

Hennessy-Milner Type Theorems for Fuzzy Multimodal Logics over Heyting Algebras

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In a recent paper, we have introduced two types of fuzzy simulations (forward and backward) and five types of fuzzy bisimulations (forward, backward, forward-backward, backward-forward and regular) between Kripke models for the fuzzy multimodal logics over a complete linearly ordered Heyting algebra. In this paper, for a given non-empty set Ψ of modal formulae, we introduce the concept of a weak bisimulation between Kripke models. This concept can be used to express the degree of equality of fuzzy sets of formulae from Ψ that are valid in two worlds w and w' , that is, to express the degree of modal equivalence between worlds w and w' with respect to the formulae from Ψ . We prove several Hennessy-Milner type theorems. The first theorem determines that the greatest weak bisimulation for the set of plus-formulae between image-finite Kripke models coincides with the greatest forward bisimulation. The second theorem determines that the greatest weak bisimulation for the set of minus-formulae between domain-finite Kripke models coincides with the greatest backward bisimulation. Finally, the third theorem determines that the greatest weak bisimulation for the set of all modal formulae between the degree-finite Kripke models coincides with the greatest regular bisimulation.

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1 INTRODUCTION

Fuzzy logic is a form of multi-valued logic popularized by Zadeh's work [44], although it had been studied before by Łukasiewicz and Tarski [24]. This approach shifts the paradigm from the standard set of Boolean truth values to

a more general lattice from which the formula can take the truth value. Fuzzy first-order logic is obtained by applying the fuzzy approach to first order logic (cf. [18, 34]). Furthermore, after some early attempts to combine fuzzy logic and modal logic (see, for example, [41]), the development of fuzzy modal logic progressed rapidly (see [8, 17, 35, 37]). A special type of fuzzy modal logic should be particularly emphasized - fuzzy description logic which has flourished over the last few decades (for a detailed survey, see [7]).

A significant milestone in the research of modal logics, automata, labelled transition systems (LTS), etc., is the introduction of *bisimulations*. This is a multifaceted concept which offers some powerful tools for defining, understanding and reasoning about objects and structures that are common in mathematics and computer science. It could be said that bisimulations were introduced at about the same time in several areas independently. For example, in concurrency theory, the origin of bisimulations can be found in the works of R. Milner [27], M. Hennessy and R. Milner [20, 21] and D. Park [36]. Also, van Benthem in [43] defined bisimulation in the model theory of modal logic under the name of *p-relations* or *zig-zag* relations. For more information on the origins of bisimulations and their applications we refer to [39, 40]. Most researchers who have dealt with simulations and bisimulations for various types of relational systems have considered only forward simulations and forward bisimulations. They have used the names strong simulations and strong bisimulations, or just simulations and bisimulations (cf. [14, 28, 29, 38]). The greatest bisimulation equivalence is usually called a *bisimilarity*.

Kripke models in modal logic, automata and the labelled transition systems are very similar syntactically. Looking from that perspective, the evaluation of the formulae in modal logic can be viewed as automata computation or computing LTS and vice versa. Therefore, the ideas and results from one theory can be taken into consideration in the other two.

Bearing this in mind, we have recently defined two types of simulations (forward and backward) and five types of bisimulations (forward, backward, forward-backward, backward-forward and regular) (see [42]) between two fuzzy Kripke models. The definitions are based on [10] where two types of simulations and four types of bisimulations for the fuzzy finite automata have been studied. The fifth type of bisimulations, called regular bisimulations, originate from the research on the fuzzy social networks [22]. What is more, we have created an algorithm that tests the existence of various types of simulation or bisimulation between the given Kripke models. We have also applied bisimulations in the state reduction of the fuzzy Kripke models, while preserving their semantic properties. It turns out that defining different types of bisimulations is not in vain. Namely, when forward, backward or regular bisimulation is fuzzy quasi-order, we have constructed the corresponding fuzzy Kripke model with smaller sets of worlds which is equivalent

to the original one with respect to plus-formulae, minus-formulae and all formulae.

The Hennessy-Milner property, i.e., the property when modal equivalence coincides with bisimilarity for the image-finite or modally saturated models is well-known in modal logic. The question whether the Hennessy-Milner property holds for fuzzy modal logic is not the easy one, and remains mostly unexplored, although there are several papers on the subject. It is significant to mention the work of Fan (cf. [14]) who defined a fuzzy bisimulation for standard Gödel modal logic and its extension with converse modalities and proved the Hennessy-Milner type theorem for these logics. Also, Eleftheriou et al. [13] examined the notion of bisimulations for many-valued modal languages over Heyting algebras. They defined notions like *t-invariance*, *t-bisimilarity* and also the notion of *weak bisimulation*. In addition, they showed that for the image-finite models, *t-invariance* implies *t-bisimilarity*. We also need to mention other papers dealing with this subject such as [25, 26] where the Hennessy-Milner property was investigated for many-valued logic with a crisp accessibility relation; [3] where the Hennessy-Milner property was investigated via coalgebraic methods; [12] where the Hennessy-Milner property was investigated for many-valued modal logic with a many-valued accessibility relation; as well as the research in fuzzy description logic [30, 32, 33], etc.

Our primary goal is to prove several Hennessy-Milner type theorems for fuzzy multimodal logics over linearly ordered Heyting algebras. We introduce the concept of a weak bisimulation for a given non-empty set Ψ of modal formulae, which can be used to express the degree of equality of fuzzy sets of formulae from Ψ that are valid in two worlds w and w' . In other words, they could be used to express the degree of modal equivalence between worlds w and w' with respect to the formulae from Ψ . We show that the greatest weak bisimulation for the set of plus-formulae between the image-finite Kripke models coincides with the greatest forward bisimulation. Furthermore, we show that the greatest weak bisimulation for the set of minus-formulae between domain-finite Kripke models coincides with the greatest backward bisimulation and that the greatest weak bisimulation for the set of all modal formulae between degree-finite Kripke models coincides with the greatest regular bisimulation. This means that, in cases such as these, the degrees of modal equivalences for plus-formulae, minus-formulae and all modal formulae can be expressed using the greatest forward, backward and regular bisimulations.

These results are important for several reasons. The modal equivalence test for a given set of formulae comes down to computing the greatest weak bisimulation corresponding to that set of formulae, which is generally a computationally hard problem. Our results reduce such problems to the problems

of computing the greatest forward, backward and regular bisimulations, for which efficient algorithms have been developed in [42].

The results obtained from this research may have various potential applications. Our modal language syntax is inter-translatable with the syntax of the fuzzy description logics (cf. [5, 6, 19]), fuzzy temporal logic [11] and social network analysis [15, 16, 22]. In fact, a weighted social network can easily be transformed into a Kripke model (see section 3 from [16]). Therefore, the results presented in this paper can be applied in social network analysis, especially when regular equivalence computation is required.

The paper is organized into eight sections. The Introduction is followed by Section 2 which include some basic relevant definitions and notations for Heyting algebras, fuzzy sets and fuzzy relations. Section 3 reviews the syntax and semantics for the fuzzy multimodal logics over a Heyting algebra. Section 4 reviews two types of simulations and five types of bisimulations between two fuzzy Kripke models and defines the notions of weak simulations and weak bisimulations for some sets of formulae. The main results of the paper, the Hennessy-Milner type theorems are presented and proved in Section 5. Section 6 reformulates the theorems from the previous section for the special case of propositional modal logics. Then, Section 7 presents some computational examples which demonstrate applications of the results from Sections 5, 6 and [42]. Finally, Section 8 contains some concluding remarks.

2 PRELIMINARIES

Firstly, we will briefly list all the necessary terms and definitions from [42].

Definition 1. *An algebra $\mathcal{H} = (H, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ with three binary and two nullary operations is a Heyting algebra if it satisfies:*

- (H1) (H, \wedge, \vee) is a distributive lattice;
- (H2) $x \wedge 0 = 0, \quad x \vee 1 = 1;$
- (H3) $x \rightarrow x = 1;$
- (H4) $(x \rightarrow y) \wedge y = y, \quad x \wedge (x \rightarrow y) = x \wedge y;$
- (H5) $x \rightarrow (y \wedge z) = (x \rightarrow y) \wedge (x \rightarrow z), (x \vee y) \rightarrow z = (x \rightarrow z) \wedge (y \rightarrow z).$

A binary operation \rightarrow is called *relative pseudocomplementation*, or *residuum*, in many sources. The *relative pseudocomplement* $x \rightarrow z$ of x with respect to z can be characterized as follows:

$$x \rightarrow z = \bigvee \{y \in H \mid x \wedge y \leq z\}. \quad (1)$$

Equivalently, we say that operations \wedge and \rightarrow form an *adjoint pair*, i.e., they satisfy the *adjunction property* or *residuation property*: for all $x, y, z \in H$,

$$x \wedge y \leq z \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad x \leq y \rightarrow z. \quad (2)$$

If, in addition, $(H, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ is a complete lattice, then \mathcal{H} is called a *complete Heyting algebra*. In the rest of the paper, unless otherwise stated, $\mathcal{H} = (H, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ stands for a complete Heyting algebra.

The operation \leftrightarrow defined by

$$x \leftrightarrow y = (x \rightarrow y) \wedge (y \rightarrow x), \quad (3)$$

called *bi-implication*, is used for modeling the equivalence of truth values.

Now we can define *fuzzy subset*, *fuzzy relations* and other terms with their properties over \mathcal{H} . Also, it is generally known that the Heyting algebra $\mathcal{H} = (H, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ can be defined as a commutative residuated lattice $\mathcal{H} = (H, \wedge, \vee, \otimes, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ in which operation \otimes coincides with \wedge . Therefore, the following definitions and terminology are based on [1,2] where they are given for a residuated lattice.

Definition 2. A *fuzzy subset* of a set A over \mathcal{H} , or simply a *fuzzy subset* of A is a function from A to H . Ordinary crisp subsets of A are considered *fuzzy subsets* of A taking membership values in the set $\{0, 1\} \subseteq H$.

