

# KRIPKE'S DEONTIC SEMANTICS AGAIN

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Routley and Montgomery [5] have noted that Kripke's purported model structures for Lemmon's D2 and D3 [1], p. 220, are inadequate. Instead, they say, Kripke's D2 structures characterize E2. Actually, however, those structures model Lemmon's C2 [2], as is evident from a careful comparison of Kripke's text with Routley's own [4].

Routley and Montgomery: "Kripke's model structure for D2 is a quadruple  $\langle G, K, R, N \rangle$  where  $N$  is the set of normal elements, i.e., the subset of  $K$  such that for every  $H$  in  $N$ ,  $HRH$ " [5].

The authors' mistake here is to have used Kripke's first, more restrictive definition of normality (as self-accessibility), whereas in his remarks on D2 [1], p. 220, Kripke has reference to his second, more general, parenthesized definition of  $N$  simply as a subset of  $K$  [1], p. 211, as his forward reference *ibid.* to §7 indicates. For E2 Kripke then stipulates further that  $R$  be *reflexive on N*. For D2 the requirement is dropped: "if we drop quasi-reflexivity from the requirements on  $R$ , and simply define a model structure to be a quadruple  $(G, K, R, N)$ , where  $N$  is the set of normal elements, we get a model theory for Lemmon's D2" [1], p. 220.

Kripke has inadvertently dropped the *on* with the *reflexive*. He fails to retain the requirement that  $N \subseteq D'R$ : every normal world must have an alternative (Routley's condition R2 [4], p. 241). The models resulting from this oversight have been shown by Routley [4], p. 243, to characterize C2, i.e., Lemmon's D2 minus the axiom (2')  $\Box A \supset \Diamond A$ .

Kripke continues, "If  $R$  is required to be transitive, the theory works for D3." This is not so even granting condition R2. Lemmon's D3 axiom (D),  $\Box M \supset M$  for fully modalized  $M$  [3], p. 184, remains invalid; cf. the instance  $\Box \Box A \supset \Box A$ . Again, Routley's [4] shows that what Kripke's D3 model structures really characterize is C3, as we might call C2 plus the distinctive S3-axiom. If R2 is imposed, they model D2 as likewise augmented, i.e., Lemmon's D3 minus (D).