

Gödel-Dummett Predicate Logics and Axioms of Prenexability

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Introduction: What is Gödel-Dummett logic?

Logics and axioms of prenexability

Properties of Gödel-Dummett logics, problems

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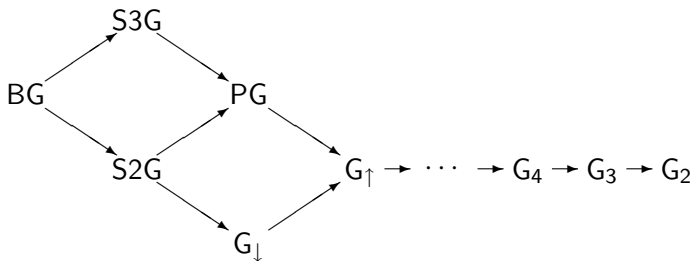
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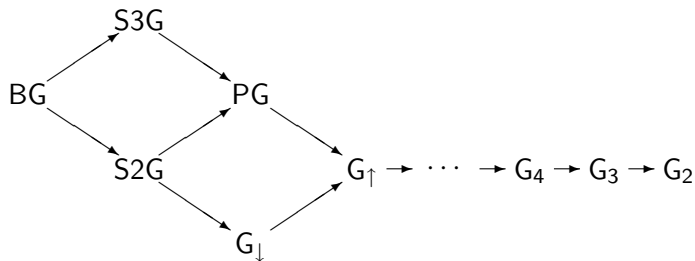
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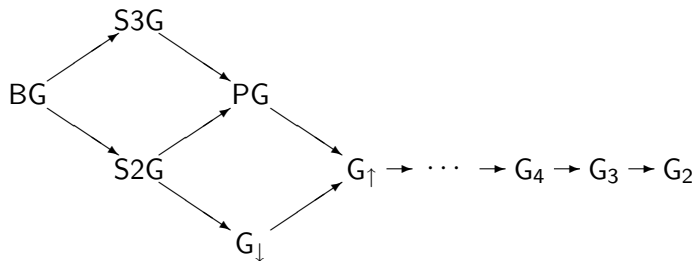
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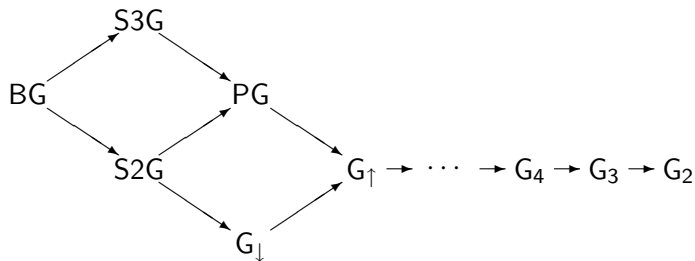
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Appendix 1: A multi-valued structure

Example

Truth value set: $V = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\} \cup \{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{k}; k \geq 3\}$;

language: $L = \{P\}$, with a single unary predicate symbol P ;

domain of \mathcal{J} : $D = \{d_3, d_4, d_5, \dots\}$;

realization of the symbol P : $\mathcal{J}(P(x))[d_k] = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{k}$.

Then we have $\mathcal{J}(\exists y P(y)) = \frac{1}{2}$, $\mathcal{J}(\exists y P(y) \rightarrow P(x))[a_k] = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{k}$, $\mathcal{J}(\exists x(\exists y P(y) \rightarrow P(x))) = \frac{1}{2}$. So the sentence $\exists x(\exists y P(y) \rightarrow P(x))$ is not a logical truth of this particular set V .

Fact

If the truth value set V contains a value $a < 1$ which is a limit of lower values then the structure \mathcal{J} can be chosen so that $\mathcal{J}(\exists x(\exists y P(y) \rightarrow P(x))) < 1$.

If not then the schema $\exists x(\exists y \varphi(y) \rightarrow \varphi(x))$ is a logical truth of V .

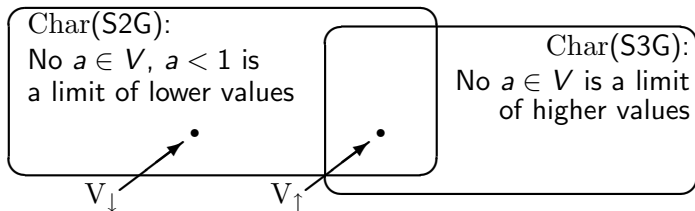
Appendix 2: Characteristic classes

Definition

A **characteristic class** of a logic S is the class of all truth value sets V such that S is valid in all structures based on V .

Fact If $S_1 \subseteq S_2$ then $\text{Char}(S_2) \subseteq \text{Char}(S_1)$.

Characteristic classes of S2G, S3G, and PG



Fact

All sets in $\text{Char}(\text{PG}) = \text{Char}(\text{S2G}) \cap \text{Char}(\text{S3G})$ are finite or isomorphic to V_{\uparrow} .