

Logics For Epistemic Programs

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Introduction

We construct logical languages which allow one to represent a variety of possible types of changes affecting the information states of agents in a multi-agent setting. We formalize these changes by defining a notion of *epistemic program*.

THESIS I. Let s be a social situation involving the intuitive concepts of knowledge, justifiable beliefs and common knowledge among a group of agents.

Then we may associate to s a mathematical model \mathbf{S} . (\mathbf{S} is a multi-agent Kripke model; we call these *epistemic state models*.) The point of the association is that all intuitive judgements concerning s correspond to formal assertions concerning \mathbf{S} , and vice-versa.

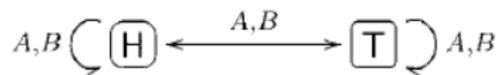
THESIS II Let σ be a *social "action"* involving and affecting the knowledge (beliefs, common knowledge) of agents.

This naturally induces a *change of situation*; i.e., an operation o taking situations s into situations $o(s)$. Assume that o is presented by assertions concerning knowledge, beliefs and common knowledge facts about s and $o(s)$, and that o is completely determined by these assertions. Then

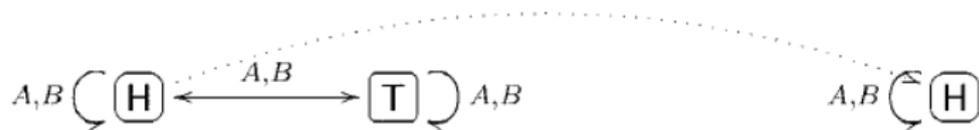
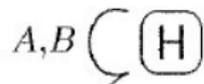
- (a) We may associate to the action σ a mathematical model Σ which we call an *epistemic action model*. (Σ is also a multi-agent Kripke model.) The point again is that all the intuitive features of, and judgments about σ correspond to formal properties of Σ .
- (b) There is an operation \otimes taking a state model \mathbf{O} and an action model Σ and returning a new state model $\mathbf{S} \otimes \Sigma$. So each Σ induces an *update operation* O on state models: $O(\mathbf{S}) = \mathbf{S} \otimes \Sigma$.

Now we have some scenarios:

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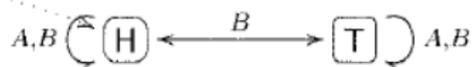
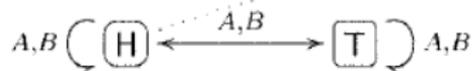


SCENARIO 2. *The Coin Revealed to Show Heads.*

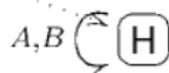
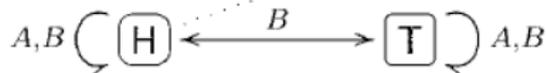


SCENARIO 2.1. *The Coin Revealed to Show Tails.***SCENARIO 2.2.** *The Coin Revealed.*

