

# The Incompleteness of $S4 \oplus S4$ for the Product Space $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$

**Abstract.** Shehtman introduced bimodal logics of the products of Kripke frames, thereby introducing *frame products* of unimodal logics. Van Benthem, Bezhanishvili, ten Cate and Sarenac generalize this idea to the bimodal logics of the products of topological spaces, thereby introducing *topological products* of unimodal logics. In particular, they show that the topological product of  $S4$  and  $S4$  is  $S4 \oplus S4$ , i.e., the fusion of  $S4$  and  $S4$ : this logic is strictly weaker than the frame product  $S4 \times S4$ . Indeed, van Benthem *et al.* show that  $S4 \oplus S4$  is the bimodal logic of the particular product space  $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$ , leaving open the question of whether  $S4 \oplus S4$  is also complete for the product space  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . We answer this question in the negative.

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Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a propositional language with a set  $PV$  of propositional variables; standard Boolean connectives  $\&$ ,  $\vee$  and  $\neg$ ; and two modal operators,  $\Box_1$  and  $\Box_2$ . We define the Boolean connectives  $\supset$  and  $\equiv$  as usual and the modal operators  $\Diamond_1$  and  $\Diamond_2$  in the obvious way. Let  $S4 \oplus S4$  be the *fusion* of  $S4$  and  $S4$ : i.e., the bimodal logic axiomatized by  $S4$ -axioms for both modal operators  $\Box_1$  and  $\Box_2$  as well as the rules of Modus Ponens, necessitation for  $\Box_1$  and for  $\Box_2$ , and substitution.<sup>1</sup>

A *unirelational (Kripke) frame* is a pair  $\mathcal{U} = \langle W, R \rangle$ , where  $W$  is a nonempty set and  $R$  is a reflexive transitive relation on  $W$ . A *birelational (Kripke) frame* is a triple  $\mathcal{B} = \langle W, R_1, R_2 \rangle$ , where  $W$  is a nonempty set and  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are reflexive transitive relations on  $W$ . A *birelational model* is a quartuple  $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R_1, R_2, V \rangle$ , where  $\langle W, R_1, R_2 \rangle$  is a birelational frame and  $V : PV \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(W)$ .  $V$  is extended to all formulas as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} V(\neg A) &= W - V(A) \\ V(A \& B) &= V(A) \cap V(B) \\ V(A \vee B) &= V(A) \cup V(B) \\ V(\Box_1 A) &= \{w \in W : \forall v \in W (wR_1 v \Rightarrow v \in V(A))\} \\ V(\Box_2 A) &= \{w \in W : \forall v \in W (wR_2 v \Rightarrow v \in V(A))\} \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>1</sup>We are following the notation in [5] and [6] here, though other notation is used for  $S4 \oplus S4$ : [1] and others use  $S4 \otimes S4$  and [2] uses  $S4 * S4$ .

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We say that  $\mathcal{M} \models A$  iff  $V(A) = W$ . Given a birelational frame  $\mathcal{B} = \langle W, R_1, R_2 \rangle$ , we say that  $\mathcal{B} \models A$  iff  $\mathcal{M} \models A$  for every birelational model  $\mathcal{M} = \langle W, R_1, R_2, V \rangle$ . The proof of the following theorem is a straightforward generalization of the unimodal case for S4.

**THEOREM 1.**  $A \in \text{S4} \oplus \text{S4}$  iff  $\mathcal{B} \models A$  for every birelational frame  $\mathcal{B}$ .

Van Benthem, Bezhanishvili, ten Cate and Sarenac note, in [6] (a slightly updated version of [5]), that Shehtman [4] initiated the study of a particular class of birelational frames: those that are the *products* of unirelational frames.<sup>2</sup> Given two unirelational frames  $\mathcal{U}_1 = \langle W_1, R_1 \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{U}_2 = \langle W_2, R_2 \rangle$ , define the birelational frame  $\mathcal{U}_1 \times \mathcal{U}_2 =_{\text{df}} \langle W_1 \times W_2, R'_1, R'_2 \rangle$  where

$$\begin{aligned} \langle w, v \rangle R'_1 \langle x, y \rangle & \text{ iff } wR_1x \text{ and } v = y; \text{ and} \\ \langle w, v \rangle R'_2 \langle x, y \rangle & \text{ iff } w = x \text{ and } vR_2y. \end{aligned}$$

