# A good method of transforming Veltman into Verbrugge models

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## Introduction

- Introducing new concepts: w-bisimulations, their finite approximations and weak bisimulation games
- Some results for our new concepts
- Modal equivalence and w-bisimulation

# Introduction: Interpretability logic IL

We will assume that you're familiar with the following concepts:

- interpretability logic IL, Veltman frames and Veltman models
- generalised Veltman semantics nowadays it is called
   Verbrugge semantics in honor of Rineke Verbrugge





- the first three components form a generalised Veltman Verbrugge frame,
- V is a valuation mapping propositional variables to subsets of W.

The forcing relation  $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash A$  is defined as in definition of Veltman models with the difference that now

# Introduction: Bisimulations and bisimulation games

- basic equivalence between Veltman models: bisimulations
- M. Vuković defined bisimulations (and their finite approximations called *n*-bisimulations) for Verbrugge semantics
- M. Vuković and D. Vrgoč proved: *n*-bisimilar worlds are *n*-modally equivalent
- converse is generally not true, not even with finite set of propositional variables
- that lead us to new notions of bisimulations for Verbrugge semantics called w-bisimulations and their corresponding games called weak bisimulation games
- why games are important:
  - A. Dawar and M. Otto developed a *models-for-games method*, which provides conditions from which a Van Benthem characterisation theorem over a particular class of models immediately follows
  - using bisimulation games on Veltman models for interpretability logic, M.
     Vuković and T. Perkov proved that this result can be extended to Veltman models for the interpretability logic IL

## w-bisimulations

A **w-bisimulation** between two Verbrugge models  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, \{S_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$ and  $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', \{S'_{w'} : w' \in W'\}, \Vdash)$  is a nonempty binary relation  $Z \subseteq W \times W'$ such that the following conditions hold:

(at) If wZw' then w ⊩ p if and only if w' ⊩ p, for all propositional letters p;
(w-forth) If wZw' and wRu, then there exists a nonempty set U' ⊆ W' such that for all u' ∈ U', uZu' and w' R'u', and for each function V' : U' → P(W') such that for all u' ∈ U', u' S'<sub>w'</sub> V'(u'), there exists set V with uS<sub>w</sub>V and for all v ∈ V there exists v' ∈ ⋃ V'(u') with vZv';

(w-back) If wZw' and w' R'u', then there exists a nonempty set  $U \subseteq W$  such that for all  $u \in U$ , uZu' and wRu, and for each function  $V : U \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(W)$  such that for all  $u \in U$ ,  $uS_w V(u)$ , there exists set V' with  $u'S'_{w'}V'$  and for all  $v' \in V'$  there exists  $v \in \bigcup_{u \in U} V(u)$  with vZv'.

When Z is a w-bisimulation linking the nodes  $w \in W$  and  $w' \in W'$  we say that w and w' are w-bisimilar. Notation:  $w \leftrightarrow w'$  (for bisimulations, the sign  $\Rightarrow$  is used).



# Illustration of (w-forth) condition (compared to the (forth) condition)



## Finite w-bisimulations

An *n*-w-bisimulation between two Verbrugge models  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, S, \Vdash)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', S', \Vdash')$  is a decreasing sequence of relations

 $Z_n \subseteq Z_{n-1} \subseteq \cdots \subseteq Z_1 \subseteq Z_0 \subseteq W \times W'$ 

that possesses the following properties:

(at) If  $w Z_0 w'$  then  $w \Vdash p$  if and only if  $w' \Vdash p'$ , for all prop. letters p; (*n*-w-forth) For every *i* from 1 to *n*, if  $w Z_i w'$  and wRu then there exists a nonempty set  $U' \subseteq W'$  such that for all  $u' \in U'$ ,  $u Z_{i-1} u'$  and w' R' u', and for each function  $V' : U' \to \mathcal{P}(W')$  such that for all  $u' \in U'$ ,  $u' S'_{w'} V'(u')$ , there exists set *V* with  $u S_w V$  and for all  $v \in V$  there exists  $v' \in \bigcup_{u' \in U'} V'(u')$  with  $v Z_{i-1} v'$ ;

(*n*-w-back) similar to (*n*-w-forth) (with roles of  $\mathfrak{M}$  and  $\mathfrak{M}'$  interchanged).