SCENARIO 3. *A Semi-private Viewing of Heads*



SCENARIO 3.1. *B's Turn*



SCENARIO 4. Cheating

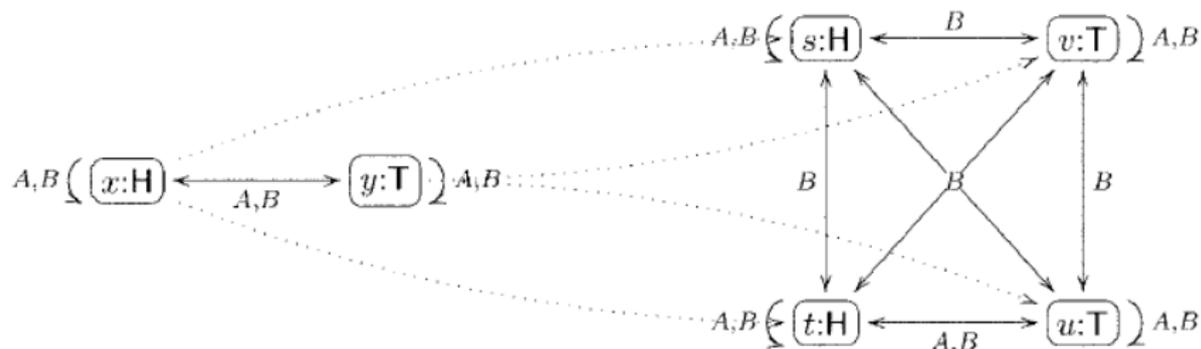


SCENARIO 5. More Cheating

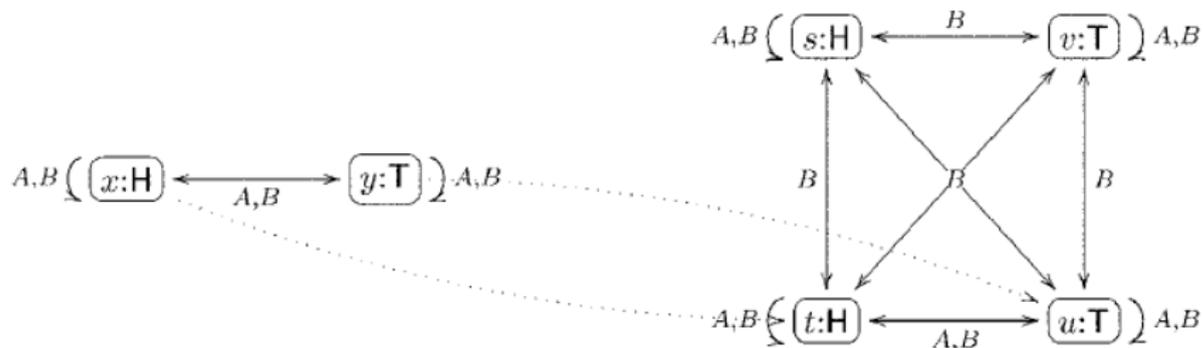
SCENARIO 6. *Lying*



SCENARIO 7. *Pick a Card*



SCENARIO 8. *Common Knowledge of (Unfounded) Suspicion*



SCENARIO 8.1. *Private Communication about the Other*

2.1. State Models and Epistemic Propositions

A *state model* is a triple $\mathbf{S} = (\mathcal{S}, \xrightarrow{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathbf{S}}, \|\cdot\|_{\mathbf{S}})$. $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbf{S}}: \text{ATSen} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{S})$.

DEFINITION. Let StateModels be the collection of all state models. An *epistemic proposition* is an operation φ defined on StateModels such that for all $\mathbf{S} \in \text{StateModels}$, $\varphi_{\mathbf{S}} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$.

The collection of epistemic propositions is closed in various ways.

1. For each atomic sentence p we have an atomic proposition \mathbf{p} with $\mathbf{p}_s = \parallel p \parallel_s$.
2. If φ is an epistemic proposition, then so is $\neg\varphi$, where $(\neg\varphi)_s = S \setminus \varphi_s$.
3. If C is a set or class of epistemic propositions, then so is $\bigwedge C$, with $(\bigwedge C)_s = \bigcap \{\varphi_s : \varphi \in C\}$
4. Taking C above to be empty, we have an “*always true*” epistemic proposition \mathbf{tr} , with $\mathbf{tr}_s = S$.
5. We also may take C in part (3) to be a two-element set $\{\varphi, \psi\}$; here we write $\varphi \wedge \psi$ instead of $\bigwedge \{\varphi, \psi\}$. We see that if φ and ψ are epistemic propositions, then so is $\varphi \wedge \psi$, with $(\varphi \wedge \psi)_s = \varphi_s \cap \psi_s$.

6. If φ is an epistemic proposition and $A \in \mathcal{A}$, then $\Box_A \varphi$ is an epistemic proposition, with

$$(2) \quad (\Box_A \varphi)_s = \{s \in \mathcal{S} : \text{if } s \xrightarrow{A} t, \text{ then } t \in \varphi_s\}$$

7. If φ is an epistemic proposition and $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$, then $\Box_{\mathcal{B}}^* \varphi$ is an epistemic proposition, with

$$(\Box_{\mathcal{B}}^* \varphi)_s = \{s \in \mathcal{S} : \text{if } s \xrightarrow{\mathcal{B}^*} t, \text{ then } t \in \varphi_s\}$$

