

# Notes on filtration of logics containing **K5**

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## 1 Preliminaries

**Definition 1.** An  $n$ -normal modal logic is a set of formulas that contains all Boolean tautologies, formulas  $\Diamond_i p \vee \Diamond_i q \leftrightarrow \Diamond_i(p \vee q)$  and  $\Diamond_i \perp \leftrightarrow \perp$  for  $i \leq n$ , and is closed under modus ponens, substitution, and monotonicity: from  $\varphi \rightarrow \psi$  infer  $\Diamond_i \varphi \rightarrow \Diamond_i \psi$  for  $i \leq n$ .

**Definition 2.** An  $n$ -Kripke model is a triple  $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R_1, \dots, R_n, \vartheta \rangle$ , where  $R_i \subseteq W \times W$ ,  $\vartheta : PV \rightarrow 2^W$ , and the connectives have the following semantics:

1.  $\mathcal{M}, w \models p \Leftrightarrow w \in \vartheta(p)$
2.  $\mathcal{M}, w \models \neg \varphi \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{M}, w \not\models \varphi$
3.  $\mathcal{M}, w \models \varphi \vee \psi \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{M}, w \models \varphi$  or  $\mathcal{M}, w \models \psi$
4.  $\mathcal{M}, w \models \Diamond_i \varphi \Leftrightarrow \exists v \in R_i(w) \mathcal{M}, v \models \varphi$

By **K5** we mean the logic  $\mathbf{K} \oplus A5$ , where  $A5 = \Diamond p \rightarrow \Box \Diamond p$ . It is known that **K5** is the modal logic of all Euclidean frames. A frame is called Euclidean if for each  $x, y, z$ ,  $xRy$  and  $xRz$  implies  $yRz$ .

**Proposition 1.** **K5** proves

1.  $\Box^3 p \leftrightarrow \Box^2 p$
2.  $\Box^2 \Diamond p \leftrightarrow \Box \Diamond p$
3.  $\Box \Diamond \Box p \leftrightarrow \Box \Box p$
4.  $\Box \Diamond^2 p \leftrightarrow \Box \Diamond p$

**Proposition 2.** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a **K5** model,  $xRy$  for  $x, y \in W$  then one has

$$\mathcal{M}, x \models \Box \Diamond \varphi \text{ iff } \mathcal{M}, y \models \Box \Diamond \varphi.$$

*Proof.*

1. Suppose  $\mathcal{M}, x \models \Box \Diamond \varphi$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}, y \models \Diamond \varphi$  and  $\mathcal{M}, y \models \Box \Diamond \varphi$
2. Suppose  $\mathcal{M}, y \models \Box \Diamond \varphi$ , then  $\mathcal{M}, x \models \Diamond \Box \Diamond \varphi$ , so  $\mathcal{M}, x \models \Box \Diamond \varphi$ .

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## 1.1 Filtrations: general definitions

Let  $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R_1, \dots, R_n, \vartheta \rangle$  be a Kripke model and  $\Gamma$  a set of formulas closed under subformulas. An equivalence relation  $\sim$  is set to have a finite index if the quotient set  $W / \sim$  is finite. The equivalence relation  $\sim_\Gamma$  induced by  $\Gamma$  is defined as

$$w \sim_\Gamma v \Leftrightarrow \forall \varphi \in \Gamma (\mathcal{M}, w \models \varphi \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{M}, v \models \varphi).$$

If  $\Gamma$  is finite, then  $\sim_\Gamma$  has a finite index. An equivalence relation  $\sim$  respects  $\sim_\Gamma$ , if  $w \sim v$  implies  $w \sim_\Gamma v$ .

**Definition 3.** Let  $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R_1, \dots, R_n, \vartheta \rangle$  be a Kripke model and  $\Gamma$  be a Sub-closed set formulas. A  $\Gamma$ -filtration of  $\mathcal{M}$  is a model  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}} = \langle \widehat{W}, \widehat{R}_1, \dots, \widehat{R}_n, \widehat{\vartheta} \rangle$  such that:

