

# Kripke Models and Intermediate Logics

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In [10], Kripke gave a definition of the semantics of the intuitionistic logic. Fitting [2] showed that Kripke's models are equivalent to algebraic models (i.e., pseudo-Boolean models) in a certain sense. As a corollary of this result, we can show that any partially ordered set is regarded as a (characteristic) model of an intermediate logic.<sup>1)</sup> We shall study the relations between intermediate logics and partially ordered sets as models of them, in this paper.

We call a partially ordered set, a *Kripke model*.<sup>2)</sup> At present we don't know whether any intermediate logic has a Kripke model. But Kripke models have some interesting properties and are useful when we study the models of intermediate logics. In §2, we shall study general properties of Kripke models. In §3, we shall define the *height* of a Kripke model and show the close connection between the height and the *slice*, which is introduced in [7]. In §4, we shall give a model of  $LP_n$  which is the least element in  $n$ -th slice  $\mathcal{S}_n$  (see [7]).

## §1. Preliminaries

We use the terminologies of [2] on algebraic models, except the use of 1 and 0 instead of  $\vee$  and  $\wedge$ , respectively. But on Kripke models, we give another definition, following Schütte [13].<sup>3)</sup>

**Definition 1.1.** *If  $M$  is a non-empty partially ordered set, then*

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- 1) These models are studied in *e.g.*, Segerberg [14] and Gabbay-de Jongh [3]. We deal with only propositional logics in this paper.
- 2) This terminology is different from that in [2].
- 3) In this paper, the word *algebraic models* is used to denote pseudo-Boolean algebras.

we say  $M$  is a Kripke model.<sup>4)</sup> Let  $M$  be a Kripke model which is partially ordered by a relation  $\leq$ . Suppose that  $W$  is a mapping from all the pairs of formulas and elements in  $M$  to  $\{t, f\}$ .  $W$  is called an  $M$ -valuation, if  $W$  satisfies the following conditions. For any  $u, v$  in  $M$ ,

- 1) if  $W(p, u) = t$  and  $u \leq v$  then  $W(p, v) = t$ , where  $p$  is any propositional variable,
- 2)  $W(A \wedge B, u) = t$  iff  $W(A, u) = t$  and  $W(B, u) = t$ ,
- 3)  $W(A \vee B, u) = t$  iff  $W(A, u) = t$  or  $W(B, u) = t$ ,
- 4)  $W(A \supset B, u) = t$  iff for any  $r$  in  $M$  such that  $u \leq r$   $W(A, r) = f$  or  $W(B, r) = t$ ,
- 5)  $W(\neg A, u) = t$  iff for any  $r$  in  $M$  such that  $u \leq r$   $W(A, r) = f$ .

Let  $W$  be any  $M$ -valuation. We say a formula  $A$  is *valid in*  $(M, W)$ , if  $W(A, u) = t$  for any  $u$  in  $M$ . If for any  $M$ -valuation  $W$ ,  $A$  is valid in  $(M, W)$ , we say  $A$  is *valid in*  $M$ .

Following theorem is due to Fitting [2].

**Theorem 1.2.** 1) For any Kripke model  $M$  and any  $M$ -valuation  $W$ , there is a pseudo-Boolean algebra  $P$  and an assignment  $f$  of  $P$  such that for any formula  $A$ ,  $A$  is valid in  $(M, W)$  iff  $f(A) = 1$ .<sup>5)</sup>

2) Conversely, suppose that a pseudo-Boolean algebra  $P$  and its assignment  $f$  are given. Then there is a Kripke model  $M$  and an  $M$ -valuation  $W$  such that for any formula  $A$ ,  $A$  is valid in  $(M, W)$  iff  $f(A) = 1$ .

*Proof.* We sketch Fitting's proof.

1) Suppose that  $M$  and  $W$  are given. If a subset  $N$  of  $M$  satisfies the following condition

$$\text{if } u \in N \text{ and } u \leq v \text{ then } v \in N,$$

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4) Kripke's original definition says that  $M$  is a non-empty set with a *transitive, reflexive* relation, but for our purposes we have only to deal with partially ordered sets, since for any set  $M$  with a transitive, reflexive relation there is a partially ordered set  $N$  such that for any formula  $A$ ,  $A$  is valid in  $M$  iff  $A$  is valid in  $N$

5) In [2], the word *homomorphism* is used, instead of *assignment*.

we say  $N$  is *closed*. Let  $P$  be the class of all closed subsets of  $M$ . Then we can prove that  $P$  is pseudo-Boolean algebra with respect to set intersection and set union. As for zero element we take the empty set. Define an assignment  $f$  of  $P$  by  $f(p) = \{u; W(p, u) = t\}$  for any propositional variable  $p$ . Then it is clear that our theorem holds for this  $f$  and  $P$ .

2) Suppose  $P$  and  $f$  are given. Let  $M$  be the class of all prime filters of  $P$ . Clearly,  $M$  can be partially ordered by set inclusion  $\subseteq$ . Define an  $M$ -valuation  $W$  by

$$W(p, u) = t \text{ iff } f(p) \in u.$$

Now, it is easy to verify that our theorem holds for this  $M$  and  $W$ .

As a corollary of Theorem 1.2, we can obtain that

**Corollary 1.3.** 1) *For any Kripke model  $M$ , there is a pseudo-Boolean algebra  $P$  such that for any formula  $A$ ,  $A$  is valid in  $M$  iff  $A$  is valid in  $P$ .*

2) *For any pseudo-Boolean algebra  $P$ , there is a Kripke model  $M$  such that for any formula  $A$ ,  $A$  is valid in  $P$  if  $A$  is valid in  $M$ .*

We don't know whether the converse of Corollary 1.3.2 holds and whether any intermediate logic has a Kripke model. But we shall show in Corollary 1.5 that if  $P$  is finite then the converse holds. This implies that any finite intermediate logic has a Kripke model.

