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We refine a well-known theorem of Ghilardi published in [1] which establishes the equivalence between the extension property and projectivity. The definitions of these two notions are as follows:

- A formula  $\varphi$  has the *extension property* if we can add a node below an arbitrary collection of rooted Kripke models of  $\varphi$  so that the obtained downwards extended model preserves the satisfaction of  $\varphi$ .
- A formula is *projective* if there exists a substitution  $\sigma$  such that  $\vdash \sigma\varphi$  and  $\varphi \vdash (\sigma p \leftrightarrow p)$  for every propositional letter  $p$ , where  $\vdash$  denotes deduction in intuitionistic propositional logic (**IPC**).

In [3] Iemhoff refines the extension property so that the cardinality of the collection of models is not arbitrary but instead restricted by a natural number  $n$ . That definition gives naturally rise to the question of how can we refine the notion of projectivity in order to get a generalised version of Ghilardi's theorem. The answer involves the  $\mathbf{T}_n$  logics, which are the intermediate logics of  $n$ -ary Kripke tree frames, e.g.  $\mathbf{T}_1$  is the logic of linear frames,  $\mathbf{T}_2$  is the logic of binary trees and so on (see paper [2] of Gabbay and de Jongh for the basic properties of these logics). As it turns out, in order to get an equivalent notion to the extension property up to  $n$  it suffices to change in the definition of projectivity the underlying logic from **IPC** to  $\mathbf{T}_n$ , i.e.

DEFINITION 1. A formula is  $\mathbf{T}_n$ -projective if there exists a substitution  $\sigma$  such that  $\vdash \sigma\varphi$  and  $\varphi \vdash (\sigma p \leftrightarrow p)$  for every propositional letter  $p$ , where  $\vdash$  denotes deduction in the  $\mathbf{T}_n$ -logic.

We can now state our main contribution which is the following theorem:

THEOREM 2. *Given a unifiable formula  $\varphi$  and a natural number  $n \geq 2$ , it holds that  $\varphi$  has the extension property up to  $n$  if and only if it is  $T_n$ -projective.*

The proof of the theorem follows Ghilardi's proofline, therefore it is constructive in the sense that for every  $T_n$ -projective formula we get a substitution as a witness of projectivity.

[1] SILVIO GHILARDI, *Unification in Intuitionistic Logic*, **Journal of Symbolic Logic**, vol. 64 (1999), no. 2, pp. 859–880.

[2] DOV GABBAY, DICK DE JONGH, *A Sequence of Decidable Finitely Axiomatizable Intermediate Logics with the Disjunction Property*, **Journal of Symbolic Logic**, vol. 39 (1974), no. 1, pp. 67–78.

[3] ROSALIE IEMHOFF, *A(nother) Characterization of Intuitionistic Propositional Logic*, **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic**, vol. 113 (2002), no. 1–3, pp. 161–173.