

Sequence-Indexed Linear-Time Temporal Logic: Proof System and Application*

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Abstract

In this paper, we propose a proof system for reasoning on certain specifications of secure authentication systems. For this purpose, a new logic, sequence-indexed linear-time temporal logic (SLTL), is obtained semantically from standard linear-time temporal logic (LTL) by adding a sequence modal operator that represents a sequence of symbols. By this sequence modal operator, we can appropriately express message flows between clients and servers and states of servers in temporal reasoning. A Gentzen-type sequent calculus for SLTL is introduced, and the completeness and cut-elimination theorems for it are proved. SLTL is also shown to be PSPACE-complete and embeddable into LTL.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Comparison between LTL, SLTL, and CTLS*

Linear-time temporal logic (LTL) [1, 8] is known to be one of the most useful logics for temporal reasoning and system verification. In this paper, a new logic, *sequence-*

*This paper is an extended and refined version of the conference presentation [2].

indexed linear-time temporal logic (SLTL), is obtained from LTL by adding a sequence modal operator that represents a sequence of symbols. By this sequence modal operator we can appropriately express “sequential information” in temporal reasoning.

A sequence modal operator in temporal reasoning was studied by Kamide and Kaneiwa [3] based on *branching-time temporal logic*, CTLS*. This logic can suitably represent hierarchical tree structures where the sequence modal operator of CTLS* is applied to tree structures. CTLS* is, however, not appropriate for obtaining a proof-theoretical basis for temporal reasoning with sequential information. Indeed, it is difficult to construct a good proof system for CTLS* since the branching-time formalism is not suitable for obtaining a simple proof theory. A proof system such as a *Gentzen-type sequent calculus* with completeness and cut-elimination theorems has been required for developing foundations of automated temporal theorem proving with sequential information.

In this paper, we improve on the shortcoming for CTLS*, i.e., that it lacks a good proof theory. Compared with CTLS*, the SLTL logic introduced in this paper has the following advantages:

1. A natural and simple Gentzen-type sequent calculus, SLT_ω , also introduced in this paper
2. The completeness and cut-elimination theorems for SLT_ω hold
3. Some secure password authentication systems can suitably be specified and verified using SLT_ω .

SLTL thus allows us to obtain a good proof theory for temporal reasoning with sequential information.

1.2 Sequential Information and Sequence Modal Operator

The reason underlying the use of the notion of sequences in the sequence modal operator is explained below. The notion of sequences is fundamental for practical reasoning in computer science because it can appropriately represent sequences such as data, program-execution, action, time, word (character or alphabet), and DNA. This notion is thus useful for representing the notions of information, attributes, trees, orders, preferences, strings, vectors, and ontologies. Sequential information can appropriately be represented by sequences because a sequence structure gives a *monoid* $\langle M, ;, \emptyset \rangle$ with an *informational interpretation* [10]:

1. M is a set of pieces of (sequential, ordered or prioritized) information (i.e., a set of sequences),
2. $;$ is a binary operator (on M) that combines two pieces of information (i.e., a concatenation operator on sequences),

3. \emptyset is an empty piece of information (i.e., the empty sequence).

The sequence modal operator $[b]$ represents labels as “sequential information.” A formula of the form $[b_1 ; b_2 ; \dots ; b_n]\alpha$ intuitively means that “ α is true based on a sequence $b_1 ; b_2 ; \dots ; b_n$ of information pieces.” A formula of the form $[\emptyset]\alpha$, which coincides with α , also intuitively means that “ α is true without any information (i.e., it is an eternal truth in the sense of classical logic).” Simple and intuitive satisfaction relations by indexing sequences are required to formalize the sequence modal operator. These satisfaction relations are regarded as natural extensions of the standard satisfaction relation of classical logic. The proposed satisfaction relations, denoted as $\models^{\hat{d}}$, are indexed by a sequence \hat{d} , and the special case \models^{\emptyset} corresponds to the classical satisfaction relation. Then, $\models^{\hat{d}} \alpha$ means that “ α is true based on a sequence \hat{d} of information pieces” and $\models^{\emptyset} \alpha$ means that “ α is eternally true without any information.”

SLTL is obtained by adding a sequence modal operator to the standard linear-time temporal logic LTL. Because of the sequence modal and temporal operators, our proposed proof system is useful for reasoning on some specifications of secure authentication systems. In particular, the sequence modal and temporal operators can appropriately express message flows between clients and servers and states of servers on networks. The proof system is designed as a Gentzen-type sequent calculus for SLTL, together with the completeness and cut-elimination theorems for this calculus. We show the complexity result that reasoning for SLTL is PSPACE-complete.

1.3 Contents of This Paper

The contents of this paper are summarized as follows. Section 2 discusses some specifications of secure password authentication systems, which are based on SLTL. Section 3 introduces SLTL semantically, and a Gentzen-type sequent calculus, SLT_ω , is constructed for SLTL. In Section 4, some theorems for embedding SLTL into LTL are proved, and by using these embedding theorems, the cut-elimination and completeness theorems for SLT_ω are shown. SLTL is also shown to be PSPACE-complete. Section 5 concludes the paper.

2 Secure Password Authentications in SLTL

We provide an example of specifying secure password authentication on a network using SLTL. Consider a case in which two clients input their user ID and password to access a server on a network (as shown in Fig. 1). To access the server, each client must try to log in to the system in less than three attempts. As a password-protected system, a client that inputs an incorrect password for a user ID three times is locked out for 30 seconds, i.e., the client must wait 30 seconds to try again. If a client inputs an incorrect user ID, the server system counts the number of attempts

for the incorrect user ID. Each client can log in to the server via a correct user ID and password when it is not locked out. In our approach, sequence modal operators $[b_1 ; b_2 ; \dots ; b_n]$ in SLTL can be used to express the specifications of secure password authentications and the behaviors of clients and servers. For the specifications, SLTL can determine whether a client has successfully logged in to the server.

