

# Non-classical logics

## Lecture 16: Modal logics (Part 6)

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# Until now

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## Syntax

## Semantics

Kripke models

global and local entailment; deduction theorem

## Correspondence theory

## First-order definability

## Theorem proving in modal logics

- Inference systems
- Tableau calculi
- Resolution

## Decidability

# Decidability of modal logics

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**Goal:** Construct the finite Kripke structure  $\mathcal{K}'$  starting from  $\mathcal{K}$ .

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## Filtrations

Fix a model  $\mathcal{K} = (S, R, I)$  and a set  $\Gamma \subseteq Fma_{\Sigma}$  that is closed under subformulae, i.e.  $B \in \Gamma$  implies  $\text{Subformulae}(B) \subseteq \Gamma$ .

For each  $s \in S$ , define

$$\Gamma_s = \{B \in \Gamma \mid (\mathcal{K}, s) \models B\}$$

and put  $s \sim_{\Gamma} t$  iff  $\Gamma_s = \Gamma_t$ ,

Then  $s \sim_{\Gamma} t$  iff for all  $B \in \Gamma$ ,  $(\mathcal{K}, s) \models B$  iff  $(\mathcal{K}, t) \models B$ .

**Fact:**  $\sim_{\Gamma}$  is an equivalence relation on  $S$ .

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Let  $[s] = \{t \mid s \sim_{\Gamma} t\}$  be the  $\sim_{\Gamma}$ -equivalence class of  $s$ .

Let  $S_{\Gamma} := \{[s] \mid s \in S\}$  be the set of all such equivalence classes.

**Lemma.** If  $\Gamma$  is finite, then  $S_{\Gamma}$  is finite and has at most  $2^n$  elements, where  $n$  is the number of elements of  $\Gamma$ .

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Define  $I' : \Pi' \times S' \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  by  $I'(P, [s]) = I(P, s)$

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Define e.g.  $([s], [t]) \in R'$  iff  $\exists s' \in [s], \exists t' \in [t]: (s', t') \in R$

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**Remark:**  $R'$  has the following properties:

(F1) if  $(s, t) \in R$  then  $([s], [t]) \in R'$

(F2) if  $([s], [t]) \in R'$  then for all  $B$ , if  $\Box B \in \Gamma$  and  $(\mathcal{K}, s) \models \Box B$ , then  $(\mathcal{K}, t) \models B$ .

**Proof:** (F2) Assume  $([s], [t]) \in R'$ . Then  $(s', t') \in R$  for  $s' \in [s], t' \in [t]$ . Hence if  $(\mathcal{K}, s) \models \Box B$  then  $(\mathcal{K}, s') \models \Box B$ , so  $(\mathcal{K}, t') \models B$ , i.e.  $(\mathcal{K}, t) \models B$ .

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Any Kripke structure  $\mathcal{K}' = (S_\Gamma, R', I_\Gamma)$  in which  $R'$  satisfies (F1) and (F2) is called a  $\Gamma$ -filtration of  $\mathcal{K}$ .

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## Examples of filtrations

- The smallest filtration.  
 $([s], [t]) \in R'$  iff  $\exists s' \sim_{\Gamma} s, \exists t' \sim_{\Gamma} t$  s.t.  $(s', t') \in R$ .
- The largest filtration.  
 $([s], [t]) \in R'$  iff for all  $B, \Box B \in \Gamma$ ,  $(\mathcal{K}, s) \models \Box B$  implies  $(\mathcal{K}, t) \models B$ .
- The transitive filtration.  
 $([s], [t]) \in R'$  iff for all  $B, \Box B \in \Gamma$ ,  $(\mathcal{K}, s) \models \Box B$  implies  $(\mathcal{K}, t) \models \Box B \wedge B$ .

When defining  $\mathcal{K}'$  we can choose also the second or third definition of  $R'$ .

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## Filtration Lemma.

Let  $\Gamma$  be a set of modal formulae closed under subformulae.

Let  $\mathcal{K} = (S, R, I)$  be a Kripke structure and let  $\mathcal{K}' = (S_\Gamma, R', I_\Gamma)$  be a  $\Gamma$ -filtration of  $\mathcal{K}$ .

If  $B \in \Gamma$ , then for any  $s \in S$ ,

$$(\mathcal{K}, s) \models B \quad \text{iff} \quad (\mathcal{K}', [s]) \models B$$

**Proof.** The case  $B = P \in \Pi \cap \Gamma$  is given by the definition of  $I'$

The inductive case for the connectives  $\{\wedge, \vee, \neg\}$  is straightforward.

