General Dynamic Dynamic Logic

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Abstract

Dynamic epistemic logic (DEL) extends purely modal epistemic logic (S5) by adding dynamic operators that change the model structure. Propositional dynamic logic (PDL) extends basic modal logic with programs that allow the definition of complex modalities. We provide a common generalisation: a logic that is 'dynamic' in both senses, and one that is not limited to S5 as its modal base. It also incorporates, and significantly generalises, all the features of existing extensions of DEL such as BMS [\[1\]](#page-15-0) and LCC [\[15\]](#page-15-1). Our dynamic operators work in two steps. First, they provide a multiplicity of transformations of the original model, one for each 'action' in a purely syntactic 'action model' (in the style of BMS). Second, they specific how to combine these multiple copies to produce a new model. In each step, we use the generality of PDL to specify the transformations. The main technical contribution of the paper is to provide an axiomatisation of this 'general dynamic dynamic logic' (GDDL). This is done by providing a computable translation of GDDL formulas to equivalent PDL formulas, thus reducing the logic to PDL, which is decidable. The proof involves switching between representing programs as terms and as automata. We also show that both BMS and LCC are special cases of GDDL, and that there are interesting applications that require the additional generality of GDDL, namely the modelling of private belief update.

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Recent research in epistemic logic extends the classical S5-analysis of knowledge with dynamic operators that model the epistemically relevant changes brought about by various acts of communication. These are represented as extensions of the basic epistemic language with expression of the form $[a]\varphi$ interpreted as 'after action a is performed, φ is the case'. The primary example of such an action is the 'public announcement' of a proposition ψ , written ψ , which achieves the right effect by simply removing the $\neg \varphi$ -states (those states of the model in which ψ is false), so that everyone subsequently knows that these possibilities are no longer open.^{[1](#page-1-0)} A rich array of dynamic operators have been introduced to deal with private communications of various sorts, and also actions that affect more than just the epistemic states of agents, the so-called 'real world changes'. [2](#page-1-1)

Meanwhile, interest has grown in applying similar techniques to other branches of modal logic, such as doxastic logic (the logic of belief) [\[2,](#page-15-2)[12\]](#page-15-3) and preference logic [\[5,](#page-15-4)[7,](#page-15-5)[8](#page-15-6)[,14\]](#page-15-7). A significant difference from the epistemic setting is the need to describe dynamic operators that change the relational structure of the underlying model, not just the size of its domain (announcement) or the propositional valuations (real-world change). For example, if one models the doxastic state of an agent by a plausibility relation between epistemically possible state, 'upgrading' a proposition φ , so that it is believed, may be modelled by an operator that transforms the plausibility relation by removing links from φ -states to $\neg \varphi$ states and adding links from $\neg \varphi$ -states to φ -states. This ensures that every possible state in which φ is true becomes more plausible (for the given agent) than every possibility in which φ is false. Currently, however, there is no way of adapting the technology of BMS to model the doxastic effect on a multiplicity of agents of one or more of those agents privately upgrading their beliefs as a response to a less-than-public communication.

We solve this problem by providing a more general framework, inspired by Theorem 4.11 in [\[8\]](#page-15-6), first noted in [\[14\]](#page-15-7), which states that any dynamic operator whose effect on a model can be described in PDL (without Kleene's iteration operator ∗) can be reduced to the underlying modal logic using essentially only the standard axioms of PDL. We show how this idea can be used to extend BMS (and LCC), so that a vast range of dynamic operators can be modelled in a way that allows for private changes and real-world changes in epistemic logic, doxastic logic, preference logic, and any other normal modal logic. We also extend it by adding the Kleene star, so that certain desirable frame conditions (such as transitivity) can be imposed.

Section [1](#page-2-0) introduces the concept of a 'PDL transformation', which is a general way of changing models using PDL terms. These transformation are used exten-

 $^{\rm 1}$ Notoriously, it is not guaranteed that the announced proposition is subsequently known because its very announcement may change its truth value, e.g. announcing 'the sun is shining but you don't know it' results in your knowing that the sun is shining and so making the announcement false.

² See for example, the textbooks [\[16\]](#page-15-8) and [\[13\]](#page-15-9). The initial paper on public announcement was [\[9\]](#page-15-10) and the most significant advance came with the eponymously acronymed BMS [\[1\]](#page-15-0). A recent extension of BMS, incorporating real-world changes, is LCC [\[15\]](#page-15-1), the 'Logic of Communication and Change'.

sively in Section [2,](#page-4-0) in which GDDL is defined semantically and then axiomatised, using a technique that exploits the possibility of representing programs both by PDL-terms and by finite state automata. We illustrate GDDL by showing how it can be used to model private belief change. Finally, Section [3](#page-12-0) shows how BMS and LCC are special cases of GDDL.

1 Preliminaries

A Kripke signature is a pair $\langle P, R \rangle$ of sets of symbols. The elements of P are propositional variables and those of R are relation symbols. A model of this signature, $M = \langle W, V \rangle$ consists of a set W (of states) and a valuation function V mapping each $p \in P$ to $V(p) \subseteq W$ and each $r \in R$ to $V(r) \subseteq W^2$. To describe such structures, we define $T(P, R)$ to be the set of programs π and $L(P, R)$ to be the set of *formulas* φ in the usual way:

$$
\begin{array}{rcl}\n\pi & \cdots = & r \mid \varphi? \mid (\pi; \pi) \mid (\pi \cup \pi) \mid \pi^* \\
\varphi & \cdots = & p \mid \neg \varphi \mid (\varphi \vee \varphi) \mid \langle \pi \rangle \varphi\n\end{array}
$$

where $r \in R$ and $p \in P$. In each model M, semantic values $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^M \subseteq W$ and $[\![\pi]\!]^M \subseteq W^2$ are given by:

$$
\begin{array}{lll}\n\llbracket p \rrbracket^{M} & = & V(p) \\
\llbracket -\varphi \rrbracket^{M} & = & W \setminus \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^{M} \\
\llbracket (\varphi \wedge \psi) \rrbracket^{M} & = & \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^{M} \cap \llbracket \psi \rrbracket^{M} \\
\llbracket \pi \wedge \varphi \rrbracket^{M} & = & \llbracket u \in W \mid u \llbracket \pi \rrbracket^{M} v \text{ and } v \in \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^{M}, \text{ for some } v \in W \}\n\end{array}
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$$
\begin{array}{lll}\n\llbracket r \rrbracket^{M} & = & V(r) \\
\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^{M} & = & \llbracket \langle u, u \rangle \mid u \in \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket^{M} \} \\
\llbracket \pi_{1}; \pi_{2} \rrbracket^{M} & = & \llbracket \langle u, v \rangle \mid u \llbracket \pi_{1} \rrbracket^{M} w \text{ and } w \llbracket \pi_{2} \rrbracket^{M} v, \text{ for some } w \in W \} \\
\llbracket \pi_{1} \cup \pi_{2} \rrbracket^{M} & = & \llbracket \pi_{1} \rrbracket^{M} \cup \llbracket \pi_{2} \rrbracket^{M} \\
\llbracket \pi^{*} \rrbracket^{M} & = & \llbracket \langle u, v \rangle | u = v \text{ or } u_{i} \llbracket \pi \rrbracket^{M} u_{i+1} \text{ for some } n \geq 0, u_{0}, \dots, u_{n} \in W \\
\text{such that } u_{0} = u \text{ and } u_{n} = v \}\n\end{array}
$$

