

# Mathematical Logic in Computer Science

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**Question 1** (Basic Concepts). *Let  $R$  be a transitive relation on a finite set  $W$ . Prove that  $R$  is well-founded iff  $R$  is irreflexive. ( $R$  is called well-founded if there are no infinite paths  $\dots Rs_2Rs_1Rs_0$ .)*

*Solution.* Suppose that  $R$  is reflexive. Then, for any element  $s \in W$  we can form a trivial infinite path of the form  $\dots RsRsRsRs$  by taking the loop infinitely many times. Thus,  $R$  cannot be well-founded.

Vice versa, suppose that  $R$  is irreflexive. By way of contradiction, suppose that  $R$  is not well-founded. Let  $P = \dots Rs_2Rs_1Rs_0$  be an infinite path on  $W$ . Since  $W$  is finite, the path  $P$  has to eventually loop, meaning that  $\exists i, j$  with  $i \leq |W| \leq j$  such that  $s_iRs_j \dots s_{i+1}Rs_iR \dots Rs_2Rs_1Rs_0$ . By transitivity, we get that  $s_iRs_i$ , contradicting the irreflexivity of  $R$ . Thus,  $R$  must be well-founded.  $\square$

**Question 2** (Models and Frames). *Consider the basic temporal language and the frames  $(\mathbb{Z}, <)$ ,  $(\mathbb{Q}, <)$ , and  $(\mathbb{R}, >)$  (the integer, rational, and real numbers, respectively, all ordered by the usual less-than relation  $<$ ). In this exercise we use  $E\phi$  to abbreviate  $P\phi \vee \phi \vee F\phi$  and  $A\phi$  to abbreviate  $H\phi \vee \phi \vee G\phi$ . Which of the following formulas are valid on these frames?*

1.  $GGp \rightarrow p$
2.  $(p \wedge Hp) \rightarrow FHp$
3.  $(Ep \wedge E\neg p \wedge A(p \rightarrow Hp) \wedge A(\neg p \rightarrow G\neg p)) \rightarrow E(Hp \wedge G\neg p)$

*Solution.* Let  $\mathcal{Z} = (\mathbb{Z}, <)$ ,  $\mathcal{Q} = (\mathbb{Q}, <)$ , and  $\mathcal{R} = (\mathbb{R}, >)$ . The following table summarizes the validity of the formulas for each model.

	$\mathcal{Z}$	$\mathcal{Q}$	$\mathcal{R}$
(1)	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$
(2)	$\checkmark$	$\times$	$\times$
(3)	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$

First, we give an informal idea behind each result:

1.  $GGp \rightarrow p$  doesn't hold in any of the models. Knowing that  $p$  will be true for every value following the current one doesn't ensure that it also holds for the current value.

2.  $(p \wedge Hp) \rightarrow FHp$  holds only in  $\mathcal{Z}$ . This is due to the non-density of  $\mathbb{Z}$ , thus if  $p$  holds for the current value  $n$  and all previous values  $n' < n$ ,  $p$  will hold for all  $n'' < n + 1$ . Without density, there may be values between  $n$  and  $n + 1$  for which  $p$  doesn't hold.
3.  $(Ep \wedge E\neg p \wedge A(p \rightarrow Hp) \wedge A(\neg p \rightarrow G\neg p)) \rightarrow E(Hp \wedge G\neg p)$  doesn't hold in any of the models. The premise of the implication states that there are two instants  $x, y$  for which  $p$  holds for any value  $x'$  with  $x' < x$  and it doesn't hold for any value  $y'$  with  $y > y'$ . The conclusion of the implication states that there is an instant  $z$  for which  $p$  is true for any value that comes before  $z$  and false for any value that comes after  $z$ . However, there may be values  $s, t$  between  $x$  and  $y$  for which  $p$  holds on  $s$  and it doesn't on  $t$ , making at least one of the two conclusions false for any value  $z$ .

