

# Modal Logics of Strategic Interaction

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Logic approach: Translate design problems into logic questions: e.g. mechanism design via satisfiability.

# Modal Logics of Strategic Interaction

- Coalition Logic (Pauly)
- Game Logic (Parikh)
- Alternating-time Temporal logic (Alur, Henzinger, Kupferman)
- Strategy Logic (Chatterjee et al.)
- ... (modal logics, AI literature)

Conferences: LOFT, TARK, WoLLiC, LORI, AAMAS, IJCAI, ECAI, JELIA, ...

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# Angelina, Edwin and the Judge

Example: Formalising constitutions (cf. Allan Gibbard, 1974)

*Angelina has to decide whether she wants to marry Edwin, the (male) judge, or stay single. Edwin and the judge each can similarly decide whether they want to stay single or marry Angelina.*

Constitution:

*Everyone has the right to choose who they marry and to choose to stay single.*

# Angelina, Edwin and the Judge

Specify the rights (or abilities) of players as sets of outcomes that they can “force”.

Players  $N = \{a, e, j\}$

States  $S = \{m_0, m_e, m_j\}$  representing

- $m_0$ : Angelina stays single,
- $m_e$ : Angelina marries Edwin,
- $m_j$ : Angelina marries the judge.

Players can force the outcome in some subset of states:

player(s)	can force	player(s)	can force
$a$	$\{m_0\}, \{m_0, m_e\}, \{m_0, m_j\}$	$\{a, e\}$	$\{m_e\}$
$e$	$\{m_0, m_j\}$	$\{a, j\}$	$\{m_j\}$
$j$	$\{m_0, m_e\}$	$\{e, j\}$	$\{m_0\}$

# Game Theoretic Modelling

Angelina chooses the table.

Edwin chooses the row.

Judge chooses the column.

	<i>s</i>	<i>m</i>
<i>s</i>	$m_0$	$m_0$
<i>m</i>	$m_0$	$m_0$

Stay single

	<i>s</i>	<i>m</i>
<i>s</i>	$m_0$	$m_0$
<i>m</i>	$m_e$	$m_e$

Marry Edwin

	<i>s</i>	<i>m</i>
<i>s</i>	$m_0$	$m_j$
<i>m</i>	$m_0$	$m_j$

Marry Judge

Note: No preferences over outcomes are specified.

# Effectivity in Strategic Games

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- a non-empty, finite set  $N$  of players,
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Def. The effectivity function of a game form  $G$  is the function  $E_G: \mathcal{P}(N) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$  defined by:

$$X \in E_G(C) \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists \sigma_C \forall \sigma_{\bar{C}} : o(\sigma_C, \sigma_{\bar{C}}) \in X.$$

( $\alpha$ -effectivity, as opposed to  $\beta$ -effectivity  $\forall \dots \exists \dots$ )

$E_G(C)$  is the collection of subsets for which  $C$  is effective.

# Properties of Effectivity Functions

For any game form  $G$ , the effectivity function  $E_G: \mathcal{P}(N) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$  is

- 1 outcome-monotonic: for all  $C \subseteq N$ ,  
if  $X_1 \subseteq X_2 \subseteq S$  and  $X_1 \in E(C)$  then  $X_2 \in E(C)$ .
- 2 coalition-monotonic: if  $C_1 \subseteq C_2$  then  $E(C_1) \subseteq E(C_2)$ .
- 3 regular: for all  $C \subseteq N$ , if  $X \in E(C)$  then  $\bar{X} \notin E(\bar{C})$ .
- 4 maximal: for all  $C \subseteq N$ , if  $\bar{X} \notin E(\bar{C})$  then  $X \in E(C)$ .
- 5 superadditive: for all  $C_1, C_2 \subseteq N$  such that  $C_1 \cap C_2 = \emptyset$ ,  
if  $X_1 \in E(C_1)$  and  $X_2 \in E(C_2)$  then  $X_1 \cap X_2 \in E(C_1 \cup C_2)$ .