When  $Z_0 \supseteq Z_1 \supseteq \cdots \supseteq Z_n$  is an *n*-w-bisimulation linking two nodes  $w \in W$  and  $w' \in W'$  we say that *w* and *w'* are *n*-w-bisimilar.

## Illustration of *n*-w-forth condition





## w-games - Verbrugge model comparison games

• Let 
$$\mathfrak{M}_0 = (W_0, R_0, \{S_w^{(0)} : w \in W_0\}, \Vdash)$$
 and  $\mathfrak{M}_1 = (W_1, R_1, \{S_w^{(1)} : w \in W_1\}, \Vdash)$  be two Verbrugge models.

- The **w-bisimulation game** is played by two players, *Challenger* and *Defender*, who move from one configuration to the other in a series of consecutive rounds.
- A configuration is a tuple  $(\mathfrak{M}_0, w_0, \mathfrak{M}_1, w_1)$ , where  $w_0 \in W_0$  and  $w_1 \in W_1$ .
- Every round is played from some configuration ( $\mathfrak{M}_0, w_0, \mathfrak{M}_1, w_1$ ). At the beginning of each round, it is checked that  $w_0$  and  $w_1$  satisfy the same propositional variables. If that check fails, the Challenger wins and game is over.



## How is a single round of a w-game played

A single round, starting with configuration  $(\mathfrak{M}_0, w_0, \mathfrak{M}_1, w_1)$ , is played as follows:

- Challenger chooses  $i \in \{0, 1\}$ , index of one Verbrugge model. We denote j := 1 - i, the index of another model.
- Challenger picks u<sub>i</sub> ∈ W<sub>i</sub> such that w<sub>i</sub>R<sub>i</sub>u<sub>i</sub>.
   If there are no such worlds,
   Defender wins and game is over.
- Defender picks U<sub>j</sub> ⊆ W<sub>j</sub> such that (∀u<sub>j</sub> ∈ U<sub>j</sub>)(w<sub>j</sub>R<sub>j</sub>u<sub>j</sub>). If there are no such sets U<sub>j</sub>, Challenger wins and game is over.
- Such that  $(\forall u_j \in U_j)(u_j S_{w_j}^{(j)} V_j(u_j))$ .
- **(**) Defender picks some  $V_i \subseteq W_i$  such that  $u_i S_{w_i}^{(i)} V_i$ .



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 $V_i(u_i)$ 

## How to select the starting configuration for the next round

The configuration  $(\mathfrak{M}_0, w, \mathfrak{M}_1, w')$  from which the next round starts is selected as follows:

- (i) Challenger picks some world  $u_i \in U_i$  or some world  $v_i \in V_i$ .
- (ii) If  $u_j \in U_j$  was picked, the next round is played from the configuration  $(\mathfrak{M}_0, u_0, \mathfrak{M}_1, u_1)$ . If  $v_i \in V_i$  was picked, then Defender picks some world  $v_j \in \bigcup_{u_j \in U_j} V_j(u_j)$  and the next round is played from the configuration  $(\mathfrak{M}_0, v_0, \mathfrak{M}_1, v_1)$ .

An *n*-w-bisimulation game is a w-bisimulation game that ends after *n* rounds. If Challenger did not win in the *n*-w-bisimulation game, then by definition we consider Defender to have won.

# Winning strategies in a *n*-w-game and *n*-w-bisimulations

#### Proposition

Let  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, \{S_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', \{S'_w : w \in W'\}, \Vdash)$  be two Verbrugge models and  $w \in W, w' \in W'$  be worlds in them. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , Defender has a winning strategy in an *n*-w-game with a starting configuration  $(\mathfrak{M}, w, \mathfrak{M}', w')$  if and only if *w* and *w'* are *n*-w-bisimilar.

• for  $\Rightarrow$  direction, we define (for *k* from 0 to *n*)

 $Z_k := \{(v, v') \in W \times W' : \text{Defender has a winning strategy in an} \ k$ -w-game starting with  $(\mathfrak{M}, v, \mathfrak{M}', v')\}$ .



# n-modal equivalence implies n-w-bisimilarity...

...with finite set of propositional variables!

