

# Logic and Artificial Intelligence

## Lecture 19

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Brief digression: neighborhood models for modal logic

## Neighborhood Frames

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Any map  $N : W \rightarrow \wp(\wp(W))$  is called a **neighborhood function**

### Definition

A pair  $\langle W, N \rangle$  is called a **neighborhood frame** if  $W$  a non-empty set and  $N$  is a neighborhood function.

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Given a relation  $R$  on a set  $W$  and a state  $w \in W$ . A set  $X \subseteq W$  is  $R$ -necessary at  $w$  if  $R^\rightarrow(w) \subseteq X$ .

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### Lemma

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*Properties of  $R$  are reflected in  $\mathcal{N}_w^R$ :*

- ▶ If  $R$  is reflexive, then for each  $w \in W$ ,  $w \in \cap \mathcal{N}_w^R$
- ▶ If  $R$  is transitive then for each  $w \in W$ , if  $X \in \mathcal{N}_w^R$ , then  $\{v \mid X \in \mathcal{N}_v^R\} \in \mathcal{N}_w^R$ .



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For each  $w, v \in W$ ,  $wR_N v$  iff  $v \in \cap N(w)$ .



## Neighborhood Model

Let  $\mathfrak{F} = \langle W, N \rangle$  be a neighborhood frame. A **neighborhood model** based on  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a tuple  $\langle W, N, V \rangle$  where  $V : \text{At} \rightarrow 2^W$  is a valuation function.

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- ▶  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models p$  iff  $w \in V(p)$
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- ▶  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \Diamond\varphi$  iff  $W - (\varphi)^{\mathfrak{M}} \notin N(w)$

where  $(\varphi)^{\mathfrak{M}} = \{w \mid \mathfrak{M}, w \models \varphi\}$ .

## Detailed Example

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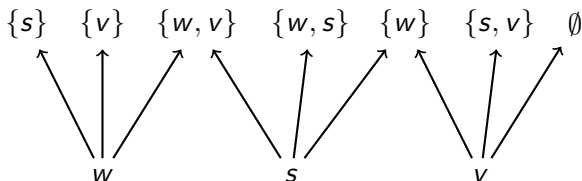


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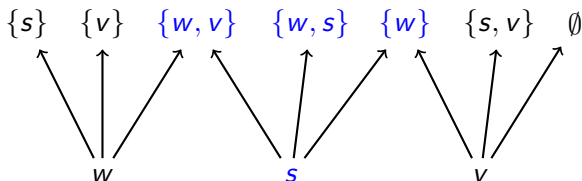


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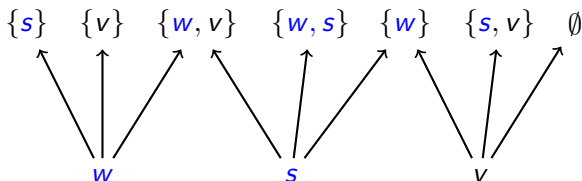


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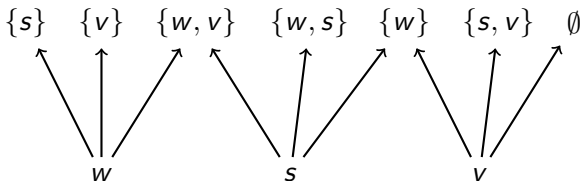
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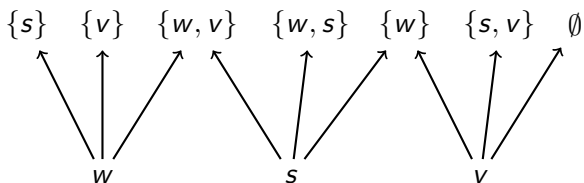
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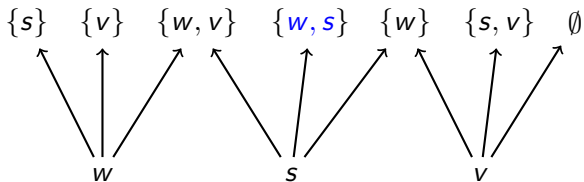
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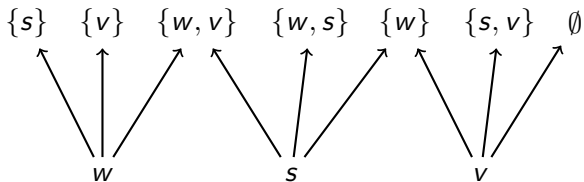
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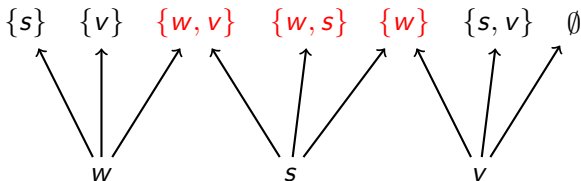
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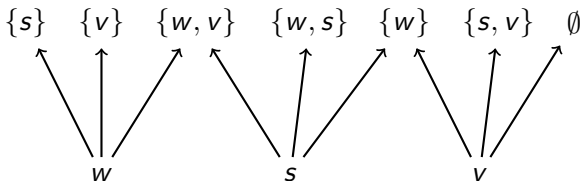