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Def. A function  $E: \mathcal{P}(N) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$  is *playable* if

- 1 for all  $C \subseteq N$ :  $\emptyset \notin E(C)$
- 2 for all  $C \subseteq N$ :  $S \in E(C)$  (non-empty)
- 3  $E$  is  $N$ -maximal: for all  $X \subseteq S$ , if  $\bar{X} \notin E(\emptyset)$  then  $X \in E(N)$
- 4  $E$  is superadditive.

Theorem (Pauly):  $E$  is playable iff there is a  $G$  such that  $E = E_G$ .  
(In particular, playability implies monotonicity and regularity.)



# Dynamic Models of Coalitional Effectivity

- Extensive game with simultaneous moves is  $\gamma: S \rightarrow \Gamma(N, S)$  where  $\Gamma(N, S)$  are all game forms for  $N$  and  $S$ .  
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- Def. A (coalitional) effectivity frame  $F = (N, S, E)$  consists of a set  $S$  of states and a function

$$E: S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(N) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$$

such that for all  $s \in S$ ,  $E(s): \mathcal{P}(N) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$  is playable.

Notation:  $sE_C X$  means  $X \in E(s)(C)$   
("at state  $s$ , coalition  $C$  is effective for  $X$ ").

# Coalition Logic: Syntax & Semantics

- Def. Let  $\Phi_0$  be a set of atomic propositions.  
An effectivity model  $M = (N, S, E, V)$  is an effectivity frame  $(N, S, E)$  together with a valuation  $V: \Phi_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$ .
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where  $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_M = \{t \in S \mid M, t \models \varphi\}$ .

# Coalition Logic: Axiomatisation

Def. Let  $\mathbf{CL}_N$  denote the smallest set of  $\mathcal{L}(N, \Phi_0)$ -formulas that

- contains all propositional tautologies,
- contains the following axiom (schemas):

$$(\perp) \quad \neg[C]\perp$$

$$(\top) \quad [C]\top$$

$$(\mathbf{N}) \quad \neg[\emptyset]\neg\varphi \rightarrow [N]\varphi$$

$$(\mathbf{M}) \quad [C](\varphi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow [C]\varphi$$

$$(\mathbf{S}) \quad ([C_1]\varphi_1 \wedge [C_2]\varphi_2) \rightarrow [C_1 \cup C_2](\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2)$$

where  $C_1 \cap C_2 = \emptyset$ .

- is closed under modus ponens and the congruence rule for all  $C \subseteq N$ :

$$\frac{\varphi \quad \varphi \rightarrow \psi}{\psi}$$

$$\frac{\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi}{[C]\varphi \leftrightarrow [C]\psi}$$

# Completeness and Decidability

Theorem (Pauly):  $\mathbf{CL}_N$  is sound and complete w.r.t. the class of all coalitional effectivity models.

Theorem (Pauly): The satisfiability problem (i.e. given formula  $\varphi$ , is there a model in which  $\varphi$  is true?) is decidable in PSPACE.

Method: Use satisfiability to find implementation of a constitution specified by  $\varphi$ .

# Extended of Coalition Logic

(cf. Pauly, 2001):

Add fixpoint (temporal) operators:

$[C^*]\varphi$  “C can eventually bring about  $\varphi$ ”.

$[C^\times]\varphi$  “C can maintain  $\varphi$  in the long run”.

Coalition Logic and Extended Coalition Logic can be translated into Alternating-time Temporal Logic (Goranko).

# Nash-consistent Coalition Logic

(cf. Pauly & Hansen, 2004):

Add to  $\mathbf{CL}_N$  the rule:

$$\frac{\bigvee_{i \in N} \varphi_i}{\bigvee_{i \in N} [N \setminus \{i\}] \varphi_i} NC$$

Nash-consistent Coalition Logic is sound and complete w.r.t. the class of Nash-consistent models, i.e., if all (implicit) game forms in the model have a Nash equilibrium for any set of preferences the players may have over outcome states.