We start by restricting our interest to  $\mathcal{Z}$ :

- We prove that the formula  $GGp \rightarrow p$  is not valid in  $\mathcal{Z}$  by giving a model that doesn't satisfy it. Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}} = (\mathcal{Z}, V)$  be a model such that  $V(p) = \{v \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 0 < v\}$ . We observe that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, 0 \models GGp &\iff \forall x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } 0 < x, \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, x \models Gp \\
&\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } 0 < x < y, \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, y \models p \\
&\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } 0 < x < y, y \in V(p)
\end{aligned}$$

which is true by choice of  $y$  itself. However, we have that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, 0 \not\models p$  because  $0 \notin V(p)$ , concluding that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, 0 \not\models GGp \rightarrow p$

- We prove that the formula  $(p \wedge Hp) \rightarrow FHp$  is valid in  $\mathcal{Z}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}} = (\mathcal{Z}, V)$  be any model of  $\mathcal{Z}$ . We observe that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, n \models p \wedge Hp &\iff n \in V(p) \forall x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } x < n \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, x \models p \\
&\iff n \in V(p) \forall x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } x < n \ x \in V(p)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we know that  $p$  holds for  $n$  and all  $x$  such that  $x < n$ . Moreover, we observe that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, n \models FHp &\iff \exists x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } n < x \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, x \models Hp \\
&\iff \exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } n < x \text{ and } y < x \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, y \models p \\
&\iff \exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } n < x \text{ and } y < x \ y \in V(p)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $x$  must be a successor of  $n$  such that  $p$  is true for all of  $x$ 's predecessors. In  $\mathbb{Z}$ , picking  $x = n + 1$  satisfies the formula since we already know that  $p$  holds for all  $y$  such that  $y \leq n$  and there are no elements between  $n$  and  $n + 1$ .

- We prove that the formula  $(Ep \wedge E\neg p \wedge A(p \rightarrow Hp) \wedge A(\neg p \rightarrow G\neg p)) \rightarrow E(Hp \wedge G\neg p)$  is not valid in  $\mathcal{Z}$ . Let  $S \equiv Ep \wedge E\neg p \wedge A(p \rightarrow Hp) \wedge A(\neg p \rightarrow G\neg p)$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}} = (\mathcal{Z}, V)$  be a model of  $\mathcal{Z}$  such that

$$V(p) = \{v \in \mathbb{Z} \mid v < 0\} \cup \{1\}$$

. We observe that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, 0 \models S$  is true when:

- There are two values  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $x \in V(p), y \notin V(p)$ . This comes from the definition of  $Ep$  and  $E\neg p$  (e.g.  $x$  has to be either less than, equal to or greater than 0)
- For any value  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $m \in V(p)$  then for all  $x' \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $x' < m$  then  $x' \in V(p)$
- For any value  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $m \notin V(p)$  then for all  $y' \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $m < y'$  then  $y' \notin V(p)$

Picking  $x = -1$  and  $y = 1$  satisfies all the above conditions, thus  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, 0 \models S$  is satisfied. However, we have that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Z}}, 0 \not\models E(Hp \wedge G\neg p)$  because for all values  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $x < z < y$  at least one between  $Hp$  and  $G\neg p$  is false.

We now consider the model  $\mathcal{Q}$ :

- We prove that the formula  $GGp \rightarrow p$  is not valid in  $\mathcal{Q}$  by giving a model that doesn't satisfy it. Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}} = (\mathcal{Q}, V)$  be a model such that  $V(p) = \{v \in \mathbb{Q} \mid 0 < v\}$ . We observe that:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, 0 \models GGp &\iff \forall x \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ with } 0 < x, \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, x \models Gp \\ &\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ with } 0 < x < y, \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, y \models p \\ &\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ with } 0 < x < y, y \in V(p) \end{aligned}$$

which is true by choice of  $y$  itself. However, we have that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, 0 \not\models p$  because  $0 \notin V(p)$ , concluding that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, 0 \not\models GGp \rightarrow p$