As usual, we also write $u[\![\pi]\!]^M v$ for $\langle u, v \rangle \in [\![\pi]\!]^M$ and $M, u \models \varphi$ for $u \in [\![\varphi]\!]^M$.

PDL Transformations We will use expressions from our language to describe changes to models. Given a model M of signature $\langle P, R \rangle$, we will show how to obtain a model ΛM of a possibly different signature $\langle Q, S \rangle$ in such a way that we retain some control over which formulas are satisfied in the new model. Specifically, we will also define a (computable) translation φ^{Λ} of each formula $\varphi \in L(Q, S)$ such that

$$
M, u \models \varphi^{\Lambda} \text{ iff } \Lambda M, u \models \varphi
$$

This is the content of Lemma [1.1,](#page-3-0) below. Specifically, we say that a PDLtransformation Λ from signature $\langle P, R \rangle$ to signature $\langle Q, S \rangle$ consists of

(i) a formula $|\Lambda| \in L(P, R)$,

- (ii) an algorithm^{[3](#page-3-1)} for calculating $\Lambda(q) \in L(P, R)$ for each $q \in Q$ and
- (iii) an algorithm for calculating a term $\Lambda(s) \in T(P, R)$ for each $s \in S$.

Now, given a model $M = \langle W, R \rangle$ of signature $\langle P, R \rangle$, we define the model ΛM of signature $\langle Q, S \rangle$ to be $\langle \Lambda W, \Lambda V \rangle$, where

$$
\begin{array}{rcl}\n\Lambda W & = & \left[\|\Lambda| \right]^M \\
\Lambda V(q) & = & \left[\Lambda(q) \right]^M \cap \Lambda W \text{ for each } q \in Q \\
\Lambda V(s) & = & \left[\Lambda(s) \right]^M \cap \Lambda W^2 \text{ for each } s \in S\n\end{array}
$$

In other words, the domain of the new model is simply a restriction of the domain of the old model (defined by $|\Lambda|$) and the interpretation of the symbols of $\langle Q, S \rangle$ are given by evaluating the corresponding PDL-expressions provided by Λ , and then restricting them to the new domain.

For the translation, we can inductively compute formulas φ^{Λ} and terms π^{Λ} of signature $\langle P, R \rangle$ from each formula φ and term π of signature $\langle Q, S \rangle$, as follows:

$$
q^{\Lambda} = \Lambda(q) \qquad s^{\Lambda} = \Lambda(s); |\Lambda|?
$$

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$$
(\neg \varphi)^{\Lambda} = \neg \varphi^{\Lambda} \qquad (\varphi?)^{\Lambda} = (\varphi^{\Lambda})?
$$

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$$
(\varphi \wedge \psi)^{\Lambda} = (\varphi^{\Lambda} \wedge \psi^{\Lambda}) \qquad (\pi_1; \pi_2)^{\Lambda} = \pi_1^{\Lambda}; \pi_2^{\Lambda}
$$

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$$
(\langle \pi \rangle \varphi)^{\Lambda} = \langle \pi^{\Lambda} \rangle \varphi^{\Lambda} \qquad (\pi_1 \cup \pi_2)^{\Lambda} = \pi_1^{\Lambda} \cup \pi_2^{\Lambda}
$$

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$$
(\pi^*)^{\Lambda} = (\pi^{\Lambda})^*
$$

Most of the clauses in this definition are fairly obviously what is required. Note, however, the role of formula $|\Lambda|$, which acts as a restriction on the quantifier $\langle \pi \rangle$ in s^{Λ} , as can be seen by expanding the semantic definition of $\langle s^{\Lambda} \rangle \varphi$, since

 $M, u \models \langle s^{\Lambda} \rangle \varphi$ iff $\exists v : M, v \models |\Lambda|, u \llbracket s^{\Lambda} \rrbracket^M v \& M, v \models \varphi.$

As remarked above, the definition is designed precisely so that the following result holds:

Lemma 1.1 For each state u of ΛM and v of M , and for each formula $\varphi \in$ $L(Q, S)$, $M, u \models \varphi^{\Lambda}$ iff $\Lambda M, u \models \varphi$, and $u\llbracket \pi^{\Lambda}\rrbracket^M v \quad \text{iff} \quad v \in \Lambda W \text{ and } u\llbracket \pi\rrbracket^{\Lambda M} v.$

Proof: See Appendix. \odot

Example Let $P = \{p_1, p_2\}$, $R = \{r_1, r_2\}$, $Q = \{q_1, q_2\}$, and $S = \{s\}$. Let Λ be the transformation from $\langle P, R \rangle$ to $\langle Q, S \rangle$ given by

³ We refer to 'algorithms' here in an informal way, which could be made precise, but doing so would require us to be boringly pedantic about the way the symbols of the signature, for example, are presented, and to choose arbitrarily between many equally good ways of representing these algorithms. Besides, in most cases of interest, the signature $\langle Q, S \rangle$ is finite, and in this case, it is enough merely to list the various components of Λ .

- (i) $|\Lambda| = \langle r_1 \rangle p_1 \vee \langle r_2 \rangle p_2$
- (ii) $\Lambda(q_1) = \langle r_2 \rangle \neg p_1, \Lambda(q_2) = \langle p_2?; r_1 \rangle \neg p_2.$
- (iii) $\Lambda(s) = (r_1; r_2) \cup (p_1?; r_2).$

Then with model M as shown below, we get ΛM as follows:

As a simple example of Lemma [1.1](#page-3-0) in action, let φ be the formula $\langle s \rangle (q_1 \wedge q_2)$. Then φ^{Λ} is $\langle ((r_1; r_2) \cup (p_1?; r_2)); (\langle r_1 \rangle p_1 \vee \langle r_2 \rangle p_2)? \rangle (\langle r_2 \rangle \neg p_1 \wedge \langle p_2?; r_1 \rangle \neg p_2)$. A bit of checking will confirm that $[\![\varphi]\!]^{\Lambda M}$ and $[\![\varphi^{\Lambda}]\!]^M$ are both equal to the set of states depicted in the left columns of these diagrams.

