

Notes on Modal Logic

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Textbook: the [Blue Book](#)

Recommended reading: Davey and Priestley, *Introduction to Lattices and Order*, CUP 2nd edition, 2002.

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Table 1: 文章的一般结构

中间的内容一般是说明性的，或者是过渡段。但有时候这些内容也会影响对概念的理解。

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1 Basic Concepts

1.1 Relational structures

定义 1.1 (relational structures). A **relational structure** is a tuple $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R_i)_{i \in I}$, where $W \neq \emptyset$ and $R_i \subseteq W^n$ is a n -ary relation on W for each $i \in I \neq \emptyset$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. \dashv

Note:

1. R_i can with arbitrary arity.
2. \mathfrak{F} contains at least one relation since $I \neq \emptyset$.

There are many examples for relational structure (W, R) :

- *strict partial order*: irreflexive + transitive
- *linear order (total order)*: irreflexive + transitive + trichotomy
- *partial order*: transitive + reflexive + antisymmetric
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定义 1.2 (reflexive closure and transitive closure). For any *binary* relation R on a non-empty set W ,

- R^+ , the **reflexive closure** of R is the smallest transitive relation on W that contains R .
- R^* , the **reflexive transitive closure** of R is the smallest reflexive and transitive relation on W containing R .

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命题 1.3. For any binary relation R on W :

1. $R^+ = \bigcap \{R' \subseteq W \mid R' \text{ is transitive \& } R \subseteq R'\}$
2. $R^* = \bigcap \{R' \subseteq W \mid R' \text{ is transitive and reflexive \& } R \subseteq R'\}$
3. $R^+uv \Leftrightarrow$ there is a sequence $u = w_0, w_1, \dots, w_n = v$ ($n > 0$) such that Rw_iw_{i+1} for each $i < n$. (R^+uv means that v is reachable from u in a finite number of R -steps)
4. $R^*uv \Leftrightarrow u = v$ or there is a sequence $u = w_0, w_1, \dots, w_n = v$ ($n > 0$) such that Rw_iw_{i+1} for each $i < n$. (R^+uv means that $u = v$ or v is reachable from u in a finite number of R -steps)

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Proof. 内容...

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Selected exercises:

1.2 Modal languages

定义 1.4 (Basic modal language). Given a set of countable number of propositional variables Prop and an unary modal operator \Diamond . The **basic modal language** \mathcal{L}_\Diamond is given by following BNF rule:

$$\mathcal{L}_\Diamond \ni \varphi ::= p \mid \perp \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \vee \psi) \mid \Diamond\varphi$$

where $p \in \text{Prop}$. ⊢

NB: Because the bottom $\perp \notin \text{Prop}$, then $\mathcal{L}_\Diamond \neq \emptyset$ if $\text{Prop} = \emptyset$.

定义 1.5 (Modal similarity type). A **modal similarity type** is a pair $\tau = (O, \rho)$ where O is a non-empty set of modal operators and $\rho: O \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ assigns to each modal operator a finite *arity*. ⊢

定义 1.6 (Modal language under τ). Given a modal similarity type τ and Prop , the **model language** $\mathcal{L}_{(\tau, \text{Prop})}$ is defined by following BNF rule:

$$\mathcal{L}_{(\tau, \text{Prop})} \ni \varphi ::= p \mid \perp \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \vee \psi) \mid \Delta(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_{\rho(\Delta)})$$

where $p \in \text{Prop}$ and $\Delta \in \tau$. ⊢

Dual operators (*nabla*):

$$\nabla(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) := \neg\Delta(\neg\varphi_1, \dots, \neg\varphi_n)$$

注记 1.7.

1. the name of *similarity type* is from *universal algebra*.
2. τ 说明了一个语言的模态词有哪些以及这些模态词的元数.