Here $s \xrightarrow{\mathcal{B}^*} t$ iff there is a sequence

$$s = u_0 \xrightarrow{A_0} u_1 \xrightarrow{A_1} \dots \xrightarrow{A_n} u_{n+1} = t$$

Take scenario 3 as an example here:



English	Formal rendering	Semantics
the coin shows heads	H	$\{t\}$
A knows the coin shows heads	$\Box_A H$	$\{s\}$
A knows the coin shows tails	$\Box_A T$	$\{t\}$
B knows that the coin shows head	$\Box_B H$	\emptyset
A knows that B doesn't know it's heads	$\Box_A \neg \Box_B H$	$\{s, t\}$
B knows that A knows that B doesn't know it's heads	$\Box_B \Box_A \neg \Box_B H$	$\{s, t\}$
it is common knowledge that either A knows it's heads or A knows that it's tails	$\Box_{A,B}^* (\Box_A H \vee \Box_A T)$	$\{s, t\}$
it is common knowledge that B doesn't know the state of the coin	$\Box_{A,B}^* \neg (\Box_B H \vee \Box_B T)$	$\{s, t\}$

An *update* \mathbf{r} is a pair of operations

$$\mathbf{r} = (\mathbf{S} \mapsto \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r}), \mathbf{S} \mapsto \mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{S}})$$

where for each $\mathbf{S} \in \text{StateModels}$, $\mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{S}} : \mathbf{S} \rightarrow \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r})$ is a *transition relation*.
We call $\mathbf{S} \mapsto \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r})$ the *update map*, and $\mathbf{S} \mapsto \mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{S}}$ the *update relation*.

Examples: Pub φ , $?\varphi$

The collection of updates is closed in various ways.

1. *Skip*: there is an update $\mathbf{1}$ with $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{1})=\mathbf{S}$, and 1_S is the identity relation on \mathbf{S} .
2. *Sequential Composition*: if \mathbf{r} and \mathbf{s} are epistemic updates, then their composition $\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{s}$ is again an epistemic update, where $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{s}) = \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r})(\mathbf{s})$, and $\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{s}_S = \mathbf{r}_S; \mathbf{s}_{S(\mathbf{r})}$.

3. *Disjoint Union (or Non-deterministic choice)*: The set of states of the model $\bigsqcup_X \mathbf{r}$ is the disjoint union of all the sets of states in each model $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r})$:

$$\{(s, \mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in X \text{ and } s \in \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r})\}$$

$$(t, \mathbf{r}) \xrightarrow{A} (u, \mathbf{s}) \text{ iff } \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{s} \text{ and } t \xrightarrow{A} u \text{ in } \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r}).$$

$$\| p \| = \{(s, \mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in X \text{ and } s \in \| p \|_{\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r})}\}$$

$$t (\bigsqcup_X \mathbf{r})_s (u, \mathbf{s}) \text{ iff } t s_S u$$

4. Special case: $\mathbf{r} \sqcup \mathbf{s} = \bigsqcup\{\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}\}$

5. Another special case: *Kleene star (iteration)*.

$$r^* = \sqcup \{ \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{r}, \dots, \mathbf{r}^n \dots \}$$

where \mathbf{r}^n is recursively defined by $\mathbf{r}^0, \mathbf{r}^{n+1} = \mathbf{r}^n \cdot \mathbf{r}$.

6. *Crash*: We can also take $X = \emptyset$ in part 3. This gives an update $\mathbf{0}$ such that $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{0})$ is the empty model for each S , and $\mathbf{0}_S$ is the empty relation.

A New Operation: Dynamic Modalities for Updates.