2 General Dynamic Dynamics

Given a signature $\langle P, R \rangle$, we will define a class of dynamic operators to add to PDL to produce our dynamic dynamic logic, GDDL. Just as with the 'action models' of BMS, we think of these operators as syntactic objects, albeit somewhat complex ones. A GDDL *dynamic operator* $[A, G, \Lambda, a]$ consists of four things:

- (i) a finite model $A = \langle D, U \rangle$ of some finite signature $\langle Q, S \rangle$ (distinct from $\langle P, R \rangle$,
- (ii) a PDL-transformation G_d from $\langle P, R \rangle$ to $\langle P, R \rangle$ for each $d \in D$,
- (iii) a PDL-transformation H from $\langle P \cup Q, R \cup S \rangle$ to $\langle P, R \rangle$, and
- (iv) a distinguished element $a \in D$.

And so, the language of GDDL is given by:

$$
\begin{array}{rcl}\n\pi &::=& r \mid \varphi? \mid (\pi; \pi) \mid (\pi \cup \pi) \mid \pi^* \\
\varphi &::=& p \mid \neg \varphi \mid (\varphi \vee \varphi) \mid \langle \pi \rangle \varphi \mid [A, G, H, a] \varphi\n\end{array}
$$

where, again, $r \in R$, $p \in P$, and $[A, G, H, a]$ is a GDDL dynamic operator. Let $T^+(P,R)$ and $L^+(P,R)$ be the set of GDDL terms and formulas so defined. Notice, in particular, how the two senses in which the language is 'dynamic' are captured by $\langle \pi \rangle$ and $[A, G, H, a]$. $L(P, R)$ is already dynamic in the first sense but not in the second.

We think of each element d of D as representing a possible action whose effect on M is to transform it to G_dM . This could be an announcement, a belief or preference change, or something far more complex, depending on the application. The particular element α is the one that actually occurs. The only restriction is that the transformation is definable by PDL expressions. [4](#page-5-0)

We represent the interaction between $A = \langle D, U \rangle$ and $M = \langle W, V \rangle$ by constructing the model $GM = \langle GW, GV \rangle$ of combined signature $\langle P \cup Q, R \cup S \rangle$, as follows:

$$
GW = \{ \langle u, d \rangle \: \mid \: u \in [\![|G_d|\!]^M \}
$$

Then, for $\langle u, d \rangle$ and $\langle v, e \rangle$ in GW:

We can think of GM as resulting from the process of replacing each action node $d \in D$ by the transformed model G_dM that results from applying that action to M . The structure of A remains, linking these transformed models together.^{[5](#page-5-1)}

Finally, we use the transformation H to recover a model of signature $\langle P, R \rangle$ from GM, defining

$$
[A, G, H]M = HGM
$$

 H encodes the way in which the structure of A coordinates the different actions represented by the elements of D. Again, there is great generality here. All that is required is that this means of coordination is, in some sense, PDLdefinable. [6](#page-5-2) Then, we can specify the semantics for our new dynamic operators in a standard way: [7](#page-5-3)

$$
M, u \models [A, G, H, a] \varphi
$$
 iff $[A, G, H]M, \langle u, a \rangle \models \varphi$

Because of the generality of the approach, it is useful to consider the special case in which a GDDL-operator $[A, G, H, a]$ is defined by a single PDL-transformation Λ. For this we take A to have a domain ${a}$, with no structure, and let $G_a = Λ$

⁴ In BMS elements of action models are associated with formulas, called 'pre-conditions' which act to restrict the domain but which have no effect on the relational structure of the model. See Section [3](#page-12-0) for details.

 5 Another useful metaphor for visualising GM is that it is a two-dimensional model in which the S links run in a horizontal direction and the R links run in a vertical direction. Whereas the S links are merely copies of their projection on to D , the R links vary. In the dth place in the horizontal direction the vertical R links form a copy of those in G_dM .

⁶ In BMS, the coordination is built into the details of the model construction, not a parameter of the dynamic operators. Also, the signature used for A can be taken to be the same as that for M, since both are simply families of equivalence relations. Again, see Section [3](#page-12-0) for details.

⁷ Although a is not relevant to computing $[A, G, H]M$, we define $[A, G, H, a]M =$ $[A, G, H]M$, for uniformity of notation when we consider arbitrary operators.

and let H be the identity transformation. We will write this operator as $[\Lambda]$, which is a slight abuse of notation, justified by the fact that $[\Lambda]M = \Lambda M$.

As an example of what can be done with GDDL, and an illustration of the definitions in action, we will consider an application to doxastic logic.

2.1 Private Belief Change

The dynamic semantics of belief and preference change introduced in [\[12\]](#page-15-3) and [\[14\]](#page-15-7) operate on models by removing, adding or reversing relational links between states. Such changes are not representable by the kind of approach used in BMS or LCC but we will show how they can be modelled with GDDL.

Given a finite sets of agents I, consider a Kripke signature $\langle P, R \rangle$ with $R =$ $\{\sim_i, \leq_i \mid i \in I\}$. Models for this signature have the restriction that $V(\sim_i)$ is an equivalence relation and $V(\leq_i)$ a preorder for each i, with \sim_i interpreted as epistemic indistinguishability for agent i and \leq_i as plausibility. We will say that a proposition φ is believed by agent i in state u, and write $M, u \models B_i \varphi$, iff φ is satisfied by every maximally plausible state that is at least as plausible as u .^{[8](#page-6-0)} Or, more precisely:

 $M, u \models B_i \varphi$ iff $M, v \models \varphi$ for every $v \geq_i u$ such that $v \geq_i w$ for each $w \geq_i v$.

[\[12\]](#page-15-3) adopts the policy of upgrading agent is beliefs with respect to φ by removing \leq_i -links between φ -states and $\neg \varphi$ -states and adding \leq_i -links between $\neg \varphi$ -states and φ -states. The new plausibility relation is defined by

$$
(\varphi?;\leq_i;\varphi?) \cup (\neg\varphi?;\leq_i;\neg\varphi?) \cup (\neg\varphi?;\sim_i;\varphi?)
$$

One can use this to define a PDL-transformation $\int_1^i \varphi$ that maps \leq_i to the term above and keeps everything else the same. The fact that agent i believes ψ after upgrading her beliefs with φ is then expressed in GDDL as $[\Uparrow^i \varphi] B_i \psi$.^{[9](#page-6-1)}

But there is a problem. Not only is $[\hat{p}^i\ p]B_i p$ valid (as expected), but also for any other agent j, so is $[\hat{p}^i p]B_jB_ip$. In other words, it is logically true that after i doxastically upgrades with p, not only does she believe that p but everyone else believes that she believes p. In this way, $[\hat{\mathbb{A}}^i \varphi]$ is not really private at all. To express private upgrading of beliefs we need the operator $(\uparrow^i \varphi) = [A, G, H, a]$ depicted in the following diagram: ^{[10](#page-6-2)}

⁸ There are many different approaches to the semantics of belief. The one we choose here is adopted merely for illustrative purposes. For others, see, e.g. [\[3\]](#page-15-11).