# Application: Gibbard's Paradox

- Two players  $N = \{a, b\}$  (Ann and Bob)
- Each player can choose which colour shirt to wear: white or blue.
- $\Phi_0 = \{p_a$  (Ann wears white),  $p_b$  (Bob wears white) $\}$ .
- Constitution:

*Everyone has the right to decide on the colour of his/her own shirt:*

$$\varphi^+ = [a]p_a \wedge [a]\neg p_a \wedge [b]p_b \wedge [b]\neg p_b$$

*No single agent is effective for coordination or anti-coordination:*

$$\varphi^- = \bigwedge_{i \in \{a,b\}} \neg[i]((p_a \wedge p_b) \vee (\neg p_a \wedge \neg p_b)) \wedge \bigwedge_{i \in \{a,b\}} \neg[i]((p_a \wedge \neg p_b) \vee (\neg p_a \wedge p_b))$$

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$w$	$(2, 4)$	$(4, 1)$
$b$	$(3, 2)$	$(1, 3)$

$G$  is not Nash-consistent. Consider scenario where:  
Bob is conformist, and besides that he prefers white to blue.  
Ann is non-conformist, and besides that she prefers white to blue.  
This is modelled by the payoff matrix on the right. No Nash-equilibrium.

## Application: Gibbard's Paradox (III)

We can prove that  $\varphi$  is not satisfiable in a Nash-consistent model, since it is inconsistent:

From tautology

$$((p_a \wedge p_b) \vee (\neg p_a \wedge \neg p_b)) \vee ((p_a \wedge \neg p_b) \vee (\neg p_a \wedge p_b))$$

infer using NC rule

$$[b]((p_a \wedge p_b) \vee (\neg p_a \wedge \neg p_b)) \vee [a]((p_a \wedge \neg p_b) \vee (\neg p_a \wedge p_b))$$

which contradicts  $\varphi^-$ .

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- Several more recent extensions: epistemic, announcements, quantification over coalitions, resource-bounded,... (cf. Ågotnes, Alechina, Van Ditmarsch, Van der Hoek, Wooldridge,...)

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# From Effectivity to Neighbourhoods

- For every state  $s$ ,

$$E(s): \mathcal{P}(N) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$$

is an effectivity function

- For every coalition  $C$ ,

$$E_C: S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$$

is a *neighbourhood function*.

- A coalitional effectivity frame  $(N, S, E)$  can be viewed as a coalition-indexed neighbourhood frame:

$$(S, \{E_C: S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S)) \mid C \subseteq N\})$$

# Neighbourhood Semantics of Modal Logic

- A neighbourhood model  $M = (S, \nu, V)$  consists of:
  - state space  $S$ ,
  - neighbourhood function  $\nu : S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$ ,
  - valuation  $V : \Phi_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$
- Basic Modal Language  $\mathcal{L}(\Phi_0)$ :

$$\varphi ::= p \in \Phi_0 \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \wedge \varphi \mid \Box\varphi$$

- Neighbourhood semantics of modal logic:

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where  $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_M = \{t \in S \mid M, t \models \varphi\}$ .



# Why can't we use good old Kripke models?

- The principle

$$[C]\varphi \wedge [C]\psi \rightarrow [C](\varphi \wedge \psi)$$

is generally NOT valid, because  $\varphi$ -strategy and  $\psi$ -strategy may be incompatible.

- But formula  $\Box p \wedge \Box q \leftrightarrow \Box(p \wedge q)$  is valid in all Kripke models (i.e. true at all states in all models).
- Not so in neighbourhood models:

$$[\![p]\!] \in \nu(s), [\![q]\!] \in \nu(s) \not\Rightarrow [\![p \wedge q]\!] = [\![p]\!] \cap [\![q]\!] \in \nu(s)$$

(since  $\nu(s)$  need not be closed under intersection).

- If for all  $s$ ,  $\nu(s)$  is upward closed, i.e.,  $X \in \nu(s), X \subseteq Y$  implies  $Y \in \nu(s)$ , then  $\Box$  is monotonic:

$$\Box(p \wedge q) \rightarrow \Box p \wedge \Box q \text{ is valid, or equiv. } \frac{\varphi \rightarrow \psi}{\Box \varphi \rightarrow \Box \psi} \text{ is valid}$$

# Non-normal Modal Logic

- Logics that are weaker than **K** (modal logic of all Kripke frames) are called **non-normal**.
- Non-normal modal logics were studied early on (cf. Segerberg, Chellas), mainly from a proof-theoretic perspective.
- **Classical modal logic** is the logic of all neighbourhood models:
  - All propositional tautologies
  - Closed under modus ponens and *congruence rule*: 
$$\frac{\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi}{\Box\varphi \leftrightarrow \Box\psi}$$
- **Monotonic modal logic** is the logic of all monotonic neighbourhood models.
  - All propositional tautologies
  - Closed under modus ponens and *monotonicity rule*: 
$$\frac{\varphi \rightarrow \psi}{\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\psi}$$

# Theory of Neighbourhood Structures

- Bounded morphisms ✓
- Bisimulation ✓
- Van Benthem Characterisation Theorem ✓
- Algebraic duality ✓
- ...