We write  $P_M$  (or  $M_P$ ) for the pseudo-Boolean algebra (or Kripke model) constructing from a Kripke model  $M$  (or a pseudo-Boolean algebra  $P$ ) by the method of Fitting. We know that  $A$  is valid in  $M_P$  iff  $A$  is valid in  $P_M$  by Corollary 1.3.1. Now, we define a mapping  $f$  from  $P$  to  $P_{M_P}$  by the condition that

$$f(a) = \{F; a \in F \text{ and } F \in \mathcal{I}(P)\},$$

where  $\mathcal{I}(P)$  denote the set of all prime filters of  $P$ . It is clear that  $f$  is an isomorphism from  $P$  into  $P_{M_P}$ .

**Lemma 1.4.** *If  $P$  is finite, then  $f$  is a mapping onto  $P_{M_P}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $U$  be any element in  $P_{M_P}$ . We say that an element  $F$

in  $U$  is *minimal*, when if  $G$  is a subset of  $F$  then  $G=F$  for any  $G$  in  $U$ . Since  $P$  is finite,  $U$  is also finite. Hence for any  $G$  in  $U$  there is a minimal element  $F$  such that  $F$  is a subset of  $G$ . Let  $F_1, \dots, F_k$  be all the minimal elements in  $U$ . Define  $U_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq k$ ) by

$$U_i = \{G; F_i \text{ is a subset of } G \text{ and } G \in \mathcal{I}(P)\}.$$

It is clear that  $U = \bigcup_{i=1}^k U_i$ , since  $U$  is in  $P_{M_P}$ . Let  $F_i = \{a_{ij}; 1 \leq j \leq n_i\}$ . Then we write  $(F_i)_*$  for  $\bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} a_{ij}$ . It is easy to see that  $G \in U_i$  iff  $(F_i)_* \in G$ . So,  $f((F_i)_*) = U_i$ . Hence  $f(\bigcup_{i=1}^k (F_i)_*) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k f((F_i)_*) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k U_i = U$ , since  $f(a \cup b) = f(a) \cup f(b)$  for any  $a, b \in P$ . Thus we have Lemma 1.4.

So, we obtain

**Corollary 1.5.** *If  $P$  is finite, then the converse of Corollary 1.2.3 holds.<sup>6)</sup>*

In §3, we shall prove that if a pseudo-Boolean algebra  $P$  is in  $S_n$  ( $n < \omega$ ),  $P_{M_P}$  is also in  $S_n$ .

## §2. Properties of Kripke Models

We shall henceforth write a *model* for a Kripke model and a *logic* for an intermediate logic. We write  $L(M)$  for the logic characterized by a model  $M$ , i.e., the set of formulas which are valid in  $M$ . We write  $\leq_M$  for the relation which orders a model  $M$ . Following the notation in [7], we write  $L_1 \subset L_2$  if a logic  $L_1$  is included by a logic  $L_2$ , as a set of formulas.

**Definition 2.1.** *Let  $M$  be a model. A subset  $N$  of  $M$  is called a submodel of  $M$  if  $N$  is closed with respect to  $\leq_M$ , i.e., for any  $a, b$  in  $M$ , if  $a \in N$  and  $a \leq_M b$  then  $b \in N$ .  $\leq_N$  is a restriction of  $\leq_M$  to  $N$ .*

We can prove easily that

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $N$  be a submodel of  $M$ . If two  $M$ -valuation  $W$  and  $W'$  satisfy the following condition*

6) See Dummett-Lemmon [1] Lemma 2.

$W(p, a) = W'(p, a)$  for any  $a \in N$  and any propositional variable  $p$ ,

then  $W(A, a) = W'(A, a)$  for any  $a \in N$  and any formula  $A$ .

**Corollary 2.3.** *If  $N$  is a submodel of  $M$ , then  $L(M) \subset L(N)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $W$  be any  $N$ -valuation. Define a mapping  $W^*$  by

$$W^*(p, a) = \begin{cases} W(p, a) & \text{if } a \in N, \\ f & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify that  $W^*$  is really an  $M$ -valuation. Suppose that  $A \notin L(N)$ . Then there is  $a \in N$  such that  $W(A, a) = f$  for some  $N$ -valuation  $W$ . By Lemma 2.2,  $W^*(A, a) = f$ . Hence  $A \notin L(M)$ .

**Definition 2.4.** *Suppose that  $M_i$  is a submodel for any  $i \in I$ . The set  $\{M_i; i \in I\}$  is called a covering of  $M$ , if  $M = \bigcup_{i \in I} M_i$ .*

**Theorem 2.5.** *If  $\{M_i; i \in I\}$  is a covering of  $M$ , then  $L(M) \supset \bigcap_{i \in I} L(M_i)$ , where  $\bigcap_{i \in I} L(M_i)$  denotes the intersection of  $L(M_i)$ 's as logics.<sup>7)</sup>*

*Proof.* By Corollary 2.3, for any  $i \in I$   $L(M) \subset L(M_i)$ . So,  $L(M) \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} L(M_i)$ . Suppose that  $A \notin L(M)$ . Then there is  $a \in M$  and an  $M$ -valuation  $W$  such that  $W(A, a) = f$ . By the definition of covering,  $a \in M_i$  for some  $i \in I$ . Define an  $M_i$ -valuation  $V$  by restricting the domain of the second argument of  $W$  to  $M_i$ . Then it is easy to see that  $V(A, a) = W(A, a) = f$ . Thus  $A \notin L(M_i)$  for some  $i \in I$ .

Now, we define two operations on models, following the operations defined in [6].

