

# Complexity of finite-variable fragments of products with $\mathbf{K}$

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# Introduction

Products of propositional modal logics had been introduced in the 1970s:

- Krister Segerberg. Two-dimensional modal logic. *Journal of Philosophical Logic*, 2(1):77–96, 1973.
- Валентин Борисович Шехтман. Двумерные модальные логики. *Математические заметки*, 23(5):759–772, 1978.

# Introduction

Systematic studies of products appeared in the 1990s:

- Maarten Marx and Yde Venema. Multi-Dimensional Modal Logic, volume 4 of Applied Logic Series. Springer, 1997.
- Dov Gabbay and Valentin Shehtman. Products of modal logics, Part 1. Logic Journal of the IGPL, 6(1):73–146, 1998.

Comprehensive surveys of the fundamental results and techniques:

- Dov Gabbay, Agi Kurucz, Frank Wolter, and Michael Zakharyashev. Many-Dimensional Modal Logics: Theory and Applications, volume 148 of Studies in Logic and the Foundations of Mathematics. Elsevier, 2003.
- Agi Kurucz. Combining modal logics. In P. Blackburn, J. Van Benthem, and F. Wolter, editors, Handbook of Modal Logic, volume 3 of Studies in Logic and Practical Reasoning, pages 869–924. Elsevier, 2008.

# Introduction

Products have found applications in

- theoretical computer science;
- temporal-epistemic reasoning;
- knowledge representation;

Also, products are related to predicate modal logics.

# Introduction

Complexity of satisfiability and validity problems:

- D. Gabbay and V. Shehtman (1998):  
*a number of non-elementary upper bounds;*
- M. Marx (1999):  
*coNEXPTIME-hardness for products of two monomodal logics admitting **S5**-frames;*
- M. Reynolds, M. Zakharyashev, R. Hirsch, I. Hodkinson, A. Kurucz, D. Gabelaia, F. Wolter (2001–2005):  
*products of two logics of transitive frames, such as **K4**, **S4**, **GL**, and **Grz**, as well as higher-dimensional products, are undecidable;*
- S. Göller, J.-Ch. Jung, and M. Lohrey (2010):  
*products of **K** with **K**, **K4** and **S5**<sub>2</sub> are non-elementary (but decidable).*

# Introduction

Complexity of fragments with limitations on the modal depth:

- M. Marx and S. Mikulás (2001):  
*the fragment of  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{K}$  containing formulas of depth at most two is coNEXPTIME-complete;*
- S. Göller, J.-Ch. Jung, and M. Lohrey (2010):  
*similar results for  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{K4}$  and  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{S5}_2$ .*

## Question

*What is the complexity of finite-variable fragments of product logics?*

# Introduction

It is known:

- a lot of monomodal and polymodal logics are embedable into their one-variable fragments in polynomial time;
- a lot of monomodal and polymodal logics are embedable even into their variable-free fragments in polynomial time;
- a lot of superintuitionistic logics are embedable into their two-variable fragments in polynomial time.

## Our aim

*Products where at least one factor is  $\mathbf{K}$  are polynomially embeddable into their single-variable fragments.*

# Language

Language contains:

- propositional variables  $p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots$ ;
- the Boolean constant  $\perp$  (falsity);
- the binary Boolean connective  $\rightarrow$  (implication);
- unary modal connectives  $\Box_1, \dots, \Box_n$ .

Formulas are defined as usual:  $\varphi := \perp \mid p_i \mid (\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \mid \Box_i \varphi$ .

We use the standard abbreviations:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \neg \varphi & = (\varphi \rightarrow \perp); & \Diamond_i \varphi & = \neg \Box_i \neg \varphi; \\
 \top & = \neg \perp; & \Box_i^0 \varphi & = \varphi; \\
 (\varphi \wedge \psi) & = \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \neg \psi); & \Box_i^{k+1} \varphi & = \Box_i \Box_i^k \varphi; \\
 (\varphi \vee \psi) & = (\neg \varphi \rightarrow \psi); & \Diamond_i^k \varphi & = \neg \Box_i^k \neg \varphi.
 \end{array}$$



# Logics

A **normal  $n$ -modal logic** is a set  $L$  of  $n$ -modal formulas containing

- the classical tautologies;
- $\Box_i(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\Box_i p \rightarrow \Box_i q)$ , for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,

and closed under

- substitution;
- modus ponens;
- necessitation ( $\varphi \in L$  implies  $\Box_i \varphi \in L$ , for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ).

