

Frame Definability of First-Order Modal Logic

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Language of FOML

The FOML-Language τ contains the following symbols:

- 1 A countably infinite set of variables.
- 2 \neg, \wedge .
- 3 \exists .
- 4 \equiv .
- 5 A countably infinite set of constants.
- 6 A countably infinite set of n -ary predicates for each $n \geq 1$.
- 7 Modal operator \diamond

Formula

Definition (FOML-Formula)

$$\phi = P(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mid t_1 = t_2 \mid \neg\phi \mid \phi \wedge \psi \mid \exists x\phi \mid \diamond\phi$$

where P is an n -ary predicate and t_1, \dots, t_n are τ -terms.

- τ -terms and τ -atomic formulas are defined as in FOL.
- Bound and free variables of a formula are as usual.
- A τ -sentence is a formula without any free variable.

Constant Domain Model

Definition

A constant domain Kripke model is a quadruple $\mathfrak{M} = \langle W, R, D, I \rangle$, where

- W is a non-empty set of possible worlds.
- R is a binary relation on W .
- D is a non-empty set.
- - 1 $I(w, P) \subseteq D^n$ for $w \in W$ and each n -ary predicate P .
 - 2 $I(w, c) = I(w', c) \in D$, for each $w, w' \in W$ and each constant c .

Varying Domain Kripke Model

Definition

A varying domain Kripke model is a tuple $\mathfrak{M} = \langle W, R, D, I, \{D(w)\}_{w \in W} \rangle$, where

- $\langle W, R, D, I \rangle$ is a constant domain model.
- For each $w \in W$, $D(w) \neq \emptyset$ is a domain of w and $D = \bigcup_{w \in W} D(w)$.

We write $\mathfrak{M} = \langle W, R, D, I \rangle$ for short.

$\mathfrak{F} = \langle W, R \rangle$ and $\mathfrak{S} = \langle W, R, D \rangle$ are called *frame* and *skeleton* respectively.

(\mathfrak{M}, w) is called a *pointed model*.

An **assignment** is a function σ , assigning to each variable v an element $\sigma(v)$ in D .
 $\sigma(a/x)$ is an assignment which maps x to a and agrees with σ on all variables distinct from x .

$t^{\mathfrak{M}, \sigma}$ is the interpretation of t in \mathfrak{M} under the assignment σ .

Definition

Let \mathfrak{M} be a **varying domain model** and σ , for every $w \in W$ and every assignment σ , a τ -formula $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is satisfied at w with respect to σ is defined inductively as follows

$\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} t_1 = t_2$	\iff	$t_1^{\mathfrak{M}, \sigma} = t_2^{\mathfrak{M}, \sigma}$
$\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} P(t_1, \dots, t_n)$	\iff	$(t_1^{\mathfrak{M}, \sigma}, \dots, t_n^{\mathfrak{M}, \sigma}) \in I(w, P)$
$\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} \neg \phi$	\iff	$\mathfrak{M}, w \not\vDash_{\sigma} \phi$
$\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} \phi \wedge \psi$	\iff	$\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} \phi$ and $\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} \psi$
$\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} \exists x \phi(x)$	\iff	for some $a \in D(w)$, $\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma(a/x)} \phi(x)$
$\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} \diamond \phi$	\iff	for some $w' \in W$ with wRw' , $\mathfrak{M}, w' \vDash_{\sigma} \phi$

- A formula ϕ is valid in a model \mathfrak{M} , denoted by $\mathfrak{M} \vDash \phi$, if for every $w \in W$ and every σ , $\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash_{\sigma} \phi$.
- A formula ϕ is valid in a frame \mathfrak{F} (or a skeleton \mathfrak{S}) iff ϕ is valid in every model based on \mathfrak{F} (or \mathfrak{S}).

Two Remarks

- 1 If the satisfaction of predicates in any world is restricted to its domain, [2]p201[4] i.e. $P(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is true in w if and only if $a_i \in D(w)$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in I(w, P)$, then the sentence $\forall x \diamond (P(x) \vee \neg P(x))$ is not valid. a_i might not exist in $D(w)$, it does exist under alternative circumstances we are willing to consider, and consequently talk about a_i is meaningful [3]p102. We follow this and have such sentences valid in our semantics.
- 2 In a varying domain model \mathfrak{M} , $c^{\mathfrak{M}}$ might not necessarily belong to $D(w)$, for $w \in W$. Then the sentence $\exists x (x = c)$ is not valid in varying domain models.

We need to assume that in each w each constant c has the same interpretation, otherwise for example the sentence $c = c' \rightarrow \Box(c = c')$ is not valid.

