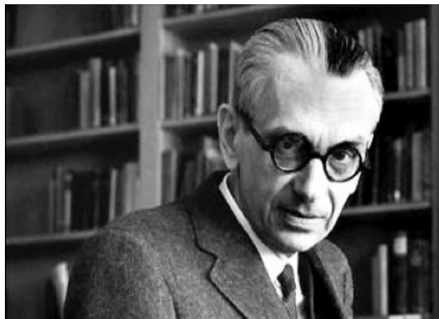


What Kind of Ultrafilter is Gödel's God?

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“There is a scientific (exact) philosophy and theology, which deals with concepts of the highest abstractness; and this is also most highly fruitful for science.”

- Kurt Gödel (Wang, 1996)[p. 316]

Gödel Workshop, 27 February 2019, FU Berlin (related talk: AISSQ-2018)

Presentation Outline

A Ontological Argument of Gödel & Scott on the Computer

- ▶ Recap of Methodology and Main Findings

B Relevant Notions for this Talk:

- ▶ Intension vs. extension of properties (philosophy of language)
- ▶ Ultrafilter (mathematics)

C Comparative Analysis on the Computer:

- ▶ Gödel/Scott (1972) variant
- ▶ Anderson's (1990) variant
- ▶ Fitting's (2002) variant

D Discussion: Metaphysics, Mathematics and Reality



Part A
— Computational Metaphysics (recap) —
Ontological Argument by Gödel & Scott on the Computer

Related work:

- ▶ Ed Zalta (& co) with PROVER9 at Stanford
- ▶ John Rushby with PVS at SRI

[AJP 2011, CADE 2015]

[CAV-WS 2013, JAL 2018]

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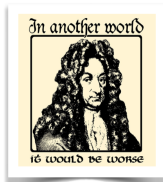
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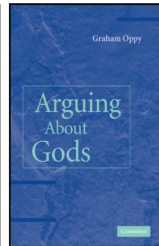
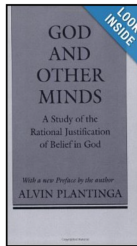
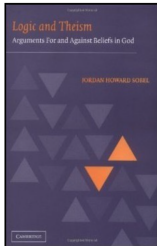
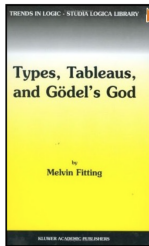
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Note: this definition is "second-order".

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(Main) Difference between Gödel and Scott

Gödel: Property E is essence of x iff

all of x's properties are entailed by E.

Scott: Property E is essence of x iff **x has E** and all of x's properties are entailed by E.

(Higher-Order) Modal Logic

$\Box P$

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$\Diamond P$

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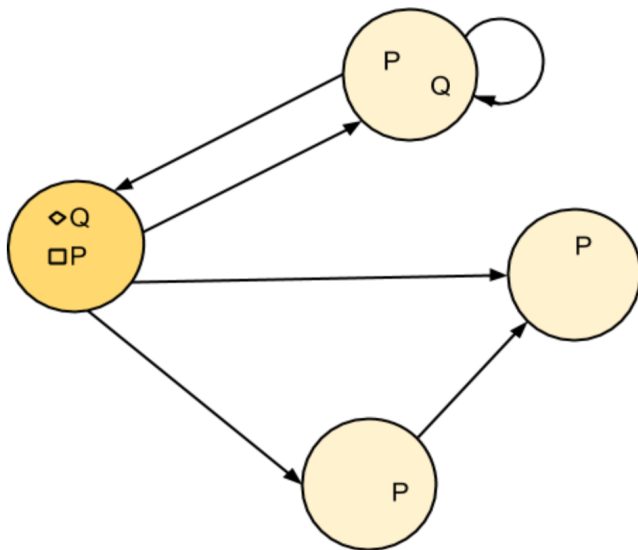
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(Higher-Order) Modal Logics: Kripke-style Semantics - Possible Worlds



Computational Metaphysics: Scott's and Gödel's Variants — Demo

Axiom Either a property or its negation is positive, but not both: $\forall\phi[P(\neg\phi) \leftrightarrow \neg P(\phi)]$

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 $\forall\phi\forall\psi[(P(\phi) \wedge \Box\forall x[\phi(x) \rightarrow \psi(x)]) \rightarrow P(\psi)]$

Thm. Positive properties are possibly exemplified: $\forall\phi[P(\phi) \rightarrow \Diamond\exists x\phi(x)]$

Def. A **Godlike being possesses all positive properties**: $G(x) \leftrightarrow \forall\phi[P(\phi) \rightarrow \phi(x)]$

Axiom The property of being Godlike is positive: $P(G)$

Cor. Possibly, God exists: $\Diamond\exists xG(x)$

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Def. An *essence* of an individual is a **property possessed by it and** necessarily implying any of its properties:
 $\phi \text{ ess. } x \leftrightarrow \phi(x) \wedge \forall\psi(\psi(x) \rightarrow \Box\forall y(\phi(y) \rightarrow \psi(y)))$

Thm. Being Godlike is an essence of any Godlike being: $\forall x[G(x) \rightarrow G \text{ ess. } x]$

Def. *Necessary existence* of an individual is the necessary exemplification of all its essences:
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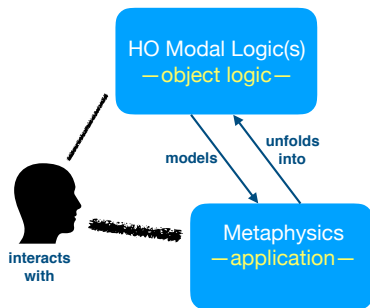
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2 begin
3 (*Positiveness/perfection: uninterpreted constant symbol*)
4 consts positiveProperty: "(e⇒i⇒bool)⇒i⇒bool" ("P")
5 (*Some auxiliary definitions needed to formalise A3*)
6 definition h1 ("pos") where "pos Z ≡ ∀X. Z X → P X"
7 definition h2 (infix "∩" 60) where "X ∩ Z ≡ □(∀x.(X x ↔ (∀Y.(Z Y) → (Y x))))"
8 definition h3 (infix "⇒" 60) where "X ⇒ Y ≡ □(∀z. X z → Y z)"
9
10 (**Part I**)
11 (*D1*) definition G ("G") where "G ≡ (λx. ∀Y. P Y → Y x)"
12 (*A1*) axiomatization where A1a: "[∀X. P (→X) → ¬(P X)]" and A1b: "[∀X. ¬(P X) → P (→X)]"
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15 (*T1*) theorem T1: "[∀X. P X → ◇∃E X]" by (metis A1a A2 h3_def)
16 (*T2*) theorem T2: "[P G]" proof -
17   {have 1: "∀w.∃Z X. (P G ∨ pos Z ∧ X ∩ Z ∧ ¬P X) w" by (metis(full_types) G_def h1_def h2_def)
18     have 2: "[∀Z X. (pos Z ∧ X ∩ Z) → P X] → [P G]" using 1 by auto}
19   thus ?thesis using A3 by blast qed
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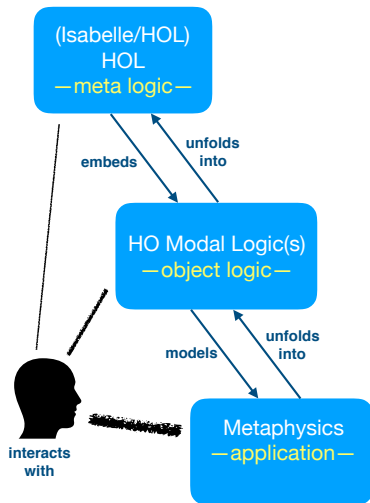
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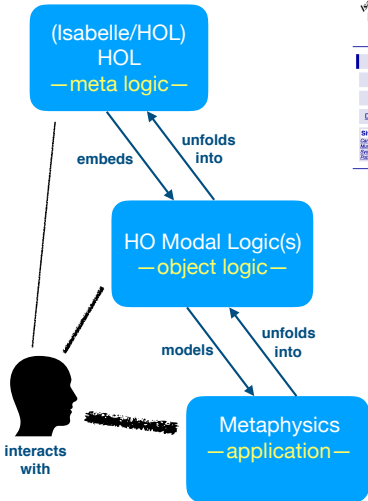




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What is Isabelle?

