

Appendix A

The Formal Language

The definitions of the syntax of the formal language are collected here.

The Basic Language

\mathcal{L} is the basic formal language; \mathcal{L}_s is the set of “scenario-formulae,” which is used as an auxiliary definition. It contains formulae that are evaluated relative to scenarios in the model, rather than relative to moments. In the following,

- Φ is a set of atomic propositional symbols,
- \mathcal{A} is a set of agent symbols,
- \mathcal{B} is a set of basic action symbols, and
- \mathcal{X} is a set of variables.

Time, Actions, and Propositional Logic

SYN-1. $\psi \in \Phi$ implies that $\psi \in \mathcal{L}$

SYN-2. $p, q \in \mathcal{L}$ implies that $p \wedge q \in \mathcal{L}$

SYN-3. $p \in \mathcal{L}$ implies that $\neg p \in \mathcal{L}$

SYN-4. $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathcal{L}_s$,

SYN-5. $p, q \in \mathcal{L}_s$ implies that $p \wedge q \in \mathcal{L}_s$,

SYN-6. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s$ implies that $\neg p \in \mathcal{L}_s$

SYN-7. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s$ implies that $\mathbf{A}p, \mathbf{R}p \in \mathcal{L}$

SYN-8. $p \in \mathcal{L}$ implies that $\mathbf{P}p \in \mathcal{L}$

SYN-9. $p \in \mathcal{L}$ and $a \in \mathcal{X}$ implies that $(\forall a : p) \in \mathcal{L}$

SYN-10. $p, q \in \mathcal{L}_s$ implies that $p \cup q \in \mathcal{L}_s$

SYN-11. $p \in \mathcal{L}$, $x \in \mathcal{A}$, and $a \in \mathcal{B}$ implies that $x[a]p, x\langle a \rangle p, x\langle a \rangle|p \in \mathcal{L}_s$

Strategies

STRAT-1. $\mathbf{skip} \in \mathcal{L}_y$

STRAT-2. $q \in \mathcal{L}$ implies that $\mathbf{do}(q) \in \mathcal{L}_y$

STRAT-3. $Y_1, Y_2 \in \mathcal{L}_y$ implies that $Y_1; Y_2 \in \mathcal{L}_y$

STRAT-4. $q \in \mathcal{L}$ and $Y_1, Y_2 \in \mathcal{L}_y$ implies that if q then Y_1 else $Y_2 \in \mathcal{L}_y$

STRAT-5. $q \in \mathcal{L}$ and $Y_1 \in \mathcal{L}_y$ implies that while q do $Y_1 \in \mathcal{L}_y$

Intentions

The formal language of Chapter 3, \mathcal{L}^i , is \mathcal{L} augmented with four operators, $\langle \rangle_i$, $\langle\langle \rangle \rangle_i$, $*$, and $!$ (which stands for Intends).

SYN-12. All the rules for \mathcal{L} , with \mathcal{L}^i substituted for \mathcal{L}

SYN-13. All the rules for \mathcal{L}_s , with \mathcal{L}_s^i substituted for \mathcal{L}_s

SYN-14. All the rules for \mathcal{L}_y , with \mathcal{L}_y^i substituted for \mathcal{L}_y

SYN-15. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^i$, $x \in \mathcal{A}$, and $Y \in \mathcal{L}_y^i$ implies that $x\langle Y \rangle_i p$ and $\langle\langle Y \rangle\rangle_i p \in \mathcal{L}_s^i$

SYN-16. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^i$, $x \in \mathcal{A}$, and $Y \in \mathcal{L}_y^i$ implies that $x * Y \in \mathcal{L}^i$

SYN-17. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^i$ and $x \in \mathcal{A}$ implies that $(x!p) \in \mathcal{L}^i$

Ability and Know-How

Trees

Let Υ be the set of trees. \emptyset is the empty tree. Then Υ is defined as follows.

TREE-1. $\emptyset \in \Upsilon$

TREE-2. $a \in \mathcal{B}$ implies that $a \in \Upsilon$

TREE-3. $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m \in \Upsilon$; τ_1, \dots, τ_m have different radices, and $a \in \mathcal{B}$ implies that $\langle a; \tau_1, \dots, \tau_m \rangle \in \Upsilon$

Ability and Know-How

The formal language of this chapter, \mathcal{L}^h , is an extension of \mathcal{L} . The operator $\{\}$ denotes ability relative to trees and the operator $\{\}$ ability relative to strategies. The operators K_{rab} and K_{sab} are, respectively, the reactive and strategic versions of ability.