A birelational frame of the form  $\mathcal{U}_1 \times \mathcal{U}_2$  is a *product frame*. The logic of product frames turns out to be the *product logic*  $\text{S4} \times \text{S4}$ , defined by adding the following two axiom schemes to the fusion  $\text{S4} \oplus \text{S4}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{com (commutativity)} & \quad \Box_1 \Box_2 A \equiv \Box_2 \Box_1 A \\ \text{chr (Church-Rosser)} & \quad \Diamond_1 \Box_2 A \supset \Box_2 \Diamond_1 A \end{aligned}$$

As noted in [6], the following theorem is an immediate corollary of a more general theorem of [2]:

**THEOREM 2.**  $A \in \text{S4} \times \text{S4}$  iff  $\mathcal{B} \models A$  for every product frame  $\mathcal{B}$ .

The topological semantics for S4 generalizes the unirelational Kripke frame semantics for S4. [6] generalizes the above birelational frame semantics for  $\text{S4} \oplus \text{S4}$  to a *bitopological semantics*. A *bitopological space* is a triple  $\mathcal{X} = \langle X, \tau_1, \tau_2 \rangle$ , where  $X$  is a nonempty set and each of  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  is a topology on  $X$ . Given any  $S \subseteq X$ , we can consider two interiors of  $S$ ,  $\text{Int}_1(S)$  and  $\text{Int}_2(S)$ , associated with the topologies  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  respectively. A *bitopological model* is a quartuple  $\mathcal{M} = \langle X, \tau_1, \tau_2, V \rangle$ , where  $\langle X, \tau_1, \tau_2 \rangle$  is a bitopological space and  $V : PV \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ .  $V$  is extended to all formulas as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} V(\neg A) & = X - V(A) \\ V(A \ \& \ B) & = V(A) \cap V(B) \\ V(A \vee B) & = V(A) \cup V(B) \\ V(\Box_1 A) & = \text{Int}_1(V(A)) \\ V(\Box_2 A) & = \text{Int}_2(V(A)) \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>2</sup>As noted in [6], a systematic study of multi-dimensional modal logics of products of Kripke frames can be found in [2], and an up-to-date account of the most important results in the field can be found in [1].

We sometimes write  $x \Vdash A$  instead of  $x \in V(A)$ . We say that  $M \models A$  iff  $V(A) = X$ . Given a bitopological space  $\mathcal{X} = \langle X, \tau_1, \tau_2 \rangle$ , we say that  $\mathcal{X} \models A$  iff  $\mathcal{M} \models A$  for every bitopological model  $\mathcal{M} = \langle X, \tau_1, \tau_2, V \rangle$ . The following theorem is an immediate consequence of Theorem 1, above:

**THEOREM 3.**  $A \in S4 \oplus S4$  iff  $\mathcal{X} \models A$  for every bitopological space  $\mathcal{X}$ .

[6] defines *product spaces* analogously to the product frames defined above. Given two topological spaces  $\mathcal{X}_1 = \langle X_1, \tau_1 \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{X}_2 = \langle X_2, \tau_2 \rangle$ , define the bitopological space  $\mathcal{X}_1 \times \mathcal{X}_2 =_{\text{df}} \langle X_1 \times X_2, \tau'_1, \tau'_2 \rangle$  where the following two families of subsets of  $X_1 \times X_2$  form bases for the topologies  $\tau'_1$  and  $\tau'_2$ , respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Basis for } \tau'_1: & \quad \{O \times \{x\} : O \in \tau_1 \ \& \ x \in X_2\} \\ \text{Basis for } \tau'_2: & \quad \{\{x\} \times O : x \in X_1 \ \& \ O \in \tau_2\} \end{aligned}$$

A bitopological space of the form  $\mathcal{X}_1 \times \mathcal{X}_2$  is a *product space*.<sup>3</sup> [6] refers to the induced topologies  $\tau'_1$  and  $\tau'_2$  as the *horizontal* and *vertical* topologies, respectively.

