

## MODAL, NECESSITY, SUFFICIENCY AND CO-SUFFICIENCY OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT. We investigate the properties of modal, necessity, sufficiency and co-sufficiency operators. We show that their operations induce various relations, respectively.

### 1. Introduction

Pawlak [5] introduced rough set theory to generalize the classical set theory. Rough approximations are defined by a partition of the universe which is corresponding to the equivalence relation about information. An information consists of  $(X, A)$  where  $X$  is a set of objects and  $A$  is a set of attributes, a map  $a : X \rightarrow P(A_a)$  where  $A_a$  is the value set of the attribute  $a$ . Recently, intensional modal-like logics with the propositional operators induced by relations are important mathematical tools for data analysis and knowledge processing [1-3, 6-9].

In this paper, we investigate the properties of modal, necessity, sufficiency and co-sufficiency operators. We show that their operations induce various relations, respectively.

### 2. Preliminaries

DEFINITION 2.1. [2] Let  $P(X), P(Y)$  be the families of subsets on  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. Then a map  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is called

- (1) *modal operator* if  $F(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} A_i) = \bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F(A_i)$ ,  $F(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ ,
- (2) *necessity operator* if  $F(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} F(A_i)$ ,  $F(X) = Y$ ,
- (3) *sufficiency operator* if  $F(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} A_i) = \bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} F(A_i)$ ,  $F(\emptyset) = Y$ ,
- (4) *co-sufficiency operator* if  $F(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} A_i) = \bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F(A_i)$ ,  $F(X) = \emptyset$ .

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(5) a dual operator  $F^\partial$  is defined by  $F^\partial(A) = F(A^c)^c$ . Moreover, we define  $F^c(A) = (F(A))^c$  and  $F^*(A) = F(A^c)$ .

DEFINITION 2.2. [2,4] Let  $R \subset P(X \times Y)$  be a relation. For each  $A \in P(X)$ , we define operations  $(y, x) \in R^{-1}$  iff  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $[R], [[R]], \langle R \rangle, \langle\langle R \rangle\rangle, [R]^*, \langle R \rangle^* : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} [R](A) &= \{y \in Y \mid (\forall x)((x, y) \in R \rightarrow x \in A)\}, \\ [[R]](A) &= \{y \in Y \mid (\forall x \in X)(x \in A \rightarrow (x, y) \in R)\} \\ \langle R \rangle(A) &= \{y \in Y \mid (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R, x \in A)\} \\ \langle\langle R \rangle\rangle(A) &= \{y \in Y \mid (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R^c, x \in A^c)\}, \\ [R]^*(A) &= \{y \in Y \mid (\forall x \in X)((x, y) \in R \rightarrow x \in A^c)\} \\ \langle R \rangle^*(A) &= \{y \in Y \mid (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R, x \in A^c)\}. \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 2.3. [2] Let  $R \subset P(X \times Y)$  be a relation.

(1)  $\langle R \rangle$  is a modal operator and  $[R]$  is a necessity operator with  $\langle R \rangle(A) = ([R](A^c))^c = [R]^\partial(A)$ , for each  $A \in P(X)$ .

(2) If  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a modal operator on  $P(X)$ , there exists a unique relation  $R_F \subset P(X \times Y)$  such that  $\langle R_F \rangle = F$  and  $[R_F] = F^\partial$  where  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\})$ .

(3)  $R_{\langle R \rangle} = R$ .

### 3. Modal, necessity, sufficiency and co-sufficiency operators

LEMMA 3.1. Let  $F, G : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  be operators. Then the following properties hold:

(1)  $(F^\partial)^\partial = F$ ,  $(F^c)^c = F$  and  $(F^*)^* = F$ .

(2)  $(F^\partial)^* = (F^*)^\partial$ ,  $(F^\partial)^c = (F^c)^\partial$  and  $(F^*)^c = (F^c)^* = F^\partial$ .

(3)  $(F \cup G)^\partial = F^\partial \cap G^\partial$ ,  $(F \cup G)^* = F^* \cup G^*$  and  $(F \cup G)^c = F^c \cap G^c$ .

(4)  $F, G : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  are modal operators, then  $F \cup G$  is a modal operator and its dual operator  $F^\partial \cap G^\partial$  is a necessity operator.