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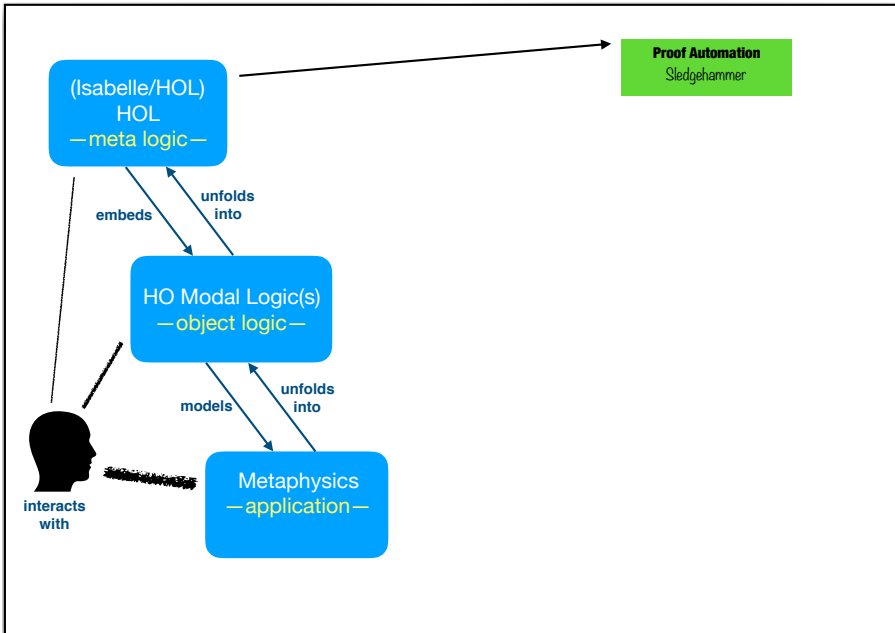
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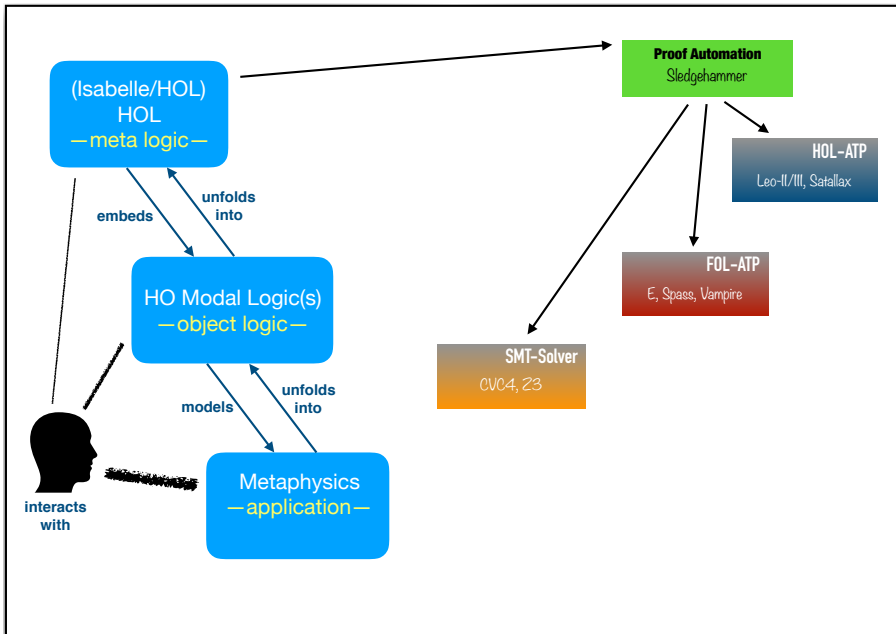
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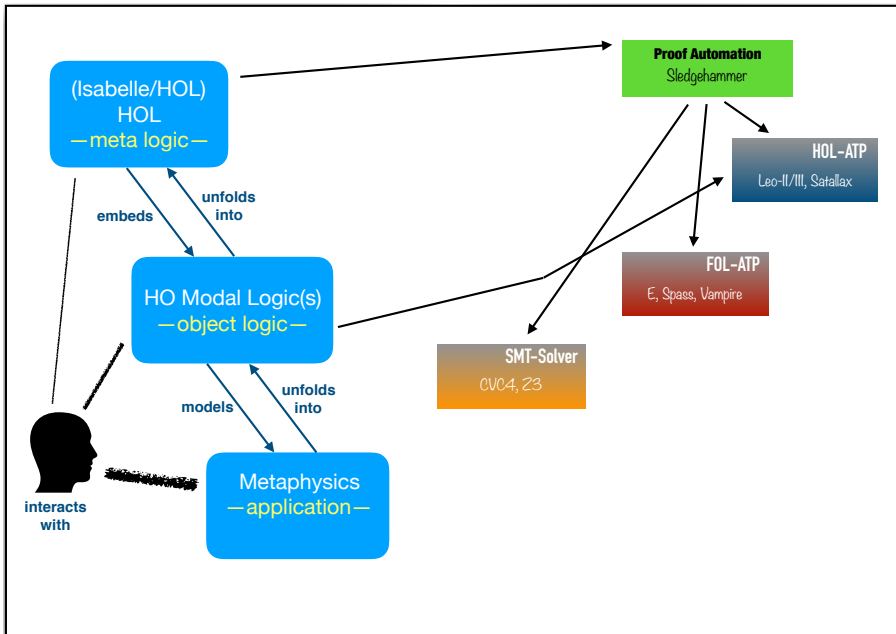
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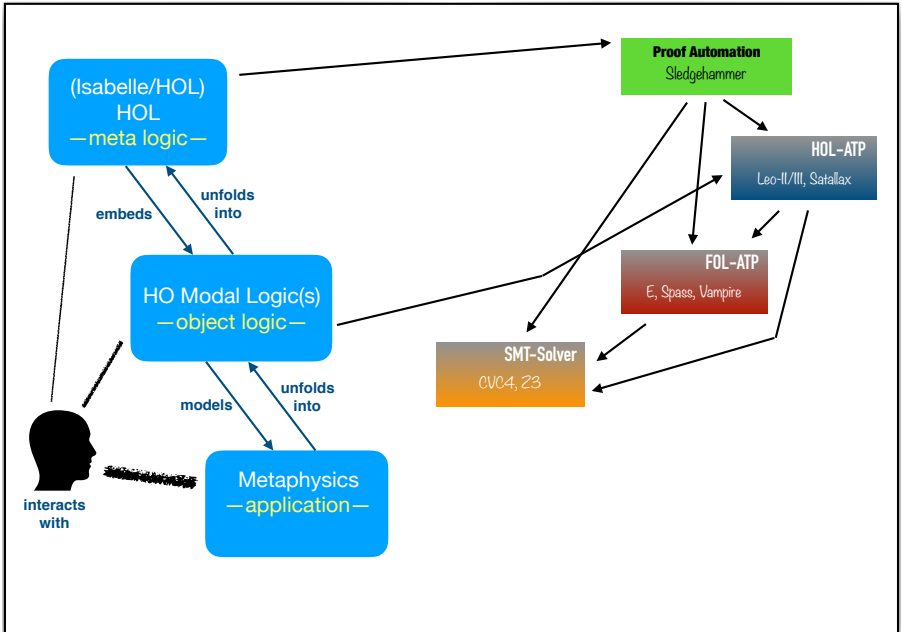
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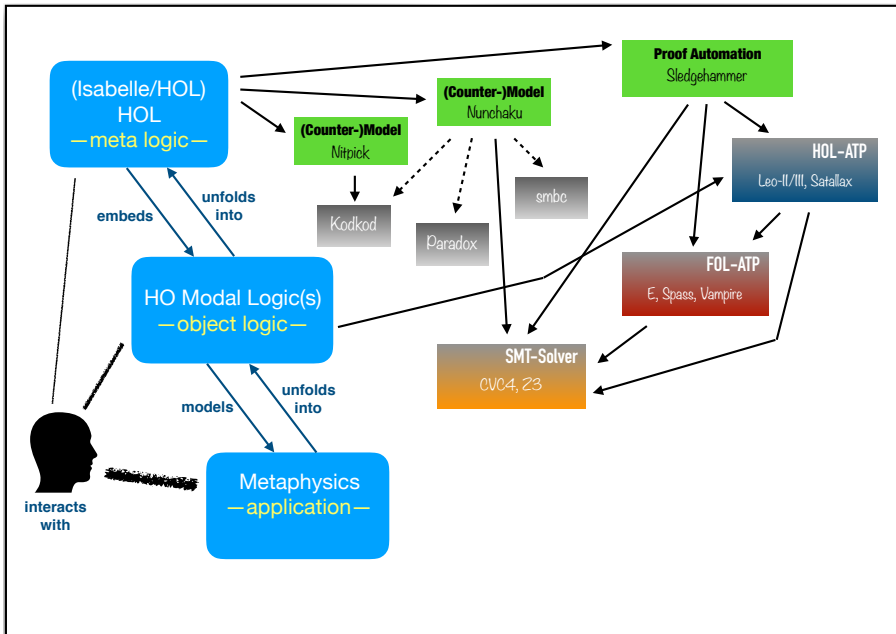
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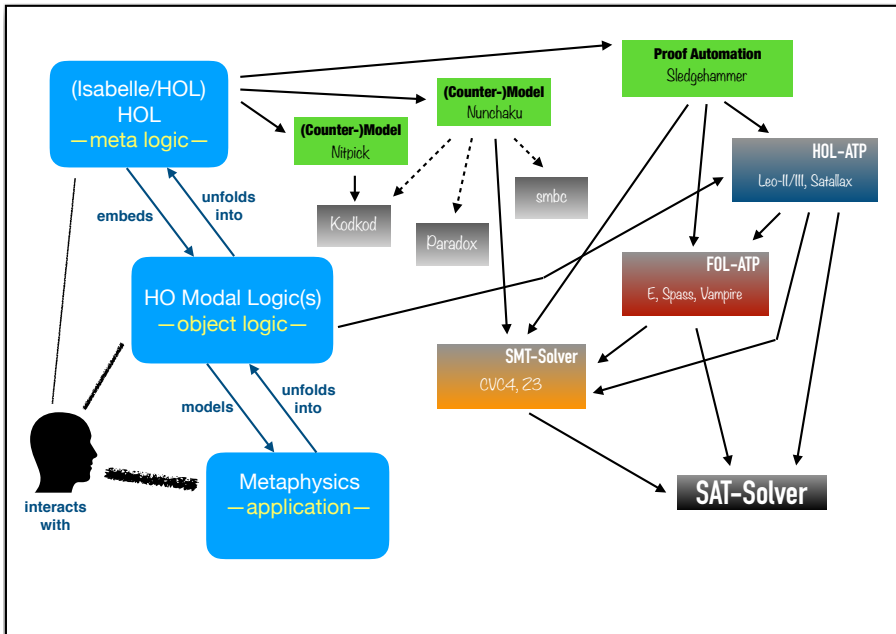