The inductive case for  $\Box$  uses (F1) and (F2).

Note that the closure of  $\Gamma$  under subformulae is needed in order to be able to apply the induction hypothesis.

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**Theorem.** Let  $A$  be a formula with  $n$  subformulae.

Then  $\vdash_{\mathcal{K}} A$  iff  $A$  is valid in all frames having at most  $2^n$  elements.

**Proof.** Suppose  $\not\vdash_{\mathcal{K}} A$ . Then there is a model  $\mathcal{K} = (S, R, I)$  and a state  $s \in S$  at which  $A$  is false. Let  $\Gamma = \text{Subformulae}(A)$ .

Then  $\Gamma$  is closed under subformulae, so we can construct  $\Gamma$ -filtrations  $\mathcal{K}' = (S_{\Gamma}, R', I_{\Gamma})$  as above. By the Filtration Lemma,  $A$  is false at  $[s]$  in any such model, and hence not valid in the frame  $(S_{\Gamma}, R')$ .

We previously showed that the desired bound on the size of  $S_{\Gamma}$  is  $2^n$ .

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A logic  $\mathcal{L}$  characterized by a set  $\mathcal{F}$  of frames\* has the **finite frame property** if it is determined by its finite frames, i.e.,

if  $\not\vdash_{\mathcal{L}} A$ , then there is a finite frame  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  s.t.  $\mathcal{F} \not\models A$

We showed that the smallest normal logic  $K$  has the finite frame property, and a **computable bound** was given on the size of the invalidating frame for a given non-theorem.

\* We can choose  $\mathcal{F}$  to be the class of all frames in which all theorems of  $\mathcal{L}$  are valid.



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This implies that the property of  $K$ -theoremhood is decidable, i.e. that there is an algorithm for determining, for each formula  $A$ , whether or not  $\vdash_K A$ :

If  $A$  has  $n$  subformulae, we simply check to see whether or not  $A$  is valid in all frames of size at most  $2^n$ .

- Since a finite set has finitely many binary relations ( $2^{m^2}$  relations on an  $m$ -element set), there are only finitely many frames of size at most  $2^n$ .
- Moreover, to determine whether  $A$  is valid on a finite frame  $F$ , we need only look at models  $I : \Pi \cap \text{Subformulae}(A) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  on  $F$ .

But there are only finitely many such models on  $F$ . Thus the whole checking procedure for validity of  $A$  in frames of size at most  $2^n$  can be completed in a finite amount of time.

# Other modal systems

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<i>System</i>	<i>Description</i>
$T$	$K + \Box A \rightarrow A$
$D$	$K + \Box \rightarrow \Diamond A$
$B$	$T + \neg A \rightarrow \Box \neg \Box A$
$S4$	$T + \Box A \rightarrow \Box \Box A$
$S5$	$T + \neg \Box A \rightarrow \Box \neg \Box A$
$S4.2$	$S4 + \Diamond \Box A \rightarrow \Box \Diamond A$
$S4.3$	$S4 + \Box(\Box(A \rightarrow B)) \vee \Box(\Box(B \rightarrow A))$
$C$	$K + \frac{A \rightarrow B}{\Box(A \rightarrow B)}$ instead of $(G)$ .

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for every formula  $A$ , if  $\not\vdash_{\mathcal{L}} A$ , then there is a finite frame  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  that

- invalidates  $A$  and

- has at most  $g(n)$  elements, where  $n$  is the number of subformulae of  $A$ .

In adapting the above decidability argument to  $\mathcal{L}$ , **in addition to deciding whether or not a given finite frame  $F$  validates  $A$ , we also have to decide whether or not  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .**

If  $\mathcal{L}$  is finitely axiomatisable, meaning that  $\mathcal{L} = KS_1 \dots S_n$  for some finite number of schemata, then  $\mathcal{F}$  is the class of all frames in which the axioms schemata  $S_1, \dots, S_n$  hold.

Then the property " $F \in \mathcal{F}$ " is decidable: it suffices to determine whether each  $S_j$  is valid in  $F$ .

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In fact it can be shown that any finitely axiomatisable logic with the finite frame property is decidable.

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**Remark:** For many of the logics we have considered thus far, validity of  $S_j$  is equivalent to some first-order property of  $R$ , which can be algorithmically decided for finite  $F$ .

