

# How finite model theory came to Finland and what happened next?

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## Before FMT came to Finland...

Symposium in mathematical logic in Oulu, summer of 1974



Seppo Miettinen  
Per Lindström  
Michał Krynicki  
Finn Jensen  
Dag Westerståhl

# A close encounter with FMT

Workshop in Karpacz, Poland, fall of 1974



Hájek, Petr: Generalized quantifiers and finite sets.



# PHDs in Helsinki after my own PHD in Manchester 1977 and return to Helsinki in 1978

- 1984: Maaret Karttunen, Model theory for **Infinitely** deep languages
- 1987: Tapani Hyttinen, Games and **infinitary** languages
- 1988: Lauri Hella, Definability hierarchies of **generalized** quantifiers
- 1990: Heikki Tuuri, **Infinitary** languages and Ehrenfeucht–Fraïssé games
- 1991: Taneli Huuskonen, Comparing notions of similarity for **uncountable** models
- 1992: Kerkko Luosto, Filters in **abstract** model theory



The 1990 European Summer Meeting of the Association for Symbolic Logic was held in Finland from July 15 to July 22, 1990. The meeting was called **Logic Colloquium '90** and it took place in the Porthania building of the University of Helsinki as part of the program of the 350th anniversary of the university.



## A portion of the program

JAAKKO HINTIKKA (Boston)

*Is there completeness in mathematics after Gödel?*

IAN HODKINSON (London)

*An axiomatisation of the temporal logic with until and since over real numbers*

RONALD JENSEN (Oxford)

*Remarks on the core model*

HAIM JUDAH (Bar-Ilan)

*$\Delta^1_3$ -sets of reals*

PHOKION KOLAITIS (Santa Cruz)

1. *Logical definability and complexity classes*
2. *Model theory of finite structures*
3. *0-1 laws*

RICHARD LAVER (Boulder)

*Elementary embeddings of a rank into itself*

PER MARTIN-LÖF (Stockholm)

*Logic and metaphysics*

ALAN MEKLER (Vancouver)

*Almost free algebras: 20 years of progress*

GRIGORI MINTS (Stanford)

*Gentzen-type systems and resolution rule for modal predicate logic*

# Mukkula Logic Summer School, Lahti, Finland, 1991



## PhDs in FMT in Finland

- Phokion's mini-courses first in Helsinki in 1990 and then in Mikkola in 1991 marked the **beginning of finite model theory in Finland**
- Doctoral studies in Finland more or less inspired by FMT: Nurmonen (1996), Kaila (2001), Kontinen Juha (2004), Couceiro (2006), Niemistö (2007),
- ...or team semantics on finite models: Nurmi (2009), Kontinen Jarmo (Amsterdam 2010), Kuusisto (2011), Galliani (Amsterdam 2012), Yang (2014), Virtama (2014), Hannula (2015), Paolini (2016), Rönholm (2018), Anttila (202?), M. Hirvonen (202?), Iso-Tuisku (202?), Puljujärvi (202?), Quadrellaro (202?), Sandström (202?), Vilander (202?).
- Sorry if I forgot someone!

## Workshops on team semantics

1. November 7-9, 2009, First Workshop of the DepLog Group of LINT, Stockholm, Sweden
2. August 16-20, 2010, ESSLLI Workshop on Dependence and Independence in Logic , Copenhagen, Denmark
3. September 22, 2012, Workshop on Dependence Logic and Strategic Reasoning, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
4. February 10 – 15 , 2013, Dagstuhl Seminar 13071 "Dependence Logic: Theory and Applications", Dagstuhl, Germany
5. June 17, 2013, Workshop on Inquisitive Logic and Dependence Logic, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
6. March 3-5, 2014, KNAW Academy Colloquium "Dependence Logic", Amsterdam, The Netherlands
7. June 21–26 , 2015, Dagstuhl Seminar 15261 "Logics for Dependence and Independence", Dagstuhl, Germany
8. January 13-18, 2019, Dagstuhl Seminar 19031 "Logics for Dependence and Independence", Dagstuhl, Germany
9. August 10-12, 2020, Workshop on Logics of Dependence and Independence, Online
10. August 9-10, 2021, ESSLLI Workshop on Logics of Dependence and Independence (LoDE 2021), Online