1.  $\widehat{W} = W / \sim$ , where  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation having a finite index that respects  $\Gamma$
2.  $\widehat{\vartheta}(p) = \{[x]_\sim \mid x \in W \ \& \ x \in \vartheta(p)\}$
3. For each  $i \in I$  one has  $\widehat{R}_i^{\min} \subseteq \widehat{R}_i \subseteq \widehat{R}_i^{\max}$ .  $\widehat{R}_{i,\sim}^{\min}$  is the  $i$ -th minimal filtered relation on  $\widehat{W}$  defined as

$$\widehat{R}_{i,\sim}^{\min} \Leftrightarrow \exists x' \sim x \exists y' \sim y \ x R_i y$$

$\widehat{R}_{\Gamma,i}^{\max}$  is the  $i$ -th maximal filtered relation on  $\widehat{W}$  induced by  $\Gamma$  defined as

$$\widehat{R}_{\Gamma,i}^{\max} \Leftrightarrow \forall \Box_i \varphi \in \Gamma (\mathcal{M}, x \models \Box_i \varphi \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}, y \models \varphi)$$

If  $\Phi$  is finite subset of  $\Gamma$  and  $\sim = \sim_\Phi$ , then  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}$  is a definable  $\Gamma$ -filtration of  $\mathcal{M}$  through  $\Phi$ . If  $\sim = \sim_\Gamma$ , then such a filtration by means of the definition above is called *strict*.

**Lemma 1.** Let  $\Gamma$  be a finite set of formulas closed under subformulas and  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}$  a filtration of  $\mathcal{M}$  through  $\Gamma$ , then for each  $x \in W$  and for each  $\varphi \in \Gamma$  one has

$$\mathcal{M}, x \models \varphi \Leftrightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{M}}, \widehat{x} \models \varphi$$

**Definition 4.** Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a class of Kripke frames and  $\Gamma$  a finite set of formulas closed under subformulas. If for every model  $\mathcal{M}$  over  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathbb{F}$  there exists a model that is a  $\Gamma$ -definable filtration of  $\mathcal{M}$ , then  $\mathbb{F}$  admits definable filtration. A class of models  $\mathbb{M}$  admits definable filtration if for every  $\mathcal{M} \in \mathbb{M}$  there exists a model belonging to the same class that is a definable  $\Gamma$ -filtration of  $\mathcal{M}$ .

**Lemma 2.**

1. Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a complete normal modal logic. If  $\text{Frames}(\mathcal{L})$  admits filtration, then  $\mathcal{L}$  has the finite model property.
2. If the class of models  $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{L})$  admits filtration, then  $\mathcal{L}$  has the finite model property and Kripke complete as well.

## 2 Filtration of Euclidean logics

First of all, let us ensure that a minimal filtration of an Euclidean frame is not necessary Euclidean. Let  $[x] \sim_\Gamma [y]$  and  $[x] \sim_\Gamma [z]$ . Then for some  $x' \in [x]$   $y' \in [y]$ , one has  $x'Ry'$  and  $x''Rz'$  for some  $x'' \in [x]$  and  $z' \in [z]$ . Clearly, we cannot claim that  $x' = x''$  in general. Thus, minimal filtration does not preserve the required property.

**Lemma 3.** *K5 admit filtration.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a **K5**-model and  $\Gamma_0$  a finite set of formulas closed under subformulas. Let us put  $\Gamma = \Gamma_0 \cup \text{Sub}(\{\Diamond\Box\psi \mid \Box\psi \in \Gamma_0\}) \cup \Psi$ , where  $\Psi = \nabla_1\nabla_2\ldots\nabla_n\Box\psi$  for  $\Box\psi \in \Gamma_0$  and  $\nabla_i \in \{\Diamond, \Box\}$ . By Proposition 1, any element of  $\Phi$  has one of the four forms. Thus,  $W \sim_{\equiv_\Gamma}$  has a finite index. We put  $\hat{R} = R_\Gamma^{\max}$ .  $\square$

**Definition 5.** *A first-order formula is called Horn if it has the following form:*

$$\forall x_1, \dots, x_n (x_{i_1}Rx_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge x_{i_s}Rx_{j_s} \rightarrow x_kRx_l)$$

**Definition 6.** *Let  $H$  be a Horn property and  $\langle W, R \rangle$  a Kripke frame. A Horn closure of a binary relation  $R$  is the minimal relation  $R^H$  containing  $R$  and satisfying  $H$ .*

**Lemma 4.**  $R^H = \bigcup_{n < \omega} R_n$  where

1.  $R_0 = R$ .
2.  $R_{n+1} = R_n \cup \{(a, b) \in W \mid \exists \vec{c} \in W \text{ } P(a, b, \vec{c})\}$ , where  $P$  is a premise of  $H$ .

