

3801 Logic Notes
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Some textbooks:

- 1) Bell and Machover; A Course in Mathematical Logic
- 2) Boolos, Burgess and Jeffreys; Computability and Logic.
- 3) Foster; Logic, Induction and Sets.
- 4) Johnstone; Notes on Logic and set theory.
- 5) Mendelson; Introduction to Mathematical Logic.
- 6) van Dalen; Logic and Structure.

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Chapter 0: Preliminary notions

Countability:

"A set is countable if we are able to count it":

Definitions: A set S is countable if S is a finite set or if there is a bijection from S to \mathbb{N} , the natural numbers.

There is an equivalent definition:

A set S is countable if there is an injective map from S to \mathbb{N} , i.e. if there exists $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, such that f is injective.

Examples:

- 1) Any finite set is countable.
- 2) The set \mathbb{N} is countable.
- 3) The set \mathbb{Z} , of integers, is countable.
not by "counting" $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, -1, -2, -3, \dots$
valid "counting" $0, 1, -1, 2, -2, 3, -3, \dots$
- 4) The set of pairs of natural numbers $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ is countable.

$(4, 1)$

$(3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)$

$(2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), \dots$

$(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), \dots$

Possible "valid counting": $\underline{(1, 1)}, \underline{(1, 2)}, \underline{(2, 1)},$
 $\underline{(1, 3)}, \underline{(2, 2)}, \underline{(3, 1)}, \underline{(1, 4)}$

We can also show that $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ is countable using the alternative definition of countability:

Consider the function $f: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

$$(a, b) \rightarrow 3^a 5^b$$

Then f is injective.

- 5) the set \mathbb{Q} , of rational numbers, is countable:
for example, we could imagine \mathbb{Q} as lying inside $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$, by sending $\frac{a}{b}$ to (a, b) .

$$0, \frac{1}{1}, -\frac{1}{1}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{-1}{2}, \frac{2}{1}, \dots, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{2}, \frac{-1}{3}, \frac{3}{1}, \dots$$

Let's now try to show that the set \mathbb{R} , of real numbers is not countable.

We'll will use "Cantor's diagonal argument".

Let's suppose that there exists a list of all real between 0 and 1 (i.e. that we can count \mathbb{R}) between 0 and 1.

Let's produce a real number between 0 and 1 which cannot be on the list. (so the list cannot include all real numbers between 0 and 1)

e.g. 0.① 3 5 2 4 ...

0. 2 ⑤ 6 0 0 ...

0. 1 7 ⑧ 9 2 ...

0. 1 2 3 ⑨ 5 ...

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Define the number $s = 0, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, \dots$

using the rule; $s_i = 5$ if the i^{th} decimal place number in the list is not equal to 5.

$s_i = 2$ if is equal to 5.

e.g. in this example ; $s = 0.5255\dots$

Then, the real numbers satisfies 05551 and it disagree with i^{th} number in the list at the i^{th} decimal place.

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Overview of the course : 1) Language
2) Propositional logic \Leftarrow 2 Questions
3) (First order) predicate logic
4) Computability .

We will try to form a basic language dealing with many kinds of mathematical structures:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{If } x^2 = 1 \text{ then } x = \pm 1 && "V" \text{ signifies "or"} \\ &x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1 \\ &x \cdot x = 1 \Rightarrow x = +1 \text{ or } x = -1 \\ &\boxed{x \cdot x = 1 \Rightarrow x = +1 \vee x = -1} \end{aligned}$$

Our language will contain "unknown" or "variables" like x, y, a, b, c and special "connecting symbol" like \Rightarrow, V and also operations like multiplication

We will then study a general version of logic
(propositional logic) dealing on a "large scale"

e.g. if we "know" A Monday is a day
and we "know" $A \Rightarrow B$ All days are sunny
then we "know" B So Monday is sunny.

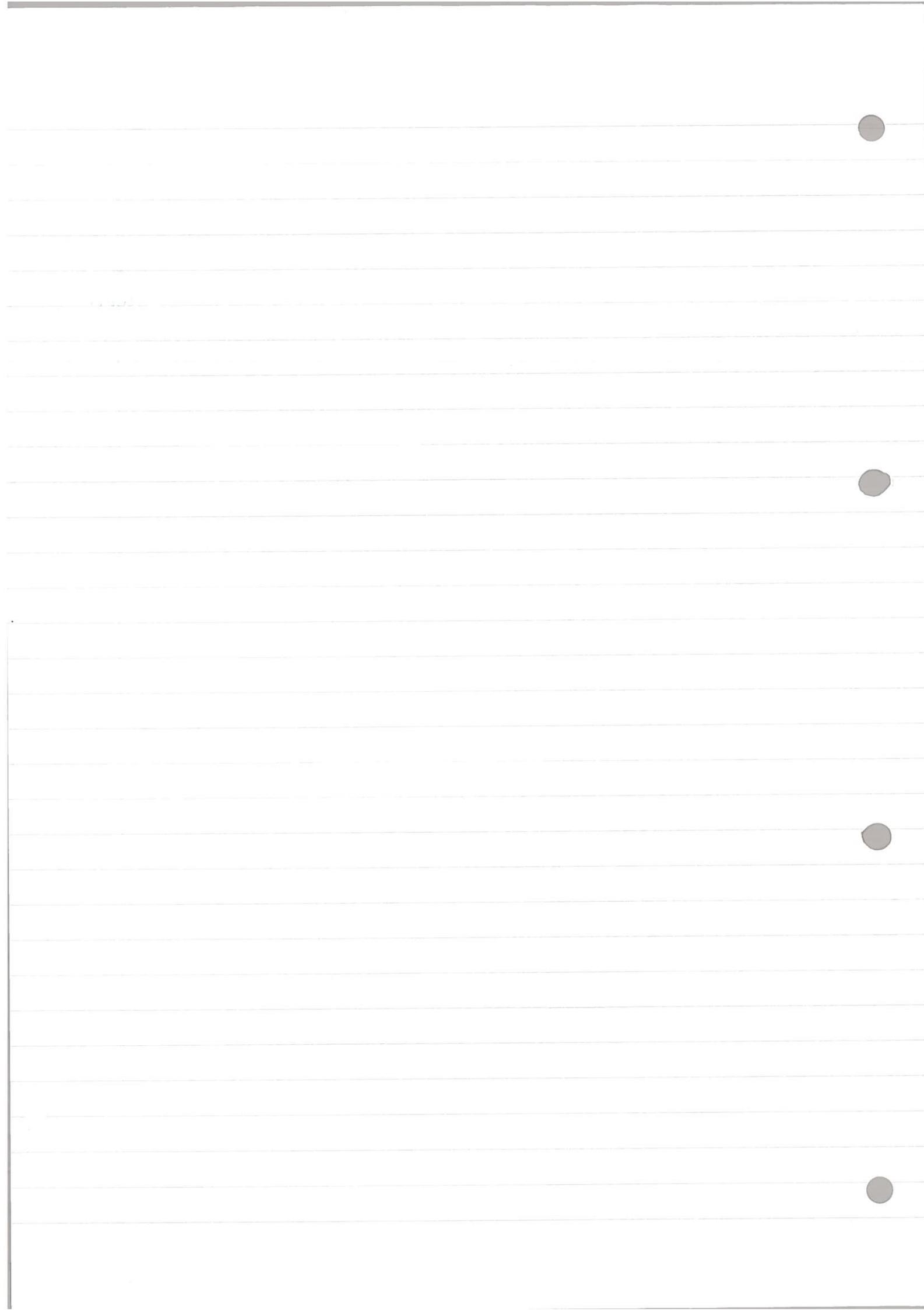
We will use truth tables to understand / analyse
some of the logical symbols / ideas:

where "0" will denote "false".
"1" will denote "true".

A	B	$A \Rightarrow B$
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

"Something false implies anything"
"Something true is implied by anything".

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Conclusion of general overview:

lets consider the following statement:

If we have A, and we have $A \Rightarrow B$, then we have B.

Is the implication "true"? Yes.

Is B true? This depends on whether A is true, and whether or not $A \Rightarrow B$,

Syntactic aspects of logic: related to the structure of mathematical statements, arguments and proofs

Semantic aspects of logic: related to whether or not statement are true or not.

A	B	$A \Rightarrow B$
0	0	1
1	0	0
0	1	1
1	1	1

We will first describe a language that allows us to express statements such as

$$x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = 1 \vee x = -1$$

What kind of symbols/ideas appear here?

- variables e.g. x
- relations such as equality
- functions, e.g. the "squaring function".
- connectives such as \Rightarrow , \vee , \wedge , \neg .

Actually, in our language, we do not "need" \wedge , \vee and \neg or

A	B	$A \Rightarrow B$	A	B	$A \vee B$	A	B	$A \wedge B$
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

\neg : "not"

A	B	$\neg A$	$(\neg A) \Rightarrow B$
0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	1	0	1

So, in a sense, $\neg A \Rightarrow B$ is the "same" as $A \vee B$.

A	B	$\neg B$	$A \Rightarrow \neg B$	$\neg(A \Rightarrow \neg B)$
0	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	1

So, in a sense, $\neg(A \Rightarrow \neg B)$ is the "same" as $A \wedge B$.

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$$x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ or } x = -1$$

↑ not clear.

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↖ start of the
examinable part.

Chapter 1 : Language

In order to be able to study the structure of mathematical objects and ideas, we will first define a language in which such "things" can be defined and analysed.

The symbols we will use to construct our language consist of :

- A countable infinite set of variable symbols, e.g $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$ or $\{x, y, z, x', y', z', \dots\}$
- For each nonnegative integer n , a countably infinite set of predicate symbol e.g $\{P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots\}$ or $\{P, Q, R, P', Q', R', \dots\}$, each of which has arity n .

If N is a predicate symbol of arity n , we will say that N is a n -ary predicate symbol.

- The symbols $\neg, \Rightarrow, \wedge$

The set of all strings of symbols from our language is denoted by $L\text{string}$.

Let's now define the subset of $L\text{string}$ consisting of "useful" strings that may be given meaning (later).

Definition : The set of formulae in the first order predicate language denoted by L , and is the subset of $L\text{string}$ defined inductively as follows :

- 1) If P is an n -ary predicate symbol and variables x_1, \dots, x_n , then $Px_1 \dots x_n$ is a formula.
- 2) If α is a formula, then so is $\neg\alpha$
- 3) If α, β are formulae, then $\Rightarrow \alpha \beta$ is a formula.

4) If α is a formula and x is a variable symbol, then $\forall x\alpha$ is a formula.

Examples:

The following are all in L^{string} (for a 1-ary predicate P , a 2-ary predicate Q , and variables x, y, z, x_1, x_2, x_3):
 $x, Px, Pxy, Q_{x_1x_2x_3}, Qx, Qxy, Qxx, \forall xPx, \forall \exists xPx, P \Rightarrow Q,$
 $\Rightarrow PxQxy, \exists Px, \exists \forall \Rightarrow.$

Of these:

$Px, \neg Px, Qxy, Qxx, \forall xPx, \Rightarrow PxQxy$ are formulae

$x, Pxy, Q_{x_1x_2x_3}, \neg \forall \Rightarrow, \forall \exists xPx, P \Rightarrow Q, Qx$ not formulae.

Notes:

1) We will often refer to 1-ary and 2-ary predicates as unary and binary predicates, respectively.

2) Formulae, particularly "simple" one of the form Px, \dots, x_n (for an n -ary predicate P , and variables x_1, \dots, x_n) are often referred to propositional functions.

3) Our language is known as the first order predicate language, because it can deal with statements such as

"For every subset of real numbers, ..."

This still allows us to express lots of mathematical ideas/systems using our language, but it is a

deficiency, as we shall indicate towards the end of chapter 3.

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Let's now define the notion of "degree" in our language:

Definition: Let α be a formula (i.e. let $\alpha \in L$). Then, the degree of α , denoted by $\deg(\alpha)$ is a nonnegative integer obtained by (starting from 0) and adding

- 1 for each occurrence of a \neg symbol in α
- 2 _____ \Rightarrow
- 1 _____ A _____

Examples: Let P be a unary predicate, and x, y be variable symbols

: — Q — binary

Then $\deg(Px) = 0$

$\deg(\neg Px) = 1$

$\deg(\forall x Qxy) = 1$

$\deg(\Rightarrow Px Qxy) = 2$

$\deg(\Rightarrow \neg Px \forall x Qxy) = 4$

(1)

Note: The degree counts the number of "substructures" in a formula. It "measures" the "complexity" of a formula.

The degree is particularly useful when proving results about the whole of L ; it provides a structure / order to the set of formulae.

Note: The only formulae of degree 0 are ones of the form $Px_1 \dots x_n$ for an n -ary predicate P and variables x_1, \dots, x_n .

There are two notable absences from our language, which usually help remove ambiguity from mathematical statements, and "inform us of the order in which things are performed"

These are the left and right brackets symbols, "(" and ")"

e.g. in "usual" mathematical notation, the statement $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta \Rightarrow \gamma$ is ambiguous. This could mean

$$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma$$
$$\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)$$

But, in our language there is no ambiguity, because:

(*)	$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma$	is written as $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \alpha \beta \gamma$ in L,
(*)	$\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)$	$\Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \beta \gamma$ in L.
(*)	$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma$	$\Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \beta \gamma$ in L
	$\Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \gamma$	
	$\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \alpha \beta \gamma$	
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	$\Rightarrow \alpha (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)$	
	$\Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow \beta \gamma$	

In general, there is no need to use brackets in L; to show this, we will use the notion of "weight".

Definition: The weight of a string α (i.e. if $\alpha \in L_{\text{string}}$), denoted by $\text{weight}(\alpha)$, is an integer obtained by (starting from 0) and adding:

- -1 for each occurrence of a variable symbol in α
- $n-1$ ————— an n-ary predicate symbol
- 0 ————— a " \exists " symbol
- 1 ————— a " \Rightarrow " symbol
- 1 ————— a " \forall " symbol

For example: for P a unary pred, Q a binary pred, x, y variables.

$$\text{Weight}(x) = -1$$

$$\text{Weight}(Px) = -1 - f$$

$$\text{Weight}(\exists x Px) = -1 - f$$

$$\text{Weight}(\exists Qxy) = -1 - f$$

$$\text{Weight}(\Rightarrow P x Qxy) = -1 - f$$

$$\text{Weight}(xP) = -1$$

$$\text{Weight}(\forall x) = 0$$

$$\text{Weight}(\Rightarrow P x \forall x Qxy) = -1 - f$$

$$\text{Weight}(\Rightarrow \forall \exists x) = 1$$

$-f =$ is a formula.

Note that every formula in the above list has weight -1 .
 (However, not every string of weight -1 is a formula, e.g.
 $\text{weight}(\forall \exists xy \Rightarrow x) = -1$)

not formula

Proposition: If α is a formula (i.e. if $\alpha \in L$), then $\text{weight}(\alpha) = -1$.

Proof: Let's prove this by induction on degree d .
 Suppose that $\deg(\alpha) = 0$. Then, α is of the form $Px, \dots xn$. for an n -ary predicate P and

variables x_1, \dots, x_n .

In this case $\text{weight}(\alpha) = \text{weight}(P_{x_1, \dots, x_n}) = (n-1) - n = -1$

So, the result holds for formulae of degree 0.

Let us now assume that the result holds for all formulae of degree smaller than or equal to n (i.e. that every formula of degree smaller than or equal to n has weight -1).

Suppose that α is a formula such that $\deg(\alpha) = n+1$ then, by definition of L , α must have one of the following forms:

1) α is of the form $\neg \alpha_1$, for some formula α_1 .

By considering degrees: $\deg(\alpha) = \deg(\neg \alpha_1) = 1 + \deg(\alpha_1)$.
So $\deg(\alpha_1) = n$.

So, using the inductive hypothesis, we deduce that
 $\text{weight}(\alpha_1) = -1$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } \text{weight}(\alpha) &= \text{weight}(\neg \alpha_1) = \text{weight}(\neg) + \text{weight}(\alpha_1) \\ &= 0 + \text{weight}(\alpha_1) \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

2) α is of the form $\Rightarrow \alpha_1 \alpha_2$ for $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in L$.

By considering degrees: $\deg(\alpha) = \deg(\Rightarrow \alpha_1 \alpha_2) = 2 + \deg(\alpha_1) + \deg(\alpha_2)$.

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 $\deg(\Rightarrow) + \deg(\alpha_1) + \deg(\alpha_2)$
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So $\deg(\alpha_1) + \deg(\alpha_2) = n - 1$ i.e. $\deg(\alpha_1) < n - 1$
i.e. $\deg(\alpha_1) < n$, $\deg(\alpha_2) < n$.

Therefore, inductively, we may assume that $\text{weight}(\alpha_1) = \text{weight}(\alpha_2) = -1$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } \text{weight}(\alpha) &= \text{weight}(\Rightarrow \alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2) = \text{weight}(\Rightarrow) + \text{weight}(\alpha_1) \\ &\quad + \text{weight}(\alpha_2) \\ &= 1 - 1 - 1 \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

i.e. $\text{weight}(\alpha) = -1$.