## Some early developments in FMT in general

- Fagin: **Contributions to the model theory of finite structures.** University of California, Berkeley. 1973.
- Vardi: **Implication problem for data dependencies in the relational model,** The Hebrew University in Jerusalem. 1981.
- Gurevich: **Toward logic tailored for computational complexity.** 1983.
- Kolaitis, Prömel, Rothschild: **Asymptotic enumeration and a 0-1 law for  $m$ -clique free graphs.** 1985, 1987.
- Kolaitis, Vardi, **Infinitary logics and 0-1 laws.** 1992.
- Dawar, **Feasible computation through model theory.** Thesis (Ph.D.)–University of Pennsylvania. 1993.
- Makowsky, Pnueli, **Oracles and quantifiers.** 1994.



## Part II. Generalized quantifiers

# Finite model theory in Finland: descent from uncountable to finite

- Ehrenfeucht-Fraïssé-games. Pebble games. Bijective games.
- Generalized quantifiers. Their hierarchies.
- Infinitary logic (with finitely many variables).
- Dependence logic.

# My third most cited paper:



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Annals of Pure and Applied Logic 74 (1995) 23–75

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## Generalized quantifiers and pebble games on finite structures

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- “What has to be added to first-order logic in order to capture exactly all **polynomial-time** properties of finite structures?”
- “Expand the framework of **abstract model theory** in a way that allows for a treatment of finite model theory”.

## Theorem

Suppose  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a finite sequence of simple unary quantifiers on finite models.

1. The Härtig quantifier  $I$  is not expressible in  $\mathcal{L}_{\infty\omega}^{\omega}(\mathcal{Q})$ .
2. The query “is  $E$  an equivalence relation with an even number of equivalence classes?” is not expressible in  $\mathcal{L}_{\infty\omega}^{\omega}(I, \mathcal{Q})$ .

Proofs used Ramsey theory, such as van der Waerden's Theorem and Folkman's Theorem.

*Lauri Hella*: **Logical hierarchies in PTIME**. Information and Computation 129 (1996).

- For each  $n$ , there is a polynomial time computable query which is not definable in any extension of fixpoint logic by  $n$ -ary quantifiers.
- This rules out the possibility of characterizing PTIME in terms of definability in fixpoint logic extended by a finite set of generalized quantifiers.

Hella: “I also give my special thanks to Phokion Kolaitis, from whom I have learned everything I know about fixpoint logics, DATALOG, and finite variable logics.”

- Hella, Kolaitis, Luosto, Almost everywhere equivalence of logics in finite model theory. 1996
- Hella, Kolaitis, Luosto, How to define a linear order on finite models. 1997
- Dawar, Gottlob, Hella, Capturing relativized complexity classes without order. 1998
- Hella, Imhof, Enhancing fixed point logic with cardinality quantifiers. 1998
- Dawar, Hella, Seth, Ordering finite variable types with generalized quantifiers. 1998.
- Hella, Libkin, Nurmonen, Notions of locality and their logical characterizations over finite models. 1999.

# A hierarchy result for generalized quantifiers on finite models

$Qx\phi(x)$	type	(1)
$Qxy\phi(x, y)$	type	(2)
$Qxy,z\phi(x, y)\psi(z)$	type	(2, 1)
etc		

## Theorem (Hella, Luosto and V. 1996)

*For each similarity type  $s$  there is a generalized quantifier  $Q$  of type  $s$  so that  $Q$  is **not** definable in the extension of first order logic by **all** generalized quantifiers of type lower than  $s$ .*



## An idea ...

“Pseudo-finite model theory”, *Matematica Contemporanea*, (V. 2003)