$E$ -closure (an Euclidean Horn closure of a binary relation) has the following equivalent definitions:

**Lemma 5.** *Let  $\mathcal{F} = \langle W, R \rangle$  be a Kripke frame. The following conditions are equivalent:*

1.  $R^E$  is the smallest Euclidean relation containing  $R$ .
2.  $R^E = \bigcup_{i < \omega} R_i$ , where
  - $R_0 = R$
  - $R_{n+1} = R_n \cup (R_n^{-1} \circ R_n)$
3.  $xR^E y$  iff there exists  $n < \omega$  such that either  $xRy$  or  $\exists z_1, \dots, z_n$  with  $z_1Rx$  and  $z_{n-1}Ry$  and for each  $1 < i \leq n$  one has either  $z_{i-1}Rz_i$  or  $z_iRz_{i-1}$ .
4.  $R^E = R \cup \bigcup_{i < \omega} (R^{-1} \circ (R \circ R^{-1})^n \circ R)$ .

*Proof.*

1. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let us show that if  $R^E$  is the smallest Euclidean relation containing  $R$ , then  $R^E = \bigcup_{i < \omega} R_i$ . There are two inclusions:

- $R^E \subseteq \bigcup_{i < \omega} R_i$ . Recall that  $R^E$  has the form (?):

$$R^E = \bigcap \{R' \mid R \subseteq R', \forall a, b \in W \text{ } R'(a, b) \Rightarrow \exists x \in W \text{ } R'(x, a) \ \& \ R'(x, b)\}$$

- $\bigcup_{i < \omega} R_i \subseteq R^E$ . Let us show that  $xR_ny$  for each  $n < \omega$  implies  $xR^Ey$  by induction on  $n$ .  
 If  $n = 0$ , then  $xRy$ , thus,  $xR^Ey$ , since  $R$  is a subrelation of  $R^E$ . Suppose  $n = m+1$  and  $xR_{m+1}y$ . Let us show that  $xR^Ey$ . From  $xR_{m+1}y$ , one has  $(x, y) \in R^n \cup (R_n^{-1} \circ R_n)$ . There are two cases:
  - $xR^ny$ , one needs to merely apply the IH.
  - $xR_n^{-1} \circ R_ny$ . Then  $\exists z \in W$   $xR_n^{-1}z$  &  $zR_ny$ . That is,  $zR_nx$  and  $zR_ny$  for some  $z$ .  $R_n$  is already a subrelation of  $R^E$ . Thus,  $zR^Ex$  and  $zR^Ey$ . That implies  $xR^Ey$ .
- 2. (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Let  $(x, y) \in R_m$ , let us the statement by induction on  $m$ .
  - (a) Suppose  $m = 0$ , then  $xRy$ , and the statement is shown putting  $n = 0$ .
  - (b) Suppose  $m = p+1$  and  $xR_{p+1}y$ . Assume that either  $xRy$  or  $\exists z_1, \dots, z_p$  with  $z_1Rx$  and  $z_{p-1}Ry$  and for each  $1 < i \leq p$  one has either  $z_{i-1}Rz_i$  or  $z_iRz_{i-1}$ .  
 $xR_{p+1}y$  implies  $(x, y) \in R_p \cup (R_p^{-1} \circ R_p)$ . If  $(x, y) \in R_p$ , then we merely apply the IH.  
 Suppose  $(x, y) \in R_p^{-1} \circ R_p$ , then  $(z, x) \in R_p$  and  $(z, y) \in R_p$ .
- 3. (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Suppose either  $xRy$  or there exist  $n \geq 1$  and  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  with  $z_1Rx$  and  $z_{n-1}Ry$  and for each  $1 < i \leq n$  one has either  $z_{i-1}Rz_i$  or  $z_iRz_{i-1}$ . If  $xRy$ , then we are done. Otherwise there exists  $n \geq 1$  with the condition above. Then  $(x, y) \in R_{n+1}$  that follows from the condition.
- 4. (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1)

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**Lemma 6.** Let  $\mathcal{F} = \langle W, R \rangle$  be a Kripke frame. Let us define  $R^E = \bigcup_{i < \omega} R_i$  where:

1.  $R_0 = R$
2.  $R_{n+1} = R_n \cup (R_n^{-1} \circ R_n)$

Then  $R^E$  is Euclidean.

