# Local Fact Change Logic, Memory Logic and Expressive Power 

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## Boolean Network Games

## Game Definition

- A set of players $W$
- An accessibility relation $R \subseteq W \times W$
- A goal formula $\gamma$


## Strategies

A strategy for $s \in W$ is a choice of propositional letters. A strategy profile is a function $V: W \rightarrow 2^{\text {Prop }}$, i.e. a valuation on $(W, R)$.

## Outcomes

$s$ wins under $V$ iff $(W, R), V, s \models \gamma$.

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\mathfrak{F}, V, s \models(\varphi \wedge \psi) & \text { iff } & \mathfrak{F}, V, s \models \varphi \text { and } \mathfrak{F}, V, s \models \psi \\
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changes the valuation but only at the current state.
$\varphi:=\neg \bigcirc \neg \varphi$

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## Nash equilibria

$V$ is a Nash equilibrium iff $\mathfrak{F}, V, t=\gamma \vee \bigcirc \neg \gamma$ for all $t$.

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## Fact

$\mathfrak{F}, V, s \models \bigcirc \varphi$ iff $\mathfrak{F}, V_{A}^{s}, s \vDash \varphi$ for some $A \subseteq \operatorname{At}(\varphi)$.
Translation into FOL
Exists, but with exponential blow-up. Examples:

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\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{T}(\bigcirc p, x, \emptyset)= & P x \vee \neg P x \\
\mathrm{~T}(\bigcirc \diamond p, x, \emptyset)= & \exists y(R x y \wedge((x=y \rightarrow \neg P x) \wedge(x \neq y \rightarrow P x))) \\
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## Theorem

Model checking for LFC is PSPACE hard.

## Proof.

Via reduction from TQBF. Idea: represent variable $x_{i}$ by the value of $p$ in state $s_{i}$, and give each state a unique label $q_{i}$. Then translate $x_{i}$ to $\square\left(q_{i} \rightarrow p\right)$.

■ We can show model checking for LFC is in PSPACE by a direct argument, but not via translation to FOL.

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## A question

Does a truth preserving translation exist? What is the relative expressive power of M and LFC?

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To show $A \not \subset B$, show $A \npreceq B$.
To show $\mathrm{M} \not \leq \mathrm{LFC}$, it suffices to find a pair of models M can distinguish that LFC cannot.

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## Fact

If Duplicator has a winning strategy then for all $\varphi, \mathfrak{F}_{1}, V_{1}, s_{1} \models \operatorname{LFC} \varphi$ iff $\mathfrak{F}_{2}, V_{2}, s_{2} \models \operatorname{LFC} \varphi$.
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## Duplicator has a winning strategy in LFC

■ $s$ and $t$ have the same valuation and every node has a neighbour.
■ For every node spoiler picks, there is an unvisited node with the same valuation.

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- So LFC can distinguish all our countermodels.


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## Lemma

For finite pointed models $\mathfrak{F}_{1}, V_{1}, s_{1}$ and $\mathfrak{F}_{2}, V_{2}, s_{2}$, the following are equivalent:
1 Duplicator has a winning strategy in $E F\left(\mathfrak{F}_{1}, \mathfrak{F}_{2}, V_{1}, V_{2}, s_{1}, s_{2}\right)$.
2 For every $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{\text {LFC }}$ we have $\mathfrak{F}_{1}, V_{1}, s_{1}=\operatorname{LFC} \varphi$ iff $\mathfrak{F}_{2}, V_{2}, s_{2}=\operatorname{LFC} \varphi$.

## Theorem

If Duplicator has a winning strategy in $E F\left(\mathfrak{F}_{1}, \mathfrak{F}_{2}, V_{1}, V_{2}, s_{1}, s_{2}\right)$, with $\mathfrak{F}_{1}, \mathfrak{F}_{2}$ finite, then for all $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{M}}$,

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\mathfrak{F}_{1}, V_{1}, s_{1} \models \mathrm{M} \varphi \quad \text { iff } \quad \mathfrak{F}_{2}, V_{2}, s_{2} \models \mathrm{M} \varphi .
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## Proof.

Via a version of bisimulation for LFC.

## Summary

## Corollary

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What do we know?
■ M and LFC are incomparable in general.

- $\mathrm{M} \not \leq L F C$ and LFC $\not \leq M$ for finite models.
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## Open questions

## Expressive Power

- Is LFC $\preceq \mathrm{M}$ on finite models?

■ What other situations do $\leq$ and $\preceq$ give different judgements?
■ What other notions of relative expressive power are interesting?

- Relationship with other logics (e.g. Hybrid logic)?


## General

- What is the exact relationship between LFC and Nash equilibria for BNGs? Can we say the logic of Nash equilibria is undecidable?
- What is a natural, efficient translation of LFC to FOL?
- Axiomatisation?
- Tableau system? (c.f. Areces, D. Figueira, Gorín, et al. 2009)


## Obtaining decidability

## How can we make LFC decidable?

■ Restrict the class of models.

- For DAGs, LFC is decidable.
- Modify $\bigcirc$.
- Only a subset of valuations are available (c.f. generalised assignment models): remains undecidable.
- $\bigcirc$ changes the valuation somewhere (maybe not here): conjecture remains undecidable.
- $\bigcirc$ updates all bisimilar points: conjecture becomes decidable.

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## Translation into FOL

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\mathrm{T}(\varphi \vee \psi, x, V) & :=\mathrm{T}(\varphi, x, V) \vee \mathrm{T}(\psi, x, V) \\
\mathrm{T}(\diamond \varphi, x, V) & :=\exists y(R x y \wedge \mathrm{~T}(\varphi, y, V)) \quad \text { [y is new] } \\
\mathrm{T}(\bigcirc \varphi, x, V) & :=\bigvee_{A \subseteq A t(\varphi)} \mathrm{T}\left(\varphi, x, V_{A}^{x}\right) \\
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## Definition (Isobisimulation)

Let $\mathfrak{M}_{1}=\left(W_{1}, R_{1}, V_{1}\right)$ and $\mathfrak{M}_{2}=\left(W_{2}, R_{2}, V_{2}\right)$. A relation $Z \subseteq W_{1} \times W_{2}$ is an isobisimulation if the following clauses hold:
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