⁴ $[A]$ means that assumption A is discharged.



CASE 6.2.1. D was derived by OB.

In this case $D = C$ and ND-derivation has the following form.

$$\text{OB: } \frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A \vee B \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \\ C \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [B] \\ \vdots \\ C \end{array}}{C}$$

Since ND derivations are dag-like, we can rewrite this derivation and get the following one.

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A \vDash A \\ \vdots \\ \Gamma_1, A \vDash C \\ B \vDash B \\ \vdots \\ \Gamma_2, B \vDash C \\ \vdots \\ \Gamma_3 \vDash A \vee B \\ \vdots \\ \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3 \vDash C \quad \text{OB} \end{array}$$

$$\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3 = \Gamma$$

Our simulation goes as follows.

$$\begin{array}{c} A \vDash A \\ \vdots \\ \Gamma_1, A \vDash C \quad \text{by IH} \\ B \vDash B \\ \vdots \\ \Gamma_2, B \vDash C \quad \text{by IH} \\ \vdots \\ \Gamma_3 \vDash A \vee B \quad \text{by IH} \\ \Gamma_1 \vDash A \supset C \quad dr_g \\ \Gamma_2 \vDash B \supset C \quad dr_g \\ \vdots \\ \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3 \vDash C \quad \text{in a constant number of steps} \end{array}$$

CASE 6.2.2. D was derived by NE.

In this case $D = \neg A$ and ND-derivation has the following form.

$$\text{NE: } \frac{\begin{array}{c} [A] \\ \vdots \end{array}}{\neg A}$$

Our simulation goes as follows.

$$\begin{array}{ll} A & \vDash A \\ & \vdots \\ \Gamma, A & \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1 & \text{by IH} \\ & \vdots \\ & \vDash (p_1 \wedge \neg p_1) \supset p_1 & \text{in a constant number of steps} \\ & \vDash (p_1 \wedge \neg p_1) \supset \neg p_1 & \text{in a constant number of steps} \\ \Gamma, A & \vDash p_1 & mp_g \\ \Gamma, A & \vDash \neg p_1 & mp_g \\ \Gamma & \vDash A \supset p_1 & dr_n \\ \Gamma & \vDash A \supset \neg p_1 & dr_n \\ & \vdots \\ & \vDash (A \supset p_1) \supset ((A \supset \neg p_1) \supset \neg A) & \text{in a constant number of steps} \\ \Gamma & \vDash (A \supset \neg p_1) \supset \neg A & mp_g \\ \Gamma & \vDash \neg A & mp_g \end{array}$$

In both cases we have derived D in a constant number of steps. \square

3. Simulation of Gentzen systems

In this section we will prove theorems considering pairwise simulation of $d\mathcal{F}$, PKT and PKT*. We start with theorem on simulation of PKT by $d\mathcal{F}$.

Once again, recall, that we assume our PKT and PKT* proofs to be dag-like, not tree-like. This lets us use one sequent many times without need to derive it multiple times. Note, also, that additive version of the cut rule is used.

LEMMA 1. Assume, we have a sequent $A_1, \dots, A_n \rightarrow C$. Then it takes no more than $O(n^2)$ steps of PKT proof to remove all repeated formulas from the antecedent.

PROOF. This statement can be easily proved since we need no more than $2n$ permutations and then one contraction for any repeated formula to be removed. \square

LEMMA 2. Assume, we have a sequent $A_1, \dots, A_n \rightarrow C$. Then we need no more than $O(m \cdot n)$ steps of PKT proof to augment its antecedent with m formulas in any order.

PROOF. Proof is straightforward since we only need to add m formulas and put them on their places which won't take more than n permutations for each formula. \square

THEOREM 7. $\Gamma \mid \frac{d\mathcal{F}}{n} D \Rightarrow \Gamma \mid \frac{\text{PKT}}{O(n^3)} D$.

PROOF. We will now prove the theorem by induction on n . The simulation goes as follows: every sequent $\Gamma_i \vDash A_i$ from $d\mathcal{F}$ -derivation becomes a sequent $\Gamma_i \rightarrow A_i$ with formulas in the antecedent bein in arbitrary order. We need to show that the gaps can be filled in in $O(n^2)$ steps.

An assumption or a member of Γ , i.e., the line of the form $A \vDash A$ becomes $A \rightarrow A$ which is an initial sequent. An axiom $\vDash A$ becomes $\rightarrow A$ which has a constant-length PKT-proof.