If φ is an epistemic proposition and \mathbf{r} an update, then $[\mathbf{r}]\varphi$ is an epistemic proposition defined by

$$([\mathbf{r}]\varphi)_{\mathbf{S}} = \{\mathbf{s} \in \mathbf{S} : \text{if } \mathbf{s}\mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{S}}t, \text{ then } t \in \varphi_{\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r})}\}$$

We shall presents a number of logical systems which contain *epistemic operators* of various types. These operators are closely related to aspects of the scenarios represented before:

- The Logic of Public Announcements. $[\text{Pub } \varphi]\psi$.
- The Logic of Completely Private Announcements to Groups. $[\text{Pri}^B \varphi]\psi$
- The Logic of Common Knowledge of Alternatives. $[\text{Cka}^B \bar{\varphi}]\psi$
example (in Senario 3, S_1):
 $x \models \neg \Box_A H \wedge \langle \text{Cka}^{\{A\}} H, T \rangle (\Box_A (H \wedge \neg \Box_B \Box_A H) \wedge \Box_B (\Box_A H \vee \Box_A T))$
- The Logic of All Possible Epistemic Actions. $[\alpha]\varphi$

The Update Product Operation

In this section, we present the centerpiece of the formulation of our logical systems by introducing *action models*, *program models*, and an *update product operation*.

Epistemic Action Models:

Let Φ be the collection of all epistemic propositions. An *epistemic action model* is a triple $\Sigma = (\Sigma, \xrightarrow{\mathcal{A}}, \text{pre})$, where Σ is a set of *simple actions*, $\xrightarrow{\mathcal{A}}$ is an \mathcal{A} -indexed family of relations on Σ , and $\text{pre}:\Sigma \rightarrow \Phi$ (the collection of all epistemic propositions).

Here comes an example – a completely private announcement to A that the coin is lying heads up:

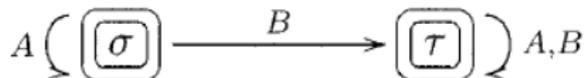
$$A \left(\boxed{\sigma:H} \xrightarrow{B} \boxed{\tau:\mathbf{tr}} \right)_{A,B}$$

Formally, $\Sigma = \{\sigma, \tau\}$; $\sigma \xrightarrow{A} \sigma, \sigma \xrightarrow{B} \tau, \tau \xrightarrow{A} \tau, \tau \xrightarrow{B} \tau$; $\text{pre}(\sigma) = H$, and $\text{pre}(\tau) = \mathbf{tr}$.

To model non-deterministic actions and non-simple actions, we define **epistemic program models**.

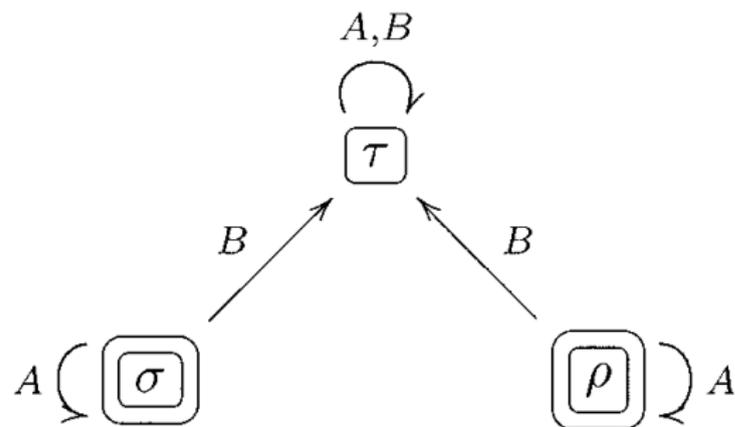
An epistemic program model is defined as $(\Sigma, \xrightarrow{A}, pre, \Gamma)$, where Γ is a set of **designated simple actions**. When drawing the diagrams, we use doubled circles to indicate the designated actions in the set Γ .

Example. A Non-deterministic Action. *Either making a completely private announcement to A that the coin is lying heads up, or not making any announcement.*



$\Gamma = \{ \sigma, \tau \}$, $pre(\sigma) = H$, $pre(\tau) = \mathbf{tr}$

Example. A Deterministic, but Non-simple Action. *Completely privately announcing to A whether the coin is lying heads up or not.*



with $\text{pre}(\sigma) = H$, $\text{pre}(\tau) = \mathbf{tr}$, and $\text{pre}(\rho) = \neg H$.