(cf. Chellas 1980, Segerberg 1971, Hansen, Kupke, Pacuit, ...)

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*Semantics* :  $(S, \nu) \rightsquigarrow (S \cup \mathcal{P}(S), R_\nu, R_\exists, P_S)$

where  $R_\nu \subseteq S \times \mathcal{P}(S) : (s, U) \in R_\nu$  iff  $U \in \nu(s)$

$R_\exists \subseteq \mathcal{P}(S) \times S : (U, s) \in R_\exists$  iff  $U \ni s$

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(Interesting for correspondence theory, but not for completeness etc.)

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# An External View: Dynamic Logics

- Logic for Social Software: From program logics to game logics.
- External (compositional) view: games are an explicit part of the syntax.
- Internal (monolithic) view: LTL, CTL.

# Reasoning About Programs

Consider the following program which takes as input a pair of integers in the variables  $x$  and  $y$ ,

```
while  $y \neq 0$  do
  begin
     $z := x \bmod y$ ;
     $x := y$ ;
     $y := z$ 
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Euclidean algorithm for computing the **greatest common divisor (GCD)** of  $x$  and  $y$ .

## Example Execution

Initial state  $(x,y,z) = (15,27,0)$ .

<i>command</i>	$y \neq 0;$	$z := x \bmod y;$	$x := y;$	$y := z;$
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<i>state</i>	<i>true</i>	$(27, 15, 12)$	$(15, 15, 12)$	$(15, 12, 12)$
<i>command</i>	$y \neq 0;$	$z := x \bmod y;$	$x := y;$	$y := z;$
<i>state</i>	<i>true</i>	$(15, 12, 3)$	$(12, 12, 3)$	$(12, 3, 3)$
<i>command</i>	$y \neq 0;$	$z := x \bmod y;$	$x := y;$	$y := z;$
<i>state</i>	<i>true</i>	$(12, 3, 0)$	$(3, 3, 0)$	$(3, 0, 0)$
<i>command</i>	$y \neq 0;$			
<i>state</i>	<i>false</i>			

Return 3.

# Basic (Imperative) Programming Constructs

While-language:

- $x := t$ , where  $t$  is a term (simple assignments)
- $\alpha; \beta$  (sequential composition)
- if  $\varphi$  then  $\alpha$  else  $\beta$  (conditional)
- while  $\varphi$  do  $\alpha$  (loop)

# PDL Programs and Formulas

Assume given:

- a set  $A_0$  of atomic programs, and
- a set  $\Phi_0$  of atomic propositions

The set of PDL programs and formulas (tests) is defined by mutual induction:

$$\text{formulas } \Phi \ni \varphi ::= p \in \Phi_0 \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid [\alpha]\varphi$$
$$\text{programs } A \ni \alpha ::= a \in A_0 \mid \alpha; \alpha \mid \alpha \cup \alpha \mid \alpha^* \mid \varphi?$$

PDL program constructs:

- $\alpha; \beta$  is sequential composition (do  $\alpha$  and then  $\beta$ )
- $\alpha \cup \beta$  is nondeterministic choice between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
- $\alpha^*$  is iteration of  $\alpha$  (execute  $\alpha$  a nondeterministically chosen finite number of times)

## PDL Programs and Formulas (II)

- PDL programs subsume the While-language:

$$\text{if } \varphi \text{ then } \alpha \text{ else } \beta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varphi?; \alpha \cup \neg\varphi?; \beta$$

$$\text{while } \varphi \text{ do } \alpha \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\varphi?; \alpha)^*; \neg\varphi?$$

- PDL subsumes Hoare logic (weakest precondition calculus)

$$\{\varphi\}\alpha\{\psi\} \iff \varphi \rightarrow [\alpha]\psi$$

if  $\varphi$  holds, then after executing  $\alpha$ ,  $\psi$  holds

( $[\alpha]\psi$  is the weakest precondition for  $\psi$ .)

- PDL subsumes Kleene Algebra with Tests:

$$\alpha \equiv \beta \iff [\alpha]p \leftrightarrow [\beta]p$$



# PDL Models

PDL was introduced by Fischer & Ladner, 1977.

$[\alpha]\varphi$  “after all successful executions of program  $\alpha$ ,  $\varphi$  holds”