⊢

定义 1.8 (Substitution). Given a modal language $\mathcal{L}_{(\tau, \text{Prop})}$, a **substitution** is a function $\sigma: \text{Prop} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{(\tau, \text{Prop})}$. We can extend a substitution by $(\cdot)^\sigma: \mathcal{L}_{(\tau, \text{Prop})} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{(\tau, \text{Prop})}$ which recursively define as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} p^\sigma &= \sigma(p) \\ \perp^\sigma &= \perp \\ (\neg\varphi)^\sigma &= \neg\varphi^\sigma \\ (\varphi \vee \psi)^\sigma &= \varphi^\sigma \vee \psi^\sigma \\ (\Delta(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n))^\sigma &= \Delta(\varphi_1^\sigma, \dots, \varphi_n^\sigma) \end{aligned}$$

Saying that χ is a **substitution instance** of φ if there is some substitution σ such that $\chi = \varphi^\sigma$. ⊢

1.3 Models and Frames

When talking about model/frame we often say that, a model/frame for *some language*.

For basic language

定义 1.9 (Modal and frame for basic modal language \mathcal{L}_\Diamond). A **frame** for \mathcal{L}_\Diamond is a pair $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R)$ where $W \neq \emptyset$ and $R \subseteq W \times W$.

A **model** for \mathcal{L}_\Diamond is structure $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$, where (W, R) is a frame and V , called a **valuation**, is a map: $\text{Prop} \rightarrow \wp(W)$.

Given a model $\mathfrak{M} = (\mathfrak{F}, V)$, we say that \mathfrak{M} is *based on* \mathfrak{F} , and \mathfrak{F} is the frame *underlying* \mathfrak{M} . ⊢

注记 1.10. A benefit of the definition of V is that, a model can be viewed as a *first-order structure* (or a relational structure) in a natural way, namely

$$\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V(p), V(q), V(r), \dots)$$

where $V(p)$ is an unary relation on W , i.e., a *predicate*, also for $V(q), V(r), \dots$

But there are many other ways to define valuation, maybe not equivalent. ⊢

定义 1.11 (Satisfiability). For any model $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$ and $w \in W$, a formula φ **satisfied** in (\mathfrak{M}, w) , notation $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$, recursively define as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash p & : \Leftrightarrow w \in V(p) & p \in \text{Prop} \\ \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \perp & : \text{never} \\ \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \neg\varphi & : \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{M}, w \not\Vdash \varphi \\ \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi \vee \psi & : \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi \text{ or } \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi \\ \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \Diamond\varphi & : \Leftrightarrow \exists v \in W, R w v, \mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash \varphi \end{aligned}$$

A formula φ is **satisfiable** if there is a model \mathfrak{M} and some state w in \mathfrak{M} such that $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$. \dashv

定义 1.12 (Truth set). Given a model $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$, the **truth set** of φ in \mathfrak{M} is given by:

$$\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} := \{w \in W \mid \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi\}$$

命题 1.13. Given a model $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket p \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} &= V(p) & \llbracket \perp \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} &= \emptyset & \llbracket \neg\varphi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} &= W \setminus \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} & \llbracket \varphi \vee \psi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} &= \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} \cup \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} \\ \llbracket \Diamond\varphi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} &= \{w \in W \mid \exists v, R w v, v \in \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}}\} \\ \llbracket \Box\varphi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}} &= \{w \in W \mid \forall v, R w v \Rightarrow v \in \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\mathfrak{M}}\} \end{aligned}$$

For more general language

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \Delta(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) & : \Leftrightarrow \exists v_1, \dots, v_n \in W, (w, v_1, \dots, v_n) \in R_{\Delta}, \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, \mathfrak{M}, v_i \Vdash \varphi_i \\ \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \nabla(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) & : \Leftrightarrow \forall v_1, \dots, v_n \in W, (w, v_1, \dots, v_n) \in R_{\Delta} \Rightarrow \exists i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, \mathfrak{M}, v_i \Vdash \varphi_i \\ \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \bigcirc & : \Leftrightarrow w \in R_{\bigcirc} \end{aligned}$$

where \bigcirc is a *nullary modality*.

注记 1.14. Graded modality $\Diamond^{\geq n}$ is a good example to understand this general definition.

Validity

定义 1.15 (Validity and Logic). There are different validity on different levels.

