

Chapter udf

Axioms, Derivations, and Modal Systems

prf.1 Modal Logics

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Definition prf.1. A *modal logic* is a set Σ of modal **formulas** which is closed under *tautological implication* in the following sense: if $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n \in \Sigma$ and $\varphi_1 \rightarrow (\varphi_2 \rightarrow \dots (\varphi_n \rightarrow \varphi) \dots)$ is a tautological instance, then $\varphi \in \Sigma$.

Proposition prf.2. Every modal logic is closed under the rule of Modus Ponens:

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

Proof. $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ is tautological instance, hence if $\varphi \rightarrow \psi$ and φ are in Σ , so is ψ . \square

prf.2 Normal Modal Logics

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Definition prf.3. A modal logic Σ is *normal* if it is closed under the rule RK:

$$\frac{\varphi_1 \rightarrow (\varphi_2 \rightarrow \dots (\varphi_{n-1} \rightarrow \varphi_n) \dots)}{\Box \varphi_1 \rightarrow (\Box \varphi_2 \rightarrow \dots (\Box \varphi_{n-1} \rightarrow \Box \varphi_n) \dots)} \text{RK}$$

Observe that while tautological implication is “fine-grained” enough to preserve *truth at a world*, the rule RK only preserves *truth in a model* (and hence also validity in a frame or in a class of frames).

Proposition prf.4. Every normal modal logic Σ is closed under the rule of Necessitation:

$$\frac{\varphi}{\Box\varphi} \text{ NEC}$$

Proof. NEC is just the special case of RK when $n = 1$. □

Proposition prf.5. *Every normal modal logic Σ contains every instance of K.*

Proof. In fact, K follows from rule RK: $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ is in Σ since it is a tautological instance; one application of RK gives that $\Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\psi)$ is in Σ as well. □

Proposition prf.6. *Every normal modal logic Σ contains $\neg\Diamond\perp$.*

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Problem prf.1. Prove [Proposition prf.6](#).

prf.3 Modal Systems

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Proposition prf.7. *Let $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$ be schemas. Then there is a smallest modal logic Σ containing all instances of $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$. Such a modal logic is called a modal system and denoted by $\mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n$. The smallest normal modal logic is denoted by \mathbf{K} .*

Proof. Given $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$, define Σ as the intersection of all normal modal logics containing all instances of $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$. The intersection is non-empty as $\text{Frm}(\mathcal{L})$, the set of all **formulas**, is such a modal logic. □

prf.4 Logics Defined by Proofs

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Definition prf.8. Given a modal system $\mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n$ and a **formula** ψ we say that ψ is *derivable* in $\mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n$, written $\mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n \vdash \psi$, if and only if there are **formulas** χ_1, \dots, χ_k such that $\chi_k = \psi$ and each χ_i is either a tautological instance, or an instance of the schemas $\mathbf{K}, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$, or it follows from previous **formulas** by means of the rules MP or NEC.

The following proposition allows us to show that $\psi \in \Sigma$ by exhibiting a Σ -proof of ψ .

Proposition prf.9. $\mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n = \{\psi : \mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n \vdash \psi\}$.

Proof. We use induction on the length of proofs to show that $\{\psi : \mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n \vdash \psi\} \subseteq \mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n$. The converse inclusion follows by showing that $\{\psi : \mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n \vdash \psi\}$ is a normal modal logic containing all the instances of the schemas $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$, and the observation that $\mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n$ is, by definition, the smallest such logic. □

prf.5 Proofs in K

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In order to practice proofs in the smallest modal system, we show the valid formulas on the left-hand side of the table of ?? can all be given **K**-proofs. Justifications for steps that are either tautological instances or follow by tautological implication from previous one are just marked “PL” (for “Propositional Logic”).

Proposition prf.10. $\mathbf{K} \vdash \Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\psi)$

Proof.

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| 1. | $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi)$ | PL |
| 2. | $\Box[(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi)]$ | NEC |
| 3. | $\Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \Box(\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi)$ | K, MP |
| 4. | $\Box(\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi) \rightarrow (\Box\neg\psi \rightarrow \Box\neg\varphi)$ | K |
| 5. | $\Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\Box\neg\psi \rightarrow \Box\neg\varphi)$ | PL, 3,4 |
| 6. | $(\Box\neg\psi \rightarrow \Box\neg\varphi) \rightarrow (\neg\Box\neg\varphi \rightarrow \neg\Box\neg\psi)$ | PL |
| 7. | $\Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\neg\Box\neg\varphi \rightarrow \neg\Box\neg\psi)$ | PL, 5, 6 |
| 8. | $\Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\psi)$ | re-writing. |

□

Proposition prf.11. $\mathbf{K} \vdash \Box\varphi \rightarrow (\Diamond(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \Diamond\psi)$

Proof.