3) α is of the form $\forall x \alpha_1$, for some variable x and formula α_1 .

$$\text{In this case : } \deg(\alpha) = \deg(\forall x \alpha_1) = 1 + \deg(\alpha_1)$$

So $\deg(\alpha_1) = n$, and, inductively, we may assume that $\text{weight}(\alpha_1) = -1$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } \text{weight}(\alpha) &= \text{weight}(\forall x \alpha_1) = 1 + (-1) + \text{weight}(\alpha_1) \\ &= \text{weight}(\alpha_1) \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

In each case, we have shown that $\text{weight}(\alpha) = -1$.
This concludes the proof

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Let's now prove a related result:

Proposition: Let α be a formula, that is the concatenation $\beta \gamma$, of two (non empty) strings β and γ . (i.e α may be obtained by writing β followed, on the right, by γ)
 Then: $\text{weight}(\beta) \geq 0$

In particular, no proper initial segment of α formula is a formula.

Proof: Let's prove this by induction on the degree of α .

Suppose that $\deg(\alpha) = 0$. Then, α is of the form $Px_1 \dots x_n$ for an n -ary predicate P and variables x_1, \dots, x_n .

Then β must be of the form $Px_1 \dots x_m$ (for $m < n$).
 $n - m > 0$.

Then, $\text{weight}(\beta) = (n-1) - m = (n-m) - 1 \geq 0$,
 as required

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$$\begin{array}{c} \Rightarrow P \underline{x} Q \underline{xy} \\ \cancel{+0-1+1-1-1} \\ \sum 11010-1 \end{array}$$

Let us now assume that the result holds for all formulae of degree smaller than or equal to n .
 Consider $\alpha \in L$ st $\deg(\alpha) = n+1$

then by definition of \mathbb{L} , α must have one of the following forms:

1) $\exists \alpha_1$ for $\alpha_1 \in \mathbb{L}$ then by considering degrees, as in the earlier proof: $\deg(\alpha_1) = n$.

So, inductively, we may assume that, if ε is a proper initial segment of α_1 , then $\text{weight}(\varepsilon) \geq 0$.

In this case, the proper initial segment β of α must have one of the following forms.

1) $\beta : \top$ $\text{weight}(\beta) = \text{weight}(\top) = 0$.

2) $\beta : \top \varepsilon$ for ε a proper initial segment of α_1 ,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{weight}(\beta) &= \text{weight}(\top) + \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \\ &= 0 + \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \geq 0\end{aligned}$$

by assumption.

2) $\Rightarrow \alpha_1 \alpha_2$: $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{L}$

then ... $\deg(\alpha_1) + \deg(\alpha_2) = n-1$, i.e. $\deg(\alpha_1) < n$, $\deg(\alpha_2) < n$.

So, we may assume that the result holds for α_1, α_2 .

We have the following possibilities for β :

1) $\beta : \Rightarrow$ $\text{weight}(\beta) = 1 \geq 0$

2) $\beta : \Rightarrow \varepsilon$ for ε a proper initial segment of α_1 :
 $\text{weight}(\beta) = \text{weight}(\Rightarrow) + \text{weight}(\varepsilon) = 1 + \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \geq 1$ (*)

$$3) \beta: \Rightarrow \alpha, \text{ weight}(\beta) = \text{weight}(\Rightarrow) + \text{weight}(\alpha_1) \\ = 1 + (-1) \\ = 0.$$

4) $\beta: \Rightarrow \alpha, \varepsilon$, for ε a proper initial segment of α

$$\begin{aligned} \text{weight}(\beta) &= \text{weight}(\Rightarrow) + \text{weight}(\alpha_1) + \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \\ &= 1 - 1 + \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \\ &= \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \geq 0 \quad (\#) \end{aligned}$$

(#): because we may assume that $\text{weight}(\varepsilon) \geq 0$

3) $\beta: \alpha$, for $\alpha \in L$. Then $\deg(\alpha) \stackrel{\geq u+1}{=} 1 + \deg(\alpha_1)$
 So $\deg(\alpha_1) = u$.

So we may assume the result holds for α .

Then, β must have one of the following forms:

$$1) \beta: \top \quad \text{weight}(\beta) = 1 \geq 0$$

$$2) \beta: \top x \quad \text{weight}(\beta) = +1 - 1 = 0$$

3) $\beta: \top x \varepsilon$ for ε a proper initial segment of α ;

$$\begin{aligned} \text{weight}(\beta) &= \text{weight}(\top) + \text{weight}(x) + \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \\ &= 1 - 1 + \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \\ &= \text{weight}(\varepsilon) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

by assumption

In each case, $\text{weight}(\beta) \geq 0$. This concludes the proof. \square

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The last two propositions indicate that when "reaching" formulae, or formula "within" formulae, no brackets are required (in \mathcal{L}) ; we may use the notion of weight in order to "pick out" formulae.

For example consider $\Rightarrow \exists P_x \forall x Q_{xy}$ where x, y variables.

P is a unary predicate

Q is a binary predicate

$$\text{Weight}(\Rightarrow) = +1$$

$$\therefore (\Rightarrow \exists) = +1 + 0 = 1$$

$$\therefore (\Rightarrow \exists P) = 1$$

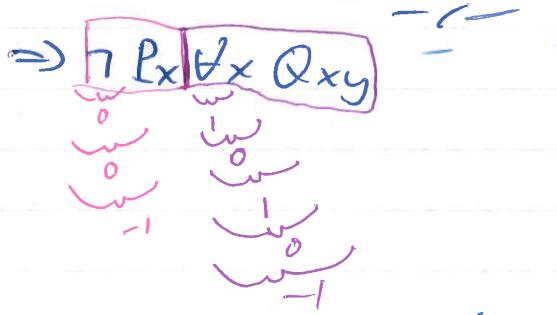
$$\therefore (\Rightarrow \exists P_x) = 0$$

$$\therefore (\Rightarrow \exists P_x \forall) = 1$$

$$\therefore (\Rightarrow \exists P_x \forall x) = 0$$

$$\therefore (\Rightarrow \exists P_x \forall x Q_x) = 0$$

$$\therefore (\Rightarrow \exists P_x \forall x Q_{xy}) = -1$$



Using the weight, we see that $\Rightarrow \exists P_x \forall x Q_{xy}$ means " $(\exists P_x) \Rightarrow (\forall x Q_{xy})$ ".

the presence of this internal structure within the set of formulae \mathcal{L} is quite a nice feature.

However, it might be useful to write down formulae

so that we use the symbols as they commonly appear in mathematics.

e.g. to write " $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ " instead of " $\Rightarrow \alpha \beta$ ".
or to use the symbols for "or" and "and" directly
or to write " $x = y$ " instead of " $= xy$ ".

Furthermore, we would like to be able to describe functions in our language.

Actually, we can already do this in L

Suppose we wish to define a function that "squares": $f(x) = x^2$. We could define a binary predicate, Q say, such that Qxy holds precisely when $x^2 = y$.

e.g. $Q81$ will not hold.

$Q82$

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$Q83$ will not hold.

$Q84$ will hold

$Q85$ will not hold.

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This predicate completely "encapsulates" the "squaring" function.

But, it would be nice to be able to define functions directly.

So let's now describe a more "workable" version of the first order predicate language, which includes functions, as well as common mathematical conventions

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Conventional functional first order predicate language
the symbols we will use to construct our language consist of :

- 1) A countably infinite set of variables symbols e.g $\{x, y, z, x^*, y^*, z^*, \dots\}$.
- 2) For each non-negative integer arity n , a countably infinite set of n -ary predicate symbols e.g $\{P, Q, R, \dots\}$.
- 3) For each non-negative arity n , a countable infinite set of n -ary functional symbols e.g $\{F_1, F_2, F_3, \dots\}$.
- 4) The symbol $\neg, \Rightarrow, \forall, (\, ,)$.

Let's now define the corresponding set of formulae.

Definition: the set of formulae in the conventional functional first order predicate language is denoted by $\mathcal{L}_{\text{math}}$, and is defined inductively as follows:

- 0) Every variable symbol is a variable.
- 1) If F is an n -ary functional symbol, and x_1, \dots, x_n

are variables, then $Fx_1 \dots x_n$ is a variable

2) If P is an n -ary predicate symbol, and x_1, \dots, x_n are variables, then $Px_1 \dots x_n$ is a formula.

3) If α is a formula then so is $\neg\alpha$.

4) If α, β are formulas, then $\Rightarrow \alpha \beta$ is a formula.

5) If α is a formula and x is a variable symbol then $\forall x \alpha$ is a formula.

In addition, our language will include the following conventions.

- We will allow ourselves to write down:

" $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ " instead of $\Rightarrow \alpha \beta$

" $\alpha \vee \beta$ " $(\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta$, or $\Rightarrow \neg \alpha \beta$ in L .

" $\alpha \wedge \beta$ " $\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \neg \beta)$, or $\neg \Rightarrow \alpha \neg \beta$ in L .

" $\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta$ " instead of $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$

just workings $\{ \neg((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha))$
 $\neg \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \neg(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$

or $\neg \Rightarrow \alpha \beta \neg \Rightarrow \beta \alpha$ in L .

$\exists x \alpha$ denotes
 $\neg \forall x \neg \alpha$ ← Was missing.

- For a binary predicate or functional, P say, we will allow ourselves to write down $xP y$ instead of Pxy

eg $x = y$ — $= xy$

eg $x + y$ — $+ xy$

- For an n -ary predicate or functional P , e

may write $P(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ instead of $Px_1 \dots x_n$.

Notes:

- 1) When describing specific mathematical structures using our language, we will often use Π to denote the set of predicates that appear and Σ to denote the set of functionals that appear.
- 2) A predicate gives rise to a mathematical statement, that we may describe as true or false in a specific setting. e.g. " $2=6$ " \rightarrow true modulus 2.
 \rightarrow false \mathbb{Z} .

A functional gives rise to a specific answer, after being given some inputs.
This answer may change depending on the inputs provided; it is a "variable" in some sense.

- 3) A functional of arity 0 takes in no inputs, and gives out an answer. So, the answer is independent of the input values, it is a constant. This will be useful in specific mathematical systems, when we wish to introduce distinguished constants. (e.g. we will use a 0-ary functional to describe the identity in a group).

Let's now see some examples of specific mathematical system/objects written in the language(s) of chapter

Examples:

1) Poset.

A poset, or partially ordered set, is a set X , together with two relations, " $=$ " and " \leq " satisfying the following conditions.

- 1) For every x in X : $x \leq x$.
- 2) For all x, y in X ; if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$, then $x = y$.
- 3) For all x, y, z in X ; if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$ then $x \leq z$.

e.g. if " $=$ " denotes "equals" and " \leq " denotes "less than or equal to". Then the sets of natural numbers, integers, real numbers form poset, if " $=$ " and " \leq " denotes "is the subset of" then the set of subsets of \mathbb{N} . forms a poset.

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Let's write the defining statement of posets:
 We use the predicates " $=$ " and " \leq " so $\Pi = \{\underline{=}, \underline{\leq}\}$
 . We use no functional, so $\Sigma = \emptyset$.

(In Lmath):

$$1) (\forall x)(x \leq x)$$

$$2) (\forall x)(\forall y)((x \leq \dots) \wedge (y \leq x)) \Rightarrow (x = y))$$

$$3) (\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x \leq y) \wedge (y \leq z)) \Rightarrow (x \leq z))$$

In L:

- 1) $\forall x \leq xx$.
- 2) $\forall x \forall y \Rightarrow \exists z \leq xy \exists z = xy$.
- 3) Good luck!

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Examples:

2) Groups

A group consists of a set G , together with an operation \cdot , such that:

- 1) For all x, y in G , xy is in G .
- 2) There exists an element e of G such that $e \cdot x = x = x \cdot e$ for all x in G .
- 3) For each x in G , there exists an element y in G such that $xy = e = y \cdot x$.
- 4) For each x, y, z in G : $(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z)$.

Let's try to write the defining statements of groups in Lmath:

We will use the predicate " $=$ " (arity 2) so $\pi = \Sigma = \{$
functional M (arity 2), E (arity 0).
so $\mathcal{R} = \{M, E\}$.

Then, in Lmath:

- 1) Assumed.
- 2) $(\forall x)((M(E, x) = x) \wedge (M(x, E) = x))$
- 3) $(\forall x)(\exists y)(M(x, y) = E) \wedge (M(y, x) = E))$
- 4) $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)(M(M(x, y), z) = (M(x, M(y, z))))$

$\exists x \exists$ denotes $\exists \forall x \forall z$

The last two examples indicate that we can use L_{math.} to conveniently express statements related to mathematical objects, e.g. posets, groups, rings, fields etc.

But, next, we will define a simpler version of our language and study the notions of truth and provability using that version (as well as the interplay between these ideas).

Chapter 2: Propositional Logic

In this chapter, we will work with a reduced version of the language(s) from chapter 1. We will "ignore" variables, and so will not (need to) use the " \forall " or " \exists " symbol.

Also, no functionals will be present, and no predicates of arity greater than zero.

The symbols we will use consist of:

- a countable infinite set of "primitive propositions", denoted by L^P .
- the symbol $\neg, \Rightarrow, (,$)

Using these symbols, we can obtain all propositions:

Definition: The set of propositions, denoted by L_0 , is defined inductively as follows:

1) Every primitive proposition is a proposition, i.e. if $\alpha \in L^P$, then $\alpha \in L_0$.

2) If α is a proposition, then so is $(\neg\alpha)$.

3) If α, β are propositions, then so is $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

Notes:

- 1) The notion of degree (from chapter 1) carries over to the setting of propositions. Then, the propositions of degree 0 are precisely the primitive propositions.
- 2) The set of propositions of degree 0 is countable. As a result, the set of _____ degree 1 is countable.
the set of _____ degree 2 is countable.
and so on.

So, the set of all propositions is countable.

Semantic aspects of propositional logic.

Let's now study the notion of truth, in L_0 . We will assign truth/falsehood to the set of all propositions by first choosing the truth/falsehood of primitive propositions and then determining the truth of more complicated propositions using "sensible" rules.

Definition: A valuation v is a function
 $v: L \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ satisfying the following conditions:

- 1) For a propositional α : $v(\neg\alpha) = 1$ if $v(\alpha) = 0$ } i.e.
and $v(\neg\alpha) = 0$ if $v(\alpha) = 1$
 $= 1 - v(\alpha)$

2) For proposition α, β : $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 0$ if $v(\alpha) = 1$
and $v(\beta) = 0$.

$$v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1 \text{ otherwise.}$$

Note: We will use "0" to denote the falsehood of a statement
and "1" ————— truth —————

Let's show that a valuation is determined by its values
on the primitive positions.

Propositions: Let $v: L_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ and $v': L \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
be two valuations such that

$$v(\alpha) = v'(\alpha) \text{ for any } \alpha \in L_0^P.$$

Then, for any proposition (i.e. for any $\alpha \in L_0$):
 $v(\alpha) = v'(\alpha)$.

Proof: We prove this by induction on the
degree of α .

Suppose that $\deg(\alpha) = 0$. Then α is a primitive
proposition.

So $v(\alpha) = v'(\alpha)$ by assumption

Let's assume that the result holds for all
propositions of degree smaller than or equal to
 n .

Suppose that $\alpha \in L_0$, and $\deg(\alpha) = n+1$. Then, α must have one of the following forms:

• $\alpha = \neg \alpha_1$, for some proposition α_1 . Then $\deg(\alpha) = n+1 = \deg(\neg \alpha_1) = 1 + \deg(\alpha_1)$, so $\deg(\alpha_1) = n$.

So inductively we may assume that $v(\alpha_1) = v'(\alpha_1)$.

Then: $v(\alpha) = v(\neg \alpha_1) = 1 - v(\alpha_1)$ since $v(\alpha_1) = v'(\alpha_1)$
 $v'(\alpha) = v'(\neg \alpha_1) = 1 - v'(\alpha_1)$ we obtain $v(\alpha) = v'(\alpha)$ as required.

• $\alpha = \alpha_1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2$ for some propositions α_1, α_2 .

Then $\deg(\alpha) = n+1 = 2 + \deg(\alpha_1) + \deg(\alpha_2)$, so $\deg(\alpha_1) < n$ and $\deg(\alpha_2) < n$.