Let f and g be two fuzzy subsets of A . The *equality* of f and g is defined as the usual equality of functions, i.e., $f = g$ if and only if $f(x) = g(x)$, for every $x \in A$. The *inclusion* $f \leq g$ is also defined as usual: $f \leq g$ if and only if $f(x) \leq g(x)$, for every $x \in A$. With this partial order, the set $\mathcal{F}(A)$ of all fuzzy subsets of A forms a complete Heyting algebra, in which the meet (intersection) $\bigwedge_{i \in I} f_i$ and the join (union) $\bigvee_{i \in I} f_i$ of an arbitrary family $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ of fuzzy subsets of A are functions from A to H defined by

$$\left(\bigwedge_{i \in I} f_i \right) (x) = \bigwedge_{i \in I} f_i(x), \quad \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} f_i \right) (x) = \bigvee_{i \in I} f_i(x).$$

Note that the equality, inclusion, meet and join of fuzzy sets are all defined pointwise. We can define the *product* $f \wedge g$ to be the same as the binary meet: $f \wedge g(x) = f(x) \wedge g(x)$, for every $x \in A$, due to the relationship between a Heyting algebra and a residuated lattice.

Definition 3. Let A and B be non-empty sets. A fuzzy relation between sets A and B (in this order) is a function from $A \times B$ to H , i.e., a fuzzy subset of $A \times B$, and the equality, inclusion (ordering), joins and meets of fuzzy relations are defined as in the case of fuzzy sets.

In particular, a fuzzy relation on a set A is a function from $A \times A$ to H , i.e., a fuzzy subset of $A \times A$. The set of all fuzzy relations from A to B will be denoted by $\mathcal{R}(A, B)$, and the set of all fuzzy relations on a set A will be denoted by $\mathcal{R}(A)$. The inverse of a fuzzy relation $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)$ is a fuzzy relation $\varphi^{-1} \in \mathcal{R}(B, A)$ defined by $\varphi^{-1}(b, a) = \varphi(a, b)$, for all $a \in A$ and $b \in B$. A crisp relation is a fuzzy relation which takes values only in the set $\{0, 1\}$, and if φ is a crisp relation of A to B , then the expressions “ $\varphi(a, b) = 1$ ” and “ $(a, b) \in \varphi$ ” will have the same meaning.

Definition 4. For non-empty sets A, B and C , and fuzzy relations $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)$ and $\psi \in \mathcal{R}(B, C)$, their composition $\varphi \circ \psi$ is a fuzzy relation from $\mathcal{R}(A, C)$ defined by

$$(\varphi \circ \psi)(a, c) = \bigvee_{b \in B} \varphi(a, b) \wedge \psi(b, c), \quad (4)$$

for all $a \in A$ and $c \in C$.

If φ and ψ are crisp relations, then $\varphi \circ \psi$ is an ordinary composition of relations, i.e.,

$$\varphi \circ \psi = \{(a, c) \in A \times C \mid (\exists b \in B)(a, b) \in \varphi \ \& \ (b, c) \in \psi\},$$

and if φ and ψ are functions, then $\varphi \circ \psi$ is the ordinary composition of functions, i.e., $(\varphi \circ \psi)(a) = \psi(\varphi(a))$, for every $a \in A$.

Definition 5. Let $f \in \mathcal{F}(A)$, $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)$ and $g \in \mathcal{F}(B)$. The compositions $f \circ \varphi$ and $\varphi \circ g$ are fuzzy subsets of B and A , respectively, which are defined by

$$(f \circ \varphi)(b) = \bigvee_{a \in A} f(a) \wedge \varphi(a, b), \quad (\varphi \circ g)(a) = \bigvee_{b \in B} \varphi(a, b) \wedge g(b), \quad (5)$$

for every $a \in A$ and $b \in B$.

In particular, if f and g are crisp sets and φ is a crisp relation, then

$$f \circ \varphi = \{b \in B \mid (\exists a \in f)(a, b) \in \varphi\}, \quad \varphi \circ g = \{a \in A \mid (\exists b \in g)(a, b) \in \varphi\}.$$

Definition 6. Let $f, g \in \mathcal{F}(A)$. The composition $f \circ g$ is an element of a fuzzy set A , defined by

$$f \circ g = \bigvee_{a \in A} f(a) \wedge g(a). \quad (6)$$

We note that if A, B and C are finite sets of cardinality $|A| = k, |B| = m$ and $|C| = n$, then $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)$ and $\psi \in \mathcal{R}(B, C)$ can be treated as $k \times m$ and $m \times n$ fuzzy matrices over \mathcal{H} , and $\varphi \circ \psi$ is the matrix product. Analogously, for $f \in \mathcal{F}(A)$ and $g \in \mathcal{F}(B)$ we can treat $f \circ \varphi$ as the product of a $1 \times k$ matrix f and a $k \times m$ matrix φ , and $\varphi \circ g$ as the product of a $k \times m$ matrix R and an $m \times 1$ matrix g^t (the transpose of g).

The following lemmas give the basic properties of the composition of fuzzy relations and fuzzy subsets.

Lemma 1. Let A, B, C and D be non-empty sets. Then we have:

a) For $\varphi_1 \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)$, $\varphi_2 \in \mathcal{R}(B, C)$ and $\varphi_3 \in \mathcal{R}(C, D)$ we have

$$(\varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2) \circ \varphi_3 = \varphi_1 \circ (\varphi_2 \circ \varphi_3).$$

b) For $\varphi_0 \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)$, $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \mathcal{R}(B, C)$ and $\varphi_3 \in \mathcal{R}(C, D)$ we have that $\varphi_1 \leq \varphi_2$ implies $\varphi_1^{-1} \leq \varphi_2^{-1}$, $\varphi_0 \circ \varphi_1 \leq \varphi_0 \circ \varphi_2$ and $\varphi_1 \circ \varphi_3 \leq \varphi_2 \circ \varphi_3$.

c) For a $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)$, $\psi \in \mathcal{R}(B, C)$, $f \in \mathcal{F}(A)$, $g \in \mathcal{F}(B)$ and $h \in \mathcal{F}(C)$ the following holds:

$$\begin{aligned} (f \circ \varphi) \circ \psi &= f \circ (\varphi \circ \psi), & (f \circ \varphi) \circ g &= f \circ (\varphi \circ g), \\ (\varphi \circ \psi) \circ h &= \varphi \circ (\psi \circ h). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, in the previous lemma, the parentheses in a) and c) can be omitted.

Lemma 2. For all $\varphi, \varphi_i \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)(i \in I)$ and $\psi, \psi_i \in \mathcal{R}(B, C)(i \in I)$ we have that

$$(\varphi \circ \psi)^{-1} = \psi^{-1} \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad (7)$$

$$\varphi \circ (\bigvee_{i \in I} \psi_i) = \bigvee_{i \in I} (\varphi \circ \psi_i), \quad (\bigvee_{i \in I} \varphi_i) \circ \psi = \bigvee_{i \in I} (\varphi_i \circ \psi), \quad (8)$$

$$(\bigvee_{i \in I} \varphi_i)^{-1} = \bigvee_{i \in I} \varphi_i^{-1}. \quad (9)$$

Definition 7. Let A and B be fuzzy sets. A fuzzy relation $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(A, B)$ is called image-finite if for every $a \in A$ the set $\{b \in B \mid \varphi(a, b) > 0\}$ is finite,

it is called *domain-finite* if for every $b \in B$ the set $\{a \in A \mid \varphi(a, b) > 0\}$ is finite, and it is called *degree-finite* if it is both *image-finite* and *domain-finite*.

3 FUZZY MULTIMODAL LOGICS

In [42] we introduced a fuzzy multimodal logic over a complete Heyting algebra, and here we will give a brief overview of the relevant definitions.

Definition 8. Let $\mathcal{H} = (H, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ be a complete Heyting algebra and write $\bar{H} = \{\bar{t} \mid t \in H\}$ for the elements of \mathcal{H} viewed as constants. Let I be some index set. Define the language $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ via the grammar

$$A ::= \bar{t} \mid p \mid A \wedge A \mid A \rightarrow A \mid \Box_i A \mid \Diamond_i A \mid \Box_i^- A \mid \Diamond_i^- A$$

where $\bar{t} \in \bar{H}$, $i \in I$ and p ranges over some set PV of proposition letters.

The following well-known abbreviations will be used:

$$\neg A \equiv A \rightarrow \bar{0} \text{ (negation),}$$

$$A \leftrightarrow B \equiv (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow A) \text{ (equivalence),}$$

$$A \vee B \equiv ((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B) \wedge ((B \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A) \text{ (disjunction).}$$

Recall that 0 is the least element in \mathcal{H} and $\bar{0}$ is the corresponding truth constant. Also, $\bar{0} \rightarrow \bar{0}$ gives the top element $\bar{1}$.

The set of all formulae over the alphabet $\mathcal{H}(\{\Box_i, \Diamond_i\}_{i \in I})$, i.e., the set of those formulae from $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ that do not contain any of the modal operators \Box_i^- and \Diamond_i^- , $i \in I$, will be denoted by $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$. Similarly, the set of all formulae over the alphabet $\mathcal{H}(\{\Box_i^-, \Diamond_i^-\}_{i \in I})$, i.e., the set of those formulae from $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ that do not contain any of the modal operators \Box_i and \Diamond_i , $i \in I$, will be denoted by $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^-$. To simplify, the formulae from $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ will be called *plus-formulae*, and the formulae from $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^-$ will be called *minus-formulae*.

Definition 9. A fuzzy Kripke frame is a structure $\mathfrak{F} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I})$ where W is a non-empty set of possible worlds (or states or points) and $R_i \in \mathcal{F}(W \times W)$ is a binary fuzzy relation on W , for every i from a finite index set I , called the accessibility fuzzy relation of the frame.

Definition 10. A fuzzy Kripke model for $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ is a structure $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ such that $(W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I})$ is a fuzzy Kripke frame and $V : W \times (PV \cup \bar{H}) \rightarrow H$ is a truth assignment function, called the evaluation of the

model, which assigns an H -truth value to propositional variables (and truth constants) in each world, such that $V(w, \bar{t}) = t$, for every $w \in W$ and $t \in H$.

In the case when the finite set I has n elements, then \mathfrak{F} is called a *fuzzy Kripke n -frame* and \mathfrak{M} is called a *fuzzy Kripke n -model*.