**Definition 2.6.** *Let  $M$  and  $N$  be models such that  $M \cap N$  is empty. The model  $M \uparrow N$  is a set  $M \cup N$  with a relation  $\leq_{M \uparrow N}$  defined below. For any  $a, b \in M \cup N$ ,*

$a \leq_{M \uparrow N} b$  iff either 1)  $a \leq_M b$  and  $a, b \in M$  or 2)  $a \leq_N b$  and  $a, b \in N$  or 3)  $a \in M$  and  $b \in N$ .

7) See Hosoi [8].

If both  $M$  and  $N$  are isomorphic (as a partially ordered set) to some model  $L$ , we write  $L \uparrow L$  for  $M \uparrow N$ .

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $M_i$  be a model for any  $i \in I$ , such that  $M_i \cap M_j$  is empty if  $i \neq j$ . The model  $(M_i)_{i \in I}$  is a set  $\bigcup_{i \in I} M_i$  with a relation  $\leq$  defined below.

For any  $a, b \in \bigcup_{i \in I} M_i$ ,

$a \leq b$  iff there is  $i \in I$  such that  $a, b \in M_i$  and  $a \leq_{M_i} b$ .<sup>8)</sup>

We sometimes write  $(M)_{M \in \mathcal{G}}$  for  $(M_i)_{i \in I}$ , if  $\mathcal{G}$  is the ordered set  $\{M_i; i \in I\}$ . If each  $M_i$  is isomorphic to some  $L$  and the cardinal of  $I$  is  $\sigma$  then we write  $L^\sigma$  for  $(M_i)_{i \in I}$ . We remark that  $P_{M \uparrow N} = P_M \uparrow P_N$  and the direct product of  $P_{M_i}$  ( $i \in I$ ) =  $P_{(M_i)_{i \in I}}$ .

**Corollary 2.8.**  $L((M_i)_{i \in I}) \supset \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} L(M_i)$ .

*Proof.* Because  $\{M_i; i \in I\}$  is a covering of  $(M_i)_{i \in I}$ . (See [14].)

Define a model  $S'_n$  for  $1 \leq n < \omega$ , which is totally linear ordered set with  $n$  elements. It is easy to see that  $P_{S'_n} = S_n$  where  $S_n$  is a pseudo-Boolean model defined by Gödel [2]. So, henceforth we write  $S_n$  also for the Kripke model  $S'_n$ .

**Lemma 2.9.** Let  $M$  be a model. If  $\exists a \in M \forall b \in M a \leq_M b$  holds, then  $M$  is of the form  $S_1 \uparrow N$ . (For the sake of brevity, we say  $M$  is of the form  $S_1 \uparrow N$  even if  $M = S_1$ ).

*Proof.* Let  $a$  be an element in  $M$  such that for any  $b \in M a \leq_M b$  holds. Let  $N$  be a submodel which is equal to  $M - \{a\}$ . Then it is clear that  $M$  is isomorphic to  $S_1 \uparrow N$ .

Mckay [11] proved that for any pseudo-Boolean algebra  $P$ , there are pseudo-Boolean algebras  $P_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) such that  $P \supset \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} S_1 \uparrow P_i$ . We give another proof of this result for Kripke models.\*)

**Theorem 2.10.** For any model  $M$  there exist models  $N_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) such that  $L(M) \supset \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} L(S_1 \uparrow N_i)$ .

8) This notion is defined also in [9]. Henceforth, we sometimes abbreviate  $\leq_M$  as  $\leq$ , when a fixed model  $M$  is considered.

\*) Henceforth, a pseudo-Boolean model  $P$  denotes the set of formulas valid in  $P$  as well as a pseudo-Boolean algebra, whenever no confusions seem to occur.

*Proof.* For any  $a \in M$ , we write  $M_a$  for the submodel  $\{b; a \leq_M b\}$ . Clearly,  $\{M_a; a \in M\}$  is a covering of  $M$ . Hence by Theorem 2.5,  $L(M) \supset \bigcap_{a \in M} L(M_a)$ . Moreover, each  $M_a$  is of the form  $S_1 \uparrow N_a$  by Lemma 2.9.

It should be remarked that in contrast with the above theorem, the following statement is false. *For any model  $M$ , there exists a model  $N$  such that  $L(M) \supset \subset L(S_1 \uparrow N)$ .*

The following theorem is useful, when we compare one logic with another logic. Let  $f$  be a surjective mapping from  $M$  to  $N$  such that 1) for any  $a, b \in M$  if  $a \leq_M b$  then  $f(a) \leq_N f(b)$ , and 2) for  $a \in M$  and any  $c \in N$  if  $f(a) \leq_N c$  then there is  $b \in M$  such that  $f(b) = c$  and  $a \leq_M b$ . Then we say  $f$  is an *embedding of  $M$  into  $N$* . If there is an embedding of  $M$  into  $N$ , we say  $M$  is *embeddable in  $N$* .

**Theorem 2.11.** *If  $M$  is embeddable in  $N$  then  $L(M) \subset L(N)$ .*<sup>9)</sup>

*Proof.* Suppose  $A \notin L(N)$ . Then there is an  $N$ -valuation  $W$  and an element  $b \in N$  such that  $W(A, b) = f$ . Define an  $M$ -valuation  $V$  by

$$V(p, a) = W(p, f(a)) \text{ for any propositional variable } p \text{ and any } a \in M,$$

where  $f$  is an embedding of  $M$  into  $N$ . We can show that  $V$  is really an  $M$ -valuation, and that  $V(B, a) = W(B, f(a))$  for any formula  $B$ . Let  $c$  be an element in  $M$  such that  $f(c) = b$ . Now,  $V(A, c) = W(A, b) = f$ . So,  $A \notin L(M)$ .