(5)  $F, G : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  are necessity operators, then  $F \cap G$  is a necessity operator and its dual operator  $F^\partial \cap G^\partial$  is a modal operator.

- Proof.* (1)  $(F^\partial)^\partial(A) = (F^\partial(A^c))^c = F(A)$ .  
 (2)  $(F^\partial)^*(A) = F^\partial(A^c) = F^c(A) = (F^*(A^c))^c = (F^*)^\partial(A)$ .  
 $(F^\partial)^c(A) = (F^\partial(A))^c = F(A^c) = (F^c(A^c))^c = (F^c)^\partial(A)$ .  
 (3)  $(F \cup G)^\partial(A) = ((F \cup G)(A^c))^c = (F(A^c))^c \cap (G(A^c))^c = F^\partial(A) \cap G^\partial(A)$ . Other cases are similarly proved.  
 (4) and (5) are easily proved from (3). □

LEMMA 3.2. (1) A map  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a modal operator iff  $F^\partial : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a necessity operator.

(2) A map  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a sufficiency operator iff  $F^\partial : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a co-sufficiency operator operator.

(3) A map  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a modal operator iff  $F^c : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a sufficient operator.

(4) A map  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a co-sufficiency operator iff  $F^c : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a necessity operator operator.

(5) A map  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a sufficiency operator iff  $F^* : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a necessity operator operator.

(6) A map  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a modal operator iff  $F^* : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a co-sufficiency operator.

*Proof.* (1) Let  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  be a modal operator.

$$\begin{aligned} F^\partial\left(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} A_i\right) &= \left(F\left(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} A_i^c\right)\right)^c = \left(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F(A_i^c)\right)^c \\ &= \bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} (F(A_i^c))^c = \bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} F^\partial(A_i). \\ F^\partial(X) &= \left(F(X^c)\right)^c = \left(F(\emptyset)\right)^c = Y. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely,  $(F^\partial)^\partial(A) = (F^\partial(A^c))^c = F(A)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} F\left(\bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} A_i\right) &= \left(F^\partial\left(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} A_i^c\right)\right)^c = \left(\bigcap_{i \in \Gamma} F^\partial(A_i^c)\right)^c \\ &= \bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} (F^\partial(A_i^c))^c = \bigcup_{i \in \Gamma} F(A_i). \\ F(\emptyset) &= \left(F^\partial((\emptyset)^c)\right)^c = F(X)^c = \emptyset. \end{aligned}$$

(2), (3) and (4) are similarly proved as same in (1). □

**THEOREM 3.3.** *Let  $R \subset P(X \times Y)$  be a relation.*

(1)  $\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle^*$  is a modal operator and  $[[R]]^*$  is a necessity operator with  $\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle^*(A) = ([[R]]^*(A^c))^c = ([[R]]^*)^\partial(A)$  for each  $A \in P(X)$ .

(2) If  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a modal operator on  $P(X)$ , there exists a unique relation  $R_F \subset P(X \times Y)$  such that  $\langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle^* = F$  and  $[[R_F]]^* = F^\partial$  where  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\})^c$ .

(3)  $R_{\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle^*} = R$ .

*Proof.* (1) We have  $\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle^*(A) = ([[R]]^*(A^c))^c = ([[R]]^*)^\partial(A)$  from:

$$\begin{aligned} y \in ([[R]]^*(A^c))^c &\text{ iff } \left( (\forall x \in X)(X \in A \rightarrow (x, y) \in R) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } \left( (\forall x \in X)((x, y) \in R^c, x \in A)^c \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R^c, x \in A) \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \langle\langle R \rangle\rangle^*(A). \end{aligned}$$

(2) Since  $A = \bigcup_{x \in A} \{x\}$  and  $F(A) = \bigcup_{x \in A} F(\{x\})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} y \in \langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle^*(A) &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F^c \ \& \ x \in A) \\ &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\}) \ \& \ x \in A) \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \bigcup_{x \in A} F(\{x\}) = F\left(\bigcup_{x \in A} \{x\}\right) = F(A). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y \in [[R_F]]^*(A) &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(x \in A^c \rightarrow (x, y) \in R_F) \\ &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F^c \rightarrow x \in A) \\ &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\}) \rightarrow x \in A) \\ &\text{ iff } \left( (\exists x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\}) \ \& \ x \in A^c) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \left( \bigcup_{x \in A^c} F(\{x\}) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \left( F\left(\bigcup_{x \in A^c} \{x\}\right) \right)^c = (F(A^c))^c = F^\partial(A). \end{aligned}$$

