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PAPER C499

MODAL AND TEMPORAL LOGIC

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Duration: 120 minutes

Answer THREE questions

Paper contains 4 questions
Calculators not required

- 1a Let $\mathcal{F} = (W, R)$ be a Kripke frame. Prove that $\Box p \rightarrow \Diamond p$ is valid in \mathcal{F} if, and only if, the possible-world relation R of \mathcal{F} is *serial*: for all $w \in W$, there is some $w' \in W$ with $(w, w') \in R$.

- b Consider the formula

$$\phi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Diamond \Box \Box p \rightarrow \Diamond \Diamond p$$

of modal logic. First show that ϕ is equivalent to a Sahlqvist formula ψ and justify why ψ is a Sahlqvist formula. Second, apply Sahlqvist's algorithm to extract the frame condition $\forall t \neg \alpha(t)$ of ϕ in a form where quantifiers are moved to the front whenever possible and negation is applied to R only.

- c Consider the Kripke structure M with $W = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$, $R = \{(n, n+1) \mid n \geq 0\}$, $h(p) = \{0, 2, 4, \dots\}$, $h(q) = \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$, and $h(r) = \{\}$ for every other atom $r \notin \{p, q\}$. Prove that there is a Kripke structure M' with a finite set of worlds W' and a world $0' \in W'$ such that

- i) $M, 0$ is bisimilar to $M', 0'$ and
- ii) the size of W' is minimal with respect to the existence of such a $0'$: in every Kripke structure with smaller set of worlds, no world is bisimilar to $M, 0$.

- d For a Kripke structure $M = (W, R, h)$ consider $w \cong w'$ if, and only if, there is a bisimulation $B \subseteq W \times W$ between M, w and M, w' . Prove that \cong is reflexive and transitive on W .

The four parts carry, respectively, 25%, 25%, 25%, and 25% of the marks.

2a Which of the formulas

$$\eta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E[(p_1 \cup q_1) \wedge (p_2 \cup q_2)] \quad (1)$$

$$\gamma \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E[(p_1 \wedge p_2) \cup (q_1 \wedge E[p_2 \cup q_2])] \vee E[(p_1 \wedge p_2) \cup (q_2 \wedge E[p_1 \cup q_1])], \quad (2)$$

if either, are formulas of CTL (computation-tree logic)? Justify your answer.

Explain — using an appropriate mix of formal notation and plain English — when $M, s \models \eta$ holds for the η in (1).

b Determine whether for all Kripke structures M and all states s we have $M, s \models \eta$ if, and only if, $M, s \models \gamma$.

c Specification patterns are often expressible in CTL. For example,

“There is an execution trace along which p holds invariably.”

may be written as $EG p$. Translate the following CTL formulas into specification patterns in plain English; if the last formula appears to be too complex, you may state a natural property that is *entailed* by this CTL formula.

- i) $AG(p \rightarrow AF q)$
- ii) $AG(p \rightarrow EF q)$
- iii) $EF(p \wedge E[p \cup (\neg p \wedge E[\neg q \cup p])])$.

d Consider the following SMV program

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MODULE main
VAR
    a : boolean;
    b : boolean;
ASSIGN
    init(a) = 0;
    init(b) = 0;
    next(a) = !b;
    next(b) =
        case
            a | b : !b;
            !a   : b;
            1    : {0,1};
        esac;
SPEC AG (AF b)
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Draw the Kripke structure determined by this SMV program, indicate its initial states, and determine, justifying your answer, whether the specification of the program holds.

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- 3a Consider a card game for n players named $1, 2, \dots, n$ ($n \geq 2$). Each player receives one of m cards ($m \geq n$). No two cards are the same. Each player can see its own card but not the card of any other player. Let (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n) represent the state of the game in which player 1 holds card c_1 , player 2 holds card c_2 , ..., player n holds card c_n . Use this example to explain how the formalism of *interpreted systems* can be used to model an information-theoretic notion of knowledge for analysing epistemic properties of distributed and multi-agent systems. Your answer should explain

- i) how to define truth conditions for expressions of the form $K_i A$ (agent i 'knows that' A) in the example;
- ii) why each K_i is of type $S5$ ($= KT45$);
- iii) how to formulate that when player i holds card c , i knows that player j ($j \neq i$) does not hold card c ;
- iv) how to show that this property holds in the example.

It is not necessary to model any temporal aspects of the game.

- b Consider a language with modal operators O and \Box . Models are Kripke structures $\langle W, R_O, R_\Box, h \rangle$ where W is a set of worlds, h is a valuation function for the atoms, and R_O and R_\Box are the accessibility relations for the operators O and \Box respectively.

Suppose further that O is a normal modality of type KD (R_O is serial) and \Box is a normal modality of type KT (R_\Box is reflexive).

Suppose now that the language is extended with another modal operator $Oblig$ defined as follows:

$$Oblig A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} OA \wedge \neg \Box A$$

Show that $Oblig$ has the following properties

noN. $\neg Oblig \top$

D. $Oblig A \rightarrow \neg Oblig \neg A$, i.e. $\neg(Oblig A \wedge Oblig \neg A)$

C. $(Oblig A \wedge Oblig B) \rightarrow Oblig(A \wedge B)$

You may use any standard properties of normal logics, such as $\Box(A \wedge B) \rightarrow \Box A$, as long as you identify them clearly.

- c
- i) Define what is meant by a *normal* system of modal logic and a *classical* system of modal logic.
 - ii) Demonstrate that the $Oblig$ operator of part (b) is not normal.
 - iii) What is the structure of models and the associated truth conditions in *neighbourhood semantics* for classical systems?
 - iv) Identify a suitable model condition for a neighbourhood model that will validate the schema C.

The three parts carry, respectively, 35%, 35%, 30% of the marks.

- 4a Let Σ be a system (not necessarily normal) of modal logic.
- i) Define Σ -consistency.
 - ii) Define what is meant by a maximal Σ -consistent set (a maxi-consistent set of Σ).
 - iii) State (without proof) Lindenbaum's Lemma.
- b Explain what is meant by a *canonical model* for a *normal* system of modal logic Σ and how such a model can be used to prove completeness of Σ with respect to a given class of Kripke models.
- Your answer should identify clearly (without proof) the key properties of canonical models required for such completeness proofs.

- c The system $S4$ is a normal modal logic of type $KT4$, i.e., the smallest normal system containing the following schemas:

- T. $\Box A \rightarrow A$
- 4. $\Box A \rightarrow \Box \Box A$

Prove completeness of $S4=KT4$ with respect to the class of reflexive, transitive Kripke models by using the canonical model of $KT4$ whose accessibility relation R_c^{KT4} is defined as follows:

$$w R_c^{KT4} w' \text{ iff } \{A \mid \Box A \in w\} \subseteq w'$$

(Assume, without proof, that this model is a canonical model for the system $KT4$.)

- d The system $S4.2$ is a normal modal logic of type $KT4G$, i.e., the smallest normal system containing the schemas T and 4 and the following schema:

- G. $\Diamond \Box A \rightarrow \Box \Diamond A$

A relation R is said to be *strongly convergent* when, for all w, w' there exists a v such that $w R v$ and $w' R v$.

Following the method of part (c), show that $S4.2=KT4G$ is complete with respect to the class of reflexive, transitive, strongly convergent Kripke models.

You may assume without proof that

$$\{A \mid \Box A \in \Gamma\} \cup \{A \mid \Box A \in \Gamma'\}$$

is $KT4G$ -consistent for any maximal $KT4G$ -consistent sets Γ and Γ' .

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