Let c_i and s respectively denote a client and a server. We use SLTL formulas $[b_1 ; b_2 ; \dots ; b_n]\alpha$ to represent message flows and server states. By using the sequence modal operators, the SLTL formula $[c_i ; s]\alpha$ indicates that client c has sent a message α to server s . The SLTL formula $[s ; c_i]\alpha$ implies that server s returns a message α to client c_i . Accordingly, the sequence modal operators $[c_i ; s]$ and $[s ; c_i]$ represent the orders of message flows between client c_i and server s .

c_i : client i
 s : server
 $[c_i ; s]\alpha$: message flows from client c_i to server s
 $[s ; c_i]\alpha$: message flows from server s to client c_i
 $[s]\beta$: states of server s

In addition, the SLTL formula $[s]\beta$ implies that server s has a state β .

For the above formulas, the messages α and states β are expressed by propositional variables. The messages of user IDs and passwords are specified by the following propositional variables.

u_i : user ID for client i
 p_i : password of user ID u_i
 iu_i : incorrect user ID for client i
 ip_i : incorrect password of user ID u_i

Moreover, the states of accept, reject, and lockout are expressed by the following propositional variables.

a_i : accept for user ID u_i
 r_i : reject for lockout of user ID u_i
 ir_i : reject for an incorrect password of user ID u_i
 l_i : lockout for client i

Let $i \in \{1, 2\}$, and let X (next), G (always), and F (eventually) be temporal operators in SLTL formulas. The protocol rules of a secure password authentication system are described using SLTL formulas as follows:

(Accept Rule)
 $R1 : G(\neg[s]l \wedge [c_i ; s](u_i \wedge p_i)) \rightarrow X[s ; c_i]a_i,$
 (Lockout Rule)
 $R2 : G([s ; c_i]ir_i \rightarrow GX([s ; c_i]ir_i \rightarrow GX([s ; c_i]ir_i \rightarrow X^1[s]l_i \wedge \dots \wedge X^{30}[s]l_i))),$

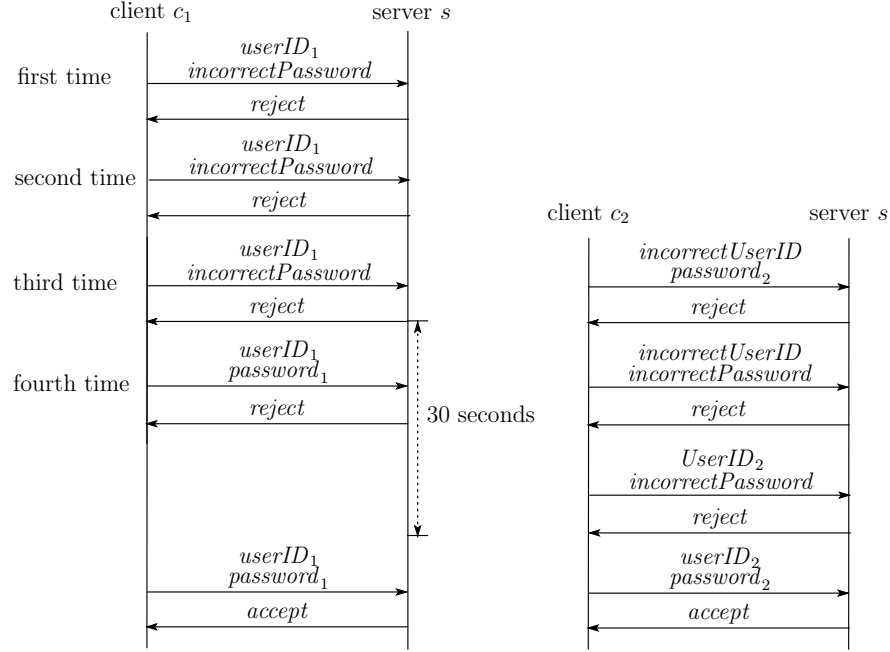


Figure 1: Message flow during successful and failed logins

(Reject Rule)

$$R3 : G([c_i ; s](iu_i \wedge p_i)) \rightarrow X[s ; c_i]r_i),$$

$$R4 : G(\neg[s]l_i \wedge [c_i ; s](u_i \wedge p_i) \rightarrow X[s ; c_i]ir_i),$$

$$R5 : G([c_i ; s](iu_i \wedge ip_i) \rightarrow X[s ; c_i]r_i),$$

$$R6 : G([s]l_i \wedge [c_i ; s](u_i \wedge ip_i) \rightarrow X[s ; c_i]r_i).$$

The formula $X\alpha$ indicates that α is true in the next interval $(0, 1] = \{x \mid 0 < x \leq 1\}$ of seconds. The formula $G\alpha$ (resp. $F\alpha$) indicates that α is true in every future interval (resp. some future interval).

We describe a case of attempts made by a client to login to the server system. Fig. 1 shows examples of message flows between two clients c_1 and c_2 and server s . On the left-hand side of the figure, client c_1 sends pairs of user ID and password to the server system s .

$$A1 : X(\neg[s]l_1 \wedge [c_1 ; s](u_1 \wedge p_1)),$$

$$A2 : X^3(\neg[s]l_1 \wedge [c_1 ; s](u_1 \wedge p_1)),$$

$$A3 : X^5(\neg[s]l_1 \wedge [c_1 ; s](u_1 \wedge p_1)),$$

$$A4 : X^{15}[c_1 ; s](u_1 \wedge p_1).$$

The formulas $A1$, $A2$, and $A3$ represent the three attempts of client c_1 's logging in when no correct passwords are input. The formula $A4$ expresses the fourth attempt

of the logging in when the pair of a correct user ID and password is input. However, the fourth attempt cannot be accepted by the server system because the client is locked out.