**Corollary 2.12.** 1) *If  $M_1$  is embeddable in  $M_2$  and  $M_2$  is embeddable in  $M_3$ , then  $M_1$  is embeddable in  $M_3$ .*

2) *Let  $g$  be a surjective mapping from a set  $J$  to a set  $I$ . Suppose that  $M_j$  is embeddable in  $N_i$  for any  $j \in J$  and any  $i \in I$  such that  $g(j) = i$ . Then  $(M_j)_{j \in J}$  is embeddable in  $(N_i)_{i \in I}$ .*

3) *Suppose that  $M_1$  and  $N_1$  are embeddable in  $M_2$  and  $N_2$ , respectively. Then  $M_1 \uparrow N_1$  is embeddable in  $M_2 \uparrow N_2$ .*

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9) We can prove this theorem by using Theorem 4.6 in [9]. In [9], an embedding is called a *strongly isotone* mapping.

### §3. Height of Models

In this section, we shall define the *height*  $h(M)$  of a given model  $M$ , and prove that  $L(M)$  is in the  $n$ -th slice  $\mathcal{S}_n$  iff  $h(M)=n$ , for  $n \leq \omega$ . We say a model  $M$  is in  $\mathcal{S}_n$  if  $L(M) \in \mathcal{S}_n$  (or equivalently,  $P_M \in \mathcal{S}_n$ ).

**Lemma 3.1.** *Suppose that  $M_i \in \mathcal{S}_{n_i}$  for  $i \in I$ . Then  $(M_i)_{i \in I} \in \mathcal{S}_n$ , where  $n = \sup\{n_i; i \in I\}$ . ( $n$  and  $n_i$  may be  $\omega$ .)*

Intuitively, the *height* of a model  $M$  is the maximal  $m$  such that  $a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_m$  and each  $a_i$  is in  $M$ , where  $a < b$  means  $a \leq b$  and  $a \neq b$ . To make the definition precise, we need some preparations. Suppose that a model  $M$  is given. For any  $a, b \in M$  such that  $a \leq b$ , we say a sequence  $\alpha = \langle a_1, \dots, a_m \rangle$  ( $m \geq 1$ ) of elements in  $M$  is a *chain from  $a$  to  $b$*  if 1)  $a_1 = a$  and  $a_m = b$  and 2)  $a_i < a_{i+1}$  for  $1 \leq i < m$ . In such a case we define  $l(\alpha) = m$ . For any  $a, b \in M$  such that  $a \leq b$ , define a mapping  $d$  by

$$d(a, b) = \sup\{l(\alpha); \alpha \text{ is a chain from } a \text{ to } b\}.$$

We note that if  $a < b$  then  $d(a, b) \geq 2$ . For the sake of brevity, let  $d(a, b) = 0$  if  $a \not\leq b$ .

**Definition 3.2.** *The height  $h$  is a mapping from the class of all models to  $\{1, 2, \dots, \omega\}$ , which is defined by*

$$h(M) = \sup\{d(a, b); a, b \in M\}.$$

We remark that  $h(M) \geq 1$ , since  $d(a, a) = 1$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be a model. If  $h(M) = n$ , then  $M \in \mathcal{S}_n$ , where  $n < \omega$ .*

*Proof.* We prove our lemma by induction on  $n$ .

1) Case  $n=1$ .

If there exist  $a, b \in M$  such that  $a < b$ , then  $h(M) \geq d(a, b) \geq 2$ . So, for any  $a, b \in M$  if  $a \leq b$  then  $a = b$ . Therefore  $M = (S_1)^\circ$  where  $\circ$  is the cardinal of  $M$ . So  $L(M) \supset \subset L(S_1)$ . This means  $M \in \mathcal{S}_1$ .

2) Case  $n > 1$ .

For each  $a \in M$ , define a submodel  $M_a$  of  $M$  by  $M_a = \{b; a \leq b\}$ .



By the proof of Theorem 2.10,  $\{M_a; a \in M\}$  is a covering of  $M$  and each  $M_a$  is of the form  $S_1 \uparrow N_a$ . We first prove that

$$(3.1) \quad h(M_a) \leq h(M) \text{ for any } a \in M \text{ and there is } b \in M \text{ such that } h(M_b) = h(M) > 1.$$

Since  $M_a$  is a subset of  $M$ ,  $d(b, c) \leq h(M)$  for any  $b, c \in M_a$ . So,  $h(M_a) \leq h(M)$ . We can find  $b', c' \in M$  such that  $b' \leq c'$  and  $d(b', c') = h(M)$ , since  $h(M)$  is finite. So  $h(M_{b'}) \geq d(b', c') = h(M)$ . Thus,  $h(M_{b'}) = h(M)$ . Next, we can show that

$$(3.2) \quad \text{for any } a \in M, \text{ if } h(M_a) \neq 1 \text{ then } h(N_a) = h(M_a) - 1.$$

Now, by (3.1) and (3.2), if  $h(M_a) \neq 1$  then  $h(N_a) = n_a \leq n - 1$  and there is  $b$  such that  $h(N_b) = n - 1$ . By the hypothesis of induction,  $N_a \in S_{n_a}$ . Since  $P_{M_a} = P_{S_1} \uparrow P_{N_a} = S_1 \uparrow P_{N_a}$  and  $P_{N_a} \in S_{n_a}$ ,  $P_{M_a} \in S_{n_a+1}$  by Theorem 6.2 in [7]. That is,

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{if } h(M_a) > 1 \text{ then } M_a \in S_{n_a+1}, \text{ where } n_a + 1 \leq n \text{ and} \\ &\text{if } h(M_a) = 1 \text{ then } M_a \in S_1. \end{aligned}$$

By (3.1),  $\max\{n_a + 1; a \in M\} = n$ . Thus by (3.3), Lemma 3.1 and Theorem 2.10,  $M \in S_n$ .