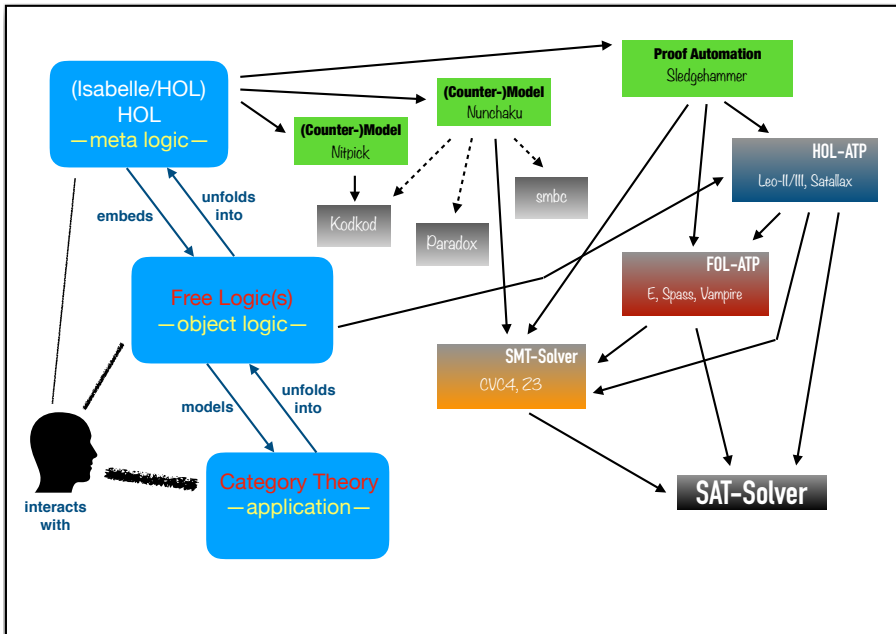


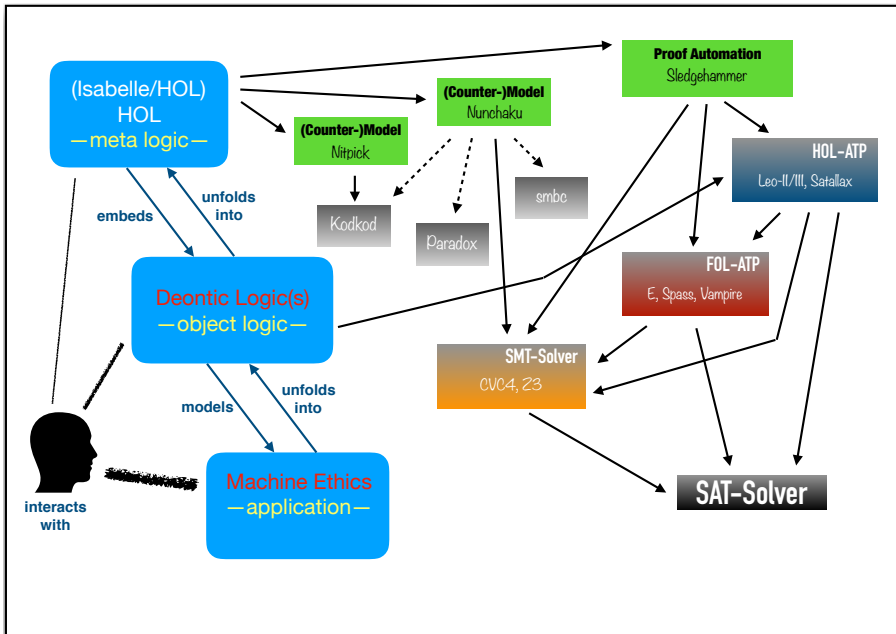


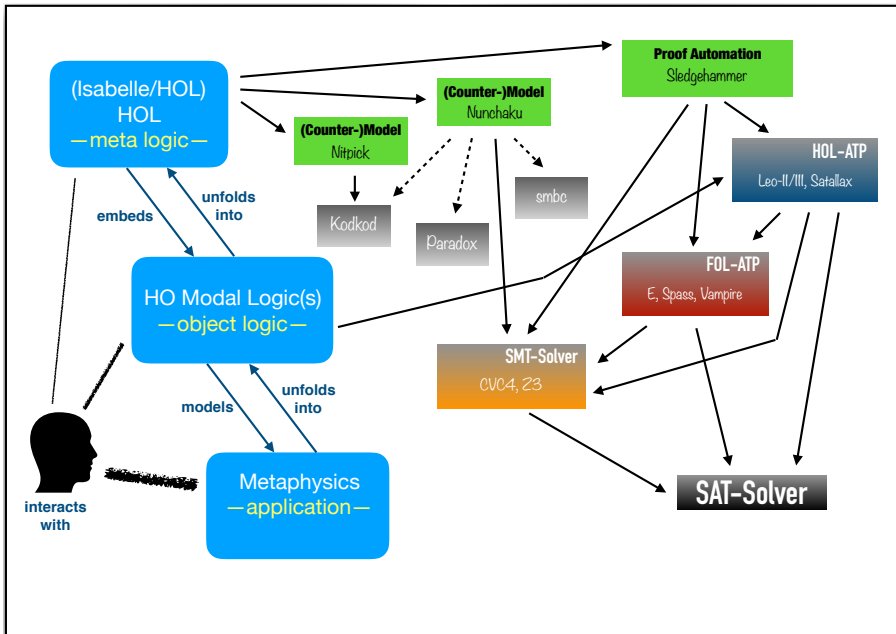


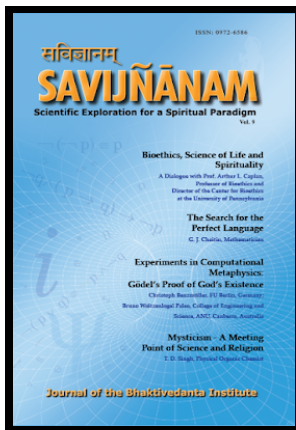












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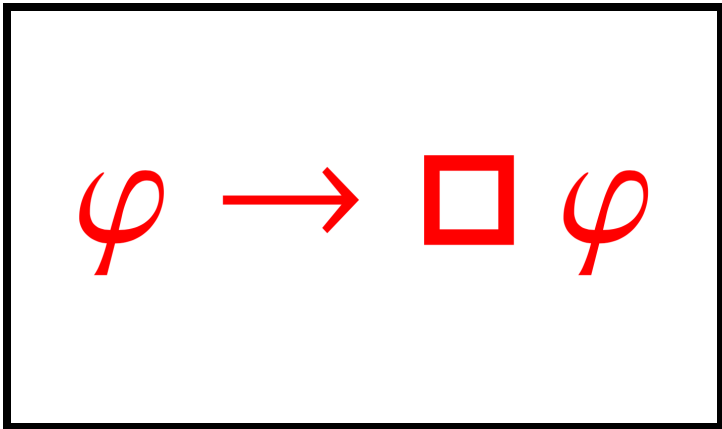
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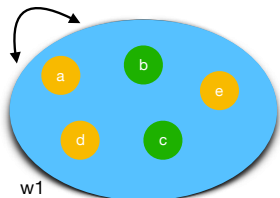
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Part B
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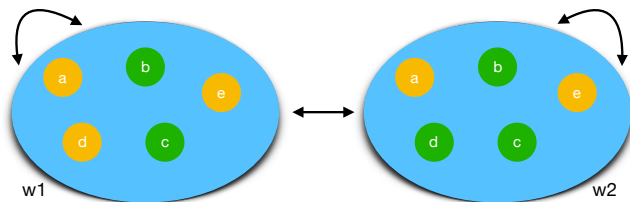
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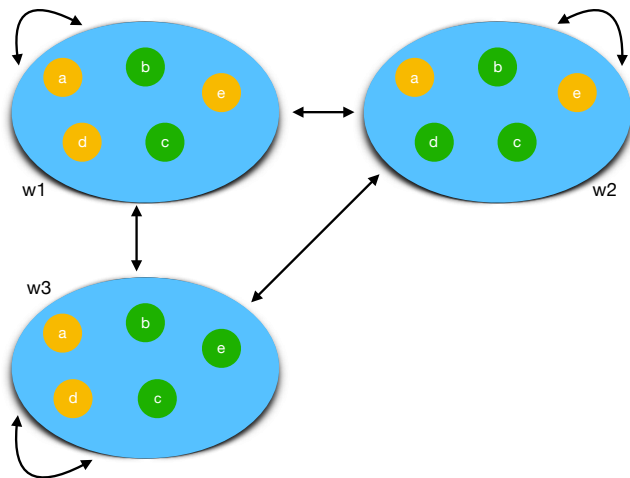
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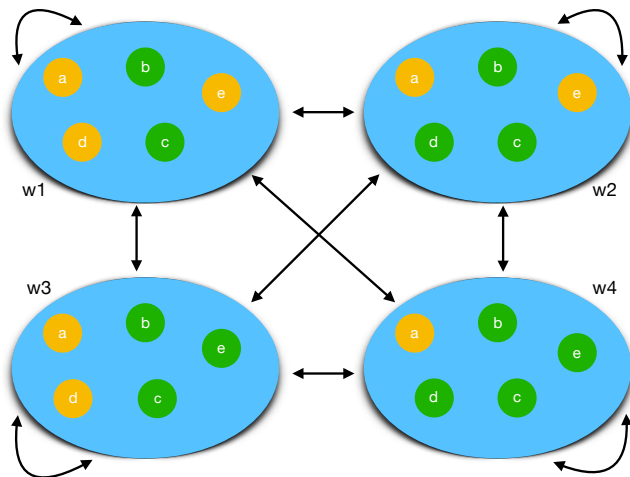
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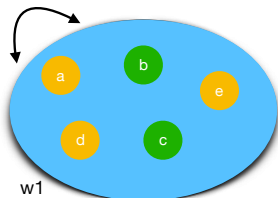
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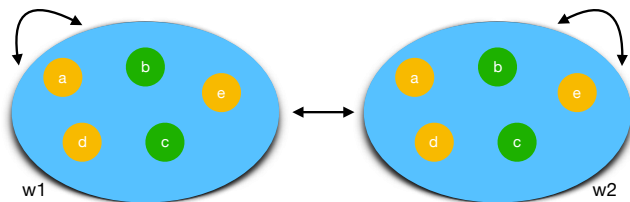
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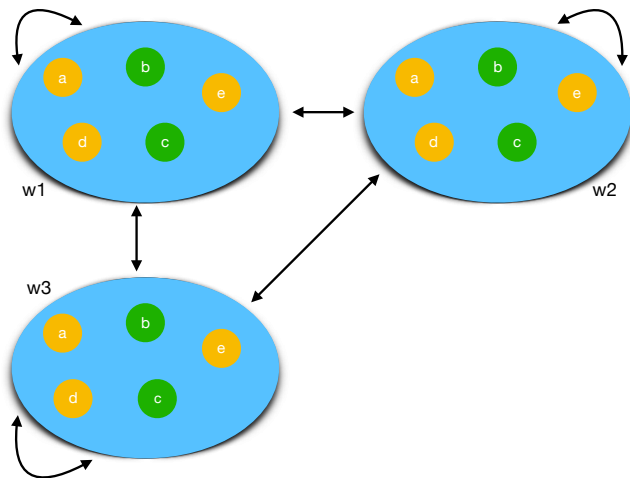
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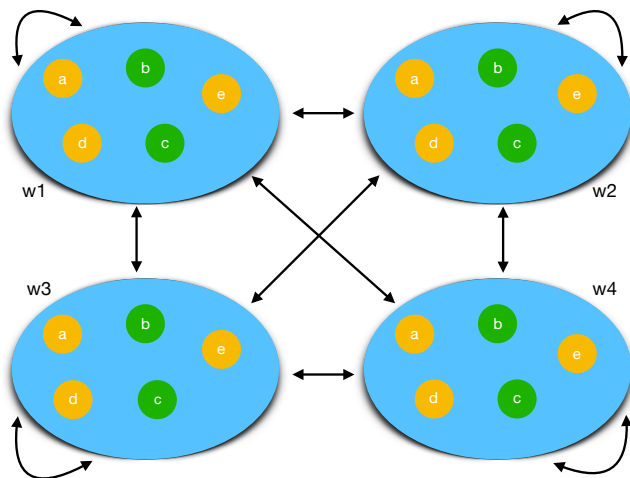
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4. Either A or its relative complement $X \setminus A$ is an element of U .

Example:

$$X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(X) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3, 4\}, \\ \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\}$$

$$U^1 = \{ \qquad \qquad \qquad \{1, 4\}, \qquad \qquad \qquad \}$$

$$U^2 = \{ \qquad \qquad \qquad \{1, 4\}, \qquad \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \}$$