1. $\mathfrak{F}, w \Vdash \varphi$: $\forall V \in \wp(W)^{\text{Prop}^1}, (\mathfrak{F}, V), w \Vdash \varphi$.
2. $\mathfrak{F} \Vdash \varphi$: $\forall w \in W, (\mathfrak{F}, w) \Vdash \varphi$.
3. $\mathbf{F} \Vdash \varphi$: $\forall \mathfrak{F} \in \mathbf{F}, \mathfrak{F} \Vdash \varphi$.
4. $\Vdash \varphi$: $\forall \mathfrak{F}, \mathfrak{F} \Vdash \varphi$.

The set of all valid formulae in a class of frame \mathbf{F} is called the **logic of \mathbf{F}** , notation $\Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$, that is $\Lambda_{\mathbf{F}} := \{\varphi \mid \mathbf{F} \Vdash \varphi\}$. \dashv

1.4 General Frames (skip)

1.5 Modal Consequence Relation

定义 1.16 (Local semantic consequence). Let \mathbf{S} be a class of models or frames, for any formula φ and set of formulae Σ . We say φ is a **local semantic consequence** of Σ over \mathbf{S} , notation $\Sigma \Vdash_{\mathbf{S}} \varphi$, if for all models \mathfrak{M} in \mathbf{S} and all states w in \mathfrak{M} : $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \Sigma \Rightarrow \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$. \dashv

定义 1.17 (Global semantic consequence). Let \mathbf{S} be a class of models or frames, for any formula φ and set of formulae Σ . We say φ is a **gocal semantic consequence** of Σ over \mathbf{S} , notation $\Sigma \Vdash_{\mathbf{S}}^g \varphi$, if for all structure \mathfrak{G} in \mathbf{S} (\mathfrak{G} could be a model or a frame): $\mathfrak{G} \Vdash \Sigma \Rightarrow \mathfrak{G} \Vdash \varphi$. \dashv

¹For any set A, B , $B^A := \{f \mid f: A \rightarrow B\}$.

1.6 Normal Modal Logics

定义 1.18 (Axiom system **K**). The axiom system **K** is containing following axioms and rules:

- Axioms
 1. **PC**: all propositional tautologies;
 2. **K**: $\Box(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\Box p \rightarrow \Box q)$ (also known as *distribution axiom*)
 3. **Dual**: $\Diamond p \leftrightarrow \neg \Box \neg p$
- Rules
 1. **MP**: $\frac{\varphi \rightarrow \psi, \varphi}{\psi}$
 2. **Sub**: $\frac{\varphi}{\varphi^\sigma}$ where σ is a substitution
 3. **Gen $_{\Box}$** : $\frac{\varphi}{\Box \varphi}$

A **K-proof** is a finite sequence of formulae $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$, for each φ_i ($1 \leq i \leq n$), either φ_i is an axiom of **K**, or φ_i is obtained by one or more earlier formulae in the sequence by applying a rule of **K**.

If $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$ is a **K-proof** and $\varphi = \varphi_n$, then we say that φ is **K-provable**, notation $\vdash_{\mathbf{K}} \varphi$, and say φ is a **theorem** of **K**. \dashv

注记 1.19. There are some comments on the three rules:

- **MP**:
 1. **MP** preserves *validity*: $\Vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi, \Vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \Vdash \psi$
 2. **MP** preserves *satisfiability*: $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi, \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi$
 3. **MP** preserves *global truth*: $\mathfrak{M} \Vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi, \mathfrak{M} \Vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \mathfrak{M} \Vdash \psi$
- **Sub**:
 1. **Sub** preserves *validity*: $\Vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \Vdash \varphi^\sigma$
 2. **Sub** not preserve *satisfiability*
 3. **Sub** not preserve *global truth*
- **Gen $_{\Box}$**
 1. **Gen $_{\Box}$** preserves *validity*: $\Vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \Vdash \Box \varphi$
 2. **Gen $_{\Box}$** not preserve *satisfiability*
 3. **Gen $_{\Box}$** preserves *global truth*: $\mathfrak{M} \Vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \mathfrak{M} \Vdash \Box \varphi$