*Proof.* Let  $(x, y), (x, z) \in R^E$ , one needs to show that  $(y, z) \in R^E$ . Clearly that  $(x, y) \in R_i$  and  $(x, z) \in R_j$  for some  $i, j < \omega$ . Thus, we need  $(y, z) \in R_m$  for some  $m$  depending on  $i$  and  $j$ .

Let us consider the following cases:

1.  $i = 0$  and  $j = 0$   
 Suppose  $(x, y), (x, z) \in R_0 = R$ , then  $(y, z) \in R^{-1} \circ R$ . Thus,  $(y, z) \in R_1$
2.  $i = 0$  and  $j = k+1$   
 Suppose  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(x, z) \in R_{k+1} = R_k \cup (R_k^{-1} \circ R_k)$ . Clearly that  $(x, y) \in R_{k+1}$  as well. It is obviously that  $(y, z) \in R_{k+2}$  since  $(y, x) \in R_{k+1}^{-1}$  and  $(x, z) \in R_{k+1}$ .
3. The case with  $i = k+1$  and  $j = 0$  is similar to the previous one.
4. Suppose  $i = m+1$  and  $j = k+1$ . That is,  $(x, y) \in R_{m+1} = R_m \cup (R_m^{-1} \circ R_m)$  and  $(x, z) \in R_{k+1} = R_k \cup (R_k^{-1} \circ R_k)$ . Consider the following four subcases:
  - (a) Suppose  $(x, y) \in R_m$  and  $(x, z) \in R_k$  and  $m \leq k$  without loss of generality.  $m \leq k$  implies  $R_m \subseteq R_k$  and  $(x, y) \in R_k$  in particular. Thus,  $(y, z) \in R_k^{-1} \circ R_k$ , so  $(y, z) \in R_{k+1}$ .

(b) The rest of the cases are similar to the first one.

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**Theorem 1.** *Let  $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R, \vartheta \rangle$  be an Euclidean model,  $\Gamma$  a set of Sub-closed formulas, and  $\sim$  an equivalence relation having a finite index that respects  $\Gamma$ , then  $\hat{R} = (R_\Gamma^{\min})^E \subseteq R_\Gamma^{\max}$ .*

*Thus, K5 admits strict filtrations.*

*Proof.* We put  $R_\Gamma^{\min} := \bar{R}$  for brevity.

Recall that  $\bar{R}^E$  has the form  $\bigcup_{n < \omega} (\bar{R})_n$ , where

1.  $\bar{R}_0 = \hat{R}$
2.  $\bar{R}_{m+1} = \bar{R}_n \cup ((\bar{R})^{-1} \circ \bar{R}_n)$

One needs to show that for each  $n < \omega$   $(\bar{R})_n \subseteq R_\Gamma^{\max}$ . We prove this by induction. Suppose  $\mathcal{M}, y \models \varphi$  for  $\Diamond\varphi \in \Phi$  and  $\hat{x} \bar{R}^E \hat{x}$ . We need  $\mathcal{M}, x \models \Diamond\varphi$ .

1. The case of  $n = 0$  is trivial and it follows directly from the definition of a minimal filtration.
2. Suppose  $n = 1$ .  $\hat{x} \bar{R}_1 \hat{y}$  means that  $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}) \in \bar{R} \cup (\bar{R}^{-1} \circ \bar{R})$ . Let us assume that  $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}) \in \bar{R}^{-1} \circ \bar{R}$ . That is, there exists  $\hat{z} \in W / \sim_\Gamma$  such that  $(\hat{z}, \hat{x}), (\hat{z}, \hat{y}) \in \bar{R}$ .  
 $\hat{z} \bar{R} \hat{y}$  means that there are  $z' \in \hat{z}$  and  $y' \in \hat{y}$  such that  $z' R y'$ .  $\mathcal{M}, y \models \varphi$  implies  $\mathcal{M}, y' \models \varphi$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}, z' \models \Diamond\varphi$ .  $\hat{z} \bar{R} \hat{x}$  implies that there are  $z'' \in \hat{z}$  and  $x' \in \hat{x}$  with  $z'' R x'$ .  
 $z'' \sim_\Gamma z'$  implies  $\mathcal{M}, z'' \models \Diamond\varphi$ .  $\mathcal{M} \models \mathbf{K5}$ , so  $\mathcal{M}, z'' \models \Box\Diamond\varphi$ . Thus,  $\mathcal{M}, x' \models \Diamond\varphi$  since  $x' \in R(z'')$ . But  $x' \in \hat{x}$ , then  $\mathcal{M}, x \models \Diamond\varphi$ .
3. Suppose  $(\bar{R})_n \subseteq R_\Gamma^{\max}$ . Let us show that for  $(\bar{R})_{n+1}$ . Then either  $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}) \in (\bar{R})_n$  or  $(\hat{z}, \hat{y}), (\hat{z}, \hat{x}) \in (\bar{R})_n$ . The first alternative holds due to the IH. We consider only the second one.