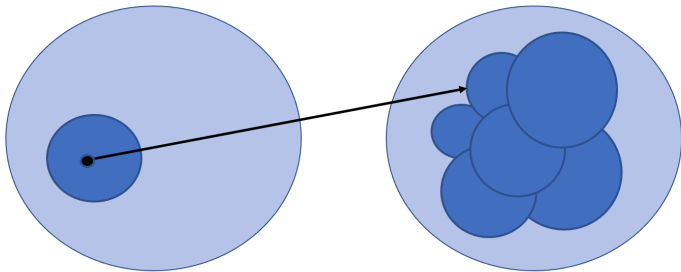
“We consider the restriction of first-order logic to models, called pseudo-finite, with the property that every first-order sentence true in the model is true in a finite model. We argue that this is a good framework for studying first-order logic on finite structures. We prove a Lindström Theorem for extensions of first order logic on pseudo-finite structures.”



## How I learned to stop worrying ... and understand team semantics

- 11th LMPS 1999, Cracow: [Michał Krynicki](#) gave a talk about the Hodges semantics (“team semantics”) for so-called IF-logic. Petr Hájek stood up. Flight back home.
- On the semantics of informational independence, Log. J. IGPL, 2002.
- Dependence logic, CUP 2007.
- From infinite to finite models.

# Team semantics



The set of **assignments** satisfying a formula

Tarski's semantics

The set of **teams** satisfying a formula

Team semantics

## Dependence logic $\mathcal{D}$ —A one slide sketch

- A **team**  $T$ , is a set (any set) of assignments of values to a fixed set of variables.
- A team  $T$  satisfies a **dependence atom**  $=(x, y)$  if the values of the variables  $x$  completely determine (in  $T$ ) the values of the variables  $y$  i.e.  $\forall s, s' \in T (s(x) = s'(x) \rightarrow s(y) = s'(y))$ .
- We can build a **logic** where dependence atoms are the atomic formulas, as well as the usual ones  $x = y, x \neq y, R(x), \neg R(x)$ .
- We have the 'usual' first order logical operations  $\wedge, \vee, \forall, \exists$ . (They agree with their *usual* meaning, if no dependence atoms are present.)
- The resulting logic is called **dependence logic**  $\mathcal{D}$ .

## Paradigm shift



- The original (1999) **paradigm** of a *team* was a set of plays in a semantic game.
- Connection to **database dependency theory** only unfolded six years later (2005), when Peter van Emde Boas pointed out to me that my  $=(x, y)$  is well known in computer science as **functional dependence**  $x \Rightarrow y$ .
- Current paradigms are database and experimental data.

## NP

## Theorem (Kontinen &amp; V. 2009)

*The properties of teams definable in  $\mathcal{D}$  are exactly the downward closed NP properties of teams.*

# PTIME

- If we start from *inclusion* dependency instead of functional dependency, we get **inclusion logic**.
- On finite models this is in a precise sense equal in expressive power to **fixpoint logic**, i.e. on finite ordered models to **PTIME**. (Galliani-Hella CSL 2013)



## Fragments, fragments,...

- Lauri Hella and Phokion Kolaitis: **Dependence logic vs. constraint satisfaction**. CSL 2016.
- Identified a natural fragment of universal dependence logic and showed that, in a precise sense, the fragment captures constraint satisfaction.
- “During the past decade, dependence logic has emerged as a formalism suitable for expressing and analyzing notions of dependence and independence that arise in different scientific areas.” (Hella & Kolaitis, CSL 2016)