The truth assignment function V can be inductively extended to a function $V : W \times \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}} \rightarrow H$ by:

$$(V1) \quad V(w, A \wedge B) = V(w, A) \wedge V(w, B);$$

$$(V2) \quad V(w, A \rightarrow B) = V(w, A) \rightarrow V(w, B);$$

$$(V3) \quad V(w, \Box_i A) = \bigwedge_{u \in W} R_i(w, u) \rightarrow V(u, A), \text{ for every } i \in I;$$

$$(V4) \quad V(w, \Diamond_i A) = \bigvee_{u \in W} R_i(w, u) \wedge V(u, A), \text{ for every } i \in I;$$

$$(V5) \quad V(w, \Box_i^- A) = \bigwedge_{u \in W} R_i(u, w) \rightarrow V(u, A), \text{ for every } i \in I;$$

$$(V6) \quad V(w, \Diamond_i^- A) = \bigvee_{u \in W} R_i(u, w) \wedge V(u, A), \text{ for every } i \in I.$$

For each world $w \in W$, the truth assignment V determines a function $V_w : \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}} \rightarrow H$ given by $V_w(A) = V(w, A)$, for every $A \in \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$, and similarly, for each $A \in \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$, the truth assignment V determines a function $V_A : W \rightarrow H$ given by $V_A(w) = V(w, A)$, for every $w \in W$.

As a rule, we denote the models with $\mathfrak{M}, \mathfrak{M}', \mathfrak{N}, \mathfrak{N}'$ etc., not emphasizing the alphabet $\mathcal{H}(\{\Box_i, \Diamond_i, \Box_i^-, \Diamond_i^-\}_{i \in I})$ specifically, except when necessary. For a fuzzy Kripke model $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$, its *reverse fuzzy Kripke model* is the fuzzy Kripke model $\mathfrak{M}^{-1} = (W, \{R_i^{-1}\}_{i \in I}, V)$.

The following Definition is based on Definition 7 which defines image-finite, domain-finite and degree-finite relations.

Definition 11. A fuzzy Kripke model $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ is called *image-finite* if the relation R_i is image-finite, for every $i \in I$, it is called *domain-finite* if the relation R_i is domain-finite, for every $i \in I$, and it is called *degree-finite* if the relation R_i is degree-finite, for every $i \in I$.

Definition 12. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models, and let $\Phi \subseteq \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ be some set of formulae. The worlds $w \in W$ and $w' \in W'$ are said to be Φ -equivalent if $V(w, A) = V'(w', A)$, for all $A \in \Phi$. Moreover, \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are said to be Φ -equivalent fuzzy Kripke models if each $w \in W$ is Φ -equivalent to some $w' \in W'$, and vice versa, if each $w' \in W'$ is Φ -equivalent to some $w \in W$.

Many authors use the term *modal equivalence* for the relation between two worlds defined as follows: two worlds $w \in W$ and $w' \in W$ are *modally equivalent* if $V(w, A) = V'(w', A)$, where A is from the set of all formulae (cf. [4, 12]). Therefore, Definition 12 is more general since the notion of formulae equivalence can be defined for some set of formulae.

4 SIMULATIONS AND BISIMULATIONS

4.1 Simulations and bisimulations

In a fuzzy modal logic, fuzzy simulation relates a fuzzy Kripke model to an *abstraction* of the model where the abstraction of the model might have a smaller set of worlds. Hence, the fuzzy Kripke model is related to his abstraction in such a way that every local property and transition patterns of worlds, relevant to the simulation requirement, are preserved. Therefore, fuzzy bisimulations guarantee that two fuzzy Kripke models have the same local properties and transition patterns.

Two types of simulations and five types of bisimulations between two fuzzy Kripke models are defined in [42]. The definitions are based on [10] in which two types of simulations and four types of bisimulations for fuzzy finite automata have been studied. The fifth type of bisimulations, called regular bisimulations, originates from the research on fuzzy social networks [22].

In the crisp case, a bisimulation preserves logical equivalence, i.e., modal formulae are invariant under bisimulation (see Theorem 2.20 from [4]). We consider three defined sets of modal formulae (plus-formulae, minus-formulae and all formulae), so we need one type of bisimulation for each set of formulae. Also, there are two mixed types of bisimulations, which makes for a total of five types of bisimulations that we define.

Now, we will briefly outline the definitions.

Definition 13. *Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models and let $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(W, W')$ be a non-empty fuzzy relation. If φ satisfies*

$$V_p \leq V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (\text{fs-1})$$

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ R_i \leq R'_i \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \text{for every } i \in I, \quad (\text{fs-2})$$

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_p \leq V'_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (\text{fs-3})$$

then it is called a forward simulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , and if it satisfies only (fs-2) and (fs-3), then it is called a forward presimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

On the other hand, if φ satisfies

$$V_p \leq \varphi \circ V'_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (bs-1)$$

$$R_i \circ \varphi \leq \varphi \circ R'_i, \quad \text{for every } i \in I, \quad (bs-2)$$

$$V_p \circ \varphi \leq V'_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (bs-3)$$

then it is called a backward simulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , and if it satisfies only (bs-3) and (bs-2), it is called a backward presimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

The meaning of forward and backward simulations can best be explained in the case when \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are crisp (Boolean-valued) Kripke models and φ is an ordinary crisp (Boolean-valued) binary relation. The condition (fs-1) means that if the valuation V assigns the value “true” to the propositional variable p in some world w , then the valuation V' assigns to this variable the value “true” in some world w' which simulates w . On the other hand, the condition (fs-3) means that if w' simulates w and the valuation V assigns the value “true” to the propositional variable p in the world w , then the valuation V' also assigns the value “true” to this variable in the world w' . The conditions (fs-2) and (bs-2) can be explained as follows: (fs-2) means that if u' simulates u and v is accessible from u , then there is v' accessible from u' which simulates v , and (bs-2) means that if u is accessible from v and u' simulates u , then u' is accessible from some v' which simulates v . This is explained in Figure 4.1. In both cases, accessibility is considered with respect to R_i , for each $i \in I$.

Now, we can define five types of bisimulations by combining notions of forward and backward simulations.

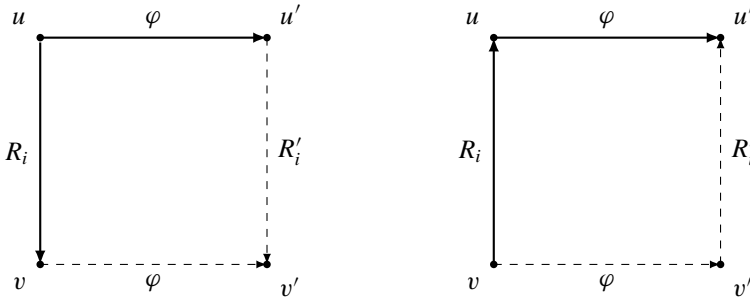


FIGURE 1

Forward simulation (the condition (fs-2), on the left) and backward simulation (the condition (bs-2), on the right).

Definition 14. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models and let $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(W, W')$ be a non-empty fuzzy relation. If both φ and φ^{-1} are forward simulations, i.e., if

$$V_p \leq V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad V'_p \leq V_p \circ \varphi, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (\text{fb-1})$$

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ R_i \leq R'_i \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \varphi \circ R'_i \leq R_i \circ \varphi, \quad \text{for every } i \in I, \quad (\text{fb-2})$$

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_p \leq V'_p, \quad \varphi \circ V'_p \leq V_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV. \quad (\text{fb-3})$$

then we call φ a forward bisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , and if φ satisfies only (fb-2) and (fb-3), then we call it a forward prebisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

Now, we will define a backward (pre)bisimulation.

Definition 15. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models and let $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(W, W')$ be a non-empty fuzzy relation. If both φ and φ^{-1} are backward simulations, i.e. if

$$V_p \leq \varphi \circ V'_p, \quad V'_p \leq \varphi^{-1} \circ V_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (\text{bb-1})$$

$$R_i \circ \varphi \leq \varphi \circ R'_i, \quad R'_i \circ \varphi^{-1} \leq \varphi^{-1} \circ R_i, \quad \text{for every } i \in I, \quad (\text{bb-2})$$

$$V_p \circ \varphi \leq V'_p, \quad V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1} \leq V_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV. \quad (\text{bb-3})$$

then we call φ a backward bisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , and if φ satisfies only (bb-2) and (bb-3), then we call it a backward prebisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

We also define two “mixed” types of (pre)bisimulations. Namely, if φ is a forward simulation and φ^{-1} is a backward simulation, then we say that φ is a *forward-backward bisimulation* between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , and if only (fbb-2) and (fbb-3) hold, we say that φ is a *forward-backward prebisimulation* between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

Similarly, if φ is a backward simulation and φ^{-1} is a forward simulation, then we say that φ is a *backward-forward bisimulation* between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , and if only (bfb-2) and (bfb-3) hold, then we say that φ is a *backward-forward prebisimulation* between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

These two bisimulations arise from analogous definitions for fuzzy automata (cf. [10]). They can be important in structures with no order, so only equality should be used in the definitions of bisimulations (cf. [9]). However, the question which fragment of the formulae these bisimulations preserve for the Kripke models remains open and needs to be further explored.

Definition 16. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models and let $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(W, W')$ be a non-empty fuzzy relation. If φ is both a forward and a backward bisimulation, i.e., if

$$V_p \leq V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad V'_p \leq V_p \circ \varphi, \quad V_p \leq \varphi \circ V'_p, \quad V'_p \leq \varphi^{-1} \circ V_p, \quad (\text{rb-1})$$

for every $p \in PV$,

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ R_i = R'_i \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \varphi \circ R'_i = R_i \circ \varphi, \quad \text{for every } i \in I, \quad (\text{rb-2})$$

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_p \leq V'_p, \quad \varphi \circ V'_p \leq V_p, \quad V_p \circ \varphi \leq V'_p, \quad V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1} \leq V_p, \quad (\text{rb-3})$$

for every $p \in PV$,

then we call φ a regular bisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , and if φ satisfies only (rb-2) and (rb-3), then we call it a regular prebisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

For any $\theta \in \{fs, bs, fb, bb, fbb, bfb, rb\}$, a fuzzy relation which satisfies $(\theta-1)$, $(\theta-2)$ and $(\theta-3)$ will be called a *simulation/bisimulation of type θ* or a θ -*simulation/bisimulation* between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , and a fuzzy relation satisfying $(\theta-2)$ and $(\theta-3)$ will be called a *presimulation/prebisimulation of type θ* or a θ -*presimulation/prebisimulation* between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' . In addition, if \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are the same fuzzy Kripke model, then we use the name *simulation/bisimulation of type θ* or θ -*simulation/bisimulation* on the fuzzy Kripke model \mathfrak{M} . Also, by φ_*^θ we will denote a fuzzy relation satisfying $(\theta-2)$ and $(\theta-3)$.

