

## fil.1 Filtrations

nml:fil:fil: sec Rather than define “the” filtration of  $\mathfrak{M}$  through  $\Gamma$ , we define when a model  $\mathfrak{M}^*$  counts as a filtration of  $\mathfrak{M}$ . All filtrations have the same set of worlds  $W^*$  and the same valuation  $V^*$ . But different filtrations may have different accessibility relations  $R^*$ . To count as a filtration,  $R^*$  has to satisfy a number of conditions, however. These conditions are exactly what we’ll require to prove the main result, namely that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ , provided  $\varphi \in \Gamma$ .

nml:fil:fil: defn:filtration **Definition fil.1.** Let  $\Gamma$  be closed under subformulas and  $\mathfrak{M} = \langle W, R, V \rangle$ . A *filtration of  $\mathfrak{M}$  through  $\Gamma$*  is any model  $\mathfrak{M}^* = \langle W^*, R^*, V^* \rangle$ , where:

1.  $W^* = \{[w] : w \in W\}$ ;
2. For any  $u, v \in W$ :
  - a) If  $Ruv$  then  $R^*[u][v]$ ;
  - b) If  $R^*[u][v]$  then for any  $\Box\varphi \in \Gamma$ , if  $\mathfrak{M}, u \Vdash \Box\varphi$  then  $\mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash \varphi$ ;
  - c) If  $R^*[u][v]$  then for any  $\Diamond\varphi \in \Gamma$ , if  $\mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash \varphi$  then  $\mathfrak{M}, u \Vdash \Diamond\varphi$ .
3.  $V^*(p) = \{[u] : u \in V(p)\}$ .

It’s worthwhile thinking about what  $V^*(p)$  is: the set consisting of the equivalence classes  $[w]$  of all worlds  $w$  where  $p$  is true in  $\mathfrak{M}$ . On the one hand, if  $w \in V(p)$ , then  $[w] \in V^*(p)$  by that definition. However, it is not necessarily the case that if  $[w] \in V^*(p)$ , then  $w \in V(p)$ . If  $[w] \in V^*(p)$  we are only guaranteed that  $[w] = [u]$  for *some*  $u \in V(p)$ . Of course,  $[w] = [u]$  means that  $w \equiv u$ . So, when  $[w] \in V^*(p)$  we can (only) conclude that  $w \equiv u$  for some  $u \in V(p)$ .

nml:fil:fil: thm:filtrations **Theorem fil.2.** *If  $\mathfrak{M}^*$  is a filtration of  $\mathfrak{M}$  through  $\Gamma$ , then for every  $\varphi \in \Gamma$  and  $w \in W$ , we have  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ .*

*Proof.* By induction on  $\varphi$ , using the fact that  $\Gamma$  is closed under subformulas. Since  $\varphi \in \Gamma$  and  $\Gamma$  is closed under sub-formulas, all sub-formulas of  $\varphi$  are also  $\in \Gamma$ . Hence in each inductive step, the induction hypothesis applies to the sub-formulas of  $\varphi$ .

1.  $\varphi \equiv \perp$ : Neither  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  nor  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ .
2.  $\varphi \equiv \top$ : Both  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  and  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ .
3.  $\varphi \equiv p$ : The left-to-right direction is immediate, as  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  only if  $w \in V(p)$ , which implies  $[w] \in V^*(p)$ , i.e.,  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ . Conversely, suppose  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ , i.e.,  $[w] \in V^*(p)$ . Then for some  $v \in V(p)$ ,  $w \equiv v$ . Of course then also  $\mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash p$ . Since  $w \equiv v$ ,  $w$  and  $v$  make the same formulas from  $\Gamma$  true. Since by assumption  $p \in \Gamma$  and  $\mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash p$ ,  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$ .
4.  $\varphi \equiv \neg\psi$ :  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}, w \not\Vdash \psi$ . By induction hypothesis,  $\mathfrak{M}, w \not\Vdash \psi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \not\Vdash \psi$ . Finally,  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \not\Vdash \psi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ .

5.  $\varphi \equiv (\psi \wedge \chi)$ :  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi$  and  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \chi$ . By induction hypothesis,  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \psi$ , and  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \chi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \chi$ . And  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \psi$  and  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \chi$ .
6.  $\varphi \equiv (\psi \vee \chi)$ :  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi$  or  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \chi$ . By induction hypothesis,  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \psi$ , and  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \chi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \chi$ . And  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \psi$  or  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \chi$ .
7.  $\varphi \equiv (\psi \rightarrow \chi)$ :  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}, w \not\Vdash \psi$  or  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \chi$ . By induction hypothesis,  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \psi$ , and  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \chi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \chi$ . And  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \not\Vdash \psi$  or  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \chi$ .
8.  $\varphi \equiv (\psi \leftrightarrow \chi)$ :  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi$  and  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \chi$ , or  $\mathfrak{M}, w \not\Vdash \psi$  and  $\mathfrak{M}, w \not\Vdash \chi$ . By induction hypothesis,  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \psi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \psi$ , and  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \chi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \chi$ . And  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$  iff  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \psi$  and  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \chi$ , or  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \not\Vdash \psi$  and  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \not\Vdash \chi$ .
9.  $\varphi \equiv \Box\psi$ : Suppose  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$ ; to show that  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ , let  $v$  be such that  $R^*[w][v]$ . From [Definition fil.1\(2b\)](#), we have that  $\mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash \psi$ , and by inductive hypothesis  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [v] \Vdash \psi$ . Since  $v$  was arbitrary,  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$  follows.  
Conversely, suppose  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$  and let  $v$  be arbitrary such that  $Rwv$ . From [Definition fil.1\(2a\)](#), we have  $R^*[w][v]$ , so that  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [v] \Vdash \psi$ ; by inductive hypothesis  $\mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash \psi$ , and since  $v$  was arbitrary,  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$ .
10.  $\varphi \equiv \Diamond\psi$ : Suppose  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$ . Then for some  $v \in W$ ,  $Rwv$  and  $\mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash \psi$ . By inductive hypothesis  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [v] \Vdash \psi$ , and by [Definition fil.1\(2a\)](#), we have  $R^*[w][v]$ . Thus,  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ .  
Now suppose  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [w] \Vdash \varphi$ . Then for some  $[v] \in W^*$  with  $R^*[w][v]$ ,  $\mathfrak{M}^*, [v] \Vdash \psi$ . By inductive hypothesis  $\mathfrak{M}, v \Vdash \psi$ . By [Definition fil.1\(2c\)](#), we have that  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash \varphi$ .  $\square$

**Problem fil.1.** Complete the proof of [Theorem fil.2](#)

What holds for truth at worlds in a model also holds for truth in a model and validity in a class of models.

**Corollary fil.3.** *Let  $\Gamma$  be closed under subformulas. Then:*

1. *If  $\mathfrak{M}^*$  is a filtration of  $\mathfrak{M}$  through  $\Gamma$  then for any  $\varphi \in \Gamma$ :  $\mathfrak{M} \Vdash \varphi$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{M}^* \Vdash \varphi$ .*
2. *If  $\mathcal{C}$  is a class of models and  $\Gamma(\mathcal{C})$  is the class of  $\Gamma$ -filtrations of models in  $\mathcal{C}$ , then any formula  $\varphi \in \Gamma$  is valid in  $\mathcal{C}$  if and only if it is valid in  $\Gamma(\mathcal{C})$ .*

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