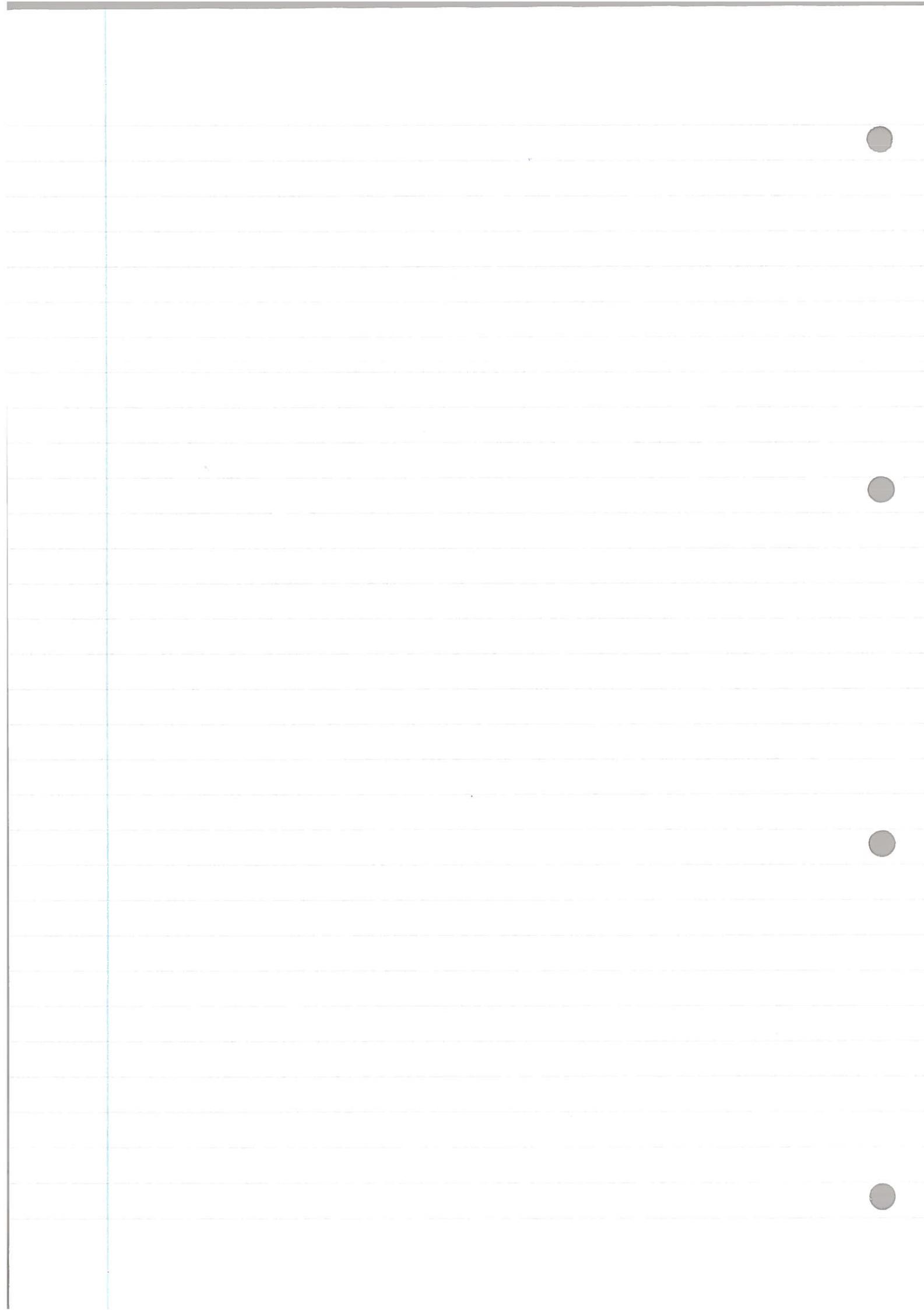
So inductively, we assume that $v(\alpha_1) = v'(\alpha_1)$ and $v(\alpha_2) = v'(\alpha_2)$.

But then,

$$v(\alpha) = v(\alpha_1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v(\alpha_1) = 0 \text{ and } v(\alpha_2) = 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v'(\alpha) = v'(\alpha_1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v'(\alpha_1) = 1 \text{ and } v'(\alpha_2) = 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Since $v(\alpha_1) = v'(\alpha_1)$ and $v(\alpha_2) = v'(\alpha_2)$, we deduce that $v(\alpha) = v'(\alpha)$. This concludes the proof \square



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Last time : we defined a valuation, and showed that. If, for valuations v, v' : $v(\alpha) = v'(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in L_0^P$ then $v(\alpha) = v'(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in L_0$)

i.e "if two valuations agree on the primitive propositions, then they agree on all propositions!"

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let's now give a related result :

Proposition: Consider a function $f: L_0^P \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$. Then, there exists a valuation $v: L_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ such that $v(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in L_0^P$.

Proof: By induction on the degree of a proposition. Let's try to construct the valuation v by defining it on any proposition α .

If $\deg(\alpha) = 0$, then α is a primitive proposition. In this case, set $v(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$; as required.

Suppose, now, that the result holds for all propositions of degree smaller than or equal to n , i.e that we have successfully defined the valuation v on such propositions.

Consider a proposition α , of degree $n+1$.

Then, α must have one of the following forms:
• $\alpha = \neg \alpha_1$, for some $\alpha_1 \in L_0$.

Then since $\deg(\alpha) = n+1$: $\deg(\alpha_1) = n$, so we may inductively assume that $v(\alpha_1)$ is defined. Now, set $v(\alpha) = 1 - v(\alpha_1)$.

• $\alpha = \alpha_1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2$ for some $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in L_0$.

Then, $\deg(\alpha_1) < n$ and $\deg(\alpha_2) < n$, so we may inductively assume that $v(\alpha_1), v(\alpha_2)$ have been already defined.

Set $v(\alpha) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v(\alpha_1) = 1 \text{ and } v(\alpha_2) = 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

This concludes the proof ; by construction, v is a valuation such that $v(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in L_0$.

So, the last two results have shown that "a valuation is defined by its values on the primitive propositions, and any values will do".

We now give some of the terminology related to valuations.

Let $\alpha \in L_0$: If, for some valuation v , $v(\alpha) = 1$, then we say that

α is true in v
or v is a model of α

If S is a set of propositions ($S \subset L_0$) and v is a valuation such that $v(\alpha) = 1$ for all $\alpha \in S$, then we say that :

v is a model of S .

If α is a proposition, such that, for any possible valuation v , $v(\alpha) = 1$ then we say that α is a tautology.

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Often, if we wish to check whether or not a proposition is a tautology, or to simply check precisely for which kinds of valuations it is true, we write down a table that evaluates the proposition under all possible valuations. This is a truth table.

When writing down a truth table, we may assume the following rules

- $v(\neg\alpha) = 1$ if $v(\alpha) = 0$, and $v(\neg\alpha) = 0$ if $v(\alpha) = 1$
- $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v(\alpha) = 1 \text{ and } v(\beta) = 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
- $v(\alpha \vee \beta) = 0$ if $v(\alpha) = 0$ and $v(\beta) = 0$,
 $v(\alpha \vee \beta) = 1$ otherwise.
- $v(\alpha \wedge \beta) = 1$ if $v(\alpha) = 1$ and $v(\beta) = 1$,
 $v(\alpha \wedge \beta) = 0$ otherwise.

If two propositions α, β have "identical truth table columns", then they are true for precisely the same valuations.

In this case, i.e if, for any valuation $v : I_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ we have $v(\alpha) = v(\beta)$ then we say that α and β are semantically equivalent.

Some examples of truth tables:

• $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$

α	β	$\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

• $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$

α	$\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$
0	1
1	1

truth table
column of $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$
contains only ones.

So, $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$ is a tautology.

• $\neg \neg \alpha$

α	$\neg \alpha$	$\neg \neg \alpha$
0	1	0
1	0	1

α and $\neg \neg \alpha$ have identical truth table columns.

So, α and $\neg \neg \alpha$ are semantically equivalent

$(\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta$

α	β	$\neg \alpha$	$(\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta$
0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	1	0	1

$(\neg \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha$

α	β	$\neg \beta$	$(\neg \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha$
0	0	1	0
1	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
1	1	0	1

We might have expected this, because of our convention for " \vee ".

" $\alpha \wedge \beta$ " is expressed as $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ and " $\alpha \wedge \beta$ ", " $\beta \wedge \alpha$ " is expressed as $(\neg \beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ " $\beta \wedge \alpha$ " mean the same.

• $(\neg \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha$

α	$\neg \alpha$	$\neg \neg \alpha$	$(\neg \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha$
0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1

So $(\neg \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha$ is a tautology.

• $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$

α	β	$\beta \Rightarrow \alpha$	$\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$
0	0	1	1
1	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

So $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is a tautology

$$\cdot (\underline{\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)}) \Rightarrow ((\underline{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta}) \Rightarrow (\underline{\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma}))$$

α	β	γ	$\beta \Rightarrow \gamma$	$\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)$	$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$	$(\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)$	$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)$	$(\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma))$
0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

So, $(\underline{\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)}) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma))$ is a tautology.

In fact, $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)$ and $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)$ are semantically equivalent.

$$\cdot \underline{(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)} :$$

α	β	$\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$	$\beta \Rightarrow \alpha$	$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$
0	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1

The given proposition is not a tautology.

In fact, for any valuation v such that $v(\alpha) = 0$ and $v(\beta) = 1$, then $v((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) = 0$.

Let's see some other ways of proving that $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is not a tautology.

Claim: The proposition $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is not a tautology.

Proof 1: Let v be a valuation such that $v(\alpha) = 0$ and $v(\beta) = 1$. Then $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$, $v(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) = 0$, so $v((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) = 0$. The presence of this indicates that $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is not a tautology.

Proof 2: Suppose that, for some valuation v , $v((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) = 0$. Then $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$ and $v(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) = 0$.

Then, since $v(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) = 0$, it must be the case that $v(\alpha) = 0$ and $v(\beta) = 1$.

We may then verify that if $v(\alpha) = 0$ and $v(\beta) = 1$, then $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$ and $v(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) = 0$.

So that $v((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) = 0$, as required. Hence $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is not a tautology.

Let's also see how we might have proven that $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is a tautology, using a similar method.

Claim: $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is a tautology.

Proof: Let's try to show this contradiction.

Suppose that, for some valuation v , $v(\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) = 0$.

Then $v(\alpha) = 1$ and $v(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) = 0$.

In such a case, since $v(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) = 0$, it must be the case that $v(\beta) = 1$ and $v(\alpha) = 0$.

So, overall $v(\alpha) = 1$ and $v(\alpha) = 0$. This is not possible, it contradicts the definition of a valuation.

So, as required, $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is a tautology.
(there is no valuation v such that $v(\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) = 0$)

We will now see a method that "diagrammatically imitates" the argument used in the previous two proofs, where we try to check if a proposition can ever be false by breaking it down into simpler and simpler parts.

This method is known as the semantic tableau method.

Let's see some of the "simple diagrams" that we may use as building blocks which we may read as:

$$\alpha \vee \beta$$

$$\begin{array}{c} / \\ \alpha \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \backslash \\ \beta \end{array}$$

" $\alpha \vee \beta$ " is true for any valuation for which α is true. (one branch)

or for any valuation for which β is true (the other branch).

Similarly, $\alpha \wedge \beta$ is true precisely when α and β are both true, leading to:

$$\begin{array}{c} \alpha \wedge \beta \\ | \\ \alpha, \beta. \end{array}$$

Let's see a complete list of the "building blocks" we may use in the semantic tableau method:

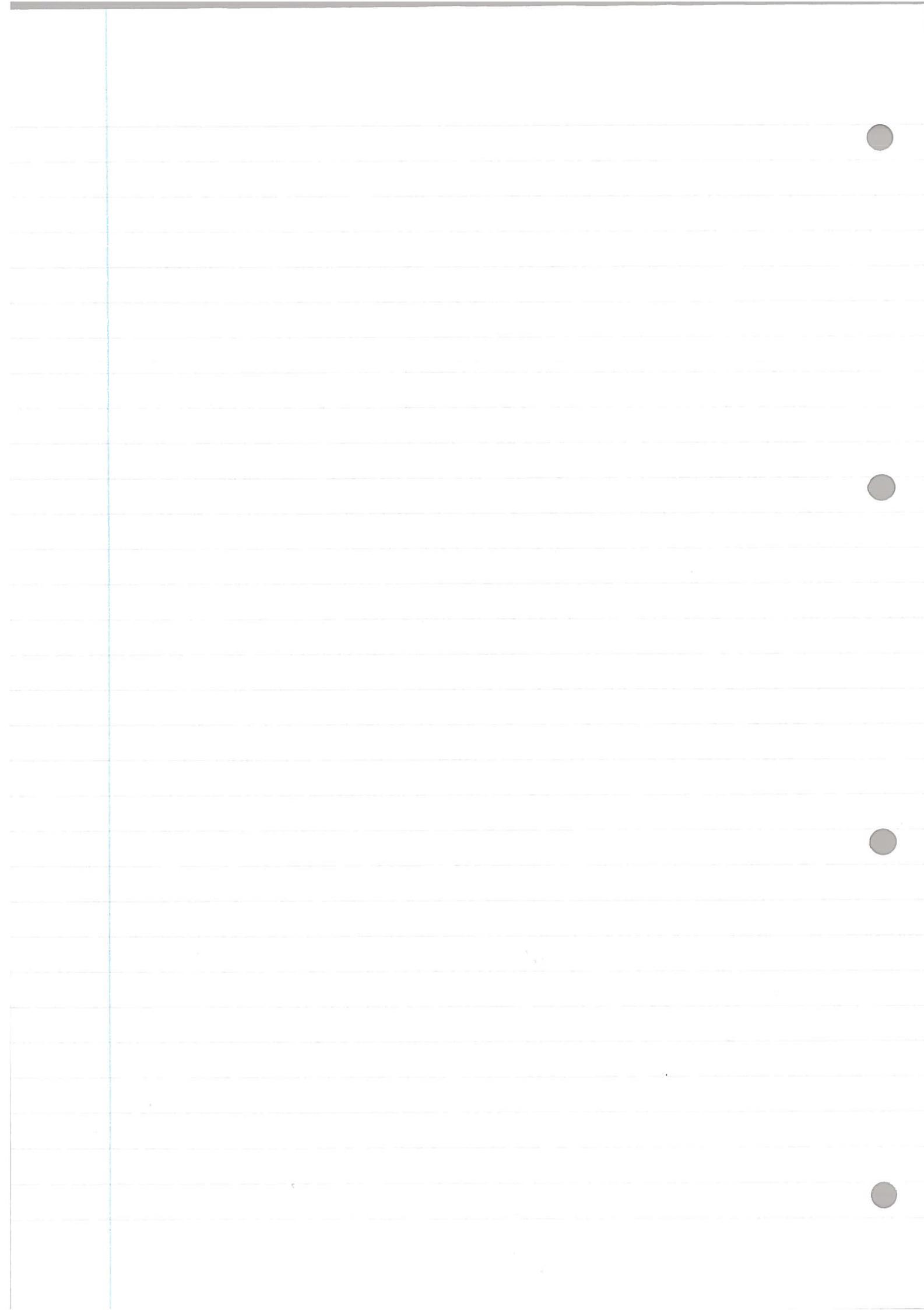
$$\neg \neg \alpha$$

$$\begin{array}{c} | \\ \alpha. \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \alpha \vee \beta & , & \neg(\alpha \vee \beta) & , & (\alpha \wedge \beta) & , & \neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \\ \begin{array}{c} / \\ \alpha \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} | \\ \neg \alpha, \neg \beta \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} | \\ \alpha, \beta \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} / \\ \neg \alpha \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \backslash \\ \neg \beta \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \alpha \Rightarrow \beta & , & \neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) & , & \alpha \Leftarrow \beta & , & \neg(\alpha \Leftarrow \beta) \\ \begin{array}{c} / \\ \neg \alpha \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} | \\ \alpha, \neg \beta \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} / \\ \alpha, \beta \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} / \\ \alpha, \neg \beta \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \backslash \\ \neg \alpha, \beta \end{array} \end{array}$$

$\alpha \vee \beta$	$\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$
0	0
0	1
1	0
1	1



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Description of semantic tableaux method algorithm. Suppose we are given a proposition α , and we wish to determine whether or not α is a tautology (and, if it is not a tautology, we wish to determine for which kinds of valuation α fails to be true).

Then, as in the proofs from last time, we use the idea that α is a tautology precisely if $\neg\alpha$ is never true. i.e. α is true for every valuation if and only if $\neg\alpha$ is not true for any valuation.

We may achieve this using a (propositional) semantic tableaux as follows:

1) Consider $\neg\alpha$.

2) Break down $\neg\alpha$ into simpler and simpler proposition using the basic rules of semantic tableaux (that we saw last time), until we are down to the "indecomposable" parts of α .

3) Study each "branch" of the resulting tableaux (all the way from the bottom edge of the branch to the top of the tableaux).

- if a branch contains both S and $\neg S$, for some "indecomposable" S , then we say the branch is closed
- if a branch does not contain an "indecomposable" proposition and its negation, then we say the branch is open.

4) If every branch is closed, then α is a tautology (i.e. $\neg\alpha$ can never be true). If there exists an open branch, then α is not a tautology; by studying the "undecomposable" propositions of an open branch, we can describe a valuation v st $v(\neg\alpha) = 1$, i.e. st $v(\alpha) = 0$.

Basic rules of propositional semantic tableaux:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \neg\neg\alpha & \alpha \vee \beta & \alpha \wedge \beta & \alpha \Rightarrow \beta & \alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta \\
 | & / \backslash & | & | \backslash & / \backslash \\
 \perp & \alpha \quad \beta & \alpha, \beta & \neg\alpha \quad \beta & \alpha, \beta \quad \neg\alpha, \neg\beta \\
 \\
 \neg(\alpha \vee \beta) & \neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) & \neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) & \neg(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) & \\
 / & / \backslash & | & / \backslash & \\
 \neg\alpha, \neg\beta & \neg\alpha \quad \neg\beta & \alpha, \neg\beta & \alpha, \beta \quad \alpha, \neg\beta &
 \end{array}$$

Examples of semantic tableaux:

Is $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$ a tautology?

Consider $\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)$, and from a semantic tableaux for this:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha) \\
 | \\
 \neg\alpha, \alpha
 \end{array}$$

We have a single closed branch, so $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$ is a tautology.