⁹ Strictly speaking, this is not a formula of GDDL over the signature $\langle P, R \rangle$ because it uses the belief operator B_i . But B_i is still a normal modal operator, so we could extend the signature with new symbols b_i (so that $B_i = \langle b_i \rangle$ and then express the required relationship between $V(b_i)$ and $V(\leq_i)$ as a semantic constraint.

 10 The approach to other agents' ignorance is directly from BMS but with addition of genuinely dynamic (in the 'PDL' sense) actions rather than just restrictions of the domain by preconditions.

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Here, A is a two-state model with domain $D = \{a, b\}$. It has signature $\langle Q, S \rangle$, where Q is empty and $S = \{\leq j, \leq j \mid j \in I\}$, and interprets $\leq j$ as an equivalence relation and \preceq_i as a preorder, although not all of the links are shown in the diagram. The point α is distinguished as representing the actual action performed, which is to upgrade agent i's belief in φ . So, the transformation G_a is just $\Uparrow^i \varphi$ (written inside the node a). Point b represents the nil action of doing nothing, so G_b is I, the identity transformation. Only agent i knows which of the two possible actions were performed, so $a \approx_i b$ for all $j \neq i$. Likewise, we will assume (although there is room for more subtlety here) that each of these other agents regards it as more plausible that i's beliefs have not changed. This is captured by making $a \preceq_i b$ and not $b \preceq_i a$ for all those j . Finally, the integrating transformation H is defined as composing the two epistemic and the two doxastic relations, and taking their reflexive transitive closure. $^{\rm 11}$ $^{\rm 11}$ $^{\rm 11}$

To see how this works, we will consider an application of $(\uparrow^i \varphi)$ to the model M displayed below:

We will think of M as representing a scenario with two agents, called 1 and 2, who both believe $-r$: 'it hasn't rained today'. Now, the operator $\uparrow^1 r$ should represent the action of agent 1 privately upgrading her belief in r , in a way that is unobserved by agent 2; perhaps she takes a furtive glance out of the window and sees someone closing an umbrella. The resulting combined model GM (left) and the final model (\uparrow ¹ r) $M = HGM$ (right) of signature $\langle P, R \rangle$ are as shown: [12](#page-7-1)

 11 In fact, in this case, taking the reflexive transitive closure is redundant, but we include it here to show how this can be done in general.

 12 Again, we have not shown all the links, relying on diagrammatic convention for reflexive and transitive closure.

Now, we can see that in the model $(\uparrow^1 r)M$, the state $\langle u, a \rangle$ satisfies the formulas B_1r (agent 1 believes it to be raining), $B_2\rightarrow r$ (agent 2 still believes it is not raining) and B_2B_1-r (agent 2 also believes, falsely, that agent 1 still believes it not to be raining). $1\overline{3}$

2.2 Axiomatisation

The key to understanding the logic of GDDL is to find a computable translation $\varphi^{[A,G,H,a]}$ of each formula φ in $L(P,R)$ such that

$$
[A, G, H, a] \varphi \leftrightarrow \varphi^{[A, G, H, a]}
$$

is valid as a formula of GDDL. From this (and the replacement of logical equivalents) it follows that every formula of $L^+(P,R)$ is equivalent to a formula of $L(P, R)$, and can be proved to be so using these equivalences as axioms. We can reduce the two senses of 'dynamic' in dynamic dynamic logic to one.

How, then, to define $\varphi^{[A,G,H,a]}$? Our approach will be to define a formula $\varphi^{[A,G,d]}$ of $L(P,R)$ for each φ of $L(P\cup Q, R\cup S)$ and a program $\pi^{[A,G,d,e]}$ of $T(P, R)$ for each π of $T(P \cup Q, R \cup S)$ such that for any model M of signature $\langle P, R \rangle$, the following result holds:

Lemma 2.1 For each $\langle u, d \rangle, \langle v, e \rangle \in GW$,

- (i) $GM, \langle u, d \rangle \models \varphi \text{ iff } M, u \models \varphi^{[A, G, d]}, \text{ and}$
- (ii) $\langle u, d \rangle [\![\pi]\!]^{GM} \langle v, e \rangle \text{ iff } u[\![\pi^{[A, G, d, e]}]\!]^{M}v$

This will be proved below. We can then define $\varphi^{[A,G,H,d]} = \varphi^{H^{[A,G,d]}}$ so that

¹³Although the definition of a private belief upgrade operator is only an example to show what can be done in GDDL, it illustrates the need for some constraints in getting sensible results for epistemic logic. In particular, it is important that the epistemic relation \approx_i in the operator constrains the definition of the various transformations G_d so that each agent knows that actions affecting her own psychological state have occurred, namely, that $d \asymp_i e$ implies both $G_d(\leq_i) = G_e(\leq_i)$ and $G_d(\leq_i) = G_e(\leq_i)$.

Lemma 2.2 For each operator $[A, G, H, a]$ of GDDL and each formula φ of $L(P, R)$, the following is valid:

$$
[A, G, H, a] \varphi \leftrightarrow \varphi^{[A, G, H, a]}
$$

Proof: From Lemmas [2.1](#page-8-1) and [1.1.](#page-3-0) (Note that, since GM is of signature $\langle P \cup$ $Q, R \cup S$ and $[A, G, H, d]M = HGM$ is of signature $\langle P, R \rangle$, the formula φ^H is in $L(P \cup Q, R \cup S)$, as required by Lemma [2.1.](#page-8-1)) $\textcircled{ }$

To define $\pi^{[A,G,d,e]}$ we need a small excursion into automata theory.^{[14](#page-9-0)} For each signature, say that σ is a *basic program* of that signature if it is either a relation symbol or a test. Then for each model N and a program π , define $\Sigma(N, u, v, \pi)$ to be the set of strings $\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n$ of basic subprograms of π such that $u_i[\![\sigma_i]\!]^N u_{i+1}$ for some sequence u_0, \ldots, u_n of states in N with $u_0 = u$ and $u_n = v$. Say that a finite state automaton A over an alphabet of basic subprograms of a program π represents π iff for all models N and states u and υ ,

 $u[\![\pi]\!]^N v$ iff some word of $\Sigma(N, u, v, \pi)$ is accepted by A.

