

Introduction to First Order Modal Logic

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(Fitting, pg. 1, First Order Intensional Logic)

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Let $Pred$ be a set of predicate symbols. A **formula** is constructed by any

$$\varphi := t_1 = t_2 \mid P(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid \Box\varphi \mid \Diamond\varphi \mid (\forall x)\varphi \mid (\exists x)\varphi$$

where $P \in Pred$ of arity n , $t_i \in \mathcal{T}$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $x \in \mathcal{V}$

(Sometimes equality is not in the language)

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Overviews

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Constant vs. Varying Domains

A **constant domain Kripke frame** is a tuple $\langle W, R, D \rangle$ where $W \neq \emptyset$ and D are sets, and $R \subseteq W \times W$.

A **varying domain Kripke frame** is a tuple $\langle W, R, D \rangle$ where W is a non-empty set, $R \subseteq W \times W$, and for each $w \in W$, $D(w)$ is a set (the domain at w). Let the **domain of the model** be $D = \bigcup_{w \in W} D(w)$.

Substitutions

Suppose that D is the domain of the model.

A **substitution** is any function $s : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow D$ (\mathcal{V} the set of variables).

A substitution s' is said to be an **x -variant** of s , denoted $s \sim_x s'$, if for all $y \in \mathcal{V}$, if $y \neq x$, then $s(y) = s'(y)$.

First Order Interpretations

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Interpretation in a Kripke Model

Let D be the domain for a Kripke model with worlds W .

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Truth

Let $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R, D, I \rangle$ be a (varying/constant) domain Kripke model:

- ▶ $\mathcal{M}, w \models_s t_1 = t_2$ iff $t_1^{I, S, w} = t_2^{I, S, w}$
- ▶ $\mathcal{M}, w \models_s P(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ iff $\langle t_1^{I, S, w}, \dots, t_n^{I, S, w} \rangle \in I(P, w)$
- ▶ $\mathcal{M}, w \models_s \neg\varphi$ iff $\mathcal{M}, w \not\models_s \varphi$
- ▶ $\mathcal{M}, w \models_s \varphi \wedge \psi$ iff $\mathcal{M}, w \models_s \varphi$ and $\mathcal{M}, w \models_s \psi$

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“y doesn't exist”: $\neg\exists x(x = y)$,
but we cannot express “there are non-existents”

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- ▶ Can add actualist quantifiers:
 - Introduce an **existence predicate** E (typically assume $I(E, w) \neq \emptyset$ for all $w \in W$ and $\bigcup_w I(E, w) = D$)
 - $\forall^E x\varphi := \forall x(E(x) \rightarrow \varphi)$
 - $\exists^E x\varphi := \exists x(E(x) \wedge \varphi)$

- ▶ Since varying domain semantics can be simulated using constant domain semantics and relativized quantifiers, from a semantic point of view there is really little point in studying the varying domain version in much detail.
- ▶ Axiomatic systems intended for constant domain systems have more complex completeness proofs.
- ▶ Prefixed tableau systems for constant domain systems are considerably simpler than the varying domain versions.

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- ▶ How should we interpret $\Diamond P(c)$? Two possibilities:
 - The current interpretation of c has the “Possible- P ” property
 - there is a possible world such that c (interpreted in that possible world) has the property P