定义 1.20 (Normal modal logics). A **normal modal logic** Λ is a set of formulae that contains all tautologies, K-axiom, Dual-axiom and is closed under MP, Sub and Gen $_{\Box}$. \dashv

The smallest normal modal logic is **K**. \dashv

命题 1.21. Let \mathbf{F} be a class of frames, then $\Lambda_{\mathbf{F}} := \{\varphi \mid \mathbf{F} \Vdash \varphi\}$ is a normal modal logic. \dashv

Proof. See [here](#). ■

1.7 Selected exercises for Ch.1

1.1.1

1.1.2

1.1.3

1.3.1

1.3.4

1.3.5

1.6.7 Let \mathbf{F} be a class of frames. Show that $\Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$ is a normal modal logic.

Proof. Because all tautologies is valid on any frame, so is for the axioms K and Dual, then we only need to show that $\Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$ is closed under *MP*, *Sub* and *Nec*.

(1) *MP*: if $\phi, \phi \rightarrow \psi \in \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$, then take any model \mathfrak{M} from \mathbf{F} and any state w in \mathfrak{M} we have $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi$ and $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi \rightarrow \psi$, hence $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \psi$, because \mathfrak{M} and w are arbitrary from \mathbf{F} , then ψ is valid on \mathbf{F} , that is $\psi \in \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$.

★ (2) *Sub*: we need a lemma here:

lemma: Suppose $M = (W, R, V)$ is a model, and $\phi^\sigma = \phi[\psi_1/p_1, \dots, \psi_n/p_n]$ is the substitution instance of ϕ under substitution σ . Define $M' = (W, R, V')$ by $V'(p_i) = \{w \in W \mid M, w \models \psi_i\}$. Then for any $w \in W$:

$$M, w \models \phi^\sigma \Leftrightarrow M', w \models \phi.$$

Assume $\phi \in \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$, that is, $\mathbf{F} \models \phi$, but $\phi^\theta \notin \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$ for some substitution θ , i.e $\mathbf{F} \not\models \phi^\theta$. Then for some model $M = (W, R, V)$ from \mathbf{F} and some $w \in W$ we have $M, w \not\models \phi^\theta$, hence $M', w \not\models \phi$ by above lemma, but this is contradicts to ϕ is valid in \mathbf{F} . Therefore, if $\phi \in \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$ then $\phi^\theta \in \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$ for any substitution θ .

(3) *Nec*: suppose $\phi \in \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$ but $\Box\phi \notin \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$, then there are a frame $F = (W, R)$ from \mathbf{F} , a valuation V and a state $w \in W$ such that $(F, V), w \not\models \Box\phi$. Hence there must be a state $u \in W$ for which Rwu and $(F, V), u \not\models \neg\phi$, but this contradicts with ϕ is valid on \mathbf{F} . Therefore $\Box\phi \in \Lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$ ■

1.3.1 Show that when evaluating a formula ϕ in a model, the only relevant information in the valuation is the assignments it makes to the propositional letters actually occurring in ϕ . More precisely, let \mathfrak{F} be a frame, and V and V' be two valuations on \mathfrak{F} such that $V(p) = V'(p)$ for all proposition letters p in ϕ . Show that $(\mathfrak{F}, V) \models \phi$ iff $(\mathfrak{F}, V') \models \phi$. Work in the basic modal language.

Proof. Let $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R)$, V and V' are two valuations as mentioned above, we firstly prove the following lemma by induction on ϕ :

$$(*) \quad \forall w \in W : (\mathfrak{F}, V), w \models \phi \Leftrightarrow (\mathfrak{F}, V'), w \models \phi.$$

Basic cases:

- If ϕ is a propositional letter p , then for all $w \in W$

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{F}, V), w \models p &\Leftrightarrow w \in V(p), & (\text{by definition}) \\ &\Leftrightarrow w \in V'(p), & (\text{by assumption}) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\mathfrak{F}, V'), w \models p. & (\text{by definition}) \end{aligned}$$

- If $\phi = \perp$, then for all $w \in W$, $(\mathfrak{F}, V), w \models \phi \Leftrightarrow (\mathfrak{F}, V'), w \models \phi$ trivially.

