# On exact models for the formulas with only one variable in S4

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In the classical propositional logic, we can know mutual relation between formulas by comparing their truth tables. Exact models are a kind of extension of truth tables into non-classical logics. So, exact models give an effective way to understand mutual relation between formulas like truth tables in the classical propositional logic. Here we construct exact models in **S4** for the sets of formulas with only one propositional variable p and the finite depth of  $\Box$ .

### 1 Introduction

We use lower case Latin letters  $p, q, \cdots$  for propositional variables. Formulas are defined inductively, as usual, from the propositional variables and  $\perp$  (contradiction) by using logical connectives  $\land$  (conjunction),  $\lor$  (disjunction),  $\supset$  (implication) and  $\Box$  (necessitation). By  $\mathbf{S}(p)$ , we mean the set of formulas constructed from p and  $\perp$  by using  $\land$ ,  $\lor$ ,  $\supset$  and  $\Box$ . We put  $\mathbf{S}^n(p) = \{A \in \mathbf{S}(p) \mid d(A) \leq n\}$ , where d(A), the depth of  $\Box$ , of a formula  $A \in \mathbf{S}(p)$  is defined as follows.

- (1) d(D) = 0, for an atomic formula D,
- (2)  $d(B \wedge C) = d(B \vee C) = d(B \supset C) = \max\{d(B), d(C)\},\$
- (3)  $d(\Box B) = d(B) + 1.$

By S4, we mean the smallest set of formulas containing all the tautologies and the axioms  $K : \Box(A \supset B) \supset (\Box A \supset \Box B)$ ,

 $T:\Box A \supset A,$ 

 $4: \Box A \supset \Box \Box A,$ 

and closed under modus ponens and necessitation. We say that a triple  $\langle W, R, V \rangle$  is an S4-model if the following three hold:

(1) W is a non-empty set,

(2) R is a reflexive and transitive binary relation on W,

(3) V is a function from the set of propositional variables to  $\mathcal{P}(W) (= \{W' \mid W' \subseteq W\}).$ 

Also we extend the domain of a function V to the set of all formulas in the usual way.

**Definition 1.1.** Let **S** be a set of formulas. We say that an **S4**-model  $\langle W, R, V \rangle$  is exact if the following two hold:

(1)  $\{V(B) \mid B \in \mathbf{S}\} = \mathcal{P}(W),$ 

(2) 
$$A \in \mathbf{S4}$$
 if and only if  $V(A) = W$ .

For example, a triple

$$\langle \{\{p,q\},\{p\},\{q\},\emptyset\},\emptyset,V\rangle$$

is an exact **S4**-model for  $\mathbf{S}^{0}(p,q)$  if  $V(A) = \{w \mid A \in w\}$  for  $A \in \{p,q\}$ , where  $\mathbf{S}^{0}(p,q)$  is the set of non-modal formulas with only two variables p and q. Here we note that each world, a member of the first component of an **S4**-model, corresponds to a line in a truth table in classical logic. We can see the

correspondence below.

	p	q	a given formula
$\{p,q\} \rightarrow$	true	true	
$\{p\} \rightarrow$	true	false	
$\{q\} \rightarrow$	false	true	
$\emptyset \rightarrow$	false	false	

Also we can see that to check the truth value of a formula A on each line of a truth table is basically same as to check the validity of A at each world of an exact model.

Here we construct an exact S4-model for  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)$ . To construct it, we use the concrete representatives, given in [Sas05], of equivalent classes in  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)/\equiv$ , the quotient set modulo the provability of S4. It is known the structure  $\langle \mathbf{S}^n(p)/\equiv, \leq \rangle$  is boolean and corresponds to exact models for  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)$ , where  $[A] \leq [B]$  denotes that  $B \supset A \in \mathbf{S4}$  (cf. Chagrov and Zakharyaschev [CZ97] and Hendriks [Hen96]). In the next section, we define representatives of the equivalent classes following [Sas05]. In section 3, we construct exact models. Section 4 is devoted to show a concrete exact models.

### 2 Construction of representatives

In this section, we define representatives of the equivalent classes following [Sas05]. To do so, we use a sequent.