- We prove that the formula  $(p \wedge Hp) \rightarrow FHp$  is not valid in  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}} = (\mathcal{Q}, V)$  be a model of  $\mathcal{Q}$  with  $V(p) = \{v \in \mathbb{Q} \mid v < 0\} \cup \{0\}$ . We observe that:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, 0 \models p \wedge Hp &\iff 0 \in V(p) \forall x \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ with } x < 0 \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, x \models p \\ &\iff n \in V(p) \forall x \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ with } x < 0 x \in V(p) \end{aligned}$$

which is true by choice of  $x$  itself. However, we have that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, 0 \not\models FHp$  because  $\forall y \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $0 < y$  there is a value  $z \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $0 < z < y$  such that  $z \notin V(p)$  due to density of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

- We prove that the formula  $(Ep \wedge E\neg p \wedge A(p \rightarrow Hp) \wedge A(\neg p \rightarrow G\neg p)) \rightarrow E(Hp \wedge G\neg p)$  is not valid in  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Let  $S \equiv Ep \wedge E\neg p \wedge A(p \rightarrow Hp) \wedge A(\neg p \rightarrow G\neg p)$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}} = (\mathcal{Q}, V)$  be a model of  $\mathcal{Q}$  such that

$$V(p) = \{v \in \mathbb{Q} \mid v < 0\} \cup \{1\}$$

. We observe that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, 0 \models S$  is true when:

- There are two values  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $x \in V(p), y \notin V(p)$ . This comes from the definition of  $Ep$  and  $E\neg p$  (e.g.  $x$  has to be either less than, equal to or greater than 0)
- For any value  $m \in \mathbb{Q}$ , if  $m \in V(p)$  then for all  $x' \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $x' < m$  then  $x' \in V(p)$
- For any value  $m \in \mathbb{Q}$ , if  $m \notin V(p)$  then for all  $y' \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $m < y'$  then  $y' \notin V(p)$

Picking  $x = -1$  and  $y = 1$  satisfies all the above conditions, thus  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, 0 \models S$  is satisfied. However, we have that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, 0 \not\models E(Hp \wedge G\neg p)$  because for all values  $z \in \mathbb{Q}$  with  $x < z < y$  at least one between  $Hp$  and  $G\neg p$  is false.

Finally, we consider the model  $\mathcal{R}$ :

- We prove that the formula  $GGp \rightarrow p$  is not valid in  $\mathcal{R}$  by giving a model that doesn't satisfy it. Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}} = (\mathcal{R}, V)$  be a model such that  $V(p) = \{v \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 > v\}$ . We observe that:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, 0 \models GGp &\iff \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } 0 > x, \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, x \models Gp \\ &\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } 0 > x > y, \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, y \models p \\ &\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } 0 > x > y, y \in V(p) \end{aligned}$$

which is true by choice of  $y$  itself. However, we have that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, 0 \not\models p$  because  $0 \notin V(p)$ , concluding that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, 0 \not\models GGp \rightarrow p$

- We prove that the formula  $(p \wedge Hp) \rightarrow FHp$  is not valid in  $\mathcal{R}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}} = (\mathcal{R}, V)$  be a model of  $\mathcal{R}$  with  $V(p) = \{v \in \mathbb{R} \mid v > 0\} \cup \{0\}$ . We observe that:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, 0 \models p \wedge Hp &\iff 0 \in V(p) \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } x > 0 \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, x \models p \\ &\iff n \in V(p) \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } x > 0 x \in V(p) \end{aligned}$$