**Lemma 3.4.** *If there is a chain  $\alpha$  in  $M$  such that  $l(\alpha) = n + 1$ , then  $P_n$  is not valid in  $M$  ( $n \geq 1$ ), where  $P_n$  is defined inductively by*

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= ((p_1 \supset p_0) \supset p_1) \supset p_1, \\ P_{k+1} &= ((p_{k+1} \supset P_k) \supset p_{k+1}) \supset p_{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha$  be  $\langle a_1, \dots, a_{n+1} \rangle$ . We define an  $M$ -valuation  $W$  by

$$\begin{aligned} W(p_0, b) &= f \quad \text{for any } b \in M, \\ W(p_i, b) &= \begin{cases} t & \text{if } a_{n-i+1} < b \quad (1 \leq i \leq n) \\ f & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

For the sake of brevity, let  $P_0 = p_0$ . Now, we prove by induction on  $i$  that  $W(P_i, a_{n-i+1}) = f$  for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ .

- 1)  $i = 0$ .  $W(P_0, a_{n+1}) = W(p_0, a_{n+1}) = f$  by the assumption.
- 2)  $i > 0$ . By the hypothesis of induction,  $W(P_{i-1}, a_{n-i+2}) = f$ .

Since  $a_{n-i+1} < a_{n-i+2}$ ,  $W(p_i, a_{n-i+2}) = t$ . So  $W(p_i \supset P_{i-1}, a_{n-i+1}) = f$ . Since  $W(p_i, b) = t$  for  $a_{n-i+1} < b$ ,  $W((p_i \supset P_{i-1}) \supset p_i, a_{n-i+1}) = t$ . But  $W(p_i, a_{n-i+1}) = f$ . Hence  $W(P_i, a_{n-i+1}) = f$ . If we take  $n$  for  $i$ , then we have  $W(p_n, a_1) = f$ . This means that  $P_n$  is not valid in  $M$ .

**Corollary 3.5.** *If  $h(M) = \omega$ , then  $M \in \mathcal{S}_\omega$ .*

*Proof.* It can be easily proved that if  $h(M) = \omega$  then for any  $2 \leq n < \omega$  there is a chain  $\alpha$  in  $M$  such that  $l(\alpha) = n$ . Then we have  $M \in \mathcal{S}_m$  for any  $m < \omega$  by Lemma 3.4.

Putting these results together, we obtain

**Corollary 3.6.** *For any  $n \leq \omega$ ,  $h(M) = n$  iff  $M \in \mathcal{S}_n$ .*

Next, we shall prove that if a pseudo-Boolean algebra  $P$  is in  $\mathcal{S}_n$  ( $n < \omega$ ), then  $M_P$  is also in  $\mathcal{S}_n$ .

**Lemma 3.7.** *Let  $P$  be a pseudo-Boolean algebra in  $\mathcal{S}_n$  ( $n < \omega$ ). Then there is no set of prime filters  $\{F_i; 0 \leq i \leq n\}$  of  $P$  such that*

$$(3.4) \quad F_n \subsetneq F_{n-1} \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq F_0.$$

( $F_i \subsetneq F_j$ , means that  $F_i$  is a proper subset of  $F_j$ ).

*Proof.* Suppose that a set of prime filters  $\{F_i; 0 \leq i \leq n\}$  satisfies (3.4). We prove that there is an assignment  $f$  of  $P$  such that

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} &1) \quad f(P_0) \in P - F_0 \text{ and} \\ &2) \quad f(P_k) \in F_{k-1} - F_k \text{ for any } k \text{ such that } 1 \leq k \leq n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $P_i$  is the formula defined in Lemma 3.4. We define  $f$  by induction. Define  $f(p_0) = a_0$ , where  $a_0 = 0$ . Then it is clear that  $f(P_0) = f(p_0) = 0 \in P - F_0$ . Suppose that we define  $f(p_i)$  for  $0 \leq i \leq k < n$  such that  $f(P_k) = b \in F_{k-1} - F_k$ . Since  $F_{k+1} \subsetneq F_k$ , we can take an element  $a_{k+1}$  out of  $F_k - F_{k+1}$ . We define  $b_{k+1} = a_{k+1} \cup (a_{k+1} \supset b)$  and  $f(p_{k+1}) = b_{k+1}$ . We first show

$$(3.6) \quad b_{k+1} \in F_k - F_{k+1}.$$

Since  $F_k$  is a filter,  $a_{k+1} \leq b_{k+1}$  and  $a_{k+1} \in F_k$ , so  $b_{k+1} \in F_k$ . If  $b_{k+1} \in F_{k+1}$ , then either  $a_{k+1} \in F_{k+1}$  or  $a_{k+1} \supset b \in F_{k+1}$ , since  $F_{k+1}$  is prime. But  $a_{k+1}$

$\in F_{k+1}$  contradicts the hypothesis. So,  $a_{k+1} \supset b \in F_{k+1}$ . Then  $a_{k+1} \in F_k$ ,  $a_{k+1} \supset b \in F_k$ ,  $a_{k+1} \cap (a_{k+1} \supset b) \leq b$ , and hence  $b \in F_k$ . But this contradicts the assumption. Thus  $b_{k+1} \notin F_{k+1}$ . Next we show that

$$(3.7) \quad b_{k+1} \supset b = b.$$

Since  $a_{k+1} \cap (b_{k+1} \supset b) \leq b_{k+1} \cap (b_{k+1} \supset b) \leq b$ ,  $(b_{k+1} \supset b) \leq (a_{k+1} \supset b) \leq b_{k+1}$ . So  $b_{k+1} \supset b = b_{k+1} \cap (b_{k+1} \supset b) \leq b$ . Hence  $b_{k+1} \supset b = b$ , since  $b_{k+1} \supset b \geq b$  always holds. By (3.6) and (3.7),  $f(P_{k+1}) = b_{k+1} \in F_k - F_{k+1}$ . If we take  $n$  for  $k$  in (3.5), we have  $f(P_n) \in F_{n-1} - F_n$ . Since  $1 \in F_n$ ,  $f(P_n) \neq 1$ . So  $P_n$  is not valid in  $P$ . But this contradicts  $P \in \mathcal{S}_n$ .