The Update Product of a State Model with an Epistemic Action Model:

Given a state model $\mathbf{S}=(S, \xrightarrow{A}_S, \|\cdot\|_S)$ and an action model

$\Sigma = (\Sigma, \xrightarrow{A}_\Sigma, \text{pre})$, we define their *update product* to be the state model

$$\mathbf{S} \otimes \Sigma = (\mathbf{S} \otimes \Sigma, \xrightarrow{A}, \|\cdot\|)$$

$$\mathbf{S} \otimes \Sigma = \{(s, \sigma) \in S \times \Sigma : s \in \text{pre}(\sigma)_S\}$$

$$(s, \sigma) \xrightarrow{A} (s', \sigma') \text{ iff } s \xrightarrow{A} s' \text{ and } \sigma \xrightarrow{A} \sigma'$$

$$\|\rho\|_{\mathbf{S} \otimes \Sigma}$$

A program model induces an **update**.

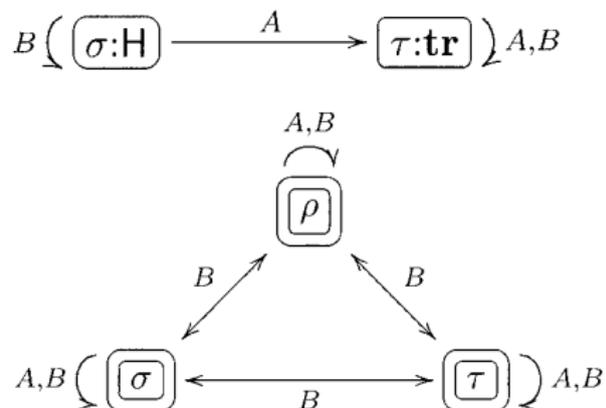
DEFINITION. Let (Σ, Γ) be a program model. We define an update which also denote (Σ, Γ) as follows:

$$1. \mathbf{S}(\Sigma, \Gamma) = \mathbf{S} \otimes \Sigma$$

$$2. s(\Sigma, \Gamma)_{\mathbf{S}}(t, \sigma) \text{ iff } s = t \text{ and } \sigma \in \Gamma$$

Bisimulation Preservation.

Here comes SCENARIO 5 and 7 as examples of the Update Product:



Operations on Program Models:

- **1** and **0**.
- Sequential Composition. $\Sigma; \Delta = (\Sigma \times \Delta, \xrightarrow{A}, pre_{\Sigma; \Delta}, \Gamma_{\Sigma; \Delta})$

$$(\sigma, \delta) \xrightarrow{A} (\sigma', \delta') \text{ iff } \sigma \xrightarrow{A} \sigma' \text{ and } \delta \xrightarrow{A} \delta'$$

$$pre_{\Sigma; \Delta}(\sigma, \delta) = \langle \langle \Sigma, \sigma \rangle \rangle pre_{\Delta}(\delta)$$

- Disjoint Union. $\bigsqcup_{i \in I} \Sigma_i = (\bigsqcup_{i \in I} \Sigma_i, \xrightarrow{A}, pre, \Gamma)$

$$\bigsqcup_{i \in I} \Sigma_i \text{ is } \bigcup_{i \in I} (\Sigma_i \times \{i\})$$

$$(\sigma, i) \xrightarrow{A} (\tau, j) \text{ iff } i = j \text{ and } \sigma \xrightarrow{A}_i \tau$$

- Iteration.

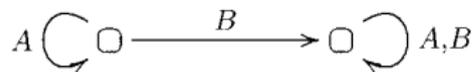
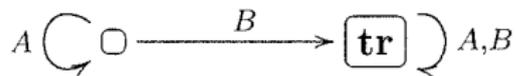
$$\Sigma^* = \sqcup\{\Sigma^n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}. \text{ Here } \Sigma^0 = \mathbf{1}, \text{ and } \Sigma^{n+1} = \Sigma^n; \Sigma$$

PROPOSITION. The update induced by a composition of program models is the composition of the induced updates. Similarly for sums and iteration.

Logical Languages Based on Action Signatures

Now we introduce *logical languages based on action signatures*.

Action Signature: The notion of an action signature is an **abstraction** of the notion of action model.



an enumeration without repetition

DEFINITION. An *action signature* is a structure

$$\Sigma = (\Sigma, \xrightarrow{A}, (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n))$$

$\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n$ is a designated *listing* of a subset of Σ without repetitions. We call the elements of Σ *action types*, and the ones in the listing $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n)$ *non-trivial action types*.

