

Mixing Modality and Probability

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My Main Question

What are *individuals* and *structures* in Modal Logic?

A Possible Answer

Lattice-valued models give a wealth of examples of naturally defined types with well structured *individuals* and *operations* and *relations* on them.

Experience with lattices (and sheaves) can then suggest further **generalizations**.

In fact, we can extend the modeling to a **modal ZF** where every formula has a **probability**.

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What is a Lewis (S4) Algebra?

A complete Boolean algebra plus a “necessity” operator satisfying:

$$\Box 1 = 1$$

$$\Box \Box p = \Box p \leq p$$

$$\Box (p \wedge q) = \Box p \wedge \Box q$$

Note: The second two laws can be combined:

$$\Box p = \bigvee \{q \mid q = \Box q \leq p\}.$$

“Possibility” is defined as $\Diamond p = 1 - \Box (1 - p)$.

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Some Abbreviations

Ha = Heyting Algebra

cHa = Complete Heyting Algebra

Ba = Boolean Algebra

cBa = Complete Boolean Algebra

La = Lewis Algebra

cLa = Complete Lewis Algebra

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What is a Frame?

Definition. A *frame* is complete lattice which is $(\wedge \vee)$ -*distributive*.

Theorem. In a cLa the \Box -stable elements form a *subframe*.

Theorem. In a cBa *any* subframe creates a cLa.

We can define: $\Box p = \bigvee \{q \in \mathbf{H} \mid q \leq p\}$,
where \mathbf{H} is the subframe. Such structures can be regarded as abstract topological spaces.

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An Important Theorem

Theorem. *Every* frame can be made into a cHa.

Hint: $q \rightarrow r = \bigvee \{p \mid p \wedge q \leq r\}$.

Corollary. In a cHa every subframe can be regarded as a cHa (but *not* with the same \rightarrow).

Whence comes the **topological interpretation** of intuitionistic logic (Tarski/Stone).

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Boole vs. Heyting vs. Lewis

Theorem. For every cBa \mathbf{B} , there is an *interesting* cHa \mathbf{H} such that $\mathbf{B} = \{\neg\neg p \mid p \in \mathbf{H}\}$.

Note: $\neg p = p \rightarrow 0$

Theorem. For every cHa \mathbf{H} , there is a (non-canonical) cLa \mathbf{L} such that

$\mathbf{H} = \{\Box p \mid p \in \mathbf{L}\}$.

Note: In the category of frames, the first is a **quotient** and the second a **subframe**.

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First-Order Algebraic Semantics

$\llbracket aRb \rrbracket = \text{given}$

$\llbracket \Phi \wedge \Psi \rrbracket = \llbracket \Phi \rrbracket \wedge \llbracket \Psi \rrbracket$

$\llbracket \Phi \vee \Psi \rrbracket = \llbracket \Phi \rrbracket \vee \llbracket \Psi \rrbracket$

$\llbracket \Phi \rightarrow \Psi \rrbracket = \llbracket \Phi \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \Psi \rrbracket$

$\llbracket \Box \Phi \rrbracket = \Box \llbracket \Phi \rrbracket$

$\llbracket \exists x. \Phi(x) \rrbracket = \bigvee_{a \in A} \llbracket \Phi(a) \rrbracket$

$\llbracket \forall x. \Phi(x) \rrbracket = \bigwedge_{a \in A} \llbracket \Phi(a) \rrbracket$

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Topology vs. Probability

Proposition. For every topological space X , the powerset $P(X)$ is a cBa, and the lattice of open subsets $Op(X)$ is a cHa and a subframe.

Note: These examples include the Kripke models.

Theorem. For the standard probability space $Borel([0, 1])$ with Lebesgue measure, the measure algebra $Borel([0, 1])/Null$ is a cBa, and the quotient $Op([0, 1])/Null$ is a cHa and is a proper subframe.

Note: Call this cLa M . Think of it as a pointless space. For $p \in M$ write $|p|$ for the measure of p .

Structure of the Measure Algebra

$G_\delta = M = F_\sigma$ measurable

$\Box p = p$ G open F closed $\Diamond p = p$

$\Box \Diamond p = p$ $\Box F$ reg. open $\Diamond G$ reg. closed $\Diamond \Box p = p$

$\Box p = \Diamond p = p$ $G \cap F = C$ clopen Boolean but uncountable

$|p| \in \mathbb{Q}$ \mathbb{Q} rational not Boolean

$G = B_\sigma$ B basic countable Boolean from intervals with rational ends

Note: Using the measure algebra, every modal logical formula has a probability. Owing to the continuous automorphisms of M , every pure statement without free variables has truth value either 0 or 1.