$\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$: Consider a tableaux for $\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

$$\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$$

$$\alpha \quad \neg\beta$$

There is a single open branch, so $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ is not a tautology. In fact, $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 0$ for any valuation v satisfying $v(\alpha) = 1$ and $v(\beta) = 0$ since the open branch contains α and $\neg\beta$.

$\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$: Consider the tableaux for $\neg\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

$$\neg\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$$

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$$\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$$

$$\neg\alpha$$

open

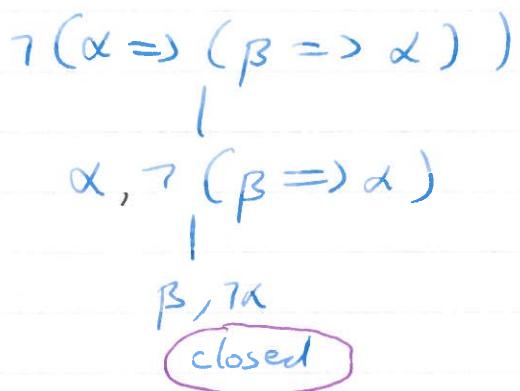
$$\beta$$

open

Since there exist open branches, $\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ is not a tautology.

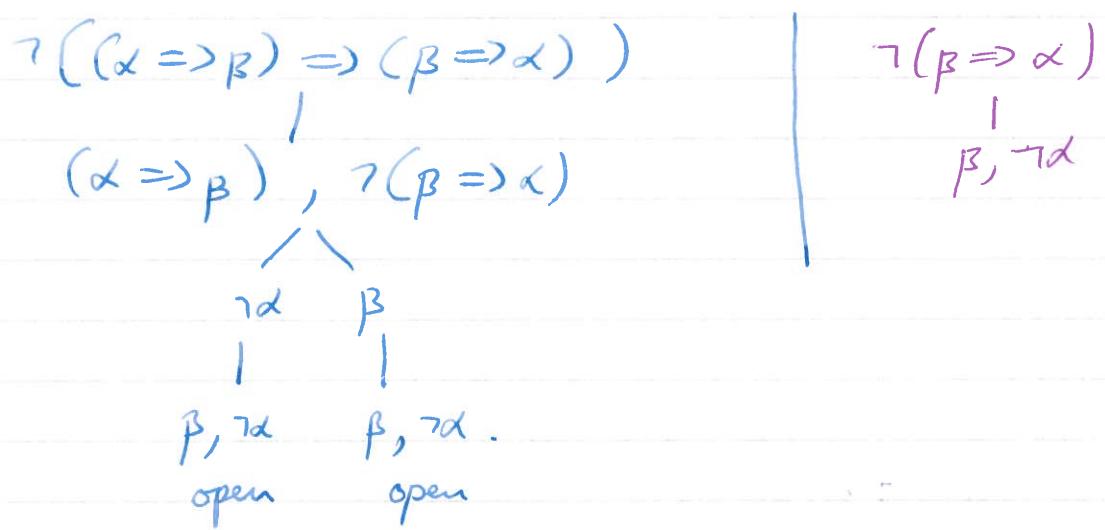
In fact: $v(\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)) = 0$ for any valuation v st $v(\alpha) = 0$ or for any valuation v st $v(\beta) = 1$.

• $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$: Consider $\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha))$



The branch is closed, so we deduce that $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is a tautology.

• $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ Consider $\neg((\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha))$



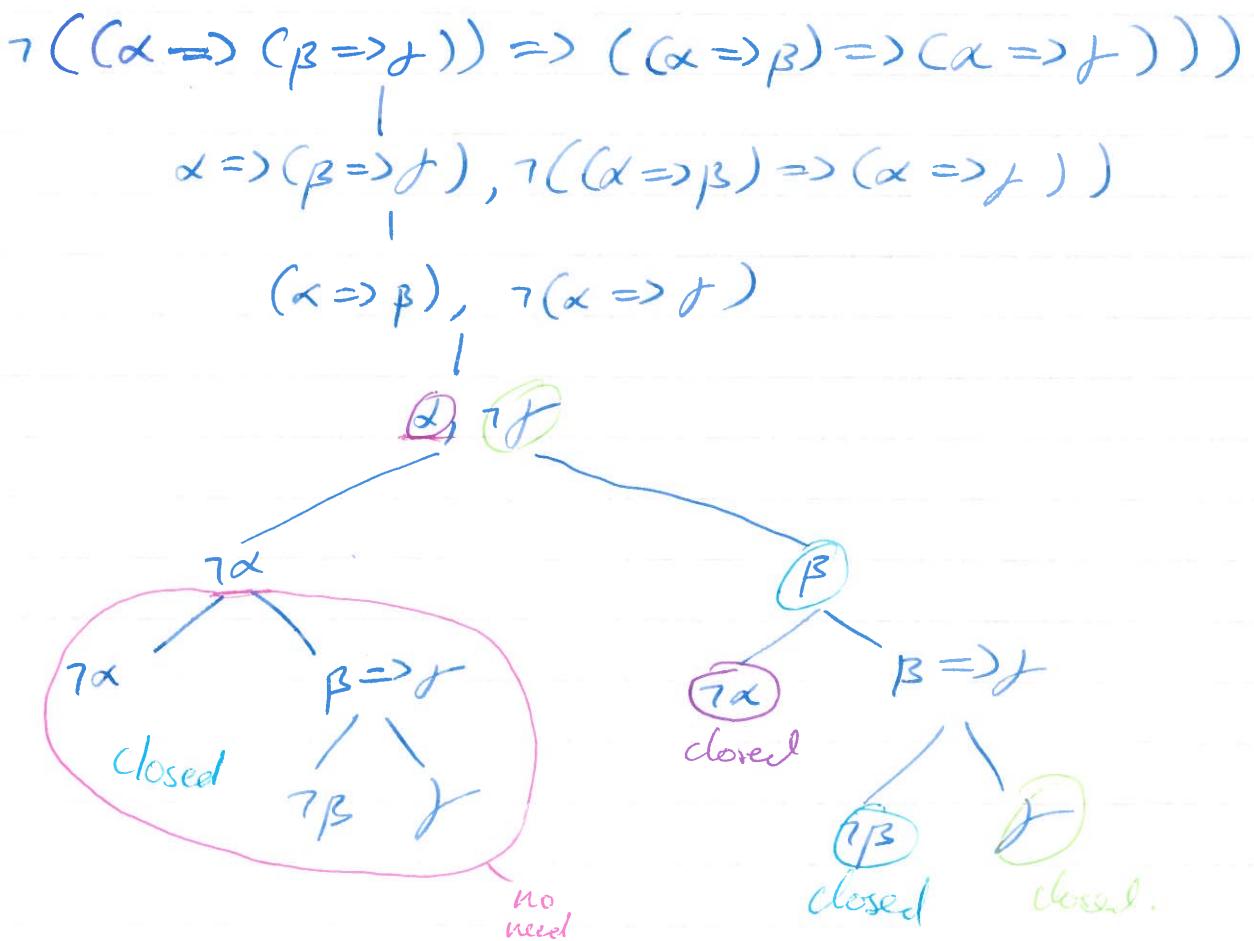
So, since there are open branches, $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is not a tautology. $v((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) = 0$ for any valuation v such that $v(\alpha) = 0$ and $v(\beta) = 1$.

Alternative tableau: decompose " $\neg(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ " before " $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ " (final conclusion is the same) . . .

$$\begin{array}{c} \neg((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) \\ | \\ (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta), \neg(\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) \\ | \\ \beta \perp \alpha \\ / \quad \backslash \\ \neg \alpha \quad \beta \\ \text{open} \quad \text{open} \end{array}$$

Same conclusion as earlier.

$\cdot (\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma))$:
 Consider a tableau for $\neg((\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)))$



Every branch is closed: $((\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)))$

is tautology.

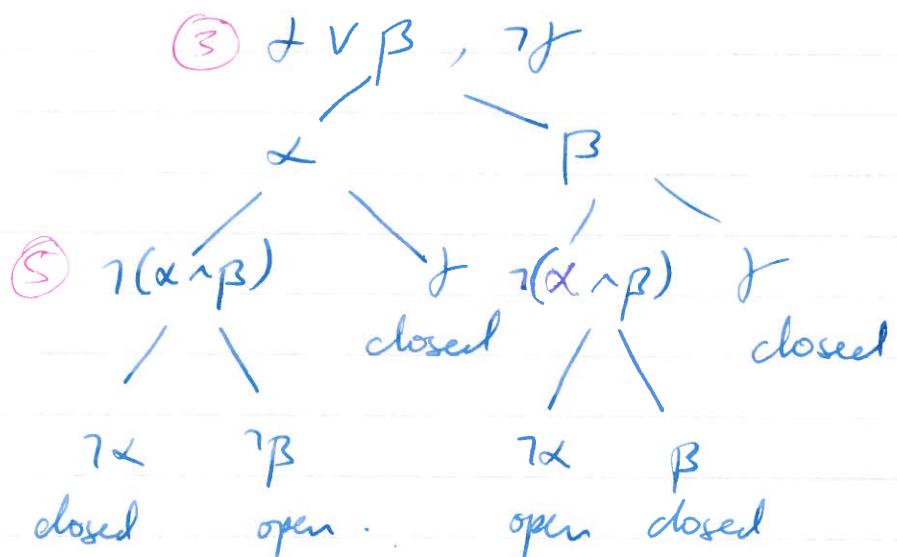
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Some more examples of semantic tableaux:
Is $((\alpha \wedge \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma)$ a tautology?

Consider a tableaux for the negation of this proposition:

$$\neg((\alpha \wedge \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma) \quad ①$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad (\alpha \wedge \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma, \quad \neg((\alpha \wedge \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma) \quad ②$$



Since there exist open branches, the original proposition is not a tautology.

If fact, $v(((\alpha \wedge \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \Rightarrow \gamma)) = 0$ for any valuation v such that

$$v(\alpha) = 1, \quad v(\beta) = 0, \quad v(\gamma) = 0.$$

on any valuation v such that:

$$v(\alpha) = 0, v(\beta) = 1, v(\gamma) = 0$$

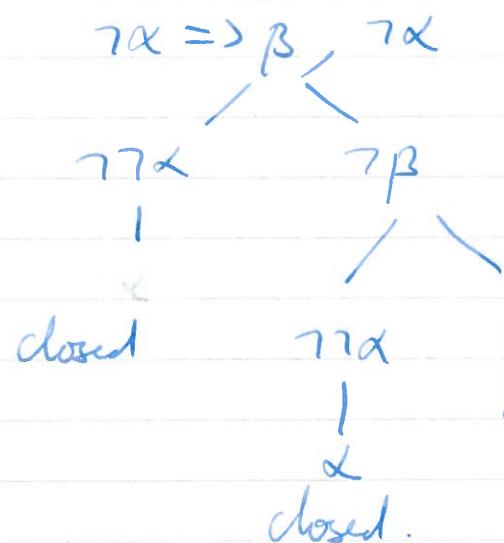
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Is $(\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \beta) \Rightarrow ((\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha)$ a tautology?

Consider the following tableau.

$$\neg((\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \beta) \Rightarrow ((\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha))$$

$$(\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \beta), \quad \neg((\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha)$$



Since every branch is closed, we deduce that $(\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow ((\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha)$ is a tautology.

Let's extend our notion of truth of include ideas such as "a proposition is true whenever some other proposition are true".

Definition: let S be a set of proposition ($S \subseteq L_o$), and α be a proposition ($\alpha \in L_o$). Then, we say that S semantically implies, or entails, α if for any valuation v such that $v(S) = 1$ for all $s \in S$ we must also have $v(\alpha) = 1$.

If S entails α , we write $S \models \alpha$.

Note: If $\emptyset \models \alpha$, then α is always true. i.e α is a tautology.

We will often simply this to: $\models \alpha$.

Examples. $\models (\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)$

$$\models (\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)$$

$\{\beta\} \models (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ since $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$ whenever

$\{\neg \alpha\} \models (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ since $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$ whenever $v(\alpha) = 0$.

We may determine whether or not an entailment $S \models \alpha$ holds by using semantic tableaux method.

General idea: $S \models \alpha$ holds



For any valuation v st. $v(s) = 1 \quad \forall s \in S, v(\alpha) = 1$



There is no valuation v st. $v(s) = 1 \quad \forall s \in S$ and $v(\alpha) = 0$

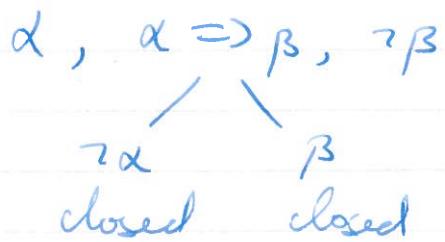


There is no valuation v st. everything in $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$ is true for v .

So, to check if $S \models \alpha$, we may apply the semantic tableau method (starting with $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$)

Examples: $\{\alpha, \alpha \Rightarrow \beta\} \Rightarrow \beta ?$

Consider the tableau starting with $\alpha, \alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \neg \beta$.

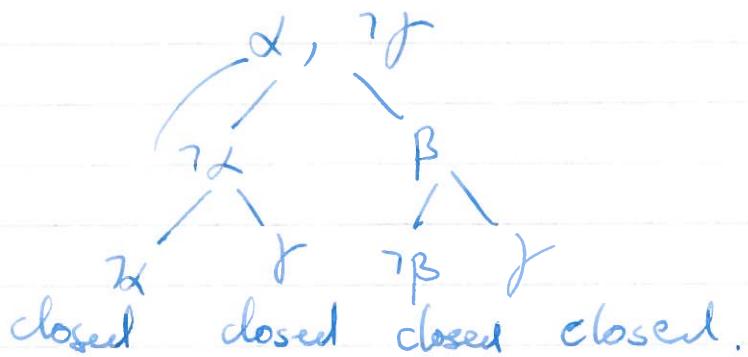


Every branch is closed, so the semantic entailment $\{\alpha, \alpha \Rightarrow \beta\} \models \beta$ holds.

• Docs $\{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \beta \Rightarrow \gamma\} \models (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)$ hold!

Consider the following tableau:

$$\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \beta \Rightarrow \gamma, \neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)$$

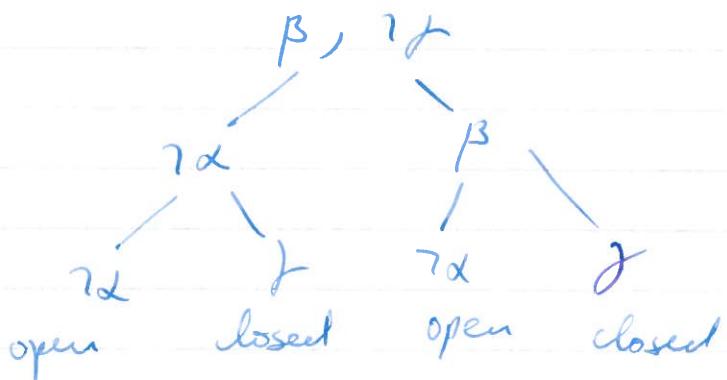


Every branch is closed, so the semantic entailment holds.

• Does $\{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \alpha \Rightarrow \gamma\} \models (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)$ holds?

Consider the following tableau:

$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta), (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma), \neg(\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)$



Since there exist open branches, we deduce that semantic implication does not hold.

In fact $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$, $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma) = 1$ but $v(\beta \Rightarrow \gamma) = 0$ for any valuation v st $v(\alpha) = 0$, $v(\beta) = 0$, $v(\gamma) = 0$.

Let's now move from "truth" to "proof".

Syntactic aspect of propositional logic.

We begin by seeing how we can define the notion of "proof".

To construct proofs, we will use the following axioms:

Axiom 1: $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ for any $\alpha, \beta \in L_0$

Axiom 2: $(\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma))$ for

any $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathcal{L}_0$
Axiom 3: $((\gamma \alpha) \Rightarrow \gamma \beta) \Rightarrow ((\gamma \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha$ for
any $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathcal{L}_0$.

We will also use the following rule of deduction, known as modus ponens: If we have $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$, then we can deduce β .

Modus ponens: From α and $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$, we may deduce β (for any propositions α, β).

We may then define the notion of proof.

Definition: Let S' be a set of propositions, and let α be a proposition.

A proof of α from S' is a finite, ordered sequence of propositions, or lines t_1, \dots, t_n say, such that t_n is the proposition α , and such that for each $1 \leq i \leq n$, t_i is either:

- an (occurrence of an) axioms or
- an element of S' (also known as a hypothesis) or
- is deduced by modus ponens from two preceding proposition γ , and γ is the proposition $\gamma \Rightarrow \delta$.

Notes:

1) All our axioms are instances of tautologies:
(have seen this already).

2) Each axiom given above corresponds to an infinite collection of propositions (they all

"work" for all propositions α, β, γ where relevant). They are often referred to as axiom schemes.

Let's now give the notion corresponding to "entailment" in the setting of proofs:

Definition: If $S \subseteq L_0$ and $\alpha \in L_0$, then we say that S syntactically implies, or proves α , and write $S \vdash \alpha$; if there exists a proof of α from S .

Note: If $\emptyset \vdash \alpha$, i.e. if we can prove α without using any hypothesis, then we say that α is a theorem, and may write $\vdash \alpha$.