## A richer picture

- **First order literals**  $\theta$ :  $M \models_T \theta$  if and only if  $M \models_s \theta$  for all  $s \in T$ .
- **Dependence atom**:  $M \models_T =(\vec{x}, y)$  if and only if  $s(\vec{x}) = s'(\vec{x})$  implies  $s(y) = s'(y)$  for all  $s, s' \in T$ .
- **Constancy atom**:  $M \models_T =(y)$  if and only if  $s(y) = s'(y)$  for all  $s, s' \in T$ .
- **Exclusion atom**:  $M \models_T \vec{x} \mid \vec{y}$  if and only if for every  $s, s' \in T$  we have  $s(\vec{x}) \neq s'(\vec{y})$ .
- **Inclusion atom**:  $M \models_T \vec{x} \subseteq \vec{y}$  if and only if for every  $s \in T$  there is  $s' \in T$  such that  $s(\vec{x}) = s'(\vec{y})$ .
- **Anonymity atom**:  $M \models_T \vec{x} \Upsilon y$  if and only if for every  $s \in T$  there is  $s' \in T$  such that  $s(\vec{x}) = s'(\vec{x})$  and  $s(y) \neq s'(y)$ .
- **Independence atom**:  $M \models_T \vec{x} \perp \vec{y}$  if and only if for every  $s, s' \in T$  there is  $s'' \in T$  such that  $s''(\vec{x}) = s(\vec{x})$  and  $s''(\vec{y}) = s'(\vec{y})$ .

# The basic logical operations, others will follow...

In a model  $\mathcal{M}$ , a team  $X$  satisfies:

- $\phi \wedge \psi$  iff  $X$  satisfies  $\phi$  and  $\psi$
- $\phi \vee \psi$  iff  $X = Y \cup Z$  s.t.  $Y$  satisfies  $\phi$  and  $Z$  satisfies  $\psi$
- $\exists x \phi$  iff  $X(F/x)$  satisfies  $\phi$  for some  $F : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}^*(M)$
- $\forall x \phi$  iff  $X(M/x)$  satisfies  $\phi$
- $\mathcal{Q}x \phi$  iff  $(\exists F : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(M^2))(M \models_{X(F/xy)} \phi$  and  $\forall s \in X((M, F(s)) \in Q)$ .

Notation:  $\mathcal{P}^*(M) = \mathcal{P}(M) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ .  $s(a/x)$  is like  $s$  except at  $x$  the value is  $a$ .

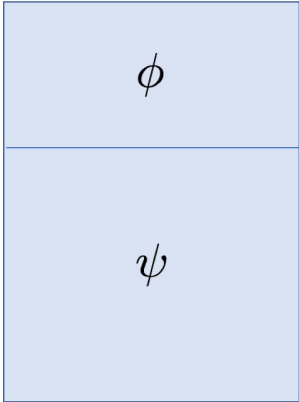
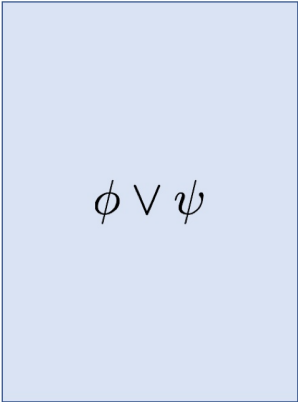
$X(F/x) = \{s(a/x) : s \in X, a \in F(s)\}$ .  $X(M/x) = \{s(a/x) : s \in X, a \in M\}$ .

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## Some team logics

New atom	New logic	Sent.	Formulas
$=(x)$	Constancy logic	FO	$\neq$ FO
$=(x, y)$ $x y$	Dependence logic = Exclusion logic	NP	$\downarrow$ -closed NP
$x\Upsilon y$ $x \subseteq y$	Anonymity logic = Inclusion logic	P on o. f.	$\subset$ Additive P on o. f.
$x \perp y$	Independence logic	NP	NP

# Definability of an atom from other atoms

## Lemma (Galliani)

- (a) *The  $k$ -ary dependence atom  $=(x, y)$  is definable from the  $k + 1$ -ary exclusion atom  $xz|yu$  and also in terms of the  $k + 1$ -ary independence atom  $xz \perp yu$ . The  $k$ -ary exclusion atom is definable from the  $k$ -ary dependence atom.*
- (b) *The  $k$ -ary exclusion atom is definable in terms of the  $k$ -ary inclusion and the  $k$ -ary independence atoms.*
- (c) *The  $k$ -ary inclusion atom is definable from the  $(k, 2)$ -ary independence atom.*
- (d) *The  $k$ -ary anonymity atom is definable in terms of the  $k + 1$ -ary inclusion atom.*

**Problem:** How to show that such definability results cannot be essentially improved?

## Part VI: Dimension theory

Joint ongoing work with **Lauri Hella** and **Kerkko Luosto**.