We call 1-modal logics **monomodal**.

The smallest normal monomodal logic is **K**.

Some other standard logics are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{T} &= \mathbf{K} \oplus \Box p \rightarrow p; \\
 \mathbf{K4} &= \mathbf{K} \oplus \Box p \rightarrow \Box \Box p; \\
 \mathbf{S4} &= \mathbf{K4} \oplus \mathbf{T}; \\
 \mathbf{S5} &= \mathbf{S4} \oplus p \rightarrow \Box \Diamond p.
 \end{aligned}$$

# Kripke semantics

A **Kripke  $n$ -frame** is a tuple  $\mathfrak{F} = \langle W, R_1, \dots, R_n \rangle$ , where

- $W$  is a non-empty set of **points**;
- $R_1, \dots, R_n$  are binary **accessibility relations** on  $W$ .

A **valuation** on a frame  $\mathfrak{F} = \langle W, R_1, \dots, R_n \rangle$  is a function  $v$  assigning to a propositional variable  $p$  a subset  $v(p)$  of  $W$ .

The **truth** of formula  $\varphi$  at point  $x$  of frame  $\mathfrak{F}$  under valuation  $v$  is defined recursively:

- $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^v p \iff x \in v(p)$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F}, x \not\models^v \perp$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^v \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \iff \mathfrak{F}, x \models^v \varphi_1$  implies  $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^v \varphi_2$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^v \Box_i \varphi_1 \iff \mathfrak{F}, y \models^v \varphi_1$  whenever  $x R_i y$ .

**Remark.** If  $\varphi$  is variable-free,  $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^v \varphi$  if, and only if,  $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^{v'} \varphi$ , for every pair of valuations  $v$  and  $v'$ ; therefore, we omit valuations when talking about variable-free formulas.

# Kripke semantics

- $\mathfrak{F}, x \models \varphi \iff \mathfrak{F}, x \models^v \varphi$ , for every valuation  $v$  on  $\mathfrak{F}$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F} \models \varphi \iff \mathfrak{F}, x \models \varphi$ , for every point  $x$  in  $\mathfrak{F}$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F} \models X \iff \mathfrak{F} \models \varphi$ , for every  $\varphi \in X$ .

If  $\mathfrak{C}$  is a class of  $n$ -frames,  $\mathbf{L}(\mathfrak{C})$  denotes the set of  $n$ -modal formulas valid on every frame in  $\mathfrak{C}$ ; this set is a normal  $n$ -modal logic. The set of monomodal formulas valid on every 1-frame coincides with  $\mathbf{K}$ .

An  $n$ -modal logic  $L$  is **Kripke complete** if  $L = \mathbf{L}(\mathfrak{C})$ , for some non-empty class  $\mathfrak{C}$  of  $n$ -frames.

If  $W \neq \emptyset$ ,  $W'$  is a non-empty subset of  $W$  and  $R \subseteq W \times W$ , then

- $R^*$  is the reflexive transitive closure of  $R$ ;
- $R^+$  is the transitive closure of  $R$ ;
- $R^k$ , where  $k \geq 1$ , is the  $k$ -fold composition of  $R$ ;
- $R \upharpoonright W' = R \cap (W' \times W')$ ;
- $R(W') = \{y \in W : xRy, \text{ for some } x \in W'\}$ ;  $R(x)$  means  $R(\{x\})$ .

# Kripke semantics

Let  $\mathfrak{F} = \langle W, R_1, \dots, R_n \rangle$  and  $\mathfrak{F}' = \langle W', R'_1, \dots, R'_n \rangle$  be  $n$ -frames.  
Then,

- $\mathfrak{F}'$  is a **subframe** of  $\mathfrak{F}$ , symbolically  $\mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}'$ , if  $W' \subseteq W$  and  $R'_i = R_i \upharpoonright W'$ , for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F}'$  is a **generated subframe** of  $\mathfrak{F}$ , if  $\mathfrak{F}' \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$  and  $R_i(W') \subseteq W'$ , for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F}'$  is a **subframe of  $\mathfrak{F}$  generated by  $w \in W$**  if  $W' = (R_1 \cup \dots \cup R_n)^*(w)$  and  $R'_i = W' \upharpoonright R_i$ , for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , which implies  $R_i(W') \subseteq W'$ .