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| 1. | $\varphi \rightarrow (\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi))$ | PL |
| 2. | $\Box[\varphi \rightarrow (\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi))]$ | NEC |
| 3. | $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box(\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi))$ | K |
| 4. | $\Box\varphi \rightarrow (\Box\neg\psi \rightarrow \Box\neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi))$ | K |
| 5. | $\Box\varphi \rightarrow (\neg\Box\neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \neg\Box\neg\psi)$ | PL |
| 6. | $\Box\varphi \rightarrow (\Diamond(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \Diamond\psi)$ | re-writing. |

□

Proposition prf.12. $\mathbf{K} \vdash \Box(\varphi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow (\Box\varphi \wedge \Box\psi)$

Proof.

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| 1. | $\neg(\varphi \rightarrow \neg\psi) \rightarrow \varphi$ | PL |
| 2. | $\Box\neg(\varphi \rightarrow \neg\psi) \rightarrow \Box\varphi$ | NEC, K |
| 3. | $\Box(\varphi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow \Box\varphi$ | re-writing |
| 4. | $\Box(\varphi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow \Box\psi$ | similarly |
| 5. | $\Box(\varphi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow (\Box\varphi \wedge \Box\psi)$ | PL, 3,4. |

□

Proposition prf.13. $\mathbf{K} \vdash (\Box\varphi \wedge \Box\psi) \rightarrow \Box(\varphi \wedge \psi)$

Proof.

1. $\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow (\varphi \wedge \psi))$ PL
2. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow (\Box\psi \rightarrow \Box(\varphi \wedge \psi))$ NEC, K
3. $(\Box\varphi \wedge \Box\psi) \rightarrow \Box(\varphi \wedge \psi)$ PL, 2

□

Proposition prf.14. $\mathbf{K} \vdash \Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box(\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$

Proof.

1. $\varphi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$ PL
2. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box(\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$ NEC, K.

□

Proposition prf.15. $\mathbf{K} \vdash \neg\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$

Proof.

1. $\neg\varphi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ PL
2. $\Box\neg\varphi \rightarrow \Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ NEC, K
3. $\neg\neg\Box\neg\varphi \rightarrow \Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ PL
4. $\neg\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ re-writing.

□

Proposition prf.16. $\mathbf{K} \vdash (\Diamond\varphi \vee \Diamond\psi) \rightarrow \Diamond(\varphi \vee \psi)$

Proof.

1. $\neg(\neg\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \neg\varphi$ PL
2. $\neg(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow \neg\varphi$ PL, 1
3. $\Box\neg(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow \Box\neg\varphi$ NEC, K
4. $\neg\Box\neg\varphi \rightarrow \neg\Box\neg(\varphi \vee \psi)$ PL
5. $\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond(\varphi \vee \psi)$ re-writing
6. $\Diamond\psi \rightarrow \Diamond(\varphi \vee \psi)$ similarly
7. $(\Diamond\varphi \vee \Diamond\psi) \rightarrow \Diamond(\varphi \vee \psi)$ PL, 5, 6.

□

Proposition prf.17. $\mathbf{K} \vdash \Diamond(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow (\Diamond\varphi \vee \Diamond\psi)$

Proof.

1. $\neg\varphi \rightarrow (\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \vee \psi))$ PL
2. $\Box\neg\varphi \rightarrow (\Box\neg\psi \rightarrow \Box\neg(\varphi \vee \psi))$ NEC, K
3. $\Box\neg\varphi \rightarrow (\neg\Box\neg(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow \neg\Box\neg\psi)$ PL, 2
4. $\neg\Box\neg(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow (\Box\neg\varphi \rightarrow \neg\Box\neg\psi)$ PL
5. $\neg\Box\neg(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow (\neg\neg\Box\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\Box\neg\varphi)$ PL
6. $\Diamond(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow (\neg\Diamond\psi \rightarrow \Diamond\varphi)$ re-writing
7. $\Diamond(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow (\Diamond\psi \vee \Diamond\varphi)$ PL.