It can be proved that if  $Z \subseteq W \times W'$  is a (*n*-)bisimulation, then Z is also a (*n*-)w-bisimulation (and that the converse doesn't hold). Also, now we get:

#### Theorem

Assume that the set of propositional variables is finite and let  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, \{S_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', \{S'_w : w \in W'\}, \Vdash)$  be two Verbrugge models. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $w \in W$  and  $w' \in W'$ . If w and w' are n-modally equivalent then they are n-w-bisimilar.

#### • proof by induction on *n*

 the interesting part is the induction step (n + 1) where we define a winning strategy for the Defender in the (n + 1)-w-bisimulation game starting with the configuration (M, w, M', w')



# Modal equivalence and w-bisimulation

It can be shown by an easy induction that w-bisimiliraty implies modal equivalence.

#### Proposition

Let  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, \{S_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', \{S'_w : w \in W'\}, \Vdash)$ be two Verbrugge models and  $w \in W, w' \in W'$  two worlds in them.

(a) If 
$$\mathfrak{M}_0, w_0 \underbrace{\longleftrightarrow}_n \mathfrak{M}_1, w_1$$
 then  $\mathfrak{M}_0, w_0 \equiv_n \mathfrak{M}_1, w_1$ .

(b) If  $\mathfrak{M}_0, w_0 \iff \mathfrak{M}_1, w_1$  then  $\mathfrak{M}_0, w_0 \equiv \mathfrak{M}_1, w_1$ .

The main question now is does the converse hold.

Let  $\mathfrak{M}$  and  $\mathfrak{M}'$  be two Verbrugge models and  $w \in W$ ,  $w' \in W'$  two worlds in them. If  $w \equiv w'$ , does then  $w \iff w'$  hold?

We will prove that the answer to that is **no** by using a modified procedure that was used by V. Čačić and D. Vrgoč in the case of Veltman models.



## Modal equivalence does not imply bisimilarity

• a standard result for Kripke models from:

P. Blackburn, M. de Rijke, Y. Venema, Modal Logic, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2001.



Figure: w and w' are modally equivalent but not bisimilar



## Modal equivalence does not imply bisimilarity

• result for Veltman models from:

V. Čačić, D. Vrgoč, *A Note on Bisimulation and Modal Equivalence in Provability Logic and Interpretability Logic*, Studia Logica 101(2013), 31–44



Figure: w and w' are modally equivalent but not bisimilar



## Modal equivalence does not imply bisimilarity

#### A method for obtaining Veltman models from GL-models

• Let  $\mathfrak{N} = (W, R, V)$  be a **GL**-model. For every  $w \in W$  we define

 $uS_w v$  if and only if  $wRu\underline{R}v$ ,

where we denote the reflexive closure of *R* with <u>*R*</u>. We denote  $(W, R, \{S_w : w \in W\}, V)$  by *Vel*  $\mathfrak{N}$ .

#### Theorem

The worlds  $w_1$  and  $w_2$ , in Veltman models  $\mathfrak{M}_1 \equiv \text{Vel } \mathfrak{N}_1$  and  $\mathfrak{M}_2 \equiv \text{Vel } (\mathfrak{N}_1 + \mathfrak{N}_2)$ , are modally equivalent but not bisimilar.

# Transforming Veltman models into Verbrugge models

#### Definition

Let  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, \{S_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$  be a Veltman model. For every  $w \in W$  and  $V \subseteq R[w]$  we define  $v\overline{S}_w V :\iff (\exists u \in V)(vS_w u).$ We denote  $(W, R, \{\overline{S}_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$  by *Ver*  $\mathfrak{M}$ .

- It is easy to check that  $Ver \mathfrak{M}$  is a Verbrugge model.
- It remains to show that the above transformation preserves modal equivalence and (in a way) bisimulations.
- That would give us that the worlds  $w_1$  and  $w_2$ , in Verbrugge models  $Ver \mathfrak{M}_1$  and  $Ver \mathfrak{M}_2$  are modally equivalent but not w-bisimilar.



#### Theorem

Let *F* be a IL-formula,  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, \{S'_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$  Veltman model and *Ver*  $\mathfrak{F} = (W, R, \{S_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$ . Then for every world  $w \in W$ :

 $\mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash F$  if and only if  $Ver \mathfrak{M}, w \Vdash' F$ .

