

Dynamic Epistemic Logic

Chapter 2 - Multi agent S5 Axiomatisation and Common knowledge

2.3 Axiomatisation

- 1- Semantic derivation of valid formulas via Kripke models.
- 2- Syntactic derivation of valid formulas via axioms.

Modal logic **K**:

- all instantiations of propositional tautologies (Prop)
- $K_a(\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (K_a\phi \rightarrow K_a\psi)$ (K)
- From $\phi \wedge \phi \rightarrow \psi$, we can infer ψ (MP, modus ponens)
- From ϕ , we can infer $K_a\phi$ (Nec, necessitation)

Definition 1 Derivation

Let \mathcal{X} be an arbitrary axiomatisation with axioms A_{x_1}, \dots, A_{x_n} and rules R_{u_1}, \dots, R_{u_n} , where each rule is of the form "From ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_l , infer ϕ_j ". Then a derivation of a formula ϕ with \mathcal{X} is a finite sequence ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_m of formulas such that:

- 1) $\phi_m = \phi$ and
- 2) every ϕ_i in the sequence is:
 - a) either an instance of one of the axioms
 - b) or else the result of the application of one of the rules to formulas in the sequence that appear before ϕ_i

If there is a derivation for ϕ in \mathcal{X} , then we write $\vdash_{\mathcal{X}} \phi$ or $\vdash \phi$ if \mathcal{X} is clear.

We say that ϕ is a theorem of \mathcal{X} .

Logic **K** is only (arbitrary) Kripke models, including models where R_i not necessarily reflect knowledge. E.g model \mathcal{M}

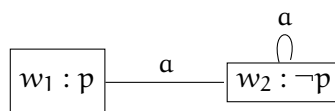


Figure 1: Model M_2

$(\mathcal{M}, w_1) \models p$ but,
 $(\mathcal{M}, w_2) \models K_a \neg p$

We would like a logic where something like $\neg(p \wedge K_a \neg p)$ is a theorem.

Semantically, we solved this by requiring epistemic models to have reflexive accessibility relations (among other requirements).

Syntactically, add axiom $K_a \phi \rightarrow \phi$.

Additional axioms for S5:

$K_a \phi \rightarrow \phi$ (T, truth)

$K_a \phi \rightarrow K_a K_a \phi$ (4, positive introspection)

$\neg K_a \phi \rightarrow K_a \neg K_a \phi$ (5, negative introspection)

Theorem 1 *Axiom system K is sound and complete w.r.t. the class K of all Kripke models, i.e. for every formula ϕ in \mathcal{L}_K , we have that $\vdash_K \phi$ iff $\mathcal{K} \models \phi$*

Similarly, $\vdash_{S5} \phi$ iff $S5 \models \phi$. ("you can derive ϕ in S5 iff ϕ is valid in all epistemic Kripke models")

2.4 Common knowledge

Group notions of knowledge:

Recall $E_B \phi$. E_B satisfies axiom T, but not positive introspection.

$E_B \phi \rightarrow E_B E_B \phi$ is not valid. E.g if agents a and b are both (separately) told that p is true, $E_a b p$ is true but not $E_a b E_a b p$.

So, how to model that everybody knows that everybody knows that... that p?

The common knowledge operator!

For $B \subseteq A$, $C_B \phi \equiv \bigwedge_{n=0} \infty E_B^n \phi$, where $E_B^n \phi = E_B E_B \dots E_B \phi$.

Definition 2 *By language \mathcal{L}_{KC} , we refer to the language defined just like \mathcal{L}_K , but with the additional C modality. For $a \in A$, $B \subseteq A$, $p \in P$, we define:*

$\phi ::= \phi \mid \neg \phi \mid \phi \wedge \phi \mid K_a \phi \mid C_B \phi$

Semantics: As before, using (epistemic) Kripke models.