□

Problem prf.2. Provide **K**-proofs of the following:

1. $\Diamond\neg\perp \rightarrow (\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\varphi)$;
2. $\Box(\varphi \vee \psi) \rightarrow (\Diamond\varphi \vee \Box\psi)$;
3. $(\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Box\psi) \rightarrow \Box(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$.

prf.6 Dual Schemas

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def:duals **Definition prf.18.** Each of the schemas T, B, 4, and 5 has a *dual*, denoted by a subscripted diamond, as follows:

- $$\begin{aligned} T_{\Diamond} &: \varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\varphi \\ B_{\Diamond} &: \Diamond\Box\varphi \rightarrow \varphi \\ 4_{\Diamond} &: \Diamond\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\varphi \\ 5_{\Diamond} &: \Diamond\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\varphi \end{aligned}$$

Each of the dual above schemas is obtained from the corresponding schema by replacing $\neg\varphi$ for φ , contraposing, and re-writing. Schema D is its own dual (modulo the replacement of $\neg\Diamond\neg$ by \Box).

Problem prf.3. Show that for each schema φ in [Definition prf.18](#): $\mathbf{K} \vdash \varphi \leftrightarrow \varphi_{\Diamond}$.

prf.7 Proofs in Modal Systems

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We now come to proofs in systems of modal logic other than **K**.

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Proposition prf.19. *The following provability results obtain:*

1. **KT5** \vdash B;
2. **KT5** \vdash 4;
3. **KDB4** \vdash T;
4. **KB4** \vdash 5;
5. **KB5** \vdash 4;
6. **KT** \vdash D.

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prop:S5facts-KT-D

Proof. We exhibit proofs for each.

1. **KT5** \vdash B:
 1. $\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\varphi$ 5
 2. $\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\varphi$ T \Diamond
 3. $\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\varphi$ PL.

2. **KT5** ⊢ 4:

1. $\Diamond\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\Box\varphi$ 5 with $\Box\varphi$ for φ
2. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\Box\varphi$ T_\Diamond with $\Box\varphi$ for φ
3. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\Box\varphi$ PL, 1, 2
4. $\Diamond\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\varphi$ 5_\Diamond
5. $\Box\Diamond\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Box\varphi$ RK, 4
6. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Box\varphi$ PL, 3, 5.

3. **KDB4** ⊢ T:

1. $\Diamond\Box\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$ B_\Diamond
2. $\Box\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\Box\varphi$ D with $\Box\varphi$ for φ
3. $\Box\Box\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$ PL1, 2
4. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Box\varphi$ 4
5. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$ PL, 1, 4.

4. **KB4** ⊢ 5:

1. $\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\Diamond\varphi$ B with $\Diamond\varphi$ for φ
2. $\Diamond\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\varphi$ 4_\Diamond
3. $\Box\Diamond\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\varphi$ RK, 2
4. $\Diamond\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\varphi$ PL, 1, 3.

5. **KB5** ⊢ 4:

1. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\Box\varphi$ B with $\Box\varphi$ for φ
2. $\Diamond\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\varphi$ 5_\Diamond
3. $\Box\Diamond\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Box\varphi$ RK, 2
4. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Box\Box\varphi$ PL, 1, 3.

6. **KT** ⊢ D:

1. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$ T
2. $\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\varphi$ T_\Diamond
3. $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \Diamond\varphi$ PL, 1, 2

□

Proposition prf.20. $\mathbf{KTB4} = \mathbf{KT5} = \mathbf{KDB4} = \mathbf{KDB5}$.

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prop:S5*

Problem prf.4. Prove [Proposition prf.20](#).

Definition prf.21. Following tradition, we define **S4** to be the system **KT4**, and **S5** the system **KTB4**.

[Proposition prf.20](#) shows that the classical system **S5** has several equivalent axiomatizations (see ??).

prf.8 Soundness

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Theorem prf.22 (Soundness Theorem). *If schemas $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$ are valid in the classes of models $\mathcal{C}_1, \dots, \mathcal{C}_n$, respectively, then $\mathbf{K}\varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n \vdash \psi$ implies that ψ is valid in the class of models $\mathcal{C}_1 \cap \dots \cap \mathcal{C}_n$.*

Proof. By induction on length of proofs. For brevity, put $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}_1 \cap \dots \cap \mathcal{C}_n$.