It has been well known since [\[10\]](#page-15-12) that every PDL formula is represented by some automaton and every automaton represents some PDL formula. Moreover, each can be computed from the other. ^{[15](#page-9-1)} Now, given φ in $L(P\cup Q, R\cup S)$ and π in $T(P\cup Q, R\cup S)$ and states $d, e \in D$, we will define $\varphi^{[A,G,d]}$ and $\pi^{[A,G,d,e]}$ by mutual induction.

The definition of $\varphi^{[A,G,d]}$ is straightforwardly inductive:

$$
p^{[A,G,d]} = G_d(p)
$$

\n
$$
q^{[A,G,d]} = \begin{cases} \top \text{ if } d \in U(q) \\ \bot \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}
$$

\n
$$
(\neg \varphi)^{[A,G,d]} = \neg \varphi^{[A,G,d]} \qquad \qquad [\varphi \wedge \psi)^{[A,G,d]} = (\varphi^{[A,G,d]} \wedge \psi^{[A,G,d]})
$$

\n
$$
(\langle \pi \rangle \varphi)^{[A,G,d]} = \bigvee_{e \in D} \langle \pi^{[A,G,d,e]} \rangle \big(|G_e| \wedge \varphi^{[A,G,e]}\big)
$$

The program $\pi^{[A,G,d,e]}$ is obtained by constructing a corresponding automaton, which will refer to $\psi^{[A,G,d]}$ for subprograms ψ ? of π , which is inductively legitimate. This will take the next couple of paragraphs.

First, consider an automaton A_{π} which represents π . Let A_{π} have states X, of

¹⁴This excursion into automata theory is solely for the purpose of producing the reduction axioms, in a recursive way. Once the axioms are produced, however, no essential use of automata remains in the logic. We find the technique useful and illuminating but recognise that there may be an alternative approach that provides reduction axioms in a more direct way. We leave this as an open problem.

¹⁵The complexity of translating between the two representations has been investigated in [\[6\]](#page-15-13).

which $X_0 \subseteq X$ are initial states, $X_1 \subseteq X$ are accepting states, and for each σ (a basic subprogram of π), $T(\sigma) \subseteq X^2$ is such that there is a transition from x_1 to x_2 labelled by σ iff $\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in T(\sigma)$.

Now for each symbol σ in the alphabet of A_{π} (a basic subprogram of π) and each $c_1, c_2 \in D$, define σ^{c_1, c_2} as follows:

$$
\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = \begin{cases} \psi^{[A,G,c]}; \text{ if } \sigma = \psi \text{? and } c_1 = c_2 = c \\ G_d(\sigma) & \text{ if } \sigma \in R \text{ and } c_1 = c_2 \\ \top \text{?} & \text{ if } \sigma \in S \text{ and } \langle c_1, c_2 \rangle \in U(\sigma) \\ \bot \text{?} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
$$

Construct a new automaton $B_{\pi}^{d,e}$, whose alphabet consists of the basic programs σ^{c_1,c_2} where σ is in the alphabet of A_{π} , with states $X'=X\times D$, initial states $X'_0 = X_0 \times \{d\}$, accepting states $X'_1 = X_1 \times \{e\}$, and transition function T' defined by

$$
T'(\tau) = \{ \langle \langle x_1, c_1 \rangle, \langle x_2, c_2 \rangle \rangle \mid \text{for some } \sigma, \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in T(\sigma) \text{ and } \sigma^{c_1, c_2} = \tau \}
$$

Now, let $\pi^{[A, G, d, e]}$ be the program of $T(P, R)$ represented by $B_{\pi}^{d,e}$.

The two automata are designed to be synchronised in the sense given by the following technical lemma:

Lemma 2.3 Assume that for each test ψ ? occurring in π , and each $\langle w, c \rangle \in$ $GW, GM, \langle w, c \rangle \models \psi \text{ iff } M, w \models \psi^{[A, G, c]}.$ Then, given $x_1, x_2 \in X$ and $\langle u, c_1 \rangle, \langle v, c_2 \rangle \in GW$, consider the following properties of the labels of the automata A_{π} and $B_{\pi}^{d,e}$:

$$
\gamma(\sigma): \quad \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in T(\sigma) \qquad \qquad \gamma'(\tau): \langle \langle x_1, c_1 \rangle, \langle x_2, c_2 \rangle \rangle \in T'(\tau) \qquad \text{and} \qquad \q
$$

Then for each symbol τ of the alphabet of $B_{\pi}^{d,e}$,

 $\gamma'(\tau)$ iff $\gamma(\sigma)$ and $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = \tau$ for some σ in the alphabet of A_{π}

Proof: See Appendix. \odot

We are now ready to prove Lemma [2.1.](#page-8-1)

Proof of Lemma [2.1:](#page-8-1) The rank of a formula or program is defined as follows. Formulas of rank n are not of rank $n - 1$ but contain no programs of rank n, and programs of rank n not of rank $n-1$ but contain no test formulas of rank n. (In particular, formulas of rank 0 contain no programs and programs of rank 0 contain no test formulas; formulas of rank 1 contain at least one program of rank 0 but none of rank 1 and programs of rank 1 contain at least one test formula of rank 0 but none of rank 1, etc.) To prove the lemma we show, by induction on the rank n of a formula φ of $L(P \cup Q, R \cup S)$, that for $\langle u, d \rangle, \langle v, e \rangle \in W',$

- (i) $GM, u, d \models \varphi$ iff $M, u \models \varphi^{[A, G, d]}$, and
- (ii) for any program π of rank $\leq n, \langle u, d \rangle [\![\pi]\!]^{GM} \langle v, e \rangle$ iff $u[\![\pi]^{(A, G, d, e)}]^{M}v$

We prove part 1 by induction on the structure of φ .

For propositional variables: $GM, u, d \models p$ iff $u \in V_d(p)$ iff $u \in [G_d(p)]^M$ iff $M, u \models G_d(p)$ iff $M, u \models$ $p^{[A,G,d]}$ $GM, u, d \models q$ iff $d \in U(q)$ iff $q^{[A, G, d]} = \top$ iff $M, u \models q^{[A, G, d]}$ (given that $q^{[A,G,d]} \in {\{\top, \bot\}}$

For Booleans (\neg and \wedge), the proof is straightforwardly inductive.