Proving $M \neq G \neq \Box F$

Theorem. There is a construction similar to that of the Cantor Discontinuum with $U \cup K = [0, 1]$ with U dense, open, K closed, nowhere dense, and of positive measure, and $U \cap K = \emptyset$.

Corollary 1. Let $k = K/Null$. Then $k \in M$ and $k \notin G$.

Proof: Suppose $k \in G$. Let V be an open set, $V/Null = K/Null$, giving $V - K \in Null$. But, this difference is open and so is \emptyset . So $V \subseteq K$, which implies $V = \emptyset$. But, $K - V \in Null$ and $K \notin Null$.

Corollary 2. Let $u = U/Null$. Then $u \in G$ and $u \notin \Box F$.

Proof: Suppose $u \in \Box F$. Then $u = \Box(1-w)$, with $w \in G$, a negation in the cHa G . By the laws of triple negation $u = \Box \Diamond u$. But U is dense, so $\Diamond u = 1$ and hence $u = 1$. This would imply $k = 0$, which is false.

Proof of the 0-1 Law

Theorem. There is no $0 < p < 1$ invariant under the group Γ of all continuous, measure-preserving automorphisms of M .

Lemma. If $a, b \in B$, $|a| = |b|$, then there is a $\tau \in \Gamma$ with $\tau(a) = b$.

Proof of the Theorem:

- Find $g \in G$ with $p \leq g < 1$, and so $1-g > 0$.
- Find $b \in B$ with $b \leq g$, $b \wedge p > 0$, and $|b| \leq |1-g|$.
- Find $h \in G$ with $1-g \leq h$, and $|h \wedge g| < |b \wedge p|$.
- Find $a \in B$ with $a \leq h$, and $|a| = |b|$.

Now $a \wedge p \leq h \wedge g$, and so $|a \wedge p| < |b \wedge p|$.

But let $\tau(a) = b$ and so $\tau(a \wedge p) = b \wedge p$. **Contradiction!**

Extension vs. Intension

$\exists y [x = y \wedge \Phi(y)]$ vs. $\Box \Phi(x)$

Different principles hold in different contexts:

$$\sigma = \tau \wedge \Phi(\sigma) \rightarrow \Phi(\tau)$$

vs.

$$\Box[\sigma = \tau] \wedge \Phi(\sigma) \rightarrow \Phi(\tau)$$

The prime example of an intensional mapping:

$$\Box[\Phi \leftrightarrow \Psi] \leq [\Box \Phi \leftrightarrow \Box \Psi]$$

L as an L-Set

Definition. Make \mathbf{L} into an L-set by defining the L-valued equality $\llbracket p = q \rrbracket = p \leftrightarrow q$ for all $p, q \in \mathbf{L}$.

Questions: (1) Are there other interesting intensional mappings on \mathbf{M} other than \Box and \Diamond ?

(2) Can they be used for modeling other known modal logics?

What is an L-Set?

Definition. An L-set is a set A equipped with an L-valued equality $\llbracket x = y \rrbracket$, where for all $x, y, z \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket x = x \rrbracket &= 1 ; \\ \llbracket x = y \rrbracket &= \llbracket y = x \rrbracket ; \text{ and} \\ \llbracket x = y \rrbracket \wedge \llbracket y = z \rrbracket &\leq \llbracket x = z \rrbracket. \end{aligned}$$

Note: There is a useful notion of complete L-set and a process of completion.

Note: Mappings between L-sets can be either extensional or intensional.

Boolean-valued Reals

Theorem. The set $\mathbb{R}_{\mathbf{L}} = \{\alpha \mid \alpha : \text{Op}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow_{\text{frm}} \mathbf{L}\}$ can be made into a complete L-set by defining;

$$\llbracket \alpha = \beta \rrbracket = \bigwedge_{U \in \text{Op}(\mathbb{R})} (\alpha(U) \leftrightarrow \beta(U)).$$

Theorem. The frame $\text{Op}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$ is the *frame-coproduct* of $\text{Op}(\mathbb{R})$ with itself.