It is well known:

- *if  $\mathfrak{F}'$  is a generated subframe of  $\mathfrak{F}$  and  $x$  is a point in  $\mathfrak{F}'$ , then, for every  $\varphi$ ,*

$$\mathfrak{F}', x \models \varphi \iff \mathfrak{F}, x \models \varphi.$$

# Products

The **product** of 1-frames  $\mathfrak{F}_1 = \langle W_1, R_1 \rangle, \dots, \mathfrak{F}_n = \langle W_n, R_n \rangle$  is an  $n$ -frame

$$\mathfrak{F}_1 \times \dots \times \mathfrak{F}_n = \langle W_1 \times \dots \times W_n, \bar{R}_1, \dots, \bar{R}_n \rangle,$$

where, for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,

$$\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle \bar{R}_i \langle y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \Leftrightarrow x_i R_i y_i \text{ and } x_k = y_k, \text{ for every } k \neq i.$$

The **product** of Kripke complete monomodal logics  $L_1, \dots, L_n$  is the  $n$ -modal logic

$$L_1 \times \dots \times L_n = \mathbf{L}(\{\mathfrak{F}_1 \times \dots \times \mathfrak{F}_n : \mathfrak{F}_1 \models L_1, \dots, \mathfrak{F}_n \models L_n\}).$$

Modulo renaming the modal connectives, the products of  $L_1, \dots, L_n$ , taken in any order, are the same logic. Therefore, when considering products where at least one component is  $\mathbf{K}$ , we may assume that  $L_1 = \mathbf{K}$ .

# Construction

Let

- $\varphi$  be an  $n$ -modal formula;
- $p_1, \dots, p_m$  be all the variables of  $\varphi$ ;
- $p$  be a propositional variable distinct from  $p_1, \dots, p_m$ .

Define

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= \Diamond_1^m \Box_1 \perp; \\ \beta &= \Diamond_1 \alpha;\end{aligned}$$

and, for every  $k \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ ,

$$\gamma_k = \Diamond_1(\alpha \wedge \Diamond_1^k p).$$

Recursively define the translation  $\sigma$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(p_k) &= \gamma_k, & \text{where } k \in \{1, \dots, m\}; \\ \sigma(\perp) &= \perp; \\ \sigma(\psi \rightarrow \chi) &= \sigma(\psi) \rightarrow \sigma(\chi); \\ \sigma(\Box_i \psi) &= \Box_i(\beta \rightarrow \sigma(\psi)), & \text{where } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}.\end{aligned}$$

# Main lemma

## Lemma

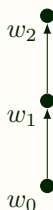
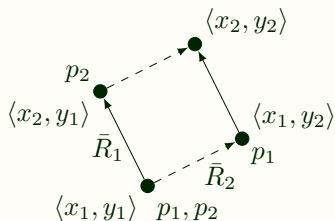
Let  $L = \mathbf{K} \times L_2 \times \dots \times L_n$ , for some  $L_2, \dots, L_n$ . Then,

$$\varphi \in L \iff \beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi) \in L.$$

# Proof for ( $\Leftarrow$ ): idea

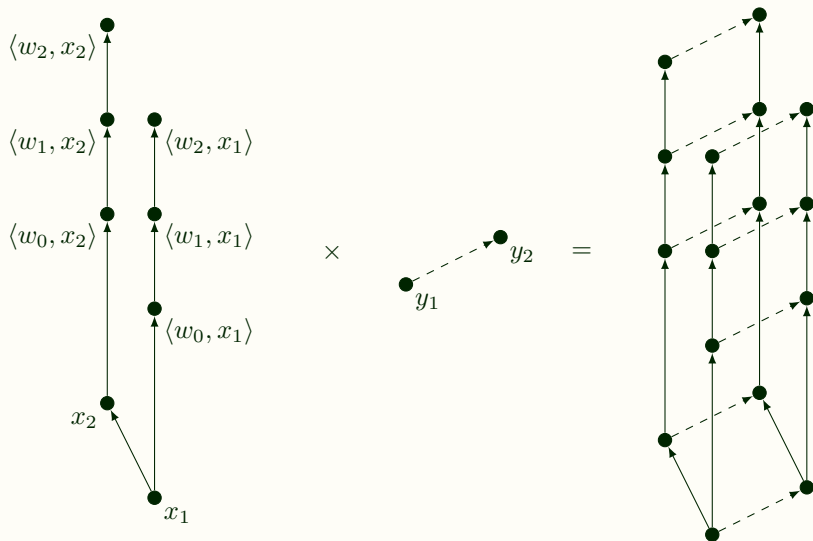
Suppose  $\varphi \notin L$ ; we show that  $\beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi) \notin L$ .