Definition 3 *Let $\mathcal{M} = \langle S, R, V \rangle$ be a Kripke models with agents A and $B \subseteq A$. Then*

$R_{E_B} = \bigvee_{b \in B} R_b$

The transitive closure of a relation R is the smallest relation R^+ s.t. :

1- $R \subseteq R^+$

2- $\forall x, y, z$ if $(x, y) \in R^+$ and $(y, z) \in R^+$ then also $(x, z) \in R^+$

If additionally, $(x, x) \in R^+ \forall x$, then R^+ is the reflexive-transitive closure of R , R^ .*

Definition 4 *Let P be a set of atomic propositions, A a set of agents and $\mathcal{M} = \langle S, R, V \rangle$ an epistemic model and $B \subseteq A$. Then the truth of an \mathcal{L}_{KC} formula ϕ in (\mathcal{M}, s) is defined as for \mathcal{L}_K , with an additional clause for common knowledge.*

$(\mathcal{M}, s) \models C_B \phi$ iff $(\mathcal{M}, t) \models \phi \forall t \in S$ with $(s, t) \in \sim_{E_B^*}$ ($\sim_{C_B} = R_{C_B}$)

Example 1 $\mathcal{M}, w \models C_{ab}p$
 $\mathcal{M}, w \not\models C_{abc}p$

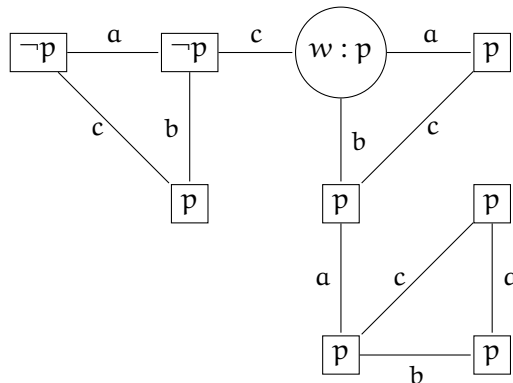


Figure 2: Example 1

Additional axioms for common knowledge:

$C_B(\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (C_B\phi \rightarrow C_B\psi)$ (Dist)

$C_B\phi \rightarrow (\phi \wedge E_B C_B\phi)$ (Mix)

$C_B(\phi \rightarrow E_B\phi) \rightarrow (\phi \rightarrow C_B\phi)$ (Ind)

From ϕ , infer $C_B\phi$ (Nec)

Together with S5 axioms and rules: sound and complete w.r.t. epistemic models with common knowledge.

2.5 Model checking

Local MC for $\mathcal{L}_K C$ formulas: Given a finite Kripke model $\mathcal{M} = \langle S, R, V \rangle$, an $\mathcal{L}_K C$ formula ϕ and a state s , determine whether s satisfies ϕ :

you only care about state s . The rest of S may be given only implicitly.

Global MC for $\mathcal{L}_K C$ formulas: Given a finite Kripke model $\mathcal{M}_K C$, an $\mathcal{L}_K C$ formula ϕ , determine the set of states where ϕ is satisfied.

We care about all states.

Especially easy if S is given explicitly.

Algorithmically often done semantically.

Idea: For all subformulas ψ of ϕ , determine the sets of states where ψ is true, inductively from small to large subformulas.

Definition 5 *Subformulas*

Let ϕ be a formula in the $\mathcal{L}_K C$ language. Then the set of $subf(\phi)$ of subformulas is

defined recursively as follows:

$subf(p) = p$ for atomic propositions $p \in P$

$subf(\neg\phi) = \{\neg\phi\} \cup subf(\phi)$

$subf(\phi \vee \psi) = \{\phi \vee \psi\} \cup subf(\phi) \cup subf(\psi)$

$subf(K_a\phi) = \{K_a\phi\} \cup subf(\phi)$

$subf(C_B\phi) = \{C_B\phi\} \cup subf(\phi)$

If $\psi \in subf(\phi) \setminus \{\phi\}$ then ψ is called a proper subformula of ϕ .

Definition 6 Let a be an agent and $S' \subseteq S$. Then the strong preimage of S ; w.r.t a is:

$spreim_g_a(S) = \{s \in S \mid \text{for } s' \in S \text{ with } (s, s') \in R_a: s' \in S'\}$

Notation:

Let $\llbracket \phi \rrbracket = \{s \in S \mid s \models \phi\}$ be the set of states where ϕ is true.