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Lewis Counterpart Semantics

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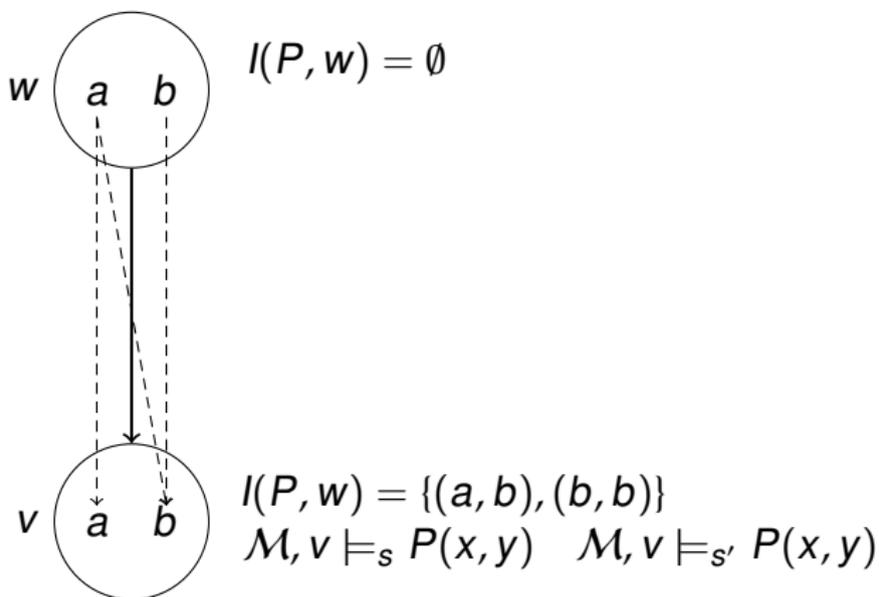
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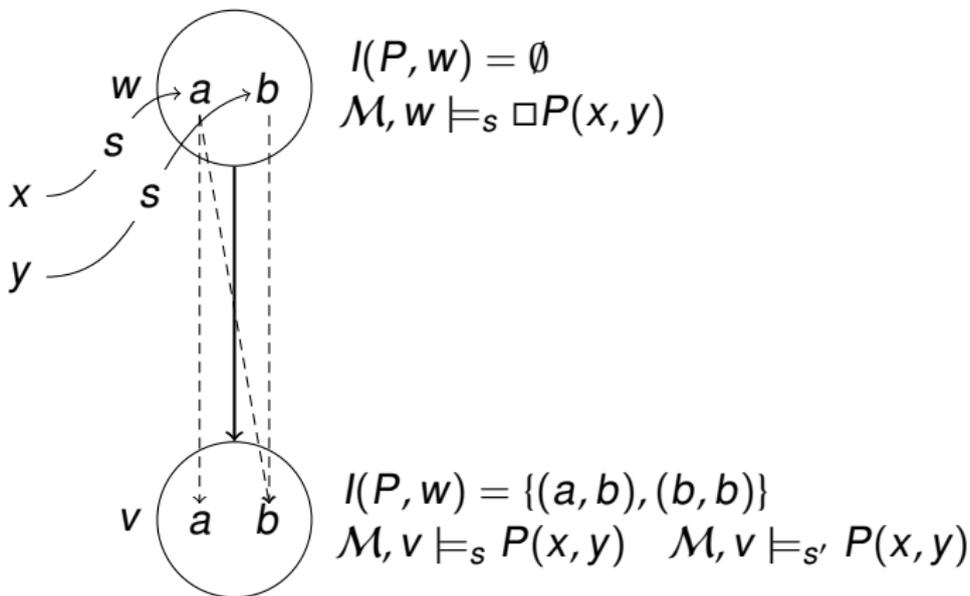
A **Lewis counterpart model** is a structure $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R, D, C, I \rangle$ where everything is as before, except C maps each member of $W \times W$ to a counterpart relation on D .

The idea is that if $\langle d, c \rangle \in C(w, v)$, then c is a counterpart in world v of the object d in world w .