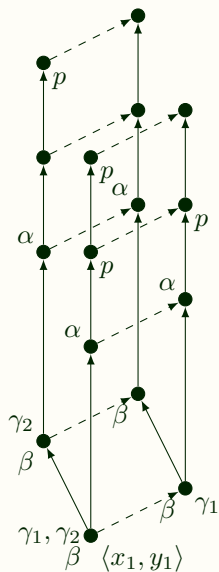
Example:  $\varphi = p_1 \wedge p_2 \rightarrow \Box_1 \neg(\neg p_1 \wedge p_2) \vee \Box_2 \neg(p_1 \wedge \neg p_2)$ .



$$\langle x_1, y_1 \rangle \not\models p_1 \wedge p_2 \rightarrow \Box_1 \neg(\neg p_1 \wedge p_2) \vee \Box_2 \neg(p_1 \wedge \neg p_2)$$



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$$\alpha = \Diamond_1^2 \Box \perp$$

$$\beta = \Diamond_1 \alpha$$

$$\gamma_1 = \Diamond_1(\alpha \wedge \Diamond_1^1 p)$$

$$\gamma_2 = \Diamond_1(\alpha \wedge \Diamond_1^2 p)$$

$$\sigma(\varphi) = \gamma_1 \wedge \gamma_2 \rightarrow \Box_1(\beta \rightarrow \neg(\neg \gamma_1 \wedge \gamma_2)) \vee \Box_2(\beta \rightarrow \neg(\gamma_1 \wedge \neg \gamma_2))$$

$$\langle x_1, y_1 \rangle \not\models \beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi)$$

# Proof for ( $\Leftarrow$ ): general construction

Assume  $\varphi \notin L$ .

Thus,  $\mathfrak{F}, \bar{u} \not\models^v \varphi$ , for some product  $\mathfrak{F} = \langle \bar{W}, \bar{R}_1, \dots, \bar{R}_n \rangle$  of frames  $\mathfrak{F}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{F}_n$  such that  $\mathfrak{F}_i = \langle W_i, R_i \rangle \models L_i$ , for each  $i \in \{2, \dots, n\}$ , some point  $\bar{u} \in \bar{W}$  and some valuation  $v$ .

We define a product frame  $\mathfrak{F}'$  and a valuation  $v'$  on  $\mathfrak{F}'$  refuting  $\beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi)$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{F}_\varphi$  be a 1-frame  $\langle W_\varphi, R_\varphi \rangle$ , where

- $W_\varphi = \{w_0, w_1, \dots, w_m\}$ ;
- $R_\varphi = \{\langle w_i, w_{i+1} \rangle : 0 \leq i < m\}$ .

For every  $x \in W_1$ , let  $\mathfrak{F}_\varphi^x = \langle W_\varphi \times \{x\}, R_\varphi^x \rangle$  be an isomorphic copy of  $\mathfrak{F}_\varphi$  under the map  $f: w \mapsto \langle w, x \rangle$ .

# Proof for ( $\Leftarrow$ ): general construction

Let

- $W'_1 = W_1 \cup (W_\varphi \times W_1)$ ;
- $R'_1 = R_1 \cup \bigcup_{x \in W_1} R_\varphi^x \cup \{\langle x, \langle w_0, x \rangle \rangle : x \in W_1\}$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F}'_1 = \langle W'_1, R'_1 \rangle$ .

Thus in  $\mathfrak{F}'_1$ , for every  $x \in W_1$ , the root  $\langle w_0, x \rangle$  of  $\mathfrak{F}_\varphi^x$  is  $R'_1$ -accessible from  $x$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{F}' = \mathfrak{F}'_1 \times \mathfrak{F}_2 \times \dots \times \mathfrak{F}_n = \langle \bar{W}', \bar{R}'_1, \dots, \bar{R}'_n \rangle$ .

Thus,  $\mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}'$  and  $\mathfrak{F}' \models L$ .