We use Greek letters,  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta$ , possibly with suffixes, for finite sets of formulas. The expressions  $\Box\Gamma$ and  $\Gamma^{\Box}$  denote the sets  $\{\Box A \mid A \in \Gamma\}$  and  $\{\Box A \mid \Box A \in \Gamma\}$ , respectively. By a sequent, we mean the expression  $(\Gamma \to \Delta)$ . We often write  $\Gamma \to \Delta$  instead of the expression with the parenthesis. For brevity's sake, we write

$$A_1, \cdots, A_k, \Gamma_1, \cdots, \Gamma_\ell \to \Delta_1, \cdots, \Delta_m, B_1, \cdots, B_n$$

instead of

$$\{A_1, \cdots, A_k\} \cup \Gamma_1 \cup \cdots \cup \Gamma_\ell \to \Delta_1 \cup \cdots \cup \Delta_m \cup \{B_1, \cdots, B_n\}$$

We put

$$f(\Gamma \to \Delta) = \begin{cases} \ \bigwedge \Gamma \supset \bigvee \Delta & \text{ if } \Gamma \neq \emptyset \\ \ \bigvee \Delta & \text{ if } \Gamma = \emptyset, \end{cases} \qquad \mathbf{ant}(\Gamma \to \Delta) = \Gamma, \quad \mathbf{suc}(\Gamma \to \Delta) = \Gamma \end{cases}$$

and for a set  $\mathcal{S}$  of sequents,

$$f(\mathcal{S}) = \{ f(X) \mid X \in \mathcal{S} \}.$$

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Definition 2.1.} \\ (1) \ \mathbf{G}_0 = \{(p \rightarrow), (\rightarrow p)\}, \mathbf{G}_0^* = \emptyset \\ (2) \ \text{For } X \in \mathbf{G}_n, \\ \mathbf{G}^+(X) = \{\Box\Gamma, \mathbf{ant}(X) \rightarrow \mathbf{suc}(X), \Box\Delta \mid \Gamma \cup \Delta = f(\mathbf{G}_n), \Gamma \cap \Delta = \emptyset\}, \\ \mathbf{G}(X) = \{Y \in \mathbf{G}^+(X) \mid f(Y) \notin \mathbf{S4}\}, \\ \mathbf{G}^*(X) = \{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta \in \mathbf{G}(X) \mid \Box\mathbf{G}_n \cap \Delta \text{ is minimal in } \langle \{\Box\mathbf{G}_n \cap \Lambda \mid \Pi \rightarrow \Lambda \in \mathbf{G}(X)\}, \subseteq \rangle\}, \\ (3) \ \mathbf{G}_{n+1} = \{Y \in \mathbf{G}(X) \mid X \in \mathbf{G}_n - \mathbf{G}_n^*\}, \ \mathbf{G}_{n+1}^* = \{Y \in \mathbf{G}^*(X) \mid X \in \mathbf{G}_n - \mathbf{G}_n^*\}. \end{array}$ 

We put

$$\mathcal{G}_n = \mathbf{G}_n \cup igcup_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{G}_k^*$$

Lemma 2.2.  
(1) 
$$\mathbf{S}^{n}(p) / \equiv = \{ [\bigwedge_{A \in \mathbf{S}} A] \mid \mathbf{S} \subseteq \mathcal{G}_{n} \}.$$
  
(2) For subsets  $\mathbf{S}_{1}$  and  $\mathbf{S}_{2}$  of  $\mathcal{G}_{n}$ ,  
(2.1)  $\mathbf{S}_{1} \subseteq \mathbf{S}_{2}$  if and only if  $[\bigwedge_{A \in \mathbf{S}_{1}} A] \leq [\bigwedge_{A \in \mathbf{S}_{2}} A]$ ,

(2.2) 
$$\mathbf{S}_1 = \mathbf{S}_2$$
 if and only if  $[\bigwedge_{A \in \mathbf{S}_1} A] = [\bigwedge_{A \in \mathbf{S}_2} A].$ 

By the above lemma,  $\mathcal{G}_n$  is the set of representatives we want.

According to Definition 2.1, we have to use the provability in S4 in order to construct concrete representatives. [Sas05], however, gave another conditions equivalent the provability in S4 of the sequents. Using the conditions, we can construct concrete representatives, and as a result, we can give an example of exact models (see section 4).