By Lemma 3.7, if  $P \in \mathcal{S}_n$  then  $h(M_P) \leq n$ . But by Corollary 1.3,  $L(M_P) \subset P$ . So  $h(M_P) = n$ . This means  $M_P \in \mathcal{S}_n$ .

#### §4. Applications of Kripke Models

In this section, we shall study about models of the logic  $LP_n$ , which is defined by adding axiom schema  $P_n$  (see Lemma 3.4) to the intuitionistic propositional logic.<sup>10)</sup> It is proved in [7] that  $\mathcal{S}_n$  is the greatest and  $LP_n$  is the least element in  $\mathcal{S}_n$ . We now know that a model  $M$  is in  $\mathcal{S}_n$  iff  $h(M) = n$  and that the Kripke model  $\mathcal{S}_n$  is a linearly ordered set with  $n$  elements. So, it is natural to ask what models the least element  $LP_n$  has.

First we introduce the monotonic descending sequence of models  $\{R_{nm}; m < \omega\}$  and show that this sequence covers to  $LP_n$ . Moreover we show  $\{R_{nm}; n < \omega\}$  converges to the logic  $D_{m-1}$  which is discussed in Gabbay—de Jongh [3]. We give an axiomatization of  $R_{nm}$ . We also give a model of  $LQ_n$ , which is introduced in Hosoi [8].

We need some preparations.

**Definition 4.1.** Define a mapping  $w$  by the condition that for any model  $M$  such that  $d(a, b)$  is finite for  $a, b \in M$ ,

$$w(M) = \sup[\text{the cardinal of } \{b; d(a, b) = 2\}; a \in M].$$

10) Hereafter, we sometimes write  $LJ + A_1 + \dots + A_m$  for the logic which is obtained by adding axiom schemata  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  to the intuitionistic logic.

**Definition 4.2.** If a model  $M$  satisfies the following conditions, we call  $M$  a  $m$ -tree model.

- 1) There is a least element in  $M$  with respect to  $\leq$ .
- 2) For any  $a, b, c$  in  $M$ , if  $b \leq a$  and  $c \leq a$  then either  $b \leq c$  or  $c \leq b$ .
- 3)  $w(M) \leq m \leq \omega$ .

We write  $\mathcal{U}_{nm}$  ( $m \leq \omega, n < \omega$ ) for the class of all models  $M$  such that  $h(M) = n$  and  $M$  is an  $m$ -tree model. Remark that if a submodel  $M$  of an  $m$ -tree model satisfies the condition 1), then  $M$  is also an  $m$ -tree model. Any  $m$ -tree model is also an  $n$ -tree model for  $m \leq n$ .

An element  $a \in M$  is said to be *maximal* if  $a \leq b$  implies  $a = b$  for any  $b \in M$ .

**Definition 4.3.** Let  $M \in \mathcal{U}_{nm}$ . We define a model  $M^*$  as follows.

- 1) If  $n = 1$ , then  $M^* = M$ .
- 2) Suppose  $n > 1$ . Let  $\{a_i; i \leq s\}$  be all maximal elements in  $M$ . (Since  $M \in \mathcal{U}_{nm}$ ,  $s$  is at most  $\omega$ ). Now  $M^*$  is a set  $M \cup \{a_{i_j}; i \leq s \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n - d(a_0, a_i)\}$ , where  $a_0$  is the least element and  $a_{i_j} \in M$ , with a relation  $\leq_{M^*}$  such that  $a \leq_{M^*} b$  iff either 1)  $a, b \in M$  and  $a \leq_M b$  or 2)  $a \in M$ ,  $a \leq_M a_i$  and  $b = a_{i_j}$  or 3)  $a = a_{i_j}$ ,  $b = a_{i_k}$  and  $j \leq k$ .

Clearly if  $M \in \mathcal{U}_{nm}$  then  $M^* \in \mathcal{U}_{nm}$ .

**Lemma 4.4.** If  $M \in \mathcal{U}_{nm}$  for some  $m, n$ , then  $L(M^*) \subset L(M)$ .

*Proof.* Define a mapping  $f$  from  $M^*$  to  $M$  by

$$f(a) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a \in M \\ a_i & \text{if } a = a_{i_j} \text{ for some } j. \end{cases}$$

Since  $f$  is an embedding of  $M^*$  into  $M$ ,  $L(M^*) \subset L(M)$  by Theorem 2.11.

Let  $M \in \mathcal{U}_{nm}$ .  $M$  is said to be *complete* if  $d(a_0, a) = n$  for any maximal element  $a$  of  $M$ . It is trivial that  $M^*$  is complete. Now, we define a special complete element in  $\mathcal{U}_{nm}$ .

**Definition 4.5.** Define a model  $R_{nm}$  ( $n < \omega, m \leq \omega$ ) recursively as follows.

$$R_{1m} = S_1, \quad R_{k+1m} = S_1 \uparrow (R_{km})^m.$$

Clearly,  $R_{nm}$  is complete and is in  $\mathcal{U}_{nm'}$  for any  $m' \geq m$ .