It has been noted in [42] that every forward simulation between two fuzzy Kripke models is a backward simulation between the reverse fuzzy Kripke models. Therefore, forward and backward simulations, forward and backward bisimulations, forward-backward and backward-forward bisimulations, are mutually dual concepts while regular bisimulations are self-dual.

Lemma 3. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models and let $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(W, W')$ be θ -(pre)simulation/(pre)bisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' . Then, the following holds:

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_p = V_p \circ \varphi, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (10)$$

$$\varphi \circ V'_p = V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV. \quad (11)$$

Proof. We will prove only the first case. Hence, we have

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_p(w') = \bigvee_{w \in W} \varphi^{-1}(w', w) \wedge V_p(w)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \bigvee_{w \in W} V_p(w) \wedge \varphi(w, w') \\
&= V_p \circ \varphi(w')
\end{aligned}$$

for every $w' \in W'$ and consequently, (10) holds for any propositional variable $p \in PV$.

Using the previous lemma, it follows that the definitions of all five types of bisimulations/prebisimulations differ only in the second conditions (θ -2), for $\theta \in \{fb, bb, fbb, bfb, rb\}$. Now, conjunctions of conditions (θ -1) and (θ -3) in these definitions give us

$$V'_p = V_p \circ \varphi, \quad V_p = \varphi \circ V'_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV. \quad (12)$$

In a special case, when all accessibility relations and valuations are crisp, we can compare a forward bisimulation from Definition 14 with the definition of bisimulation for a *basic modal language* (i.e. propositional modal logic with necessity and possibility operators). Our notation for the basic modal language from Section 6 is PML^+ (PML stands for Propositional Modal Logic and should not be confused with Positive Modal Logic and Probabilistic Modal Logic). Let us recall the definition of bisimulation for PML^+ from [4](p. 64) with some minor notation changes for the sake of comparison.

Definition 17. *A non-empty binary relation $\varphi \subseteq W \times W'$ is called a bisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' if the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (i) *If $(w, w') \in \varphi$ then $V(w, p) = V'(w', p)$ for every $p \in PV$.*
- (ii) *If $(w, w') \in \varphi$ and $(w, v) \in R$, then there exists v' (in \mathfrak{M}') such that $(v, v') \in \varphi$ and $(w', v') \in R'$ (the forth condition).*
- (iii) *The converse of (ii): if $(w, w') \in \varphi$ and $(w', v') \in R'$, then there exists v (in \mathfrak{M}) such that $(v, v') \in \varphi$ and $(w, v) \in R$ (the back condition).*

Now, we can make a connection between our definitions of simulations and bisimulations. Firstly, let us split a base condition (i) in two parts:

- (ia) *If $(w, w') \in \varphi$ then $V(w, p) \leq V'(w', p)$ for every $p \in PV$;*
- (ib) *If $(w, w') \in \varphi$ then $V(w, p) \geq V'(w', p)$ for every $p \in PV$.*

Then, from (ia), we have $\varphi^{-1}(w', w) \wedge V(w, p) \leq V'(w', p)$ for every $p \in PV$. Hence, for every $w \in W$, we have $\varphi^{-1}(w', w) \wedge V_p(w) \leq V'_p(w')$, and consequently, we get $\varphi^{-1} \circ V_p(w') \leq V'_p(w')$, which is our condition (fs-3).

Analogously, from (ib), we get $\varphi \circ V'_p \leq V_p$ (the converse of (fs-3)). Hence, we get the condition (fb-3).

Also, from (ia), we have $V(w, p) \leq V'(w', p) \wedge \varphi(w', w)^{-1}$, and consequently, we get $V_p \leq V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1}$, which is our condition (fs-1). Analogously, from (ib), we get $V'_p \leq V_p \circ \varphi$ (the converse of (fs-1)). Hence, we get the condition (fb-1). Therefore, the base condition (i) corresponds to the conditions (fb-3) and (fb-1).

The condition (ii) can be rewritten as $\varphi^{-1}(w', w) \wedge R(w, v)$; then there exists v' (in \mathfrak{M}') such that $R'(w', v') \wedge \varphi^{-1}(v', v)$. Using a relational composition, we get $\varphi^{-1} \circ R \leq R' \circ \varphi^{-1}$ which is our condition (fs-2). Analogously, the condition (iii) can be written in the form $\varphi \circ R' \leq R \circ \varphi$. Therefore, conditions (ii) and (iii) correspond to the condition (fb-2).

In our work, we use duality and relax the conditions, which provides us with a plethora of different types of (pre)simulations and (pre)bisimulations. As we will see, a non-empty fuzzy relation does not have to satisfy both conditions (θ -1) and (θ -3), and that is why we also consider presimulations and prebisimulations. In addition, prebisimulations are important because they can give us a “measure” of how modally equivalent some sets of formulae are.

The following example on the standard Gödel modal logic over $[0, 1]$ clarifies different types of (pre)simulations/(pre)bisimulations. From now on, for any $\theta \in \{fs, bs, fb, bb, fbb, bfb, rb\}$, by φ^θ we will denote the greatest simulation/bisimulation of type θ between two given fuzzy Kripke models if it exists. On the other hand, by φ_*^θ we will denote the greatest fuzzy relation satisfying (θ -2) and (θ -3).

Example 1. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models over the Gödel structure, where $W = \{u, v, w\}$, $W' = \{u', v', w'\}$. Fuzzy relations R, R' and fuzzy sets V_p and V'_p are represented by the following fuzzy matrices and column vectors:

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 0.9 & 1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad V_p = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R' = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.8 & 1 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 1 & 0.8 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad V'_p = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then, using algorithms for testing the existence and computing the greatest (pre)simulation between fuzzy Kripke models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' from [42], we

have:

$$\varphi^{fs} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.9 & 0.3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let us verify the condition (fb-3):

$$\varphi^{fs^{-1}} \circ V_p = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.3 & 1 & 0.3 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix} = V'_p.$$

Now, let us verify the condition (fb-2). First, we compute:

$$\varphi^{fs^{-1}} \circ R = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.3 & 1 & 0.3 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.8 & 0.9 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 0.9 & 1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.9 & 0.9 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 0.9 & 1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

On the other hand,

$$R' \circ \varphi^{fs^{-1}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.8 & 1 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 1 & 0.8 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.3 & 1 & 0.3 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 1 & 1 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 & 0.7 \\ 0.9 & 1 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix},$$

and therefore the condition (fs-2) holds since $\varphi^{fs^{-1}} \circ R \leq R' \circ \varphi^{fs^{-1}}$. Checking condition (fs-1) is formality, so we omit it.

Then, using algorithms for testing the existence and computing the greatest (pre)simulations and (pre)bisimulations between fuzzy Kripke models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' from [42], we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^{bs} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 1 & 0.8 & 0.2 \\ 1 & 0.8 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, & \varphi^{fb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \varphi^{bb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.8 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}, & \varphi^{fbb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \varphi^{bfb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}, & \varphi^{rb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.8 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

In this particular example, all presimulations and prebisimulations φ_*^θ for $\theta \in \{fs, bs, fb, bb, fbb, bfb, rb\}$ satisfy the condition (θ -1).

4.2 Weak simulations and bisimulations

The motivation for the introduction of weak simulations and bisimulations can be found in the theory of fuzzy automata (cf. [23]). It has been shown that the existence of a weak simulation between two automata implies a language inclusion between them while the existence of a weak bisimulation implies language-equivalence.

Thus, we will define weak simulations and bisimulations to examine formulae inclusion and formulae-equivalence between two fuzzy Kripke models. To make the definitions of weak simulations and bisimulations as general as possible, we will define them on a set of some formulae (not necessarily on the set of all formulae). Also, the question arises as to the relationship between strong bisimulations and weak bisimulations for some fragments of logic defined in Section 3.

Definition 18. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models, let $\Psi \subseteq \Phi_{I, \mathcal{R}}$ be a non-empty set of formulae and let $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(W, W')$ be a non-empty fuzzy relation. We call φ a weak forward simulation for the set Ψ if it is a solution to the system of fuzzy relation inequalities:

$$V_p \leq V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (\text{ws-1})$$

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_A \leq V'_A, \quad \text{for every } A \in \Psi, \quad (\text{ws-2})$$

and a weak forward presimulation for the set Ψ if it satisfies the condition (ws-2).

We call φ a weak backward simulation for the set Ψ if it satisfies

$$V_p \leq \varphi \circ V'_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (13)$$

$$V_A \circ \varphi \leq V'_A, \quad \text{for every } A \in \Psi, \quad (14)$$

and a weak backward presimulation for the set Ψ if it satisfies the condition (14). According to Lemma 3, the concepts of weak forward (pre)simulation and weak backward (pre)simulation for the set Ψ mutually coincide, and we will simply call it a weak (pre)simulation.

Definition 19. We call φ a weak bisimulation for the set Ψ if both φ and φ^{-1} are weak simulations for the set Ψ , i.e., if φ satisfies

$$V_p \leq V'_p \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad V'_p \leq V_p \circ \varphi, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV, \quad (\text{wb-1})$$

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_A \leq V'_A, \quad \varphi \circ V'_A \leq V_A, \quad \text{for every } A \in \Psi, \quad (\text{wb-2})$$

and φ is called a weak prebisimulation for the set Ψ if both φ and φ^{-1} are weak presimulations for the set Ψ , i.e., if φ satisfies (wb-2).

It is also possible to define four types of weak (pre)bisimulations, but they all mutually coincide.