By Lemma..., we may visualise  $(\hat{z}, \hat{y}), (\hat{z}, \hat{x}) \in (\bar{R})_n$  with the following sequences for some  $\hat{u}_1, \dots, \hat{u}_n, \hat{t}_1, \dots, \hat{t}_n$ :

$$\hat{z} \xleftarrow{\bar{R}} \hat{u}_1 \xrightarrow{R'} \hat{u}_2 \xrightarrow{R'} \dots \xrightarrow{R'} \widehat{u_{n-1}} \xrightarrow{R'} \hat{u}_n \xrightarrow{\bar{R}} \hat{y}$$

$$\hat{z} \xleftarrow{\bar{R}} \hat{t}_1 \xrightarrow{R'} \hat{t}_2 \xrightarrow{R'} \dots \xrightarrow{R'} \widehat{t_{n-1}} \xrightarrow{R'} \hat{t}_n \xrightarrow{\bar{R}} \hat{x}$$

where  $R'$  is either  $\bar{R}$  or  $\bar{R}^{-1}$

$\mathcal{M}, y \models \varphi$  and  $\widehat{u_n} \bar{R} \hat{y}$ , so for some  $u'_n \in \widehat{u_n}$  and  $y' \in \hat{y}$  with  $u'_n R y'$ , so  $\mathcal{M}, u'_n \models \Diamond\varphi$  and  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}, \widehat{u_n} \models \Diamond\varphi$ .

We have either  $\widehat{u_{n-1}} \bar{R} \widehat{u_n}$  or  $\widehat{u_n} \bar{R} \widehat{u_{n-1}}$ .

If the first holds, then there are  $u'_{n-1} \in \widehat{u_{n-1}}$  and  $u''_n \in \widehat{u_n}$  with  $u'_{n-1} R u''_n$ .  $\mathcal{M}, u''_n \models \Diamond\varphi$ . wtf?

If the second holds, then there  $u'_{n-1} \in \widehat{u_{n-1}}$  and  $u''_n \in \widehat{u_n}$  with  $u''_n R u'_{n-1}$ .  $\mathcal{M}, u''_n \models \Diamond\varphi$  implies  $\mathcal{M}, u''_n \models \Box\Diamond\varphi$ , so  $\mathcal{M}, u'_{n-1} \models \Diamond\varphi$ .

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### 3 Filtration for K4

**Proposition 3.** Let  $R$  be a binary relation on  $W \neq \emptyset$ . Define  $R^+ = \bigcup_{i < \omega} R_i$

1.  $R_0 = R$

2.  $R_{n+1} = R_n \circ R$

Then  $R^+$  is transitive

**Lemma 7.** Let  $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R, \vartheta \rangle$  be a transitive model and  $\overline{\mathcal{M}} = \langle \overline{W}, \overline{R}, \overline{\vartheta} \rangle$  its minimal filtration through a finite Sub-closed set of formulas  $\Theta$ .

Then  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}^+ = \langle \overline{W}, (\overline{R})^+, \overline{\vartheta} \rangle$  is a  $\Theta$ -filtration of  $\mathcal{M}$ .

*Proof.*  $(\overline{R})^+$  obviously contains  $R$ . By the previous proposition,  $(\overline{R})^+$  is transitive. Let us show that  $(\overline{R})^+ \subseteq R_{\Theta}^{max}$ .

Let  $\hat{x}, \hat{y} \in \overline{W}$  with  $\hat{x}(\overline{R})^+ \hat{y}$  and  $\Box \varphi \in \Theta$  with  $\mathcal{M}, x \models \Box \varphi$ . Let us show that  $\mathcal{M}, y \models \varphi$ .