Two examples: Σ_{pub} and Cka_k^B

We can use the abstract notion – the *action signature* – to regain *program models*: $(\Sigma, \Gamma)(\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n)$.

For $j = 1, \dots, n$, $pre(\sigma_j) = \psi_j$. $pre(\sigma) = \mathbf{tr}$ for all the other trivial actions.

To summarize: *every action signature, set of distinguished action types in it, and corresponding tuple of epistemic propositions gives an epistemic program model.*

Fix an action signature Σ . We can present a logic $\mathcal{L}(\Sigma)$:

sentences ϕ

true | ρ_i | $\neg\varphi$ | $\varphi \wedge \psi$ | $\Box_A\varphi$ | $\Box_B^*\varphi$ | $[\pi]\varphi$

programs π

skip | crash | $\sigma\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n$ | $\pi \sqcup \rho$ | $\pi; \rho$ | π^*

semantics

$$[[[\pi]\varphi]] = [[[\pi]]][[\varphi]]$$

$$[[\sigma\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n]] = (\Sigma, \sigma, [[\psi_1]], \dots, [[\psi_n]])$$

We require $\sigma \in \Sigma$. The actions of the form $\sigma_i\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n (i \leq n)$ are called *non-trivial*. $(\Sigma, \sigma, [[\psi_1]], \dots, [[\psi_n]])$ is a signature-based program model.

We generalize now our signature logics $\mathcal{L}(\Sigma)$ to families \mathcal{S} of signatures – combine all the logics $\{\mathcal{L}(\Sigma)\}_{\Sigma \in \mathcal{S}}$ into a single logic:

$$\sigma\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n$$

where $\sigma \in \Sigma$, for some arbitrary signature $\Sigma \in \mathcal{S}$, and n is the length of the listing of non-trivial action types of Σ .

The semantics of $\sigma\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n$ refers to the appropriate signature.

Example. Let $\mathcal{S} = \{\Sigma : \Sigma \text{ is a finite signature}\}$. The logic $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{S})$ will be called the logic of all epistemic programs.

Preservation of Bisimulation and Atomic Propositions

Now we can formalize the several target logics as epistemic program logics $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{S})$.

- *The Logic of Public Announcements* $\mathcal{L}(\Sigma_{Pub})$.

$$\mathbf{S}([[Pub\varphi]])$$

$$= \mathbf{S}(\Sigma_{Pub}, Pub, [[\varphi]]) = \mathbf{S} \otimes (\Sigma_{Pub}, Pub, [[\varphi]])$$

$$= \{(s, Pub) : s \in [[\varphi]]\mathbf{s}\}$$

- *Test-only PDL*.

We have sentences of $[?\varphi]\chi$ and $[\text{skip } \varphi]\chi$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{S}([[? \varphi]]) \\
&= \mathbf{S}(\Sigma_?, ?, [[\varphi]]) = \mathbf{S} \otimes (\Sigma_?, ?, [[\varphi]]) \\
&= \{(s, ?) : s \in [[\varphi]]_s\} \cup \{(s, \text{skip}) : s \in \mathbf{S}\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& [[[\text{skip } \varphi] \psi]]_s \\
&= \{s \in \mathbf{S} : \text{if } s [[\text{skip } \varphi]]_s t, \text{ then } t \in [[\psi]]_s([[[\text{skip } \varphi]])\}\} \\
&= \{s \in \mathbf{S} : (s, \text{skip}) \in [[\psi]]_s([[[\text{skip } \varphi]])\}\} \\
&= \{s \in \mathbf{S} : s \in [[\psi]]_s\}
\end{aligned}$$

That is, $[[[\text{skip } \varphi] \psi]]_s = [[\psi]]_s$

- *The Logic of Totally Private Announcements* $\mathcal{L}(\text{Pri})$.

$$\text{Pri} = \{\text{Pri}^{\mathcal{B}} : \emptyset \neq \mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}\}$$

For example, in the case of $\mathcal{A} = \{A, B\}$, $\mathcal{L}(\text{Pri})$ will have basic actions of the forms: $\text{Pri}^A \varphi$, $\text{Pri}^B \varphi$, $\text{Pri}^{A,B} \varphi$, $\text{skip}^A \varphi$, $\text{skip}^B \varphi$, $\text{skip}^{A,B} \varphi$.