Definition (Submodel, Elementary Submodel)

For two first-order Kripke models, we call \mathfrak{M} a **submodel** of \mathfrak{N} , denoted by $\mathfrak{M} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}$, if

- $\mathfrak{F}_{\mathfrak{M}}$ is a subframe of $\mathfrak{F}_{\mathfrak{N}}$.
- $D_{\mathfrak{M}}(w) \subseteq D_{\mathfrak{N}}(w)$, for each $w \in W_{\mathfrak{M}}$.
- $I_{\mathfrak{M}}(w, P) = I_{\mathfrak{N}}(w, P) \cap D_{\mathfrak{M}}^n$, for each $w \in W_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and each n -ary predicate P .
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The model \mathfrak{M} is an **elementary submodel** of \mathfrak{N} , denoted by $\mathfrak{M} \preceq \mathfrak{N}$, if $\mathfrak{M} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}$ and for each $w \in W_{\mathfrak{M}}$, $a_1, \dots, a_n \in D_{\mathfrak{M}}$ and each formula $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$,

$$\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \iff \mathfrak{N}, w \models \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

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Bisimulation

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Let \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{N} be two Kripke models. The relation $Z \subseteq (W_{\mathfrak{M}} \times D_{\mathfrak{M}}^*) \times (W_{\mathfrak{N}} \times D_{\mathfrak{N}}^*)$ is a **bisimulation** if for each $((w, \bar{a}), (v, \bar{b})) \in Z$ with $|\bar{a}| = |\bar{b}|$ the following three conditions hold:

- 1 for each atomic formulas $\phi(\bar{x})$, we have $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi(\bar{a})$ if and only if $\mathfrak{N}, v \models \phi(\bar{b})$.
- 2 (\diamond -forth) If $wR_{\mathfrak{M}}w'$, then there is $v' \in W_{\mathfrak{N}}$ such that $vR_{\mathfrak{N}}v'$ and $(w', \bar{a})Z(v', \bar{b})$.
 (\diamond -back) If $vR_{\mathfrak{N}}v'$, then there is $w' \in W_{\mathfrak{M}}$ such that $wR_{\mathfrak{M}}w'$ and $(w', \bar{a})Z(v', \bar{b})$.
- 3 (\exists -forth) If $c \in D_{\mathfrak{M}}(w)$, then there is $d \in D_{\mathfrak{N}}(v)$ with $(w, \bar{a}c)Z(v, \bar{b}d)$.
 (\exists -back) If $d \in D_{\mathfrak{N}}(v)$, then there is $c \in D_{\mathfrak{M}}(w)$ with $(w, \bar{a}c)Z(v, \bar{b}d)$.

$w\bar{a}$ and $v\bar{b}$ **bisimilar**, denoted by $(\mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}) \rightleftharpoons (\mathfrak{N}, v\bar{b})$, if there is a bisimulation Z between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{N} such that $(w, \bar{a})Z(v, \bar{b})$.

$(w, v) \in Z$ means $(w\lambda, v\lambda) \in Z$ where λ is the empty sequence in $D_{\mathfrak{M}}^*$ and $D_{\mathfrak{N}}^*$.

Proposition

Suppose $(\mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}) \Leftrightarrow (\mathfrak{N}, v\bar{b})$, then for any formula $\phi(\bar{x})$ with $|\bar{x}| = |\bar{a}| = |\bar{b}|$,
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Proof.

By induction on $\phi(\bar{x})$.

- The case $\phi(\bar{x})$ is atomic formula is imediate.
- $\phi(\bar{x}) = \neg\psi(\bar{x})$. $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \neg\psi(\bar{a}) \iff \mathfrak{M}, w \not\models \psi(\bar{a}) \xLeftrightarrow{IH} \mathfrak{N}, v \not\models \psi(\bar{b}) \iff \mathfrak{N}, v \models \neg\psi(\bar{b})$.
- $\phi(\bar{x}) = (\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2)(\bar{x})$. $\mathfrak{M}, w \models (\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2)(\bar{a}) \iff \mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi_1(\bar{a}) \wedge \phi_2(\bar{a}) \iff \mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi_1(\bar{a})$ and $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi_2(\bar{a}) \xLeftrightarrow{IH} \mathfrak{N}, v \models \phi_1(\bar{b})$ and $\mathfrak{N}, v \models \phi_2(\bar{b}) \iff \mathfrak{N}, v \models \phi_1(\bar{b}) \wedge \phi_2(\bar{b}) \iff \mathfrak{N}, v \models (\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2)(\bar{b})$.
- $\phi(\bar{x}) = \exists_y \psi(\bar{x})(y)$.
 $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \exists_y \psi(\bar{a})(y) \implies$ there is a $c \in D_{\mathfrak{M}}(w)$, such that $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \psi(\bar{a}c) \xrightarrow{\exists\text{-forth}}$ there is $d \in D_{\mathfrak{N}}(v)$ and $(w, \bar{a}c)Z(v, \bar{b}d) \xrightarrow{IH} \mathfrak{N}, v \models \psi(\bar{b}d) \implies$ there is a $d \in D_{\mathfrak{N}}(v)$, such that $\mathfrak{N}, v \models \psi(\bar{b}d) \implies \mathfrak{N}, v \models \exists_y \psi(\bar{b})(y)$.
 The other direction can be done using \exists -back condition and induction hypothesis.
- $\phi(\bar{x}) = \diamond\psi(\bar{x})$. $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \diamond\psi(\bar{a}) \implies$ for some $w' \in W_{\mathfrak{M}}$ with wRw' , $\mathfrak{M}, w' \models \psi(\bar{a}) \xrightarrow{\diamond\text{-forth}}$ there is $v' \in W_{\mathfrak{N}}$ such that $vRv' \xrightarrow{IH} \mathfrak{N}, v' \models \psi(\bar{b}) \implies \mathfrak{N}, v \models \diamond\psi(\bar{b})$. The other direction can be done using \exists -back condition and induction hypothesis.