which is true by choice of  $x$  itself. However, we have that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, 0 \not\models FHp$  because  $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 > y$  there is a value  $z \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 > z > y$  such that  $z \notin V(p)$  due to density of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- We prove that the formula  $(Ep \wedge E\neg p \wedge A(p \rightarrow Hp) \wedge A(\neg p \rightarrow G\neg p)) \rightarrow E(Hp \wedge G\neg p)$  is not valid in  $\mathcal{R}$ . Let  $S \equiv Ep \wedge E\neg p \wedge A(p \rightarrow Hp) \wedge A(\neg p \rightarrow G\neg p)$ . Let  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}} = (\mathcal{R}, V)$  be a model of  $\mathcal{R}$  such that

$$V(p) = \{v \in \mathbb{R} \mid v > 0\} \cup \{-1\}$$

. We observe that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, 0 \models S$  is true when:

- There are two values  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $x \in V(p), y \notin V(p)$ . This comes from the definition of  $Ep$  and  $E\neg p$  (e.g.  $x$  has to be either greater than, equal to or less than 0)
- For any value  $m \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $m \in V(p)$  then for all  $x' \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $x' > m$  then  $x' \in V(p)$
- For any value  $m \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $m \notin V(p)$  then for all  $y' \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $m > y'$  then  $y' \notin V(p)$

Picking  $x = 1$  and  $y = -1$  satisfies all the above conditions, thus  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, 0 \models S$  is satisfied. However, we have that  $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{R}}, 0 \not\models E(Hp \wedge G\neg p)$  because for all values  $z \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $x > z > y$  at least one between  $Hp$  and  $G\neg p$  is false.

□

**Question 3** (General frames). *Consider the structure  $g = (\mathbb{N}, C, A)$  where  $A$  is the collection of finite and co-finite subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ , and  $C$  is defined by:*

$$C(n_1, n_2, n_3) \iff n_1 \leq n_2 + n_3 \text{ and } n_2 \leq n_1 + n_3 \text{ and } n_3 \leq n_1 + n_2$$

*If  $C$  is the accessibility relation of a dyadic modal operator, show that  $g$  is a general frame.*

*Solution.* In order to prove that  $g$  is a general frame, we have to prove that  $A$  is closed under union, complement and modal operators. Closure under complement is implied by the very definition of  $A$ : for any  $X \in A$ , if  $X$  is finite then  $\overline{X}$  is co-finite, otherwise if  $X$  is co-finite then  $\overline{X}$  is finite.

We now prove that  $A$  is closed under union. Fix two subsets  $X, Y \in A$ . We may assume that at least one of  $X$  and  $Y$  is co-finite, otherwise we trivially get that  $X \cup Y$  is finite and thus that  $X \cup Y \in A$ . Without loss of generality, assume that  $X$  is co-finite, implying that  $\overline{X}$  is finite. By De Morgan's theorem we have that  $\overline{X \cup Y} = \overline{X} \cap \overline{Y}$ . Since  $\overline{X}$  is finite,  $\overline{X} \cap \overline{Y}$  must also be finite, concluding that  $X \cup Y$  is co-finite and thus that  $X \cup Y \in A$ .

Lastly, we prove that  $A$  is closed under  $\Delta_C$ , i.e. the dyadic modal operator associated with  $C$ . To prove this, we have to show that for each  $X_1, X_2 \in A$  it holds that  $m_{\Delta_C}(X_1, X_2) \in A$ , where:

$$m_{\Delta_C}(X_1, X_2) = \{w \in \mathbb{N} \mid \exists (x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2 \ C(w, x_1, x_2)\}$$

Fix two subsets  $X_1, X_2 \in A$ . If both  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are finite, both subsets have a maximum under  $\leq$ , implying that  $m_{\Delta_C}(X_1, X_2)$  is finite since for each pair  $(x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2$  there are only finitely many values  $w \in \mathbb{N}$  for which  $w \leq x_1 + x_2$  holds.