$$U^3 = \{\{1\}, \qquad \{1, 4\}, \qquad \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\}$$

$$U^4 = \{\{\mathbf{1}\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\} = \mathbf{U}$$

Ultrafilter (Mathematics)

Definition of Ultrafilter:

Given an arbitrary set X . An ultrafilter U on the powerset $\mathcal{P}(X)$ is a subset of $\mathcal{P}(X)$ such that (where $A, B \in \mathcal{P}(X)$):

1. \emptyset is not an element of U .
2. If A is subset of B and A is element of U , then B is also element of U .
3. If A and B are elements of U , then so is their intersection.
4. Either A or its relative complement $X \setminus A$ is an element of U .

Example:

$$X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(X) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3, 4\}, \\ \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\}$$

$$U^1 = \{ \qquad \qquad \qquad \{1, 4\}, \qquad \qquad \qquad \}$$

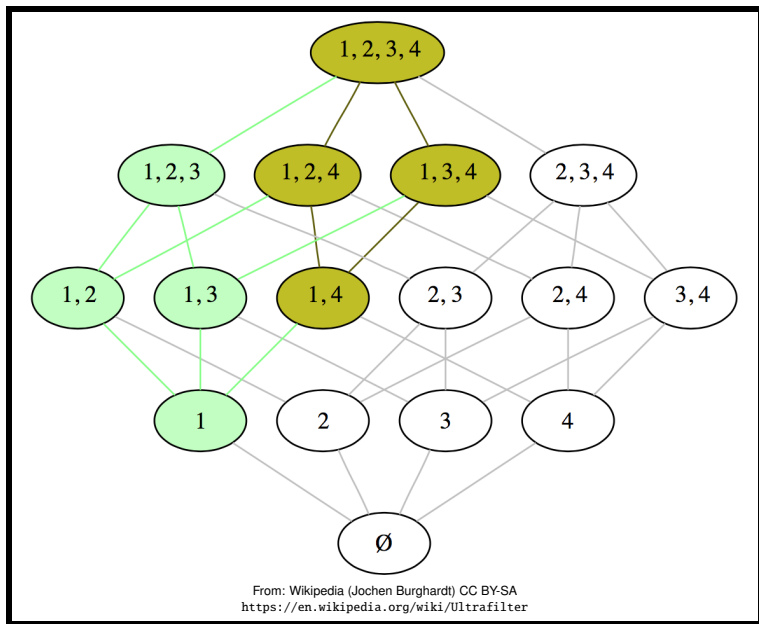
$$U^2 = \{ \qquad \qquad \qquad \{1, 4\}, \qquad \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \}$$

$$U^3 = \{\{1\}, \qquad \{1, 4\}, \qquad \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\}$$

$$U^4 = \{\{1\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\} = \mathbf{U}$$

$\mathbf{1}$ is element of all sets in U ($\mathbf{1}$ has all properties of U)

Ultrafilter (Mathematics)





Part C
— Comparative Analysis —
Variants of Gödel/Scott, Anderson and Fitting

Ontological Argument: Variant by Gödel/Scott

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1 Being Godlike is equivalent to having all positive properties.