As already mentioned, the meanings of weak simulations and bisimulations can best be explained in the case when \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are crisp Kripke models and φ is an ordinary crisp (Boolean-valued) binary relation. The condition (ws-1) is the same as (fs-1). The condition (ws-2) is very similar to the condition (fs-3), but it does not refer only to the propositional variables but to all the formulae from the set Ψ . Hence, (ws-2) means that if w' simulates w and the valuation V assigns the value “true” to the formula $A \in \Psi$ in the world w , then the valuation V' also assigns to this formula the value “true” in the world w' .

Remark 1. When $\Psi = PV$ then the condition (wb-2) becomes

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_p \leq V'_p, \quad \varphi \circ V'_p \leq V_p, \quad \text{for every } p \in PV,$$

which is equivalent to the (θ -3) condition for $\theta \in \{fb, bb, fbb, bfb, rb\}$ using (10) and (11).

In this way, the condition (θ -3) is packed in the condition (wb-2) and with (wb-1), it can be said that the concepts of strong bisimulations and weak bisimulations coincide on conditions (θ -1) and (θ -3) for $\theta \in \{fb, bb, fbb, bfb, rb\}$ when $PV \subseteq \Psi$.

Whether the definitions of weak (pre)simulations and (pre)bisimulations refer to the arbitrary set of formulae Ψ or not, we usually want Ψ to contain all propositional variables and we also usually take some fragments of $\Phi_{1, \mathcal{H}}$ for the set Ψ .

Remark 2. Note that the condition (ws-2) can be written down in an equivalent form:

$$\varphi(w, w') \leq \bigwedge_{A \in \Psi} V_A(w) \rightarrow V'_A(w'), \quad (15)$$

for any $w \in W$ and $w' \in W'$. Hence, the greatest weak presimulation for the set Ψ is

$$\varphi_*^{ws}(w, w') = \bigwedge_{A \in \Psi} V_A(w) \rightarrow V'_A(w'), \quad (16)$$

for any $w \in W$ and $w' \in W'$. Therefore, the greatest weak presimulation between two fuzzy Kripke models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' can be interpreted as a measure of degrees of formulae inclusion between two fuzzy Kripke models on the set Ψ .

In particular, if $\varphi_*^{ws}(w, w') = t$, the value t can be interpreted as a measure of formulae inclusion between worlds w and w' on the set Ψ .

On the other hand, the condition (wb-2) can be written down in an equivalent form:

$$\varphi(w, w') \leq \bigwedge_{A \in \Psi} V_A(w) \leftrightarrow V'_A(w'), \quad (17)$$

for any $w \in W$ and $w' \in W'$. Hence, the greatest weak prebisimulation for the set Ψ is

$$\varphi_*^{wb}(w, w') = \bigwedge_{A \in \Psi} V_A(w) \leftrightarrow V'_A(w'), \quad (18)$$

for any $w \in W$ and $w' \in W'$. Therefore, the greatest weak prebisimulation between two fuzzy Kripke models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' can be interpreted as a measure of degrees of formulae equality on the set Ψ , i.e., a measure of how much fuzzy Kripke models are Ψ -equivalent.

In particular, if $\varphi_*^{wb}(w, w') = t$, the value t can be interpreted as a measure of formulae equality between worlds w and w' on the set Ψ .

Therefore, we can conclude that a weak prebisimulation is a fuzzified version of formulae equivalence. It is generally known that a weak bisimulation on some structures is a fuzzy equivalence called *weak bisimulation equivalence* and this concept is widely used in formal verification and model checking. Weak bisimulation equivalences provide better state reductions of the model than the ordinary strong bisimulations while at the same time they preserve the semantic properties of the model.

The set of weak (bi)simulations between two models is closed under an arbitrary union. Furthermore, the composition of two weak (bi)simulations is also weak (bi)simulation; a similar result applies to the weak ones, and

to strong (bi)simulations (cf. [42]). Therefore, we state the following lemma that can easily be proved.

Lemma 4.

- (a) *If $\{\varphi_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in Y}$ are weak simulations/bisimulations between models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , then $\bigvee_{\alpha \in Y} \varphi_\alpha$ is also a weak simulation/bisimulation between these models.*
- (b) *If φ_1 is a weak simulation/bisimulation between models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' and φ_2 is a weak simulation/bisimulation between models \mathfrak{M}' and \mathfrak{M}'' , then $\varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2$ is a weak simulation/bisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}'' .*
- (c) *The assertions (a) and (b) remain valid if the terms simulation and bisimulation are replaced by presimulation and prebisimulation, respectively.*

In [42], the duality between forward and backward simulations, forward and backward bisimulations, and backward-forward and forward-backward bisimulations was discussed with respect to the fuzzy Kripke model and the corresponding reverse fuzzy Kripke model. A similar duality can be defined for the sets of formulae for Kripke models.

Definition 20. *Let a mapping $\Psi \mapsto \Psi^d$ from the set*

$$\{\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^{PF}, \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+, \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^-, \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}\} \quad (19)$$

into itself be defined as follows:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc} \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^{PF} & \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+ & \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^- & \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}} \\ \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^{PF} & \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^- & \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+ & \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}} \end{array} \right),$$

where $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^{PF}$ denotes the set of propositional formulae, i.e., formulae without any modal operators.

Example 2. *Let us note that the set (19) can contain arbitrary dual sets of formulae. That fact follows from the reversing duality of modal operators for every $i \in I$:*

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc} \Box_i & \Box_i^- & \Diamond_i & \Diamond_i^- \\ \Box_i^- & \Box_i & \Diamond_i^- & \Diamond_i \end{array} \right).$$

For example, let Ψ contain set $\Phi = \{A \wedge B, \Diamond_i A, \Box_j^- A \rightarrow \Diamond_k B\}$. Then, Ψ also contains $\Phi^d = \{A \wedge B, \Diamond_i^- A, \Box_j A \rightarrow \Diamond_k^- B\}$, for some $i, j, k \in I$, such that $\Psi(\Phi) = \Phi^d$.

Now we can state the following proposition:

Proposition 1. *Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models, let \mathfrak{M}^{-1} and \mathfrak{M}'^{-1} be the reverse fuzzy Kripke models for \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , respectively, and let $\Psi \in \{\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^{PF}, \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+, \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^-, \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}\}$.*

Then the following is true:

- (a) *φ is a weak simulation/bisimulation for set Ψ between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' if and only if φ is a weak simulation/bisimulation for the set Ψ^d between the reverse fuzzy Kripke models \mathfrak{M}^{-1} and \mathfrak{M}'^{-1} .*
- (b) *The assertion (a) remains valid if the terms simulation and bisimulation are replaced by a presimulation and prebisimulation, respectively.*

Proof. The proof is directly follows from the definition of formulae, the definitions of the sets of formulae and the reverse model.

5 HENNESSY-MILNER TYPE THEOREMS FOR FUZZY MULTIMODAL LOGICS

Let us briefly recall the essence of the original Hennessy-Milner theorem. The condition (i) from Definition 17 means that bisimilar propositional variables have the same properties (values). The conditions (ii) and (iii) ensure that the relations of the models are sufficiently similar to ensure the preservation of truth of the formulae.

Therefore, a bisimulation preserves the truth values of the formulae. Hence, for a basic modal language PML^+ , bisimilar worlds are formulae equivalent with respect to the set of all formulae.

The converse of this assertion, meaning that if worlds are formulae equivalent, they must be bisimilar, generally does not hold, but it is valid for some classes of Kripke models. This is exactly what the Hennessy-Milner theorem specifies.

Theorem 1 (Hennessy-Milner Theorem). *Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', V')$ be two image-finite Kripke models over the basic modal language PML^+ . Then, for any $w \in W$ and $w' \in W'$, w and w' are bisimilar with respect to PML^+ if and only if w and w' are PML^+ -equivalent.*

In other words, the Hennessy-Milner Theorem implies that the two worlds w and w' are bisimilar with respect to PML^+ if and only if the sets of PML^+ -formulae valid in w and w' coincide. In the context of fuzzy multimodal logics, we can make the following generalization:

Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ be a fuzzy Kripke model and let $\Psi \subseteq \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ be some set of formulae. For each $w \in W$ we define a fuzzy subset V_w of Ψ by $V_w(A) = V(w, A)$, for every $A \in \Psi$. This means that the degree to which a formula A belongs to the fuzzy set V_w is equal to the truth degree of A in the world w . In classical modal logic, V_w is simply the set of all formulae valid in the world w , so in the context of fuzzy modal logic we will say that V_w is the fuzzy set of formulae that are true (with a certain degree of truth) in w .

Now, let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models and let $\Psi \subseteq \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ be some set of formulae. As we noted in the previous section, the greatest weak (pre)bisimulation for the set Ψ (when it exists) is given by

$$\varphi(w, w') = \bigwedge_{A \in \Psi} V_A(w) \leftrightarrow V'_A(w') = \bigwedge_{A \in \Psi} V_w(A) \leftrightarrow V'_{w'}(A).$$

In the fuzzy set theory, the expression far right in this equation is known as the degree of equality of fuzzy sets V_w and $V'_{w'}$, and therefore, the greatest weak prebisimulation is the measure of the degree of equality of fuzzy sets of formulae from Ψ valid in two worlds w and w' , that is, the measure of the degree of modal equivalence between worlds w and w' with respect to formulae from Ψ .

Note that the Hennessy-Milner theorem replaces weak bisimulations by bisimulations, which is important because the greatest bisimulations between finite models can be computed by algorithms of polynomial complexity; in contrast to the greatest weak bisimulations, which are generally computed by algorithms of exponential complexity. An even bigger problem arises when computing the greatest fuzzy weak bisimulations.

Our aim is to prove three Hennessy-Milner type theorems for fuzzy multimodal logics over linearly ordered Heyting algebras. We will show that the degree of modal equivalence with respect to plus-formulae, between two worlds in image-finite Kripke models, can be expressed by the greatest forward (pre)bisimulation, the degree of modal equivalence with respect to minus-formulae, between two worlds in domain-finite Kripke models, can be expressed by the greatest backward (pre)bisimulation, and the degree of modal equivalence with respect to all formulae, between two worlds in degree-finite Kripke models, can be expressed by the greatest regular (pre)bisimulation.