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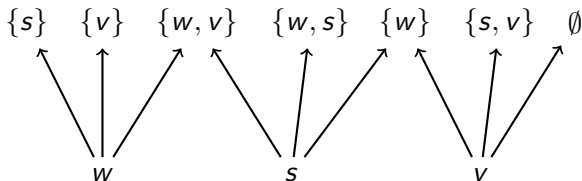
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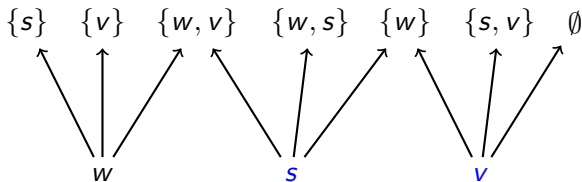
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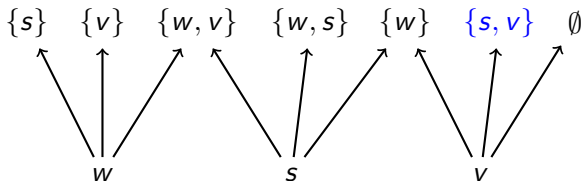
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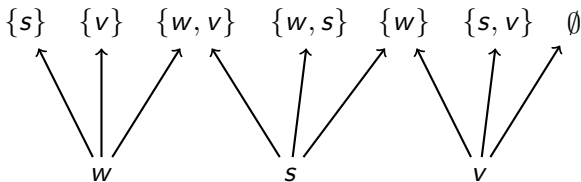
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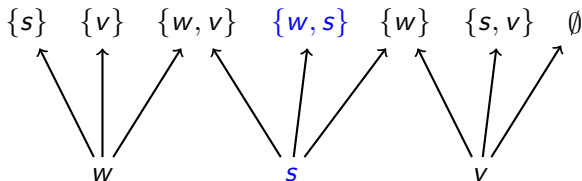
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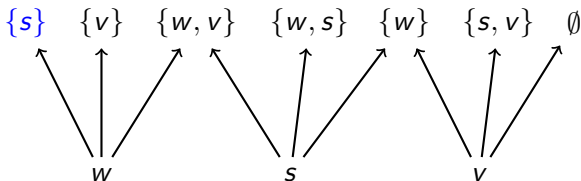
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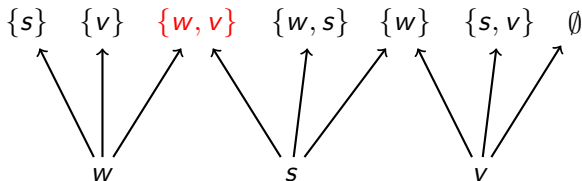
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*Investigate analogous results for the other modal operators defined above.*

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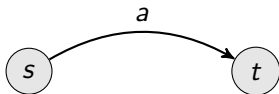
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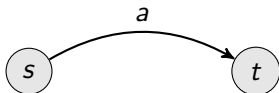
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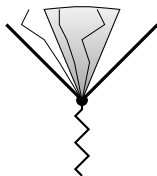


