

Modal Logic

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Chapter 1

Syntacs and Semantics of Normal Modal Logics

1.1 Introduction

New Connectives: \Box and \Diamond

$\Box A$ means A is necessary

$\Diamond A$ means A is possible

$\Box A$ holds if A is true in all possible worlds

$\Diamond A$ holds if A is true in some possible worlds

\Box and \Diamond are dual operators

$\Diamond A$ holds if $\neg \Box \neg A$

\Box and \Diamond are intensional operators (not possible to calculate if $\Box A$ truth-value from the truth value of A)... in contrast to extensional operators

$A \wedge B \rightarrow A$ and B

Epistemic:

$\Box A$ means A is **known** or A is **believed**

Temporal:

$\Box A$ means **always** A

$\Diamond A$ means **eventually** A

$\circ A$ means **in the next world** is A

Deontic:

$\Box A$ means A is **obligatory**

$\Diamond A$ means A is **permitted**

Proof Theoretic:

$\Box A$ means A is **provable**

Basic principles in modal logic:

$\Box A \wedge \Box(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \Box B$

$\Box(A \rightarrow B) \wedge \Box A \rightarrow \Box B$

$\Box A \rightarrow A$
 $\Box A \rightarrow \Box \Box A$ } depends on the definition of \Box

If A is provable, so is $\Box A$ (**Necessitation**, you can proof A in every world, so $\Box A$ holds)

1.2 Lecture notes: Boxes and Diamonds

1.2.1 Relations

Special properties (pages 178ff.):

Reflexivity:

A relation $R \subseteq X^2$ is *reflexive* iff, for every $x \in X$, R_{xx} .

Transitivity:

A relation $R \subseteq X^2$ is *transitive* iff, whenever R_{xy} and R_{yz} , then also R_{xz} .

Symmetry:

A relation $R \subseteq X^2$ is *symmetric* iff, whenever R_{xy} , then also R_{yx} .

Anti-Symmetry:

A relation $R \subseteq X^2$ is *antisymmetric* iff, whenever both R_{xy} and R_{yx} , then $x = y$ (or, in other words: if $x \neq y$ then either $\neg R_{xy}$ or $\neg R_{yx}$)

Connectivity:

A relation $R \subseteq X^2$ is *connected* if for all $x, y \in X$, if $x \neq y$, then either R_{xy} or R_{yx} .

Partial order:

A relation $R \subseteq X^2$ that is reflexive, transitive, and anti-symmetric is called a partial order.

Linear order:

A partial order that is also connected is called a *linear order*.

Equivalence relation:

A relation $R \subseteq X^2$ that is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive is called an *equivalence relation*. x and y are called *R-equivalent* if R_{xy} .

Equivalence class:

The R-equivalence class containing x , or $[x]_R$, or $[x]$ if R is clear, is defined to be the set $\{y : R_{xy}\}$. x is said to be the *representative* of this R-equivalence class when we write $[x]_R$.

Orders (pages 180 ff.):

Preorder:

A relation which is both reflexive and transitive is called a *preorder*.

Partial order:

A preorder which is also antisymmetric is called a *partial order*.

Linear order:

A partial order which is also connected is called a *total order* or *linear order*.

Irreflexivity:

A relation R on X is called *irreflexive* if, for all $x \in X$, $\neg R_{xx}$.

Asymmetry:

A relation R on X is called *asymmetric* if for no pair $x, y \in X$ we have R_{xy} and R_{yx} .

Strict order:

A *strict order* is a relation which is irreflexive, asymmetric, and transitive.

Strict linear order:

A strict order which is also connected is called a *strict linear order*.

Proposition:

1. If R is a strict (linear) order on X , then $R^+ = R \cup Id_X$ is a partial order (linear order).
2. If R is a partial order (linear order) on X , then $R^- = R \setminus Id_X$ is a strict linear order.

1.2.2 Syntacs and Semantics

Formulas (pages 189 ff.)

1. A countable infinite set At_0 of propositional variables $p_0, p_1 \dots$
2. The propositional constant for falsity \perp .
3. The logical connectives: \neg (negation), \wedge (conjunction), \vee (disjunction), \rightarrow (conditional)
4. Punctuation marks: $(,)$, and the comma.

1.2.3 Axiomatic Derivations

Axioms for the Propositional Connectives (page 203)

The set of Ax_0 of *axioms* for the propositional connectives comprises all formulas of the following forms:

- (D.1) $(A \wedge B) \rightarrow A$
- (D.2) $(A \wedge B) \rightarrow B$
- (D.3) $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow (A \wedge B))$
- (D.4) $A \rightarrow (A \vee B)$
- (D.5) $A \rightarrow B \vee A$
- (D.6) $(A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow ((B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow ((A \vee B) \rightarrow C))$
- (D.7) $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)$
- (D.8) $(A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)) \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C))$
- (D.9) $(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow \neg A)$
- (D.10) $\neg A \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B)$
- (D.11) \top
- (D.12) $\perp \rightarrow A$
- (D.13) $(A \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \neg A$
- (D.14) $\neg \neg A \rightarrow A$

Modus ponens

If B and $B \rightarrow A$ already occur in a derivation, then A is a correct inference step.

Deduction Theorem

$\Gamma \wedge \{A\} \vdash B$ iff $\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B$
 $\{D\} \vdash D$ iff $\vdash D \rightarrow D$

Soundness

IF $\Gamma \vdash A$ then $\Gamma \models A$

1.2.4 Tableaux

1.2.5 The Completeness Theorem

IF $\Gamma \vdash A$ then $\Gamma \models A$ is given
The proof of the other side round