(3)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \in R_{\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle^*} &\text{ iff } y \in \langle\langle R \rangle\rangle^* (\{x\})^c \\
 &\text{ iff } \left( (\exists z \in X) ((z, y) \in R^c \ \& \ z \in \{x\}) \right)^c \\
 &\text{ iff } (x, y) \in (R^c)^c = R.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Let  $R \in P(X \times Y)$  be a relation.*

(1)  $[[R]]$  is a sufficiency operator and  $\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle$  is a co-sufficiency operator with  $\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle(A) = ([[R]](A^c))^c = [[R]]^\partial(A)$  for each  $A \in P(X)$ .

(2) If  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a sufficiency operator on  $P(X)$ , there exists a unique relation  $R_F \in P(X \times Y)$  such that  $[[R_F]] = F$  and  $\langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle = F^\partial$  where  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\})$ .

(3)  $R_{[[R]]} = R$ .

*Proof.* (1) We have  $\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle(A) = ([[R]](A^c))^c = [[R]]^\partial(A)$  from:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \in ([[R]](A^c))^c &\text{ iff } \left( (\forall y \in X) (y \in A^c \rightarrow (x, y) \in R) \right)^c \\
 &\text{ iff } \left( (\forall y \in X) ((x, y) \in R^c \ \& \ y \in A^c) \right)^c \\
 &\text{ iff } (\exists y \in X) ((x, y) \in R^c \ \& \ y \in A^c) \\
 &\text{ iff } x \in \langle\langle R \rangle\rangle(A).
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) Since  $F(\bigcup_{x \in A} \{x\}) = \bigcap_{x \in A} F(\{x\})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 y \in [[R_F]](A) &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X) (x \in A \rightarrow (x, y) \in R_F) \\
 &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X) (x \in A \rightarrow y \in F(\{x\})) \\
 &\text{ iff } y \in \bigcap_{x \in A} F(\{x\}) = F\left(\bigcup_{x \in A} \{x\}\right) = F(A).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y \in \langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle(A) &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X) ((x, y) \in R_F^c \ \& \ x \in A^c) \\
 &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X) (y \in F(\{x\})^c \ \& \ x \in A^c) \\
 &\text{ iff } y \in \bigcup_{x \in A^c} F(\{x\})^c = \left( \bigcap_{x \in A^c} F(\{x\}) \right)^c \\
 &\text{ iff } y \in \left( F\left(\bigcup_{x \in A^c} \{x\}\right) \right)^c = (F(A^c))^c = F^\partial(A).
 \end{aligned}$$

(3)

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) \in R_{[[R]]} &\text{ iff } (\forall z \in X)(z \in \{x\} \rightarrow (z, y) \in R) \\ &\text{ iff } (x, y) \in R. \end{aligned}$$

□

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Let  $R \in P(X \times Y)$  be a relation.*

(1)  $[R]^*$  is a sufficiency operator and  $\langle R \rangle^*$  is a co-sufficiency operator with  $[R]^*(A) = (\langle R \rangle^*(A^c))^c$ .

(2) If  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a sufficiency operator on  $P(X)$ , there exists a unique relation  $R_F \in P(X \times Y)$  such that  $[R_F]^* = F$  and  $\langle R_F \rangle^* = F^\partial$  where  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\})^c$ .

(3)  $R_{[R]^*} = R$ .

*Proof.* (1)

$$\begin{aligned} y \in (\langle R \rangle^*(A^c))^c &\text{ iff } \left( (\exists x \in X)(x \in A \ \& \ (x, y) \in R) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)((x, y) \in R \rightarrow x \in A^c) \\ &\text{ iff } y \in [R]^*(A). \end{aligned}$$