1. Induction Basis: If ψ has a proof of length 1, then it is either a tautological instance or an instance of **K**, or an instance of one of the schemas. In the first case, ψ is valid in \mathcal{C} , since tautological instances are valid in *any* class of models, by ???. Similarly in the second case, by ???. Finally in the third case, since ψ is valid in \mathcal{C}_i and $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_i$, we have that ψ is valid in \mathcal{C} as well.
2. Inductive step: Suppose ψ has a proof of length $k > 1$. If ψ is a tautological instance or an instance of one of the schemas, we proceed as in the previous step. So suppose ψ is obtained by MP from previous formulas $\chi \rightarrow \psi$ and χ . Then $\chi \rightarrow \psi$ and χ have proofs of length $< k$, and by inductive hypothesis they are valid in \mathcal{C} . By ???, ψ is valid in \mathcal{C} as well. Finally suppose ψ is obtained by NEC from χ (so that $\psi = \Box\chi$). By inductive hypothesis, χ is valid in \mathcal{C} , and by ??? so is ψ . \square

prf.9 Showing Systems are Distinct

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In section prf.7 we saw how to prove that two systems of modal logic are in fact the same system. [Theorem prf.22](#) allows us to show that two modal systems Σ and Σ' are distinct, by finding a formula φ such that $\Sigma' \vdash \varphi$ that fails in a model of Σ .

Proposition prf.23. $\mathbf{KD} \subsetneq \mathbf{KT}$

Proof. This is the syntactic counterpart to the semantic fact that all reflexive relations are serial. To show $\mathbf{KD} \subseteq \mathbf{KT}$ we need to see that $\mathbf{KD} \vdash \psi$ implies $\mathbf{KT} \vdash \psi$, which follows from $\mathbf{KT} \vdash \mathbf{D}$, as shown in [Proposition prf.19\(6\)](#). To show that the inclusion is proper, by Soundness ([Theorem prf.22](#)), it suffices to exhibit a model of \mathbf{KD} where some instance $\Box\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$ of **T** fails (an easy task left as an exercise), for then by Soundness $\mathbf{KD} \not\vdash \Box\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$. \square

Proposition prf.24. $\mathbf{KB} \neq \mathbf{K4}$.

Proof. We construct a symmetric model where some instance of **4** fails; since obviously the instance is derivable for **K4** but not in **KB**, it will follow $\mathbf{K4} \not\subseteq \mathbf{KB}$. Consider the symmetric model \mathfrak{M} of [Figure prf.1](#). Since the model is symmetric, **K** and **B** are true in \mathfrak{M} (by ??? and ???, respectively). However, $\mathfrak{M}, w \not\models \Box p \rightarrow \Box\Box p$. \square

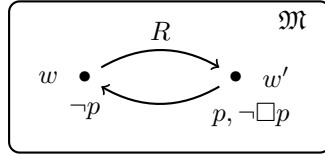


Figure prf.1: A symmetric model falsifying an instance of 4.

Theorem prf.25. $\mathbf{KTB} \not\vdash 4$ and $\mathbf{KTB} \not\vdash 5$.

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Proof. By ?? we know that all instances of T and B are true in each reflexive symmetric model (respectively). So by Soundness it suffices to find a reflexive symmetric model containing a world at which some instance of 4 fails, and similarly for 5. We use the same model for both claims. Consider the symmetric, reflexive model in Figure [Figure prf.2](#). Then $\mathfrak{M}, w_1 \not\models \Box p \rightarrow \Box\Box p$, so the instance of 4 with $\varphi = p$ fails at w_1 . Similarly, $\mathfrak{M}, w_2 \not\models \Diamond\neg p \rightarrow \Box\Diamond\neg p$, so the instance of 5 with $\varphi = \neg p$ fails at w_2 . \square

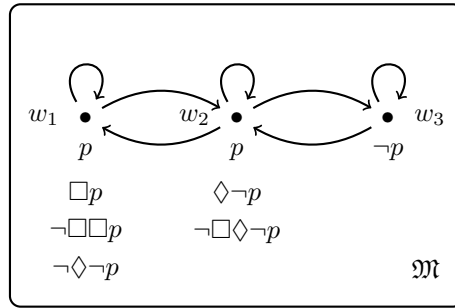


Figure prf.2: The model for [Theorem prf.25](#).

Theorem prf.26. $\mathbf{KD5} \neq \mathbf{KT4} = \mathbf{S4}$.

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Proof. By ?? we know that all instances of D and 5 to be true in all serial euclidean models. So it suffices to find a serial euclidean model containing a world at which some instance of 4 fails. Consider the model of [Figure prf.3](#), and notice that $\mathfrak{M}, w_1 \not\models \Box p \rightarrow \Box\Box p$. \square

Problem prf.5. Give an alternative proof of [Theorem prf.26](#) using a model with 3 worlds.

Problem prf.6. Provide a single reflexive transitive model showing that both $\mathbf{KT4} \not\vdash B$ and $\mathbf{KT4} \not\vdash 5$.