A1 Exactly one of a property or its negation is positive.

A2 Any property entailed by a positive property is positive.

A3 The combination of any collection of positive properties is itself positive.

From A1 and A2 follows theorem T1:

T1 Every positive property is possibly instantiated.

From D1 and A3 follows:

T2 Being Godlike is a positive property.

From T1 and T2 follows:

T3 Being Godlike is possibly instantiated.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Gödel/Scott

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1 Part II - Proving that God's existence is necessary, if possible

A1 D2 A property E is the essence of an individual x iff x has E and all of x's properties are entailed by E.^a

A2 A4 Positive properties are necessarily positive.

From A1 and A4 (using definitions D1 and D2) follows:

T1 T4 Being Godlike is an essential property of any Godlike individual.

From D3 Necessary existence of an individual is the necessary instantiation of all its essences.

From A5 Necessary existence is a positive property.

T3 From T4 and A5 (using D1, D2, D3) follows:

T5 Being Godlike, if instantiated, is necessarily instantiated.

And finally from T3, T5 (together with some implicit modal axioms, e.g. S5) the existence of (at least a) God follows:

T6 Being Godlike is necessarily instantiated.

^aThe underlined part in definition D2 has been added by Scott. Gödel originally omitted this part.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Gödel/Scott

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1 Part II - Proving that God's existence is necessary, if possible

A1 D2 A property E is the essence of an individual x iff x has E and all of x 's

A2 **"Modal Collapse"** is implied by these axioms: $\varphi \supset \Box\varphi$

A3 A4 $\Box(\varphi \supset \psi) \supset (\Box\varphi \supset \Box\psi)$
▶ determinism

From T1 T4 **"positive properties (\mathcal{P})"** are applied here to intensional properties.

T1 T4 We can prove:

From D3 \mathcal{P} is an ultrafilter

T2 \mathcal{P} is a maximal consistent set of propositions

From A5 Let \mathcal{P}' be the set of "rigidly intensionalised extensions" of positive properties. We can prove:

T3 From T4 \mathcal{P}' is an ultrafilter

T5 From T4 $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}'$

And T6 Being Godlike is necessarily instantiated. ms,

e.g. S5) the existence of (at least a) God follows:

T6 Being Godlike is necessarily instantiated.

^aThe underlined part in definition D2 has been added by Scott. Gödel originally omitted this part.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Gödel/Scott

```
1 theory GoedelProof imports IHOML      (* This formalization follows Fitting's textbook *)
2 begin
3 (*Positiveness/perfection: uninterpreted constant symbol*)
4 consts positiveProperty::"(e⇒i⇒bool)⇒i⇒bool" ("P")
5 (*Some auxiliary definitions needed to formalise A3*)
6 definition h1 ("pos")   where "pos Z ≡ ∀X. Z X → P X"
7 definition h2 (infix "∩" 60) where "X ∩ Z ≡ □(∀x.(X x ↔ (∀Y.(Z Y) → (Y x))))"
8 definition h3 (infix "⇒" 60) where "X ⇒ Y ≡ □(∀Ez. X z → Y z)"
9
10 (**Part I**)
11 (*D1*) definition G ("G") where "G ≡ (λx. ∀Y. P Y → Y x)"
12 (*A1*) axiomatization where A1a: "[∀X. P (¬X) → ¬(P X)]" and A1b: "[∀X. ¬(P X) → P (¬X)]"
13 (*A2*) axiomatization where A2: "[∀X Y. (P X ∧ (X ⇒ Y)) → P Y]"
14 (*A3*) axiomatization where A3: "[∀Z X. (pos Z ∧ X ∩ Z) → P X]"
15 (*T1*) theorem T1: "[∀X. P X → ∃E X]" by (metis A1a A2 h3_def)
16 (*T2*) theorem T2: "[P G]" proof -
17   {have 1: "∀w. ∃Z X. (P G ∨ pos Z ∧ X ∩ Z ∧ ¬P X) w" by (metis(full_types) G_def h1_def h2_def)
18     have 2: "[∀Z X. (pos Z ∧ X ∩ Z) → P X] → [P G]" using 1 by auto}
19   thus ?thesis using A3 by blast qed
20 (*T3*) theorem T3: "[∃E G]" sledgehammer using T1 T2 by simp
21
```

Ontological Argument: Variant by Gödel/Scott

```
21
22 (**Part II**)
23 (*Logic KB*) axiomatization where symm: "symmetric aRel"
24 (*A4*) axiomatization where A4: "[ $\forall X. \mathcal{P} X \rightarrow \Box(\mathcal{P} X)$ ]"
25 (*D2*) definition ess (" $\mathcal{E}$ ") where " $\mathcal{E} Y x \equiv (Y x) \wedge (\forall Z. Z x \rightarrow Y \Rightarrow Z)$ "
26 (*T4*) theorem T4: "[ $\forall X. G x \rightarrow (\mathcal{E} G x)$ ]" by (metis A1b A4 G_def h3_def ess_def)
27 (*D3*) definition NE (" $\mathcal{N}$ ") where " $\mathcal{N} x \equiv (\lambda w. (\forall Y. \mathcal{E} Y x \rightarrow \Box^E Y) w)$ "
28 (*A5*) axiomatization where A5: "[ $\mathcal{P} \mathcal{N}$ ]"
29 (*T5*) theorem T5: "[ $(\Diamond \exists^E G) \rightarrow \Box \exists^E G$ ]" by (metis A5 G_def NE_def T4 symm)
30 (*T6*) theorem T6: "[ $\Box \exists^E G$ ]" using T3 T5 by blast
31
32 (**Consistency**)
33 lemma True nitpick[satisfy] oops (*Model found by Nitpick: the axioms are consistent*)
34
35 (**Modal Collapse**)
36 lemma ModalCollapse: "[ $\forall \Phi. (\Phi \rightarrow (\Box \Phi))$ ]" proof -
37   {fix w fix Q
38     have " $\forall x. G x w \rightarrow (\forall Z. Z x \rightarrow \Box(\forall^E z. G z \rightarrow Z z)) w$ " by (metis A1b A4 G_def)
39     hence 1: " $(\exists x. G x w) \rightarrow ((Q \rightarrow \Box(\forall^E z. G z \rightarrow Q)) w)$ " by force
40     have " $\exists x. G x w$ " using T3 T6 symm by blast
41     hence " $(Q \rightarrow \Box Q) w$ " using 1 T6 by blast
42   } thus ?thesis by auto qed
43
44 (**Some Corollaries**)
45 (*C1*) theorem C1: "[ $\forall E P x. ((\mathcal{E} E x) \wedge (P x)) \rightarrow (E \Rightarrow P)$ ]" by (metis ess_def)
46 (*C2*) theorem C2: "[ $\forall X. \neg \mathcal{P} X \rightarrow \Box(\neg \mathcal{P} X)$ ]" using A4 symm by blast
47   definition h4 (" $\mathcal{N}$ ") where " $\mathcal{N} X \equiv \neg \mathcal{P} X$ "
48 (*C3*) theorem C3: "[ $\forall X. \mathcal{N} X \rightarrow \Box(\mathcal{N} X)$ ]" by (simp add: C2 h4_def)
```