Theorem. Using $+$: $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $(+)$: $\text{Op}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow_{\text{frm}} \text{Op}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$, then for $\alpha, \beta : \text{Op}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow_{\text{frm}} \mathbf{L}$ we have $(\alpha, \beta) : \text{Op}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow_{\text{frm}} \mathbf{L}$, and so we can define $(\alpha + \beta) = (\alpha, \beta) \circ (+) : \text{Op}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow_{\text{frm}} \mathbf{L}$.

Note: Other continuous functions can be handled in the same way. Many laws of algebra then follow automatically.

Random Variables as Reals

Theorem. For the cLa **M** we can identify

$$\mathbb{R}_M = \{ (f)/\text{Null} \mid (f) : \text{Op}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow_{\sigma\text{-frm}} \text{Borel}([0, 1]) \}$$

where the $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are measurable functions and (f) means inverse image; moreover, we can set:

$$\llbracket (f)/\text{Null} = (g)/\text{Null} \rrbracket = \{ t \in [0, 1] \mid f(t) = g(t) \} / \text{Null}.$$

In this representation we find:

$$(f)/\text{Null} + (g)/\text{Null} = (f + g)/\text{Null}.$$

Note: We can similarly treat other measurable operations on the **M**-valued reals.

Intensional Powersets

Definition: Given a complete **L**-set A the *intensional powerset* of A is the collection of $P: A \rightarrow \mathbf{L}$ where, for all $x, y \in A$, we have $P(x) \wedge \Box \llbracket x = y \rrbracket \leq P(y)$.

And we use the definition

$$\llbracket P = Q \rrbracket = \bigwedge_{x \in A} (P(x) \leftrightarrow Q(x))$$

Theorem: The intensional powerset of A is a complete **L**-set.

Note: A Principle of Comprehension follows.

Question: Should we be able to iterate this notion of powerset?

A Modal Boolean-Valued Universe

$$V^{(L)} = \{ v : \text{dom } v \rightarrow \mathbf{L} \mid \text{dom } v \subseteq V^{(L)} \ \& \ \forall x, y \in \text{dom } v [v(x) \wedge \Box \llbracket x = y \rrbracket \leq v(y)] \}$$

$$\llbracket u \in v \rrbracket = \bigvee \{ v(y) \wedge \Box \llbracket u = y \rrbracket \mid y \in \text{dom } v \}$$

$$\llbracket u = v \rrbracket = \bigwedge \{ u(x) \rightarrow \llbracket x \in v \rrbracket \mid x \in \text{dom } u \} \wedge \bigwedge \{ v(y) \rightarrow \llbracket y \in u \rrbracket \mid y \in \text{dom } v \}$$

intensional

$u \in v$

extensional

The new insight:

What is MZF?

Substitution (A number of previous lemmata are needed.)

$$\Box \llbracket u = v \rrbracket \wedge \Phi(u) \rightarrow \Phi(v)$$

Extensionality & Comprehension

$$\forall u, v [u = v \leftrightarrow \forall x [x \in u \leftrightarrow x \in v]]$$

$$\forall u \exists v \Box \forall x [x \in v \leftrightarrow x \in u \wedge \Phi(x)]$$

Singleton

$$\forall u \exists v \Box \forall x [x \in v \leftrightarrow \Box \llbracket x = u \rrbracket]$$

Leibnitz' Law

$$\forall x, y [\Box \llbracket x = y \rrbracket \leftrightarrow \forall u [x \in u \rightarrow y \in u]]$$

Definable Modality

$$\{\emptyset\} = \{\emptyset \mid \Phi\} \leftrightarrow \Phi$$

$$\Box \Phi \leftrightarrow \forall u [\{\emptyset\} \in u \rightarrow \{\emptyset \mid \Phi\} \in u]$$

Two Membership Relations?

Extensional Membership

$$u \in v \leftrightarrow \exists y [y \in v \wedge u = y]$$

Extensional Comprehension

$$\forall u \exists v \Box \forall x [x \in v \leftrightarrow x \in u \wedge \exists y [\Phi(y) \wedge x = y]]$$

Extensional Singleton

$$\forall u \exists v \Box \forall x [x \in v \leftrightarrow x = u]$$

Extensional Leibnitz' Law

$$\forall x, y [x = y \leftrightarrow \forall u [x \in u \rightarrow y \in u]]$$

Intensional Powerset

$$\forall v \exists w \Box \forall u [u \in w \leftrightarrow \Box [u \subseteq v]]$$

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A Refutation

Theorem. In $V^{(M)}$ the following has truth value 0:

$$\forall u, v [u = v \leftrightarrow \forall x [x \in u \leftrightarrow x \in v]].$$

Proof: Find $p \in M$ with $0 < p < 1$ and $\Box p = 0$. (How?)