## Examples

Axiom	Property of $R$
$\Box A \rightarrow A$	reflexive
$A \rightarrow \Box \Diamond A$	symmetric
$\Box A \rightarrow \Box \Box A$	transitive

**Consequence:** The extension of  $K$  with each of the axioms above is decidable.

**Proof** It is sufficient to show that if  $\Gamma$ -filtrations are as defined in this lecture:

- for any reflexive frame its  $\Gamma$ -filtration is again reflexive
- for any symmetric frame its  $\Gamma$ -filtration is again symmetric

Transitivity is not always preserved by the minimal  $\Gamma$ -filtration of  $R$  (which was the one we used when defining the finite model  $\mathcal{K}'$ ); instead we can use the transitive filtration.

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$R$ acc.rel	$\mapsto$	$R/2$ binary predicate	$\forall s(P_{F_1 \vee F_2}(s) \leftrightarrow P_{F_1}(s) \vee P_{F_2}(s))$
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## Theorem.

$F$  is  $K$ -satisfiable iff  $\exists x P_F(x) \wedge \text{Rename}(F)$  is satisfiable in first-order logic.

# We now analyze the FO formula obtained

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$$\exists x \quad \neg P_F(x)$$

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# Skolemization

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# Ordered resolution as a decision procedure

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Let  $\Sigma = (\Omega, \Pi)$ , where  $\Omega = \{c_1/0, \dots, c_k/0, f_1/1, \dots, f_l/1\}$ , and  $\Pi = \{p_1/1, \dots, p_n/1, R/2\}$ . Let  $X$  be a set of variables.

We define an ordering and a selection function as follows.

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## Ordering:

Given:

- $\succ$  ordering which is total and well founded on ground terms and for all terms  $u, t$ , if  $t$  occurs as a subterm in  $u$  then  $u \succ t$ .
- $\succ_P$  total order on the predicate symbols s.t.  $R \succ_P p_i$  for every  $i$ .

An ordering on literals (also denoted by  $\succ$ ) is defined as follows.

Let  $c$  be the complexity measure defined for every ground literal  $L$  by  $c_L = (\max_L, \text{pred}_L, p_L)$  where:

- $\max_L$  is the maximal term occurring in  $L$ ;
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The complexity measure  $c$  induces a well-founded ordering  $\succ_c$  on ground literals, defined by  $L \succ_c L'$  if and only if  $c_L > c_{L'}$  in the lexicographic combination of  $\succ$ ,  $\succ_P$ , and  $>$  (where  $1 > 0$ ).

Let  $\succ$  be a total and well-founded extension of  $\succ_c$ .

**Example:** Assume  $R \succ_P P_1 \succ_P P_2$  and  $d \succ c$

$$L: \left| \begin{array}{l} \neg P_1(f(f(d))) \succ P_1(f(f(d))) \succ \neg P_2(f(f(d))) \succ R(c, f(d)) \succ \neg R(c, d) \succ R(c, c) \end{array} \right. \text{ because} \\ \hline c_L: \left| \begin{array}{l} (f(f(d)), P_1, 1) > (f(f(d)), P_1, 0) > (f(f(d)), P_2, 1) > (f(d), R, 0) > (d, R, 1) > (c, R, 0) \end{array} \right.$$

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## Selection function:

Let  $S$  be the selection function that selects all occurrences of negative literals starting with the predicate  $R$ .

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**Notation:** If  $t, t_1, \dots, t_n$  are terms, we use the following notations.

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Consider the following sets of clauses:

- $\mathcal{G}$  all clauses of type  $\mathcal{P}(c)$  where  $c$  is a constant.
- $\mathcal{V}$  all clauses of type  $\mathcal{P}(x)$  for some variable  $x$ .
- $\mathcal{V}(f)$  clauses of type  $\mathcal{P}(x, f(x))$ , for some variable  $x$  (where  $f/1 \in \Omega$ ).
- $\mathcal{R}^+$  all clauses of the form  $\mathcal{P}(x) \vee R(x, f(x))$  for some variable  $x$ .
- $\mathcal{R}^-$  all clauses of the form  $\mathcal{P}(x) \vee \mathcal{P}(y) \vee \neg R(x, y)$  for some variables  $x, y$ .