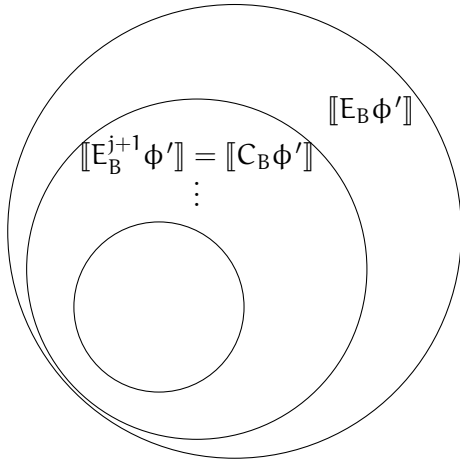
MC algorithm

Let $\mathcal{M} = \langle S, R, V \rangle$ be an (epistemic) Kripke model and $\phi \in \mathcal{L}_K C$ a formula. Let ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n be the subformulas of ϕ ordered from small to large. Then:

Algorithm 1 Model checking

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switch  $\phi_i$  do
  case  $p$ 
     $\llbracket p \rrbracket := V(p)$ 
  case  $\neg\phi'$ 
     $\llbracket \phi_i \rrbracket := S \setminus \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket$ 
  case  $\phi' \vee \phi''$ 
     $\llbracket \phi_i \rrbracket := \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket \cup \llbracket \phi'' \rrbracket$ 
  case  $\phi' \wedge \phi''$ 
     $\llbracket \phi_i \rrbracket := \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket \cap \llbracket \phi'' \rrbracket$ 
  case  $K_a\phi'$ 
     $\llbracket \phi_i \rrbracket := \text{spreimg}_a(\llbracket \phi' \rrbracket)$ 
  case  $C_a\phi'$ 
    Let  $S_1 = \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket$ 
    Let  $S_2 = S_1 \cap \bigcap_{b \in B} \text{spreimg}(S_1)$ 
     $j := 1$ 
    while  $S_j \neq S_{j+1}$  do
       $j := j + 1$ 
       $S_{j+1} := S_j \cap \bigcap_{b \in B} \text{spreimg}(S_j)$ 
    end while
    Then  $\llbracket \phi_i \rrbracket := S_{j+1}$ 
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Intuition behind the $C_B\phi'$ case:



Example 2 $\llbracket \neg K_b(K_a p \wedge q) \rrbracket$?

$\llbracket p \rrbracket = \{S_1, S_2, S_3, S_5, S_6\}$

$\llbracket q \rrbracket = \{S_2, S_3, S_4, S_5, S_6\}$

$\llbracket K_a p \rrbracket = \{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$

$\llbracket K_a \wedge q \rrbracket = \{S_2, S_3\}$

$\llbracket K_b(K_a p \wedge q) \rrbracket = \emptyset$

$\llbracket \neg K_b(K_a p \wedge q) \rrbracket = \{S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4, S_5, S_6\}$

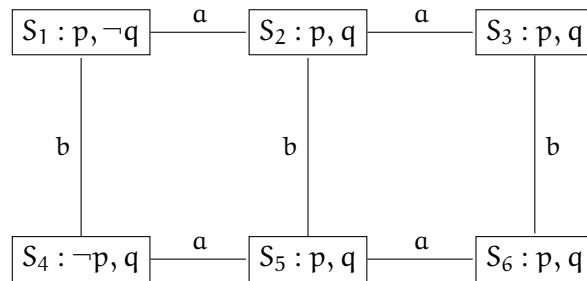


Figure 3: Example 2

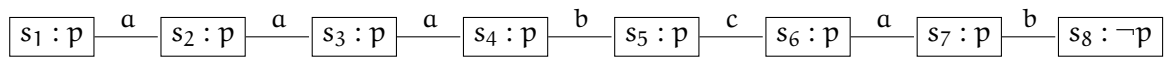


Figure 4: Example 3

Example 3 $\llbracket C_{ab}p \rrbracket ?$

$$\llbracket p \rrbracket = \{s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, s_5, s_6, s_7\} = S_1$$

$$S_2 = S_1 \cap (\text{spreimg}_a(S_1) \cap \text{spreimg}_a(S_2))$$

$$= S_1 \cap (S_1 \cap \{s_1, \dots, s_6\})$$

$$= \{s_1, \dots, s_6\}$$

$$S_3 = \dots = \{s_1, \dots, s_5\}$$

$$S_4 = S_3 = \llbracket C_{ab}p \rrbracket = \{s_1, \dots, s_5\}$$