Filtration and canonical completeness for continuous modal μ -calculi

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Example: $\mu x \Box x$ is true at a state s_0 iff there is no infinite path starting at s_0 .

$$(\mu x \Box x, s_0) \xrightarrow{-} (\Box x, s_0) \xrightarrow{\forall} (x, s_1) \xrightarrow{-} (\Box x, s_1) \xrightarrow{\forall} (x, s_2) \xrightarrow{-} \cdots$$

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+ transitive arrows

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