# Translation to CNF

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	$\neg P_F(c)$	$\mathcal{P}(c)$
$\forall s$	$(P_{\neg F'}(s) \vee P_{F'}(s))$	$\mathcal{V}(s)$
$\forall s$	$(\neg P_{\neg F'}(s) \vee \neg P_{F'}(s))$	$\mathcal{V}(s)$
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$\forall s$	$(P_{\Box F'}(s) \vee \neg P_{F'}(f_i(s)))$	$\mathcal{V}(f_i)$
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# Ordered resolution as a decision procedure

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## To be proved:

- (1) The set  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f) \cup \mathcal{R}^+ \cup \mathcal{R}^-$  is finite
- (2)  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V}$  is closed under  $\text{Res}_S^\succ$ .
- (3)  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f)$  is closed under  $\text{Res}_S^\succ$ .
- (4)  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f) \cup \mathcal{R}^+$  is closed under  $\text{Res}_S^\succ$ .
- (5)  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f) \cup \mathcal{R}^+ \cup \mathcal{R}^-$  is closed under  $\text{Res}_S^\succ$ .

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We assume that no literals occur several times (eager factoring)

**Theorem** The set  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f) \cup \mathcal{R}^+ \cup \mathcal{R}^-$  is finite

**Proof:** (1)  $\mathcal{P}(c)$  contains at most  $3^{|\text{Subformulae}(F)|}$  clauses, so if there are  $m$  constants then  $\mathcal{G}$  contains at most  $m3^{|\text{Subformulae}(F)|}$  clauses.

Similarly it can be checked that  $\mathcal{V}$  contains (up to renaming of variables)  $3^{|\text{Subformulae}(F)|}$  clauses.

All literals of clauses in  $\mathcal{P}(x, f(x))$  have argument  $x$  or  $f(x)$ . We have therefore  $2^{|\text{Subformulae}(F)|}$  literals, hence  $3^{2^{|\text{Subformulae}(F)|}}$  clauses.

The number of clauses in  $\mathcal{R}^+$  is the same as the number of clauses in  $\mathcal{P}(x)$ .  
The number of clauses in  $\mathcal{R}^-$  is  $|\mathcal{P}(x)|^2$ .

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## Theorem

- (2)  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V}$  is closed under  $\text{Res}_S^\succ$ .
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## Proof.

(2) The resolvent of two clauses in  $\mathcal{G}$  is in  $\mathcal{G}$ ; the resolvent of two clauses in  $\mathcal{V}$  is in  $\mathcal{V}$ ; The resolvent of a clause in  $\mathcal{G}$  and one in  $\mathcal{V}$  is in  $\mathcal{G}$ .

(3) No inference is possible between clauses in  $\mathcal{G}$  and clauses in  $\mathcal{V}(f)$ . The resolvent of a clause in  $\mathcal{V}$  and one in  $\mathcal{V}(f)$  is in  $\mathcal{V}$  or in  $\mathcal{V}(f)$ .

The resolvent of two clauses in  $\mathcal{V}(f)$  is in  $\mathcal{V}$  or  $\mathcal{V}(f)$ . No inference is possible between clauses in  $\mathcal{V}(f)$  and  $\mathcal{V}(g)$  if  $f \neq g$  (atoms in maximal literals not unifiable)

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- (5)  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f) \cup \mathcal{R}^+ \cup \mathcal{R}^-$  is closed under  $\text{Res}_S^\succ$ .

## Proof.

(4) No inferences are possible between two clauses in  $\mathcal{R}^+$  (in every clause the maximal literal is a positive  $R$ -literal and nothing is selected). No inferences are possible between a clause in  $\mathcal{R}^+$  and a clause in  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f)$ .

(5) The resolvent of a clause in  $\mathcal{R}^+$  and one in  $\mathcal{R}^-$  is a clause in  $\mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f)$ . No inferences are possible between a clause in  $\mathcal{R}^+ \cup \mathcal{R}^-$  and a clause in  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f)$ .

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**Theorem.**  $\text{Res}_S^>$  checks satisfiability of sets of clauses in  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f) \cup \mathcal{R}^+ \cup \mathcal{R}^-$  in exponential time.

## Proof (Idea)

Let  $N$  be a set of clauses which is a subset of  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f) \cup \mathcal{R}^+ \cup \mathcal{R}^-$ . All clauses which can be derived from  $N$  using  $\text{Res}_S^>$  are in  $\mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{V} \cup \bigcup_f \mathcal{V}(f) \cup \mathcal{R}^+ \cup \mathcal{R}^-$ .

The size of this set is exponential in the size of  $|\text{Subformulae}(F)|$ . This means that at most an exponential number of inferences are needed to generate all clauses in this set.