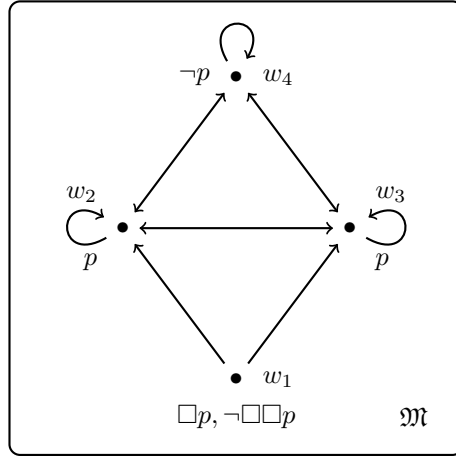


Figure prf.3: The model for [Theorem prf.26](#).

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prf.10 Derivability from a Set of Formulas

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In [section prf.7](#) we defined a notion of provability of a **formula** in a system Σ . We now extend this notion to provability in Σ from **formulas** in a set Γ .

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Definition prf.27. A **formula** φ is **derivable** in a system Σ from a set of **formulas** Γ , written $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$ if and only if there are $\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n \in \Gamma$ such that $\Sigma \vdash \psi_1 \rightarrow (\psi_2 \rightarrow \dots (\psi_n \rightarrow \varphi) \dots)$.

prf.11 Properties of Derivability

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prop:derivabilityfacts

Proposition prf.28. Let Σ be a modal system and Γ a set of modal **formulas**. The following properties hold:

1. Monotony: If $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$ and $\Gamma \subseteq \Delta$ then $\Delta \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$;
2. Reflexivity: If $\varphi \in \Gamma$ then $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$;
3. Cut: If $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$ and $\Delta \cup \{\varphi\} \vdash_{\Sigma} \psi$ then $\Gamma \cup \Delta \vdash_{\Sigma} \psi$;
4. Deduction theorem: $\Gamma \cup \{\psi\} \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$ if and only if $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \psi \rightarrow \varphi$;
5. Rule T: If $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi_1$ and \dots and $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi_n$ and $\varphi_1 \rightarrow (\varphi_2 \rightarrow \dots (\varphi_n \rightarrow \psi) \dots)$ is a tautological instance, then $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \psi$.

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The proof is an easy exercise. Part (5) of [Proposition prf.28](#) gives us that, for instance, if $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi \vee \psi$ and $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \neg\varphi$, then $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \psi$. Also, in what follows, we write $\Gamma, \varphi \vdash_{\Sigma} \psi$ instead of $\Gamma \cup \{\varphi\} \vdash_{\Sigma} \psi$.

Definition prf.29. A set Γ is *deductively closed* relatively to a system Σ if and only if $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$ implies $\varphi \in \Gamma$.

prf.12 Consistency

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Definition prf.30. A set Γ is *consistent* relatively to a system Σ or, as we will say, Σ -consistent, if and only if $\Gamma \not\vdash_{\Sigma} \perp$.

So for instance, the set $\{\Box(p \rightarrow q), \Box p, \neg\Box q\}$ is consistent relatively to propositional logic, but not **K**-consistent. Similarly, the set $\{\Diamond p, \Box\Diamond p \rightarrow q, \neg q\}$ is not **K5**-consistent.

Proposition prf.31. *Let Γ be a set of formulas. Then:*

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1. *A set Γ is Σ -consistent if and only if there is some formula φ such that $\Gamma \not\vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$.*

2. *$\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi$ if and only if $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\varphi\}$ is not Σ -consistent.*

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prop:consistencyfacts-b

3. *If Γ is Σ -consistent, then for any formula φ , either $\Gamma \cup \{\varphi\}$ is Σ -consistent or $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\varphi\}$ is Σ -consistent.*

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prop:consistencyfacts-c

Proof. These fact follow easily using classical propositional logic. We give the argument for (c). Proceed contrapositively and suppose neither $\Gamma \cup \{\varphi\}$ nor $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\varphi\}$ is Σ -consistent. Then by (b) both $\Gamma, \varphi \vdash_{\Sigma} \perp$ and $\Gamma, \neg\varphi \vdash_{\Sigma} \perp$. By the deduction theorem $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \varphi \rightarrow \perp$ and $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \neg\varphi \rightarrow \perp$. But $(\varphi \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow ((\neg\varphi \rightarrow \perp) \rightarrow \perp)$ is a tautological instance, hence by Proposition prf.28(5), $\Gamma \vdash_{\Sigma} \perp$. \square

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