Let $a = \{\emptyset\}$ and $b = \{\emptyset \mid p\}$, and $u = \{a \mid p\}$ and $v = \{b \mid p\}$.

We have $\llbracket a = b \rrbracket = p$, and $\llbracket a \in u \rrbracket = p$ and $\llbracket a \in v \rrbracket = 0$.

It follows that $\llbracket u = v \rrbracket = \neg p$. We also calculate that

$$\llbracket x \in u \rrbracket = \llbracket x = a \rrbracket \wedge p \text{ and } \llbracket x \in v \rrbracket = \llbracket x = b \rrbracket \wedge p.$$

But then $\llbracket x \in v \rrbracket = \llbracket x = a \rrbracket \wedge p$ as well. From this we get:

$$\llbracket u = v \leftrightarrow \forall x [x \in u \leftrightarrow x \in v] \rrbracket = \llbracket u = v \rrbracket = \neg p.$$

The conclusion of the theorem then follows by the 0-1 Law for M.

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Using Russell's Paradox

Theorem. For each stage $V_\alpha^{(M)}$ of the universe it is possible to find an element a of the model such that

$$\llbracket a = y \rrbracket = 0 \text{ for all } y \text{ in } V_\alpha^{(M)}.$$

Proof: Apply the *Extensional Comprehension Principle*

to have an element a where for all x in the model:

$$\llbracket x \in a \rrbracket = \llbracket x \in \mathbf{V}_\alpha \rrbracket \wedge \llbracket \neg x \in x \rrbracket,$$

where \mathbf{V}_α is the constant function 1 on $V_\alpha^{(M)}$.

Putting a for x , we have $\llbracket a \in \mathbf{V}_\alpha \rrbracket = 0$.

The desired conclusion then follows.

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Another Refutation

Theorem. In $V^{(M)}$ the following has truth value 0:

$$\exists v \forall u [u \in v \leftrightarrow u = \emptyset].$$

Proof: Again, find $p \in M$ with $0 < p < 1$ and $\Box p = 0$.

Suppose we had v in the model where $\llbracket u \in v \rrbracket = \llbracket u = \emptyset \rrbracket$

for all u in the model. Now v is a function with $\text{dom } v \subseteq V_\alpha^{(M)}$

for some stage α . Find an a with $\llbracket a = y \rrbracket = 0$ for all y in $V_\alpha^{(M)}$.

Take $u = \{a \mid \neg p\}$ which implies $\llbracket u = \emptyset \rrbracket = p$. We then have

$p \leq \llbracket u \in \mathbf{V}_\alpha \rrbracket = \bigvee \{ \Box \llbracket u = w \rrbracket \mid w \in V_\alpha^{(M)} \}$. But we find

$$\Box \llbracket u = w \rrbracket = \Box (\neg p \rightarrow \llbracket a \in w \rrbracket) \wedge$$

$$\Box \bigwedge \{ w(y) \rightarrow \llbracket y \in u \rrbracket \mid y \in \text{dom } w \} \leq \Box p,$$

But, this is impossible.

Note: We can also refute: $\forall v \exists w \forall u [u \in w \leftrightarrow u \subseteq v]$.

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Pairs, Products, & Relations

Definitions: In any $V^{(L)}$ the following are defined:

- (i) $\{u\} = \{(u, 1)\}$;
- (ii) $\{u, v\} = \{(u, 1), (v, 1)\}$;
- (iii) $(u, v) = \{\{u\}, \{u, v\}\}$; and
- (iv) $a \times b = \{(x, y) \mid a(x) \wedge b(y)\} \mid x \in \text{dom } a \wedge y \in \text{dom } b\}$.

