Chase Hiatt Midterm 2

## 1. Short answer

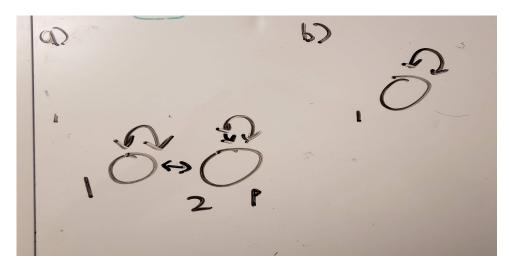
(a) The syntax of a logic is the structure of the symbols that make up the logic. It only defines the way the characters come together to form parts of a larger whole. For example, the syntax of the  $\exists$  symbol is to follow it with a variable, then have a sentence which includes uses of that variable, such as  $\exists xFx$ . The semantics of a logic is the meaning behind a given sentence. The semantics of the sentence  $\exists xFx$  is the meaning of the sentence, 'Something exists which is an F'. Both syntax and semantics play crucial roles in the expressiveness of a logic, and you cannot have one without the other

(b) The difference between  $\Diamond \exists x Px$  and  $\exists x \Diamond Px$  is where the P might be happening, and in which domain the P may fall. In the sentence  $\Diamond \exists x Px$ , we are claiming that something in some world is a P. The P thing does not necessarily exist in our world, but it does exist in some world. To contrast this, the sentence  $\exists x \Diamond Px$  says there is something in this world which could be a P. If we let P indicate somebody being a magic user, the second sentence ( $\exists x \Diamond Px$ ) says that somebody in our world is possibly magic. The first sentence ( $\Diamond \exists x Px$ ) says that it is possible that some person in some world (which may not be our own) is magic.

## 2. Symbolization

- (a)  $\square(M \to J)$  with M = mail has been checked and J = James is home
- (b)  $\Diamond(V \land I)$  with V = Vase produced before 1000 B.C. and I = Hittites had iron weapons. The formula can be understood as 'It is possible that the vase was produced before 1000 B.C. and that Hittites had iron weapons'

## 3. Countermodels

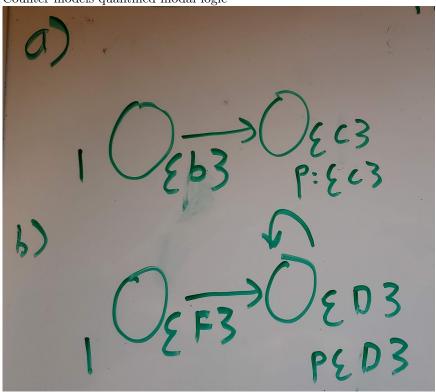


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(a) To understand part a, we want to get  $\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond P \land \neg P$  to form a counter example of  $\neg\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond P \lor P$  World 1 does not have P, so we get  $\neg P$ . World 2 is accessible from world 1 and world 1 is accessible from world 1, which leads us to  $\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond P$ . We have shown  $\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond P \land \neg P$ , which forms a counterexample to  $\neg\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond P \lor P$ .

- (b) To give a counter example for b, we want to show  $P \to \Box Q$  and  $\neg \Box Q$ . World 1 is not a P world, so we can conclude  $P \to \Box Q$  through explosion. World 1 is accessible from world 1, and it is not a Q world, so we can conclude  $\neg \Box Q$ . By showing  $P \to \Box Q \land \neg \Box Q$ , we have given a counterexample for  $\neg (P \to \Box Q) \lor \Box Q$
- 4. Symbolizing quantified modal logic
  - (a)  $(\forall x \Diamond F) \rightarrow \Diamond \forall x F x$
  - (b)  $[\Box(\exists x F x)] \rightarrow \exists x \Box F x$

5. Counter models quantified modal logic



Let  $\{a,b,c\}$  indicate a,b,c are in the domain of the adjacent world. let 'P  $\{a\}$ ' means 'a' is a P in the adjacent world