In order to infer the state of lockout in server s , using the proof system SLT_ω for SLTL (defined in Definition 3.7), we consider the validity of the SLTL formula

$$X^{15}[s]l_1$$

that implies that server s locks out client c_1 at the 15th interval. On the basis of the abovementioned specifications and assumptions, this proof system can prove the formula $X^{15}[s]l_1$ as shown in the following proof-figure. We assume the following abbreviations:

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &\equiv X[s]l_1 \wedge X^2[s]l_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge X^{30}[s]l_1, \\ S_2 &\equiv [s ; c_1]ir_1 \rightarrow S_1, \\ S_3 &\equiv [s ; c_1]ir_1 \rightarrow \text{GX}S_2, \\ S_4 &\equiv [s ; c_1]ir_1 \rightarrow \text{GX}S_3. \end{aligned}$$

In order to decide the validity of the formula $X^{15}[s]l_1$, a proof of the required sequent:

$$R2, R4, A1, A2, A3 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1$$

is obtained as follows:

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{X^{15}[s]l_1 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1}{X^6(X[s]l_1 \wedge X^9[s]l_1) \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1} (\wedge\text{left}1^s) \\ \vdots (\wedge\text{left}1^s), (\wedge\text{left}2^s) \\ \vdots R_3 \quad \frac{X^6S_1 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1}{X^6S_2, R4, A3 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1} (\rightarrow\text{left}^s) \\ \vdots R_2 \quad \frac{\frac{X^4\text{GX}S_2, R4, A3 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1}{X^4S_3, R4, A3, A2 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1} (\text{Gleft}^s)}{X^2\text{GX}S_3, R4, A3, A2 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1} (\rightarrow\text{left}^s)}{X^2S_4, R4, A3, A2, A1 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1} (\text{Gleft}^s)} \\ \vdots R_1 \quad \frac{\frac{X^2S_4, R4, A3, A2, A1 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1}{R2, R4, A3, A2, A1 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1} (\text{Gleft}^s)}{R2, R4, A3, A2, A1 \Rightarrow X^{15}[s]l_1} (\text{Gleft}^s)} \end{array}$$

where R_1 is of the form:

$$\frac{\frac{A1 \Rightarrow A1 \quad X^2[s ; c_1]ir_1 \Rightarrow X^2[s ; c_1]ir_1}{X(\neg[s]l_1 \wedge [c_1 ; s](u_1 \wedge p) \rightarrow X[s ; c_1]ir_1), A1 \Rightarrow X^2[s ; c_1]ir_1} (\rightarrow\text{left}^s)}{R4, A1 \Rightarrow X^2[s ; c_1]ir_1} (\text{Gleft}^s),$$

R_2 is of the form:

$$\frac{\frac{A2 \Rightarrow P2 \quad X^4[s ; c_1]ir_1 \Rightarrow X^4[s ; c_1]ir_1}{X^3(\neg[s]l_1 \wedge [c_1 ; s](u_1 \wedge p) \rightarrow X[s ; c_1]ir_1), A2 \Rightarrow X^4[s ; c_1]ir_1} (\rightarrow\text{left}^s)}{R4, A2 \Rightarrow X^4[s ; c_1]ir_1} (\text{Gleft}^s)$$

and R_3 is of the form:

$$\frac{\frac{A3 \Rightarrow A3 \quad X^6[s ; c_1]ir_1 \Rightarrow X^6[s ; c_1]ir_1}{X^5(\neg[s]l_1 \wedge [c_1 ; s](u_1 \wedge p) \rightarrow X[s ; c_1]ir_1), A3 \Rightarrow X^6[s ; c_1]ir_1} (\rightarrow\text{left}^s)}{R4, A3 \Rightarrow X^6[s ; c_1]ir_1} (\text{Gleft}^s).$$

3 Sequence-Indexed Linear-Time Temporal Logic

In this section, we formalize the SLTL for reasoning on certain specifications of secure authentication systems.

3.1 Semantics

In this subsection, firstly, we present a semantical definition of LTL, and secondly, we introduce SLTL by extending LTL with a sequence modal operator.

Formulas of LTL are constructed from countably many propositional variables, \rightarrow (implication), \wedge (conjunction), \vee (disjunction), \neg (negation), X (next), G (globally), and F (eventually). Lower-case letters p, q, \dots are used to denote propositional variables, and Greek lower-case letters α, β, \dots are used to denote formulas. We write $A \equiv B$ to indicate the syntactical identity between A and B . The symbol ω is used to represent the set of natural numbers. Lower-case letters i, j and k are used to denote any natural numbers. The symbol \geq or \leq is used to represent a linear order on ω .

Definition 3.1 (LTL) *Let S be a non-empty set of states. A structure $M := (\sigma, I)$ is a model if*

1. σ is an infinite sequence s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots of states in S ,
2. I is a mapping from the set Φ of propositional variables to the power set of S .

A satisfaction relation $(M, i) \models \alpha$ for any formula α , where M is a model (σ, I) and $i \in \omega$ represents some position within σ , is defined inductively by

1. for any $p \in \Phi$, $(M, i) \models p$ iff $s_i \in I(p)$,
2. $(M, i) \models \alpha \wedge \beta$ iff $(M, i) \models \alpha$ and $(M, i) \models \beta$,
3. $(M, i) \models \alpha \vee \beta$ iff $(M, i) \models \alpha$ or $(M, i) \models \beta$,

4. $(M, i) \models \alpha \rightarrow \beta$ iff $(M, i) \models \alpha$ implies $(M, i) \models \beta$,
5. $(M, i) \models \neg \alpha$ iff $\text{not-}[(M, i) \models \alpha]$,
6. $(M, i) \models X\alpha$ iff $(M, i + 1) \models \alpha$,
7. $(M, i) \models G\alpha$ iff $\forall j \geq i [(M, j) \models \alpha]$,
8. $(M, i) \models F\alpha$ iff $\exists j \geq i [(M, j) \models \alpha]$.