Inductive steps:

If ϕ is of the form $\neg\psi$ or $\psi \vee \chi$, this is easily done. The crucial case is the form $\Diamond\psi$.

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{F}, V), w \models \Diamond\psi &\Leftrightarrow \exists v, R w v, (\mathfrak{F}, V), v \models \psi, & (\text{by definition}) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists v, R w v, (\mathfrak{F}, V'), v \models \psi, & (\text{by induction hypothesis}) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\mathfrak{F}, V'), w \models \Diamond\psi. & (\text{by definition}) \end{aligned}$$

Then the proposition

$$(\mathfrak{F}, V) \models \phi \Leftrightarrow (\mathfrak{F}, V') \models \phi$$

is just a corollary of $(*)$. ■

1.3.4 Show that every formula that has the form of a propositional tautology is valid. Further, show that $\Box(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\Box p \rightarrow \Box q)$ is valid.

Proof.

(1) (we only work in the basic modal language here)

Firstly, we give a formal definition for what is a formula has the form of a propositional tautology.

Definition (tautology) : A formula ϕ is called a *tautology* (shouldn't be confused with *proposition tautology*), if $\phi = \alpha^\sigma$ where σ is a substitution, α is a formula of propositional logic and α is a propositional tautology.

Therefore we have to show that:

$$(*) \quad \text{Every tautology is valid.}$$

To do that, we need following lemma in the first place.

Lemma 1 Suppose θ is a modal-free formula whose propositional variables are p_1, \dots, p_n , let ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n be modal formulas, and σ is a substitution such that $\sigma(p_i) = \phi_i$ for each $1 \leq i \leq n$, that is $[\phi_i/p_i, \dots, \phi_n/p_n]$ in another notation. If for any propositional assignment v , any model $M = (W, R, V)$, and any $w \in W$ such that $v(p_i) = 1$ iff $M, w \models \phi_i$, then $v \models \theta$ iff $M, w \models \theta^\sigma$.

We will prove lemma 1 by induction on θ (propositional logic formula).

Basic cases:

- if $\theta = \perp$, then $\perp^\sigma = \perp$, both $v \not\models \perp$ and $M, w \not\models \perp$.

- if $\theta = p_i$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
v \models p_i &\Leftrightarrow v(p_i) = 1 \\
&\Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash \phi_i \quad (\text{by assumption}) \\
&\Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash p_i^\sigma \quad (\text{since } p_i^\sigma = \sigma(p_i) = \phi_i, \text{ by the definition of } \sigma).
\end{aligned}$$

Inductive steps

- if $\theta = \neg\chi$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
v \models \neg\chi &\Leftrightarrow v \not\models \chi \\
&\Leftrightarrow M, w \not\Vdash \chi^\sigma \quad (\text{by induction hypothesis}) \\
&\Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash \neg\chi^\sigma \\
&\Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash (\neg\chi)^\sigma \quad (\text{by the definition of substitution})
\end{aligned}$$

- if $\theta = \psi \vee \chi$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
v \models (\psi \vee \chi) &\Leftrightarrow v \models \psi \text{ or } v \models \chi \\
&\Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash \psi^\sigma \text{ or } M, w \Vdash \chi^\sigma \quad (\text{by induction hypothesis}) \\
&\Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash \psi^\sigma \vee \chi^\sigma \\
&\Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash (\psi \vee \chi)^\sigma \quad (\text{by the definition of substitution})
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we complete the induction proof for **Lemma 1**.

Then we prove $(*)$ by contraposition.

Suppose φ is a tautology but not valid,

then by the definition of tautology above,

there is a proposition tautology θ and a substitution σ such that $\varphi = \theta^\sigma$ is invalid.

Namely $M, w \not\Vdash \theta^\sigma$ for some model M and some state w in M .

