

# Jónsson-Tarski duality beyond dimension 0

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Propositional modal logic extends classical propositional logic with a unary operator  $\Box p$  ( $\approx$  it is necessary that  $p$ ) and appropriate rules.

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Thus, modal algebras form an equational class, i.e. a variety of algebras.

## Question

Is a “continuous version of modal logic” axiomatizable by equations?

$\{0, 1\} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ .

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This is a contribution to the investigation (D. Hofmann, R. Neves, P. Nora) of how much algebraic are the duals of certain categories of spaces.



# Topological semantics of modal logic

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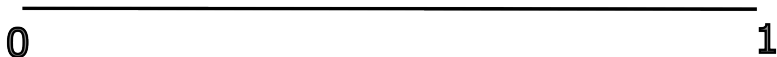
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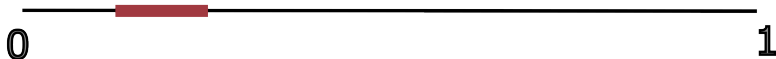
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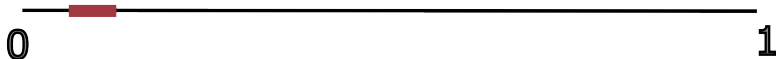
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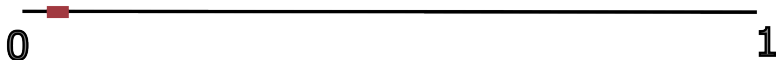
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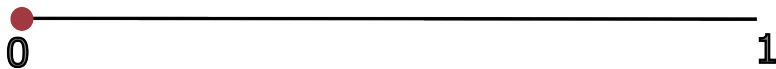


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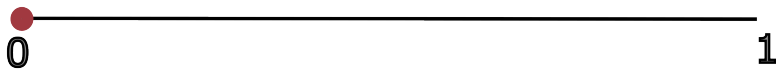
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modal algebras  $\overset{\text{dual}}{\longleftrightarrow}$  descriptive frames.

*Descriptive frame* (/ *modal space*):  $(X, \rho)$  with  $X$  a Stone space and  $\rho: X \rightarrow \mathcal{V}(X)$  a continuous function.

Stone space = compact Hausdorff space that is 0-dimensional (i.e. with a basis of closed open sets).

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$$\begin{aligned} [0, 1] &\longrightarrow \mathcal{V}([0, 1]) \\ x &\longmapsto [x, 1]. \end{aligned}$$

If  $(x_i)_i \rightarrow y$  then  $([x_i, 1])_i \rightarrow [y, 1]$ .

# Morphisms

A *Vietoris coalgebras morphism* from  $(X, \rho_X)$  to  $(Y, \rho_Y)$ : continuous  $g: X \rightarrow Y$  s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{g} & Y \\ \downarrow \rho_X & & \downarrow \rho_Y \\ \mathcal{V}(X) & \xrightarrow{g[-]} & \mathcal{V}(Y) \end{array}$$

# Main result

Informally: if we allow function symbols of infinite arity, then continuous modal logic is equational.

## Theorem (A., Di Liberti)

*The category of Vietoris coalgebras is dually equivalent to a variety (= equational class) of infinitary algebras.*

We use results of Adámek; Elmendorf, Kriz, Mandell, May; Duskin; Hofmann, Neves, Nora; Townsend, Vickers.



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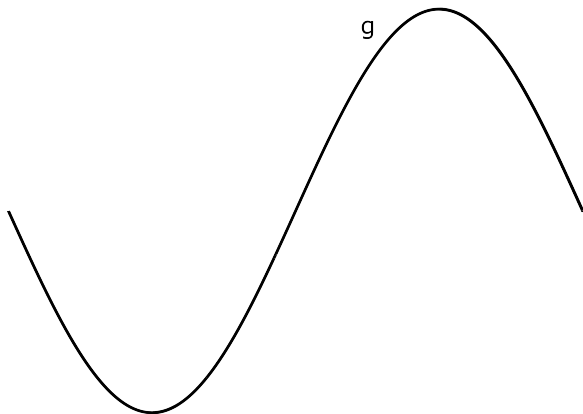
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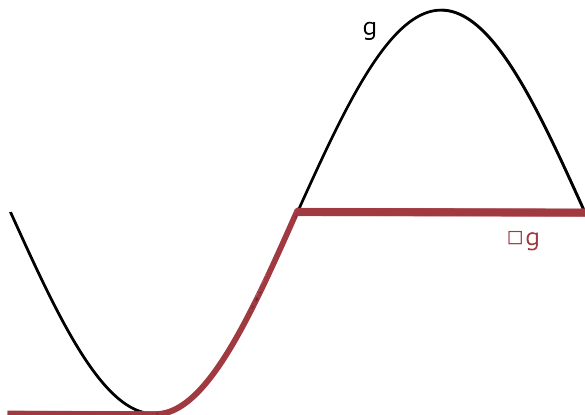
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$\square g : x \mapsto \inf_{y \geq x} g(y)$  is the greatest order-preserving function below  $g$ .

## Corollary

*The category of Vietoris coalgebras is (complete, cocomplete, ) Barr-coexact, and admits a regular injective regular cogenerator (the dual of the free 1-generated algebra).*

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Theorem (Hofmann, Neves, Nora, 2018)

*The dual of the category of coalgebras for the lower Vietoris functor on stably compact spaces is an  $\aleph_1$ -quasivariety.*

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- Rank 0.** All equations not mentioning  $\square$  that hold in  $[0, 1]$ .
- ▶ Equations of bounded distributive lattices for  $\wedge, \vee, 0, 1$ .
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See (Marra, Reggio, 2017) for a finite base of equations.

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