- *The Logic of Common Knowledge of Alternatives* $\mathcal{L}(\text{Cka})$.

$$\text{Cka} = \{\text{Cka}_k^{\mathcal{B}} : \emptyset \neq \mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}, 1 \leq k\}$$

- *Logics Based on Frame Conditions.*
- *Announcements by Particular Agents.*
- *Lying*

$$\Sigma_{\text{Lie}}^A = \{\text{Secret}^A, \text{Pub}^A\}$$

$\mathcal{L}(\Sigma_{\text{Lie}}^A)$ contains sentences like $[\text{Secret}^A \varphi, \psi]\chi$.

- *Wiretapping, Paranoia etc.*

Endnote. This section is the centerpiece of the paper, and all of the work in it is new.

Logical Systems

Now we present a *sound* proof system for the validities in $\mathcal{L}(S)$, and *sound* and *complete* proof system for $\mathcal{L}_1(S)$ and $\mathcal{L}_0(S)$:

Basic Axioms

All sentential validities

($[\pi]$ -normality)

$$\vdash [\pi](\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow ([\pi]\varphi \rightarrow [\pi]\psi)$$

(\Box_A -normality)

$$\vdash \Box_A(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\Box_A\varphi \rightarrow \Box_A\psi)$$

* (\Box_C^* -normality)

$$\vdash \Box_C^*(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\Box_C^*\varphi \rightarrow \Box_C^*\psi)$$

Action Axioms

For basic actions σ only:

(Atomic Permanence)

$$\vdash [\sigma]p \leftrightarrow (\text{PRE}(\sigma) \rightarrow p)$$

(Partial Functionality)

$$\vdash [\sigma]\neg\chi \leftrightarrow (\text{PRE}(\sigma) \rightarrow \neg[\sigma]\chi)$$

(Action-Knowledge)

$$\vdash [\sigma]\Box_A\varphi \leftrightarrow (\text{PRE}(\sigma) \rightarrow \bigwedge\{\Box_A[\sigma']\varphi : \sigma \triangleleft \sigma' \text{ in } \Omega\})$$

** Action Mix Axiom

$$\vdash [\pi^*]\varphi \rightarrow \varphi \wedge [\pi][\pi^*]\varphi$$

* Epistemic Mix Axiom

$$\vdash \Box_C^*\varphi \rightarrow \varphi \wedge \bigwedge\{\Box_A\Box_C^*\varphi : A \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

Skip Axiom

$$\vdash [\text{skip}]\varphi \leftrightarrow \varphi$$

Crash Axiom

$$\vdash [\text{crash}]\text{false}$$

Composition Axiom

$$\vdash [\pi; \rho]\varphi \leftrightarrow [\pi][\rho]\varphi$$

Choice Axiom

$$\vdash [\pi \sqcup \rho]\varphi \leftrightarrow [\pi]\varphi \wedge [\rho]\varphi$$

Modal Rules

(Modus Ponens) From $\vdash \varphi$ and $\vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi$, infer $\vdash \psi$

($[\pi]$ -necessitation) From $\vdash \psi$, infer $\vdash [\pi]\psi$

(\Box_A -necessitation) From $\vdash \varphi$, infer $\vdash \Box_A \varphi$

* (\Box_C^* -necessitation) From $\vdash \varphi$, infer $\vdash \Box_C^* \varphi$

** **Program Induction Rule** From $\vdash \chi \rightarrow \psi \wedge [\pi]\chi$, infer $\vdash \chi \rightarrow [\pi^*]\psi$

* **Action Rule**

Let ψ be a sentence, let α be a simple action, and let \mathcal{C} be a set of agents. Let there be sentences χ_β for all β such that $\alpha \rightarrow_C^* \beta$ (including α itself), and such that

1. $\vdash \chi_\beta \rightarrow [\beta]\psi$.
2. If $A \in \mathcal{C}$ and $\beta \triangleleft \gamma$, then $\vdash (\chi_\beta \wedge \text{PRE}(\beta)) \rightarrow \Box_A \chi_\gamma$.