**Claim:**  $\mathfrak{F}', \bar{y} \models \beta \iff \bar{y} \in \bar{W}$ , for every  $\bar{y} \in \bar{W}'$ .

# Proof for ( $\Leftarrow$ ): general construction

Let  $v'$  be a valuation on  $\mathfrak{F}'$  defined by

$$\bar{z} \in v'(p) \iff \text{there exist } \bar{y} \in \bar{W} \text{ and } k \in \{1, \dots, m\} \text{ such that} \\ \bar{z} = \langle \langle w_k, y_1 \rangle, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle \text{ and } \mathfrak{F}, \bar{y} \models^v p_k.$$

**Claim:** For every subformula  $\theta$  of  $\varphi$  and every  $\bar{x} \in \bar{W}$ ,

$$\mathfrak{F}, \bar{x} \models^v \theta \iff \mathfrak{F}', \bar{x} \models^{v'} \sigma(\theta).$$

The proof is by induction on  $\theta$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{F}, \bar{u} \not\models^v \varphi$  and  $\bar{u} \in \bar{W}$ , we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}', \bar{u} \not\models^{v'} \sigma(\varphi)$ .

Since  $\bar{u} \in \bar{W}$ , we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}', \bar{u} \models \beta$ .

Therefore,  $\mathfrak{F}', \bar{u} \not\models^{v'} \beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi)$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{F}' \models L$ , we obtain  $\beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi) \notin L$ .

# Proof for $(\Rightarrow)$ : general construction

Assume  $\beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi) \notin L$ .

Thus,  $\mathfrak{F}, \bar{u} \not\models^v \beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi)$ , for some product  $\mathfrak{F} = \langle \bar{W}, \bar{R}_1, \dots, \bar{R}_n \rangle$  of frames  $\mathfrak{F}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{F}_n$  such that  $\mathfrak{F}_i = \langle W_i, R_i \rangle \models L_i$ , for each  $i \in \{2, \dots, n\}$ , some point  $\bar{u} \in \bar{W}$  and some valuation  $v$ .

We define a product frame  $\mathfrak{F}'$  and a valuation  $v'$  on  $\mathfrak{F}'$  refuting  $\varphi$ .

Let  $W'_1 = \{z \in W_1 : \mathfrak{F}_1, z \models \beta\}$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{F}, \bar{u} \models \beta$  and  $\beta$  does not contain modal operators other than  $\Box_1$ , clearly  $\mathfrak{F}_1, u_1 \models \beta$ .

Thus,  $u_1 \in W'_1$ , and so  $W'_1 \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $R'_1 = R_1 \upharpoonright W'_1$  and  $\mathfrak{F}'_1 = \langle W'_1, R'_1 \rangle$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{F}' = \mathfrak{F}'_1 \times \mathfrak{F}_2 \times \dots \times \mathfrak{F}_n = \langle \bar{W}', \bar{R}'_1, \dots, \bar{R}'_n \rangle$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{F}'_1 \subseteq \mathfrak{F}_1$ , clearly  $\mathfrak{F}' \subseteq \mathfrak{F}$ . Also,  $\mathfrak{F}' \models L$ .

**Claim:**  $\mathfrak{F}, \bar{y} \models \beta \iff \bar{y} \in \bar{W}'$ , for every  $\bar{y} \in \bar{W}$ .

# Proof for $(\Rightarrow)$ : general construction

Let  $v'$  be a valuation on  $\mathfrak{F}'$  defined by

$$v'(p_k) = \{\bar{x} \in \bar{W}' : \mathfrak{F}, \bar{x} \models^v \gamma_k\}.$$

**Claim:** For every subformula  $\theta$  of  $\varphi$  and every  $\bar{x} \in \bar{W}'$ ,

$$\mathfrak{F}, \bar{x} \models^v \sigma(\theta) \iff \mathfrak{F}', \bar{x} \models^{v'} \theta.$$

The proof is by induction on  $\theta$ .

Since  $u_1 \in W'_1$ , we obtain  $\bar{u} \in \bar{W}'$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{F}, \bar{u} \not\models^v \sigma(\varphi)$ , we obtain  $\mathfrak{F}', \bar{u} \not\models^{v'} \varphi$ .

Since  $\mathfrak{F}' \models L$ , we obtain  $\varphi \notin L$ .

# Main result

For an  $n$ -modal formula  $\varphi$ , let

$$e(\varphi) = \beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi).$$

## Theorem

Let  $L = \mathbf{K} \times L_2 \times \dots \times L_n$ .

Then, there exists a polynomial-time embedding of  $L$  into its single-variable fragment.