Ontological Argument: Variant by Gödel/Scott

```
49
50 (**Positive Properties and Ultrafilters**)
51 abbreviation emptySet ("∅") where "∅ ≡ λx w. False"
52 abbreviation entails (infixr"⊆"51) where "φ⊆ψ ≡ ∀x w. φ x w → ψ x w"
53 abbreviation andPred (infixr"∩"51) where "φ∩ψ ≡ λx w. φ x w ∧ ψ x w"
54 abbreviation negpred ("¬_"[52]53) where "¬ψ ≡ λx w. ¬ψ x w"
55 abbreviation "ultrafilter Φ cw ≡
56   ¬(Φ ∅ cw)
57   ∧ (∀φ. ∀ψ. (Φ φ cw ∧ Φ ψ cw) → (Φ (φ ∩ ψ) cw))
58   ∧ (∀φ::e⇒i⇒bool. ∀ψ::e⇒i⇒bool. (Φ φ cw ∨ Φ (¬φ) cw) ∧ ¬(Φ φ cw ∧ Φ (¬φ) cw))
59   ∧ (∀φ::e⇒i⇒bool. ∀ψ::e⇒i⇒bool. (Φ φ cw ∧ φ ⊆ ψ) → Φ ψ cw)"
60 lemma helpA: "∀w. ¬(P ∅ w)" using T1 by auto
61 lemma helpB: "∀φ ψ w. (P φ w ∧ P ψ w) → (P (φ ∩ ψ) w)" by (smt Alb G_def T3 T6 symm)
62 lemma helpC: "∀φ ψ w. (P φ w ∨ P (¬φ) w) ∧ ¬(P φ w ∧ P (¬φ) w)" using Ala Alb by blast
63 lemma helpD: "∀φ ψ w. (P φ w ∧ (φ ⊆ ψ)) → P ψ w" by (metis Alb A4 G_def T1 T6)
64
65 (*U1*) theorem U1: "∀w. ultrafilter P w" using helpA helpB helpC helpD by simp
66
67 (*(|φ| converts an extensional object φ into 'rigid' intensional one*)
68 abbreviation trivialConversion ("⌊_⌋") where "⌊φ⌋ ≡ (λw. φ)"
69 (*Q ↓φ: the extension of a (possibly) non-rigid predicate φ is turned into a rigid intensional one,
70 then Q is applied to the latter; ↓φ can be read as "the rigidly intensionalised predicate φ"*)
71 abbreviation nextPredArg (infix "↓" 60) where "Q ↓φ ≡ λw. Q (λx. ⌊φ x w⌋) w"
72 lemma "∀Q φ. Q φ = Q ↓φ" nitpick oops (*countermodel: the two notions are not the same*)
73
74 lemma helpE: "∀w. ¬((P ↓∅) w)" using T1 by blast
75 lemma helpF: "∀φ ψ w. ((P ↓φ) w ∧ (P ↓ψ) w) → ((P ↓(φ∩ψ)) w)" by (smt Alb C2 G_def T3 symm)
76 lemma helpG: "∀w. ((P ↓φ) w ∨ (P ↓(¬φ)) w) ∧ ¬((P ↓φ) w ∧ (P ↓(¬φ)) w)" using Ala Alb by blast
77 lemma helpH: "∀w. ((P ↓φ) w ∧ φ⊆ψ) → (P ↓ψ) w" by (metis Alb A5 G_def NE_def T3 T4 symm)
78
79 abbreviation "P' φ ≡ (P ↓φ)" (*P': the set of all rigidly intensionalised positive properties*)
80
81 (*U2*) theorem U2: "∀w. ultrafilter P' w" using helpE helpF helpG helpH by simp
82 (*U3*) theorem U3: "(P' ⊆ P) ∧ (P ⊆ P')" by (smt Alb G_def T1 T6 symm) (*P' and P are equal*)
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Ontological Argument: Variant by Gödel/Scott

The screenshot shows a theorem prover interface with a code editor and a playback control bar. The code editor displays a formalization of Gödel's ontological argument in a theorem prover language. The code is as follows:

```
1 theory GoedelProof imports IHOML      (* This formalization follows Fitting's textbook *)
2 begin
3 (*Positiveness/perfection: uninterpreted constant symbol*)
4   consts positiveProperty: "(e⇒i⇒bool)⇒i⇒bool" ("P")
5 (*Some auxiliary definitions needed to formalise A3*)
6   definition h1 ("pos")   where "pos Z ≡ ∀X. Z X → P X"
7   definition h2 (infix "∩" 60) where "X ∩ Z ≡ □(∀x. (X x ↔ (∀Y. (Z Y → (Y x)))))"
8   definition h3 (infix "⇒" 60) where "X ⇒ Y ≡ □(∀Ez. X z → Y z)"
9
10 (**Part I**)
11 (*D1*) definition G ("G") where "G ≡ (λx. ∀Y. P Y → Y x)"
12 (*A1*) axiomatization where A1a: "[∀X. P (→X) → ¬(P X)]" and A1b: "[∀X. ¬(P X) → P (→X)]"
13 (*A2*) axiomatization where A2: "[∀X Y. (P X ∧ (X ⇒ Y)) → P Y]"
14 (*A3*) axiomatization where A3: "[∀Z X. (pos Z ∧ X ∩ Z) → P X]"
15 (*T1*) theorem T1: "[∀X. P X → ◇∃E X]" by (metis A1a A2 h3_def)
16 (*T2*) theorem T2: "[P G]" proof -
17   {have 1: "∀w. ∃X. (P G ∨ pos Z ∧ X ∩ Z ∧ ¬P X) w" by (metis(full_types) G_def h1_def h2_def)
18   have 2: "[∀Z X. (pos Z ∧ X ∩ Z) → P X] → [P G]" using 1 by auto}
19   thus ?thesis using A3 by blast qed
20 (*T3*) theorem T3: "[◇∃E G]" using T1 T2 by simp
21
22 (**Part II**)
23 (*Logic KP*) axiomatization where sum: "sumetric ∼Def"
```

The playback control bar shows a video player with a progress bar from 00:00 to -02:26. The video title is "theorem U3: P' ⊆ P ∧ P ⊆ Undefined fact: 'T6'Δ". The interface also includes a sidebar with navigation options: Documentation, Sidekick, State, Theories, and a bottom bar with Output, Query, Sledgehammer, and Symbols.

SOME EMENDATIONS OF GÖDEL'S ONTOLOGICAL PROOF

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Kurt Gödel's version of the ontological argument was shown by J. Howard Sobel to be defective, but some plausible modifications in the argument result in a version which is immune to Sobel's objection. A definition is suggested which permits the proof of some of Gödel's axioms.

[Faith and Philosophy 1990]

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

- D1** Being Godlike is equivalent to having all positive properties.
- A1** Exactly one of a property or its negation is positive.
- A2** Any property entailed by a positive property is positive.
- A3** The combination of any collection of positive properties is itself positive.

From A1 and A2 follows theorem T1:

- T1** Every positive property is possibly instantiated.

From D1 and A3 follows:

- T2** Being Godlike is a positive property.

From T1 and T2 follows:

- T3** Being Godlike is possibly instantiated.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1 Being Godlike is equivalent to having all positive properties.

A1a If a property is positive, then its negation is not positive.

A1b If the negation of a property is not positive, then the property is positive.

A2 Any property entailed by a positive property is positive.

A3 The combination of any collection of positive properties is itself positive.

From A1 and A2 follows theorem T1:

T1 Every positive property is possibly instantiated.

From D1 and A3 follows:

T2 Being Godlike is a positive property.

From T1 and T2 follows:

T3 Being Godlike is possibly instantiated.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1 Being Godlike is equivalent to having all positive properties.

A1a If a property is positive, then its negation is not positive.

A1b ~~If the negation of a property is not positive, then the property is positive.~~

A2 Any property entailed by a positive property is positive.

A3 The combination of any collection of positive properties is itself positive.

From A1 and A2 follows theorem T1:

T1 Every positive property is possibly instantiated.

From D1 and A3 follows:

T2 Being Godlike is a positive property.

From T1 and T2 follows:

T3 Being Godlike is possibly instantiated.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1' Being Godlike is equivalent to having all and only the positive properties as necessary properties.

A1a If a property is positive, then its negation is not positive.

A1b ~~If the negation of a property is not positive, then the property is positive.~~

A2 Any property entailed by a positive property is positive.

A3 The combination of any collection of positive properties is itself positive.

From A1 and A2 follows theorem T1:

T1 Every positive property is possibly instantiated.

From D1 and A3 follows:

T2 Being Godlike is a positive property.

From T1 and T2 follows:

T3 Being Godlike is possibly instantiated.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1' Part II - Proving that God's existence is necessary, if possible

D2 A property E is the essence of an individual x iff x has E and all of x's properties are entailed by E.

A1b **A4** Positive properties are necessarily positive.

From A1 and A4 (using definitions D1 and D2) follows:

A2 **T4** Being Godlike is an essential property of any Godlike individual.

A3 **D3** Necessary existence of an individual is the necessary instantiation of all its essences.

From T1 **A5** Necessary existence is a positive property.

From T4 and A5 (using D1, D2, D3) follows:

T2 **T5** Being Godlike, if instantiated, is necessarily instantiated.

From T3, T5 (together with some implicit modal axioms, e.g. S5) the existence of (at least a) God follows:

T3 **T6** Being Godlike is necessarily instantiated.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1' Part II - Proving that God's existence is necessary, if possible

A1a D2' A property E is an essence (\mathcal{E}^A) of an individual x if and only if all of x's necessary properties are entailed by E and (conversely) all properties entailed by E are necessary properties of x.

A1b

A4 Positive properties are necessarily positive.

A2 From A1 and A4 (using definitions D1 and D2) follows:

A3 T4 Being Godlike is an essential property of any Godlike individual.

From T1 D3 Necessary existence of an individual is the necessary instantiation of all its essences.

From A5 A5 Necessary existence is a positive property.

T2 From T4 and A5 (using D1, D2, D3) follows:

From T5 T5 Being Godlike, if instantiated, is necessarily instantiated.

T3 And finally from T3, T5 (together with some implicit modal axioms, e.g. S5) the existence of (at least a) God follows:

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Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

Part I - Proving that God's existence is possible

D1' Part II - Proving that God's existence is necessary, if possible

D2' **“Modal Collapse” is *not* implied by these axioms** of

A1a **“Modal Collapse” is *not* implied by these axioms**

A1b $\varphi \supset \Box\varphi$ (has countermodel)

A4 From

A2 ▶ no determinism

A3 T4 “positive properties (\mathcal{P})” are applied here to intensional properties.

From D3 We have:

T1 ▶ \mathcal{P} is *not* an ultrafilter (has countermodel)

From A5 Let \mathcal{P}' be the set of all “rigidly intensionalised extensions” of positive properties. We can prove:

T2 From ▶ \mathcal{P}' is an ultrafilter

From T5 And ▶ $\mathcal{P} \neq \mathcal{P}'$ ms,

e.g. S

T6 Being Godlike is necessarily instantiated.

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

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2 begin
3 (*Positiveness/perfection: uninterpreted constant symbol*)
4   consts positiveProperty::"(e⇒i⇒bool)⇒i⇒bool" ("P")
5 (*Some auxiliary definitions*)
6   definition h3 (infix "⇒" 60) where "X ⇒ Y ≡ □(∀Ez. X z → Y z)"
7
8 (**Part I**)
9 (D1*) definition GA ("GA") where "GA ≡ λx. ∀Y. (P Y) ↔ □(Y x)"
10 (A1*) axiomatization where A1a:"[∀X. P (→X) → ¬(P X)]"
11 (A2*) axiomatization where A2:"[∀X Y. (P X ∧ (X ⇒ Y)) → P Y]"
12 (T1*) theorem T1: "[∀X. P X → ◇EX]" using A1a A2 h3_def by metis
13 (T2*) axiomatization where T2: "[P GA]" (*here we postulate T2 instead of proving it*)
14 (T3*) theorem T3: "[◇EGA]" using T1 T2 h3_def by blast
15
```