First we prove the following theorem.

Theorem 2 The Hennessy-Milner type theorem for plus-formulae. *Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two image-finite fuzzy Kripke models over a linearly ordered Heyting algebra \mathcal{H} . The greatest weak*

$\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -prebisimulation (resp. the greatest $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , if it exists, is the greatest forward prebisimulation (resp. the greatest forward bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

The proof is based on the next two lemmas.

Lemma 5. *Under the assumptions of Theorem 2, any forward prebisimulation (resp. forward bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' is a weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -prebisimulation (resp. $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .*

Proof. Let φ be a forward prebisimulation between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' . To prove that φ is a weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -prebisimulation we will prove that

$$\varphi(u, u') \leq V_A(u) \leftrightarrow V'_A(u'), \quad (20)$$

for all $u \in W$, $u' \in W'$ and every $A \in \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$. This will be proved by induction on the complexity of a formula A .

Induction basis: If $A = p \in PV$, then from the fact that φ is forward bisimulation we have that $\varphi^{-1} \circ V_p \leq V'_p$ and $\varphi \circ V'_p \leq V_p$, which means that

$$\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge V_p(u) \leq V'_p(u'), \quad \varphi(u, u') \wedge V'_p(u') \leq V_p(u),$$

for all $u \in W$, $u' \in W'$ and $p \in PV$. Using the adjunction property (2) we get

$$\varphi(u, u') \leq V_p(u) \rightarrow V'_p(u'), \quad \varphi(u, u') \leq V'_p(u') \rightarrow V_p(u),$$

and therefore,

$$\varphi(u, u') \leq V_p(u) \leftrightarrow V'_p(u'),$$

for all $u \in W$, $u' \in W'$ and $p \in PV$. Consequently, (20) holds for any propositional variable p . It trivially holds for any truth constant \bar{t} .

Induction step: a) Let $A = B \wedge C$ and let (20) hold for B and C , i.e.,

$$\varphi(u, u') \leq V_B(u) \leftrightarrow V'_B(u'), \quad \varphi(u, u') \leq V_C(u) \leftrightarrow V'_C(u'),$$

for all $u \in W$, $u' \in W'$. This yields

$$\varphi(u, u') \leq (V_B(u) \leftrightarrow V'_B(u')) \wedge (V_C(u) \leftrightarrow V'_C(u')).$$

Using the property of Heyting algebras $(x_1 \leftrightarrow y_1) \wedge (x_2 \leftrightarrow y_2) \leq (x_1 \wedge x_2) \leftrightarrow (y_1 \wedge y_2)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(u, u') &\leq (V_B(u) \leftrightarrow V'_B(u')) \wedge (V_C(u) \leftrightarrow V'_C(u')) \\ &\leq (V_B(u) \wedge V_C(u)) \leftrightarrow (V'_B(u') \wedge V'_C(u')) \\ &= V_{B \wedge C}(u) \leftrightarrow V'_{B \wedge C}(u') \\ &= V_A(u) \leftrightarrow V'_A(u'), \end{aligned}$$

for all $u \in W$ and $u' \in W'$, so we conclude that (20) holds for $A = B \wedge C$.

b) Let A be of the form $B \rightarrow C$ and let (20) hold for B and C . In a similar way as in a), using the property of Heyting algebras

$$(x_1 \leftrightarrow y_1) \wedge (x_2 \leftrightarrow y_2) \leq (x_1 \rightarrow x_2) \leftrightarrow (y_1 \rightarrow y_2),$$

we prove that (20) also holds for A .

c) Let $A = \diamond_i B$ and let (20) hold for B , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(u, u') &\leq V_B(u) \leftrightarrow V'_B(u') \\ &= (V_B(u) \rightarrow V'_B(u')) \wedge (V'_B(u') \rightarrow V_B(u)), \end{aligned}$$

for all $u \in W$ and $u' \in W'$. Then it follows that

$$\varphi(u, u') \leq (V_B(u) \rightarrow V'_B(u')), \quad \varphi(u, u') \leq (V'_B(u') \rightarrow V_B(u)),$$

and using the adjunction property (2) we conclude

$$\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge V_B(u) \leq V'_B(u'), \quad \varphi(u, u') \wedge V'_B(u') \leq V_B(u)$$

for all $u \in W$ and $u' \in W'$. Hence,

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_B \leq V'_B, \quad \varphi \circ V'_B \leq V_B,$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^{-1} \circ V_A &= \varphi^{-1} \circ R_i \circ V_B \leq R'_i \circ \varphi^{-1} \circ V_B \quad (\text{by (fb-2)}) \\ &\leq R'_i \circ V'_B = V'_A, \end{aligned}$$

for every $i \in I$. From $\varphi^{-1} \circ V_A \leq V'_A$ we conclude that $\varphi(u, u') \leq V_A(u) \rightarrow V'_A(u')$. Thus, we conclude that $\varphi(u, u') \leq V'_A(u') \rightarrow V_A(u)$, for all $u \in W$

and $u' \in W'$, which means that

$$\varphi(u, u') \leq V_A(u) \leftrightarrow V'_A(u'),$$

for all $u \in W$ and $u' \in W'$. Therefore, we have proved that (20) is also true for $A = \diamond_i B$.

d) Suppose that $A = \square_i B$ and (20) holds for B . In a similar way as in c), from $\varphi(u, u') \leq V_B(u) \leftrightarrow V'_B(u')$, for all $u \in W$ and $u' \in W'$, we obtain

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ V_B \leq V'_B, \quad \varphi \circ V'_B \leq V_B.$$

Since the underlying Heyting algebra is linearly ordered, values $\varphi(u, u') = \varphi^{-1}(u', u)$, $V_A(u)$ and $V'_A(u')$ can be compared with each other, for all $u \in W$, $u' \in W'$, therefore, a case analysis can be used.

If $\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \leq V_A(u) \wedge V_A(u')$ and $V_A(u) \neq V'_A(u')$, then

$$\varphi(u, u') = \varphi^{-1}(u', u) \leq V_A(u) \wedge V'_A(u') = V_A(u) \leftrightarrow V'_A(u').$$

In case $V_A(u) = V'_A(u')$ we have that $V_A(u) \leftrightarrow V'_A(u') = 1$, which again gives $\varphi(u, u') \leq V_A(u) \leftrightarrow V'_A(u')$.

Hence, we need to consider only the case when

$$\varphi^{-1}(u', u) > V_A(u) \wedge V'_A(u').$$

Without loss of generality, we can assume that $\varphi^{-1}(u', u) > V_A(u)$, and then we have:

$$\begin{aligned} V_A(u) &= \varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge V_A(u) \\ &= \varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge \bigwedge_{v \in W} (R_i(u, v) \rightarrow V_B(v)) \\ &= \bigwedge_{v \in W} [\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge (R_i(u, v) \rightarrow V_B(v))] \\ &= \bigwedge_{v \in W} [\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge (\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge R_i(u, v) \rightarrow V_B(v))] \\ &= \varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge \bigwedge_{v \in W} [\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge R_i(u, v) \rightarrow V_B(v)] \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

In the third and fifth lines we have used the property

$$x \wedge \left(\bigwedge_{i \in I} y_i \right) = \bigwedge_{i \in I} (x \wedge y_i),$$

which holds for every index set I in a complete Heyting algebra. In the fourth line, we have used the well-known equation that holds in Heyting algebras

$$x \wedge (y \rightarrow z) = x \wedge (x \wedge y \rightarrow z).$$

According to the starting assumption, φ is a forward prebisimulation, so it satisfies (fb-2), i.e.

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ R_i \leq R'_i \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \text{for every } i \in I.$$

Next, since R'_i is image-finite, for each $v \in W$ we can find $v' \in W'$ such that

$$\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge R_i(u, v) \leq R'_i(u', v') \wedge \varphi^{-1}(v', v),$$

and it follows

$$(\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge R_i(u, v)) \rightarrow V_B(v) \geq (\varphi^{-1}(v', v) \wedge R'_i(u', v')) \rightarrow V_B(v).$$

Now, the two cases need to be analyzed. If $V_B(v) = V'_B(v')$, then

$$R'_i(u', v') \rightarrow V_B(v) = R'_i(u', v') \rightarrow V'_B(v').$$

Since

$$(\varphi^{-1}(v', v) \wedge R'_i(u', v')) \rightarrow V_B(v) \geq R'_i(u', v') \rightarrow V_B(v),$$

it follows

$$(\varphi^{-1}(v', v) \wedge R'_i(u', v')) \rightarrow V_B(v) \geq R'_i(u', v') \rightarrow V'_B(v').$$

On the other hand, if $V_B(v) \neq V'_B(v')$, then by the induction hypothesis we have that

$$\varphi^{-1}(v', v) \leq (V_B(v) \leftrightarrow V'_B(v')) \leq V_B(v).$$

Thus,

$$(\varphi^{-1}(v', v) \wedge R'_i(u', v')) \rightarrow V_B(v) = 1 \geq R'_i(u', v') \rightarrow V'_B(v').$$

In both cases, we have shown that for any $v \in W$, we can find v' so that

$$(\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge R_i(u, v)) \rightarrow V_B(v) \geq R'_i(u', v') \rightarrow V'_B(v').$$

Therefore,

$$\bigwedge_{v \in W} (\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge R_i(u, v)) \rightarrow V_B(v) \geq \bigwedge_{v' \in W'} R'_i(u', v') \rightarrow V'_B(v') = V'_A(u')$$

and using (21) we conclude: $V_A(u) \geq \varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge V'_A(u')$. Because of the assumption that $\varphi^{-1}(u', u) > V_A(u)$, we have

$$V_A(u) \geq V'_A(u') \text{ and } \varphi^{-1}(u', u) > V'_A(u').$$

Analogously, by the same reasoning we can prove that $V'_A(u') \geq V_A(u)$, since $\varphi^{-1}(u', u) > V'_A(u')$. Hence, we have $V_A(u) = V'_A(u')$, and since $\varphi(u, u') = \varphi^{-1}(u', u)$ it follows

$$\varphi(u, u') \leq V_A(u) \leftrightarrow V'_A(u') = 1$$

when $\varphi^{-1}(u', u) > V_A(u) \wedge V'_A(u')$.