The following table summarizes the results stated so far:

The logic of	all	product
birelational frames	$S4 \oplus S4$	$S4 \times S4$
bitopological spaces	$S4 \oplus S4$	

It is natural to expect the unfilled entry to be  $S4 \times S4$ . But it isn't: [6] proves the following surprising theorem.

**THEOREM 4.**  $A \in S4 \oplus S4$  iff  $\mathcal{X} \models A$  for every product space  $\mathcal{X}$ .

In the unimodal case, we find not only that  $S4$  is complete for the class of all topological spaces, but also that  $S4$  is complete for a number of particular topological spaces, for example the rational line  $\mathbb{Q}$  and the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ . It is natural to ask whether these results generalize to the logic  $S4 \oplus S4$  and the bitopological spaces  $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ .<sup>4</sup> [6] proves that the generalization does go through for  $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$ :

**THEOREM 5.**  $A \in S4 \oplus S4$  iff  $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \models A$ .

<sup>3</sup>This terminology is at odds with the standard terminology in topology, where the *product space*  $\mathcal{X}_1 \times \mathcal{X}_2$  is a topological space with a single topology defined in terms of  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$ . The current notion of a product space as a *bitopological space* is the analog of the notion of a product frame, as defined above, as a *birelational frame*.

<sup>4</sup>Here we are assuming that  $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$  [ $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ] is equipped with horizontal and vertical topologies induced by the standard topology on  $\mathbb{Q}$  [ $\mathbb{R}$ ].

(In the exposition in [6], Theorem 4 is presented as a corollary to Theorem 5, which is proved more directly.)

[6] leaves open the question of whether  $S4 \oplus S4$  is complete for  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . The purpose of this note is to answer that question in the negative:

**THEOREM 6.**  *$S4 \oplus S4$  is not complete for  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ .*

For Theorem 6, it suffices to find a formula  $A$  such that  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \models A$  and  $\mathcal{M}_0 \not\models A$  for some birelational model  $\mathcal{M}_0$ . Let  $B$  and  $C$  be the following formulas, where  $p$  is a propositional variable:

$$\begin{aligned} B & \quad \Box_2 p \ \& \ \Diamond_1 \neg p \ \& \ \Diamond_2 \Box_1 p \\ C & \quad \Box_2 \neg p \ \& \ \Diamond_1 p \ \& \ \Diamond_2 \Box_1 \neg p \end{aligned}$$

And let  $A$  be the formula  $\neg \Box_1 (B \vee C)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{M}_0 =_{\text{df}} \langle W_0, R_1, R_2, V_0 \rangle$  where

$$\begin{aligned} W_0 & = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \\ R_1 & = \{ \langle w, w \rangle : w \in W \} \cup \{ \langle 1, 2 \rangle, \langle 2, 1 \rangle \} \\ R_2 & = \{ \langle w, w \rangle : w \in W \} \cup \{ \langle 1, 3 \rangle, \langle 2, 4 \rangle \} \\ V_0(p) & = \{1, 3\} \end{aligned}$$

Note the following.  $V_0(\Box_2 p) = \{1, 3\}$ . Also,  $V_0(\Box_1 p) = \{3\}$ . So  $V_0(\Diamond_2 \Box_1 p) = \{1, 3\}$ . Also,  $V_0(\Diamond_1 \neg p) = \{1, 2, 4\}$ . Thus  $V_0(B) = \{1\}$ . Similarly,  $V_0(C) = \{2\}$ . So  $V_0(B \vee C) = \{1, 2\}$ . So  $V_0(\Box_1 (B \vee C)) = \{1, 2\}$ . So  $V_0(A) = \{3, 4\}$ . So  $\mathcal{M}_0 \not\models A$ .

Our final task is to show that  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \models A$ . First we introduce some new terminology. An *open horizontal interval* is any subset of  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  of the following form, where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $a < b$  and where  $(a, b) =_{\text{df}} \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$ :

$$(a, b) \times \{c\}.$$

Similarly, an *open vertical interval* is any subset of  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  of the following form, where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a < b$ :

$$\{c\} \times (a, b).$$

The *unit open horizontal interval* is  $I_0 =_{\text{df}} (0, 1) \times \{0\}$ . Note that the open horizontal intervals form a basis for the horizontal topology on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ , and the open vertical intervals form a basis for the vertical topology.