Moreover, we assume only p_1, \dots, p_n are occurring in θ ,

and V satisfies $v(p_i) = \phi_i$ for each $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Now we define a propositional assignment v such that

$$v(p_i) = 1 \Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash \phi_i$$

Then, by **lemma 1**, we have that : $v \models \theta \Leftrightarrow M, w \Vdash \theta^\sigma$.

Since $M, w \not\Vdash \theta^\sigma$, therefore $v \not\models \theta$.

But this contradicts with θ is a proposition tautology.

Consequently, $(*)$ is holds, that is, every tautology is valid.

(2)

Following we show that $\Box(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\Box p \rightarrow \Box q)$ is valid.

Take any frame \mathfrak{F} and any state w in \mathfrak{F} , and let V be a valuation on \mathfrak{F} .

We have to show that if $(\mathfrak{F}, V), w \Vdash \Box(p \rightarrow q)$ and $(\mathfrak{F}, V), w \Vdash \Box p$, then $(\mathfrak{F}, V), w \Vdash \Box q$.

So assume that $(\mathfrak{F}, V), w \Vdash \Box(p \rightarrow q)$ and $(\mathfrak{F}, V), w \Vdash \Box p$.

Then, by definition for any state v such that Rwv we have $(\mathfrak{F}, V), v \Vdash p \rightarrow q$ and $(\mathfrak{F}, V), v \Vdash p$,

hence $(\mathfrak{F}, V), v \Vdash q$, but since Rwv and v is an arbitrary state,

then by definition we have $(\mathfrak{F}, V), w \Vdash \Box q$. ■

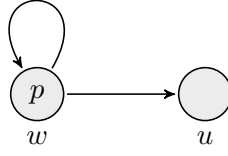
1.3.5 Show that every formula of the following formulas is not valid by constructing a frame $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R)$ that refutes it.

- (a) $\Box \perp$ (b) $\Diamond p \rightarrow \Box p$ (c) $p \rightarrow \Box \Diamond p$ (d) $\Diamond \Box p \rightarrow \Box \Diamond p$.

Proof. Let's consider following frame \mathfrak{F} , then we show that this frame refutes all above formulas.

Let $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R)$ where $W = \{w, u\}$ and $R = \{(w, w), (w, u)\}$,

we visualize \mathfrak{F} (with a valuation) as follows:



Now we define a valuation V on \mathfrak{F} by

$$V(q) = \begin{cases} \{w\} & q = p \\ \emptyset & q \neq p \end{cases}$$

We use $w \Vdash \varphi$ instead of $(\mathfrak{F}, V), w \Vdash \varphi$ for convenience. Then we know:

$w \Vdash \Diamond p$ since Rww and $w \Vdash p$;

$w \nVdash \Box p$ since Rwu but $u \nVdash p$;

$w \nVdash \Box \Diamond p$ since Rwu but u has no successors, which means $u \nVdash \Diamond p$;

$w \Vdash \Diamond \Box p$ since Rwu and u is a 'dead end', that is $u \Vdash \Box p$.

Then for those four formulas:

(a) $w \nVdash \Box \perp$ since Rwu but $u \nVdash \perp$;

(b) $w \nVdash \Diamond p \rightarrow \Box p$ since $w \Vdash \Diamond p$ but $w \nVdash \Box p$

(c) $w \nVdash p \rightarrow \Box \Diamond p$ since $w \Vdash p$ but $w \nVdash \Box \Diamond p$

(d) $w \nVdash \Diamond \Box p \rightarrow \Box \Diamond p$ since $w \Vdash \Diamond \Box p$ but $w \nVdash \Box \Diamond p$ ■

Show that **K** is sound with respect to the class of all frames.

Proof. We already known that:

(1) All axioms of **K** are valid.

(all tautologies are valid and the K-axiom is valid (see exercise 1.3.4, p27), moreover the Dual-axiom is valid (see the discussion in paragraph 5 of p34))

(2) Furthermore, we assume that all rules of **K** are preserve validity, we will give a proof in the last.

Then to show **K** is *sound*, it is sufficient to show that all **K**-provable formulas are valid.

For any formula φ , suppose φ is **K**-provable,

then there is finite a sequence of formulas ψ_1, \dots, ψ_n such that $\varphi = \psi_n$.