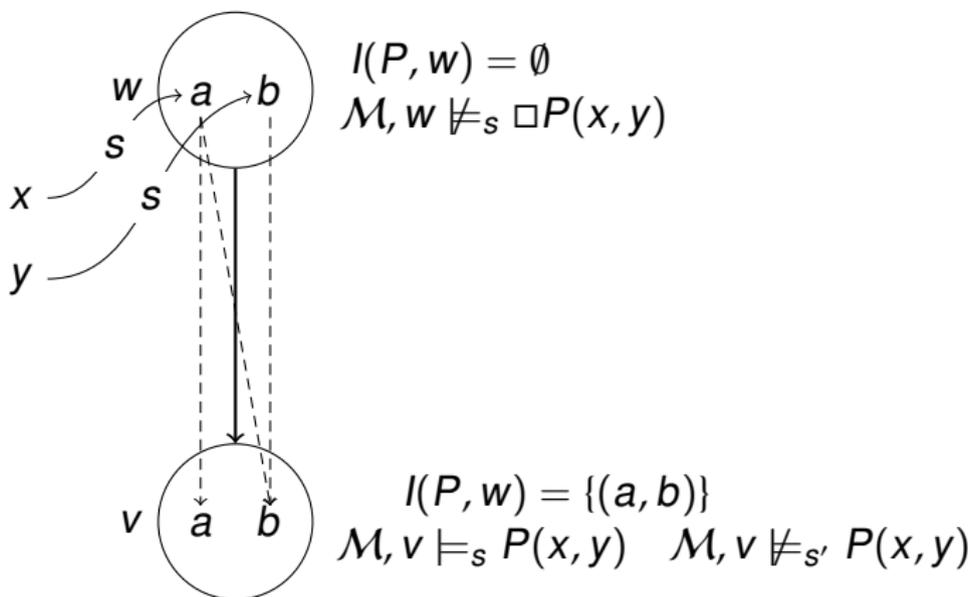
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- ▶ $\mathcal{M}, w \models_s \Diamond\varphi$ iff $\mathcal{M}, v \models_{s'} \varphi$ for some $v \in R(w)$ and some valuation s' that is a $C(w, v)$ counterpart of s



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First Order Intensional Logic

In addition to objects there will be what we call *intensions* or *intensional objects* or *concepts*.

Typical informal intensions are *the morning star*, *the oldest person in the world*, or simply *that*.

Intensions designate different objects under different circumstances—they are non-rigid designators.

They will be modeled by functions from possible worlds to objects. There will be quantification over intensions, as well as quantification over objects.

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De Re/De Dicto issues:

- ▶ $P(f)$ is true at w if the object picked out by f at w has property P
- ▶ What about $\diamond P(f)$?
 - (de re) $\diamond P(f)$ is true at w if the object picked out by f at w has the property P at an accessible world v
 - (de dicto) $\diamond P(f)$ is true at w if there is an accessible world v such that the object picked out by f at v has the property P

Predicate Abstraction

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Lambda Notation

Describing Functions:

- ▶ $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = x^2$
- ▶ $x \mapsto x^2$
- ▶ $\lambda x. x^2$

Beta Reduction:

- ▶ $f(3) = 9$
- ▶ $(\lambda x. x^2)(3) = 3^2$

Propositional modal logic:

$$\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{\mathcal{M}} : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \wp(W)$$

For each formula of first-order modal logic φ :

$$\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{\mathcal{M}} : D^{\mathcal{V}} \rightarrow \wp(W)$$

Suppose that the possible worlds are people, and f is the *favorite-book* concept picking out, for each person, that person's favorite book. And suppose P is intended to be the *is-an-important-concept* predicate.

For a person who considers reading important, $P(f)$ will most likely be true—the concept of a favorite book would be important for that person.

Let us say Q is intended to be the *is-an-important-book* predicate.

I certainly think $\langle \lambda x. Q(x) \rangle(f)$ is true—for me it says my favorite book is an important book (for me).

I would not think $\langle \lambda x. \Box Q(x) \rangle(f)$ to be true—for me it says that my favorite book is an important book for everybody.

On the other hand I probably would think that $\Box \langle \lambda x. Q(x) \rangle(f)$ is true—for me it says that everybody thinks their favorite book is important.

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A FOIL model is a structure $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R, D_O, D_I, I \rangle$, where $W \neq \emptyset$, $R \subseteq W \times W$, D_O is a non-empty set of objects, and D_I is a non-empty set of functions from W to D_O . Finally, I is an interpretation assigning to each predicate symbol P a relation of an appropriate type.

$\mathcal{M}, w \models_s \langle \lambda x. \varphi \rangle (f)$ iff $\mathcal{M}, w \models_{s'} \varphi$ where for all $y \in \mathcal{V}$, if $y \neq x$, then $s'(y) = s(y)$ and $s'(x) = s(f)(w)$.