Hence, we may assume that at least one between  $X_1, X_2$  is co-finite. Without loss of generality assume that  $X_1$  is co-finite. Then,  $X_1$  must be infinite since  $X_1 = \mathbb{N} - \overline{X_1}$  and  $\overline{X_1}$  is finite, concluding that  $X_1$  has no maximum value. Consider the set:

$$\overline{m_{\Delta_C}(X_1, X_2)} = \{w \in \mathbb{N} \mid \forall (x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2 \ \neg C(w, x_1, x_2)\}$$

**Claim 3.1:** for any  $n_1, n_2, n_3 \in \mathbb{N}$  it holds that  $\neg C(n_1, n_2, n_3)$  if and only if exactly one of the following conditions holds:

1.  $n_1 > n_2 + n_3$
2.  $n_2 > n_1 + n_3$
3.  $n_3 > n_1 + n_2$

*Proof of Claim 3.1.* By definition, we have that

$$\neg C(n_1, n_2, n_3) \iff n_1 > n_2 + n_3 \text{ or } n_2 > n_1 + n_3 \text{ or } n_3 > n_1 + n_2$$

We now observe that:

- It cannot hold that both  $n_1 > n_2 + n_3$  and  $n_2 > n_1 + n_3$  are true, otherwise:

$$n_1 > n_2 + n_3 > n_1 + 2n_3 \implies 0 > n_3$$

which is impossible since  $n_3 \in \mathbb{N}$

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$$n_1 > n_2 + n_3 > 2n_2 + n_1 \implies 0 > n_2$$

which is impossible since  $n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$

- It cannot hold that both  $n_2 > n_1 + n_3$  and  $n_3 > n_1 + n_2$  are true, otherwise:

$$n_2 > n_1 + n_3 > 2n_1 + n_2 \implies 0 > n_1$$

which is impossible since  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$

□

Claim 3.1 allows us to partition  $\overline{m_{\Delta_C}(X_1, X_2)}$  into three disjoint subsets  $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3$ , where:

- $Z_1 = \{w \in \mathbb{N} \mid \forall (x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2 \ w > x_1 + x_2\}$
- $Z_2 = \{w \in \mathbb{N} \mid \forall (x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2 \ x_1 > w + x_2\}$
- $Z_3 = \{w \in \mathbb{N} \mid \forall (x_1, x_2) \in X_1 \times X_2 \ x_2 > w + x_2\}$

**Claim 3.2:**  $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3$  are finite.

*Proof of Claim 3.2.* Since  $X_1$  has a minimum, there are only finitely many values  $w \in \mathbb{N}$  for which  $\min(X_1) > w + x_2$  holds for every  $x_2 \in X_2$ . Similarly, since  $X_2$  has a minimum there are only finitely many values  $w \in \mathbb{N}$  for which  $\min(X_2) > w + x_1$  holds for every  $x_1 \in X_1$ . This concludes that  $Z_2$  and  $Z_3$  are finite.

Consider now the set  $Z_1$ . Since  $X_1$  has no maximum, for each  $w \in \mathbb{N}$  there is always a pair  $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $w < x_1$  such that  $w \not> x_1 + x_2$ . This concludes that  $Z_1 = \emptyset$ . □

Since  $\overline{m_{\Delta_C}(X_1, X_2)} = Z_1 \cup Z_2 \cup Z_3$ , by Claim 3.2 we conclude that  $\overline{m_{\Delta_C}(X_1, X_2)}$  is finite and thus that  $m_{\Delta_C}(X_1, X_2)$  is co-finite. □



**Question 4** (Modal Consequence Relations). *Let  $\Sigma$  be a set of formulas in the basic modal language and let  $M$  denote the class of all models. Show that  $\Sigma \models_M^g \phi$  iff  $\{\Box^n \sigma \mid \sigma \in \Sigma, n \in \mathbb{N}\} \models_M \phi$ .*