Examples of proofs. $\{\alpha, \alpha \Rightarrow \beta\} \vdash \beta$.

The following is a proof of the implication:

1. α hypothesis
2. $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ hypothesis
3. β modus ponens on lines 1, 2.

Let's write down a proof that shows $\{\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \beta, \neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta\} \vdash \alpha$

1. $(\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow (\neg \beta)$ hypothesis
2. $(\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta$ hypothesis
3. $((\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow (\neg \beta)) \Rightarrow ((\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha$ Axiom 3
4. $((\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha$ modus ponens on lines 1, 3.
5. α modus ponens on lines 2, 4.

Let's write down a proof of
 $\{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \beta \Rightarrow \gamma\} \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)$.

1. $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ hypothesis
2. $\beta \Rightarrow \gamma$ hypothesis
3. $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma))$ Axiom 2
4. $(\beta \Rightarrow \gamma) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma))$ Axiom 1
5. $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)$ modus ponens on lines 2, 4.
6. $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)$ modus ponens on lines 3, 5.
7. $\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma$ modus ponens on lines 1, 6.

Let's prove that $\alpha \Rightarrow$ is a theorem i.e let's show that $\vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)$.

We use the following proofs:

1. $(\alpha \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha))$ Axiom 2
2. $\alpha \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha)$ Axiom 1
3. $(\alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)$ modus ponens on lines 1, 2.
4. $\alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)$ Axiom 1
5. $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$ modus ponens on lines 3, 4.

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The examples of proofs we have seen may indicate that even proofs of relatively simple results may appear to be complicated.

Let's now see a result that will help us in the setting of proofs.

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Theorem: (Deduction Theorem for propositional logic)
Let S be a set of propositions, and let α, β be propositions. Then

$$S \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \text{ if and only if } S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta.$$

Proof: We will prove the two "directions" separately.
Let's first assume that $S \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$, i.e. there is a sequence of propositions E_1, \dots, E_n say such that E_n is $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ and each E_i ($1 \leq i \leq n$) is either an axiom, or an element of S , or deduced by modus ponens on two earlier lines (so, there is a proof of $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ from S).

Then, if we simply add the two lines:
($E_n : \alpha \Rightarrow \beta$)

$E_{n+1} : \alpha$ hypothesis (in $S \cup \{\alpha\}$)

$E_{n+2} : \beta$ modus ponens on lines E_n, E_{n+1}

Then, we obtain a proof of β from $S \cup \{\alpha\}$, as required, i.e. $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$.

Let's now assume that $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$, and let's consider a proof of β from $S \cup \{\alpha\}$, i.e. a sequence of propositions t_1, \dots, t_m , such that t_m is β , and each t_i ($1 \leq i \leq m$) is either an axiom, or an element of $S \cup \{\alpha\}$, or deduced by modus ponens on two earlier lines.

We will try to obtain a proof $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ from S by replacing each line of the given proof, t_i say, by $\alpha \Rightarrow t_i$ (and by also trying to avoid using α as a hypothesis).

There are three possibilities to consider, for t_i , $1 \leq i \leq m$:

- 1) t_i is an axiom; we may still assume t_i ; and can obtain $\alpha \Rightarrow t_i$ by using the following lines:

t_i	axiom
$t_i \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow t_i)$	Axcom /
$\alpha \Rightarrow t_i$	Modus ponens .

So, we can valid replace $t_i \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow t_i$.

- then it remains a hypothesis.
- 2) t_i is a hypothesis, in $S \cup \{\alpha\}$
If $t_i \in S$, then we may proceed as above; we may replace t_i by the following lines:

t_i	hypothesis
$t_i \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow t_i)$	Axcom /
$\alpha \Rightarrow t_i$	Modus ponens .

If t_i is the proposition, then it may no longer be a

hypothesis (α may not be in S)

But, $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$ is a theorem, so we may obtain it without using any hypothesis, i.e. to replace α by $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$, we can simply write down a proof of $\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$ instead of the α . (e.g. the proof we saw last time). Note that we do not need to use α as a hypothesis in this case.

3) t_i is some proposition, & say, which is deduced by modus ponens on two previous lines, e.g. say that for $j, k < i$, t_j is some $f \in I_0$ and t_k is $f \Rightarrow g$.

We may inductively assume that t_j and t_k have already been successfully replaced by $\alpha \Rightarrow t_j$, $\alpha \Rightarrow t_k$ i.e. by $\alpha \Rightarrow f$ and $\alpha \Rightarrow (f \Rightarrow g)$. Then, the following sequence of lines will lead to $\alpha \Rightarrow g$.

$S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$	$S \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$
$t_j : f \rightsquigarrow \alpha \Rightarrow f$	
$t_k : f \Rightarrow g \rightsquigarrow \alpha \Rightarrow (f \Rightarrow g)$	
$t_i : g$	$\alpha \Rightarrow g$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} : \\ \alpha \Rightarrow f \\ : \\ \alpha \Rightarrow (f \Rightarrow g) \end{array} \right]$$

$(\alpha \Rightarrow (f \Rightarrow g)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow f) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow g))$ Axiom
 $(\alpha \Rightarrow f) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow g)$ Modus ponens.
 $\alpha \Rightarrow g$ Modus ponens.

In each of the cases, we have shown how we can replace ℓ_i by $\alpha \Rightarrow \ell_i$. So, in the proof of β from $S \cup \{\alpha\}$, we may replace each line ℓ_i by $\alpha \Rightarrow \ell_i$, "without using α as a hypothesis".

In particular, the last line $\ell_m : \beta$ may be successfully replaced by $\alpha \Rightarrow \ell_m$ i.e. $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$. So, the above argument shows that there is a proof of $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ from S . i.e. $S \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ as required.

This concludes the proof of the theorem \square .

Let's see some examples of how this result may be used. Earlier, we gave a direct proof of $\{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \beta \Rightarrow \gamma\} \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma)$. By Deduction Theorem, it suffices to show that

$$\{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \beta \Rightarrow \gamma, \alpha\} \vdash \gamma$$

as we do below:

1. $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ hypothesis
2. $\beta \Rightarrow \gamma$ hypothesis
3. α hypothesis
4. β Modus ponens on lines 1,3.
5. γ Modus ponens on lines 2,4.

Let's now use the Deduction Theorem to show that $\vdash (\gamma \Rightarrow \alpha)$.

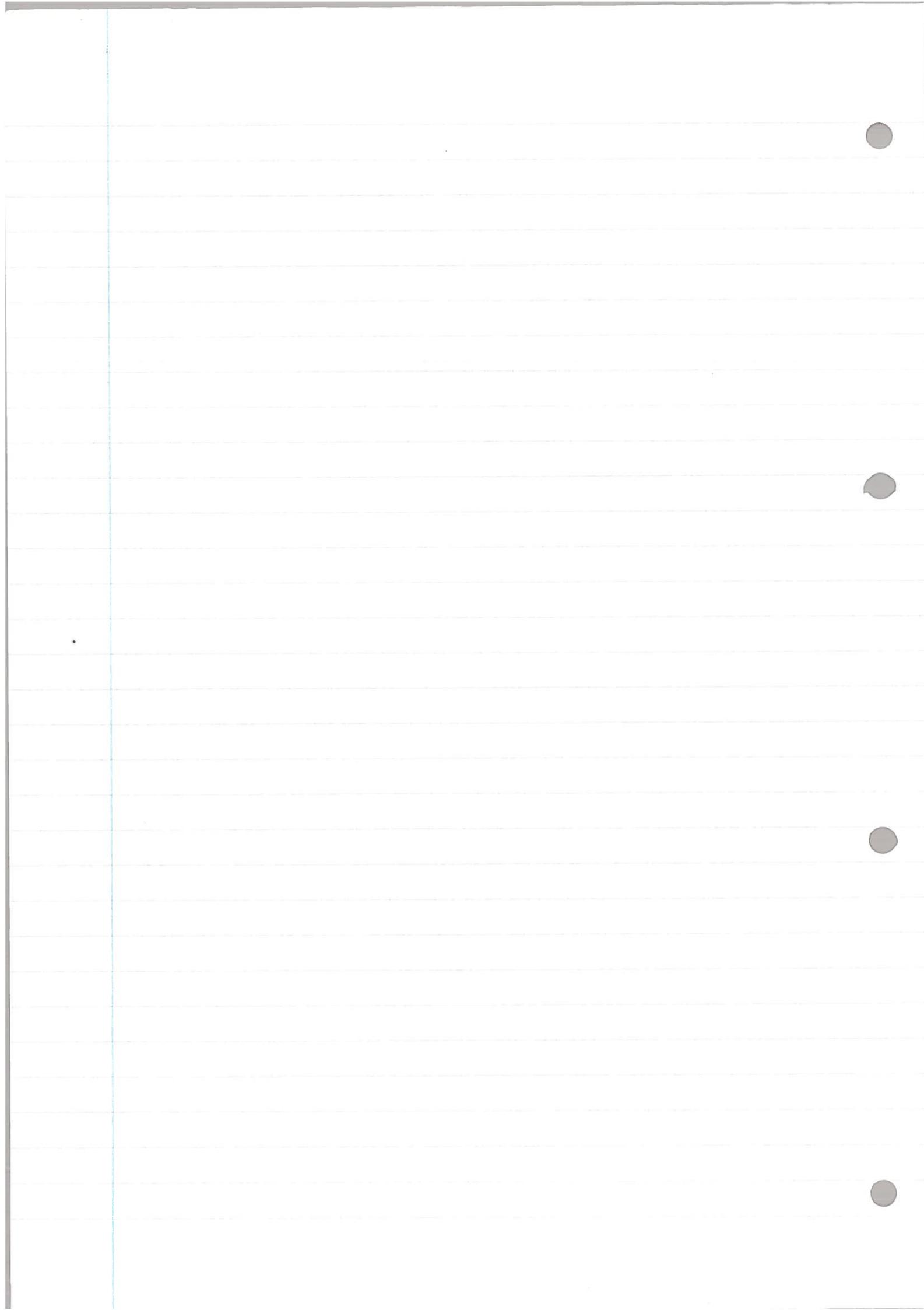
Note: In the proofs that follow, we will sometimes assume the validity of theorems already shown.

By the Deduction Theorem, it suffices to prove:
 $\{\neg\neg\alpha\} \vdash \alpha$.

We give a proof below:

1. $\neg\neg\alpha$
2. $(\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \neg\neg\alpha) \Rightarrow ((\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \neg\alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha)$ hypothesis Axiom 3
3. $\neg\alpha \Rightarrow (\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \neg\neg\alpha)$ Axiom 1.
4. $(\neg\alpha) \Rightarrow (\neg\neg\alpha)$ Modus ponens on lines 1, 3.

Reading week exercise $\vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \neg\neg\alpha)$.



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Note : In the proofs that follows, we will be able to assume the validity of theorems that we have already shown, and use them in proofs, we will justify these as "theorems".

Similarly, in general, if we have already shown that $S \vdash \alpha$ (for $S \subseteq L_0$, $\alpha \in L_0$) then we may write down α in any proof that includes the elements of S as hypothesis and may write "assumed" to justify the use of such an α .

Such a convention works, essentially due to this result :

Proposition : Let $S \subseteq L_0$ and $\alpha \in L_0$. Then, if $S \vdash \alpha$, for any $\beta \in L_0$

$$S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta \text{ if and only if } S \vdash \beta.$$

Proof : Let's first suppose that $S \vdash \beta$. Then any proof of β from $S \cup \{\alpha\}$, i.e $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$ as required.

Now suppose that $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$, and consider a proof of β from $S \cup \{\alpha\}$.

Since $S \vdash \alpha$, we may simply replace any occurrence of α in the above proof by a proof of α from S .

This gives a proof of β which does not use α as a hypothesis, i.e. it gives a proof of β from S . So $S \vdash \beta$ as required

□.

Let's now give proofs of some theorems, using the Deduction Theorems.

$\vdash (\neg \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha$ By the Deduction Theorem, it is enough to show that $\{\neg \neg \alpha\} \vdash \alpha$, and we do so below:

1. $\neg \neg \alpha$ hypothesis
2. $(\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow ((\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha)$ Axiom 3
3. $(\neg \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow (\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \neg \alpha)$ Axiom 1
4. $(\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \neg \alpha)$ Modus ponens on lines 1,3
5. $(\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha$ Modus ponens on lines 3,4 "theorem"
6. $\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \alpha$
7. α Modus ponens on lines 5,6

$\vdash \alpha \Rightarrow (\neg \neg \alpha)$ By the Deduction Theorem, it is enough to show that $\{\alpha\} \vdash (\neg \neg \alpha)$ and we do so below:

1. α hypothesis
2. $(\neg \neg \neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow ((\neg \neg \neg \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha) \Rightarrow \neg \neg \alpha)$ Axiom 3
3. $(\neg \neg \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow (\neg \alpha)$ "theorem"
4. $(\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \neg \neg \alpha$ Modus ponens on lines 2,3
5. $\alpha \Rightarrow (\neg \neg \neg \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha)$ Axiom 1
6. $\neg \neg \neg \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$ Modus ponens on lines 1,5
7. $\neg \neg \alpha$ Modus ponens on lines 4,6.

$\vdash \neg\alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$: By the Deduction theorem, it suffices to prove $\{\neg\alpha\} \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$. By another use of the Deduction theorem, it suffices to prove $\{\neg\alpha, \alpha\} \vdash \beta$ and we do so below. :

1. α hypothesis
2. $\neg\alpha$ hypothesis.
3. $(\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha) \Rightarrow ((\neg\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta)$ Axiom 3.
4. $\neg\alpha \Rightarrow (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha)$ Axiom 1.
5. $(\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha)$ Modus ponens on lines 2,4
6. $((\neg\beta \Rightarrow \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta)$ Modus ponens on lines 3, 5.
7. $\alpha \Rightarrow (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ Axiom 1.
8. $(\neg\beta) \Rightarrow \alpha$ Modus ponens on lines 1, 7
9. $\neg\alpha$ Modus ponens on lines 6, 8.

Let's complete this section by noting that a result similar to the Deduction Theorem holds for semantic implication(s) :

Proposition : let $S \subseteq \mathcal{I}_o$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{I}_o$. Then :

$$S \models (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \text{ if and only if } S \cup \{\alpha\} \models \beta.$$

Proof : We prove the direction separately :

Suppose that $S \models (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

Then, for any valuation v s.t. $v(\alpha) = 1$ for all $s \in S$, it must be the case that $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$

Consider a valuation v s.t. $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$ and $v(\alpha) = 1$.

Then, since $S \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ by assumption, we may deduce that $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$. So, since $v(\alpha) = 1$ and $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$, it must be the case that $v(\beta) = 1$. (by the definition of a valuation: if $v(\beta) = 0$, then $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 0$.) So, for such a valuation, v , satisfying $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$ and $v(\alpha) = 1$, it must be the case that $v(\beta) = 1$. Therefore, $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$, as required.

Let's now suppose that $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$. Then, for any valuation v such that $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$ and $v(\alpha) = 1$, we have $v(\beta) = 1$. Consider a valuation v st $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$. We consider the two cases for $v(\alpha)$.

1) $v(\alpha) = 1$: then, since $v(s) = 1 \forall s \in S$ and $v(\alpha) = 1$, we deduce that $v(\beta) = 1$, by assumption.

Then, since $v(\alpha) = 1$ and $v(\beta) = 1$: $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$ as required.

2) $v(\alpha) = 0$: Then, by the definition of a valuation $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 0$ (irrespective of the value of $v(\beta)$).

In either case $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$ so $S \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$, as required.

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The last result, together with the Deduction theorem, suggest a deep and underlying connection between the semantic and syntactic implication, which

we study in the next section (coming up... now).

Completeness Theorem for propositional logic:

Here, we will try to show that semantic and syntactic implication are equivalent, in sense that, for $S \subseteq \mathcal{L}_0$ and $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}_0$:

$$S \models \alpha \text{ if and only if } S' \vdash \alpha \quad \xleftarrow{\text{Completeness theorem}}$$

Let's start by proving one direction of this result, let's show that our proofs are "sound".

Soundness theorem for propositional logic: Let $S \subseteq \mathcal{L}_0$, and $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}_0$.

If $S \vdash \alpha$ then $S \models \alpha$.

Proof: Suppose that $S \vdash \alpha$, i.e. that there exists a finite sequence of propositions t_1, \dots, t_n say such that t_n is α , and each proposition t_i , $1 \leq i \leq n$, is either an axiom or a hypothesis (an element of S') or deduced by modus ponens on two earlier lines.

Consider a valuation v s.t. $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S'$. We will show that $v(\alpha) = 1$, by showing that $v(t_i) = 1$ for every t_i ($1 \leq i \leq n$).

There are three cases to consider:

1) t_i is an axiom: all our axioms are tautologies, so, by definition, $v(t_i) = 1$ in these case (for any valuation v).

2) t_i is a hypothesis, i.e. $t_i \in S$: $v(t_i) = 1$ by assumption ($v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$).

3) t_i is deduced by modus ponens on two earlier lines, t_j and t_k say ($j, k < i$).