Valid:

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$$(1) \quad (\forall x)(\forall f)D(f, x)$$

$$(2) \quad (\forall x)\varphi \leftrightarrow (\forall f)\langle \lambda x. \varphi \rangle(f)$$

In FOIL, (1) implies (2).

For a propositional modal logic L , **FOIL-L** is the intensional logic built on that class of frames in the obvious way. Now, let **FOIL-L- λ** be the restriction of **FOIL-L** to the sublanguage without quantifiers.

1. If L is one of **K**, **T**, or **D**, then **FOIL-L- λ** is decidable.
2. **FOIL-S4- λ** is undecidable, with or without equality.
3. If $=$ is interpreted by equality on D_O , then **FOIL-L- λ** is undecidable for any L between **K4** and **S5**.
4. The two preceding items remain true even if formulas are restricted to contain no object variables and only a single intension variable.
5. Tableau systems for **FOIL-L- λ**

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Constants and Function Symbols

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We also have intension function symbols, f, g, \dots of various arities, which take object variables as arguments.

Relation symbols, P, Q, \dots of various arities, also taking object variables as arguments in the usual way.

An **intension function term** is $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ where x_1, \dots, x_n are object variables and f is an n -ary intension function symbol.

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$$P(f(g(a)))$$

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If f is an n -ary intension function symbol then $I(f) : S \rightarrow (D^n \rightarrow D)$, for some $S \subseteq W$.

$I(f)$ is an n -ary function from D to itself from some set of possible worlds, so f may not designate at some worlds.

If a is a constant, then $I(a)$ is a 0-ary function on D , so $I(a)$ is a partial function from W to D .

If $I(f) : S \rightarrow (D^n \rightarrow D)$, we say f designates at the worlds in S .

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Suppose that F is a unary predicate symbol, $\mathcal{V} = \{x, y\}$, and $\langle W, N, D, I \rangle$ is a first order constant domain neighborhood model where

- ▶ $W = \{w, v, u\}$;
- ▶ $N(w) = \{\{w, v\}, \{u\}\}$, $N(v) = \{\{v\}\}$, $N(u) = \{\{w, v\}, \{v\}\}$;
- ▶ $D = \{a, b\}$; and
- ▶ $I(F, w) = \{a\}$, $I(F, v) = \{a, b\}$, and $I(F, u) = \emptyset$.

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There are four possible substitutions:

- ▶ $s_1 : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow D$ where $s_1(x) = a$, $s_1(y) = b$;
- ▶ $s_2 : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow D$ where $s_2(x) = b$, $s_2(y) = a$;
- ▶ $s_3 : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow D$ where $s_3(x) = s_3(y) = a$; and
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In general, every formula $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_1$ is associated with a function

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Observation 3: *BF* is valid in a *varying* domain relational frame iff the frame is anti-monotonic; *CBF* is valid in a *varying* domain relational frame iff the frame is monotonic.

See (Fitting and Mendelsohn, 1998) for an extended discussion

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Of course, *BF* should fail in this case, given that it instantiates cases of what is usually known as the '**lottery paradox**':

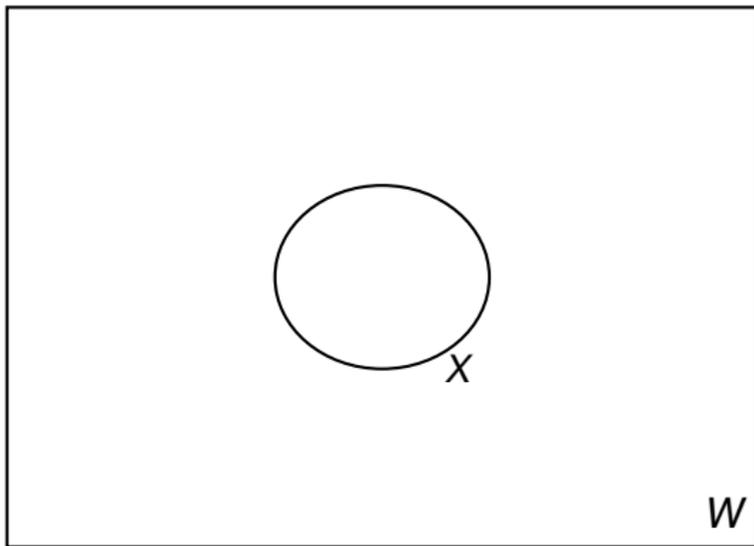
For each individual x , it is *highly probably* that x will loose the lottery; however it is not necessarily highly probably that each individual will loose the lottery.