*Solution.* Let  $\Pi = \{\Box^n \sigma \mid \sigma \in \Sigma, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . We recall that  $\Sigma \models_M^g \phi$  holds iff:

$$\forall \mathfrak{M} \in M ((\forall w \in W \mathfrak{M}, w \models \Sigma) \rightarrow (\forall w \in W \mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi))$$

while  $\Pi \models_M \phi$  holds iff:

$$\forall \mathfrak{M} \in M \forall w \in W ((\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Sigma) \rightarrow (\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi))$$

**Claim 1:** if  $\Pi \models_M \phi$  then  $\Sigma \models_M^g \phi$

*Proof of Claim 1.* Assume that  $\Pi \models_M \phi$  holds. Fix a model  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V) \in M$ . Suppose that  $\forall w \in W$  it holds that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Sigma$ . Then,  $\forall w \in W, \forall \sigma \in \Sigma$  we have that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma$ . However, this implies that for each  $\forall w \in W, \forall \sigma \in \Sigma, n \in \mathbb{N}$  it holds that:

$$\forall w, \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \text{ with } R(w, x_1), R(x_1, x_2), \dots, R(x_{n-1}, x_n) \mathfrak{M}, x_n \models \sigma$$

which is equivalent to saying that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box^n \sigma$ , and thus that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Pi$  holds for all  $w \in W$ . By applying the assumption  $\Pi \models_M \phi$ , we conclude that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi$  for all  $w \in W$ . Since the argument holds for an arbitrary model  $\mathfrak{M} \in M$ , we conclude that  $\Sigma \models_M^g \phi$ .  $\square$

**Claim 2:** if  $\Sigma \models_M^g \phi$  then  $\Pi \models_M \phi$

*Proof of Claim 2.* Assume  $\Sigma \models_M^g \phi$ . Fix a model  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V) \in M$  and a world  $w \in W$ .

Let  $C \subseteq W \times W$  be the relation of reachability from  $w$  in  $W$ , meaning that:

$$C(w, w') \iff \exists m \in \mathbb{N}, \exists z_1, \dots, z_m \in W \text{ with } R(w, z_1), \dots, R(z_m, w')$$

Consider the  $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', V')$  such that:

- $W' = \{w' \in W \mid C(w, w')\}$
- $R' = R \cap (W' \times W')$
- $V'(p) = V(p) \cap W'$

Suppose that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Pi$ . Then, we have that:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathfrak{M}, w \models \Pi \\
& \iff \forall \sigma \in \Sigma, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box^n \sigma \\
& \iff \forall \sigma \in \Sigma, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in W \text{ with } R(w, x_1), \dots, R(x_{n-1}, x_n) \quad \mathfrak{M}, x_n \models \sigma
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $W' \subseteq W$ , we have that each  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  in the above statement can also be chosen from  $W'$ . When taken from  $W'$ , we get that  $R'(w, x_1), \dots, R'(x_{n-1}, x_n)$  holds by definition of  $R'$  and thus that  $\mathfrak{M}', x_n \models \sigma$  by definition of  $\mathfrak{M}'$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathfrak{M}, w \models \Pi \\
& \iff \forall \sigma \in \Sigma, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in W \text{ with } R(w, x_1), \dots, R(x_{n-1}, x_n) \quad \mathfrak{M}, x_n \models \sigma \\
& \implies \forall \sigma \in \Sigma, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in W' \text{ with } R(w, x_1), \dots, R(x_{n-1}, x_n) \quad \mathfrak{M}, x_n \models \sigma \\
& \implies \forall \sigma \in \Sigma, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in W' \text{ with } R'(w, x_1), \dots, R'(x_{n-1}, x_n) \quad \mathfrak{M}, x_n \models \sigma \\
& \implies \forall \sigma \in \Sigma, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in W' \text{ with } R'(w, x_1), \dots, R'(x_{n-1}, x_n) \quad \mathfrak{M}', x_n \models \sigma \\
& \implies \forall \sigma \in \Sigma, \forall w' \in W' \quad \mathfrak{M}', w' \models \sigma \\
& \iff \forall w' \in W' \quad \mathfrak{M}', w' \models \Sigma
\end{aligned}$$