For formulas of the form $\langle \pi \rangle \psi$, note that π must be of rank $\langle n \rangle$ and so for each $\langle w, f \rangle \in W'$

$$
\langle u, d \rangle [\![\pi]\!]^{GM} \langle w, f \rangle \text{ iff } u [\![\pi^{[A,G,d,f]}]\!]^{M}v
$$

and by the (inner, structural) inductive hypothesis,

$$
GM, w, f \models \psi \text{ iff } M, w, \models \psi^{[A, G, f]}
$$

But then the following are equivalent:

 $GM, u, d \models \langle \pi \rangle \psi$ $\langle u, d \rangle [\![\pi]\!]^{GM} \langle w, f \rangle$ and $GM, w, f \models \psi$ for some $\langle w, f \rangle \in W'$ $u\llbracket \pi^{[A,G,d,f]} \rrbracket^M w$ and $M, w \models \psi^{[A,G,f]}$ for some $\langle w, f \rangle \in W'$ $M, w \models |G_f|, u[\![\pi^{[A,G,d,f]}]\!]^M w$ and $M, w \models \psi^{[A,G,f]}$ for some $f \in D, w \in W$ $M,u \models \bigvee_{f \in D} \langle \pi^{[A,G,d,f]} \rangle (|G_f| \wedge \psi^{[A,G,f]})$ $M,u \models \langle \pi \rangle \psi^{[A,G,d]}$

For part 2, we know that any test formula in π is of rank $\lt n$. So suppose $\langle u, d \rangle [\![\pi]\!]^{GM} \langle v, e \rangle$. Then by choice of A_{π} we have that some word $\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n$ in $\Sigma(GM,\langle u,d \rangle,\langle v,e \rangle,\pi)$ is accepted by A_{π} . This implies that

- (i) there are u_0, \ldots, u_n and $c_0, \ldots, c_n \in D$ such that $u_0 = u, c_0 = d, u_n = v$ $c_n = e$ and $\langle u_i, c_i \rangle [\![\sigma_i]\!]^{GM} \langle u_{i+1}, c_{i+1} \rangle$ for $0 \leq i < n$, and
- (ii) there are $x_0, \ldots, x_n \in X$ and such that $x_0 \in X_0, x_n \in X_1$, and $\langle x_i, x_{i+1} \rangle \in$ $T(\sigma_i)$ for $0 \leq i < n$.

Now for each i we have $\gamma_i(\sigma_i)$:

 $\langle x_i, x_{i+1} \rangle \in T(\sigma_i)$ and $\langle u_i, c_i \rangle [\![\sigma_i]\!]^{GM} \langle u_{i+1}, c_{i+1} \rangle$

So, by Lemma [2.3,](#page-10-0) for $\tau_i = \sigma_i^{c_i, c_{i+1}}$, we have $\gamma_i'(\tau_i)$:

 $\langle\langle x_i, c_i \rangle, \langle x_{i+1}, c_{i+1} \rangle\rangle \in T'(\tau_i)$ and $u_i \llbracket \tau_i \rrbracket^M u_{i+1}$

Also, since $c_0 = d$, $c_n = e$, $x_0 \in X_0$, $x_n \in X_1$, we have that $\langle x_0, c_0 \rangle \in X'_0$ and $\langle x_n, c_n \rangle \in X'_1$. Thus:

- (i) there are u_0, \ldots, u_n such that $u_0 = u$, $u_n = v$ and $u_i \llbracket \tau_i \rrbracket^M u_{i+1}$ for $0 \leq$ $i < n$, and
- (ii) there are $x_0, \ldots, x_n \in X$ and $c_0, \ldots, c_n \in D$ such that $\langle x_0, c_0 \rangle \in X_0$, $\langle x_n, c_n \rangle \in X_1$, and $\langle \langle x_i, c_i \rangle, \langle x_{i+1}, c_{i+1} \rangle \rangle \in T'(\tau_i)$ for $0 \leq i < n$.

This is precisely what is required for $\tau_1 \ldots \tau_n$ to be accepted by $B_{\pi}^{d,e}$. Then by definition of $\pi^{[A,G,d,e]}$, we have that $u\llbracket \pi^{[A,G,d,e]} \rrbracket^M v$, as required. The converse is proved similarly. \circledcirc

Theorem 2.4 The logic of GDDL is completely axiomatised by the axioms and rules of PDL (see Definition 4.78 in $\vert 4 \vert$) and the schema

$$
\vdash [A,G,H,a] \varphi \leftrightarrow \varphi^{[A,G,H,a]}
$$

Corollary 2.5 GDDL is decidable.

Proof: We have a computable reduction of GDDL to its PDL fragment, which is itself decidable. ,

3 Applications

In the remainder of the paper, we show how two well-known systems for dynamic epistemic logic (BMS and LCC) are special cases of GDDL.

For BMS [\[1\]](#page-15-0), we will be working with a signature $\langle P, R \rangle$ for which P is a (countably infinite) set of propositional variables and $R = \{K_i \mid i \in I\}$ is a set of epistemic relations, one for each agent $i \in I$, with I finite. The BMS system is not dynamic in the first (PDL) sense and so we will refer to basic modal language (in which the only terms are the atoms K_i) as $L^-(P, R)$. A model $M = \langle W, V \rangle$ of this signature is an *epistemic* model iff all the relations $V(K_i)$ are equivalence relations. So far, this is all just standard epistemic logic. The innovation was to define an *action* model to be a structure of the form $\langle D, U, \text{pre} \rangle$ for which $\langle D, U \rangle$ is an epistemic model and pre: $D \to L^-(P, R)$ assigns a formula to each element of D that expresses the 'precondtion' of performing the action it represents. For example, if d represents the announcement of φ , then it is usually assumed that, as a precondition, the announcement must be true, and so $\text{pre}(d) = \varphi$. Action models are finite and so can be added to the syntax as dynamic operators. The full language of BMS is thus

$$
\varphi \quad ::= \quad p \mid \neg \varphi \mid (\varphi \vee \varphi) \mid \langle K_i \rangle \varphi \mid [D, U, \text{pre}, a] \varphi
$$

where $\langle D, U, \text{pre} \rangle$ is an action model and $a \in D$ is the designated action. Given action model $\Delta = \langle D, U, \text{pre} \rangle$ and epistemic model $M = \langle W, V \rangle$, the product model ΔM is defined to be $\langle \Delta W, \Delta V \rangle$, where

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$$
\begin{array}{ll}\n\Delta W & = \{ \langle u, d \rangle \mid M, u \models \mathsf{pre}(d) \} \\
\Delta V(p) & = \{ \langle u, d \rangle \in \Delta W \mid u \in V(p) \} \text{ for each } p \in P \\
\Delta V(K_i) & = \{ \langle \langle u, d \rangle, \langle v, e \rangle \rangle \in (\Delta W)^2 \mid \langle u, v \rangle \in V(K_i) \text{ and } \langle d, e \rangle \in U(K_i) \}\n\end{array}
$$