The notation $(\mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}) \equiv (\mathfrak{N}, v\bar{b})$ means that for every formula $\phi(\bar{x})$ with at most n free variables among \bar{x} , we have $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi(\bar{a})$ if and only if $\mathfrak{N}, v \models \phi(\bar{b})$.

Definition

Two pointed Kripke models (\mathfrak{M}, w) and (\mathfrak{N}, v) are **elementary equivalent**, denoted by $(\mathfrak{M}, w) \equiv (\mathfrak{N}, v)$, if for every **sentence** ϕ , we have $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi$ if and only if $\mathfrak{N}, v \models \phi$.

Translation

First-order modal logic can be viewed as a **fragment** of two-sorted first order logic. For a FOML language τ , the corresponding two-sorted language τ^{cor} 's sorts are s_W and s_O . s_W corresponds to the set of **possible worlds** and s_O the set of **objects**.

There are two extra binary predicates $R(u, u')$ and $E(u, x)$. $R(u, u')$ means u is related to u' via the accessibility relation R and $E(u, x)$ means the object x is in the domain $D(u)$.

τ^{cor} contains all constant symbols of τ and for any n -ary predicate $p(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \tau$, τ^{cor} includes an $(n + 1)$ -ary predicate $P(u, x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

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Definition

A first-order modal τ -formula can be inductively translated to a τ^{cor} -formula as follows:

- $ST_u(t_1 = t_2) = t_1 = t_2$.
- $ST_u(p(x_1, \dots, x_n)) = P(u, x_1, \dots, x_n)$.
- $ST_u(\neg\phi) = \neg ST_u(\phi)$.
- $ST_u(\phi \wedge \psi) = ST_u(\phi) \wedge ST_u(\psi)$.
- $ST_u(\diamond\phi) = \exists u'(R(u, u') \wedge ST_{u'}(\phi))$.
- $ST_u(\exists x\phi(x)) = \exists x(E(u, x) \wedge ST_u(\phi))$.

Let \mathfrak{M}^* be a τ^{cor} -structure of a first-order Kripke model \mathfrak{M} .

Proposition

Let $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be a first-order modal formula. Then for all Kripke models \mathfrak{M} with $w \in W$ and $a_1 \dots a_n \in D$,

$$\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \iff \mathfrak{M}^* \models ST_u(\phi)(w, a_1, \dots, a_n).$$

Proof.

By induction on the complexity of $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

- Atomic formula, negation and conjunction cases are immediate.
- $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \exists y \psi(y)(x_1, \dots, x_n)$. $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \exists y \psi(y)(a_1, \dots, a_n) \iff$
 there is a $b \in D(w)$ and $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \psi(b)(a_1, \dots, a_n) \stackrel{IH}{\iff}$ there is a $b \in D(w)$ and $\mathfrak{M}^* \models ST_u(\psi(b))(w, a_1, \dots, a_n) \iff \mathfrak{M}^* \models$
 $\exists y (E(u, y) \wedge ST_u(\psi(b)))(w, a_1, \dots, a_n) \iff \mathfrak{M}^* \models ST_u(\exists y \psi(y))(w, a_1, \dots, a_n)$.
- $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \diamond \psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$. $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \diamond \psi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \iff$ there is a $w' \in W_{\mathfrak{M}}$, such that wRw' and $\mathfrak{M}, w' \models \psi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \stackrel{IH}{\iff}$ there is a $w' \in W_{\mathfrak{M}}$, such that wRw' and $\mathfrak{M}^* \models ST_u(\psi)(w', a_1, \dots, a_n) \iff \mathfrak{M}^* \models$
 $\exists u' (R(u, u') \wedge ST_{u'}(\psi))(w, a_1, \dots, a_n) \iff \mathfrak{M}^* \models ST_u(\diamond \psi)(w, a_1, \dots, a_n)$

□

Modally-saturated model

For a varying domain Kripke model $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, D, I)$ and a finite subset $A \subseteq D$, the language τ_A is an expansion of τ by adding a new constant c_a for every $a \in A$. The τ_A -Kripke model \mathfrak{M}_A expands \mathfrak{M} naturally by interpreting any constant c_a as a itself.

Definition

Let $\Gamma(\bar{x})$ be a set of τ_A -formula whose free variable are among $\bar{x} = x_1, \dots, x_n$. The set of formulas $\Gamma(\bar{x})$ is an **\exists -type** of (\mathfrak{M}_A, w) if for all finite subsets $\Gamma_0(\bar{x})$ of $\Gamma(\bar{x})$, we have $\mathfrak{M}_A, w \models \exists \bar{x} \wedge \Gamma_0(\bar{x})$. Similarly, $\Gamma(\bar{x})$ is a **\diamond -type** of (\mathfrak{M}_A, w) with respect to some $\bar{a} = a_1, \dots, a_n \in D$, if $\mathfrak{M}_A, w \models \diamond \wedge \Gamma_0(\bar{a})$ for all finite $\Gamma_0 \subseteq \Gamma$.

A type of (\mathfrak{M}, w) is either a **\diamond -type** or an **\exists -type** of (\mathfrak{M}_A, w) for some finite subset $A \subseteq D$.