So, t_i is some proposition S

$$\begin{array}{c} t_j \\ \hline t_k \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdash \\ \hline \vdash \Rightarrow S \end{array}$$

We may inductively assume that we have already shown that $v(t_j) = v(\gamma) = 1$ and $v(t_k) = v(\delta \Rightarrow \gamma) = 1$. (since t_j, t_k are "earlier lines".)

Then, by definition of a valuation, it must be the case that $v(\gamma) = 1$, i.e. $v(t_i) = 1$, as required. So either case, $v(t_i) = 1$. So $v(t_i) = 1$ for each $1 \leq i \leq n$. In particular, $v(t_n) = v(\alpha) = 1$, so $S \models \alpha$.

□.

The other direction of the Completeness Theorem is a bit more "tricky"; possibly (partly) due to the following reasons...

1) The set S may be infinite and yet we still have

to "boil down" $S \vdash d$ to a proof, a finite sequence of lines.

2) Our proofs only use three (types of) axioms; not all tautologies are axioms.

Let's assume that S is finite and that all tautologies are axioms (i.e. if $\vdash J$, then J is an axiom, so $\vdash J$).

Then, it would be relatively easy to show that $S \vdash \alpha$ if $S \vdash \alpha$. Say $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$.

Then, since $S \vdash \alpha$: $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\} \vdash \alpha$. } Using
 $\{s_2, \dots, s_n\} \vdash (s_1 \Rightarrow \alpha)$ } earlier
 $\{s_3, \dots, s_n\} \vdash s_2 \Rightarrow (s_1 \Rightarrow \alpha)$ } proposition
:
 $\vdash s_n \Rightarrow ((s_{n-1} \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow (s_1 \Rightarrow \alpha)))$
 $\vdash s_n \Rightarrow ((s_{n-1} \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow (s_1 \Rightarrow \alpha)))$

Since we assume all tautologies are axioms.

$\{s_n\} \vdash s_{n-1} \vdash (\dots \Rightarrow (s_1 \Rightarrow \alpha))$ } by the
 $\{s_n, s_{n-1}\} \vdash s_{n-2} \Rightarrow \dots$ } Deduction theorem,
 $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\} \vdash \alpha$

$S \vdash \alpha$



But, we cannot "make the assumptions given above here, so we not try to give a general of "If $S \vdash \alpha$ then $S' \vdash \alpha$ ".

A key idea is that of consistency:

• A set of proposition S ($S \subseteq I_0$) is consistent if there is no proposition $\alpha (\in I_0)$ such that $S \vdash \alpha$ and $S \vdash (\neg \alpha)$.

(Crucially, if a set is consistent we may extend it indefinitely to a (larger) consistent set:

Proposition: Let S' be a consistent set of proposition then for any $\alpha \in I_0$, at least one of $S' \cup \{\alpha\}$, $S' \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$ is consistent.

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From last time: A set of propositions S is consistent if there is no proposition α such that $S \vdash \alpha$ and $S \vdash \neg \alpha$. Let's now show that we may "extend" consistent sets indefinitely:

Proposition: Suppose that a set of propositions $(S \subseteq \mathcal{L}_0)$ is consistent. Then, for any proposition α , at least one of $S \cup \{\alpha\}$, $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$ is consistent.

Proof: Consider $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}_0$, and consider $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$. Then if $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$ is consistent, we are done.

Suppose that $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$ is not consistent, i.e. there is some proposition β such that $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\} \vdash \beta$ and $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\} \vdash (\neg \beta)$.

We will show that, in this case, $S \cup \{\alpha\}$ is consistent, by showing that " $S \cup \{\alpha\}$ proves the same thing as S ".

Since $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\} \vdash \beta$ and $S \cup \{\neg \alpha\} \vdash \neg \beta$, we may use the Deduction Theorem to deduce that $S \vdash (\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta$ and $S \vdash (\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow (\neg \beta)$.

respectively. Then $S \vdash \alpha$ using the following argument/proof:

$$(\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta$$

$$(\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \neg \beta$$

$$((\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \neg \beta) \Rightarrow ((\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow (\neg \beta)) \Rightarrow \alpha$$

$$((\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha$$

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So, $S \vdash \alpha$.

"assumed" $S \vdash (\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta$

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Since $S \vdash \alpha$, we may deduce (as shown earlier) that, for any $\beta : S \vdash \beta$ if and only if $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$. Therefore, $S \cup \{\alpha\}$ inherits consistency from S .

If $S \cup \{\alpha\}$ were inconsistent, then, for some $\beta \in L_0$, $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$ and $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \neg \beta$. Then $S \vdash \beta$ and $S \vdash (\beta \wedge \neg \beta)$; this is a contradiction, since S is consistent. \square

We will use this result in the proof of the "main result" that will lead us to the Completeness Theorem:

Theorem: Let S' be a set of propositions: If S' is consistent, then S' has a model.

Proof: Suppose S' is consistent set. We will try to define a valuation $v : L_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ such that v is a model of S' , i.e. such that $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S'$. Let's try to construct such a function.

We start by setting $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S'$ and try to extend this function defined for any proposition in L_0 .

Note that, as mentioned earlier L_0 is countable, so we may "list" the elements of L_0 , say: $L_0 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n, \dots\}$.

Consider α_1 : By the previous result, at least one of $S' \cup \{\alpha_1\}$ and $S' \cup \{\neg \alpha_1\}$ is consistent (since S' is consistent).

If $S \cup \{\alpha_1\}$ is consistent, then set $S_1 = S \cup \{\alpha_1\}$.
and set $v(\alpha_1) = 1$, $v(\neg \alpha_1) = 0$. Otherwise, $S \cup \{\neg \alpha_1\}$
is consistent, then set $S_1 = S \cup \{\neg \alpha_1\}$ and set $v(\alpha_1) = 0$,
 $v(\neg \alpha_1) = 1$.

In either case, S_1 is consistent.

Consider α_2 . Since S_1 is consistent, $S_1 \cup \{\alpha_2\}$ or
 $S_1 \cup \{\neg \alpha_2\}$ is consistent.

If $S_1 \cup \{\alpha_2\}$ is consistent, then set $S_2 = S_1 \cup \{\alpha_2\}$
and set $v(\alpha_2) = 1$, $v(\neg \alpha_2) = 0$.

Otherwise, set $S_2 = S_1 \cup \{\neg \alpha_2\}$ and $v(\neg \alpha_2) = 1$,
 $v(\alpha_2) = 0$. In either case, S_2 is consistent.

We may proceed similarly to obtain a consistent
 S_n , for any n . Note that $S \subset S_1 \subset S_2 \subset S_3 \subset \dots \subset S_n \subset \dots$

Consider the "infinite union" $\bar{S} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} S_n$

By construction, \bar{S} contains either α or $\neg \alpha$, for
any proposition α .

Let's show that \bar{S} is consistent. Suppose not. If
 \bar{S} is inconsistent, then, for some $\beta \in \mathcal{L}$: $\bar{S} \vdash \beta$
and $\bar{S} \vdash (\neg \beta)$. Since proofs are finite, proofs of β and
 $\neg \beta$ from \bar{S} will use only finitely many propositions from
 \bar{S} .

As a result, if $\bar{S} \vdash \beta$, and $\bar{S} \vdash (\neg \beta)$, there must

be natural numbers m, n such that $S \vdash \beta$ and $S_n \vdash (\gamma\beta)$ there must be natural numbers m, n such that $S_m \vdash \beta$ and $S_n \vdash (\gamma\beta)$.

Then, for some large enough number k (e.g. $k = \text{maximum of } m \text{ and } n$)

$$S_k \vdash (\beta) \text{ and } S_k \vdash (\gamma\beta).$$

Then S_k is inconsistent, but this contradicts the consistency of S_k , for any k . So, \bar{S} is a consistent set

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Also, \bar{S} is deductively closed, i.e. if $\bar{S} \vdash \beta$ then $\beta \in \bar{S}$ (for any $\beta \in L_0$). Let's show this! Suppose not; suppose there is a $\beta \in L_0$ such that $\bar{S} \vdash \beta$, but $\beta \notin \bar{S}$. Then, since \bar{S} contains either α or $\gamma\alpha$ (for any $\alpha \in L_0$), \bar{S} must contain $(\gamma\beta)$, i.e. $\gamma\beta \in \bar{S}$. As a result, $\bar{S} \vdash \gamma\beta$, i.e. $\bar{S} \vdash \beta$ and $\bar{S} \vdash (\gamma\beta)$. i.e. \bar{S} is inconsistent. This contradicts the consistency of S ! S is deductively closed.

is a Theorem.

So $\bar{S} \vdash (\neg x) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

By modus ponens $\bar{S} \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

So, $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta \in \bar{S}$ (since \bar{S} is deductively closed).
i.e $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$ as required.

→ Finally, suppose that $v(\alpha) = 1, v(\beta) = 0$. We need to show that $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 0$, and we argue by contradiction.

Suppose that $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$. Then $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta \in \bar{S}$. So $\bar{S} \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$.
Also, since $v(\alpha) = 1, \alpha \in \bar{S}$. So $\bar{S} \vdash \alpha$.

Then, using modus ponens, $\bar{S} \vdash \beta$ i.e $\beta \in \bar{S}$ (since \bar{S} is deductively closed). So $v(\beta) = 1$.

This contradicts assumption that $v(\beta) = 0$.

So it must be the case that $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 0$. So, our function $v: \mathbb{L}_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is a valuation.

Also, by construction, $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$.

So, as required, v is a model of S . \square

The above result plays an important role in the proof of:

Adequacy Theorem: Let $S \subset \mathbb{L}_0$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{L}_0$: If $S \models \alpha$ then $S \vdash \alpha$.

Proof: We assume that $S \models \alpha$, i.e. that for any valuation v such that $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$, it must be the case that $v(\alpha) = 1$ (i.e. that $v(\neg\alpha) = 0$).

In other words: there is no valuation $v : L_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ such that $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$ and $v(\neg\alpha) = 1$.

So $S \cup \{\neg\alpha\}$ does not have a model.

Therefore, using the previous theorem, we deduce that $S \cup \{\neg\alpha\}$ is inconsistent.

So, for some $\beta \in L_0$: $S \cup \{\neg\alpha\} \vdash \beta$ and $S \cup \{\neg\alpha\} \vdash (\neg\beta)$.

Hence, by the Deduction Theorem: $S \vdash (\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ and $S \vdash (\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \neg\beta)$. Then, we can show $S \vdash \alpha$ using the following argument.

$$\neg\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta) \quad (\text{assumed})$$

$$(\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \neg\beta) \quad (\text{assumed})$$

$$((\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \neg\beta)) \Rightarrow ((\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha) \quad \text{Axiom 3.}$$

$$(\neg\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha \quad \text{Modus Ponens}$$

$$\alpha \quad \text{Modus Ponens.}$$

So, we have shown that (if $S \models \alpha$ then) $S \vdash \alpha$, as required. \square

By combining the Soundness and Adequacy Theorems, (for propositional logic), we obtain the Completeness Theorem:

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Theorem: If $S \subset L_0$ is consistent, then S has a model.

Proof so far (in brief): Try to construct valuation $v: L_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ satisfying $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$.

We construct(ed) function $v: L_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ inductively.

- $v(s) = 1$ for all $s \in S$ | $L_0 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$
- $v(\alpha_i) = 1, v(\neg \alpha_i)$ if $S \cup \{\alpha_i\} \models S$
- $v(\alpha_i) = 0, v(\neg \alpha_i) = 1$ otherwise (if $S \cup \{\alpha_i\}$ consistent)

$v(\alpha_{n+1}) = 1, v(\alpha_{n+1}) = 0$ if $S_n \cup \{\alpha_{n+1}\}$ consistent $v(\alpha_{n+1}) = 0, v(\alpha_{n+1}) = 1$ otherwise

Define function $v: L_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ this way and also obtained a "really big" consistent set $\bar{S} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} S_n$

\bar{S} is consistent

\bar{S} is deductively closed (If $\bar{S} \vdash \alpha$ then $\alpha \in \bar{S}$)

Let's now complete the above proof:

It remains to check that a function $v: L_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
 $v: L \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is a (well-defined) valuation
 (that models S').

- Let's check that, for any $\alpha \in L_0$
 $v(\neg \alpha) = 1$, if $v(\alpha) = 0$ and $v(\neg \alpha) = 0$ if $v(\alpha) = 1$.

This is ensured by construction of v .

- We also need to verify that, for any $\alpha, \beta \in L_0$:

$$v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 0 \text{ if } v(\alpha) = 1 \text{ and } v(\beta) = 0.$$

$$v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

Let's verify this

→ Suppose $v(\beta) = 1$. Then, by construction: $\beta \in \bar{S'}$.
 So, $\bar{S} \vdash \beta$.

Now, note that $\beta \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ is an axiom
 so $\bar{S} \vdash \beta \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

By modus ponens: $\bar{S} \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

Since \bar{S}' is deductively closed: $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta \in \bar{S}'$
 So $v(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) = 1$ as required.

→ Suppose that $v(\alpha) = 0$. Then, $v(\neg \alpha) = 1$. So $\neg \alpha \in \bar{S}'$
 Then $\bar{S} \vdash (\neg \alpha)$.

Now, note that (as shown earlier): $\neg \alpha \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$

Completeness Theorem for propositional logic.

Let S' be a set of propositions ($S' \subseteq \mathcal{L}_0$) and α be a proposition ($\alpha \in \mathcal{L}_0$). Then

$$S' \models \alpha \text{ if and only if } S' \vdash \alpha$$

We complete this chapter with two consequences of the Completeness Theorem:

Compactness Theorem for propositional logic

Suppose that $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}_0$, and that S' is a (possibly infinite) set of propositions such that $S' \models \alpha$.

Then, there exist a finite subset of S' , S' say, such that $S' \models \alpha$

Proof: Suppose $S' \models \alpha$. Then, by the Completeness Theorem $S' \vdash \alpha$.

But a proof is a finite sequence of propositions, and so a proof of α from S' uses only finitely many hypotheses from S' .

i.e there is a finite subset of S' , S' say - such that $S' \vdash \alpha$.

So, by the Completeness Theorem, it must be the case that $S' \models \alpha$ (and S' is finite).

Decidability Theorem for propositional logic.

Given a finite set of proposition S' and any propositional α , there is an algorithm that (in a finite number of steps), decides whether or not $S' \vdash \alpha$.

Proof: By the Completeness Theorem, deciding if $S' \vdash \alpha$ is equivalent to deciding if $S \models \alpha$.

We may decide this by using a finite truth table or a semantic tableau that necessarily ends in a finite number of steps (since α , as a proposition, is made up of finitely many primitive propositions, and S' is finite). \square

Chapter 3: First order predicate logic.

In this chapter, we will study the notions of "truth" and "proof" in the general setting of first order predicate logic.

So, we will now deal with formulae, which may includes:

- variables
- the " \forall " symbol.
- any predicate of any given arity
- any functional of any given arity.

Semantic aspects of first order predicate logic.

In chapter 2, it was possible to "easily" define a valuation on all propositions.

Here, some formulae cannot be interpreted as true or false, e.g. if F is a unary "squaring" functional then Fx ($= \dots "x^2"$) is simply an expression.

Furthermore, some formulae may be true and false, in different cases. e.g. statement: "for some binary functional F , with identity E , every element has an inverse".

$$(\forall x)(\exists y) ((F_{xy} = E) \wedge (F_{yx} = E))$$

Then:

If we work in $\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, and F represents addition,
 $E \rightarrow$ zero

then the statement is false.

If we work with \mathbb{Z} , and $F \rightarrow$ addition
 $E \rightarrow$ zero.

then the statement is true.

If we work with \mathbb{Z} , and $F \rightarrow$ multiplication
 $E \rightarrow$ one.

then the statement is false.

So, we need some "structure", like \mathbb{N} or \mathbb{Z} above, to "interpret" formulae:

Definition: Let Π and Σ be given sets of predicates and functionals respectively. Then an $\mathcal{L}(\Pi, \Sigma)$ -structure consists of:

- 1) a non-empty set U .
- 2) for each n -ary predicate P , an n -ary relation on U P_U .
- 3) for each n -ary functional F , an n -ary function F_U on U (F_U is a function from U^n to U).

Notes:

- 1) We often write " U is an $\mathcal{L}(\Pi, \Sigma)$ -structure" if U is the non-empty mentioned above.
- 2) In many cases in this chapter (except towards the end), U will be a countable set, so that it "fits in" with our countable language (from chapter 1)

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Let's now move towards "interpreting" formulae in given structure.

We first try to use variables unambiguously!

Definition(s): An occurrence of a variable x in a formula is free if the " x " is not within the scope of a " $\forall x$ ".

If the " x " is within the scope, the occurrence is bound (the " x " in " $\forall x$ " is also said to be bound). e.g. if x, y are variables. P unary predicate, Q binary predicate.

$\forall x P x$

↓
bound

$\forall x Q x y$

↓
bound

↓
free

$\forall x Q x x$

↓
bound

$(\forall x P x) \vee Q x y$

↓
bound

↓
free

↓
free

A hopefully more familiar example is:

Free
↓

$\int_0^x f(x) dx$

↓
bound

more "properly"
written as

$\int_0^x f(t) dt$.

From now on, we may assume that all our formulae are clean: i.e. that in a given formula, we cannot have both bound and free occurrences of the same variables.