Using the assumption  $\Sigma \models_M^g$  and the fact that  $w \in W'$ , we conclude that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Pi & \implies \forall w' \in W' \quad \mathfrak{M}', w' \models \Sigma \\
& \implies \forall w' \in W' \quad \mathfrak{M}', w' \models \phi \\
& \implies \mathfrak{M}', w \models \phi \\
& \implies w \in V'(\phi) \subseteq V(\phi) \\
& \implies \mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi
\end{aligned}$$

□

The two claims conclude the proof.

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**Question 5** (Normal Modal Logic). *Let  $F$  be a class of frames. Prove that  $\Lambda_F$  is a normal modal logic.*

*Solution.* We recall that  $\Lambda_F$  is the set of all formulas that are valid for every frame of  $F$ . To show that  $\Lambda_F$  is a normal modal logic, we have to prove that:

- (1) it contains all tautologies, the formula  $\Box(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\Box p \rightarrow \Box q)$  and the formula  $\Diamond p \leftrightarrow \neg \Box \neg p$
- (2) it is closed under modus ponens, uniform substitution and generalization

**Claim 5.1:** (1) holds on  $\Lambda_F$

*Proof of Claim 5.1.* Fix  $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R) \in F$ . Since all tautologies are valid on every frame by definition, they are also valid in  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Likewise, the formula  $\Diamond p \leftrightarrow \neg \Box \neg p$  is valid in every frame by definition of  $\Diamond$  and  $\Box$ , thus also in  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Consider now a model  $\mathfrak{M}$  of  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Given a world  $w \in W$ , suppose that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box(p \rightarrow q)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box p$  then, we have that:

$$\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box(p \rightarrow q) \iff \forall x \in W \text{ with } R(w, x) \quad \mathfrak{M}, x \models p \rightarrow q$$

and that:

$$\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box p \iff \forall x \in W \text{ with } R(w, x) \quad \mathfrak{M}, x \models p$$

which implies that  $\forall x \in W \text{ with } R(w, x) \quad \mathfrak{M}, x \models p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)$ . Since  $p \wedge (p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge q$ , we get that:

$$\iff \forall x \in W \text{ with } R(w, x) \quad \mathfrak{M}, x \models q \iff \mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box q$$

which concludes that for each  $w \in W$  it holds that:

$$\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\Box p \rightarrow \Box q)$$

Since  $M$  was a arbitrary model of  $\mathfrak{F}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}$  was a arbitrary frame of  $F$ , we conclude that the formula is valid on every frame of  $F$ .  $\square$

**Claim 5.1:** (2) holds on  $\Lambda_F$

*Proof of Claim 5.2.* We prove that  $\Lambda_F$  is closed under each of the three operations:

- *Modus Ponens*: given two formulas  $\phi, \psi$ , suppose that  $\phi \in \Lambda_F$  and  $\phi \rightarrow \psi \in \Lambda_F$ . Then, for every frame  $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R) \in F$  it holds that:

$$(\mathfrak{F} \models \phi) \text{ and } \mathfrak{F} \models \phi \rightarrow \psi \implies \mathfrak{F} \models \phi \wedge (\phi \rightarrow \psi)$$

We now observe that:

$$\phi \wedge (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \equiv \phi \wedge (\neg\phi \vee \psi) \equiv (\phi \wedge \neg\phi) \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) \equiv \phi \wedge \psi$$