A formula α is valid in LTL if $(M, 0) \models \alpha$ for any model $M := (\sigma, I)$.

Formulas of SLTL are constructed from countably many propositional variables, $\rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, \neg, X, G, F$, and $[b]$ (sequence modal operator) where b is a sequence. Sequences are constructed from countable atomic sequences, \emptyset (empty sequence) and $;$ (composition). Lower-case letters b, c, \dots are used for sequences. An expression $[\emptyset]\alpha$ means α , and expressions $[\emptyset ; b]\alpha$ and $[b ; \emptyset]\alpha$ mean $[b]\alpha$.

Definition 3.2 *Formulas and sequences are defined by the following grammar, assuming p and e represent propositional variables and atomic sequences, respectively:*

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &::= p \mid \alpha \wedge \alpha \mid \alpha \vee \alpha \mid \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \mid \neg \alpha \mid X\alpha \mid G\alpha \mid F\alpha \mid [b]\alpha \\ b &::= e \mid \emptyset \mid b ; b \end{aligned}$$

The set of sequences (including \emptyset) is denoted as SE. An expression $[\hat{d}]$ is used to represent $[d_0][d_1] \cdots [d_i]$ with $i \in \omega$ and $d_0 \equiv \emptyset$. Note that $[\hat{d}]$ can be the empty sequence. Also, an expression \hat{d} is used to represent $d_0 ; d_1 ; \cdots ; d_i$ with $i \in \omega$.

Definition 3.3 (SLTL) *Let S be a non-empty set of states. A structure $M := (\sigma, \{I^{\hat{d}}\}_{\hat{d} \in \text{SE}})$ is a sequence model if*

1. σ is an infinite sequence s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots of states in S ,
2. $I^{\hat{d}}$ ($\hat{d} \in \text{SE}$) are mappings from the set Φ of propositional variables to the power set of S .

Satisfaction relations $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha$ ($\hat{d} \in \text{SE}$) for any formula α , where M is a sequence model $(\sigma, \{I^{\hat{d}}\}_{\hat{d} \in \text{SE}})$ and $i \in \omega$ represents some position within σ , is defined inductively by

1. for any $p \in \Phi$, $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} p$ iff $s_i \in I^{\hat{d}}(p)$,
2. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha \wedge \beta$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha$ and $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta$,
3. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha \vee \beta$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha$ or $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta$,
4. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha \rightarrow \beta$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha$ implies $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta$,

5. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \neg\alpha$ iff $\text{not-}[(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha]$,
6. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} X\alpha$ iff $(M, i + 1) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha$,
7. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} G\alpha$ iff $\forall j \geq i [(M, j) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha]$,
8. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} F\alpha$ iff $\exists j \geq i [(M, j) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha]$.
9. for any atomic sequence e , $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} [e]\alpha$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} ; e \alpha$,
10. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} [b ; c]\alpha$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} [b][c]\alpha$.

A formula α is valid in SLTL if $(M, 0) \models^{\emptyset} \alpha$ for any sequence model $M := (\sigma, \{I^{\hat{d}}\}_{\hat{d} \in SE})$.

Remark that \models^{\emptyset} of SLTL includes \models of LTL, and hence SLTL is an extension of LTL.

Proposition 3.4 *The following clauses hold for any formula α and any sequences c and \hat{d} ,*

1. $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} [c]\alpha$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} ; c \alpha$,
2. $(M, i) \models^{\emptyset} [\hat{d}]\alpha$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha$.

Proof. Since (2) is derived from (1), we show only (1) below. (1) is proved by induction on c .

Case ($c \equiv \emptyset$): Obvious.

Case ($c \equiv e$ for an atomic sequence e): By the definition of $\models^{\hat{d}}$.

Case ($c \equiv b_1 ; b_2$): $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} [b_1 ; b_2]\alpha$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} [b_1][b_2]\alpha$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} ; b_1 [b_2]\alpha$ (by induction hypothesis) iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} ; b_1 ; b_2 \alpha$ (by induction hypothesis). \blacksquare

An expression $\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta$ means $(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \rightarrow \alpha)$.

Proposition 3.5 *The following formulas are valid in SLTL: for any formulas α and β and any $b, c \in SE$,*

1. $[b](\alpha \circ \beta) \leftrightarrow ([b]\alpha) \circ ([b]\beta)$ where $\circ \in \{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$,
2. $[b](\#\alpha) \leftrightarrow \#[b]\alpha$ where $\# \in \{\neg, X, G, F\}$,
3. $[b ; c]\alpha \leftrightarrow [b][c]\alpha$.

3.2 Sequent Calculus

In this subsection, firstly, we present a sequent calculus for LTL, and secondly, we introduce a sequent calculus for SLTL.

Greek capital letters Γ, Δ, \dots are used to represent finite (possibly empty) sets of formulas. An expression $X^i\alpha$ for any $i \in \omega$ is defined inductively by $X^0\alpha \equiv \alpha$ and $X^{n+1}\alpha \equiv X^nX\alpha$. An expression of the form $\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$ is called a *sequent*. An expression $L \vdash S$ is used to denote the fact that a sequent S is provable in a sequent calculus L . A rule R of inference is said to be *admissible* in a sequent calculus L if the following condition is satisfied: for any instance

$$\frac{S_1 \cdots S_n}{S}$$

of R , if $L \vdash S_i$ for all i , then $L \vdash S$.

Kawai's sequent calculus LT_ω [7] for LTL is presented below.