# Corollaries

Using results of S. Göller, J.-Ch. Jung and M. Lohrey:

- The single-variable fragments of  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{K}$ ,  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{K4}$ , and  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{S5}_2$  are non-elementary.

Using results of R. Hirsch, I. Hodkinson and A. Kurucz:

- Let  $L$  be a logic such that  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{K} \subseteq L \subseteq \mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{S5} \times \mathbf{S5}$ . Then, the single-variable fragment of  $L$  is undecidable.

Using results of to M. Marx:

- Let  $L$  be a logic such that  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{K} \subseteq L \subseteq \mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{S5}$ . Then, the single-variable fragment of  $L$  is coNEXPTIME-hard.
- The single-variable fragment of  $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{S5}$  is coNEXPTIME-complete.

# Corollaries

Consider the following modalities:

- $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^v C\varphi \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{F}, y \models^v \varphi$  whenever  $x(R_1 \cup \dots \cup R_s)^+ y$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^v D\varphi \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{F}, y \models^v \varphi$  whenever  $x(R_1 \cap \dots \cap R_s)y$ ;
- $\mathfrak{F}, x \models^v A\varphi \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{F}, y \models^v \varphi$ , for every point  $y$  in  $\mathfrak{F}$ .

**Claim:** Let  $L = L_1 \times L_2 \times \dots \times L_n$ , where  $L_1$  is one of the logics **PDL**, **CPDL**, **IPDL**,  $\mathbf{K}_s$ ,  $\mathbf{K}_s^C$ ,  $\mathbf{K}_s^D$ ,  $\mathbf{K}_s^{CD}$ ,  $\mathbf{K}_s^A$ , where  $s \in \mathbb{N}^+$ . Then, there exists a polynomial-time embedding of  $L$  into its single-variable fragment.

Using results of D. Gabbay, A. Kurucz, F. Wolter, and M. Zakharyashev:

**Corollary:** Let  $L$  be one of the logics **PDL**, **CPDL**, **IPDL**,  $\mathbf{K}_s^A$ ,  $\mathbf{K}_s^C$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_2^C$ ,  $\mathbf{K4}_2^C$ ,  $\mathbf{S4}_2^C$ ,  $\mathbf{KD45}_2^C$ ,  $\mathbf{S5}_2^C$ . Then, single-variable fragments of  $\mathbf{K}^A \times L$  and  $\mathbf{K}^C \times L$  are undecidable.

# Semiproducts

An  $n$ -frame  $\mathfrak{G} = \langle \bar{V}, \bar{S}_1, \dots, \bar{S}_n \rangle$  is an  $n$ -ary expanding relativized product of 1-frames  $\mathfrak{F}_1 = \langle W_1, R_1 \rangle, \dots, \mathfrak{F}_n = \langle W_n, R_n \rangle$  if  $\mathfrak{G} \subseteq \mathfrak{F}_1 \times \dots \times \mathfrak{F}_n$  and

$$\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle \in \bar{V} \text{ and } y \in R_1(x_1) \text{ imply } \langle y, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle \in \bar{V},$$

i.e.,  $\bar{R}_1(\bar{V}) \subseteq \bar{V}$ .

Binary expanding relativized products are also known as **semiproducts**.

We denote by  $(\mathfrak{F}_1 \times \dots \times \mathfrak{F}_n)^{\text{EX}}$  the class of  $n$ -ary expanding relativized products of  $\mathfrak{F}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{F}_n$ .

The **expanding relativized product** of Kripke complete monomodal logics  $L_1, \dots, L_n$  is the  $n$ -modal logic

$$(L_1 \times \dots \times L_n)^{\text{EX}} = \mathbf{L}(\{\mathfrak{F} \in (\mathfrak{F}_1 \times \dots \times \mathfrak{F}_n)^{\text{EX}} : \mathfrak{F}_i \models L_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\}).$$

Expanding relativized products of two monomodal logics are also known as **semiproducts**.

# Semiproducts

## Theorem

Let  $L = (L_1 \times \dots \times L_n)^{\text{EX}}$ , where  $L_s = \mathbf{K}$ , for some  $s \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .  
Then, there exists a polynomial-time embedding of  $L$  into its single-variable fragment.

Proof: take  $e(\varphi) = \beta \rightarrow \sigma(\varphi)$ .

# Thanks

Thanks

Thank you for your time!