Modally-saturated model

Definition

An \exists -type $\Gamma(\bar{x})$ of (\mathfrak{M}_A, w) is **realized** in (\mathfrak{M}, w) if there are $a_1, \dots, a_n \in D(w)$ such that $\mathfrak{M}_A, w \models \Gamma(\bar{a})$. Likewise, a \diamond -type $\Gamma(\bar{x})$ with respect to a \bar{a} is realized in (\mathfrak{M}, w) , if there is an element $w' \in W$ such that wRw' and $\mathfrak{M}_A, w' \models \Gamma(\bar{a})$.

A model \mathfrak{M} is **modally-saturated**, or m-saturated for short, if for every $w \in W$ and each finite subset A of D , every type of (\mathfrak{M}_A, w) is realized in (\mathfrak{M}, w) .

Analogy of the Hennessy-Milner Theorem

Theorem

Let \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{N} be two m -saturated Kripke models. Then $(\mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}) \equiv (\mathfrak{N}, v\bar{b})$ if and only if $(\mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}) \Leftrightarrow (\mathfrak{N}, v\bar{b})$.

Proof.

The right to left direction has been shown in previous proposition. Atomic formula case is trivial.

Show that $Z = \{(w\bar{a}, v\bar{b}) \mid (\mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}) \equiv (\mathfrak{N}, v\bar{b}_0)\}$ is a bisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{N} with $w_0\bar{a}_0 Z v_0\bar{b}_0$.

- \diamond -forth . Assume that $(w, \bar{a}), (w', \bar{a}') \in (W_{\mathfrak{M}} \times D_{\mathfrak{M}}^*)$ such that $wR_{\mathfrak{M}}w'$ and $(\mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}) \equiv (\mathfrak{N}, v\bar{b}_0)$. Let $\Gamma(\bar{x})$ be the set of formulas true at $(\mathfrak{M}, w'\bar{a})$.

$\mathfrak{M}, w'\bar{a} \models \Gamma(\bar{x}) \implies$ every finite subset $\Gamma_0(\bar{x})$ of $\Gamma(\bar{x})$, $\mathfrak{M}, w' \models \bigwedge \Gamma_0(\bar{a}) \implies \mathfrak{M}, w \models$

$\diamond \bigwedge \Gamma_0(\bar{a}) \xrightarrow{\equiv} \mathfrak{N}, v \models \diamond \bigwedge \Gamma_0(\bar{b}) \xrightarrow{\text{Let } B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}} \mathfrak{N}_B, v \models \diamond \bigwedge \Gamma_0(\bar{c}_b) \implies$

$\Gamma(\bar{x})$ is a \diamond -type of (\mathfrak{N}_B, v) w.r.t. $\bar{c}_b \in D_{\mathfrak{N}}(v)$ \mathfrak{N} is m -saturated, thus $\Gamma(\bar{x})$ is realized \implies

there is a $v' \in W_{\mathfrak{N}}$ s.t. $\mathfrak{N}_B, v' \models \Gamma(\bar{c}_b) \implies \mathfrak{N}, v' \models \Gamma(\bar{b}) \implies \mathfrak{N}, v'\bar{b} \models \Gamma(\bar{x})$.

- \diamond -back case is similar.

cont.

- \exists -forth . Assume that there is $c \in D_{\mathfrak{M}}(w)$. Let $\Gamma(\bar{x}y)$ be the set of formulas true at $(\mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}c)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}c \models \Gamma(\bar{x}y) &\implies \text{every finite subset } \Gamma_0(\bar{x}y) \subseteq \Gamma(\bar{x}y), \\ \mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a}c \models \bigwedge \Gamma_0(\bar{x}y) &\implies \mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a} \models \bigwedge \Gamma_0(\bar{x}c) \implies \mathfrak{M}, w\bar{a} \models \exists y \wedge \Gamma_0(\bar{x}y) \implies \mathfrak{M}, w \models \\ \exists y \wedge \Gamma_0(\bar{a}y) &\stackrel{\equiv}{\implies} \mathfrak{N}, v \models \exists y \wedge \Gamma_0(\bar{b}y) \stackrel{\text{Let } B=\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}}{\implies} \mathfrak{N}_B, v \models \exists y \wedge \Gamma_0(\bar{c}_B y) \implies \\ \Gamma(\bar{c}_B y) \text{ is an } \exists\text{-type of } \mathfrak{N}_B, v &\stackrel{\mathfrak{N} \text{ is } m\text{-saturated, thus } \Gamma(\bar{c}_B y) \text{ is realized}}{\implies} \text{there is a } d \in \\ D_{\mathfrak{N}}(v) \text{ s.t. } \mathfrak{N}_B, v \models \Gamma(\bar{c}_B d) &\implies \mathfrak{N}, v \models \Gamma(\bar{b}d) \implies \mathfrak{N}, v\bar{b}d \models \Gamma(\bar{x}y) \end{aligned}$$

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Theorem (Goldblatt-Thomason Theorem for PML)

Let K be an elementary class of frames. Then K is definable by a set of propositional modal formulas if and only if

- (GT1) it is closed under taking bounded morphic images, generated subframes, disjoint unions.
- (GT2) reflects ultrafilter extensions.

In this section we focus on **constant domain models**.

A τ -formula $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is **valid at a world w of the frame \mathfrak{F}** , denoted by $\mathfrak{F}, w \models \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, if for every constant domain τ -model \mathfrak{M} based on \mathfrak{F} , we have $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

$\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is **valid on the frame \mathfrak{F}** , denoted by $\mathfrak{F} \models \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, if it is valid at every world $w \in W$.