Definition 3.6 (LT_ω) *The initial sequents of LT_ω are of the form: for any propositional variable p ,*

$$X^i p \Rightarrow X^i p.$$

The structural rules of LT_ω are of the form:

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \alpha \quad \alpha, \Sigma \Rightarrow \Pi}{\Gamma, \Sigma \Rightarrow \Delta, \Pi} \text{ (cut)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} \text{ (we-left)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \alpha} \text{ (we-right)}.$$

The logical inference rules of LT_ω are of the form:

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Sigma, X^i \alpha \quad X^i \beta, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi}{X^i(\alpha \rightarrow \beta), \Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \Sigma, \Pi} (\rightarrow\text{left}) \quad \frac{X^i \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i \beta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)} (\rightarrow\text{right})$$

$$\frac{X^i \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{X^i(\alpha \wedge \beta), \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\wedge\text{left1}) \quad \frac{X^i \beta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{X^i(\alpha \wedge \beta), \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\wedge\text{left2})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i \alpha \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i \beta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i(\alpha \wedge \beta)} (\wedge\text{right}) \quad \frac{X^i \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta \quad X^i \beta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{X^i(\alpha \vee \beta), \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\vee\text{left})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i \alpha}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i(\alpha \vee \beta)} (\vee\text{right1}) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i \beta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i(\alpha \vee \beta)} (\vee\text{right2})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i \alpha}{X^i \neg \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\neg\text{left}) \quad \frac{X^i \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i \neg \alpha} (\neg\text{right})$$

$$\frac{X^{i+k} \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{X^i G \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\text{Gleft}) \quad \frac{\{ \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^{i+j} \alpha \}_{j \in \omega}}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i G \alpha} (\text{Gright})$$

$$\frac{\{ X^{i+j} \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta \}_{j \in \omega}}{X^i F \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\text{Fleft}) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^{i+k} \alpha}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, X^i F \alpha} (\text{Fright}).$$

Remark that (Gright) and (Fleft) have infinite premises. The sequents of the form: $X^i\alpha \Rightarrow X^i\alpha$ for any formula α are provable in cut-free LT_ω . This fact can be proved by induction on the complexity of α . The cut-elimination and completeness theorems for LT_ω were proved by Kawai [7].

Prior to introduce a sequent calculus for SLTL, we have to introduce some notations. The symbol K is used to represent the set $\{X\} \cup \{[b] \mid b \in \text{SE}\}$, and the symbol K^* is used to represent the set of all words of finite length of the alphabet K . For example, $X^i[\hat{b}]X^j[\hat{c}]$ is in K^* . Remark that K^* includes \emptyset , and hence $\{\dagger\alpha \mid \dagger \in K^*\}$ includes α . An expression \sharp is used to represent an arbitrary member of K^* .

A sequent calculus SLT_ω for SLTL is then introduced below.

Definition 3.7 (SLT $_\omega$) *The initial sequents of SLT $_\omega$ are of the form: for any propositional variable p ,*

$$\sharp p \Rightarrow \sharp p.$$

The structural rules of SLT $_\omega$ are (cut), (we-left) and (we-right) in Definition 3.6. The logical inference rules of SLT $_\omega$ are of the form:

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Sigma, \sharp\alpha \quad \sharp\beta, \Delta \Rightarrow \Pi}{\sharp(\alpha \rightarrow \beta), \Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \Sigma, \Pi} (\rightarrow\text{left}^s) \quad \frac{\sharp\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp\beta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)} (\rightarrow\text{right}^s) \\ \\ \frac{\sharp\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\sharp(\alpha \wedge \beta), \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\wedge\text{left}1^s) \quad \frac{\sharp\beta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\sharp(\alpha \wedge \beta), \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\wedge\text{left}2^s) \\ \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp\alpha \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp\beta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp(\alpha \wedge \beta)} (\wedge\text{right}^s) \quad \frac{\sharp\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta \quad \sharp\beta, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\sharp(\alpha \vee \beta), \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\vee\text{left}^s) \\ \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp\alpha}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp(\alpha \vee \beta)} (\vee\text{right}1^s) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp\beta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp(\alpha \vee \beta)} (\vee\text{right}2^s) \\ \\ \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp\alpha}{\sharp\neg\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\neg\text{left}^s) \quad \frac{\sharp\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp\neg\alpha} (\neg\text{right}^s) \\ \\ \frac{\sharp X^k\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\sharp G\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\text{Gleft}^s) \quad \frac{\{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp X^j\alpha\}_{j \in \omega}}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp G\alpha} (\text{Gright}^s) \\ \\ \frac{\{\sharp X^j\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta\}_{j \in \omega}}{\sharp F\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\text{Fleft}^s) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp X^k\alpha}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp F\alpha} (\text{Fright}^s) \\ \\ \frac{\sharp[b]X\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\sharp X[b]\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\text{Xleft}) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp[b]X\alpha}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp X[b]\alpha} (\text{Xright}). \end{array}$$

The sequence inference rules of SLT $_\omega$ are of the form:

$$\frac{\sharp[b][c]\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\sharp[b ; c]\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (;\text{left}) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp[b][c]\alpha}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp[b ; c]\alpha} (;\text{right}).$$

The sequents of the form $\sharp\alpha \Rightarrow \sharp\alpha$ for any formula α are provable in cut-free SLT_ω . This fact can be proved by induction on the complexity of α .

Proposition 3.8 *The rules of the form:*

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{[b]\Gamma \Rightarrow [b]\Delta} \text{ (regu)} \quad \frac{\#X[b]\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\#[b]X\alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} \text{ (Xleft}^{-1}\text{)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \#X[b]\alpha}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \#[b]X\alpha} \text{ (Xright}^{-1}\text{)}$$

are admissible in cut-free SLT_ω .

Proof. We show only the case for (regu) by induction on the proofs P of $\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$ in cut-free SLT_ω . We distinguish the cases according to the last inference of P . We show some cases.