By induction on n .

Basic case:

- If $n = 1$, then by the definition of **K**-proof, that means φ is an axiom of **K**, but all axioms of **K** are valid, hence φ is valid.

Inductive step: Suppose φ has a proof of length $n > 1$.

- If φ is an axiom of **K**, then φ is valid as same as basic case.
- If φ is obtained by MP from previous formulas $\chi \rightarrow \varphi$ and χ , by induction hypothesis, $\chi \rightarrow \varphi$ and χ are valid, and MP preserves validity, hence φ is valid.
- If φ is obtained by Sub or Gen $_{\Box}$ from χ , by inductive hypothesis, χ is valid, and Sub or Gen $_{\Box}$ both preserve validity, therefore φ is valid.

From basic case and inductive step, we complete the induction proof.

In the end, we show that *modus ponens* (MP), *uniform substitution* (Sub) and *Generalization* (Gen $_{\Box}$) are preserve validity.

- For MP.

That is to show: if $\varphi \rightarrow \psi$ and ψ are valid, then so is φ .

Suppose $\models \varphi, \models \varphi \rightarrow \psi$,

Then $M, w \models \varphi$ and $M, w \models \varphi \rightarrow \psi$ for some model M and some w in M since $\varphi \rightarrow \psi, \varphi$ are valid.

Hence $M, w \models \psi$ by the definition.

Therefore $\models \psi$ because M and w are arbitrary.

- For Gen $_{\Box}$.

That is to show: if φ is valid, then so is $\Box\varphi$.

Assume $\models \varphi$. To show $\models \Box\varphi$, let $M = (W, R, V)$ be any model and $w \in W$.

For any $u \in W$, if Rwu then $M, u \models \varphi$ since φ is valid, and hence $M, u \models \Box\varphi$ by the definition.

Since M and w are arbitrary, then $\models \Box\varphi$.

- For Sub.

That is to show: if ϕ is valid, then so is ϕ^σ for any substitution σ .

First we need a lemma:

lemma: Suppose ϕ only contains p_1, \dots, p_n as its propositional letters, and ϕ^σ is the substitution instance of ϕ under substitution σ , where $\sigma(p_i) = \psi_i$ for each $1 \leq i \leq n$.

For any models $M = (W, R, V)$, define $M' = (W, R, V')$ by $V'(p_i) = \{w \in W \mid M, w \models \psi_i\}$. Then for any $w \in W$:

$$M, w \models \phi^\sigma \Leftrightarrow M', w \models \phi.$$

Proving this lemma by induction on ϕ .

Basic case:

- if $\psi = p$, then $p_i^\sigma = \psi_i$.

Hence $M, w \models \psi_i \Leftrightarrow M', w \models p_i$ by the definition of V' .

- if $\phi = \perp$, then $\perp^\sigma = \perp$.

Both $M, w \not\models \perp$ and $M', w \not\models \perp$.

Inductive step:

If ϕ is of the form $\neg\psi$ or $\psi \vee \chi$, this is easily done. The more crucial case is the form $\Diamond\psi$.

- if $\phi = \Diamond\psi$,

$$\begin{aligned} M, w \models (\Diamond\psi)^\sigma &\Leftrightarrow M, w \models \Diamond\psi^\sigma \\ &\Leftrightarrow M, u \models \psi^\sigma && \text{for some } u \text{ such that } Rwu \\ &\Leftrightarrow M', u \models \psi && \text{by inductive hypothesis} \\ &\Leftrightarrow M', w \models \Diamond\psi && \text{since } Rwu \end{aligned}$$

Hence we complete the induction proof of above lemma.

Assume ϕ is valid, but ϕ^σ is invalid for some substitution σ , and $\sigma(p_i) = \psi_i$.

Then $M, w \not\models \phi^\sigma$ for some model $M = (W, R, V)$ and some $w \in W$,

hence we have $M', w \not\models \phi$ by above **lemma**,

but this contradicts with that ϕ is valid.

Therefore, if ϕ is valid, then so is ϕ^σ for any substitution σ .

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