

# Refutation of Löwner (Loewner) order and quantum temporal logic

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**Abstract:** We evaluate the Löwner order  $\sqsubseteq$  for positive definite as the basis for quantum temporal logic (QTL). The operator is *not* tautologous. We also evaluate the semantics for QTL in three operators, also *not* tautologous. These form *non* tautologous fragments for both in the universal logic  $\forall\mathbb{L}4$ .

We assume the method and apparatus of Meth8/ $\forall\mathbb{L}4$  with Tautology as the designated proof value, **F** as contradiction, **N** as truthity (non-contingency), and **C** as falsity (contingency). The 16-valued truth table is row-major and horizontal, or repeating fragments of 128-tables, sometimes with table counts, for more variables. (See ersatz-systems.com.)

LET  $\sim$  Not,  $\neg$ ; + Or,  $\vee, \cup, \sqcup$ ; - Not Or; & And,  $\wedge, \cap, \square, \cdot, \otimes$ ; \ Not And;  
 $>$  Imply, greater than,  $\rightarrow, \Rightarrow, \mapsto, \succ, \supset, \Rightarrow$ ;  $<$  Not Imply, less than,  $\in, <, \subset, \neq, \neq, \ll, \lesssim$ ;  
 $=$  Equivalent,  $\equiv, :=, \Leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \stackrel{\Delta}{\approx}, \approx, \simeq$ ; @ Not Equivalent,  $\neq, \oplus$ ;  
 $\%$  possibility, for one or some,  $\exists, \diamond, M$ ; # necessity, for every or all,  $\forall, \square, L$ ;  
 $(z=z)$  **T** as tautology, **T**, ordinal 3;  $(z@z)$  **F** as contradiction,  $\emptyset, \text{Null}, \perp, \text{zero}$ ;  
 $(\%z\>\#z)$  **N** as non-contingency,  $\Delta$ , ordinal 1;  $(\%z\<\#z)$  **C** as contingency,  $\nabla$ , ordinal 2;  
 $\sim(y < x)$  ( $x \leq y$ ), ( $x \subseteq y$ ), ( $x \sqsubseteq y$ );  $(A=B)$  ( $A\sim B$ ).  
 Note for clarity, we usually distribute quantifiers onto each designated variable.

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 arxiv.org/pdf/1908.00158.pdf

## 2. Preliminaries

A Hermitian operator  $A$  is *positive semidefinite* (resp., *positive definite*) if for all vectors  $|\psi\rangle \in H$ ,  $\langle\psi|A|\psi\rangle \geq 0$  (resp.,  $> 0$ ). This gives rise to the *Löwner order*  $\sqsubseteq$  among operators:

$$A \sqsubseteq B \text{ if } B-A \text{ is positive semidefinite, } A \sqsubset B \text{ if } B-A \text{ is positive definite.} \quad (2.1.1.1, 2.1.2.1)$$

$$((B-A)\>(C@C))\>(A\<B); \quad \text{TTTT NNNN CCCC } \mathbf{FFFF} \quad (2.1.2.2)$$

**Remark 2.1.2.2:** Eq. 2.1.2.2 as rendered is *not* tautologous, hence refuting the Löwner order for positive definite.

## 4.2. Semantics for QTL [quantum temporal logic]

<sup>2</sup>For  $p, q \in AP$ ,  $p \vee q$  is the union of subspaces  $p$  and  $q$ ,  $p \vee q$  is not always in  $AP$ . (4.2.5.1.2)

$$\text{LET } p, q, r, s: p, q, A, P$$

$$((p\&q)\<(r\&s))\>\sim(\#((p+q)\<(r\&s))=(s=s));$$

$$\text{TTTC TTTC TTTC TTTT} \quad (4.2.5.1.2)$$

The additional logical operators are defined as follows:

$$\varphi \rightarrow \psi \equiv L(\varphi) \subset L(\psi) \quad (4.2.10.1)$$

$$\text{LET } p, q, r, s: \quad \varphi, L, r, \psi.$$

$$(p>s)=((q\&p)<(q\&s)) ; \quad \mathbf{FTFF \ FTFF \ FFFF \ FFFF} \quad (4.2.10.2)$$

$$\phi \leftrightarrow \psi \equiv (\psi \rightarrow \phi) \wedge (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \quad (4.2.11.1)$$

$$(p=s)=((s>p)\&(p>p)) ; \quad \mathbf{TFTF \ TFTF \ TTTT \ TTTT} \quad (4.2.11.2)$$

**Remark 4.2:** Eqs. 4.2.5.1.2, 4.2.10.2, and 4.2.11.2 are *not* tautologous. This refutes the semantics for QTL, and hence QTL.