Nondeterministic programs are modelled as relations.

A PDL model  $M = (S, \{R_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}, V)$  consists of

- a set  $S$  (state space),
- a relation  $R_\alpha \subseteq S \times S$  for all  $\alpha \in A_0$ .
- a valuation  $V: \Phi_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$

# PDL Semantics

- Interpretation of formulas (as usual):

$$M, s \models [\alpha]\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \text{for all } t \in S \text{ s.t. } (s, t) \in R_\alpha : M, t \models \varphi.$$

- Interpretation of programs via relation algebra:

$$R_{\alpha;\beta} = R_\alpha \circ R_\beta \quad (\text{relation composition})$$

$$R_{\alpha \cup \beta} = R_\alpha \cup R_\beta$$

$$R_{\alpha^*} = R_\alpha^* \quad (\text{reflexive, transitive closure})$$

$$R_{\varphi?} = \{(s, s) \mid s \in \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket\}$$

A PDL model is a special kind of multi-modal Kripke model.

# PDL Axiomatisation

Def. Let **PDL** be the smallest set of formulas which contains

- normal modal logic  $\mathbf{K}([\alpha])$  for all  $\alpha \in A$
- the following axiom schemas:

$$[\alpha; \beta]\varphi \leftrightarrow [\alpha][\beta]\varphi$$

$$[\alpha \cup \beta]\varphi \leftrightarrow [\alpha]\varphi \wedge [\beta]\varphi$$

$$[\psi?]\varphi \leftrightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$$

$$\varphi \wedge [\alpha][\alpha^*]\varphi \leftrightarrow [\alpha^*]\varphi$$

$$\varphi \wedge [\alpha^*](\varphi \rightarrow [\alpha]\varphi) \rightarrow [\alpha^*]\varphi$$

- and is closed under modus ponens.

Theorem (Kozen & Parikh, 1981): **PDL** is sound and complete with respect to the class of PDL models.

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- Determined 2-player game  $\gamma$  is modelled as a monotone neighbourhood function  $E_\gamma: S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$  where  
 $U \in E_\gamma(s)$  means “player 1 is effective for  $U$  in  $\gamma$  at state  $s$ ”.
- Determinacy means that  
 $\overline{U} \notin E_\gamma(s)$  iff “player 2 is effective for  $U$  in game  $\gamma$  at state  $s$ ”.

# Models for Game Logic

Assume given:

- a set  $\Gamma_0$  of atomic games, and
- a set  $\Phi_0$  of atomic propositions

Def. A GL model  $M = (S, \{E_\gamma \mid \gamma \in \Gamma_0\}, V)$  consists of

- a set  $S$  of states,
- for each atomic game  $\gamma \in \Gamma_0$ ,  $E_\gamma : S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}\mathcal{P}(S)$  a **monotonic neighbourhood function**,

if  $U \in E_\gamma(s)$  and  $U \subseteq U'$  then  $U' \in E_\gamma(s)$ .

- a valuation  $V : \Phi_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)$ .

# Syntactic Game Constructs

PDL constructs extended with **dual** operation on games:

- $\gamma_1; \gamma_2$ : play  $\gamma_1$  then  $\gamma_2$ ,
- $\gamma_1 \cup \gamma_2$ : player 1 chooses to play  $\gamma_1$  or  $\gamma_2$ ,
- $\gamma^*$ :  $\gamma$  is repeatedly played a finite number of times, player 1 chooses when to stop.
- $\gamma^d$ : **players switch roles.**

We can define

- $\alpha \cap \beta \stackrel{def}{=} (\alpha^d \cup \beta^d)^d$  (demonic choice, choice for player 2)
- $\alpha^\times \stackrel{def}{=} ((\alpha^d)^*)^d$  (demonic iteration, player 2 chooses when to stop)

# Semantic Game Constructs

- There is 1-1 correspondence:

$$\frac{E_\gamma: S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S)) \quad (\text{upward-closed nbhd function})}{\hat{E}_\gamma: \mathcal{P}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S) \quad (\text{monotonic predicate transformer})}$$