Now for our final task: suppose, for a reductio, that  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \not\models A$ . Then there is some model  $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}, \tau_1, \tau_2, V \rangle$  where  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  are the horizontal and vertical topologies induced on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  by the standard topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

where  $V : PV \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$ , and where  $\mathcal{M} \not\models A$ . So there is some point  $\langle a, b \rangle \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\langle a, b \rangle \Vdash \Box_1(B \vee C).$$

So, for some horizontal interval  $I$ , we have  $\langle a, b \rangle \in I$  and

$$I \subseteq V(B \vee C).$$

Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $I = I_0$ . So

$$I = I_0 \subseteq V(B) \cup V(C).$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} P &=_{\text{df}} I_0 \cap V(B), \\ Q &=_{\text{df}} I_0 \cap V(C), \\ P^* &=_{\text{df}} \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \langle x, 0 \rangle \in P\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \exists y \in \mathbb{R} \langle x, y \rangle \in P\}, \text{ and} \\ Q^* &=_{\text{df}} \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \langle x, 0 \rangle \in Q\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \exists y \in \mathbb{R} \langle x, y \rangle \in Q\}, \end{aligned}$$

so that  $I_0 = P \cup Q$ . Note that  $P \subseteq V(B) \subseteq V(p)$  and  $Q \subseteq V(C) \subseteq V(\neg p) = (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}) - V(p)$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} P &= I_0 \cap V(p), \text{ and} \\ Q &= I_0 \cap V(\neg p). \end{aligned}$$

So  $P \cap Q = \emptyset$  and  $I_0 = P \dot{\cup} Q$ . We will now show that  $I_0 \subseteq Cl_1(P)$ , where  $Cl_1$  is the closure operator associated with the horizontal topology,  $\tau_1$ . So suppose that  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \in I_0$ . If  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \in P$  then clearly  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \in Cl_1(P)$ . On the other hand, if  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \notin P$ , then we have  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \in Q = I_0 \cap V(C) \subseteq I_0 \cap V(\diamond_1 p) = I_0 \cap Cl_1(V(p)) \subseteq Cl_1(I_0 \cap V(p))$  (since  $I_0$  is horizontally open)  $= Cl_1(P)$ . Thus,  $I_0 \subseteq Cl_1(P)$  as desired. Similarly,  $I_0 \subseteq Cl_1(Q)$ . We summarize:  $I_0 = P \dot{\cup} Q$  and  $I_0 \subseteq Cl_1(P)$  and  $I_0 \subseteq Cl_1(Q)$ . Thus  $(0, 1) = P^* \dot{\cup} Q^*$ , and  $Cl(P^*) = Cl(Q^*) = [0, 1]$ , where  $Cl$  is the standard closure operator on subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  and where  $[0, 1]$  is the closed unit interval. Note finally that  $Int(P^*) = Int(Q^*) = \emptyset$ , where  $Int$  is the standard interior operator on subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Note that, for each  $x \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } x \in P^*, & \text{ then } \langle x, 0 \rangle \in V(\Box_2 p), \text{ and} \\ \text{if } x \in Q^*, & \text{ then } \langle x, 0 \rangle \in V(\Box_2 \neg p). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for each  $x \in (0, 1)$ , we can choose an open vertical interval  $J_x$  so that  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \in J_x$  and

if  $x \in P^*$ , then  $J_x \subseteq V(p)$ , and  
 if  $x \in Q^*$ , then  $J_x \subseteq V(\neg p)$ .

Note that  $J_x = \{x\} \times (a, b)$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < 0 < b$ .<sup>5</sup>

Given  $y > 0$ , we define the sets  $P_y, Q_y$ , and  $R_y \subseteq (0, 1)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P_y &=_{\text{df}} \{x \in P^* : \langle x, y \rangle \in J_x \text{ and } \langle x, -y \rangle \in J_x\} \\ Q_y &=_{\text{df}} \{x \in Q^* : \langle x, y \rangle \in J_x \text{ and } \langle x, -y \rangle \in J_x\} \\ R_y &=_{\text{df}} \{x \in (0, 1) : \langle x, y \rangle \in J_x \text{ and } \langle x, -y \rangle \in J_x\} = P_y \dot{\cup} Q_y. \end{aligned}$$