**Lemma 4.6.**  *$R_{nm}$  is the least element in  $\mathcal{U}_{nm}$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemma 4.4 and the above remark, we have only to prove that  $L(R_{nm}) \subset L(M)$  for any complete element  $M$  in  $\mathcal{U}_{nm}$ . We shall show that  $R_{nm}$  is embeddable in  $M$  for any complete element  $M$  in  $\mathcal{U}_{nm}$ , by induction on  $n$ . For  $n=1$ , the identity mapping on  $M$  is an embedding of  $R_{1m}$  into  $M$ , since  $M \in \mathcal{U}_{1m}$  iff  $M = S_1 = R_{1m}$ . Suppose  $n > 1$ . By Definition 4.2,  $M$  is of the form  $S_1 \uparrow (M_i)_{i \leq k}$  for some  $k \leq m$  and each  $M_i$  is in  $\mathcal{U}_{n-1m}$  since  $M$  is complete. By the assumption,  $R_{n-1m}$  is embeddable in  $M_i$  for any  $i$ . So,  $(R_{n-1m})^m$  is embeddable in  $(M_i)_{i \leq k}$  by Corollary 2.12, 2) and hence  $R_{nm}$  is embeddable in  $M$  by Corollary 2.12, 3). Thus  $L(R_{nm}) \subset L(M)$ .

**Corollary 4.7.** *If  $m \geq m'$  and  $n \geq n'$ , then  $L(R_{nm}) \subset L(R_{n'm'})$ . Moreover if  $m > m'$ ,  $L(R_{nm}) \subsetneq L(R_{n'm'})$  and if  $n > n'$ ,  $L(R_{nm}) \subsetneq L(R_{n'm'})$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $R_{n'm'}$  is a submodel of  $R_{nm}$ , by Corollary 2.3  $L(R_{n'm'}) \subset L(R_{nm})$ . By Lemma 4.6  $L(R_{nm}) \subset L(R_{n'n'})$ . Let  $A_k$  be the formula introduced by [3], i.e.,

$$A_k = \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k+1} ((\bigwedge_{j=i}^{k+1} p_j) \supset \bigvee_{j=i}^{k+1} p_j) \supset \bigvee_{i=0}^{k+1} p_i.$$

Suppose  $m > m'$ . Then by [3],  $A_{m'-1} \in L(R_{n'm'})$  but  $A_{m'-1} \notin L(R_{nm})$ . Suppose  $n > n'$ . Then  $P_{n'} \in L(R_{nm})$  but  $P_{n'} \notin L(R_{n'm'})$ , since  $h(R_{km}) = k$  for any  $k < \omega$ . So our proof is completed.

Using the idea of Kripke [10], we have the following lemma.<sup>11)</sup>

**Lemma 4.8.** *Let  $M$  be a model in  $S_n$ , which is of the form  $S_1 \uparrow N$  and  $w(M) \leq m < \omega$ . Then there is a model  $M'$  in  $\mathcal{U}_{nm}$  such that  $L(M') \subset L(M)$ .*

*Proof.* A chain  $\alpha$  from  $a$  to  $b$  is called *proper*, where  $\alpha = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle$ , if  $d(a_i, a_{i+1}) = 2$  for any  $i$  such that  $1 \leq i < k$ . Let  $a_0$  be the least element of  $M$ . We define a model  $M'$  by the condition 1)  $M' = \{\alpha;$

11) See also [1] and [5].

$\alpha$  is a proper chain from  $a_0$  and 2) for any  $\alpha = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle$  and  $\beta = \langle b_1, \dots, b_h \rangle$ ,  $\alpha \leq_{M'} \beta$  iff  $k \leq h$  and  $b_i = a_i$  for any  $i \leq k$ . Since  $w(M) \leq m$ ,  $w(M') \leq m$ . It can be easily proved that  $M'$  is a  $m$ -tree model and  $h(M') = n$ . Hence  $M' \in \mathcal{U}_{nm}$ . We now prove that  $L(M') \subset L(M)$ . Define a mapping  $f$  from  $M'$  to  $M$ , by  $f(\alpha) = a$  if  $\alpha$  is a chain from  $a_0$  to  $a$ . Then  $f$  is an embedding of  $M'$  into  $M$ . So  $L(M') \subset L(M)$ .

**Corollary 4.9.** *Let  $M$  be a model in  $S_n$ , such that  $w(M) \leq m \leq \omega$ . Then  $L(R_{nm}) \subset L(M)$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.10, there are models  $N_i$ 's such that  $L(M) \supset \bigcap_{i \in I} L(S_1 \uparrow N_i)$ . Furthermore we can take such  $S_1 \uparrow N_i$ 's as submodels of  $M$ , so  $w(S_1 \uparrow N_i) \leq m$ . By Lemma 4.6 and Corollary 4.8,  $L(R_{nm}) \subset L(S_1 \uparrow N_i)$  for any  $i \in I$ . Hence  $L(M) \supset \bigcap_{i \in I} L(S_1 \uparrow N_i) \supset L(R_{nm})$ .

**Theorem 4.10.** 1)  $LP_n \supset \bigcap_{m < \omega} L(R_{nm})$  ( $1 \leq n < \omega$ ).

2)  $D_m \supset \bigcap_{n < \omega} L(R_{nm+1})$  ( $0 \leq m < \omega$ ), where  $D_k$  is a logic defined by adding axiom schema  $A_k$  to intuitionistic logic. (See [3]).

*Proof.* 1) By McKay [12] Theorem 2.2,  $LP_n$  has the finite model property. So there are finite Kripke models  $M_i$ 's such that  $LP_n \supset \bigcap_{i \in I} L(M_i)$ .<sup>12)</sup> Clearly  $h(M_i) = n_i \leq n$ . Let  $w(M_i)$  be  $m_i$ . Since  $M_i$  is finite,  $m_i < \omega$ . By Corollary 4.9,  $L(R_{n_i m_i}) \subset L(M_i)$ . So  $LP_n \supset \bigcap_{m < \omega} L(R_{nm})$ . Clearly,  $LP_n \subset \bigcap_{m < \omega} L(R_{nm})$ . 2) can be proved similarly as 1) by using the argument [3], since each  $D_k$  has the finite model property.