Case (\rightarrow left^s): The last inference of P is of the form:

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \Rightarrow \Delta_1, \#\alpha \quad \#\beta, \Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \Delta_2}{\#(\alpha \rightarrow \beta), \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \Delta_1, \Delta_2} (\rightarrow\text{left}).$$

By induction hypothesis, we have $\text{SLT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash [b]\Gamma_1 \Rightarrow [b]\Delta_1, [b]\#\alpha$ and $\text{SLT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash [b]\#\beta, [b]\Gamma_2 \Rightarrow [b]\Delta_2$. Then, we obtain the required fact:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ [b]\Gamma_1 \Rightarrow [b]\Delta_1, [b]\#\alpha \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ [b]\#\beta, [b]\Gamma_2 \Rightarrow [b]\Delta_2 \end{array}}{[b]\#(\alpha \rightarrow \beta), [b]\Gamma_1, [b]\Gamma_2 \Rightarrow [b]\Delta_1, [b]\Delta_2} (\rightarrow\text{left}^s).$$

Case (Gright^s): The last inference of P is of the form:

$$\frac{\{ \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta', \#X^j\alpha \}_{j \in \omega}}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta', \#G\alpha} (\text{Gright}^s).$$

By induction hypothesis, we have $\text{SLT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash [b]\Gamma \Rightarrow [b]\Delta', [b]\#X^j\alpha$ for all $j \in \omega$. Then, we obtain the required fact:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \{ [b]\Gamma \Rightarrow [b]\Delta', [b]\#X^j\alpha \}_{j \in \omega} \end{array}}{[b]\Gamma \Rightarrow [b]\Delta', [b]\#G\alpha} (\text{Gright}^s).$$

■

Remark that the rule (regu) in Proposition 3.8 is more expressive than the following standard inference rules for the normal modal logics K and KD:

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \alpha}{\bigcirc\Gamma \Rightarrow \bigcirc\alpha} \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \gamma}{\bigcirc\Gamma \Rightarrow \bigcirc\gamma}$$

where γ can be empty. Thus, the sequence modal operator $[b]$ in SLTL is stronger than the modal operators \bigcirc in K and KD.

An expression $\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta$ means the sequents $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ and $\beta \Rightarrow \alpha$.

Proposition 3.9 *The following sequents are provable in cut-free SLT_ω : for any formulas α and β and any $b, c \in \text{SE}$,*

1. $[b](\alpha \circ \beta) \Leftrightarrow ([b]\alpha) \circ ([b]\beta)$ where $\circ \in \{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$,
2. $[b](\#\alpha) \Leftrightarrow \#[b]\alpha$ where $\# \in \{\neg, X, G, F\}$,
3. $[b ; c]\alpha \Leftrightarrow [b][c]\alpha$.

Proof. We show only the case $[b]G\alpha \Rightarrow G[b]\alpha$ as follows:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \{ X^j [b]\alpha \Rightarrow X^j [b]\alpha \}_{j \in \omega} \\ \vdots \text{ (Xleft)} \\ \{ [b]X^j \alpha \Rightarrow X^j [b]\alpha \}_{j \in \omega} \end{array}}{\{ [b]G\alpha \Rightarrow X^j [b]\alpha \}_{j \in \omega}} \text{ (Gleft}^s) \\ \frac{\quad}{[b]G\alpha \Rightarrow G[b]\alpha} \text{ (Gright}^s).$$

■

4 Completeness, Complexity, and Cut-Elimination

Firstly, we introduce a translation of SLTL into LTL, and by using this translation, we show two theorems for semantically and syntactically embedding SLTL into LTL. As corollaries of these embedding theorems, we obtain the cut-elimination, completeness, and complexity theorems for SLT_ω (or SLTL).

Definition 4.1 *Let Φ be a non-empty set of propositional variables and $\Phi^{\hat{d}}$ be the set $\{p^{\hat{d}} \mid p \in \Phi\}$ ($\hat{d} \in \text{SE}$) of propositional variables where $p^{\emptyset} := p$ (i.e., $\Phi^{\emptyset} := \Phi$). The language \mathcal{L}^s (the set of formulas) of SLTL is defined using Φ , $[b]$, \wedge , \vee , \rightarrow , \neg , X , F , and G by the same way as in Definition 3.2. The language \mathcal{L} of LTL is obtained from \mathcal{L}^s by adding $\Phi^{\hat{d}}$ and deleting $[b]$.*

A mapping f from \mathcal{L}^s to \mathcal{L} is defined by:

1. for any $p \in \Phi$, $f([\hat{d}]p) := p^{\hat{d}} \in \Phi^{\hat{d}}$, esp., $f(p) = p \in \Phi^{\emptyset}$,¹
2. $f(\#(\alpha \circ \beta)) := f(\#\alpha) \circ f(\#\beta)$ where $\circ \in \{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow\}$,
3. $f(\#\dagger\alpha) := \dagger f(\#\alpha)$ where $\dagger \in \{\neg, X, G, F\}$,
4. $f(\#[b ; c]\alpha) := f(\#[b][c]\alpha)$.

Remark that we can derive the following clause for f :

5. $f(\#[b]X\alpha) := f(\#X[b]\alpha)$.

¹Remark that $f([b ; c]p) = p_b ; c = f([b][c]p)$ for any $b, c \in \text{SE}$.

Lemma 4.2 *Let f be the mapping defined in Definition 4.1, and S be a non-empty set of states. For any sequence model $M := (\sigma, \{I^{\hat{d}}\}_{\hat{d} \in \text{SE}})$ of SLTL, any satisfaction relations $\models^{\hat{d}}$ ($\hat{d} \in \text{SE}$) on M , and any state s_i in σ , we can construct a model $N := (\sigma, I)$ of LTL and a satisfaction relation \models on N such that for any formula α in \mathcal{L}^s ,*

$$(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha \text{ iff } (N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\alpha).$$

Proof. Let Φ be a non-empty set of propositional variables and $\Phi^{\hat{d}}$ be the set $\{p^{\hat{d}} \mid p \in \Phi\}$. Suppose that M is a sequence model $(\sigma, \{I^{\hat{d}}\}_{\hat{d} \in \text{SE}})$ where

$I^{\hat{d}}$ ($\hat{d} \in \text{SE}$) are mappings from Φ to the power set of S .