From these assumptions, infer $\vdash \chi_\alpha \rightarrow [\alpha]\Box_C^* \psi$.

And we have *some derivable principles* from the proof system:

$$\vdash [\alpha]\Box_C^* \rightarrow [\alpha]\psi$$

From $\vdash \chi \rightarrow \psi \wedge \Box_A \chi$ for all A , infer $\vdash \chi \rightarrow \Box_A^* \psi$.

Here we spell out what the axioms of $\mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{S})$ come to when we specialize the general logic to *the target logics*.

The main points of the logic of public announcements:

Basic Axioms

($[Pub \varphi]$ -normality) $\vdash [Pub \varphi](\psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow ([Pub \varphi]\psi \rightarrow [Pub \varphi]\chi)$

Announcement Axioms

(Atomic Permanence) $\vdash [Pub \varphi]p \leftrightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow p)$

(Partial Functionality) $\vdash [Pub \varphi]\neg\psi \leftrightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \neg[Pub \varphi]\psi)$

(Announcement-Knowledge) $\vdash [Pub \varphi]\Box_A\psi \leftrightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \Box_A[Pub \varphi]\psi)$

Modal Rules

($[Pub \varphi]$ -necessitation) From $\vdash \psi$, infer $\vdash [Pub \varphi]\psi$

Announcement Rule

From $\vdash \chi \rightarrow [Pub \varphi]\psi$ and
 $\vdash \chi \wedge \varphi \rightarrow \Box_A\chi$ for all A , infer $\vdash \chi \rightarrow [Pub \varphi]\Box_A^*\psi$

As for the logic of completely private announcements to groups, the Action-Knowledge Axiom splits into two axioms:

$$[\text{Pri}^{\mathcal{B}}\varphi]\Box_A\psi \leftrightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \Box_A[\text{Pri}^{\mathcal{B}}\varphi]\psi) \text{ for } A \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$[\text{Pri}^{\mathcal{B}}\varphi]\Box_A\psi \leftrightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \Box_A\psi) \text{ for } A \notin \mathcal{B}$$

As for the logic of common knowledge of alternatives. The Action-knowledge becomes:

$$[\text{Cka}^{\mathcal{B}}\vec{\varphi}]\Box_A\psi \leftrightarrow (\varphi_1 \rightarrow \Box_A[\text{Cka}^{\mathcal{B}}\vec{\varphi}]\psi) \text{ for } A \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$[\text{Cka}^{\mathcal{B}}\vec{\varphi}]\Box_A\psi \leftrightarrow (\varphi_1 \rightarrow \bigwedge_{0 \leq i \leq k} \Box_A[\text{Cka}^{\mathcal{B}}\vec{\varphi}^i]\psi) \text{ for } A \in \mathcal{B}$$

Now we give some examples in the target logics:

- $\vdash \Box_{A,B}^*(H \leftrightarrow \neg T) \rightarrow [\text{Pub } H]\Box_{A,B}^*\neg T$
- (What Happens when a Publicly Known Fact is Announced)
 $\Box^*\varphi \rightarrow ([\text{Pub}\varphi]\psi \leftrightarrow \psi)$
- (A Commutativity Principle for Private Announcements)
 $\vdash [\text{Pri}^B\varphi_1][\text{Pri}^C\varphi_2]\psi \leftrightarrow [\text{Pri}^C\varphi_2][\text{Pri}^B\varphi_1]\psi$
- (Actions Do Not Change Common Knowledge of Non-epistemic Sentences)
 $\vdash \psi \leftrightarrow [\alpha]\psi$
 $\vdash \Box_C^*\psi \leftrightarrow [\alpha]\Box_C^*\psi$

Conclusion

- This paper has shown how to define and study logical languages that contain constructs corresponding to epistemic actions.
- The key steps are the recognition that we can associate to a social action α a mathematical model Σ , i.e., a program model. It has features in common with the state models.
- The operation of update product enables one to build complex and interesting state models.
- The formalization of the target languages involve the signature-based languages $\mathcal{L}(\Sigma)$. These languages are needed to formulate the logic of private announcements, for example.
- many other problems to be explained...

Thank you for your attention!