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

```
1 theory AndersonProof imports IHOML
16 (**Part II**)
17 (*Logic KB*) axiomatization where symm: "symmetric aRel"
18 (*A4*) axiomatization where A4: "[ $\forall X. \mathcal{P} X \rightarrow \Box(\mathcal{P} X)$ ]"
19 (*D2'*) abbreviation essA (" $\mathcal{E}^A$ ") where " $\mathcal{E}^A Y x \equiv (\forall Z. \Box(Z x) \leftrightarrow Y \Rightarrow Z)$ "
20 (*T4*) theorem T4: "[ $\forall x. G^A x \rightarrow (\mathcal{E}^A G^A x)$ ]" by (metis A2 GA_def T2 symm h3_def)
21 (*D3*) abbreviation NEA (" $\mathcal{N}^A$ ") where " $\mathcal{N}^A x \equiv (\lambda w. (\forall Y. \mathcal{E}^A Y x \rightarrow \Box\exists^E Y) w)$ "
22 (*A5*) axiomatization where A5: "[ $\mathcal{P} \mathcal{N}^A$ ]"
23 (*T5*) theorem T5: "[ $\Diamond\exists^E G^A \longrightarrow \Box\exists^E G^A$ ]" by (metis A2 GA_def T2 symm h3_def)
24 (*T6*) theorem T6: "[ $\Box\exists^E G^A$ ]" using T3 T5 by blast
25
26 (**Modal collapse is countersatisfiable**)
27 lemma "[ $\forall\Phi. (\Phi \rightarrow (\Box \Phi))$ ]" nitpick oops (*Countermodel found by Nitpick*)
28
29 (**Consistency**)
30 lemma True nitpick[satisfy] oops (*model found by Nitpick: the axioms are consistent*)
31
32 (**Some Corollaries**)
33 (*C1*) theorem C1: "[ $\forall E P x. ((\mathcal{E}^A E x) \wedge (P x)) \rightarrow (E \Rightarrow P)$ ]" nitpick oops (*countermodel*)
34 (*C2*) theorem C2: "[ $\forall X. \neg\mathcal{P} X \rightarrow \Box(\neg\mathcal{P} X)$ ]" using A4 symm by blast
35 definition h4 (" $\mathcal{N}$ ") where " $\mathcal{N} X \equiv \neg\mathcal{P} X$ "
36 (*C3*) theorem C3: "[ $\forall X. \mathcal{N} X \rightarrow \Box(\mathcal{N} X)$ ]" by (simp add: C2 h4_def)
```

Ontological Argument: Variant by Anderson

```
1 theory AndersonProof imports IHOML
```

```
38 (**Positive Properties and Ultrafilters**)
```

```
39 abbreviation emptySet ("∅") where "∅ ≡ λx w. False"
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40 abbreviation entails (infixr "⊆" 51) where "φ ⊆ ψ ≡ ∀x w. φ x w → ψ x w"
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41 abbreviation andPred (infixr "∩" 51) where "φ ∩ ψ ≡ λx w. φ x w ∧ ψ x w"
```

```
42 abbreviation negpred ("¬" [52] [53]) where "¬ψ ≡ λx w. ¬ψ x w"
```

```
43 abbreviation "ultrafilter Φ cw ≡
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44 ¬(Φ ∅ cw)
```

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45 ∧ (∀φ. ∀ψ. (Φ φ cw ∧ Φ ψ cw) → (Φ (φ ∩ ψ) cw))
```

```
46 ∧ (∀φ::e⇒i⇒bool. ∀ψ::e⇒i⇒bool. (Φ φ cw ∨ Φ (¬φ) cw) ∧ ¬(Φ φ cw ∧ Φ (¬φ) cw))
```

```
47 ∧ (∀φ::e⇒i⇒bool. ∀ψ::e⇒i⇒bool. (Φ φ cw ∧ φ ⊆ ψ) → Φ ψ cw)"
```

```
49 (**U1*) theorem U1: "∀w. ultrafilter P w" nitpick[user_axioms,format=2,show_all] oops (*counterterm.*)
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50 Lemma helpC: "∀φ ψ w. (P φ w ∨ P (¬φ) w) ∧ ¬(P φ w ∧ P (¬φ) w)" nitpick oops (*countermodel*)
```

```
52 (**(φ) converts an extensional object φ into `rigid' intensional one*)
```

```
53 abbreviation trivialConversion ("⟦_⟧") where "⟦φ⟧ ≡ (λw. φ)"
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54 (*Q ↓φ: the extension of a (possibly) non-rigid predicate φ is turned into a rigid intensional one, then Q is applied to the latter; ↓φ can be read as "the rigidly intensionalised predicate φ"*)
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55 abbreviation mexTPredArg (infix "↓" 60) where "Q ↓φ ≡ λw. Q (λx. ⟦φ x w⟧) w"
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56 Lemma "∀Q φ. Q φ = Q ↓φ" nitpick oops (*countermodel: the two notions are not the same*)
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59 Lemma helpE: "∀w. ¬((P ↓∅) w)" using T1 by blast
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60 Lemma helpF: "∀φ ψ w. ((P ↓φ) w ∧ (P ↓ψ) w) → ((P ↓(φ ∩ ψ)) w)" by (smt GA_def T3 T5 symm)
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61 Lemma helpG: "∀w. ((P ↓φ) w ∨ (P ↓(¬φ)) w) ∧ ¬((P ↓φ) w ∧ (P ↓(¬φ)) w)" by (smt GA_def T3 T5 symm)
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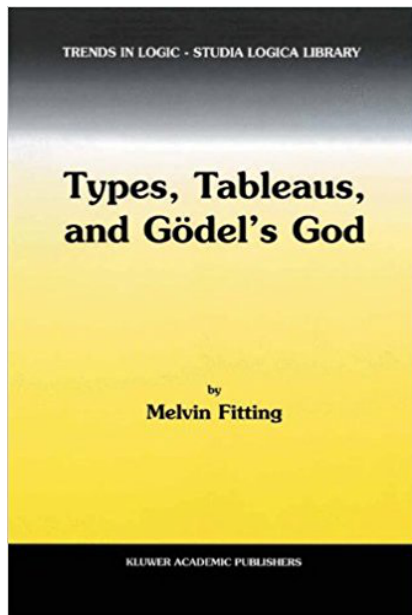
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62 Lemma helpH: "∀w. ((P ↓φ) w ∧ φ ⊆ ψ) → (P ↓ψ) w" by (metis (no_types, lifting) A4 C2 GA_def T3)
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64 abbreviation "P' φ ≡ (P ↓φ)" (*P': the set of all rigidly intensionalised positive properties*)
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66 (**U2*) theorem U2: "∀w. ultrafilter P' w" using helpE helpF helpG helpH by simp
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67 (**U3*) theorem U3: "(P' ⊆ P) ∧ (P ⊆ P')" nitpick oops (*countermodel: P' and P are not equal*)
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- D1** Being Godlike is equivalent to having all positive properties.
- A1** Exactly one of a property or its negation is positive.
- A2** Any property entailed by a positive property is positive.
- A3** The combination of any collection of positive properties is itself positive.