Sequents constituting mp_g $\left(\frac{\Gamma_1 \vDash A \supset B \quad \Gamma_2 \vDash A}{\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \vDash B} \right)$ rule of inference become $\Gamma_1 \rightarrow A \supset B$, $\Gamma_2 \rightarrow A$ and $\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B$ in PKT derivation. We show that third sequent can be derived in PKT from first and second ones in $O(n^2)$ steps.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 W_l \frac{\Gamma_2 \rightarrow A}{\Gamma_2 \rightarrow A, B} \\
 E_l \frac{\Gamma_2 \rightarrow B, A}{\Gamma_2 \rightarrow B, A} \quad W_l \frac{B \rightarrow B}{\Gamma_2, B \rightarrow B} \\
 \supset_l \frac{A \supset B, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B}{\Gamma_2 \rightarrow B, A} \\
 \vdots \\
 O(n^2) W_l \text{ and } E_l \frac{\Gamma_1 \rightarrow A \supset B}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow A \supset B} \quad W_l \text{ and } E_l \frac{A \supset B, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B} \\
 \text{Cut} \frac{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow A \supset B \quad \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B} \\
 O(n^2) E_l \text{ and } C_l \frac{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B}{\Gamma \rightarrow B}
 \end{array}$$

We use lemmas 1 and 2 to derive $\Gamma \rightarrow B$ from $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B$ and $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow A \supset B$ from $\Gamma_1 \rightarrow A \supset B$ respectively. It is also clear that we need $O(n)$ steps to derive $\Gamma_2, B \rightarrow B$ from $B \rightarrow B$ and $A \supset B, \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B$ from $A \supset B, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow B$.

Finally consider the case of $dr_g \left(\frac{\Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \setminus \{A\} \vdash A \supset B} \right)$. Sequents become $\Gamma \rightarrow B$ and $\Gamma \setminus \{A\} \rightarrow A \supset B$ in PKT derivation. We have two cases: $A \in \Gamma$ (left) and $A \notin \Gamma$ (right).

$$\leq n E_l \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\Gamma \rightarrow B}}{\frac{A, \Gamma \setminus \{A\} \rightarrow B}{\Gamma \setminus \{A\} \rightarrow A \supset B}} \quad \supset_r \frac{W_l \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\Gamma \rightarrow B}}{A, \Gamma \rightarrow B}}{\Gamma \rightarrow A \supset B}$$

□

THEOREM 8. $\Gamma \mid_n^{d_{\mathcal{F}}} D \Rightarrow \Gamma \mid_{O(n)}^{\text{PKT}^*} D$.

The proof is straightforward since we can see from the proof of Theorem 7 that if we don't count steps made by weakening, permutation and contraction rules (which in case of PKT* we don't), then we can fill every gap in a constant number of steps. □

We will finally prove that $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ linearly simulates PKT*. Since it is clear that PKT* linearly simulates PKT, it will also entail linear simulation of PKT by $d_{\mathcal{F}}$.

THEOREM 9. *If $\Gamma \mid_n^{\text{PKT}^*} D$, then there is such a subset $\Gamma' \subseteq \Gamma$ that $\Gamma' \mid_{O(n)}^{d_{\mathcal{F}}} D$.*

We prove this theorem the same way as Buss and Bonet proved Theorem 11 in [1]. We need the following lemma.

LEMMA 3. *If there is a PKT*-proof π_{PKT^*} of $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$ of length n , then there is such a subset $\Xi \subseteq (\Gamma \cup \neg\Delta)$ ($\neg\Delta$ denotes that every formula in Δ is negated), that there exists a $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ -proof $\pi_{d_{\mathcal{F}}}$ of a sequent $\Xi \vdash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ of length $O(n)$.*

CASE 3.1. Base case. $n = 1$. If the length of π_{PKT^*} is 1, then it consists only of an initial sequent, say, $A \rightarrow A$. It takes a constant number of steps to prove $A, \neg A \vdash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ in $d_{\mathcal{F}}$.

CASE 3.2. Induction step. We assume that for all $m < n$ there exists such a constant c that $\mid_{c \cdot m}^{d_{\mathcal{F}}} \Xi \vdash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ and prove lemma for n . The proof splits depending on how the last line of π_{PKT^*} was inferred. We will prove the most representative cases.

CASE 3.2.1. \neg_r . The end of π_{PKT^*} has the following form.



$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \neg_r \frac{A, \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, \neg A} \end{array}$$

By induction hypothesis there exist a $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ -proof $\pi'_{d_{\mathcal{F}}}$ of $\Xi' \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ ($\Xi' \subseteq (\{A\} \cup \Gamma \cup \neg\Delta)$) of length $c \cdot m$. We need to construct a $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ -proof $\pi_{d_{\mathcal{F}}}$ of $\Xi \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ ($\Xi \subseteq (\{\neg A\} \cup \Gamma \cup \neg\Delta)$) of length $O(n)$.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \neg\neg A & \vDash & \neg\neg A & \text{assumption} \\ \Xi & \vDash & \Xi & \text{assumptions} \\ & & \vdots & \\ \neg\neg A & \vDash & A & \text{in a constant number of steps} \\ & & \vdots & \\ \Xi & \vDash & p_1 \wedge \neg p_1 & \text{from } \pi'_{d_{\mathcal{F}}} \end{array}$$

CASE 3.2.2. \wedge_r . The end of π_{PKT^*} has the following form.

$$\wedge_r \frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, B \end{array}}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A \wedge B}$$