Suppose that N is a model (σ, I) where

I is a mapping from $\bigcup_{\hat{d} \in \text{SE}} \Phi^{\hat{d}}$ to the power set of S .

Suppose moreover that M and N satisfy the following condition: for any s_i in σ and any $p \in \Phi$,

$$s_i \in I^{\hat{d}}(p) \text{ iff } s_i \in I(p^{\hat{d}}).$$

Then, the lemma is proved by induction on the complexity of α .

• Base step:

Case $\alpha \equiv p \in \Phi$: We obtain: $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} p$ iff $s_i \in I^{\hat{d}}(p)$ iff $s_i \in I(p^{\hat{d}})$ iff $(N, i) \models p^{\hat{d}}$ iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]p)$ (by the definition of f).

• Induction step:

Case $\alpha \equiv \beta \wedge \gamma$: We obtain: $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta \wedge \gamma$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta$ and $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \gamma$ iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\beta)$ and $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\gamma)$ (by induction hypothesis) iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\beta) \wedge f([\hat{d}]\gamma)$ iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}](\beta \wedge \gamma))$ (by the definition of f).

Case $\alpha \equiv \beta \vee \gamma$: Similar to Case $\alpha \equiv \beta \wedge \gamma$.

Case $\alpha \equiv \beta \rightarrow \gamma$: We obtain: $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta \rightarrow \gamma$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta$ implies $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \gamma$ iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\beta)$ implies $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\gamma)$ (by induction hypothesis) iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\beta) \rightarrow f([\hat{d}]\gamma)$ iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}](\beta \rightarrow \gamma))$ (by the definition of f).

Case $\alpha \equiv \neg\beta$: We obtain: $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \neg\beta$ iff not- $[(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta]$ iff not- $[(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\beta)]$ (by induction hypothesis) iff $(N, i) \models \neg f([\hat{d}]\beta)$ iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\neg\beta)$ (by the definition of f).

Case $\alpha \equiv X\beta$: We obtain: $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} X\beta$ iff $(M, i+1) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta$ iff $(N, i+1) \models f([\hat{d}]\beta)$ (by induction hypothesis) iff $(N, i) \models Xf([\hat{d}]\beta)$ iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]X\beta)$ (by the definition of f).

Case $\alpha \equiv G\beta$: We obtain: $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} G\beta$ iff $\forall j \geq i [(M, j) \models^{\hat{d}} \beta]$ iff $\forall j \geq i [(N, j) \models f([\hat{d}]\beta)]$ (by induction hypothesis) iff $(N, i) \models Gf([\hat{d}]\beta)$ iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]G\beta)$ (by the definition of f).

Case $\alpha \equiv F\beta$: Similar to Case $\alpha \equiv G\beta$.

Case $(\alpha \equiv [b]\beta)$: $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} [b]\beta$ iff $(M, i) \models^{\hat{d}; b} \beta$ (by Proposition 3.4) iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}; b]\beta)$ (by induction hypothesis) iff $(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}][b]\beta)$ by the definition of f . \blacksquare

Lemma 4.3 *Let f be the mapping defined in Definition 4.1, and S be a non-empty set of states. For any model $N := (\sigma, I)$ of LTL, any satisfaction relation \models on N , and any state s_i in σ , we can construct a sequence model $M := (\sigma, \{I^{\hat{d}}\}_{\hat{d} \in \text{SE}})$ of SLTL and satisfaction relations $\models^{\hat{d}}$ ($\hat{d} \in \text{SE}$) on M such that for any formula α in \mathcal{L}^s ,*

$$(N, i) \models f([\hat{d}]\alpha) \text{ iff } (M, i) \models^{\hat{d}} \alpha.$$

Proof. Similar to the proof of Lemma 4.2. \blacksquare

Theorem 4.4 (Semantical embedding) *Let f be the mapping defined in Definition 4.1. For any formula α , α is valid in SLTL iff $f(\alpha)$ is valid in LTL.*

Proof. By Lemmas 4.2 and 4.3. \blacksquare

An expression $f(\Gamma)$ denotes the result of replacing every occurrence of a formula α in Γ by an occurrence of $f(\alpha)$.

Theorem 4.5 (Syntactical embedding) *Let Γ and Δ be sets of formulas in \mathcal{L}^s , and f be the mapping defined in Definition 4.1. Then:*

1. $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$ iff $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$.
2. $\text{SLT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$ iff $\text{LT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$.

Proof. Since the case (2) can be obtained as the subproof of the case (1), we show only (1) in the following. In the following proof, we assume that the total number of X in \sharp is i , and that the sequence which is obtained from \sharp by deleting all X is $[\hat{d}]$.

• (\Rightarrow): By induction on the proofs P of $\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$ in SLT_ω . We distinguish the cases according to the last inference of P , and show some cases.

Case $(\sharp p \Rightarrow \sharp p)$: The last inference of P is of the form: $\sharp p \Rightarrow \sharp p$. In this case, we obtain the required fact $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\sharp p) \Rightarrow f(\sharp p)$ since $f(\sharp p)$ coincides with $X^i p^{\hat{d}}$ by the definition of f .

Case $(\wedge \text{left}^s)$: The last inference of P is of the form:

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp \alpha \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp \beta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \sharp (\alpha \wedge \beta)} (\wedge \text{left}^s).$$

By induction hypothesis, we have: $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta), f(\# \alpha)$ and $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta), f(\# \beta)$ where $f(\# \alpha)$ and $f(\# \beta)$ respectively coincide with $X^i f([\hat{d}] \alpha)$ and $X^i f([\hat{d}] \beta)$ by the definition of f . Then, we obtain:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta), X^i f([\hat{d}] \alpha) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta), X^i f([\hat{d}] \beta) \end{array}}{f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta), X^i (f([\hat{d}] \alpha) \wedge f([\hat{d}] \beta))} \quad (\wedge\text{left})$$

where $X^i (f([\hat{d}] \alpha) \wedge f([\hat{d}] \beta))$ coincides with $f(\#(\alpha \wedge \beta))$ by the definition of f .