Converse Barcan Formulas and Neighborhood Frames

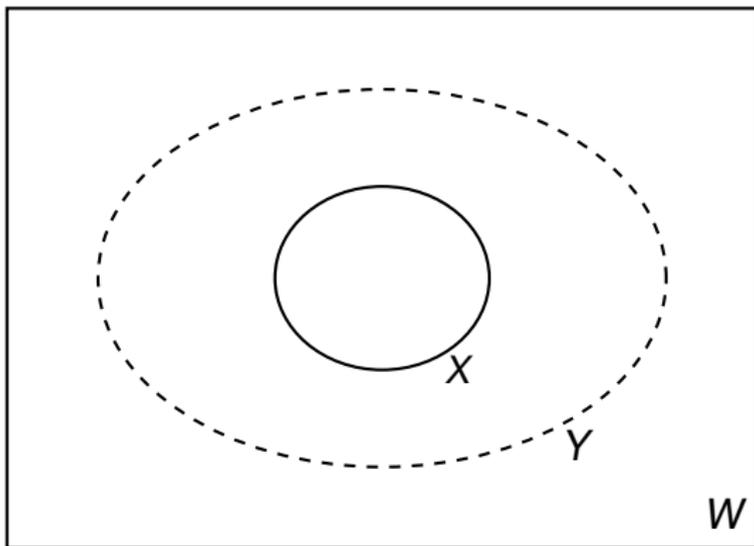
A frame \mathcal{F} is **consistent** iff for each $w \in W$, $N(w) \neq \emptyset$

A first-order neighborhood frame $\mathcal{F} = \langle W, N, D \rangle$ is **nontrivial** iff $|D| > 1$

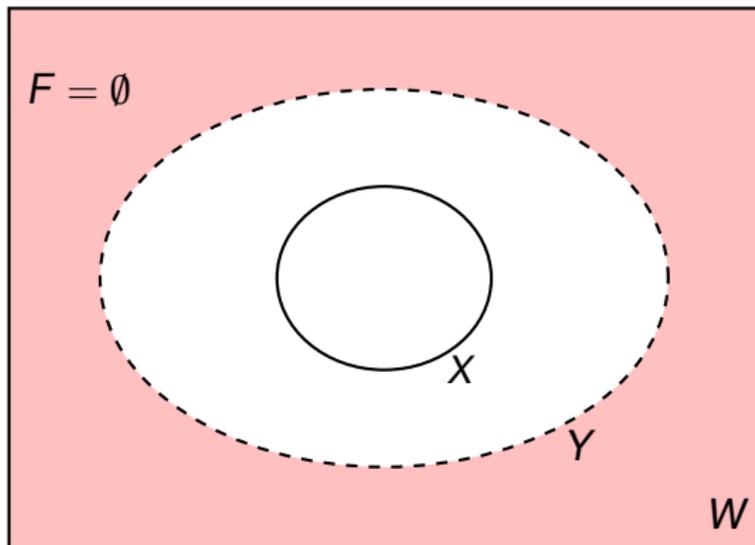
Lemma Let \mathcal{F} be a consistent constant domain neighborhood frame. The converse Barcan formula is valid on \mathcal{F} iff either \mathcal{F} is trivial or \mathcal{F} is monotonic.



