

# Summary of Temporal Logic

Phil 143 Handout

## §1 Basic Temporal Logic

**Definition 1.** A *flow of time* is a model  $\mathcal{T} = \langle T, R, V \rangle$  where  $R$  is transitive and irreflexive.

In what follows, for readability, I'll use " $<$ " instead of " $R$ ".

**Basic Priorean Temporal Language.**  $\varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \psi) \mid G\varphi \mid H\varphi$ , where:

$$F\varphi := \neg G\neg\varphi$$

$$P\varphi := \neg H\neg\varphi$$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models G\varphi \Leftrightarrow \forall s \in T: t < s \Rightarrow \mathcal{T}, s \models \varphi$$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models F\varphi \Leftrightarrow \exists s \in T: t < s \ \& \ \mathcal{T}, s \models \varphi$$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models H\varphi \Leftrightarrow \forall s \in T: s < t \Rightarrow \mathcal{T}, s \models \varphi$$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models P\varphi \Leftrightarrow \exists s \in T: s < t \ \& \ \mathcal{T}, s \models \varphi$$

### Minimal Temporal Logic: K.t

- All substitution instances of propositional logic
- (K axioms)  $G(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (G\varphi \rightarrow G\psi)$  and  $H(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (H\varphi \rightarrow H\psi)$
- (CV axioms)  $\varphi \rightarrow GP\varphi$  and  $\varphi \rightarrow HF\varphi$
- (4 axioms)  $FF\varphi \rightarrow F\varphi$  and  $PP\varphi \rightarrow P\varphi$
- (Eter) if  $\vdash_{K.t} \varphi$ , then  $\vdash_{K.t} G\varphi$  and  $\vdash_{K.t} H\varphi$

## §2 Correspondence Theory

### §2.1 Splitting

**Non-Branching Future:**  $\forall x, y, z ((x < y \wedge x < z) \rightarrow (y < z \vee y = z \vee z < y))$

$$(F\varphi \wedge F\psi) \rightarrow (F(\varphi \wedge \psi) \vee F(\varphi \wedge \psi) \vee F(F\varphi \wedge \psi))$$

$$F\varphi \rightarrow G(P\varphi \vee \varphi \vee F\varphi)$$

**Non-Branching Past:**  $\forall x, y, z ((y < x \wedge z < x) \rightarrow (y < z \vee y = z \vee z < y))$

$$(P\varphi \wedge P\psi) \rightarrow (P(\varphi \wedge \psi) \vee P(\varphi \wedge \psi) \vee P(P\varphi \wedge \psi))$$

$$P\varphi \rightarrow H(P\varphi \vee \varphi \vee F\varphi)$$

## §2.2 Endpoints

**No End of Time:**  $\forall x \exists y (x < y)$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{FT} \\ \text{G}\varphi \rightarrow \text{F}\varphi \end{array}$$

**No Beginning of Time:**  $\forall x \exists y (y < x)$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{PT} \\ \text{H}\varphi \rightarrow \text{P}\varphi \end{array}$$

**End of Time:**  $\exists x \forall y (y < x \vee x = y)$

if time is linear:  $\text{G}\perp \vee \text{FG}\perp$

**Beginning of Time:**  $\exists x \forall y (x < y \vee x = y)$

if time is linear:  $\text{H}\perp \vee \text{PH}\perp$

## §2.3 Spacing

**Density:**  $\forall x, y (x < y \rightarrow \exists z (x < z < y))$

$$\text{F}\varphi \rightarrow \text{FF}\varphi$$

**Future Discreteness:**  $\forall x, y (x < y \rightarrow \exists z (x < z \wedge \neg \exists u (x < u < z)))$

if time is linear:  $(\text{FT} \wedge \varphi \wedge \text{H}\varphi) \rightarrow \text{FH}\varphi$

**Future Discreteness:**  $\forall x, y (y < x \rightarrow \exists z (x < z \wedge \neg \exists u (x < u < z)))$

if time is linear:  $(\text{PT} \wedge \varphi \wedge \text{G}\varphi) \rightarrow \text{PG}\varphi$

**Finite Future Intervals:**  $\forall x, y (x < y \rightarrow \{u \mid x < u < y\}$  is finite)

if time is linear:  $\text{G}(\text{G}\varphi \rightarrow \varphi) \rightarrow (\text{FG}\varphi \rightarrow \text{G}\varphi)$

**Finite Past Intervals:**  $\forall x, y (y < x \rightarrow \{u \mid x < u < y\}$  is finite)

if time is linear:  $\text{H}(\text{H}\varphi \rightarrow \varphi) \rightarrow (\text{PH}\varphi \rightarrow \text{H}\varphi)$

**Dedekind Continuity:**

$$\forall P [\forall x, y (Px \wedge \neg Py \rightarrow x < y) \rightarrow \exists z \forall x, y (x \neq z \neq y \wedge Px \wedge \neg Py \rightarrow x < z < y)]$$

if time is linear:  $(\text{FH}\varphi \wedge \text{F}\neg\varphi \wedge \text{G}(\neg\varphi \rightarrow \text{G}\neg\varphi)) \rightarrow \text{F}((\varphi \wedge \text{G}\neg\varphi) \vee (\neg\varphi \wedge \text{H}\varphi))$

### §3 Expanding the Language

**Progressive.**  $\varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid G\varphi \mid H\varphi \mid \Pi\varphi$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models \Pi\varphi \Leftrightarrow \exists s_1, s_2 \in T: [s_1 < t < s_2 \ \& \ \forall u \in T (s_1 < u < s_2 \Rightarrow \mathcal{T}, u \models \varphi)]$$

**Since and Until.**  $\varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid G\varphi \mid H\varphi \mid S\varphi\psi \mid U\varphi\psi$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models U\varphi\psi \Leftrightarrow \exists s \in T: [t < s \ \& \ \mathcal{T}, s \models \varphi \ \& \ \forall u \in T (t < u < s \Rightarrow \mathcal{T}, u \models \psi)]$$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models S\varphi\psi \Leftrightarrow \exists s \in T: [s < t \ \& \ \mathcal{T}, s \models \varphi \ \& \ \forall u \in T (s < u < t \Rightarrow \mathcal{T}, u \models \psi)]$$

**Nexttime.**  $\varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid G\varphi \mid H\varphi \mid X\varphi$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models X\varphi \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{T}, t+1 \models \varphi$$

**Peircean Branching Time.**  $\varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid F_{\square}\varphi \mid P_{\square}\varphi$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models F_{\square}\varphi \Leftrightarrow \forall \text{ branches } b \text{ through } t \exists t' \in b: t < t' \ \& \ \mathcal{T}, t' \models \varphi$$

$$\mathcal{T}, t \models P_{\square}\varphi \Leftrightarrow \forall \text{ branches } b \text{ through } t \exists t' \in b: t' < t \ \& \ \mathcal{T}, t' \models \varphi$$

**Ockhamist Branching Time.**  $\varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid G\varphi \mid H\varphi \mid \blacksquare\varphi$

$$\mathcal{T}, b, t \models G\varphi \Leftrightarrow \forall s \in b: t < s \Rightarrow \mathcal{T}, s \models \varphi$$

$$\mathcal{T}, b, t \models H\varphi \Leftrightarrow \forall s \in b: s < t \Rightarrow \mathcal{T}, s \models \varphi$$

$$\mathcal{T}, b, t \models \blacksquare\varphi \Leftrightarrow \forall \text{ branches } b' \text{ through } t: \mathcal{T}, b', t \models \varphi$$