From A1 and A2 follows theorem T1:

- T1** Every positive property is possibly instantiated.

From D1 and A3 follows:

- T2** Being Godlike is a positive property.

From T1 and T2 follows:

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Fully analogous to Gödel/Scott.

But: “positive properties” applied to extensions of properties only!

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A2 A4 Positive properties are necessarily positive.

From A1 and A4 (using definitions D1 and D2) follows:

T1 T4 Being Godlike is an essential property of any Godlike individual.

From D3 Necessary existence of an individual is the necessary instantiation of all its essences.

T2 A5 Necessary existence is a positive property.

From T4 and A5 (using D1, D2, D3) follows:

T3 T5 Being Godlike, if instantiated, is necessarily instantiated.

And finally from T3, T5 (together with some implicit modal axioms, e.g. S5) the existence of (at least a) God follows:

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“Modal Collapse” is *not* implied by these axioms

$$\varphi \supset \Box\varphi \quad (\text{has countermodel})$$

We can prove that these “positive property extensions” (which corresponds to \mathcal{P}' from before) form an ultrafilter.

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2 begin
3 (*Positiveness/perfection: uninterpreted constant symbol*)
4   consts Positiveness::"(e⇒bool)⇒i⇒bool" ("P")
5 (*Some auxiliary definitions*)
6 (*(|φ|) converts an extensional object φ into `rigid' intensional one*)
7   abbreviation trivialConversion ("(|_|)" where "(|φ|) ≡ (λw. φ)"
8   abbreviation Entails (infix"⇒" 60) where "X⇒Y ≡ □(∀z. (X z)→(Y z))"
9   (*φ's argument is a relativized term (of extensional type) derived from an intensional predicate.*)
10  abbreviation extPredArg (infix "↓" 60) where "φ ↓P ≡ λw. φ (λx. P x w) w"
11  (*A variant of the latter where φ takes intensional terms as argument.*)
12  abbreviation nextPredArg (infix "↓" 60) where "φ ↓P ≡ λw. φ (λx. (P x w)) w"
13  (*Another variant where φ has two arguments (the first one being relativized).*)
14  abbreviation extPredArg1 (infix "↓1" 60) where "φ ↓1P ≡ λz. λw. φ (λx. P x w) z w"
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16 (**Part I**)
17 (*D1*) abbreviation God ("G") where "G ≡ (λx. ∀Y. P Y → (Y x))"
18 (*A1*) axiomatization where A1a:"[∀X. P (→X) → ¬(P X)]" and A1b:"[∀X. ¬(P X) → P (→X)]"
19 (*A2*) axiomatization where A2: "[∀X Y. (P X ∧ (X ⇒ Y)) → P Y]"
20 (*T1*) theorem T1: "[∀X. P X → ◇(∃z. (X z))]" using A1a A2 by blast
21 (*T2*) axiomatization where T2: "[P ↓G]"
22 (*T3*) theorem T3deRe: "[(λX. ◇∃E X) ↓G]" using T1 T2 by simp
23   theorem T3deDicto: "[◇∃E ↓G]" nitpick oops (*countermodel*)
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25 (**Part II*)
26 (*Logic KB*) axiomatization where symm: "symmetric aRel"
27 (*A4*) axiomatization where A4: "[ $\forall X. P X \rightarrow \Box(P X)$ ]"
28 (*D2*) abbreviation Essence (" $\mathcal{E}$ ") where " $\mathcal{E} Y x \equiv (\forall x. (Y x) \wedge (\forall Z. (Z x) \rightarrow (Y \Rightarrow Z)))$ "
29 (*T4*) theorem T4: "[ $\forall x. G x \rightarrow ((\mathcal{E} \downarrow_1 G) x)$ ]" using A1b by metis
30 (*D3*) definition NE (" $\mathcal{NE}$ ") where " $\mathcal{NE} x \equiv \lambda w. (\forall Y. \mathcal{E} Y x \rightarrow \Box(\exists^E z. (\forall y z))) w$ "
31 (*A5*) axiomatization where A5: "[ $P \downarrow \mathcal{NE}$ ]"
32 lemma help1: "[ $\exists \downarrow G \rightarrow \Box^E \downarrow G$ ]" sorry (*longer interactive proof, omitted here*)
33 lemma help2: "[ $\exists \downarrow G \rightarrow ((\lambda X. \Box^E X) \downarrow G)$ ]" by (metis A4 help1)
34 (*T5*) theorem T5deDicto: "[ $\Box^E \downarrow G \rightarrow \Box \downarrow G$ ]" using T3deRe help1 by blast
35 theorem T5deRe: "[ $(\lambda X. \Box^E X) \downarrow G \rightarrow (\lambda X. \Box \downarrow G)$ ]" by (metis A4 help2)
36 (*T6*) theorem T6deDicto: "[ $\Box^E \downarrow G$ ]" using T3deRe help1 by blast
37 theorem T6deRe: "[ $(\lambda X. \Box^E X) \downarrow G$ ]" using T3deRe help2 by blast
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39 (**Consistency**)
40 lemma True nitpick[satisfy] oops (*Model found by Nitpick: the axioms are consistent*)
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42 (**Modal Collapse**)
43 lemma ModalCollapse: "[ $\forall \Phi. (\Phi \rightarrow (\Box \Phi))$ ]" nitpick oops (*countermodel*)
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45 (**Some Corollaries**)
46 (* TODO (*C1*) theorem C1: "[ $\forall E P x. ((\mathcal{E} E x) \wedge (P x)) \rightarrow (E \Rightarrow P)$ ]" by (metis ess_def) *)
47 (*C2*) theorem C2: "[ $\forall X. \neg P X \rightarrow \Box(\neg P X)$ ]" using A4 symm by blast
48 definition h4 (" $\mathcal{N}$ ") where " $\mathcal{N} X \equiv \neg P X$ "
49 (*C3*) theorem C3: "[ $\forall X. \mathcal{N} X \rightarrow \Box(\mathcal{N} X)$ ]" by (simp add: C2 h4_def)
50 definition rigid " $\varphi \equiv \forall x. \varphi x \rightarrow \Box(\varphi x)$ "
51 (*C4*) theorem "[ $\forall \varphi. P \varphi \rightarrow \text{rigid } (\lambda x. (\varphi x))$ ]" by (simp add: rigid_def)
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54 (**Positive Properties and Ultrafilters**)
55 abbreviation empty ("∅") where "∅ ≡ λx. False"
56 abbreviation intersect (infix "∩" 52) where "φ ∩ ψ ≡ (λx. φ x ∧ ψ x)"
57 abbreviation nnegpred ("¬_" [52]53) where "¬ψ ≡ λx. ¬ψ(x)"
58 abbreviation entail (infixr "⊆" 51) where "φ ⊆ ψ ≡ ∀x. φ x → ψ x"
59 abbreviation "ultrafilter Φ cw ≡
60   ¬(Φ ∅ cw) (* The empty set is not an element of U *)
61   ∧ (∀φ::(e⇒bool). ∀ψ::(e⇒bool). (Φ φ cw ∧ Φ ψ cw) → (Φ (φ∩ψ) cw))
62   ∧ (∀φ::(e⇒bool). ∀ψ::(e⇒bool). (Φ φ cw ∨ Φ (¬φ) cw) ∧ ¬(Φ φ cw ∧ Φ (¬φ) cw))
63   ∧ (∀φ::(e⇒bool). ∀ψ::(e⇒bool). (Φ φ cw ∧ φ ⊆ ψ) → Φ ψ cw)"
64 lemma lemmaA: "∀w. ¬(P ∅ w)" using T1 by blast
65 lemma lemmaB: "∀w. (P φ w ∧ P ψ w) → (P (φ∩ψ) w)" by (metis Alb T3deRe)
66 lemma lemmaC: "∀w. (P φ w ∨ P (¬φ) w) ∧ ¬(P φ w ∧ P (¬φ) w) using Ala Alb by blast
67 lemma lemmaD: "∀w. (P φ w ∧ φ ⊆ ψ) → P ψ w" by (smt A2)
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69 (*U1*) theorem "∀w. ultrafilter P w" by (smt lemmaA lemmaB lemmaC lemmaD)
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Related work

- ▶ Ed Zalta (& co) with PROVER9 at Stanford [AJP 2011, CADE 2015]
- ▶ John Rushby with PVS at SRI [CAV-WS 2013, JAL 2018]