

# Inconsistency–Adaptive Modal Logics: Preliminary Report

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⇒ Inconsistency–adaptive modal logics!!

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SP2 For  $A \in \mathcal{S}$ :  $v_M(A) = 1$  iff  $v(A) = 1$ .

SP3 For  $A \in \mathcal{S}$ :  $v_M(\sim A) = 1$  iff  $v_M(A) = 0$  or  $v(\sim A) = 1$ .

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SP7  $v_M(\Box A, w) = 1$  iff  $\forall w' \in W$ , if  $Rww'$  then  $v_M(A, w') = 1$ .

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### Semantic Consequence

$\Gamma \vDash_{\mathbf{TūNs}} A$  iff  $A$  is true in all **TūNs**-models of the premise set  $\Gamma$ .



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### Generalizing the Approach

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Intuitive meaning: Each selected set  $\Sigma$  captures a minimally abnormal interpretation of the premise set (= a maximally consistent interpretation).

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- ⇒ The logic  $T$  is the **Upper Limit Logic** of the logic  $iAT\bar{u}Ns^n$ .

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## Further Results/Research

- To construct **iAML** based on paraconsistent modal logics that do not contain de Morgan laws (nor their modal analogues).
- To construct **iAML** by starting from the semantic perspective.
- To construct **iAML** that are based on paraconsistent modal logics with a non–reflexive accessibility relation and that avoid pseudo–explosion.