# The background

- 2009-2020: Ciardelli, Hella, Luosto, Lück, Sano, Stumpf, Vilander and Virtema.
- Matroid rank, Vapnik–Chervonenkis- or VC-dimension.



## Dimension of a family $\mathcal{A}$ of (arbitrary) sets

- *Convex* if for all  $S, T \in \mathcal{A}$ ,

$$A \subseteq C \subseteq B \Rightarrow C \in \mathcal{A}.$$

- *Dominated* (by  $\bigcup \mathcal{A}$ ) if  $\bigcup \mathcal{A} \in \mathcal{A}$ .
- $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  *dominates*  $\mathcal{A}$  if there exist *dominated convex* families  $\mathcal{D}_G$ ,  $G \in \mathcal{G}$ , such that  $\bigcup_{G \in \mathcal{G}} \mathcal{D}_G = \mathcal{A}$  and  $\bigcup \mathcal{D}_G = G$ , for each  $G \in \mathcal{G}$ .
- The *dimension* of the family  $\mathcal{A}$  is

$$D(\mathcal{A}) = \min\{|\mathcal{G}| \mid \mathcal{G} \text{ dominates the family } \mathcal{A}\},$$

## Some relevant operators on families of sets

- The **intersection** operator  $\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B}$ .
- The **tensor disjunction** operator:  
 $\mathcal{A} \vee \mathcal{B} = \{A \cup B \mid A \in \mathcal{A}, B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ .
- Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ , where  $X = X_0 \times \cdots \times X_{m-1}$  and  $Y = X_0 \times \cdots \times X_{i-1} \times X_{i+1} \times \cdots \times X_{m-1}$  be defined by  $f(a_0, \dots, a_{m-1}) = (a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{m-1})$ . The **projection operator** is  $\Delta_{\exists i}^X(\mathcal{A}) = \{f[A] : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ .
- Given a set  $B \in \mathcal{P}(Y)$ , let

$$B[X_i/i] = \{(a_0, \dots, a_{m-1}) \in X \mid (a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{m-1}) \in B, a_i \in X_i\}.$$

The **universal quantifier operator** is:

$$\Delta_{\forall i}^X(\mathcal{A}) = \{B \in \mathcal{P}(Y) \mid B[X_i/i] \in \mathcal{A}\}.$$

## Semantics via operators

We denote by  $\|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}}$  the set of teams  $T$  such that  $M \models_T \phi$  when  $\phi$  is a formula with free variables among  $\vec{x}$ ,  $\text{len}(\vec{x}) = m$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\|\phi \wedge \psi\|^{M, \vec{x}} &= \|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}} \cap \|\psi\|^{M, \vec{x}} \\ \|\phi \vee \psi\|^{M, \vec{x}} &= \|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}} \vee \|\psi\|^{M, \vec{x}} \\ \|\exists x_i \phi\|^{M, \vec{x}^-} &= \Delta_{\exists i}^{M^m} (\|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}}) \\ \|\forall x_i \phi\|^{M, \vec{x}^-} &= \Delta_{\forall i}^{M^m} (\|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}}),\end{aligned}$$

where  $\vec{x}^-$  is the tuple obtained from  $\vec{x}$  by deleting the component  $x_i$ .

# Dimension function $\text{Dim}_{\phi, \vec{x}}$

$$\text{Dim}_{\phi, \vec{x}}(n) = \sup \left\{ D(\|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}}) \mid M \text{ is a model, } |M| = n \right\}.$$

Recall:

$$D(\mathcal{A}) = \min\{|\mathcal{G}| \mid \mathcal{G} \text{ dominates the family } \mathcal{A}\},$$

# First order — dimension is 1.

For every (classical) **first order** formula  $\phi$  we have

$$\|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}} = \mathcal{P}(T_\phi),$$

where  $T_\phi = (\|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}} = 1) \{s \in M^m \mid M \models_s \phi\}$ . Thus for first order  $\phi$  the family  $\|\phi\|^{M, \vec{x}}$  is dominated (by  $T_\phi$ ), downward closed, and convex. So  $\text{Dim}_{\phi, \vec{x}}(n) = 1$ .