By induction hypothesis there exists a proof $\pi'_{d_{\mathcal{F}}}$ of length $c \cdot m$ containing both $\Xi_1 \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ ($\Xi_1 \subseteq (\{\neg A\} \cup \Gamma \cup \neg\Delta)$) and $\Xi_2 \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ ($\Xi_2 \subseteq (\{\neg B\} \cup \Gamma \cup \neg\Delta)$). We construct $d_{\mathcal{F}}$ -proof $\pi_{d_{\mathcal{F}}}$ of $\Xi \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ ($\Xi \subseteq (\{\neg(A \wedge B)\} \cup \Gamma \cup \neg\Delta)$) as follows.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \neg(A \wedge B) & \vDash & \neg(A \wedge B) & \text{assumption} \\ \Xi & \vDash & \Xi & \text{assumptions} \\ & & \vdots & \\ \neg(A \wedge B) & \vDash & \neg A \vee \neg B & \text{in a constant number of steps} \\ & & \vdots & \\ \Xi_1 & \vDash & p_1 \wedge \neg p_1 & \text{from } \pi'_{d_{\mathcal{F}}} \\ \Xi_2 & \vDash & p_1 \wedge \neg p_1 & \text{from } \pi'_{d_{\mathcal{F}}} \\ \Xi_1 \setminus \{A\} & \vDash & \neg A \supset (p_1 \wedge \neg p_1) & dr_g \\ \Xi_2 \setminus \{B\} & \vDash & \neg B \supset (p_1 \wedge \neg p_1) & dr_g \\ & & \vdots & \\ \Xi \setminus \{\neg(A \wedge B)\} & \vDash & (\neg A \vee \neg B) \supset (p_1 \wedge \neg p_1) & \text{in a constant number of steps} \\ \Xi & \vDash & (p_1 \wedge \neg p_1) & mp_g \end{array}$$



CASE 3.2.3. *Cut*. The end of π_{PKT^*} has the following form.

$$\text{Cut} \frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A, \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta \end{array}}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}$$

By induction hypothesis there exists a $d\mathcal{F}$ -proof $\pi'_{d\mathcal{F}}$ of length $c \cdot m$ containing both $\Xi_1 \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ ($\Xi_1 \subseteq (\Gamma \cup \neg\Delta \cup \{\neg A\})$) and $\Xi_2 \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ ($\Xi_2 \subseteq (\Gamma \cup \neg\Delta \cup \{A\})$). We construct the proof of $\Xi \vDash p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$ ($\Xi \subseteq (\Gamma \cup \neg\Delta)$) as follows.

$\neg A$	\vDash	$\neg A$	assumption
A	\vDash	A	assumption
$\Xi \setminus \{A, \neg A\}$	\vDash	$\Xi \setminus \{A, \neg A\}$	assumptions
	\vdots		
Ξ_1	\vDash	$p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$	from $\pi'_{d\mathcal{F}}$
Ξ_2	\vDash	$p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$	from $\pi'_{d\mathcal{F}}$
Ξ	\vDash	$A \supset (p_1 \wedge \neg p_1)$	dr_g
Ξ	\vDash	$\neg A \supset (p_1 \wedge \neg p_1)$	dr_g
	\vdots		
	\vDash	$A \vee \neg A$	in a constant number of steps
	\vdots		
Ξ	\vDash	$p_1 \wedge \neg p_1$	in a constant number of steps

The result follows taking c not less than any constant number of steps in any case. \square

Theorem 9 follows by application of Lemma 13 from [1] and Theorem 1 to Lemma 3. \square

4. Concluding remarks

The results from this paper allow us to include \mathbf{F} in the scheme depicted on Figure 1. Combining our results with those from [1], we get the scheme depicted on Figure 2.

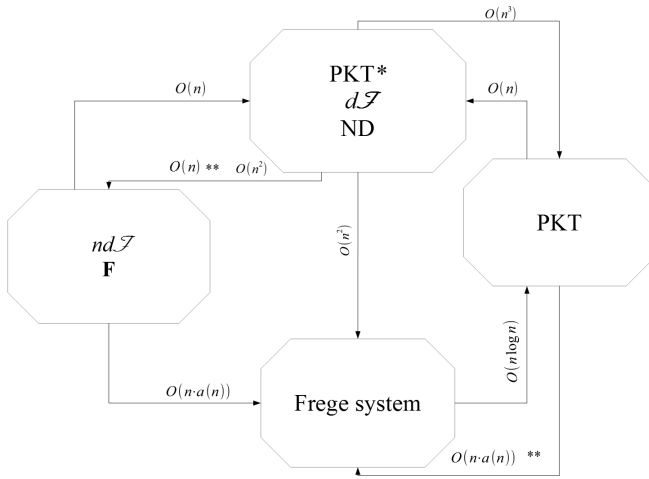


Figure 2. ** — for proofs wherein no line is used a hypothesis of a rule of inference more than once; a is inverse Ackermann function

It is noteworthy to mention that quadratic speedup of $d\mathcal{F}$ over $nd\mathcal{F}$ is due to deduction rule that allowed for exclusion of arbitrary assumption not the last open one. Contrary to that, necessity of reiteration of formulas does not lead to non-linear speedup of one calculus over another since we do not need to infer a formula once more.

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