This completes the proof of the statement that every forward prebisimulation is a weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -prebisimulation. This also means that every forward bisimulation is a weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -bisimulation, since the additional conditions (fb-1) and (wb-1) that distinguish between prebisimulations and bisimulations are the same in both cases.

Lemma 6. *Under the assumptions of Theorem 2, the greatest weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -prebisimulation (resp. the greatest $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , if it exists, is a forward prebisimulation (resp. a forward bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .*

Proof. Let φ be a weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -prebisimulation. According to Remark 1, φ satisfies the condition (fb-3). Hence, it remains to prove that (fb-2) is true.

To prove that, we will use the proof by a contradiction and the same method used in Lemma 2 from [14]. Namely, we will prove the assumption that (wb-2) is true while (fb-2) is not true, which leads to a contradiction. Therefore, let us assume that (fb-2) does not hold. This means that there exists $i \in I$ so that

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ R_i \not\leq R'_i \circ \varphi^{-1} \text{ or } \varphi \circ R'_i \not\leq R_i \circ \varphi, \quad (22)$$

for some $i \in I$. We will consider only the case

$$\varphi^{-1} \circ R_i \not\leq R'_i \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad (23)$$

for some $i \in I$, because the second case in (22) can be treated similarly. By the hypothesis, the underlying Heyting algebra \mathcal{H} is linearly ordered, so the

formula (23) means that there are $u, v \in W$ and $u' \in W'$ such that

$$\varphi^{-1}(u', u) \wedge R_i(u, v) > \bigvee_{v' \in W'} R'_i(u', v') \wedge \varphi^{-1}(v', v). \quad (24)$$

Let $W'_{u'} = \{v' \in W' \mid R'_i(u', v') > 0\}$. By the assumption of the theorem, R'_i is image-finite, which means that $W'_{u'}$ is finite.

To simplify, let us set

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \varphi^{-1}(u', u), & y &= R_i(u, v), \\ x_{v'} &= R'_i(u', v'), & y_{v'} &= \varphi^{-1}(v', v), \end{aligned}$$

for each $v' \in W'_{u'}$. Then, the formula (24) becomes

$$x \wedge y > \bigvee_{v' \in W'_{u'}} x_{v'} \wedge y_{v'}. \quad (25)$$

Due to (25), for each $v' \in W'_{u'}$ we have that $x_{v'} \wedge y_{v'} < x \wedge y$, and because of the linearity of the ordering in \mathcal{H} , we get that either $x_{v'} < x \wedge y$ or $y_{v'} < x \wedge y$.

Case $y_{v'} < x \wedge y$: If $y_{v'} < x \wedge y$, i.e.,

$$\varphi^{-1}(v', v) = \varphi(v, v') < x \wedge y,$$

then by the definition of $\varphi = \varphi_*^{wb}$, for each $v' \in W'_{u'}$ there exists $A_{v'} \in \Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ such that

$$(V(v, A_{v'}) \leftrightarrow V'(v', A_{v'})) < x \wedge y.$$

In fact, since the underlying algebra \mathcal{H} is linearly ordered, then $(V(v, A_{v'}) \leftrightarrow V'(v', A_{v'})) = V(v, A_{v'}) \wedge V'(v', A_{v'})$, for $V(v, A_{v'}) \neq V'(v', A_{v'})$ and then $A_{v'}$ can be any formula such that $V(v, A_{v'}) < x \wedge y$ or $V'(v', A_{v'}) < x \wedge y$.

Set $z_{v'} = V(v, A_{v'})$. Now we define $B_{v'}$, for each $v' \in W'_{u'}$, as follows:

$$B_{v'} = \begin{cases} \bar{1}, & \text{if } x_{v'} < x \wedge y \\ A_{v'} \leftrightarrow \overline{z_{v'}}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (26)$$

Note that if $x_{v'} \geq x \wedge y$, then we have that

$$\begin{aligned} V'(v', B_{v'}) &= V'(v', A_{v'} \leftrightarrow \overline{z_{v'}}) \\ &= V'(v', A_{v'}) \leftrightarrow V(v, A_{v'}) < x \wedge y \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V(v, B_{v'}) &= V(v, A_{v'} \leftrightarrow \overline{z_{v'}}) \\ &= V(v, A_{v'}) \leftrightarrow V(v, A_{v'}) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Further, set $B = \bigwedge_{v' \in W'_u} B_{v'}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} V'(u', \diamond_i B) &= \bigvee_{v' \in W'_u} R'_i(u', v') \wedge V'(v', B) \\ &= \bigvee_{v' \in W'_u} x_{v'} \wedge V'(v', B). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$V'(u', \diamond_i B) \leq \left(\bigvee_{\substack{v' \in W'_u \\ x_{v'} < x \wedge y}} x_{v'} \right) \vee \left(\bigvee_{\substack{v' \in W'_u \\ x_{v'} \geq x \wedge y}} V'(v', B_{v'}) \right) < x \wedge y.$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} V(u, \diamond_i B) &= \bigvee_{v \in W} R_i(u, v) \wedge V(v, B) \\ &\geq R_i(u, v) \wedge V(v, B) = y \geq x \wedge y. \end{aligned}$$

Now, according to (17), we have

$$\begin{aligned} x = \varphi^{-1}(u', u) &\leq (V'(u', \diamond_i B) \leftrightarrow V(u, \diamond_i B)) \\ &= V'(u', \diamond_i B) \wedge V(u, \diamond_i B) \\ &= V'(u', \diamond_i B) < x \wedge y \end{aligned}$$

which represents a contradiction.

Case $x_{v'} < x \wedge y$: Set $B = \overline{1}$ (B can also be any propositional formula that is a tautology, for example, $p \leftrightarrow p$).

In the same way as in the previous case, we conclude that

$$V'(u', \diamond_i B) < x \wedge y, \quad V(u, \diamond_i B) \geq y \geq x \wedge y,$$

whence

$$\begin{aligned} x = \varphi^{-1}(u', u) &= V'(u', \diamond_i B) \wedge V(u, \diamond_i B) \\ &= V'(u', \diamond_i B) < x \wedge y, \end{aligned}$$

and again we get a contradiction.

Therefore, in all cases, the assumption that (wb-2) is true while (fb-2) is not true leads to a contradiction, whence we finally conclude that (wb-2) implies (fb-2), i.e., that every weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -prebisimulation is a forward prebisimulation. Since the conditions (fb-1) and (wb-1) are the same, we also conclude that every weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -bisimulation is a forward bisimulation.

This completes the proof of the lemma, as well as the proof of the Theorem 2.

Remark 3. *Note that the proof of the Lemma 6 can be carried out by constructing the formula $\Box_i B$ instead of $\Diamond_i B$. Here we give only the part of the proof that needs to be modified.*

Proof. Let $B = \bigwedge_{v' \in W_{u'}} B_{v'}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} V'(u', \Box_i B) &= \bigwedge_{v' \in W_{u'}} R'_i(u', v') \rightarrow V'(v', B) = \bigwedge_{v' \in W_{u'}} x_{v'} \rightarrow V'(v', B) \\ &= \bigwedge_{v' \in W_{u'}} x_{v'} \rightarrow V' \left(v', \bigwedge_{v' \in W_{u'}} B_{v'} \right) \\ &\leq \bigwedge_{v' \in W_{u'}} x_{v'} \rightarrow V'(v', B_{v'}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} V'(u', \Box_i B) &= \left(\bigwedge_{\substack{v' \in W_{u'} \\ x_{v'} < x \wedge y}} x_{v'} \rightarrow V'(v', B_{v'}) \right) \wedge \\ &\quad \wedge \left(\bigwedge_{\substack{v' \in W_{u'} \\ x_{v'} \geq x \wedge y}} x_{v'} \rightarrow V'(v', B_{v'}) \right) \\ &\leq \left(\bigwedge_{\substack{v' \in W_{u'} \\ x_{v'} \geq x \wedge y}} x_{v'} \rightarrow V'(v', B_{v'}) \right) \\ &= \left(\bigwedge_{\substack{v' \in W_{u'} \\ x_{v'} \geq x \wedge y}} V'(v', B_{v'}) \right) < x \wedge y. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} V(u, \Box_i B) &= \bigwedge_{w \in W} R_i(u, w) \rightarrow V(w, B) \\ &\geq R_i(u, v) \rightarrow V(v, B) = y \rightarrow V(v, B) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by the definition of $\varphi = \varphi_*^{wb}$ and (17) we have

$$\begin{aligned} x = \varphi^{-1}(u', u) &\leq (V'(u', \Box_i B) \leftrightarrow V(u, \Box_i B)) \\ &= (V'(u', \Box_i B) \leftrightarrow 1 = V'(u', \Box_i B) < x \wedge y, \end{aligned}$$

which again represents a contradiction.

In a similar way we prove the following two theorems:

Theorem 3 The Hennessy-Milner type theorem for minus-formulae.

Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two domain-finite fuzzy Kripke models over a linearly ordered Heyting algebra \mathcal{H} . The greatest weak $\Phi_{\bar{I}, \mathcal{H}}$ -prebisimulation (resp. the greatest $\Phi_{\bar{I}, \mathcal{H}}$ -bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , if it exists, is the greatest backward prebisimulation (resp. the greatest backward bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

Theorem 4 The Hennessy-Milner type theorem for the set of all modal formulae.

Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two degree-finite fuzzy Kripke models over a linearly ordered Heyting algebra \mathcal{H} . The greatest weak $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ -prebisimulation (resp. the greatest $\Phi_{I, \mathcal{H}}$ -bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' , if it exists, is the greatest regular prebisimulation (resp. the greatest regular bisimulation) between \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' .

Also note that the Theorem 3 follows from the Theorem 2 based on the duality between the Kripke models and their reverse models. The Theorem 4 is a direct consequence of the Theorems 2 and 3.

Remark 4. Lemma 5 generally does not hold in the case of presimulations for some set Ψ , i.e., inequality $\varphi_*^{fs}(w, w') \leq \varphi_*^{ws}(w, w')$, does not hold.