If  $\hat{x}(\overline{R})^+ \hat{y}$ , then there exist equivalence classes  $\hat{x}_1, \dots, \hat{x}_n$  such that

$$\hat{x} \overline{R} \hat{x}_1 \overline{R} \dots \overline{R} \hat{x}_n \overline{R} \hat{y}$$

$\mathcal{M}, x \models \Box \varphi$  implies  $\mathcal{M}, x \models \Box \Box \varphi$ . Thus,  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}, \hat{x} \models \Box \Box \varphi$ .

$\hat{x} \overline{R} \hat{x}_1$ , so there are  $x_1 \in \hat{x}$  and  $x_2 \in \hat{x}_1$  with  $x_1 R x_2$ . In particular,  $\mathcal{M}, x_2 \models \Box \varphi$ , so  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}, \hat{x}_2 \models \Box \varphi$ , and et cetera.

For each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  we have  $\mathcal{M}, x_i \models \Box \varphi$  which is shown inductively:

If  $\mathcal{M}, x_i \models \Box \varphi$  for  $x_i \in \hat{x}_i$ , so  $\mathcal{M}, x_i \models \Box \Box \varphi$ , but there exist  $x'_i \in \hat{x}_i$  and  $x_{i+1} \in \hat{x}_{i+1}$ , so  $\mathcal{M}, x_{i+1} \models \Box \varphi$ .

Finally, we have  $\mathcal{M}, x_n \models \Box \varphi$  for  $x_n \in \hat{x}_n$ , but  $\hat{x}_n \overline{R} \hat{y}$ , so  $\mathcal{M}, y' \models \varphi$  for each  $y' \in \hat{y}$ . Thus,  $\varphi$  is true at  $y$  as well.  $\square$

*Proof.* Let  $\hat{x}, \hat{y} \in \overline{W}$  with  $\hat{x}(\overline{R})^+ \hat{y}$  and  $\Box \varphi \in \Theta$  with  $\mathcal{M}, x \models \Box \varphi$ . Let us show that  $\mathcal{M}, y \models \varphi$ .

If  $\hat{x}(\overline{R})^+ \hat{y}$ , then there exist equivalence classes  $\hat{x}_1, \dots, \hat{x}_n$  such that

$$\hat{x} \overline{R} \hat{x}_1 \overline{R} \dots \overline{R} \hat{x}_n \overline{R} \hat{y}$$

Let us show that  $\mathcal{M}, \hat{x}_i \models \Box \varphi$  inductively:

1.  $n = 1$  We have the following sequence:

$$\hat{x} \overline{R} \hat{x}_1 \overline{R} \hat{y}$$

$\hat{x} \overline{R} \hat{x}_1$ , so there are  $x' \in \hat{x}$  and  $x'_1 \in \hat{x}_1$  such that  $x' R x'_1$ .  $\Box \varphi$  is true at  $x'$ , so is  $\Box \Box \varphi$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}, x'_1 \models \Box \varphi$  since  $x'_1 \in R(x')$ . So  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}, \hat{x}_1 \models \Box \varphi$ .

2.  $n = i + 1$  The case is the following:

$$\hat{x} \overline{R} \hat{x}_1 \overline{R} \dots \overline{R} \hat{x}_i \overline{R} \hat{x}_{i+1} \overline{R} \hat{y}$$

By IH,  $\Box \varphi$  is true at  $\hat{x}_i$ , so is  $\Box \Box \varphi$ . Hence, we have  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}, \hat{x}_{i+1} \models \Box \varphi$  since  $\hat{x}_i \overline{R} \hat{x}_{i+1}$ .

That is, for each  $0 < n < \omega$ , if we have a sequence of equivalence classes with  $\hat{x} \overline{R} \hat{x}_1 \overline{R} \dots \overline{R} \hat{x}_n \overline{R} \hat{y}$  where  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}, \hat{x} \models \Box \varphi$ , then  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}, \hat{x}_n \models \Box \varphi$ .

If  $\hat{x}_n \overline{R} \hat{y}$ , then there are  $x'_n \in \hat{x}_n$  and  $y' \in \hat{y}$  with  $x'_n R y'$ .  $\mathcal{M}, x'_n \models \Box \varphi$  implies  $\mathcal{M}, y' \models \varphi$ , but  $y'$  and  $y$  are  $\Gamma$ -equivalent and  $\varphi \in \Gamma$ , so  $\mathcal{M}, y \models \varphi$ .  $\square$

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