## Explicit dimension function computations

1.  $\text{Dim}_{\phi, \vec{x}}(n) = 1$  for every first order  $\phi$ .
2.  $\text{Dim}_{=(y), y}(n) = n$ .
3.  $\text{Dim}_{=(\vec{x}, y), \vec{x}y}(n) = n^{n^k}$ , where  $\text{len}(\vec{x}) = k$ .
4.  $\text{Dim}_{\vec{x}|\vec{y}, \vec{x}\vec{y}}(n) = 2^{n^m} - 2$ , where  $\text{len}(\vec{x}) = \text{len}(\vec{y}) = m$ .
5.  $\text{Dim}_{\vec{x} \subseteq \vec{y}, \vec{x}\vec{y}}(n) = 2^{n^k} - n^k$ , where  $\text{len}(\vec{x}) = \text{len}(\vec{y}) = k$ .
6.  $\text{Dim}_{\vec{x} \perp \vec{y}, \vec{x}\vec{y}}(n) = (2^{n^m} - n^m - 1)(2^{n^k} - n^k - 1) + n^m + n^k$ ,  
where  $\text{len}(\vec{x}) = k$ , and  $\text{len}(\vec{y}) = m$ .

## Dimension under relevant operators

### Definition ([Lüc20])

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be nonempty sets. A function  $\Delta: \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(X))^n \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(Y))$  is a **Kripke-operator**, if there is a relation  $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(Y) \times \mathcal{P}(X)^n$  such that

$$B \in \Delta(\mathcal{A}_0, \dots, \mathcal{A}_{n-1}) \iff \exists \mathcal{A}_0 \in \mathcal{A}_0 \dots \exists \mathcal{A}_{n-1} \in \mathcal{A}_{n-1} : (B, \mathcal{A}_0, \dots, \mathcal{A}_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{R}.$$

- **Intersection** of families is a Kripke-operator.
- **Tensor disjunction** on  $X$  is a Kripke-operator.
- $\Delta_{\exists i}^{M^m}$  and  $\Delta_{\forall i}^{M^m}$  are Kripke-operators.

## Operators preserving dimension

### Definition

Let  $\Delta: \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(X))^n \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(Y))$  be an operator. We say that  $\Delta$  *weakly preserves dominated convexity* if  $\Delta(\mathcal{A}_0, \dots, \mathcal{A}_{n-1})$  is dominated and convex or  $\Delta(\mathcal{A}_0, \dots, \mathcal{A}_{n-1}) = \emptyset$  whenever  $\mathcal{A}_i$  is dominated and convex for each  $i < n$ .

### Theorem

Let  $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}: \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(X))^n \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(Y))$  be a Kripke-operator, and let  $\mathcal{A} = \Delta(\mathcal{A}_0, \dots, \mathcal{A}_{n-1})$ . If  $\Delta$  weakly preserves dominated convexity then  $D(\mathcal{A}) \leq D(\mathcal{A}_0) \cdot \dots \cdot D(\mathcal{A}_{n-1})$ .

### Theorem

The operators  $\Delta_{\cap}^{M^m}$ ,  $\Delta_{\vee}^{M^m}$ ,  $\Delta_{\exists i}^{M^m}$  and  $\Delta_{\forall i}^{M^m}$  weakly preserve dominated convexity. Hence they preserve dimension.