Finally, the semantics of the BMS operator $[D, U, \text{pre}, a]$ is given by

$$
M, u \models [D, U, \text{pre}, a] \varphi
$$
 iff $\langle D, U, \text{pre} \rangle M, \langle u, a \rangle \models \varphi$

This can be seen as a special case of our general construction. First, we take a copy K_i' of each symbol K_i , because we need to keep the signature of the epistemic model distinct from that of the action model. Then we define the model $A = \langle D, U' \rangle$ of signature $\langle Q, S \rangle$, with $Q = \emptyset$ and $S = \{K'_i \mid i \in I\}$, such that $U'(K'_i) = U(K_i)$, for each $i \in I$. For each $d \in D$ we define the transformation G_d by setting $|G_d| = \text{pre}(d)$. ^{[16](#page-13-0)} This captures the idea of a precondition. Finally, we take H to be the transformation given by $H(K_i)$ = $K_i; K'_i$.^{[17](#page-13-1)} To show that $[D, U, \text{pre}, a] \varphi$ is logically equivalent to $[A, G, H, a] \varphi$, the following theorem is sufficient.

Theorem 3.1 With $\Delta = \langle D, U, \text{pre} \rangle$ and A, G and H defined as above,

$$
\Delta M = [A, G, H]M
$$

Proof: See Appendix. \circ

It follows that there is a (computable) translation mapping formulas of BMS to equivalent formulas of GDDL.

LCC [\[15\]](#page-15-1), the Logic of Communication and Change, extends BMS in two ways: by expanding the base language to include PDL modalities, and by introducing 'real-world' change. The first extension is relatively straightforward. It just amounts to moving from $L^-(P,R)$ to $L(P,R)$, and the argument that the resulting system is a fragment of GDDL goes through as above. The second extension, to model 'real-world' change, is achieved using 'propositional substitutions', which are functions $\sigma: P \to L(P, R)$ with a finite base, meaning that σ is the identity function on all but a finite number of propositional variables. An action that changes something other than just the psychological states of agents, can thus be represented by a propositional substitution σ such that, after the change, p is true of state u iff $\sigma(p)$ were true of it before the change. ^{[18](#page-13-2)}

A LCC action model $\Delta = \langle D, U \rangle$, pre, sub) consists of a BMS-like ^{[19](#page-13-3)} action model $\langle D, U, \text{pre}\rangle$ and a propositional substitution function sub_d for each $d \in D$. Given

¹⁶The rest of G_d keeps everything the same: $G_d(p) = p$ and $G_d(K_i) = K_i$.

¹⁷Again, everything else is kept the same, so $|H| = \top$ and $H(p) = p$ for all $p \in P$.

¹⁸The restriction to σ of finite base requires the changes to be, in some sense, local. However, the embedding of LCC in GDDL shows that what is important here is only that there is some finite representation of σ , on the basis of which σ can be recovered algorithmically.

¹⁹The only difference is that $\mathsf{pre}(d)$ is not restricted to $L^-(P,R)$; it may be any formula of $L(P,R)$.

an epistemic model $M = \langle W, V \rangle$, the LCC product model ΔM is defined to be $\langle \Delta W, \Delta V \rangle$ as for BMS, except that

$$
\Delta V(p) = \{ \langle u, d \rangle \in \Delta W \mid u \in V(\mathsf{sub}_d(p)) \} \text{ for each } p \in P
$$

To extend our earlier representation of BMS operators in GDDL requires only one small change: the transformation G_d is now defined by $|G_d| = \text{pre}(d)$ (as for BMS) and $G_d(p) = sub_d(p)$ (new to LCC). With A and H defined as for BMS, we have the required result:

Theorem 3.2 With $\Delta = \langle D, U \rangle$, pre, sub) and A, G and H defined as above,

$$
\Delta M = [A, G, H]M
$$

Proof: See Appendix. \circledcirc

It follows that there is a (computable) translation mapping formulas of LCC to equivalent formulas of GDDL.

4 Conclusion

GDDL achieves our objective of generalising existing approaches to dynamic epistemic logic to allow relational change and opens up a number of possibilities for further work. Firstly, it would be interesting to look at fragments that can be expressed in a more restricted syntax. Even the syntactically promiscuous logics of BMS and LCC exploit only a small part of the generality of GDDL operators, suggesting that other restrictions may be equally interesting in their own right.

Secondly, there are many applications that could profit from the ability to code appropriate GDDL operators. For example, the study of the relationship between first and higher-order psychological attitudes requires the interplay between levels available in GDDL. This arises in preference logic when trying to account for weakness of will, which may be expresses as the preference for having different preferences: I may prefer an action in which my preference for smoking is downgraded to one in which it is not. Moving from the personal setting, similar level distinctions occurs when reflecting on normative systems. Certain changes to the law, for example, may be regarded as permissible, while others are not. Moving to a multi-agent perspective, GDDL operators could be devised to model changes to conflicting normative systems, and so providing a logic for reasoning about the effect of those changes, which may provide a new approach to reasoning about conflict resolution. If the relations in a model are understood as transitions (as in the standard interpretation of PDL), GDDL operators encode operations for changing what it is possible to do, and so a basis for reasoning about design.

Thirdly, from a technical point of view, the interaction between levels raises

interesting questions about the framing of general constraints to ensure sensible results. We saw an example of this in our brief exploration of belief change (Footnote [13\)](#page-8-0) but as yet we have no idea about how to frame a general theory of such constraints.

These suggestions are of course very speculative but they give a sense of how GDDL could be used to open up a new area for applications. Our motivations for developing the system arose from technical considerations in an ongoing project called 'logic in the community' [\[11\]](#page-15-15), which aims at studying the consequences of social relationships for our understanding of rational procedures. We expect there to be many further uses for GDDL in this area also, as well as an extension to the two-dimensional setting.

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Appendix

This technical appendix contains those proofs that we regard as relatively straightforward, and which should not appear in the final version of the paper. They are included here merely to assist the referees to check our results.

Proof of Lemma [1.1:](#page-3-0) We prove the two claims simultaneously by induction. Assume that $u \in \Lambda W$.

Negation and conjunction are straightforward.

The remaining cases are straightforward.

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Proof of Lemma [2.3:](#page-10-0) In the first direction, assume that $\langle\langle x_1,c_1\rangle,\langle x_2,c_2\rangle\rangle\in$ $T'(\tau)$ and $\mathfrak{u}[\![\tau]\!]^M v$. Then, for some σ , $\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in T(\sigma)$ and $\sigma^{c_1, c_2} = \tau$, so $u\llbracket \sigma^{c_1,c_2} \rrbracket^M v$. It remains to show that $\gamma(\sigma)$.