For example, if a formula α is of the form $A \rightarrow B$ and the result holds for A and B , using the adjunction property (2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_*^{fs}(w, w') &\leq V_A(w) \rightarrow V'_A(w'), \\ \varphi_*^{fs}(w, w') &\leq V_B(w) \rightarrow V'_B(w'), \end{aligned}$$

for every $w \in W$ and $w' \in W'$. Hence, we have

$$\varphi_*^{fs}(w, w') \leq (V_A(w) \rightarrow V'_A(w')) \wedge (V_B(w) \rightarrow V'_B(w')).$$

But, we want to prove $\varphi(w, w') \leq (V_A(w) \rightarrow V_B(w)) \wedge (V'_A(w') \rightarrow V'_B(w'))$ and for that, we need the property $(x_1 \rightarrow y_1) \wedge (x_2 \rightarrow y_2) \leq (x_1 \rightarrow x_2) \wedge (y_1 \rightarrow y_2)$, which simply does not hold in the linearly ordered Heyting algebra. To make sure, we can take a Gödel $[0, 1]$ structure and the following values, $x_1 = 0.7$, $y_1 = 0.8$, $x_2 = 0.6$ and $y_2 = 0.7$.

However, this does not mean that the Hennessy-Milner property is not valid for fuzzy simulations in another logic. For example, in [31] the Hennessy-Milner property for fuzzy simulations was given for Fuzzy Labelled Transition Systems in Fuzzy Propositional Dynamic Logic.

6 HENNESSY-MILNER TYPE THEOREMS FOR PROPOSITIONAL MODAL LOGICS

The given definitions of simulations and bisimulations as well as the Hennessy-Milner type theorems also apply in special cases, such as Propositional Modal Logic. We expand basic modal language (see, for example, [4]) with inverse modal operators.

Definition 21. Let $\mathcal{B} = (B, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ be a two-element Boolean algebra and write $\bar{B} = \{\bar{t} \mid t \in B\}$ for the elements of \mathcal{B} viewed as constants. Define the language $\Phi_{\mathcal{B}}$ via the grammar

$$A ::= \bar{t} \mid p \mid A \wedge A \mid A \rightarrow A \mid \diamond A \mid \diamond^- A$$

where $\bar{t} \in \bar{B}$ and p ranges over some set PV of proposition letters.

We also use standard abbreviations:

$$\neg A \equiv A \rightarrow \bar{0} \text{ (negation),}$$

$$A \leftrightarrow B \equiv (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow A) \text{ (equivalence),}$$

$$A \vee B \equiv \neg(\neg A \wedge \neg B) \text{ (disjunction),}$$

$$\Box A \equiv \neg \diamond \neg A \text{ (necessity operator),}$$

$$\Box^- A \equiv \neg \diamond^- \neg A \text{ (inverse necessity operator).}$$

Let PML^+ be the set of all formulae with modality \diamond and its dual operator \Box , PML^- be the set of all formulae for propositional modal logics with con-

verse modality \diamond^- and its dual operator \square^- . Finally, let PML denotes the set of all formulae for propositional modal logic with modalities \diamond and \diamond^- and with their dual operators \square and \square^- , respectively.

Now, using the fact that a weak (pre)bisimulation is logical equivalence on a set of formulae, then the Hennessy-Milner theorems can be reformulated as follows:

Theorem 5 The Hennessy-Milner theorem for PML^+ . *Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', V')$ be two image-finite PML^+ models. Models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are PML^+ -equivalent if and only if they are forward bisimilar.*

It follows from the theorem that if the worlds w and w' are PML^+ -equivalent, then they are forward bisimilar. Thus, we obtain the Theorem 2.24 from [4], p. 69.

Theorem 6 The Hennessy-Milner theorem for PML^- . *Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', V')$ be two domain-finite PML^- models. Models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are PML^- -equivalent if and only if they are backward bisimilar.*

Theorem 7 The Hennessy-Milner theorem for PML. *Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', V')$ be two degree-finite PML models. Models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are PML-equivalent if and only if they are regular bisimilar.*

Also, an analogous statement as the Remark 4 holds in Propositional Modal Logic, i.e., the Hennessy-Milner property is not valid for simulations.

7 COMPUTATIONAL EXAMPLES

In this section, we give examples which demonstrate the application of the Hennessy-Milner-type theorems from the previous sections and clarify the relationships between different types of strong and weak bisimulations.

It is generally known that every linearly ordered Heyting algebra is a Gödel algebra and every Gödel algebra is a Heyting algebra with the Dummett condition $(x \rightarrow y) \vee (y \rightarrow x) = 1$. Therefore, several examples are on the standard Gödel modal logic over $[0, 1]$ while the last example is on the Boolean two-valued structure.

Example 3. *Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, \{R_i\}_{i \in I}, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', \{R'_i\}_{i \in I}, V')$ be two fuzzy Kripke models over the Gödel structure, where $W = \{u, v, w\}$, $W' = \{v', w'\}$ and set $I = \{1, 2\}$. Fuzzy relations R_1, R_2, R'_1, R'_2 and fuzzy sets $V_p,$*

V_q , V'_p and V'_q are represented by the following fuzzy matrices and column vectors:

$$R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.3 & 1 \\ 0.6 & 0.4 & 0.6 \\ 1 & 0.4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 & 0.8 \\ 0.6 & 0 & 0.6 \\ 0.9 & 0.5 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}, V_p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, V_q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R'_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.4 \\ 0.6 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, R'_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.5 \\ 0.6 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}, V'_p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.6 \end{bmatrix}, V'_q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Using algorithms for testing the existence and computing the greatest (pre)bi-simulations between fuzzy Kripke models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' from [42], we have:

$$\varphi_*^{fb} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \varphi_*^{bb} = \varphi^{bb} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\varphi_*^{fbb} = \varphi^{fbb} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \varphi_*^{bfb} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \varphi_*^{rb} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix},$$

and φ_*^{fb} , φ_*^{bfb} and φ_*^{rb} do not satisfy (fb-1), (bfb-1) and (rb-1), respectively, which means that φ^{fb} , φ^{bfb} and φ^{rb} do not exist.

According to the Theorem 3 and Definition 12, it follows that models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are $\Phi_{\bar{1}, \mathcal{H}}$ -equivalent.

If we consider the reverse fuzzy Kripke models \mathfrak{M}^{-1} and \mathfrak{M}'^{-1} , we have the opposite situation. Namely, in this case there are no bb-, fbb- and rb-bisimulations. In this case, according to the Theorem 2, and Definition 12 it follows that models \mathfrak{M}^{-1} and \mathfrak{M}'^{-1} are $\Phi_{\bar{1}, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -equivalent.

Example 4. Let us replace fuzzy relations R_1 , R_2 , R'_1 , R'_2 and fuzzy sets V_p , V_q , V'_p , V'_q in the previous example with the following fuzzy matrices and column vectors:

$$R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 1 & 0.4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0.2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.9 & 0.9 \\ 0.8 & 0.7 & 0.8 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, V_p = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.7 \end{bmatrix}, V_q = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 1 \\ 0.8 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R'_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, R'_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.8 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix}, V'_p = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 \\ 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, V'_q = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Using algorithms for testing the existence and computing the greatest (pre)bi-simulations between fuzzy Kripke models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' from [42], we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^{fb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}, & \varphi^{bb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \varphi^{fbb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}, & \varphi^{bfb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}, & \varphi^{rb} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

In this example, all prebisimulations φ_*^θ for $\theta \in \{fb, bb, fbb, bfb, rb\}$ satisfy the condition (θ -1).

According to the Theorem 4 and Definition 12, it follows that models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are $\Phi_{1, \mathcal{H}}$ -equivalent. Clearly, these models are also $\Phi_{1, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -equivalent and $\Phi_{\bar{1}, \mathcal{H}}$ -equivalent.

Example 5. If we recall Example 1, we can conclude that the existence of a forward bisimulation does not imply that the models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are $\Phi_{1, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -equivalent. According to the Definition 12, we can conclude that worlds v and v' are $\Phi_{\bar{1}, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -equivalent.

The following conclusion can be drawn based on all the above: for models to be logically equivalent, the weak bisimulation for set Φ must have at least one element 1 in each of the rows and columns.

The situation from the Example 1 can be interpreted in the following way: “models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are as $\Phi_{1, \mathcal{H}}^+$ -equivalent as they are forward bisimilar and vice versa”.

The following example illustrates the situation where fuzzy Kripke models are restricted to crisp values $\{0, 1\}$.

Example 6. Let $\mathfrak{M} = (W, R, V)$ and $\mathfrak{M}' = (W', R', V')$ be two Kripke models over the two-valued Boolean structure, where $W = \{t, u, v, w\}$ and $W' = \{v', w'\}$. Relations R, R' and propositional variables V_p, V_q, V'_p and V'_q are represented by the following matrices and column vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & V_p &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, & V_q &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ R' &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & V'_p &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, & V'_q &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Using algorithms for testing the existence and computing the greatest (pre)bisimulations between Kripke models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' from [42], we have:

$$\varphi^{fb} = \varphi^{bb} = \varphi^{fbb} = \varphi^{bfb} = \varphi^{rb} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Again, all prebisimulations φ_*^θ for $\theta \in \{fb, bb, fbb, bfb, rb\}$ satisfy the condition (θ -1).

According to the Theorem 7 and Definition 12, it follows that models \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}' are PML-equivalent. Clearly, these models are also PML⁺-equivalent and PML⁻-equivalent.

8 CONCLUDING REMARKS

In this paper, we have combined the ideas about simulations and bisimulations for the fuzzy Kripke models from our previous work [42] and the ideas about the Hennessy-Milner property for Gödel Modal Logics from the work of T.F. Fan [14] to get the new results. Inter alia, weak (pre)simulations and weak (pre)bisimulations have been defined and some of their properties explained. Furthermore, using weak bisimulations, we have examined the formulae equivalence between the fuzzy Kripke models. We have showed that a weak bisimulation for the set of the plus-formulae between two image-finite fuzzy Kripke models is equal to a forward bisimulation between them. Using the principle of duality, a weak bisimulation for the set of minus-formulae is equal to a backward bisimulation between domain-finite Kripke models. Finally, we have determined a self-dual assertion that a weak bisimulation for the set of all formulae was equal to a regular bisimulation between degree-finite Kripke models.

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