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} y \in [R_F]^*(A) &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F \rightarrow x \in A^c) \\ &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(x \in A \rightarrow y \in F(\{x\})) \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \bigcap_{x \in A} F(\{x\}) = F\left(\bigcup_{x \in A} \{x\}\right) = F(A). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y \in \langle R_F \rangle^*(A) &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F \ \& \ x \in A^c) \\ &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\})^c \ \& \ x \in A^c) \\ &\text{ iff } \left( (\forall x \in X)(x \in A^c \rightarrow y \in F(\{x\})) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \left( \bigcap_{x \in A^c} (F(\{x\})) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \left( F\left(\bigcup_{x \in A^c} \{x\}\right) \right)^c = (F(A^c))^c \\ &\text{ iff } y \in F^\partial(A). \end{aligned}$$

(3)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \in R_{[R]^*} & \text{ iff } y \in [R]^*(\{x\}^c)^c \\
 & \text{ iff } \left( (\forall z \in X)((z, y) \in R \rightarrow z \in \{x\}^c) \right)^c \\
 & \text{ iff } (x, y) \in R.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**THEOREM 3.6.** *Let  $R \subset P(X \times Y)$  be a relation.*

(1) *If  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a necessity operator on  $P(X)$ , there exists a unique relation  $R_F \in P(X \times Y)$  such that  $[R_F] = F$  and  $\langle R_F \rangle = F^\partial$  where  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\}^c)^c$ .*

(2)  $R_{[R]} = R$ .

*Proof.* (1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 y \in [R_F](A) & \text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F \rightarrow x \in A) \\
 & \text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\}^c)^c \rightarrow x \in A) \\
 & \text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(x \in A^c \rightarrow y \in F(\{x\}^c)) \\
 & \text{ iff } y \in \bigcap_{x \in A^c} F(\{x\}^c) = F\left(\bigcap_{x \in A^c} \{x\}^c\right) = F(A).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y \in \langle R_F \rangle(A) & \text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F \ \& \ x \in A) \\
 & \text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\}^c)^c \ \& \ x \in A) \\
 & \text{ iff } \left( (\forall x \in X)(x \in A \rightarrow y \in F(\{x\}^c)) \right)^c \\
 & \text{ iff } y \in \left( \bigcap_{x \in A} F(\{x\}^c) \right)^c = \left( F\left(\bigcap_{x \in A} \{x\}^c\right) \right)^c \\
 & \text{ iff } y \in F(A^c)^c \text{ iff } y \in F^\partial(A).
 \end{aligned}$$

(2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \in R_{[R]} & \text{ iff } y \in [R](\{x\}^c)^c \\
 & \text{ iff } \left( (\forall z \in X)((z, y) \in R \rightarrow z \in \{x\}^c) \right)^c \\
 & \text{ iff } (x, y) \in R.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**THEOREM 3.7.** *Let  $R \in P(X \times Y)$  be a relation.*

(1) *If  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a co-sufficiency operator on  $P(X)$ , there exists a unique relation  $R_F \in P(X \times Y)$  such that  $\langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle = F$  and  $[[R_F]] = F^\partial$  where  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\}^c)$ .*

(2)  $R_{\langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle} = R$ .

*Proof.* (1)

$$\begin{aligned} y \in \langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle(A) &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F^c \ \& \ x \in A^c) \\ &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\}^c) \ \& \ x \in A^c) \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \bigcup_{x \in A^c} F(\{x\}^c) = F\left(\bigcap_{x \in A^c} \{x\}^c\right) = F(A). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y \in [[R_F]](A) &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(x \in A \rightarrow (x, y) \in R_F) \\ &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(x \in A \rightarrow y \in F(\{x\}^c)^c) \\ &\text{ iff } \left( (\exists x \in X)(x \in A \ \& \ y \in F(\{x\}^c)) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \left( \bigcup_{x \in A} F(\{x\}^c) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } y \in \left( F\left(\bigcap_{x \in A} \{x\}^c\right) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } y \in F(A^c)^c = F^\partial(A). \end{aligned}$$

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) \in R_{\langle\langle R \rangle\rangle} &\text{ iff } y \in \langle\langle R \rangle\rangle(\{x\}^c)^c \\ &\text{ iff } \left( (\exists z \in X)((z, y) \in R^c \ \& \ z \in \{x\}^c) \right)^c \\ &\text{ iff } (x, y) \in R. \end{aligned}$$

□

**THEOREM 3.8.** *Let  $R \in P(X \times Y)$  be a relation.*

(1) *If  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a necessity operator on  $P(X)$ , there exists a unique relation  $R_F \in P(X \times Y)$  such that  $[[R_F]]^* = F$  and  $\langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle^* = F^\partial$  where  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\}^c)$ .*

(2)  $R_{[[R_F]]^*} = R$ .