Here are some useful facts about  $P_y, Q_y$  and  $R_y$ . First,

$$\begin{aligned} P_y &= \{x \in P^* : (\{x\} \times [-y, y]) \subseteq J_x\}, \\ Q_y &= \{x \in Q^* : (\{x\} \times [-y, y]) \subseteq J_x\}, \text{ and} \\ R_y &= \{x \in (0, 1) : (\{x\} \times [-y, y]) \subseteq J_x\}. \end{aligned}$$

Second, if  $y > y' > 0$ , then  $P_y \subseteq P_{y'} \subseteq P^*$  and  $Q_y \subseteq Q_{y'} \subseteq Q^*$  and  $R_y \subseteq R_{y'} \subseteq (0, 1)$ . And third,

$$\begin{aligned} P^* &= \bigcup_{n \geq 1} P_{\frac{1}{n}}, \\ Q^* &= \bigcup_{n \geq 1} Q_{\frac{1}{n}}, \text{ and} \\ (0, 1) &= \bigcup_{n \geq 1} R_{\frac{1}{n}}. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 7.  $Cl(P_y) \cap (0, 1) \subseteq P^*$ , for each  $y > 0$ .

PROOF. Suppose not. Then for some  $y > 0$  and some  $x \in (0, 1)$  we have  $x \in Cl(P_y)$  and  $x \notin P^*$ . So  $x \in Cl(P_y)$  and  $x \in Q^*$ . We will now show the following:

$$\forall z \in (-y, y), \langle x, z \rangle \Vdash \diamond_1 p. \tag{\dagger}$$

So choose any  $z \in (-y, y)$ . We consider two cases: (1)  $z = 0$  and (2)  $z \neq 0$ .

In case (1), since  $x \in Q^*$ , we have the following:  $\langle x, z \rangle = \langle x, 0 \rangle \in Q \subseteq V(C) = V(\Box_2 \neg p \ \& \ \diamond_1 p \ \& \ \Box_2 \diamond_1 \neg p) \subseteq V(\diamond_1 p)$ . So  $\langle x, z \rangle \Vdash \diamond_1 p$  as desired.

In case (2), consider any open horizontal interval  $K$  such that  $\langle x, z \rangle \in K$ . We want to show that  $K \cap V(p)$  is nonempty. Let  $K^* =_{\text{df}} \{w \in (0, 1) : \langle w, z \rangle \in K\}$ . Note that  $x \in K^*$  and that  $K^*$  is an open interval in the real line. So, since  $x \in Cl(P_y)$ , there is some  $v \in K^* \cap P_y$ . Also, since  $0 < |z| < y$ , we have  $P_y \subseteq P_{|z|}$ . So  $v \in K^*$  and  $v \in P_{|z|}$ . Thus,  $\langle v, z \rangle \in K$  and  $\langle v, z \rangle \in J_v$ .

<sup>5</sup>We do not need the axiom of choice to choose the  $J_x$ 's. For each  $x \in P^*$ , we can define

$$J_x =_{\text{df}} (\{x\} \times (-1, 1)) \cap \bigcup \{J \text{ an open vertical interval} : \langle x, 0 \rangle \in J \subseteq V(p)\}.$$

And for each  $x \in Q^*$ , we can define  $J_x$  similarly in terms of  $V(\neg p)$ .

Since  $J_v \subseteq V(p)$ , we have  $\langle v, z \rangle \in K \cap V(p)$ . So  $K \cap V(p)$  is nonempty, as desired, and  $(\dagger)$  is shown.

From  $(\dagger)$  it follows that  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \Vdash \Box_2 \Diamond_1 p$ . So  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \not\Vdash \Diamond_2 \Box_1 \neg p$ . On the other hand,  $x \in Q^*$ . So

$$\langle x, 0 \rangle \in Q \subseteq V(C) = V(\Box_2 \neg p \ \& \ \Diamond_1 p \ \& \ \Diamond_2 \Box_1 \neg p) \subseteq V(\Diamond_2 \Box_1 \neg p).$$

