

S5 WITH THE CBF

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In [1] semantics are provided for quantificational modal logic through S4 which validate the CBF (converse Barcan formula) ' $L(\forall X)A \supset (\forall X)LA$ ' while allowing a counter-model to the BF (Barcan formula) ' $(\forall X)LA \supset L(\forall X)A$ '. With a slight change, reminiscent of the semantics of Kripke, cf. [2], the Hughes and Cresswell models will serve in quantificational S5 to both validate the CBF and exclude the BF.

With our version of QS5 understood to contain two runs of variables—the first called *individual variables* and occurring bound only, and the second called *individual constants*, which take the place of free variables—together with the usual signs ' \forall ', ' \sim ', ' \supset ', ' $($ ', ' $)$ ', and ' $,$ ', and the modal operator ' L ', take an atomic wff to be any formula of the sort $F^m(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m)$, where F^m is an m -place predicate letter and C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m are individual constants. Then, understand by a *truth-value assignment* any function from the atomic wffs to $\{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{F}\}$. Next, let ' Φ ' be a set of truth-value assignments such that each element φ_i of Φ is associated with a (possibly empty) set of individual constants E_i . Finally, call any pair of the sort $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$ a *truth-pair*, and we have our key semantic concept.

The definitions of truth, falsity, and so forth on a truth-pair are as follows:

A. A wff A shall be said to be *unvalued* on a truth-pair $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$ if:

- (1) A is of the sort $F^m(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m)$ and one or more of C_1, C_2 , etc. are not members of E_i (the associated set of individual constants for φ_i),
- (2) A is of the sort $\sim B$ and B is unvalued (on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$),
- (3) A is of the sort $B \supset C$ and either B or C is unvalued,
- (4) A is of the sort $(\forall X)B$ and $B(C/X)$ is unvalued for at least one C in E_i ,

and¹

- (5) A is of the sort LB and B is unvalued on some $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$.

1. We do not permit overlapping identical quantification or unbound occurrences of individual variables in our wffs. Thus if $(\forall X)A$ is a wff, $A(C/X)$ is sure to be one too, and not to contain any further instances of ' X '. For full details see [3].

B. A wff A that is not unvalued on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$ is *true* if:

- (1) A is of the sort $F^m(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m)$ and is assigned **T** by φ_i ,
- (2) A is of the sort $\sim B$ and B is not true (on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$),
- (3) A is of the sort $B \supset C$ and either B is not true or C is,
- (4) A is of the sort $(\forall X)B$ and $B(C/X)$ is true for every C in E_i ,
- (5) A is of the sort LB and B is true on every $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$.

C. A wff A is *false* on a truth-pair $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$ otherwise.²

As the reader may wish to note, these truth conditions are similar to those of Bochvar (see [4] for details) for three-valued classical logic. To insure the validity of all classical tautologies (but not necessarily all of their modal substitution instances) we shall call a wff A *valid* in QS5 if A is *not false* on any truth-pair.

Given this semantics, the same counter-examples brought forward by Kripke in [2] and Hughes and Cresswell in [1] will falsify the **BF** here. For example, suppose $LA(C/X)$ is true on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$ for every C in E_i , but that $A(C'/X)$ is false on some $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$ where C' is a member of E_j but not of E_i . Then $(\forall X)LA$ will be true on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$ whereas $L(\forall X)A$ will be false, thus falsifying $(\forall X)LA \supset L(\forall X)A$.

As for the validity of the **CBF**, suppose $L(\forall X)A$ is true on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$. Then for every φ_j in Φ , $(\forall X)A$ is true on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$. Hence, $A(C/X)$ is true on each $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$. In the case where every E_j is identical to E_i or a superset of E_i , clearly $LA(C/X)$ is true on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$ for every C in E_i , and, thus, so is $(\forall X)LA$. Two cases therefore remain:

(1) Suppose one or more E_j is such that $E_i \cap E_j = \emptyset$. Then for each C in E_i , $A(C/X)$ would be unvalued on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$. Hence $LA(C/X)$ would be unvalued on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$ as would $(\forall X)LA$.

(2) Suppose one or more E_j is such that $E_j \subset E_i$. Then for each C in E_i , $A(C/X)$ would either be true on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$ (if C is a member of E_j) or unvalued on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$ (if C is not a member of E_j). Hence, $LA(C/X)$ is unvalued on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_j \rangle$ for at least one member C of E_i , thus $(\forall X)LA$ is unvalued on $\langle \Phi, \varphi_i \rangle$.

Thus, if $L(\forall X)A$ is true on a truth-pair, then $(\forall X)LA$ is either true or unvalued on the pair. Hence $L(\forall X)A \supset (\forall X)LA$ (= **CBF**) is valid in QS5.

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