*Proof.* (1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 y \in [[R_F]]^*(A) &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(x \in A^c \rightarrow (x, y) \in R_F) \\
 &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(x \in A^c \rightarrow y \in F(\{x\}^c)) \\
 &\text{ iff } y \in \bigcap_{x \in A^c} F(\{x\}^c) = F\left(\bigcap_{x \in A^c} \{x\}^c\right) = F(A).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \in \langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle^*(A) &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F^c \ \& \ x \in A) \\
 &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\}^c)^c \ \& \ x \in A) \\
 &\text{ iff } \left( (\forall x \in X)(x \in A \rightarrow y \in F(\{x\}^c)) \right)^c \\
 &\text{ iff } y \in \left( \bigcap_{x \in A} F(\{x\}^c) \right)^c = \left( F\left(\bigcap_{x \in A} \{x\}^c\right) \right)^c \\
 &\text{ iff } y \in F(A^c)^c \text{ iff } y \in F^\partial(A).
 \end{aligned}$$

(2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \in R_{[[R_F]]^*} &\text{ iff } y \in [[R_F]]^*(\{x\}^c) \\
 &\text{ iff } (\forall z \in X)(z \in \{x\} \rightarrow (z, y) \in R) \\
 &\text{ iff } (x, y) \in R.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**THEOREM 3.9.** *Let  $R \in P(X \times Y)$  be a relation.*

(1) *If  $F : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  is a co-sufficiency operator on  $P(X)$ , there exists a unique relation  $R_F \in P(X \times Y)$  such that  $\langle R_F \rangle^* = F$  and  $[R_F]^* = F^\partial$  where  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\}^c)$ .*

(2)  $R_{\langle R_F \rangle^*} = R$ .

*Proof.* (1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 y \in \langle R_F \rangle^* &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)((x, y) \in R_F \ \& \ x \in A^c) \\
 &\text{ iff } (\exists x \in X)(y \in F(\{x\}^c) \ \& \ x \in A^c) \\
 &\text{ iff } y \in \bigcup_{x \in A^c} F(\{x\}^c) = F\left(\bigcap_{x \in A^c} \{x\}^c\right) = F(A).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
y \in [R_F]^*(A) &\text{ iff } (\forall x \in X)(x \in (x, y) \in R_F \rightarrow x \in A^c) \\
&\text{ iff } \left( (\exists x \in X)(x \in A \ \& \ (x, y) \in R_F) \right)^c \\
&\text{ iff } \left( (\exists x \in X)(x \in A \ \& \ y \in F(\{x\}^c)) \right)^c \\
&\text{ iff } y \in \left( \bigcup_{x \in A} F(\{x\}^c) \right)^c \\
&\text{ iff } y \in \left( F\left( \bigcap_{x \in A} \{x\}^c \right) \right)^c \\
&\text{ iff } y \in F(A^c)^c = F^\partial(A).
\end{aligned}$$

(2)

$$\begin{aligned}
(x, y) \in R_{\langle R_F \rangle^*} &\text{ iff } y \in \langle R_F \rangle^*(\{x\}^c) \\
&\text{ iff } \left( (\exists z \in X)((z, y) \in R^c \ \& \ z \in \{x\}) \right)^c \\
&\text{ iff } (x, y) \in R.
\end{aligned}$$

□

EXAMPLE 3.10. Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $Y = \{x, y, z\}$  be a set. Define  $F, G : P(X) \rightarrow P(Y)$  as

$$F(\{a\}) = \emptyset, F(\{b\}) = \{x\}, F(\{c\}) = \{y, z\},$$

$$G(\{a\}) = X, G(\{b\}) = \{x, y\}, G(\{c\}) = \{y, z\},$$

$$H(\{b, c\}) = \{x\}, H(\{c, a\}) = \{x, y\}, H(\{a, b\}) = \{z\}.$$

(1) If  $F$  is a modal operator, then, by Theorem 2.3,

$$F(A) = \begin{cases} \emptyset, & \text{if } A \in \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}, \\ \{x\}, & \text{if } A \in \{\{b\}, \{a, b\}\}, \\ \{y, z\}, & \text{if } A \in \{\{c\}, \{a, c\}\}, \\ Y, & \text{if } A \in \{\{b, c\}, X\}. \end{cases}$$