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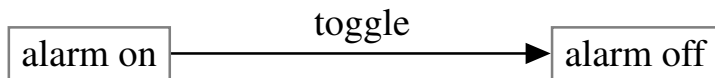


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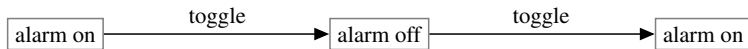
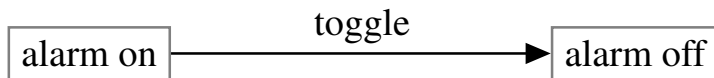


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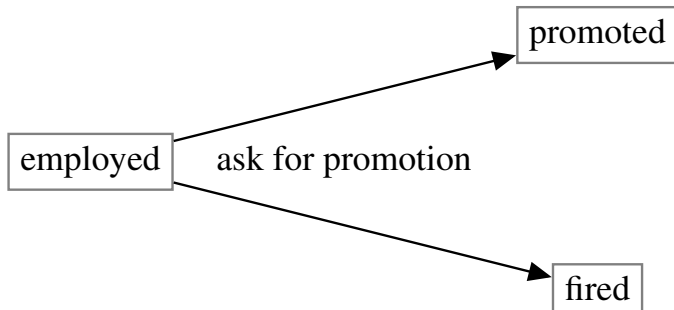
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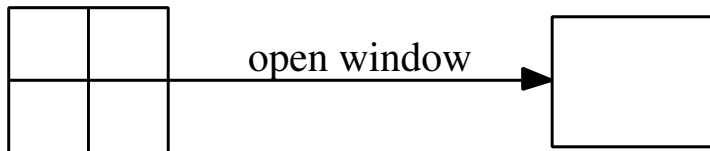
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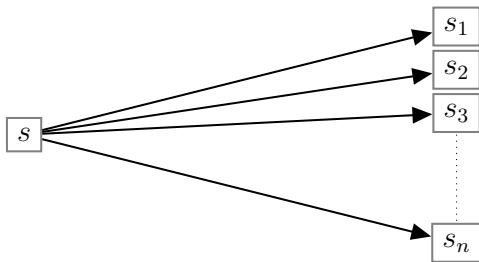


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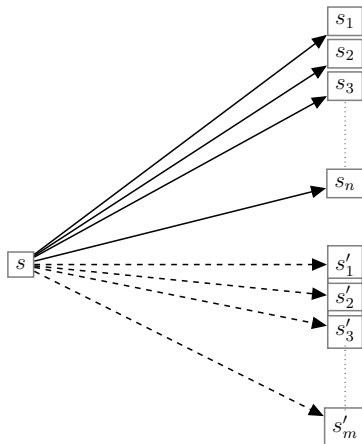
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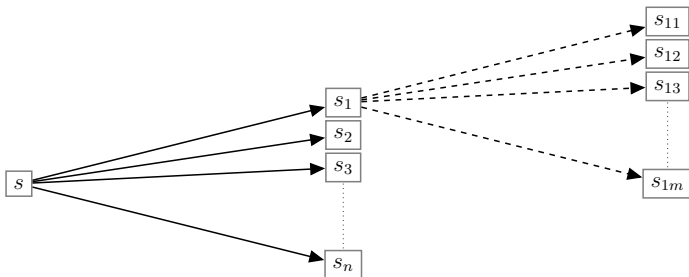
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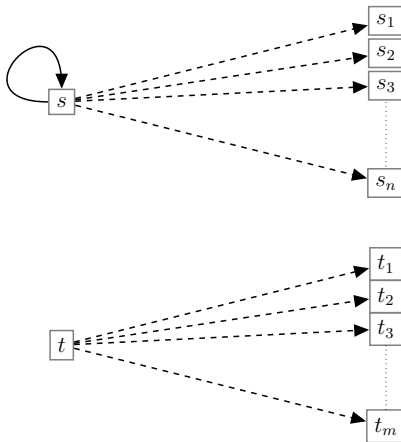
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