

## 84. Evaluation of Peirce's Axiom on Intermediate Kripke Models and its Application

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We deal with the intermediate propositional logics. We suppose familiarity with the intermediate logics. For those not mentioned here explicitly, we refer to our Survey [1].

The so-called Peirce's axiom  $P$  is  $a \supset b \supset a \supset a$ , where parentheses are omitted by assuming the association from the left. This axiom was modified by Nagata into a sequence of axioms as follows:

**Definition 1.**  $P_1(a_0, a_1) = a_1 \supset a_0 \supset a_1 \supset a_1$ ,  
 $P_n(a_0, \dots, a_n) = a_n \supset P_{n-1}(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \supset a_n \supset a_n$ .

This sequence is often used in the study of intermediate logics as a strong and convenient tool. The evaluation of axioms from this sequence is sometimes treated in literatures but the treatment seems not to be complete.

Here we give a complete treatment of the evaluation and its application for the axiomatization of infinite models.

As models for intermediate propositional logics, we take up the so-called Kripke model, which was modified and renamed as POS model by Ono (see Ono [2]). Further, we treat only finite models.

Let  $M$  be a POS model (usually, with the minimum element). We define the condition  $C(W, \alpha)$  for the  $M$ -valuation  $W$  and the element  $\alpha$  of  $M$  as follows:

**Condition.**

$C(W, \alpha) : W(a, \alpha) = f$  and, for any  $\beta > \alpha$ ,  $W(a, \beta) = t$ .  
And there exists  $\beta > \alpha$  such that  $W(b, \beta) = f$ .

The main result of this note is the following

**Theorem 2.**  $W(P, \alpha) = f$  if and only if there exists  $\alpha_0 \geq \alpha$  such that  $C(W, \alpha_0)$ .

We prove the theorem through the two lemmas as below.

**Lemma 3.**  $C(W, \alpha_0)$  implies  $W(P, \alpha_0) = f$ .

**Proof.** By the hypothesis, we have  $W(a, \beta) = t$  for any  $\beta > \alpha_0$ . Further, there exists  $\beta > \alpha_0$  such that  $W(b, \beta) = f$ . Hence we have  $W(a \supset b, \alpha_0) = f$ . So we have, for any  $\gamma \geq \alpha_0$ ,  $W(a \supset b, \gamma) = f$  or  $W(a, \gamma) = t$ . Hence we have  $W(a \supset b \supset a, \alpha_0) = t$ . Finally, from  $W(a \supset b \supset a, \alpha_0)$