Now, $\sigma^{c_1, c_2} = \top ?$, $G_d(\sigma)$ or $\psi^{[A, G, c]}$?:

- $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = \top$?: $\sigma \in S, \langle c_1, c_2 \rangle \in U(\sigma)$, so $u[\top^2]^M v$ implies that $u = v$, so $\langle u, c_1 \rangle [\![\sigma]\!]^{GM} \langle v, c_2 \rangle$, by definition.
- $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = G_d(\sigma)$: $\sigma = r \in R, c_1 = c_2$. So $u[[G_d(\sigma)]]^M v$. Thus,

 $\langle u, c_1 \rangle [\![\sigma]\!]^{GM} \langle v, c_2 \rangle$, by definition.

• $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = \psi^{[A,G,c]}$?: $\sigma = \psi$?, $c_1 = c_2 = c$. So $u[\psi^{[A,G,c]}]^{M}v$ implies that $u = v$ and $M, u \models \psi^{[A,G,c]}$. Hence, $GM, \langle u, c \rangle \models \psi$, by assumption, so $\langle u, c_1 \rangle [\![\sigma]\!]^{GM} \langle v, c_2 \rangle.$

Therefore, $\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in T(\sigma)$ and $\langle u, c_1 \rangle || \sigma ||^{GM} \langle v, c_2 \rangle$.

In the other direction, assume that $\gamma(\sigma)$ and $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = \tau$. We show that $\langle\langle x_1,c_1\rangle,\langle x_2,c_2\rangle\rangle \in T'(\sigma)$ and $u[\sigma]^{M}v$. Now $\gamma(\sigma)$ implies that $\langle u, c_1 \rangle [\![\sigma]\!]^{GM} \langle v, c_2 \rangle$, so either $u = v$ or $c_1 = c_2$, by definition. If $c_1 = c_2, \sigma$ is a basic subprogram of π , i.e., $\sigma = r$ or ψ ?, which implies that $\sigma^{c_1, c_2} = \psi^{[A, G, c]}$? or $G_d(\sigma)$. And if $u = v$, then $\langle c_1, c_2 \rangle \in U(s)$, by definition, so $\sigma^{c_1, c_2} = T$?. So if $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = \perp$?, then $NOT\langle u, c_1 \rangle [\![\sigma]\!]^{GM} \langle v, c_2 \rangle$, contradicting our assumption.

- $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = \psi^{[A,G,c]}$: $\sigma = \psi$?, $c_1 = c_2 = c$, so $\langle u, c \rangle [\![\psi\!]^{\text{GM}} \langle v, c \rangle$, which implies that $u = v$ and $GM, \langle u, c \rangle \models \psi$. By assumption, $M, u \models \psi^{[A, G, c]}$, so $u[\![\tau]\!]^M v$, by definition.
- $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = G_d(\sigma)$: $\sigma = r \in R$, $c_1 = c_2 = d$, so $\langle u, d \rangle [\![r]\!]^{GM} \langle v, d \rangle$, which implies that $\langle u, v \rangle \in V_d(r)$, by definition, so $u[[G_d(r)]]^M v$. Hence, $u[[\tau]]^M v$.
- $\sigma^{c_1,c_2} = \top$?: $\sigma = s \in S$ and $\langle c_1, c_2 \rangle \in U(\sigma)$. so $\langle u, c_1 \rangle \llbracket s \rrbracket^{GM} \langle v, c_2 \rangle$, which implies that $u = v$. But $M, u \models \top$, so $u \llbracket \top ? \rrbracket^M u$. Hence, $u \llbracket \tau \rrbracket^M v$.

Therefore, $u\llbracket \tau \rrbracket^M v$.

Finally, $\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \in T(\sigma)$ and $\sigma^{c_1, c_2} = \tau$ implies that $\langle \langle x_1, c_1 \rangle \rangle \langle x_2, c_2 \rangle \in T'(\tau)$ by definition.

Proof of Theorem [3.1:](#page-13-4) Let $\Delta M = \langle W', V'' \rangle$ and $[A, G, M]M = \langle \Lambda G W, \Lambda G V \rangle$. Then,

$$
\begin{array}{rcl}\n\Lambda GW & = & GW & (\vert \Lambda \vert = \top) \\
 & = & \{ \langle u, d \rangle \mid u \in [\vert G_d \vert] \} & \text{(definition)} \\
 & = & \{ \langle u, d \rangle \mid u \in [\vert \mathsf{pre}(d) \vert] \} & \text{(assumption)} \\
 & = & \Delta W\n\end{array}
$$
\n
$$
\begin{array}{rcl}\n\Lambda G V(p) & = & [\![\Lambda G(p)]\!]^M \cap \Lambda G W & \text{(definition)} \\
 & = & [\![p]\!]^M \cap \Delta W & \text{(A} G W = \Delta W) \\
 & = & \Delta V(p) & \text{(definition)} \\
\llbracket \Lambda G_d(r_i) \rrbracket^{\Lambda G M} & = & [\![\Lambda(r_i)]\!]^{\Lambda G M} & \text{(} G_d(r_i) = r_i)\n\end{array}
$$
\n
$$
= & [\![r_i; s_i]\!]^{G M} & \text{(assumption)}\n\end{array}
$$

But $\langle u, d \rangle [r_i; s_i]^{GM} \langle v, e \rangle$ iff there exists $\langle w, f \rangle \in GW$ such that $\langle u, d \rangle [r_i]^{GM} \langle w, f \rangle$ and $\langle w, f \rangle [s_i]^{GM} \langle v, e \rangle$, iff $d = f$ and $w = v$, by definition. Hence, $\langle u, d \rangle \llbracket r_i; s_i \rrbracket^{GM} \langle v, e \rangle$ iff $\langle u, d \rangle \llbracket r_i \rrbracket^{GM} \langle v, d \rangle$ and $\langle v, d \rangle \llbracket s_i \rrbracket^{GM} \langle v, e \rangle$ iff $u[[G_d(r_i)]^M v$ and $d[[s_i]]^A e$, by definition, iff $u[[r_i]]^M v$ and $d[[s_i]]^A e$. Therefore,

$$
[\![\Lambda G_d(r_i)]\!]^{\Lambda GM} = \Delta V(r). \tag{9}
$$

Proof of Theorem [3.2:](#page-14-0) The proof is the same as the previous theorem but for the propositional case:

$$
\Lambda G_d V(p) = [\![\Lambda G_d(p)]\!]^M \cap \Lambda GW \quad \text{(definition)}\n= [\![\text{sub}_d(p)]\!]^M \cap \Delta W \quad (\Lambda GW = \Delta W)\n= \Delta V(p) \quad \text{(definition)}
$$

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