Definition (FOML-definable)

A class of Kripke frames K is FOML-definable if for some language τ there exists a set of first-order modal τ -**sentences** Λ such that for any frame \mathfrak{F} , $\mathfrak{F} \in K$ if and only if $\mathfrak{F} \models \Lambda$.

More generally, a set of first-order modal **formulas** Λ with **free variables** among x_1, \dots, x_n defines K if for any Kripke frame \mathfrak{F} , $\mathfrak{F} \in K$ if and only if $\mathfrak{F} \models \forall \bar{x} \phi(\bar{x})$ for every $\phi(\bar{x}) \in \Lambda$.

Let $\theta(p_1, \dots, p_n)$ is a propositional modal formula and $P_1(x), \dots, P_n(x)$ are atomic formulas where $1 \leq i \leq n$, is a unary predicate and x is a single variable. The **sbstitution** of $\theta(p_1, \dots, p_n)$ is a first-order modal formula $\theta(P_1(x), \dots, P_n(x))$ which is obtained by **uniformly replacing** each proposition p_i by an atomic formula $P_i(x)$ for some variable x .

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Proposition

Let K be any class of frames. If K is PML-definable then it is also FOML-definable.

Proof.

Suppose K is definable by a set of propositional modal formulas Λ_P . Let $\tau = \{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n, \dots\}$ consist of countably many unary predicates and put Λ_F to be a set of all formulas of $\forall_x \theta(P_1(x), \dots, P_n(x))$ for $\theta \in \Lambda_P$, then for every \mathfrak{F} ,

$$\mathfrak{F} \in K \iff \mathfrak{F} \models \theta(p_1, \dots, p_n) \iff \text{for every } \mathfrak{M} \text{ and } w, \mathfrak{M}, w \models \theta(p_1, \dots, p_n) \iff$$

$$\text{for every } a \in D, \mathfrak{M}, w \models \theta(P_1(a), \dots, P_n(a)) \iff \mathfrak{F} \models \forall_x \theta(P_1(x), \dots, P_n(x)). \quad \square$$

An Example

Example

The class of frames in which every world has a reflexive accessible world ($\forall x \exists y (Rxy \wedge Ryy)$) is not definable by any set of propositional modal formulas [1], since it does not reflect ultrafilter extensions. However, this class is definable by the formula $\diamond \forall x (\Box P(x) \rightarrow P(x))$.

This class of frames are not definable by any set of propositional modal formulas, since it **does not reflect ultrafilter extensions**.(Bluebook P142)[5]

Ultrafilter Extension

Definition (Filter)

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For a Kripke frame $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R)$, the **ultrafilter extension** $ue_{\mathfrak{F}}$ of \mathfrak{F} is defined as the frame $(Uf(W), R^{ue})$. $Uf(W)$ is the set of ultrafilters over W and R^{ue} is a binary relation over $Uf(W)$. For all $u, u' \in Uf(W)$, $R^{ue}uu'$ if $m_{\diamond}(X) = \{w \in W \mid Rww' \text{ for some } w' \in X\} \in u$ for every $X \in u'$, where

The **principal ultrafilter** generated by w is the filter generated by the singleton set $\{w\}$: $\pi_w = \{X \subseteq W \mid w \in X\}$.

A class of frames K **reflects ultrafilter extensions** if $ue_{\mathfrak{F}} \in K$ implies $\mathfrak{F} \in K$.

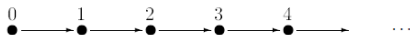


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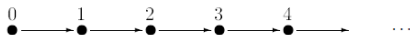


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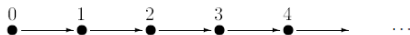


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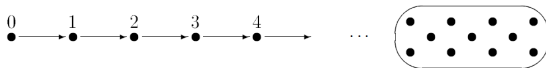


Figure: The Ultrafilter Extension of \mathfrak{N}

Example

The class of frames in which every world has a reflexive accessible world ($\forall x \exists y (Rxy \wedge Ryy)$) is not definable by any set of propositional modal formulas [1], since it does not reflect ultrafilter extensions. However, this class is definable by the formula $\diamond \forall x (\Box P(x) \rightarrow P(x))$.

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For the converse, suppose that \mathfrak{F} is a frame with some world w_0 that does not have any reflexive successor. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (\mathfrak{F}, D, I)$ be a **constant domain model** based on \mathfrak{F} such that $|D| \geq |\{w' \mid R w_0 w'\}|$. Moreover, for each w' there exists a distinct element $d_{w'} \in D$ such that $P(d_{w'})$ is **false in w' but it is true in all successors of w'** . Then for any w' with $R w_0 w'$ we have $\mathfrak{M}, w' \not\models \forall x (\Box P(x) \rightarrow P(x))$. So $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \not\models \diamond \forall x (\Box P(x) \rightarrow P(x))$.

Bounded Morphic Images, Generated Subframes and Disjoint Unions

Definition (Bounded Morphic Images)

Let \mathfrak{F} and \mathfrak{G} be two Kripke frames. A function $f : W_{\mathfrak{F}} \rightarrow W_{\mathfrak{G}}$ is a bounded morphism from \mathfrak{F} to \mathfrak{G} if

- $R_{\mathfrak{F}} ww'$ implies $R_{\mathfrak{G}} f(w)f(w')$
- if $R_{\mathfrak{G}} f(w)v$, then there exists $w' \in W_{\mathfrak{F}}$ such that $f(w') = v$ and $R_{\mathfrak{F}} ww'$.