(we may achieve this by renaming the bound occurrences of a variable, without changing "meaning").

Using this convention, we may define a sentence as a formula with no free (occurrence of) variables.

Sentences, as we "will see, may always be interpreted as "true" or "false".

Let's now consider some "things" that will take "values" when we interpret them:

The set of terms in a given first order predicate language is defined inductively as follows:

- 1) Each variable symbol. is a term
- 2) Each 0-ary functional is a terms.
- 3) For each n -ary functional F , and terms $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$, $F\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ is a term.

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sentence: a formula containing no free variables.

e.g. $(\forall x)(x \geq 1)$ is a sentence } for a binary predicate " \geq "
 $(\forall x)(x \geq y)$ is not a sentence } and variables x, y
 $(\forall x)(\forall y)(x \geq y)$ is a sentence } 0-ary functional "1".

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Some other key definitions:

• The set of terms is defined inductively as follows:

- 1) Every variable is a term.
- 2) Every 0-ary functional symbol is a term.
- 3) If F is an n -ary functional symbol, and t_1, \dots, t_n are terms then Ft_1, \dots, t_n is a term.

(t is a binary functional)

e.g. if $\bar{0}, \bar{1}$ are 0-ary functionals, and x, y are variables, then $x, y, \bar{0}, \bar{1}, x+1, y+\bar{0}, (x+y)+1, (x+y)+y, xy, ltl$ are terms.

Closed terms, are terms containing no variables:

e.g. in the example above, $\bar{0}, \bar{1}, ltl$ are closed terms.

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Using these ideas, we may now define the equivalent of a "valuation" for first order predicate logic:

Definition: Let $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ be a given first order predicate language, and \mathcal{V} be an $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ -structure.

Then, the interpretation of (some) strings in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ is defined as follows:

1) Let F be an n -ary functional, and t_1, \dots, t_n be closed terms. Then, the interpretation of $F(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ is $F_{\mathcal{V}}((t_1)_{\mathcal{V}}, \dots, (t_n)_{\mathcal{V}}) \in \mathcal{V}$

2) Let P be an n -ary predicate symbol and t_1, \dots, t_n be closed terms. Then, the interpretation of $P(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ is $[P(t_1, \dots, t_n)]_{\mathcal{V}}$ and

$$[P(t_1, \dots, t_n)]_{\mathcal{V}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } P_{\mathcal{V}}((t_1)_{\mathcal{V}}, \dots, (t_n)_{\mathcal{V}}) \text{ holds in } \mathcal{V} \\ 0 & \text{if } P_{\mathcal{V}}((t_1)_{\mathcal{V}}, \dots, (t_n)_{\mathcal{V}}) \text{ does not hold in } \mathcal{V}. \end{cases}$$

3) If α is a sentence with interpretation 1, i.e. if $\alpha_{\mathcal{V}} = 1$ then $\neg\alpha$ is interpreted as 0, and vice versa. So $(\neg\alpha)_{\mathcal{V}} = 0$ if $(\alpha)_{\mathcal{V}} = 1$ and $(\neg\alpha)_{\mathcal{V}} = 1$ if $(\alpha)_{\mathcal{V}} = 0$.

4) If α, β are sentences with interpretations $\alpha_{\mathcal{V}}, \beta_{\mathcal{V}}$ then

$$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)_{\mathcal{V}} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \alpha_{\mathcal{V}} = 1 \text{ and } \beta_{\mathcal{V}} = 0. \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

5) If $(\forall x)\alpha$ is a sentence, then the interpretation $((\forall x)\alpha)_{\mathcal{V}}$ is defined as follows. Define a 0-ary predicate \bar{u} for each u in \mathcal{V} ($\bar{u}_{\mathcal{V}} = u$)

(*)

Examples: Let $\Pi = \Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, $\mathcal{U} = \{+, 0, 1\}$, x, y variables
 binary binary 0-ary

Consider $(1+1)_0$ if $\mathcal{U} = \mathbb{N}$: $(1+1)_{\mathbb{N}} = l_{\mathbb{N}} + r_{\mathbb{N}} l_{\mathbb{N}} \dots$ $\boxed{2_{\mathbb{N}}}$

If $\mathcal{U} = \mathbb{Z}_2$: $(1+1)_{\mathbb{Z}_2} = l_{\mathbb{Z}_2} + r_{\mathbb{Z}_2} l_{\mathbb{Z}_2} \dots$ $\boxed{0_{\mathbb{Z}_2}}$
 integers modulo 2

Consider $(1+1=0)_0$ if $\mathcal{U} = \mathbb{N}$: $(1+1=0) = 0$ "i.e. $(1+1=0)_{\mathbb{N}}$ is false"

Look at $l_{\mathbb{N}} + r_{\mathbb{N}} l_{\mathbb{N}} =_{\mathbb{N}} 0_{\mathbb{N}}$ does not hold

If $\mathcal{U} = \mathbb{Z}_2$: $(1+1=0)_{\mathbb{Z}_2} = 1$

$l_{\mathbb{Z}_2} + r_{\mathbb{Z}_2} l_{\mathbb{Z}_2} =_{\mathbb{Z}_2} 0_{\mathbb{Z}_2}$ does hold

then $((1+1=0))_{\mathbb{N}} = 1$
 $((1+1=0))_{\mathbb{Z}_2} = 0$.

$((\forall x)(x \geq 1))_0$. Substitute every $u \in \mathcal{U}$ for x into " $x \geq 1$ " and check if " $x \geq 1$ " is true.

Notation: If α is a formula, $\alpha[t/x]$ is a formula obtained by replacing every (free) occurrence of x in α by t . (t may be any term).

Let α be $x \geq 1$ then:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \alpha[y/x] \text{ is } & y \geq 1 \\
 \alpha[\bar{o}/x] \text{ is } & o \geq 1 \\
 \alpha[1/x] \text{ is } & 1 \geq 1
 \end{array}$$

(*) Then if $\alpha[\bar{i}/x]$ holds for each i in V then we say that

$(\forall x)_\alpha$ is true $[(\forall x)_\alpha]_v = 1$

Otherwise

$(\forall x)_\alpha$ is false $[(\forall x)_\alpha]_v = 0$.

e.g. $[(\forall x)(x \geq 1)]_{\bar{N}} = 1$ $(\bar{i} \geq 1)_o$ holds $(\bar{2} \geq 1)_o$ holds, $(\bar{3} \geq 1)_o$ holds, ...

$[(\forall x)(x \geq 1)]_{\bar{Z}} = 0$ e.g. consider $\bar{-2}$ s.t. $-\bar{2}_Z = -2$ ↗
 $(-\bar{2} \geq 1)_{\bar{Z}}$ does not hold

the actual integer -2

Notes: Not all strings have interpretations
e.g. for a variable x , 0-any functional \bar{T} , binary functional " $+$ ".

$\bar{x}, \bar{x} + \bar{1}$ have no interpretation

2) In part (5) of the above definition, we needed to define a 0-ary functional \bar{u} for each $u \in U$. Technically, since our "language is countable", we should only be able to achieve this if the set U is countable.

Consider $\alpha \in L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ and an $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ -structure \mathcal{V} .

Then if $\alpha_0 = 1$ then we say that α is true in \mathcal{V} or that α holds in \mathcal{V} .

or that \mathcal{V} is a model of α
 \mathcal{V} models α .

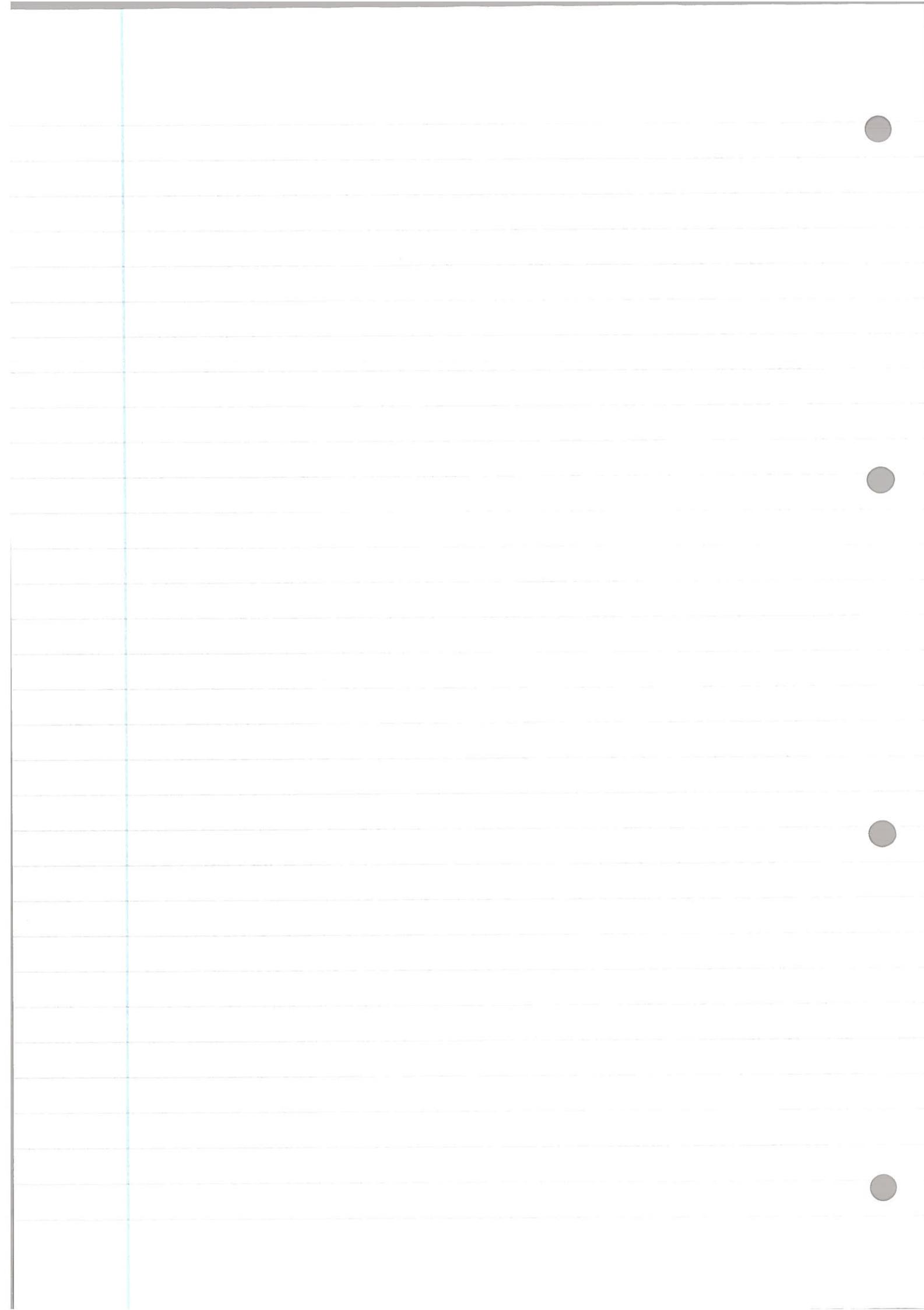
Similarly, if for a set of formulae S , $(s)_0 = 1$ for all $s \in S$ then S holds in \mathcal{V} (S is true in \mathcal{V}) or, equivalently, \mathcal{V} is a model of S .

Let's now apply these constructions/use these ideas in specific mathematical systems:

Definition: A theory T in a specified $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ first order predicate language is a set of sentences in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$.

A theory consists of the set of rules that we use to define mathematical objects.

See this next time.



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A sentence is a formula that does not contain free variables. Given a (specified) first order predicate language $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ a theory (in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$) is a set of sentences in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$.

Consider a sentence α in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$. If, for some $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ -structure V , $\alpha_V = 1$ (i.e if the interpretation of α is 1 in V), we say that α is true in V , or, equivalently, that α holds in V .

If, for some theory T , $\alpha_V = 1$ for each $\alpha \in T$, then we say that T holds in V .

Equivalently if $\alpha_V = 1$ we say that V is a model of α (V models α)

$\alpha_V = 1$ if $\alpha_V = 1$ for all $\alpha \in T$, we say that V is a model of T (V models T).

e.g. \mathbb{N} is a model for " $(\forall x)(x \geq 1)$ "

\mathbb{Z} is not a model for/of " $(\forall x)(x \geq 1)$ "

Examples of theories

We first note that for theories including the equality predicate " $=$ ", we will always add some sentences that describe some of the main properties of equality:

1) $(\forall x)(x = x)$ Reflexivity

2) $(\forall x)(\forall y)((x = y) \Rightarrow (y = x))$ Symmetry

$$3) (\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x=y) \wedge (y=z)) \Rightarrow (x=z))$$

transitivity.

If other predicates and functionals are present, which have positive arities, we will also include some substitutivity properties:

e.g.: Suppose a theory includes the binary predicates " \geq " and the binary functional "+" together with equality. Then we will use the following sentences.

$$(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x=y) \Rightarrow ((x \geq z) \Rightarrow (y \geq z)))$$

$$(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x=y) \Rightarrow ((z \geq x) \Rightarrow (z \geq y)))$$

$$(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x=y) = ((z+x) = (z+y)))$$

1) Theory of groups: Let $\Pi = \{=\}$ and $\Sigma = \{\circ, E\}$
 where " $=$ " has arity 2
 " \circ " has arity 2
 " E " has arity 0

Then, the following theory has all groups as models:

- $(\forall x)((x \cdot E) = x) \wedge ((E \cdot x) = x))$
 - $(\forall x)(\exists y)((x \cdot y) = E) \wedge ((y \cdot x) = E))$
 - $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x \cdot y) \cdot z) = (x \cdot (y \cdot z)))$
 - $(\forall x)(x = x)$
 - $(\forall x)(\forall y)((x = y) \Rightarrow (y = x))$
 - $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x = y) \wedge (y = z)) \Rightarrow (x = z))$
 - $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x = y) \Rightarrow ((x \cdot z) = (y \cdot z)))$
 - $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x = y) \Rightarrow ((z \cdot x) = (z \cdot y)))$
- (*)

(*) Basic equality sentences

(*) Substitutivity sentences.

Possibilities problem: We usually would like equality to only identify non-distinct elements of a structure. Given a structure V , with distinct elements a and b then we do not want $a=b$ to hold.

From now on, we will assume that all our models satisfy this i.e that $a=b$ in a structure V if and only if a and b are the same element in V .

Such "nice" models are known as normal models.

Then, V is a normal model of the given theory if and only if V forms a group.

2) Theory of posets $\Pi = \{=, \leq\}$, $\mathcal{R} = \emptyset$.

- $(\forall x)(x \leq x)$
- $(\forall x)(\forall y)((((x \leq y) \wedge (y \leq x)) \Rightarrow (x = y)))$
- $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((((x \leq y) \wedge (y \leq z)) \Rightarrow (x \leq z)))$
- $(\forall x)(x = x)$
- $(\forall x)(\forall y)((x = y) \Rightarrow (y = x))$
- $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((((x = y) \wedge (y = z)) \Rightarrow (x = z)))$
- $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x = y) \Rightarrow (((x \leq z) \Rightarrow (y \leq z))))$
- $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x = y) \Rightarrow (((z \leq x) \Rightarrow (z \leq y))))$

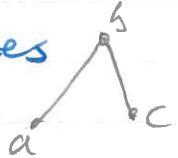
So, a structure V is a normal model of this theory if and only if V is a poset

3) A graph consists of a (non empty) set of vertices and a (possibly empty) set of edges.

An edge may connect two distinct vertices

An edge may not connect a vertex with itself.

It is not necessary for two vertices to be connected by an edge.



Let's define a theory of graphs:

$$\Pi = \{ \sim \} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{binary predicate saying} \\ \text{"}x \sim y\text{" if there is an} \\ \text{edge between } x \text{ and } y \end{array}$$

$$1) (\forall x)(\neg(x \sim x))$$

$$2) (\forall x)(\forall y)((x \sim y) \Rightarrow (y \sim x))$$

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Let's now try to make theories more specific
E.g. How can we write down a theory that models groups of order 3 (only)?

We may extend our set of functionals so that it "identifies" 3 constants: $\Pi = \{ = 3 \}$,

$$\Omega = \{ \circ, E, A, A_2 \}$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow$
arity 0

and then add the following sentences to the earlier theory of groups:

$$\cdot (\forall x)((x = E) \vee (x = A_1) \vee (x = A_2))$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cdot \neg(E = A_1) \\ \cdot \neg(E = A_2) \\ \cdot \neg(A_1 = A_2) \end{array} \right\}$$

\leftarrow Up to this point, we model all groups of order up to 3
So E, A_1, A_2 are distinct in a given structure.

So, overall, our theory models groups of order 3 (only).

$$\cdot (\neg(E = A_1)) \wedge (\neg(E = A_2)) \wedge (\neg(A_1 = A_2)).$$

Similarly, for any natural number n , we may produce theories that models all groups of order n , or of order up to n .

Can we find a theory that models all finite groups, but not any infinite groups, within a first order predicate language?

No, as we will see later on!

