

Keeping Vague Score

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1 Tolerance & Indeterminacy

Tolerance $\forall x_i \forall x_j ((F(x_i) \wedge x_i \sim x_j) \rightarrow F(x_j))$

Limits $\exists x_i \exists x_j (F(x_i) \wedge \neg F(x_j))$

Continuity $\forall x_i \forall x_j \exists x_k \dots \exists x_{k'} (x_i \sim x_k \wedge \dots \wedge x_{k'} \sim x_j)$

Sharp Cutoffs $\exists x_i \exists x_j (F(x_i) \wedge \neg F(x_j) \wedge x_i \sim x_j)$

Bivalence $T(\phi) \vee F(\phi)$

Transparency $\phi \leftrightarrow T(\phi)$

Polarity $\neg\phi \leftrightarrow F(\phi)$

2 Context

Definition (Models). A model, \mathcal{M} is a triple comprising of: (i) a linearly ordered domain of objects (\mathcal{D}_M); (ii) a symmetric, reflexive relation of marginal variance (\approx_M),¹ and (iii) an interpretation function ($\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$).

Definition (Contexts). A context, $c = \langle c^+, c^- \rangle \in \mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D}$, is a pair of subsets of \mathcal{D} satisfying (i) non-triviality, (ii) convexity and (iii) coherence.

Non-Triviality $c^+ \neq \emptyset$ and $c^- \neq \emptyset$.

Convexity If $d \in c^+$ and $d' \geq d$, then $d' \in c^+$; and

If $d \in c^-$ and $d \geq d'$, then $d' \in c^-$.

Coherence If $d \in c^+$ and $d' \in c^-$, then $d \not\approx d'$.

Definition (Extension). $c \preccurlyeq c'$ (c' extends c) iff $c^+ \subseteq c'^+$ and $c^- \subseteq c'^-$.

Definition (Update). $c + C = \text{Min}\{c' \in C | c \preccurlyeq c'\}$.

3 Validity

Definition (Support). $c \not\models_g \phi$ iff for all c' : if $c \preccurlyeq c'$, then $c' \notin \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^-$.

Definition (Validity). $\phi_i, \dots, \phi_j \models \psi$ iff for all c, g : $c + (\llbracket \phi_i \rrbracket_g^+ \cap \dots \cap \llbracket \phi_j \rrbracket_g^+) \models_g \psi$

¹NB: \approx is subject to two further constraints: first, if $d \approx d'$ and $d \geq d'' \geq d'$, then $d \approx d''$ and $d'' \approx d'$. Second, any pair of objects in the domain are related by the ancestral of \approx .

4 Semantics

Definition (Semantics).

- i. $c \in \llbracket F(x_i) \rrbracket_g^+ \quad iff \quad g(x_i) \in c^+$
 $c \in \llbracket F(x_i) \rrbracket_g^- \quad iff \quad g(x_i) \in c^-$

- ii. $c \in \llbracket x_i \sim x_j \rrbracket_g^+ \quad iff \quad g(x_i) \approx g(x_j)$
 $c \in \llbracket x_i \sim x_j \rrbracket_g^- \quad iff \quad g(x_i) \not\approx g(x_j)$

- iii. $c \in \llbracket \neg\phi \rrbracket_g^+ \quad iff \quad c \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^-$
 $c \in \llbracket \neg\phi \rrbracket_g^- \quad iff \quad c \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^+$

- iv. $c \in \llbracket \phi \wedge \psi \rrbracket_g^+ \quad iff \quad c \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^+ \cap \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_g^+$
 $c \in \llbracket \phi \wedge \psi \rrbracket_g^- \quad iff \quad c \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^- \cup \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_g^-$

- v. $c \in \llbracket \phi \rightarrow \psi \rrbracket_g^+ \quad iff \quad c + \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^+ \models_{\overline{g}} \psi.$
 $c \in \llbracket \phi \rightarrow \psi \rrbracket_g^- \quad iff \quad c + \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^+ \not\models_{\overline{g}} \psi.$

- vi. $c \in \llbracket \forall x_i \phi \rrbracket_g^+ \quad iff \quad \forall g' \in g[x_i] : c \models_{g'} \phi$
 $c \in \llbracket \forall x_i \phi \rrbracket_g^- \quad iff \quad \exists g' \in g[x_i] : c \not\models_{g'} \phi$

- vii. $c \in \llbracket T(\phi) \rrbracket_g^+ \quad iff \quad c \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^+$
 $c \in \llbracket T(\phi) \rrbracket_g^- \quad iff \quad c \notin \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^+$

- viii. $c \in \llbracket F(\phi) \rrbracket_g^+ \quad iff \quad c \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^-$
 $c \in \llbracket F(\phi) \rrbracket_g^- \quad iff \quad c \notin \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_g^-$