## **3** Construction of exact models

Here we construct an exact model for  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)$ . Considering the correspondence between the structure  $\langle \mathbf{S}^n(p) / \equiv, \leq \rangle$  and the exact model. We can define worlds of the exact model from representatives in section 2.

It is not hard to see that every sequent in  $\mathcal{G}_n$  is either one of the forms

$$(\Box\Gamma \to p, \Box\Delta)$$
 or  $(\Box\Gamma, p \to \Box\Delta)$ .

Also a relation between these two forms will be important to express clusters consisting of two worlds in exact models. We put

$$\mathbf{rel}(\Box\Gamma \to p, \Box\Delta) = (\Box\Gamma, p \to \Box\Delta), \quad \mathbf{rel}(\Box\Gamma, p \to \Box\Delta) = (\Box\Gamma \to p, \Box\Delta).$$

We define a triple, which corresponds to a representative  $X \in \mathbf{G}_n^*$  and will be a world in exact models. On the other hand, it seems very difficult or impossible to define a triple, which corresponds to a representative  $X \in \mathbf{G}_n - \mathbf{G}_n^*$  in a similar way. Instead of such triple, however, we can use a triple, which corresponds to  $Y \in \mathbf{G}^*(X)$ . So, we have only to define a triple to  $X \in \mathbf{G}_n^*$ , and as a result, there are several exact models for  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)$ .

#### Definition 3.1.

 $\begin{aligned} (1) \ w(p \to) &= \langle \emptyset, \emptyset, \emptyset \rangle, \ w(\to p) = \langle \emptyset, \{p\}, \emptyset \rangle \\ (2) \ \text{Let } X \ \text{be in } \mathbf{G}_n. \ \text{For } Y \in \mathbf{G}^*(X), \\ w(Y) &= \left\langle \bigcup_{\square Z \in \mathbf{suc}(X) \cap \square \mathbf{G}_n} (1st(Z) \cup \{w(Z)\}), \{p\} \cap \mathbf{suc}(Y), \{\square \mathbf{rel}(X)\} \cap \mathbf{suc}(Y) \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$ 

We define a structure, which will be an exact model for  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)$ . Let **ENU** be an enumeration of sequents. For a set of S of sequents, the expression  $X \in \mathcal{S}$  means  $X \in S$  and, among S, X is the first to occur in **ENU**.

#### Definition 3.2.

$$EM_n = \langle W_n, R_n, V_n \rangle,$$

where

(1)  $W_n = \{w(X) \mid X \in \mathbf{G}_n^*\} \cup \{w(Y) \mid Y \in_1 \mathbf{G}^*(X), 3rd(Y) = \emptyset, X \in \mathbf{G}_n - \mathbf{G}_n^*\},$ (2)  $w_1 R_n w_2$  if and only if either one of the following holds: (2.1)  $w_1 = w_2,$ (2.2)  $w_2 \in 1st(w_1),$ (2.3)  $1st(w_1) = 1st(w_2), 2nd(w_1) \neq 2nd(w_2)$  and  $3rd(w_1) \neq 3rd(w_2),$ (3)  $V_n(p) = \{w \mid p \in 2nd(w)\}.$ 

**Theorem 3.3.**  $EM_n$  is an exact model for  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)$ .

We can also construct other exact models for  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)$  by replacing the condition (1) in Definition 3.2.

## 4 Examples

Here we list some concrete exact models for  $\mathbf{S}^n(p)$  in Diagram. Let  $\langle W, R, V \rangle$  be an exact model like  $EM_n$ . We represent worlds  $w \in W$  by  $\mathfrak{P}$  if  $p \in 2nd(w)$ ; by  $\bigcirc$  if not, but we sometimes use circles in broken lines to clarify difference between two different models. We draw an arrow from  $w_1$  to  $w_2$  if  $w_1 \neq w_2$  and  $w_1Rw_2$ , but we do not draw from  $w_1$  to  $w_3$  if there are arrows from  $w_1$  to  $w_2$  and from  $w_2$  to  $w_3$ .

There is basically only one exact model for  $\mathbf{S}^{0}(p)$ , two for  $\mathbf{S}^{1}(p)$ , and forty five for  $\mathbf{S}^{2}(p)$ . Below we only show diagrams of typical ones among them.



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