If f is a *surjective*, then we say \mathfrak{G} is a *bounded morphic image* of \mathfrak{F} , $\mathfrak{F} \twoheadrightarrow \mathfrak{G}$.

Definition (Generated Subframe)

A frame \mathfrak{F} is a *generated subframe* of \mathfrak{G} , denoted by $\mathfrak{F} \twoheadrightarrow \mathfrak{G}$, if $W_{\mathfrak{F}} \subseteq W_{\mathfrak{G}}$ and $R_{\mathfrak{F}} = R_{\mathfrak{G}} \upharpoonright W_{\mathfrak{F}}$ and for every $w \in W_{\mathfrak{F}}$ if $R_{\mathfrak{G}} ww'$ then $w' \in W_{\mathfrak{F}}$.

Definition (Disjoint Union)

Suppose $\langle \mathfrak{F}_i : i \in I \rangle$ is a family of disjoint Kripke frames. The *disjoint union* of \mathfrak{F}_i 's is a frame $\mathfrak{F} = \uplus_{i \in I} \mathfrak{F}_i$ in which $W = \bigcup_{i \in I} W_i$ and $R = \bigcup_{i \in I} R_i$.

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Proof.

The proof is a generalization of the proof of the theorem for the propositional version.[1] Here, we take bounded morphic images case as an example.

- Assume that $\mathfrak{F} \rightarrow \mathfrak{F}'$. If $\mathfrak{F} \models \phi$, then $\mathfrak{F}' \models \phi$

Assume that f is a surjective bounded morphism from \mathfrak{F} onto \mathfrak{F}' . For every first-order modal sentence ϕ , suppose that $\mathfrak{F}' \not\models \phi$. Then there is a model $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', D', I')$ based on $\mathfrak{F}' = (W', R')$ and a $w' \in W'$ s.t. $\mathfrak{M}', w' \not\models \phi$.

Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, D, I)$ be a model based on $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R)$, where for every $w \in W$, $D(w) = D'(f(w))$, for every $w \in W$ and every constant c , $I(w, c) = I'(f(w), c)$, and for every n -ary predicate P , $I(w, P) = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in D^n \mid (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in I'(f(w), P)\}$. Since f is surjective, then there is a $w \in W$ s.t. $f(w) = w'$. By induction on sentence ϕ , we have $\mathfrak{M}', w' \not\models \phi \iff \mathfrak{M}, w \not\models \phi$.

- $\phi = c_1 = c_2$. $\mathfrak{M}', w' \not\models c_1 = c_2 \iff I'(w', c_1) \neq I'(w', c_2) \iff I'(f(w), c_1) \neq I'(f(w), c_2) \iff I(w, c_1) \neq I(w, c_2) \iff \mathfrak{M}, w \not\models c_1 = c_2$.
- $\phi = P(c_1, \dots, c_n)$. $\mathfrak{M}', w' \not\models P(c_1, \dots, c_n) \iff (I'(w', c_1), \dots, I'(w', c_n)) \notin I'(w', P) \iff (I'(f(w), c_1), \dots, I'(f(w), c_n)) \notin I'(f(w), P) \iff (I(w, c_1), \dots, I(w, c_n)) \notin I(w, P) \iff \mathfrak{M}, w \not\models P(c_1, \dots, c_n)$.

□

cont.

- $\phi = \diamond\psi$.

$\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash \diamond\psi \iff$ *there is a $v \in W$, wRv and $\mathfrak{M}, v \vDash \psi$* $\xleftrightarrow{\text{definition of bounded morphism}}$
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- $\phi = \exists_y \phi(y)$. $\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash \exists_y \phi(y) \iff$ *there is a $a \in D(w)$ s.t. $\mathfrak{M}, w \vDash \phi(a)$* \xleftrightarrow{IH}
there is a $a \in D'(f(w))$ s.t. $\mathfrak{M}', w' \vDash \phi(a)$ \iff *there is a $a \in D'(w')$ s.t. $\mathfrak{M}', w' \vDash \phi(a)$* $\iff \mathfrak{M}', w' \vDash \exists_y \phi(y)$

Hence, $\mathfrak{F} \not\models \phi$. □

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Proof.

Suppose that the class K is defined by a set of universal modal sentences Λ ($\mathfrak{F} \in K \iff \mathfrak{F} \models \Lambda$ for every \mathfrak{F}). By the previous proposition K has property *GT1*. We show K **reflects ultrafilter extensions**, and hence by Goldblatt-Thomason theorem we get the desired result.

Assume that $ue\mathfrak{F} \in K$ for some \mathfrak{F} . To show $\mathfrak{F} \models \Lambda$, suppose $\mathfrak{F} \not\models \Lambda$, then there is a universal sentence $\phi = \forall \bar{x} \psi(\bar{x}) \in \Lambda$ and a modal \mathfrak{M} based on \mathfrak{F} and a $w \in W_{\mathfrak{F}}$ such that $\mathfrak{M}, w \not\models \phi$. Let $ue\mathfrak{F}$ be a model based on $ue\mathfrak{F}$ **with $D_{\mathfrak{M}}$ as domain**. For each $u \in Uf(W)$ and each n -ary predicate P , $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in I^{ue}(u, P)$ **if and only if** $\{w \in W_{\mathfrak{F}} \mid (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in I^{\mathfrak{M}}(w, P)\} \in u$. By induction on the quantifier-free formula ψ , we have $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \psi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \iff ue(\mathfrak{M}), \pi_w \models \psi(a_1, \dots, a_n)$.