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- Algebraic operations on monotonic neighbourhood functions  $E_\gamma: S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(S))$  are conveniently described in terms of  $\hat{E}_\gamma$ :

$$\hat{E}_{\gamma_1; \gamma_2}(X) = \hat{E}_{\gamma_1}(\hat{E}_{\gamma_2}(X))$$

$$\hat{E}_{\gamma_1 \cup \gamma_2}(X) = \hat{E}_{\gamma_1}(X) \cup \hat{E}_{\gamma_2}(X)$$

$$\hat{E}_{\gamma^*}(X) = \mu Y. X \cup \hat{E}_\gamma(Y) \quad (\text{LFP of } Y \mapsto X \cup \hat{E}_\gamma(Y))$$

$$\hat{E}_{\gamma^d}(X) = \overline{\hat{E}_\gamma(\bar{X})}, \quad (\text{i.e. } X \in E_{\gamma^d}(s) \text{ iff } \bar{X} \notin E_\gamma(s))$$

# Game Logic Semantics

Interpretation of formulas and games in a GL model is defined by mutual induction:

- Interpretation of formulas (as usual):

$$M, x \models \langle \gamma \rangle \varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_M \in E_\gamma(x)$$

- Interpretation of games (as on previous slide) and for tests:

$$\hat{E}_{\varphi?}(X) = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_M \cap X$$

GL models are special multi-modal monotonic neighbourhood models.

# Game Logic Axiomatisation

Let **GL** be the smallest set of formulas which contains

- monotonic modal logic  $\mathbf{M}(\langle \gamma \rangle)$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$
- the following axiom schemas

$$\langle \gamma; \delta \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow \langle \gamma \rangle \langle \delta \rangle \varphi$$

$$\langle \gamma \cup \delta \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow \langle \gamma \rangle \varphi \vee \langle \delta \rangle \varphi$$

$$\langle \psi? \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow (\psi \wedge \varphi)$$

$$\langle \gamma^d \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow \neg \langle \gamma \rangle \neg \varphi$$

$$\varphi \vee \langle \gamma \rangle \langle \gamma^* \rangle \varphi \rightarrow \langle \gamma^* \rangle \varphi$$

- and is closed under modus ponens and 
$$\frac{\varphi \vee \langle \gamma \rangle \varphi \rightarrow \psi}{\langle \gamma^* \rangle \varphi \rightarrow \psi}$$

Theorem (Parikh, 1985): **GL** without dual is sound and complete wr.t. dual-free GL models.

Theorem (Pauly, 2001): **GL** without iteration is sound and strongly complete w.r.t iteration-free GL models.

**Open question: Completeness of full GL.**

# Complexity of Decision Procedures

Theorem (Pauly): Game Logic satisfiability is decidable in EXPTIME.

Theorem (Pauly): Model checking for Game Logic is polynomial for bounded alternation depth.

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- Extensions/variations: stochastic GL (Doberkat), differential GL (Platzer), Multi-Agent Strategy Logic (Van Eijck),...

## Concluding Remarks

Current Research: A unifying (coalgebraic) framework for dynamic logics like PDL, Game Logic and Coalition Logic.

- PDL-frame  $S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S)^A$  where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the powerset functor.
- GL-frame  $S \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(S)^A$  where  $\mathcal{M}$  is the monotone neighbourhood functor
- Both  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  are monads:  
sequential composition = Kleisli composition,  
skip program = unit of monad.
- A general framework for developing dynamic logics for structure  $S \rightarrow T(S)^A$  parametric in the type  $T$ .
- Challenges: reduction axioms, identify algebraic “program/game” structure, how to prove completeness with fixpoint operators (cf. modal  $\mu$ -calculus).