Hence, we that:

$$\mathfrak{F} \models \phi \wedge (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \implies \mathfrak{F} \models \phi \wedge \psi \implies \mathfrak{F} \models \psi$$

concluding that  $\psi \in \Lambda_F$

- *Generalization*: given a formula  $\phi$ , suppose that  $\phi \in \Lambda_F$ . Then, for every frame  $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R) \in F$  it holds that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi$  for each model  $\mathfrak{M}$  of  $\mathfrak{F}$  and each  $w \in W$ . Since every world  $w \in W$  satisfies  $\phi$ , we trivially get that  $\mathfrak{M}, x \models \phi$  for all  $x \in W$  with  $R(w, x)$ , concluding that  $\mathfrak{F} \models \Box\phi$  and thus that  $\Box\phi \in \Lambda_F$ .
- *Uniform substitution*: given a formula  $\phi$ , suppose that  $\phi \in \Lambda_F$  and let  $\sigma(\phi)$  a formula obtained by replacing every propositional letter in  $\phi$  with an arbitrary formula. Fix a frame  $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R) \in F$  and let  $\mathfrak{M}$  be a frame of  $\mathfrak{F}$ . We construct a new model  $\mathfrak{M}' = (\mathfrak{F}, V')$  such that:

$$V'(p) = \{w \in W \mid \mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma(p)\}$$

for each propositional letter  $p$ .

We prove by structural induction that for each  $w \in W$  it holds that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma(\phi)$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{M}', w \models \phi$ . The base case is given by propositional letters, for which the statement holds by definition of  $\mathfrak{M}'$ . We inductively assume that the statement holds of every subformula of  $\phi$ . Then, on the inductive step, we have three cases:

1. If  $\phi = \neg\psi$  then  $\sigma(\phi) = \neg\sigma(\psi)$ , thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}', w \models \phi &\iff \mathfrak{M}, w \models \neg\psi \\ &\iff \mathfrak{M}', w \not\models \psi \\ &\iff \mathfrak{M}, w \not\models \sigma(\psi) \\ &\iff \mathfrak{M}, w \models \neg\sigma(\psi) \\ &\iff \mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma(\phi) \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $\phi = \psi \rightarrow \varphi$  then  $\sigma(\phi) = \sigma(\psi) \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi)$ , thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{M}', w \models \phi &\iff \mathfrak{M}', w \models \psi \rightarrow \varphi \\
&\iff (\mathfrak{M}', w \models \neg\psi) \vee (\mathfrak{M}', w \models \varphi) \\
&\iff (\mathfrak{M}', w \not\models \psi) \vee (\mathfrak{M}', w \models \varphi) \\
&\iff (\mathfrak{M}, w \not\models \sigma(\psi)) \vee (\mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma(\varphi)) \\
&\iff (\mathfrak{M}, w \models \neg\sigma(\psi)) \vee (\mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma(\varphi)) \\
&\iff \mathfrak{M}, w \not\models \sigma(\psi) \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi) \\
&\iff \mathfrak{M}, w \not\models \sigma(\phi)
\end{aligned}$$

3. If  $\phi = \Box\psi$  then  $\sigma(\phi) = \Box\sigma(\psi)$ , thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{M}', w \models \phi &\iff \mathfrak{M}', w \models \Box\psi \\
&\iff \forall x \in W \text{ with } R(w, x) \ \mathfrak{M}', x \models \psi \\
&\iff \forall x \in W \text{ with } R(w, x) \ \mathfrak{M}, x \models \sigma(\psi) \\
&\iff \mathfrak{M}, w \models \Box\sigma(\psi) \\
&\iff \mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma(\phi)
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, since for each  $w \in W$  it holds that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma(\phi)$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{M}', w \models \phi$  and  $\mathfrak{M}'$  is a model of  $\mathfrak{F}$ , we get that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \sigma(\phi)$  holds for each  $w \in W$ . Moreover, since  $M$  was a arbitrary model of  $\mathfrak{F}$ , the argument holds for every model of  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Likewise, since  $\mathfrak{F}$  was a arbitrary frame of  $F$ , this holds for every frame of  $\mathfrak{F}$ , concluding that  $\sigma(\phi) \in \Lambda_F$ .

□

The two claims conclude that  $\Lambda_F$  is a normal modal logic.

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