**Corollary 4.11.** 1)  $LP_n \supset \subset L(R_{n\omega})$ . 2)  $LJ \supset \bigcap_{n, m < \omega} L(R_{nm})$ .

*Proof.* 1) Clearly  $LP_n \supset L(R_{n\omega})$ . By Corollary 4.9 and Theorem 4.10,  $LP_n \supset \bigcap_{m < \omega} L(R_{nm}) \supset L(R_{n\omega})$ . 2) Trivial.

In [3], an axiomatization of the logic  $D_m$  is given, i.e.,  $D_m \supset \subset LJ + A_m$ . Using this fact, we can obtain an axiomatization of  $R_{nm}$ .

**Theorem 4.12.**  $L(R_{nm}) \supset \subset LJ + P_n + A_{m-1}$  for  $1 \leq m < \omega$ .

*Proof.* Since  $A_{m-1} \in D_{m-1}$ ,  $L(R_{nm}) \supset LJ + P_n + A_{m-1}$  by Theorem 4.10.

12) See Corollary 1.5.

Conversely, let  $P$  be the Lindenbaum algebra of  $LJ + P_n + A_{m-1}$ . Since  $P \in \mathcal{S}_n$ ,  $M_P$  is also in  $\mathcal{S}_n$  by Lemma 3.7. So if  $A \notin P$  then there is an  $M_P$ -valuation  $W$  such that  $A$  is not valid in  $(M_P, W)$ . Using the same method as in [3], we can prove that there is a model  $M$  such that  $A \notin L(M)$  and  $L(M) \supset L(R_{n',m'})$  for some  $n' \leq n$  and  $m' \leq m$ . Hence  $A \notin L(R_{nm})$  by Corollary 4.7. Thus we have  $L(R_{nm}) \subset LJ + P_n + A_{m-1}$ .

As a corollary of Theorem 4.10, we can give a model of  $LQ_n$  ( $2 \leq n < \omega$ ), which is obtained by adding axiom schema  $Q$  to  $LP_n$ , where  $Q = \neg p \vee \neg \neg p$ .<sup>13</sup> It is proved in Theorem 4.16 in Hosoi [8] that  $LQ_n$  does not have a finite model if  $n \geq 3$ . First we have

**Lemma 4.13.** *Let  $S_1 \uparrow M$  be a finite model, in which  $Q$  is valid. Then  $M$  is of the form  $N \uparrow S_1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that both  $a$  and  $b$  are distinct maximal elements in  $S_1 \uparrow M$ . Define  $S_1 \uparrow M$ -valuation  $W$  by

$$W(p, c) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } c = a \\ f & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify that  $W(Q, a_0) = f$ , where  $a_0$  is the least element of  $S_1 \uparrow M$ . This contradicts that  $Q \in L(S_1 \uparrow M)$ . So,  $S_1 \uparrow M$  has only one maximal element. Thus,  $M$  is of the form  $N \uparrow S_1$ .

**Theorem 4.14.**  $LQ_{n+1} \supset \subset \bigcap_{m < \omega} L(R_{nm} \uparrow S_1) \supset \subset L(R_{n\omega} \uparrow S_1)$ . *In other words, there exists a pseudo-Boolean model  $P$  of  $LP_n$  such that  $LQ_{n+1} \supset \subset P \uparrow S_1$ .*

*Proof.* By McKay [12],  $LQ_{n+1}$  has the finite model property. So we can take finite models  $M_i$ 's of the form  $S_1 \uparrow N_i$  such that  $LQ_{n+1} \supset \subset \bigcap_{i \in I} L(M_i)$ . By Lemma 4.13,  $M_i$  is of the form  $M_i' \uparrow S_1$ . Clearly  $M_i' \in \mathcal{S}_{n_i}$  and  $w(M_i') = m_i$  for some  $n_i \leq n$  and  $m_i < \omega$ . So, by Lemma 4.4, Corollary 4.6 and Lemma 4.8  $R_{nm_i}$  is embeddable in  $M_i'$ . Hence  $R_{nm_i} \uparrow S_1$  is embeddable in  $M_i$  by Corollary 2.12, 3). So  $L(M_i) \supset L(R_{nm_i} \uparrow S_1)$  and hence  $LQ_{n+1} \supset \subset \bigcap_{m < \omega} L(R_{nm} \uparrow S_1)$ . Since  $R_{n\omega} \uparrow S_1$  is embeddable in  $R_{nm} \uparrow S_1$ ,

13) See Definition 4.11 and Lemma 4.12 in [8].

$\bigcap_{m < \omega} L(R_{nm} \uparrow S_1) \supset L(R_{n\omega} \uparrow S_1)$ . Clearly  $L(R_{n\omega} \uparrow S_1) \supset LQ_{n+1}$ . Remark that  $LQ \supset \subset LJ + Q \supset \subset \bigcap_{n, m < \omega} L(R_{nm} \uparrow S_1)$ .

*Note Added in Proof (March 5, 1971):*

C. G. Mckay defined a sequence of models  $J'_n$  in "A note on the Jaśkowski sequence" *Z. Math. Logik Grundlagen Math.* **13** (1967) and proved that  $\bigcap_{n < \omega} J'_n \supset \subset LJ$ . But this is not the case. For, by the results of Gabbay-de Jongh [3],  $D_1 \subset \bigcap_{n < \omega} J'_n$  and  $LJ \not\subseteq D_1$ . Mckay stated in his letter to the author, dated 25<sup>th</sup> September 1970, that his result is incorrect.

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