Case (Fleft^s): The last inference of P is of the form:

$$\frac{\{ \#X^j \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta \}_{j \in \omega}}{\#F \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} \quad (\text{Fleft}^s).$$

By induction hypothesis, we have: $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\#X^j \alpha), f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$ for any $j \in \omega$, where $f(\#X^j \alpha)$ coincides with $X^{i+j} f([\hat{d}] \alpha)$ by the definition of f . Then, we obtain:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \{ X^{i+j} f([\hat{d}] \alpha), f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta) \}_{j \in \omega} \end{array}}{X^i F f([\hat{d}] \alpha), f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)} \quad (\text{Fleft})$$

where $X^i F f([\hat{d}] \alpha)$ coincides with $f(\#F \alpha)$ by the definition of f .

Case (;left): The last inference of P is of the form:

$$\frac{\#[b][c] \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\#[b ; c] \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} \quad (;\text{left}).$$

By induction hypothesis, we obtain: $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\#[b][c] \alpha), f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$ where $f(\#[b][c] \alpha)$ coincides with $f(\#[b ; c] \alpha)$ by the definition of f .

Case (Xleft): The last inference of P is of the form:

$$\frac{\#[b]X \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\#[X[b] \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} \quad (\text{Xleft}).$$

By induction hypothesis, we obtain: $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\#[b]X \alpha), f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$ where $f(\#[b]X \alpha)$ coincides with $f(\#[X[b] \alpha)$ by the definition of f .

• (\Leftarrow): By induction on the proofs Q of $f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$ in LT_ω . We distinguish the cases according to the last inference of Q , and show only the following cases.

Case (cut): The last inference of Q is of the form:

$$\frac{f(\Gamma_1) \Rightarrow f(\Delta_1), \beta \quad \beta, f(\Gamma_2) \Rightarrow f(\Delta_2)}{f(\Gamma_1), f(\Gamma_2) \Rightarrow f(\Delta_1), f(\Delta_2)} \quad (\text{cut}).$$

Since β is in \mathcal{L} , we have the fact $\beta = f(\beta)$. This fact can be shown by induction on β . Then, by induction hypothesis, we have: $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash \Gamma_1 \Rightarrow \Delta_1, \beta$ and $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash$

$\beta, \Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \Delta_2$. We then obtain the required fact: $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \Rightarrow \Delta_1, \Delta_2$ by using (cut) in SLT_ω .

Case (Gleft): The last inference of Q is of the form:

$$\frac{X^{j+k} f(\# \alpha), f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)}{X^j G f(\# \alpha), f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)} \text{ (Gleft)}$$

where $X^{j+k} f(\# \alpha)$ and $X^j G f(\# \alpha)$ respectively coincide with $f(\# X^{j+k} \alpha)$ and $f(\# X^j G \alpha)$ by the definition of f . By induction hypothesis, we have: $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash \# X^{j+k} \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$, and hence obtain the required fact:

$$\frac{\vdots}{\# X^{j+k} \alpha, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} \text{ (Gleft}^s\text{)}.$$

■

Theorem 4.6 (Cut-elimination) *The rule (cut) is admissible in cut-free SLT_ω .*

Proof. Suppose $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$. Then, we have $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$ by Theorem 4.5 (1), and hence $\text{LT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$ by the cut-elimination theorem for LT_ω . By Theorem 4.5 (2), we obtain $\text{SLT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$. ■

Remark that in order to obtain Theorem 4.6, it is sufficient to prove the following restricted statements of Theorem 4.5:

1. if $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$, then $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$.
2. if $\text{LT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash f(\Gamma) \Rightarrow f(\Delta)$, then $\text{SLT}_\omega - (\text{cut}) \vdash \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$.

To show the second statement, we do not need to prove the case for (cut) as in Theorem 4.5. By these restricted statements and the cut-elimination theorem for SLT_ω , we can show Theorem 4.5 again.

Theorem 4.7 (Completeness) *For any formula α , $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash \Rightarrow \alpha$ iff α is valid in SLTL.*

Proof. $\text{SLT}_\omega \vdash \Rightarrow \alpha$ iff $\text{LT}_\omega \vdash \Rightarrow f(\alpha)$ (by Theorem 4.5) iff $f(\alpha)$ is valid in LTL (by the completeness theorem for LTL) iff α is valid in SLTL (by Theorem 4.4). ■

Theorem 4.8 (Complexity) *SLTL is PSPACE-complete.*

Proof. (Propositional) LTL (without until operator) is known to be PSPACE-complete [9]. By decidability of LTL, for each α , it is possible to decide if $f(\alpha)$ is valid in LTL. Then, by Theorem 4.4, SLTL is decidable. Since f is a polynomial-time reduction, SLTL is also PSPACE-complete. ■

5 Conclusions

The new logic, SLTL, was obtained semantically from LTL by adding a sequence modal operator $[b]$ that can appropriately represent sequential information. Gentzen-type sequent calculus SLT_ω for SLTL was constructed. The semantical and syntactical embedding theorems were proved. By using these embedding theorems, the cut-elimination and completeness theorems for SLT_ω were proved. SLTL is also shown to be PSPACE-complete. As an application of SLT_ω , some specifications of secure authentication systems were proposed. It was thus shown in this paper that SLT_ω provides a good proof theory for temporal reasoning with sequential information, and that SLT_ω is useful for specifying and verifying secure password authentication systems.

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