Theorem: In any $V^{(L)}$ we have:

- (i) $\forall u, v [\{u\} = \{v\} \leftrightarrow \Box u = v]$;
- (ii) $\forall u, v, s, t [\{u, v\} = \{s, t\} \leftrightarrow \Box [u = s \wedge v = t] \vee \Box [u = t \wedge v = s]]$;
- (iii) $\forall u, v, s, t [(u, v) = (s, t) \leftrightarrow \Box [u = s \wedge v = t]]$; and
- (iv) $\forall a, b, t [t \in (a \times b) \leftrightarrow \exists x, y [x \in a \wedge y \in b \wedge \Box t = (x, y)]]$.

Relational Comprehension

$$\forall a, b \exists w \subseteq (a \times b) \Box \forall x \in a \forall y \in b [(x, y) \in w \leftrightarrow \Phi(x, y)]$$

Two Sub-Universes

$$U^{(M)} = \{v : \text{dom } v \rightarrow M \mid \text{dom } v \subseteq U^{(M)} \ \& \ \forall x, y \in \text{dom } v [v(x) \wedge \Box [x = y] \leq \Box v(y)]\}$$

$$W^{(M)} = \{v : \text{dom } v \rightarrow M \mid \text{dom } v \subseteq W^{(M)} \ \& \ \forall x, y \in \text{dom } v [v(x) \wedge [x = y] \leq v(y)]\}$$

Note: (i) The universe $U^{(M)}$ models an intuitionistic G-valued set theory.

(ii) The universe $W^{(M)}$ models the usual M-valued, extensional Boolean-valued set theory.

(iii) Both universes are definable in the modal universe $V^{(M)}$.

Random Numbers?

Alex Simpson (Edinburgh) has argued that the quotient frame $\text{Op}([0, 1]) \rightarrow_{\text{fm}} \text{Op}([0, 1]) / \text{Null}$ (n.b. another *pointless space*) can be considered as satisfactorily modeling *random reals*.

Note: This space has many M-valued points, and it can be taken as a subset of \mathbb{R}_M . In fact, we can identify

$$\text{Rand}_M = \{(f) / \text{Null} \mid f : [0, 1] \rightarrow_{\text{meas}} [0, 1] \ \& \ \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid f(t) \in N\} \in \text{Null}, \text{ for all } N \in \text{Null}\}.$$

These random reals have the property of avoiding all Γ -invariant closed subsets of \mathbb{R}_M of measure zero.

Question: Do they have other interesting modal properties? How do they compare to Solovay reals?

Random Algorithms?

We can define many *computable* functions $f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, where in evaluating $f(\alpha, n) = m$, the α is used as an *oracle*.

Perhaps we can say we have a random algorithm just in case

$$[[\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \exists m \in \mathbb{N} \Box \forall \alpha \in \text{Rand}_M. f(\alpha, n) = m]] = 1?$$

Applying Ergodic Theory?

Recall: In the measure–algebra model of MZF, every continuous measure–preserving automorphism of M induces an automorphism of the **whole universe** $\mathbb{V}^{(M)}$.
 Γ is the **group** of all such automorphisms.

Furstenberg’s Multiple Recurrence Theorem.

Let $\tau \in \Gamma$, and let $\llbracket \Phi(a) \rrbracket \neq 0$, where $\Phi(a)$ has no other parameters. Then for all k there exists an n such that
 $\llbracket \Phi(a) \wedge \Phi(\tau^n(a)) \wedge \Phi(\tau^{2n}(a)) \wedge \Phi(\tau^{3n}(a)) \wedge \dots \wedge \Phi(\tau^{kn}(a)) \rrbracket \neq 0$.

Truth by Degrees?

Comment: There are **many** subframes of M . For example $D \subseteq G \subseteq M$, defined as $D = \{[0, r]/\text{Null} \mid r \in \mathbb{R}\}$, is closed (in M) under **arbitrary** sups and infs.

The modal operator Δ defined by

$$\Delta p = \bigvee \{d \in D \mid d \leq p\}$$

is, of course, stronger than \Box but **not intensional**.

Questions: But is Δ at all interesting?

Would propositions with values in D be

interesting? **Suggestions welcome!**

Are You Ready for Multiverses?

Observation: Large cBa’s usually have many subframes (= abstract topologies). Each one gives a model for MZF. And indeed one cBa may give rise to many of these. For example:

- M measurable
- G open
- S cylindric (using higher dimensions)
- D real-valued degrees
- E broad degrees (small, medium, large)
- T binary degrees (all or nothing, 0 or 1)

And we have both modal and intuitionistic versions.

 THE END 

BUT, TO BE CONTINUED,
I HOPE!