

Logic, Computability and Incompleteness

First-order Logic

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Symbols:

- the connectives $\neg$ and $\rightarrow$
- the punctuation symbols '(', ')', and ','
- the identity symbol $=$
- the quantifier symbol $\forall$
- variables $x, y, z, \dots$
- individual constants $a, b, c, \dots$
- function symbols $f, g, h, \dots$
- relation symbols $F, G, H, \dots$

Terms:

- every variable and individual constant is a term.
- if $t_1, \dots, t_n$ are terms and f is an n -ary function symbol, then $f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ is a term.

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Atomic formulas:

- if t_1 and t_2 are terms, then $t_1 = t_2$ is an atomic formula.
- if $t_1, \dots, t_n$ are terms and R is an n -ary relation symbol, then $Rt_1 \dots t_n$ is an atomic formula.

Formulas:

- Every atomic formula is a formula.
- If A and B are formulas, then $\neg A$ and $(A \rightarrow B)$ are formulas.
- If A is a formula and x is a variable, then $\forall xA$ is a formula.

Free and bound variables

- An occurrence of a variable x in a formula A is bound if it is inside a subformula of A of the form $\forall xB$.
- An occurrence of a variable x in a formula A is free if it is not bound.
- A formula is a sentence if it contains no free variables.

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The first-order calculus

$$A1 \quad A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)$$

$$A2 \quad (A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)) \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C))$$

$$A3 \quad (\neg A \rightarrow \neg B) \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)$$

$$A4 \quad \forall x A \rightarrow A(x/c)$$

$$A5 \quad \forall x(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow \forall x B), \text{ if } x \text{ is not free in } A$$

$$A6 \quad t = t$$

$$A7 \quad t_1 = t_2 \rightarrow (A(x/t_1) \rightarrow A(x/t_2))$$

MP From A and $A \rightarrow B$ one may infer B .

Gen From A one may infer $\forall x A(c/x)$.

The first-order calculus

Id $A \vdash A.$

Mon *If* $\Gamma \vdash A$ *then* $\Gamma, B \vdash A.$

Cut *If* $\Gamma \vdash A$ *and* $\Delta, A \vdash B$ *then* $\Gamma, \Delta \vdash B.$

Taut $\vdash A$ *whenever* A *is a truth-functional tautology.*

MP *If* $\Gamma \vdash A$ *and* $\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B$ *then* $\Gamma \vdash B.$

DT *If* $\Gamma, A \vdash B$ *then* $\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B.$

Gen *If* $\Gamma \vdash A$ *then* $\Gamma \vdash \forall xA(c/x).$

UI *If* $\Gamma \vdash \forall xA$ *then* $\Gamma \vdash A(x/c).$

First-order logic: Semantics

Models

Informally, a model describes a scenario together with an interpretation of the non-logical vocabulary.

- D is the intended domain of discourse.
- I maps each constant to an element of D , each function symbol to a function on D , and each non-logical predicate to a set of tuples from D .

Satisfaction

$\mathfrak{M} \models A$: A is true in $\mathfrak{M}$.

Defined recursively.

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An example of a model $\mathfrak{M}$:

- Domain $D = \{0, 1\}$.
- $I(a) = 0, \quad I(b) = 1$.
- $I(f)$ is the function with $f(0) = 1, f(1) = 1$.
- $I(F) = \{1\}$.
- $I(R) = \{\langle 0, 1 \rangle\}$.

Check:

- (a) $\mathfrak{M} \models a = b?$
- (b) $\mathfrak{M} \models f(a) = b?$
- (c) $\mathfrak{M} \models \forall x Fx?$
- (d) $\mathfrak{M} \models \forall x Ff(x)?$
- (e) $\mathfrak{M} \models \exists x R(x, f(x))?$
- (f) $\mathfrak{M} \models \exists x (x = f(x) \rightarrow Fx)?$

Soundness

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If $\vdash A$, then $\models A$.

Proof:

- All axioms are valid.
- MP and Gen preserve validity.
- So: Anything that is provable is valid.

Corollary: If $\Gamma \vdash A$, then $\Gamma \models A$.

Second-order logic

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Syntax

- Second-order variables $X, Y, Z, \dots$
- If $t_1, \dots, t_n$ are terms and X is an n -ary second-order variable, then $Xt_1 \dots t_n$ is an atomic formula.
- If A is a formula and X is a second-order variable, then $\forall XA$ is a formula.

Semantics

- $\forall X A$ is true in $\mathfrak{M}$ if $A(X/P)$ is true in every model $\mathfrak{M}'$ that differs from $\mathfrak{M}$ at most in what it assigns to P .

In effect, the second-order variables range over all subsets of the domain.

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We can define '=':

$\mathfrak{M} \models s = t$ iff $\mathfrak{M} \models \forall X (Xs \leftrightarrow Xt)$.

Second-Order Axioms

A_4 $\forall xA \rightarrow A(x/c)$

A_4^2 $\forall XA \rightarrow A(X/P)$

A_5 $\forall x(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow \forall xB)$, if x is not free in A

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Gen From A one may infer $\forall xA(c/x)$.

Gen^2 From A one may infer $\forall XA(P/X)$.

Comp $\exists X\forall y(Xy \leftrightarrow A(y))$.

This calculus is sound. It is not complete.