• proof: by induction on the complexity of the formula F



#### Proposition

Let  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, \{S_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$  and  $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', \{S'_w : w \in W'\}, \Vdash)$  be two Veltman models,  $w_0 \in W, w'_0 \in W'$  two worlds, and *Ver*  $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, \{\overline{S}_w : w \in W\}, \Vdash)$ , *Ver*  $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', \{\overline{S}'_w : w \in W'\}, \Vdash)$  Verbrugge models. Then:

Ver  $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \iff$  Ver  $\mathfrak{M}', w'_0$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{M}', w'_0$ .

### Proof.

This direction follow directly from the following two facts: similar result exists for bisimulations, and bisimulation implies w-bisimulations. Now we have:

• 
$$\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \simeq \mathfrak{M}', w_0' \Rightarrow \quad Ver \mathfrak{M}, w_0 \simeq Ver \mathfrak{M}', w_0'$$

• Ver  $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \cong$  Ver  $\mathfrak{M}', w_0' \implies$  Ver  $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \iff$  Ver  $\mathfrak{M}', w_0'$ 

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We need to prove:

if Ver  $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \iff$  Ver  $\mathfrak{M}', w'_0$  then  $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{M}', w'_0$ 

- note that this is the important direction (the contraposition of this statement will be used to get our result regarding w-bisimulation and modal equivalence)
- assume Ver  $\mathfrak{M}, w_0 \iff$  Ver  $\mathfrak{M}', w'_0$
- denote by Z a w-bisimulation such that  $(w_0, w_0') \in Z$
- by definition of w-bisimulation, Z satisfies (at), (w-forth) and (w-back) conditions
- in order to show that 𝔐, w₀ ⇔ 𝔐', w₀', it suffices to prove that Z satisfies the (forth) condition from definition of bisimulation of Veltman models (the (back) condition can be proven analogously)



• assume wZw' and wRu - we need to show that there exists  $u' \in W'$  such that:

 $uZu' \text{ i } w'R'u' \text{ i } (\forall v' \in W')(u'S'_{w'}v' \Rightarrow (\exists v \in W)(uS_wv \text{ i } vZv'))$ 



## What we have by (w-forth) condition:

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there exists non-empty set  $U' \subseteq W'$  such that  $(\forall u' \in U')(uZu' \text{ and } w'R'u')$  and for each function  $V' : U' \to \mathcal{P}(W')$  such that for all  $u' \in U'$ ,  $u'\overline{S}'_{w'}V'(u')$ ,





Now we can see that is suffices to choose some  $u' \in U'$  such that:

$$(\forall v' \in W') \Big( u' S'_{w'} v' \Rightarrow (\exists v \in W) (u S_w v \ i \ v Z v') \Big).$$



## Let's assume the opposite:

there is no  $u' \in U'$  with the required property, i.e.

 $(\forall u' \in U')(\exists v' \in W') \Big( u'S'_{w'}v' \text{ i } (\forall v \in W)(uS_wv \Rightarrow \neg(vZv')) \Big).$ 



- ⇒ for every  $u' \in U'$  we can choose one  $v'_{u'} \in W'$  such that
  - $u' S'_{w'} v'_{u'}$

• 
$$(\forall v \in W)(uS_w v \Rightarrow vZv'_{u'})$$

 $\Rightarrow$  we can define a function  $V': U' \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(W'),$ 

$$V'(u') = \{v'_{u'}\}, \quad \forall u' \in U'$$

• Note: by definition of  $\overline{S}'_{w'}$ ,  $u\overline{S}'_{w'}V'(u')$ .



# The rest of the proof is shown in the following pictures:



We have the situation shown on the left, so we get a contradiction with properties of U' by the (w-forth) property of Z (shown on the right).

# w-bisimilarity does not imply modal equivalence

Now we have all the tools that we need in order to prove:

#### Theorem

Worlds  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  in Verbrugge models  $Ver \mathfrak{M}_1$  and  $Ver \mathfrak{M}_2$  are modally equivalent, but not w-bisimilar.

#### Proof.

- we already now that w<sub>1</sub> and w<sub>2</sub> are modally equivalent and not bisimilar as worlds of Veltman models M<sub>1</sub> and M<sub>2</sub>
- because our transformation preserves modal equivalence, they are modally equivalent as worlds of Verbrugge models Ver  $\mathfrak{M}_1$  and Ver  $\mathfrak{M}_2$
- using the previous proposition, we get that they are not w-bisimilar



# Questions?



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