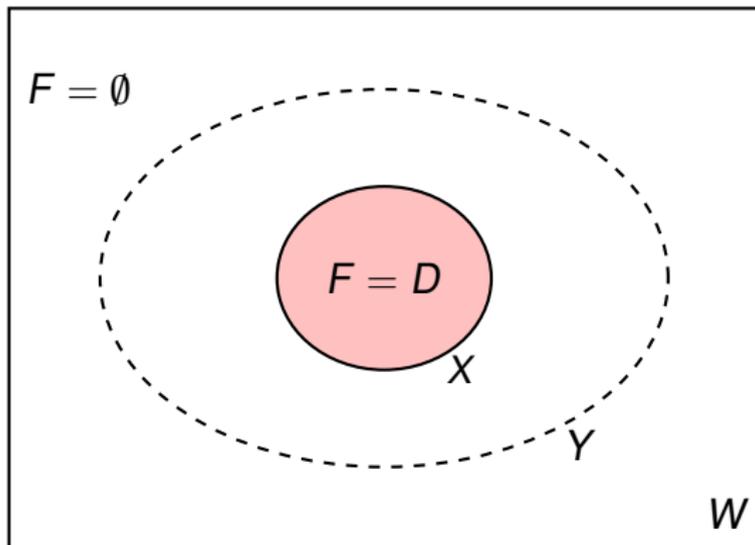
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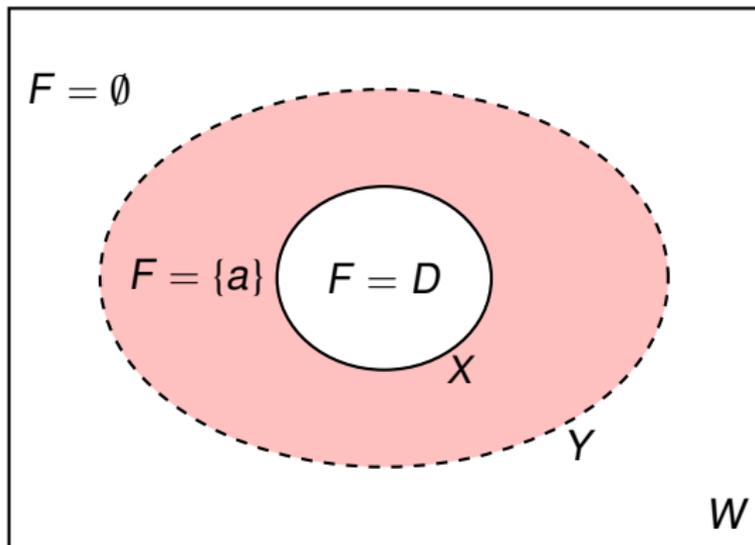
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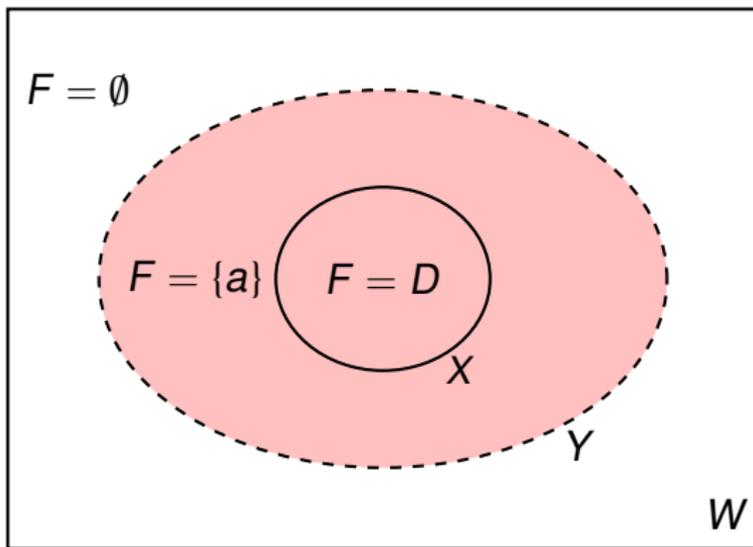
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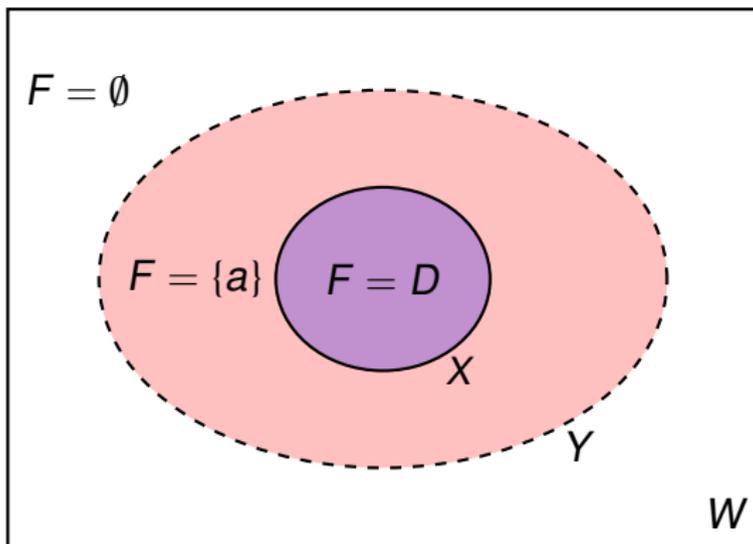
$$\forall v \in X, I(F, v) = D = \{a, b\}$$