So  $\langle x, 0 \rangle \Vdash \Diamond_2 \Box_1 \neg p$ . A contradiction. ■

Given that  $Cl(P_y) \cap (0, 1) \subseteq P^*$  (Lemma 7), and given that  $P_y \subseteq (0, 1)$ , we conclude that

$$Int(Cl(P_y)) = Int(Cl(P_y) \cap (0, 1)) \subseteq Int(P^*) = \emptyset.$$

So  $P_y$  is nowhere dense, for each  $y > 0$ . A completely parallel argument shows that  $Q_y$  is nowhere dense, for each  $y > 0$ . So  $R_y = P_y \cup Q_y$  is nowhere dense, for each  $y > 0$ . Recall that

$$(0, 1) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} R_{\frac{1}{n}}.$$

Thus, the open unit interval is a countable union of nowhere dense sets, i.e. it is meagre. But this contradicts the Baire Category Theorem. This ends our proof that  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \vDash A$ .

To summarize: We have shown that the following formula, though not a theorem of  $S4 \oplus S4$ , is validated by  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\neg \Box_1 ((\Box_2 p \ \& \ \Diamond_1 \neg p \ \& \ \Diamond_2 \Box_1 p) \vee (\Box_2 \neg p \ \& \ \Diamond_1 p \ \& \ \Diamond_2 \Box_1 \neg p)).$$

So  $S4 \oplus S4$  is not complete for  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . A slight reworking of the above argument shows that this formula is also validated by  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Q}$ : thus  $S4 \oplus S4$  is not complete for  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Q}$ . If we define a formula  $A'$  by switching the subscripted 1's and 2's in the formula  $A$ , then we get a formula that, though not a theorem of  $S4 \oplus S4$ , is validated by  $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{R}$ : thus  $S4 \oplus S4$  is not complete for  $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{R}$ .

For any bitopological space  $\mathcal{X}$  and any class  $\mathfrak{X}$  of bitopological spaces, define the logics  $\text{Log}(\mathcal{X}) =_{\text{df}} \{A : \mathcal{X} \vDash A\}$  and  $\text{Log}(\mathfrak{X}) =_{\text{df}} \{A : \mathcal{X} \vDash A, \text{ for every } \mathcal{X} \in \mathfrak{X}\}$ . For any (uni)topological space  $\mathcal{X}$  and any class  $\mathfrak{Y}$  of (uni)topological spaces, define the class of bitopological spaces  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathfrak{Y} =_{\text{df}} \{\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} : \mathcal{Y} \in \mathfrak{Y}\}$ ; and let  $\mathfrak{T}$  be the class of all (uni)topological spaces and  $\mathfrak{A}$  be the class of all Alexandroff spaces.<sup>6</sup> There remains the question of

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<sup>6</sup>A (uni)topological space  $\mathcal{X} = \langle X, \tau \rangle$  is *Alexandroff* iff  $\tau$  is closed under arbitrary intersections. There is a well-known duality between Alexandroff spaces and unirelational Kripke frames: For each unirelational Kripke frame  $\mathcal{U} = \langle W, R \rangle$ , define the topological space  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{U}} =_{\text{df}} \langle W, \tau \rangle$ , where  $O \in \tau$  iff  $(\forall x, y \in W)(x \in O \Rightarrow y \in O)$ . Note that a topological space  $\mathcal{X}$  is Alexandroff iff  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{U}}$  for some unirelational Kripke frame  $\mathcal{U}$ .

the properties (axiomatizability, etc.) of  $\text{Log}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$ ,  $\text{Log}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Q})$  and other related logics, such as  $\text{Log}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathfrak{T})$  and  $\text{Log}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathfrak{A})$ . Finally, let  $\mathfrak{T}\text{riv}$  be the class of trivial (uni)topological spaces, i.e. spaces with only two open sets. Valentin Shehtman has suggested, in personal correspondence, a possibly easier but still open question: what are the properties (axiomatizability, etc.) of  $\text{Log}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathfrak{T}\text{riv})$ ?<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>7</sup>Let  $com_{\supset}$  be the left-to-right direction of the axioms scheme  $com$ :  $\Box_1\Box_2A \supset \Box_2\Box_1A$ . In [3], we show that  $\text{Log}(\mathbb{Q} \times \mathfrak{T}\text{riv})$  can be axiomatized by adding to S4  $\oplus$  S5 the axioms schemes  $com_{\supset}$  and  $chr$ , and that  $\text{Log}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathfrak{T}\text{riv})$  cannot be so axiomatized.