SYN-18. All the rules for \mathcal{L} , with \mathcal{L}^h substituted for \mathcal{L}

SYN-19. All the rules for \mathcal{L}_s , with \mathcal{L}_s^h substituted for \mathcal{L}_s

SYN-20. All the rules for \mathcal{L}_y , with \mathcal{L}_y^h substituted for \mathcal{L}_y

SYN-21. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^h$ and $x \in \mathcal{A}$ implies that $(xK_{rab}p), (xK_{sab}p) \in \mathcal{L}^h$

SYN-22. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^h$, $Y \in \mathcal{L}_y^h$, and $x \in \mathcal{A}$ implies that $(x\{Y\}p) \in \mathcal{L}^h$

SYN-23. $\tau \in \Upsilon$, $x \in \mathcal{A}$, and $p \in \mathcal{L}^h$ implies that $x\{\tau\}p \in \mathcal{L}^h$

SYN-24. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^h$ and $x \in \mathcal{A}$ implies that $(xK_{hr}p), (xK_{hs}p) \in \mathcal{L}^h$

SYN-25. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^h$, $Y, Y' \in \mathcal{L}_y^h$, and $x \in \mathcal{A}$ implies that $(x\{Y\}p), (x[Y]Y'), (x[Y]Y') \in \mathcal{L}^h$

SYN-26. $\tau \in \Upsilon$, $x \in \mathcal{A}$, and $p \in \mathcal{L}^h$ implies that $x\{(\tau)\}p \in \mathcal{L}^h$

SYN-27. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^h$, $x \in \mathcal{A}$, and $Y \in \mathcal{L}_y^h$ implies that $x[Y]_hp, x\langle Y\rangle p \in \mathcal{L}_s^h$

Combining Intentions and Know-How

The formal language of Chapter 5, \mathcal{L}^c , is obtained by combining the rules for \mathcal{L}^i and \mathcal{L}^h .

SYN-28. All the rules for \mathcal{L}^i , \mathcal{L}_s^i , \mathcal{L}_y^i , \mathcal{L}^h , \mathcal{L}_s^h , and \mathcal{L}_y^h , with \mathcal{L}^c substituted for \mathcal{L}^i and \mathcal{L}^h , \mathcal{L}_s^c substituted for \mathcal{L}_s^i and \mathcal{L}_s^h , and \mathcal{L}_y^c substituted for \mathcal{L}_y^i and \mathcal{L}_y^h

SYN-29. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^c$, $Y, Y' \in \mathcal{L}_y^c$, and $x \in \mathcal{A}$ implies that $(x[Y]Y') \in \mathcal{L}^c$

Communications

The formal language of Chapter 6, \mathcal{L}^m is \mathcal{L}^c augmented with the operator, W. In the following, $\mathcal{F} = \{\text{assertive, directive, commissive, permissive, prohibitive, declarative}\}$ is the set of illocutionary forces. \mathcal{M} is the set of *messages*. The set of basic actions, \mathcal{B} , is extended with illocutionary actions, which are generated from the messages and are treated as the actions of the sending agent.

SYN-30. All the rules for \mathcal{L}^c with \mathcal{L}^m substituted for \mathcal{L}^c

SYN-31. All the rules for \mathcal{L}_s^c with \mathcal{L}_s^m substituted for \mathcal{L}_s^c

SYN-32. All the rules for \mathcal{L}_y^c with \mathcal{L}_y^m substituted for \mathcal{L}_y^c

SYN-33. $p \in \mathcal{L}_s^m$ implies that $Wp \in \mathcal{L}_s^m$

SYN-34. $p \in \mathcal{L}^m$ and $i \in \mathcal{F}$ implies that $\langle i, p \rangle \in \mathcal{M}$

SYN-35. $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ and $m \in \mathcal{M}$ implies that $\text{comm}(x, y, m) \in \mathcal{L}_s^m$

SYN-36. $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ and $m \in \mathcal{M}$ implies that $\text{says-to}(x, y, m) \in \mathcal{B}$

Interrogatives

In order to include interrogatives in the formal language, I introduce a set of constants, \mathcal{D} , and a set of predicates, \mathcal{PRED} . \mathcal{L}_q^q denotes the set of query expressions. \mathcal{L}^q is the version of the formal language that includes interrogatives.

SYN-37. All the rules for \mathcal{L}^m with \mathcal{L}^q substituted for \mathcal{L}^m

SYN-38. All the rules for \mathcal{L}_s^m with \mathcal{L}_s^q substituted for \mathcal{L}_s^q

SYN-39. All the rules for \mathcal{L}_y^m with \mathcal{L}_y^q substituted for \mathcal{L}_y^m

SYN-40. $\vec{b} \in (\mathcal{D} \cup \mathcal{X})^n$ and $P \in \mathcal{PRED}$ implies that $P(\vec{b}) \in \mathcal{L}^q$

SYN-41. $u \in \mathcal{X}$ and $p \in \mathcal{L}^q$ implies that $(\exists u : p) \in \mathcal{L}^q$

SYN-42. $\vec{a} \in \mathcal{X}^n$, $p \in \mathcal{L}^q$ implies that $(\lambda \vec{a} : p) \in \mathcal{L}_q^q$

SYN-43. $p \in \mathcal{L}_q^q$ implies that $\langle \text{interrogative}, p \rangle \in \mathcal{M}$

SYN-44. $\langle \text{interrogative}, p \rangle \in \mathcal{M}$ and $\text{Ans} \in \mathcal{D}^n$ implies that $\text{answer}(p, \text{Ans}) \in \mathcal{L}^q$

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