Hence $ue(\mathfrak{M}), \pi_w \not\models \phi$, a contradiction. □

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Let ϕ be first-order modal τ sentence and $Th(K) = \{\phi \mid K \models \phi\}$. We need to show that for any frame $\mathfrak{F} \models Th(K) \implies \mathfrak{F} \in K$.

Assume that $\mathfrak{F} \models Th(K)$ where $\mathfrak{F} = (W_{\mathfrak{F}}, R_{\mathfrak{F}})$. By GT1, since any frame is a bounded morphic image of the disjoint union of its pointed-generated subframes, we assume that \mathfrak{F} is point-generated by w_0 .

Let τ_1 be a language consisting of a unary predicate P , a binary predicate R and new constants c_w , for each $w \in W_{\mathfrak{F}}$. Put

$$\tau' = \tau_1 \cup \{R_{\theta} \mid \theta(\bar{x}) \text{ is an } \mathcal{L}_R \text{- formula}\}$$

where for each first-order \mathcal{L}_R - formula $\theta(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ we add a k -ary predicate $R_{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_k)$.

cont.

Define a τ_1 -model $\mathfrak{M} = (\mathfrak{F}, D, I)$ based on \mathfrak{F} where $D = W_{\mathfrak{F}}$, in each world w , $I(w, P) = \{w\}$ and $R(w, w')$ holds if and only if $(w, w') \in R_{\mathfrak{F}}$. Interpret each constant c_w as w . τ_1 model \mathfrak{M} can be viewed as a τ' model by interpreting each predicate R_θ as

$$I(w, R_\theta) = \{(w_1, \dots, w_k) \in D^k \mid \mathfrak{M}, w \models \theta(w_1, \dots, w_k)\}$$

By induction on \mathcal{L}_R -formulas we have for each \mathcal{L}_R -formula $\theta(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $w, w' \in W$, $I(w, R_\theta) = I(w', R_\theta)$. Moreover

$$I(w, R_\theta) = \{(w_1, \dots, w_k) \in D^k \mid \mathfrak{M} \models \theta(w_1, \dots, w_k)\}$$

Let Δ be the set of τ' -sentences true in (\mathfrak{M}, w_0) . Since \mathfrak{F} is point-generated by w_0 , for each $w \in W$ the length of the shortest path from w_0 to w , n_w is finite. For all $w, w' \in W$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and \mathcal{L}_R -formulas $\theta(\bar{x}), \theta_1(\bar{x}), \theta_2(\bar{x})$. Δ contains, in particular, the following sentences.

cont.

- 1 $\diamond^{nw} P(c_w)$.
- 2 $\Box^n c_w \neq c_{w'}, \text{ if } w \neq w'$.
- 3 $\Box^n \exists x (P(x) \wedge \forall y (P(y) \rightarrow x = y))$.
- 4 $\Box^n R(c_w, w_{w'}), \text{ if } (w, w') \in R_{\mathfrak{F}}$.
- 5 $\Box^n \neg R(c_w, c_{w'}), \text{ if } (w, w') \notin R_{\mathfrak{F}}$.
- 6 $\Box^n \forall x \forall y (P(x) \wedge \diamond P(y) \rightarrow R(x, y))$.
- 7 $\Box^n \forall x \forall y (P(x) \wedge R(x, y) \rightarrow \diamond P(y))$.
- 8 $\forall x_1, \dots, x_k (\theta(x_1, \dots, x_k) \rightarrow \Box^n \theta(x_1, \dots, x_k))$
- 9 $\forall x_1, \dots, x_k (\diamond^n \theta(x_1, \dots, x_k) \rightarrow \theta(x_1, \dots, x_k))$
- 10 $\Box^n \forall x \forall y (R_{R(x,y)}(x, y) \leftrightarrow R(x, y))$.
- 11 $\Box^n \forall x, \dots, x_k (R_{\neg\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_k) \leftrightarrow \neg R_\theta(x_1, \dots, x_k))$.
- 12 $\Box^n \forall x, \dots, x_k (R_{\theta_1 \wedge \theta_2}(x_1, \dots, x_k) \leftrightarrow (R_{\theta_1}(x_1, \dots, x_k) \wedge R_{\theta_2}(x_1, \dots, x_k)))$.
- 13 $\Box^n \forall x, \dots, x_k (R_{\exists y \theta(y, x_1, \dots, x_k)}(x_1, \dots, x_k) \leftrightarrow \exists y R_{\theta(y, x_1, \dots, x_k)}(y, x_1, \dots, x_k))$.
- 14 $\Box^n \forall x, \dots, x_k (R_\theta(x_1, \dots, x_k) \leftrightarrow \theta(x_1, \dots, x_k))$.

1-7 describe the properties of predicates P and R in \mathfrak{M} . 8, equivalent to 9, expresses the validity of each \mathcal{L} -formula is equivalent to its satisfiability inside \mathfrak{M} . 10-13 state the inductive interpretation of the auxiliary predicates in \mathfrak{M} . 14 is the conjunction of 10-13.

cont.