# The first main result — A strong Hierarchy Theorem

## Definition

- The atom  $\mathbf{=}(\vec{x}, y)$  is *k-ary*, if  $\text{len}(\vec{x}) = k$ ,
- The atom  $\vec{x} \subseteq \vec{y}$  is *k-ary* if  $\text{len}(\vec{x}) = \text{len}(\vec{y}) = k$ ,
- The atom  $\vec{t}_2 \perp \vec{t}_3$  is *max(k, l)-ary*, if  $\text{len}(\vec{t}_2) = k$ , and  $\text{len}(\vec{t}_3) = l$ .

## Theorem

*Dependence logic, inclusion logic, and independence logic each has a **proper** definability hierarchy (even in the empty vocabulary) for formulas based on the **arity** of the non-first order atoms.*

The same for exclusion and conditional independence atoms.

Answers a question of Durand & Kontinen 2012.

# The second main result — A Hierarchy Theorem **across** atoms

## Theorem

- The  $k$ -ary **dependence** atom is **not** definable in the extension of first order logic by  $< k$ -ary dependence (or any other  $< k$ -ary) atoms,  $\leq k$ -ary independence, inclusion, constancy atoms, and any Lindström quantifiers.
- The  $k$ -ary **inclusion** atom is **not** definable in the extension of first order logic by  $< k$ -ary inclusion, dependence, or constancy (or any other  $< k$ -ary) atoms, and any Lindström quantifiers.
- The  $k$ -ary **independence** atom: respectively.

## Intuitionistic implication

$$M \models_T \phi \rightarrow \psi \iff \forall Y \subseteq T (M \models_Y \phi \Rightarrow M \models_Y \psi).$$

$$\models = (x_1, \dots, x_n, y) \equiv (= (x_1) \wedge \dots \wedge = (x_n)) \rightarrow = (y)$$

Hence,  $\phi \rightarrow \psi$  increases (in some cases) dimension exponentially.

Note:  $\rightarrow$  has second order strength (F. Yang 2013).

## Exists-1 and forall-1

- The  $\exists^1$ -quantifier is defined as follows:  $M \models_T \exists^1 x \phi$  if for **some**  $a \in M$  we have  $M \models_{T[\{a\}/x]} \phi$ .
- The  $\forall^1$ -quantifier is defined as follows:  $M \models_T \forall^1 x \phi$  if for **all**  $a \in M$  we have  $M \models_{T[\{a\}/x]} \phi$ .
- The non-empty atom **NE** is defined by  $M \models_T \text{NE}$  if and only if  $T \neq \emptyset$ .

## Theorem

The logical operations  $\forall$ ,  $\forall^1$ ,  $\exists^1$ , and  $\rightarrow$  all increase dimension.  
 $\mathcal{N}\mathcal{E}$  has upper dimension 1 but it is not first order.

## Proof.

1.  $D(x = y \forall \neg x = y) = 2$ .
2.  $=(x_1, \dots, x_k, y) \equiv \forall^1 z_1 \dots \forall^1 z_k (z_1 \neq x_1 \vee \dots \vee z_k \neq x_k \vee =(y))$
3.  $\exists^1 x \phi \equiv \exists x (=x) \wedge \phi$ .  $=x \equiv \exists^1 x (x = y)$ .
4.  $=(x_1, \dots, x_k, y) \equiv (=x_1) \wedge \dots \wedge (=x_k) \rightarrow =(y)$



## Corollary

1.  $\forall^1$  does not have a uniform definition in dependence logic (Galliani 2012).
2.  $\forall^1$  and  $\exists^1$  are not lifts of Lindström quantifiers from Tarski semantics to team semantics.

## Summary of dimension theory

- With our dimension concept one can prove hierarchy results for **formulas**, not just sentences<sup>1</sup>.
- Dimension reveals subtle **qualitative differences** between logical operations (cf.  $\forall^1, \rightarrow, \underline{\vee}$ ).
- Our method is very **general**, applies to arbitrary families of sets in a finite domain.

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<sup>1</sup>... and in team semantics there is a big difference!

## Summary of the talk

- From generalized quantifiers to generalized atoms.
- General theory of team semantics on finite domains.
- Now also multi- and probabilistic teams.
- Still open: Is there a logic for PTIME?









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