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$$(F[a])^M = Y \notin N(w) \text{ hence } w \not\models \forall x \Box F(x)$$



$$(\forall x F(x))^M = (F[a])^M \cap (F[b])^M = X \in N(w)$$

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Barcan Formulas and Neighborhood Frames

We say that a frame closed under $\leq \kappa$ intersections if for each state w and each collection of sets $\{X_i \mid i \in I\}$ where $|I| \leq \kappa$, $\bigcap_{i \in I} X_i \in N(w)$.

Lemma Let \mathcal{F} be a consistent constant domain neighborhood frame. The Barcan formula is valid on \mathcal{F} iff either

1. \mathcal{F} is trivial or
2. if D is finite, then \mathcal{F} is closed under finite intersections and if D is infinite and of cardinality κ , then \mathcal{F} is closed under $\leq \kappa$ intersections.

Suppose that **L** is a propositional modal logic. Let **FOL + L** denote the set of formulas closed under the following rules and axiom schemes

L All axiom schemes and rules from **L**.

(All) $\forall x\varphi(x) \rightarrow \varphi[y/x]$ is an axiom scheme, where y is free for x in φ .

(Gen) $\frac{\varphi \rightarrow \psi}{\varphi \rightarrow \forall x\psi}$, where x is not free in φ .

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CBF

$$\vdash_{\mathbf{FOL+EM}} \Box \forall x \varphi(x) \rightarrow \forall x \Box \varphi(x)$$

$$\not\vdash_{\mathbf{FOL+E+(CBF)}} \Box(\varphi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow (\Box \varphi \wedge \Box \psi)$$

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3. The quantified extension of **GL** is not complete (with respect to varying domains models).

What is going on?

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Background: Incompleteness

There are (consistent) modal logics that are **incomplete**

A general model is a structure $\langle W, R, V, \mathcal{A} \rangle$ where \mathcal{A} is a suitable boolean algebra with an operator of propositions.

All modal logics are sound and strongly complete with respect to general frames.

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vs.

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General Frames

Let $\langle W, R \rangle$ be a frame.

$[R] : \wp W \rightarrow \wp W$ where

$[R](X) = \{w \in W \mid \text{for all } v \in W, wRv \text{ implies } v \in X\}$

So $\llbracket \Box \alpha \rrbracket_{\mathcal{M}} = [R]\llbracket \alpha \rrbracket_{\mathcal{M}}$

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$\langle W, R, V, Prop, PropFun \rangle$ where

- ▶ $Prop$ contains \emptyset and is closed under \Rightarrow and $[R]$
- ▶ Contains the function $\varphi_{\emptyset}(f) = \emptyset$ for all $f \in D^{\mathcal{V}}$
- ▶ $PropFun$ is closed under \Rightarrow , $[R]$ and \forall_x .
- ▶ Assume $(P)^{\mathcal{M}} : D^{\mathcal{V}} \rightarrow \wp W$ is an element of $PropFun$ for each atomic predicate P .

General Completeness

Theorem For any propositional modal logic **S**, the quantified logic **QS** is complete for the class of (all validating) quantified general frames.

Note that the canonical model construction has as worlds maximally consistent sets that need not be \forall -complete.

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