Claim 1. Δ is finitely satisfiable in K .

For if not, there is a finite subset δ of Δ which is not satisfiable in any constant domain model based on the frames of K , then $\neg \bigwedge \sigma \in Th(K)$, hence $\mathfrak{F} \models \neg \bigwedge \sigma$ which contradicts $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \models \bigwedge \sigma$.

Since K is an elementary class of frames, it is closed under ultraproducts. Hence, there is a frame $\mathfrak{G} \in K$, a constant domain model $\mathfrak{N} = (\mathfrak{G}, D_{\mathfrak{N}}, I_{\mathfrak{N}})$ based on \mathfrak{G} and a point v_0 such that $\mathfrak{N}, v_0 \models \Delta$. Once again, w.l.o.g, we assume that \mathfrak{G} is generated by v_0 . Let $\mathfrak{G}' = (W', R')$ where $W' = \{a \in D_{\mathfrak{N}} \mid \mathfrak{N}, v \models P(a), \text{ for some } v \in \mathfrak{G}\}$, and $(a, b) \in R'$ if and only if $\mathfrak{N} \models R(a, b)$.

Claim 2. $\mathfrak{G} \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}'$

Define $h : \mathfrak{G} \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}'$ by letting $h(v)$ be the unique element a_v of $D_{\mathfrak{N}}$ such that $P(a_{a_v})$ holds in $v \in \mathfrak{G}$. h is a well-defined surjective function since \mathfrak{G} is generated by v_0 and it satisfies 3. By 6-9, h is a bounded morphism.

cont.

Claim 3. \mathfrak{F} is isomorphic to a first-order elementary $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{R}}$ -substructure of \mathfrak{G}' .

Let $i : \mathfrak{F} \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}'$ be defined as $i(w) = c_w^{\mathfrak{M}}$, which is well defined by 1. By 2,4 and 5 the map i is an $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{R}}$ -embedding, since for any $w, w' \in W_{\mathfrak{F}}$,

$$\mathfrak{F} \models w R_{\mathfrak{F}} w' \iff \mathfrak{G}' \models i(w) R i(w')$$

To show it is the desired elementary embedding, we **expand \mathfrak{F} and \mathfrak{G}' to first-order τ' -structures and show i is a τ' -embedding.**

First, interpret each constant c_w as w in \mathfrak{F} and as $a = c_w^{\mathfrak{M}}$ in \mathfrak{G}' . Interpret each $R_{\theta} \in \tau'$ in \mathfrak{F} as

$$(w_1, \dots, w_k) \in R_{\theta}^{\mathfrak{F}} \text{ if } \mathfrak{M} \models R_{\theta}(w_1, \dots, w_k)$$

for $w_1, \dots, w_k \in \mathfrak{F}$, and as

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, for $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathfrak{G}'$.

For each $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{R}}$ -formula $\theta_{(y, x_1, \dots, x_k)}$ and constant symbols c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k} , both \mathfrak{F} and \mathfrak{G}' satisfy the formula $(R_{\theta}(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \leftrightarrow \theta(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}))$.

The argument goes by induction on $\theta_{(y, x_1, \dots, x_k)}$. For structure \mathfrak{G}' , \wedge and \neg cases are easy. For $\theta(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \exists y \psi(y, x_1, \dots, x_k)$.

cont.

We first show that $\mathfrak{G}' \models R_{\exists y \psi}(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \iff \mathfrak{G}' \models \exists y R_{\psi}(y, c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k})$.

\implies : $\mathfrak{G}' \models R_{\exists y \psi}(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \xrightarrow{\text{by definition}} \mathfrak{N} \models R_{\exists y \psi}(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \xrightarrow{13} \mathfrak{N} \models$

$\exists y R_{\psi}(y, c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \xrightarrow{(\mathfrak{M}, w_0) \equiv (\mathfrak{N}, v_0)} \mathfrak{M} \models \exists y R_{\psi}(y, c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \implies$

there exists $w \in \mathfrak{F}$, s.t. $\mathfrak{M} \models R_{\psi}(c_w, c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \implies \mathfrak{N} \models$

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\longleftarrow : $\mathfrak{G}' \models \exists y R_{\psi}(y, c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \implies \mathfrak{G}' \models R_{\psi}(a, c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k})$ for some $a \in \mathfrak{G}' \implies$

$\mathfrak{N} \models R_{\psi}(a, c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \implies \mathfrak{N} \models \exists y R_{\psi}(y, c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \xrightarrow{13} \mathfrak{N} \models$

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The case for structure \mathfrak{F} can be done analogously.

cont.

The inductive definitions of R_θ 's imply that both structures \mathfrak{F} and \mathfrak{G}' satisfy $(R_\theta(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}) \leftrightarrow \theta(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k}))$. Since

$\mathfrak{F} \models R_\theta(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k})$ if and only if $\mathfrak{M} \models R_\theta(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k})$

$\mathfrak{G}' \models R_\theta(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k})$ if and only if $\mathfrak{N} \models R_\theta(c_{w_1}, \dots, c_{w_k})$






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Hence, i is an elementary \mathcal{L}_R -embedding. By closure of K under bounded morphic images, $\mathfrak{G}' \in K$. Since K is an elementary class of frames, Claim 3 implies that $\mathfrak{F} \in K$. □

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