Since  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\})$ , we obtain:

$$R_F = \{(b, x), (c, y), (c, z)\}, \langle R_F \rangle = F, [R_F] = F^\partial.$$

(2) If  $F$  is a modal operator, then, by Theorem 3.3, we obtain  $F$  as same in (1). Since  $(x, y) \in R_F$  iff  $y \in F(\{x\})^c$ , we obtain:

$$R_F = \{(a, x), (a, y), (a, z), (b, y), (b, z), (c, x)\},$$

$$\langle\langle R_F \rangle\rangle^* = F, [[R_F]]^* = F^\partial.$$

(3) If  $G$  is a sufficiency operator, then, by Theorem 3.4,

$$G(A) = \begin{cases} Y, & \text{if } A \in \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}, \\ \{x, y\}, & \text{if } A \in \{\{b\}, \{a, b\}\}, \\ \{y, z\}, & \text{if } A \in \{\{c\}, \{a, c\}\}, \\ \{y\}, & \text{if } A \in \{\{b, c\}, X\}. \end{cases}$$

Since  $(x, y) \in R_G$  iff  $y \in G(\{x\})$ , we obtain:

$$R_G = \{(a, x), (a, y), (a, z), (b, x), (b, y), (c, y), (c, z)\},$$

$$[[R_G]] = G, \langle\langle R_G \rangle\rangle = G^\partial.$$

(4) If  $G$  is a sufficiency operator, then, by Theorem 3.5, we obtain  $G$  as same in (3). Since  $(x, y) \in R_G$  iff  $y \in G(\{x\})^c$ , we obtain:

$$R_G = \{(b, z), (c, x)\}, [R_G]^* = G, \langle R_G \rangle^* = G^\partial.$$

(5) If  $H$  is a necessity operator, then, by Theorem 3.6,

$$H(A) = \begin{cases} \emptyset, & \text{if } A \in \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}\}, \\ \{x\}, & \text{if } A \in \{\{c\}, \{b, c\}\}, \\ \{x, y\}, & \text{if } A = \{a, c\}, \\ \{z\}, & \text{if } A = \{a, b\}, \\ Y, & \text{if } A = X. \end{cases}$$

Since  $(x, y) \in R_H$  iff  $y \in H(\{x\}^c)^c$ , we obtain:

$$R_H = \{(a, y), (a, z), (b, z), (c, x), (c, y)\}, [R_H] = H, \langle R_H \rangle = H^\partial.$$

(6) If  $H$  is a necessity operator, then, by Theorem 3.8, we obtain  $H$  as same in (5). Since  $(x, y) \in R_H$  iff  $y \in H(\{x\}^c)$ , we obtain:

$$R_H = \{(a, x), (b, x), (b, y), (c, z)\}, [[R_H]]^* = H, \langle \langle R_H \rangle \rangle^* = H^\partial.$$

(7) If  $H$  is a co-sufficiency operator, then, by Theorem 3.7, we have:

$$H(A) = \begin{cases} \emptyset, & \text{if } A = X, \\ \{x, y\}, & \text{if } A \in \{\{c\}, \{a, c\}\}, \\ \{x, z\}, & \text{if } A = \{b\}, \\ \{z\}, & \text{if } A = \{a, b\}, \\ \{x\}, & \text{if } A = \{b, c\}, \\ Y, & \text{if } A \in \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}. \end{cases}$$

Since  $(x, y) \in R_H$  iff  $y \in H(\{x\}^c)^c$ , we obtain:

$$R_H = \{(a, y), (a, z), (b, z), (c, x), (c, y)\}, \langle \langle R_H \rangle \rangle = H, [[R_H]] = H^\partial.$$

(8) If  $H$  is a co-sufficiency operator, then, by Theorem 3.9, we obtain  $H$  as same in (7). Since  $(x, y) \in R_H$  iff  $y \in H(\{x\}^c)$ , we obtain:

$$R_H = \{(a, x), (b, x), (b, y), (c, z)\}, \langle R_H \rangle^* = H, [R_H]^* = H^\partial.$$

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