Syntactic aspects of first order predicate logic:
To define proofs in this setting, we use the following axioms:

Axiom 1 : $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ for all formulae α, β

Axiom 2 : $(\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)) \Rightarrow (((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma))$ for all formulae α, β, γ

Axiom 3 : $(\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \neg \beta) \Rightarrow (((\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha))$ for all formulae α, β

Axiom 4 : $(\forall x)\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha [t/x]$ for a variable x , formula α , and term t such that no free variable of t appears bound in $(\forall x)(\alpha)$.

e.g. $(\forall x)(\overbrace{x > y}^{\alpha})$

$$t = z \hookrightarrow z > y$$

$$t = z \hookrightarrow z > y.$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2}y \hookrightarrow \frac{1}{2}y > y.$$

Axiom 5. $((\forall x)(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow (\forall x)\beta)$
assuming no free occurrences of x in α .

e.g. $(\forall x)((y=1) \Rightarrow (x \geq y)) \Rightarrow (y=1) \Rightarrow (\forall x)^{(x \geq y)}$

$$(\forall x)((x > 3) \Rightarrow (x > 2)) \Rightarrow ((x > 3) \Rightarrow (\forall x)(x > 2))$$

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For all formulae α, β, γ and any variable x .

Axiom 1 $\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$

Axiom 2 $(\alpha \Rightarrow (\beta \Rightarrow \gamma)) \Rightarrow ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha \Rightarrow \gamma))$

Axiom 3 $((\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow (\neg \beta)) \Rightarrow ((\neg \alpha) \Rightarrow \beta) \Leftrightarrow \alpha$

Axiom 4 $(\forall x)\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha [t/x]$ t is a term such that no free variable in t is bound in α .

Axiom 5 $(\forall x)(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \Rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow ((\forall x)\beta)$ if α contains no free occurrences of x

Justification for the "caveats" in axioms 4 & 5
 $(\forall x)(\forall y)(x + y = y + x) \Rightarrow (\forall x)(z + y = y + z)$

Set $t = z$ and use Axiom 4.

Similarly, if \bar{z} is a 0-ary functionial, then setting $t = \bar{z}$.

$$(\forall y)(z + y = y + z)$$

Consider $(\forall x)(\exists y)(x \cdot y = E) \stackrel{\text{constant}}{\Rightarrow} (\exists x)(\bar{z} \cdot y = E)$.

$$(\forall x)(\exists y)(x \cdot y = E) \Rightarrow (\exists y)(y \cdot y = E) \times$$

not allowed, since here $t = y$, and y is bound in $\alpha = (\exists y)(x \cdot y = E)$

As for Axiom 5, consider:

$$(\forall x)(y=1 \Rightarrow x+y = x+1)$$

$$(y=1) \Rightarrow ((\forall x)(x+y = x+1)) \quad \underline{\text{allowed}}$$

However, the following is not an instance of Axiom 5

$$(\forall x)((x=0) \Rightarrow (y+x = y))$$

$$(x=0) \Rightarrow (\forall x)(y+x = y)$$

free variable

bound x's

We will also use the following rules of deduction:

1) Modus ponens: For formulae α, β : From α and $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$, we may deduce β .

2) Generalisation: From a formula α , we may deduce $(\forall x)\alpha$.

If no free occurrences of x appear in the premises/hypotheses used to obtain α

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Then, given a set of formulas S^* ($S^* \subseteq L$), and a formula α . A proof of α from S^* consist of a finite, ordered sequence of formulas t_1, \dots, t_n

say, such that t_n is α and for each t_j , ($1 \leq j \leq n$), t_j is either:

- 1) an axiom
- 2) an element of S' (a hypothesis)
- 3) deduced by modus ponens on two earlier lines i.e. for $j, k \leq i$: t_j is some formula β
 t_k is some formula $\beta \Rightarrow f$
and t_j is f .
- 4) t_j is deduced by/using generalization on an earlier line, i.e. for $j \leq i$: t_j is a formula S and t_j is the formula $(\forall x)S$.

(assuming no free occurrence of the variable x was used to obtain S)

Examples of proofs

Let T be the theory of groups, with $Tt = \{=, 3\}$ and $R = \{\circ, F\}$

Let's show that $T \vdash (y=y)$; consider the following proof:

1. $(\forall x)(x=x)$
2. $(\forall x)(x=x) \Rightarrow (y=y)$
3. $y=y$

hypothesis
Axiom 4.
Modus ponens on lines
1, 2

• Let's show that $\{T, z = E\} \vdash E = z$.

1. $(\forall x)(\forall y)((x=y) \Rightarrow (y=x))$ hypothesis
2. $(\forall x)(\forall y)((x=y) \Rightarrow (y=x)) \Rightarrow (\forall y)((z=y) \Rightarrow (y=z))$ Axiom 4
3. $(\forall y)((z=y) \Rightarrow (y=z))$ Modus ponens on lines 1, 2.
4. $(\forall y)((z=y) \Rightarrow (y=z)) \Rightarrow ((z=E) \Rightarrow (E=z))$ Axiom 4
5. $(z=E) \Rightarrow (E=z)$ Modus ponens on lines 3, 4.
6. $z = E$ hypothesis
7. $E = z$ Modus ponens on lines 5, 6.

In the first example, we may also add the line

4. $(\forall y)(y=y)$ Generalisation.

In the second example, we cannot write:

"8. $(\forall z)(E=z)$ "

This is not allowed, since a free occurrence of E appeared in our hypothesis, namely in " $z = E$ ".

We note that a result analogous to the Deduction Theorem for propositional logic holds in this setting too:

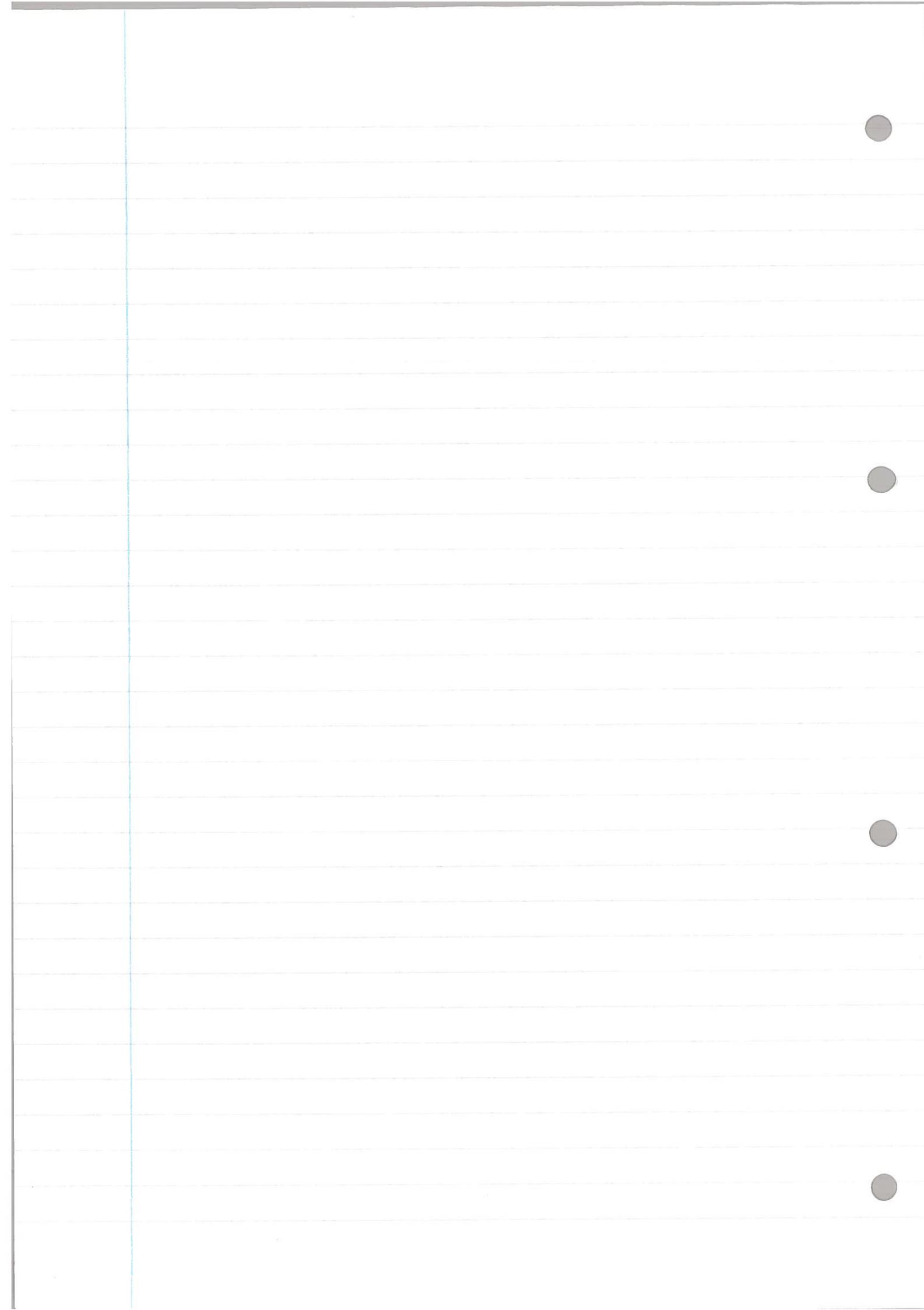
Deduction Theorem for first order predicate logic:
Given a first order predicate language $L\{\Pi, \Sigma\}$ and $S \subseteq L(\Pi, \Sigma)$, $\alpha, \beta \in L(\Pi, \Sigma)$:

$S \vdash (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ if and only if $S \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$

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Notes the syntax of first order predicate logic:

- 1) Axioms 4, and 5 and generalisation, are the "tools allowing us to deal with variables.
- 2) Axioms 4 and 5 correspond to tautologies when suitably interpreted in a given setting.



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Completeness Theorem for first order predicate logic

Just as in the case of propositional logic, first order predicate logic is complete, i.e. " $S \vdash \alpha$ if and only if $S \models \alpha$ " when the elements of the set S , and α , are "nice" formulae which may be interpreted as true or false, i.e. when we are dealing with sentences.

In this setting, we may prove the Soundness Theorem for first order predicate logic (the proof is similar to the proof of the corresponding result in chapter 2).

Soundness Theorem: Let S be a set of sentences in first order predicate language $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ say, and let α be a sentence in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$:

If $S \vdash \alpha$ then $\underbrace{S \models \alpha}$.

for every $\xrightarrow{\downarrow} L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ -structure \mathfrak{U}
for which $S_0 = 1$ for all $s \in S$
we must have $\alpha_0 = 1$

Furthermore, as in chapter 2, we may use the notion of consistency to prove the "other direction" of the theorem:

A set of sentences S in a first order predicate language, $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ say is consistent if there is no sentence α in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ such that $S \vdash \alpha$ and $S \vdash (\neg \alpha)$

Otherwise, we say that S is inconsistent.

Using this idea (and some work) we may prove the following key result:

Theorem: Let S' be a set of sentences in a first order predicate language.

If S' is consistent, then S' has a model.

This theorem then leads to:

Adequacy Theorem for first order predicate logic.
Let S' be a set of sentences in a first order predicate language $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ and α be a sentence in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$:

If $S' \models \alpha$ then $S \vdash \alpha$:

Combining the soundness and Adequacy Theorems, we obtain:

Let S be a set of sentences in a first order predicate language, $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ say, and α be a sentence in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$

$S \models \alpha$ if and only if $S \vdash \alpha$.

We may restate the Completeness Theorem as follows:

S has a model if and only if S' is consistent.

An actual $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ -structure \mathcal{V} such that \mathcal{V} models S' (i.e. $s_0 = 1$ for each $s \in S'$).

lets consider some consequences of the Completeness Theorem.

Compactness Theorem: (possibly infinite)

let S be a set of sentences in some first order predicate language, and α be a sentence in that language.

then $S \vdash \alpha$ if and only if $S' \vdash \alpha$ when S' is a finite subset of S .

Proof: Similar to the one in chapter 2.

Alternative form of the Compactness Theorem:

Let S be a (possibly infinite) set of sentences in the language $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$. If every finite subset of S has a model, then so does S .

Proof: Consider the set S , and assume that S does not have a model (i.e. we will prove this result by contradiction). By the Completeness Theorem, we deduce that S is inconsistent, i.e there is a sentence α in $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ such that $S \vdash \alpha$ and $S \vdash (\neg \alpha)$.

Since, proofs are finite (sequence of formulae), proofs of $\alpha, \neg \alpha$ from S will only finitely many elements of S . i.e there must exist finite subsets of S , S' , S'' say, such that $S' \vdash \alpha$ and $S'' \vdash (\neg \alpha)$.

Then, the finite subset $S' \cup S''$ satisfies $S' \cup S'' \vdash \phi$
and $S' \cup S'' \vdash (\neg d)$

Then $S \cup S''$ is inconsistent

So, by the Completeness Theorem, $S' \cup S''$ does not have a model.

This contradicts the assumption that every finite subset of S has a model. So, we deduce that S does have a model as required.

Let's consider an important consequence of the Compactness Theorem:

Upward Löwenheim-Skolem Theorem.

Let T be a theory in a first order predicate language $\mathcal{L}(\Pi, \Sigma)$ such that T has arbitrarily large finite models (i.e. such that, for any natural number $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there exist an $\mathcal{L}(\Pi, \Sigma)$ -structure \mathcal{J} with at least n elements which is a model of T)

Then, T also has a infinite model (countable infinite).

Proof: We construct an infinite model for T by "extending" the language $\mathcal{L}(\Pi, \Sigma)$ and using the Compactness Theorem.

We first extend the set of functionals, Σ , so that

it includes infinitely many constants.

Set $\Sigma' = \Sigma \cup \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n, \dots\}$

i.e. $\Sigma' = \Sigma \cup \{c_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

where c_1, c_2, \dots are functionals of arity 0.

We extend our theory to one where "the constants are all distinct".

Set $T' = T \cup \{\neg(c_i = c_j), \neg(c_i = c_k), \neg(c_j = c_k), \dots\}$.

i.e. set $T' = T \cup \{\neg(c_i = c_j) : i, j \in \mathbb{N}; i \neq j\}$.

Now, consider T' as a theory in $L(\Pi, \Sigma')$.

Consider S , a finite subset of T' .

Since S is finite, it includes only finitely many of the constants c_1, c_2, \dots and only finitely many sentences of the form $\neg(c_i = c_j)$ for $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$.

Note that T has arbitrarily large finite models, so there must be a model of S .

(e.g. if S mentions n constants, then any model of T that contains at least n elements will be a model of S).

this works for any finite subset of T' .

So, by the Compactness theorem, T' has a model. Such a model is necessarily (countably) infinite, so T' has an infinite model.

Since the original theory, T , is a subset of T' , any model of T' will also be a model of T .

So, T also has an infinite model, as required. \square

If we extend our original first order predicate language to one dealing with uncountable many symbols, we may similarly prove an "uncountable version" of the above theorem:

Upward Löwenheim - Skolem theorem (uncountable version).

Let T be a theory in a first order predicate language $L(\Pi, \Sigma)$ such that T has a countable infinite model.

Then, T also has an uncountably infinite model.

Let's now try to define the set of natural numbers, $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ within a first order predicate language:

We set $\Pi = \{\in\}$, $\Sigma = \{\in, S\}$

S: successor function
 $"S(x) = x+1"$

arity 1

arity 0

Consider the following theory, the theory of (weak) Peano arithmetic.

$$\text{PA 1)} (\forall x)(x=x)$$

$$\text{PA 2)} (\forall x)(\forall y)((x=y) \Rightarrow (y=x))$$

$$\text{PA 3)} (\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall z)((x=y) \wedge (y=z) \Rightarrow (x=z))$$

$$\text{PA 4)} (\forall x)(\forall y)((x=y) \Rightarrow (s(x)=s(y)))$$

$$\text{PA 5)} (\forall x)(\forall y)((s(x)=s(y)) \Rightarrow (x=y))$$

$$\text{PA 6)} (\forall x)(\neg(s(x)=1))$$

$$\text{PA 7)} (\forall y_1)(\forall y_2) \dots (\forall y_n)((p[y_1] \wedge p[y_2] \wedge \dots \wedge p[y_n]) \Rightarrow p[s(x)/x]) \Rightarrow (\forall x)p$$

p is a formula containing free occurrences of x, y_1, \dots, y_n

Notes: This "weak" version of Peano arithmetic does not include functionals representing "addition" and "multiplication", as well as related sentences eg $(\forall x)(\forall y)((x+y)=(y+x))$.

Including such functionals and sentences leads to "stronger" versions of Peano arithmetic.

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Notes: the sentence PA 7 is present in order to express the idea of "mathematical induction" (in \mathbb{N})

The variables y_1, \dots, y_n that appear allows us to "perform" multiple "inductions" ("inductoris" within "induction")

e.g. if we wish to prove $(\forall y)(\forall x)((x+y)=(y+x))$

in a version of Peano arithmetic including addition, we may use PA 7 twice as follows:

Firstly, in PA 7 set $y = y$ and $x = x$ and let p be $x + y = y + x$. to obtain $(\forall x)(x + y = y + x)$.

Then, set x to y in PA 7 and let p be $(\forall x)(x + y = y + x)$ to obtain $(\forall y)(\forall x)(x + y = y + x)$.

The set \mathbb{N} of natural numbers is a (normal) model of weak Peano arithmetic.

However, the uncountable version of the Upward Löwenheim - Skolem Theorem shows that the theory described also has an uncountable model.

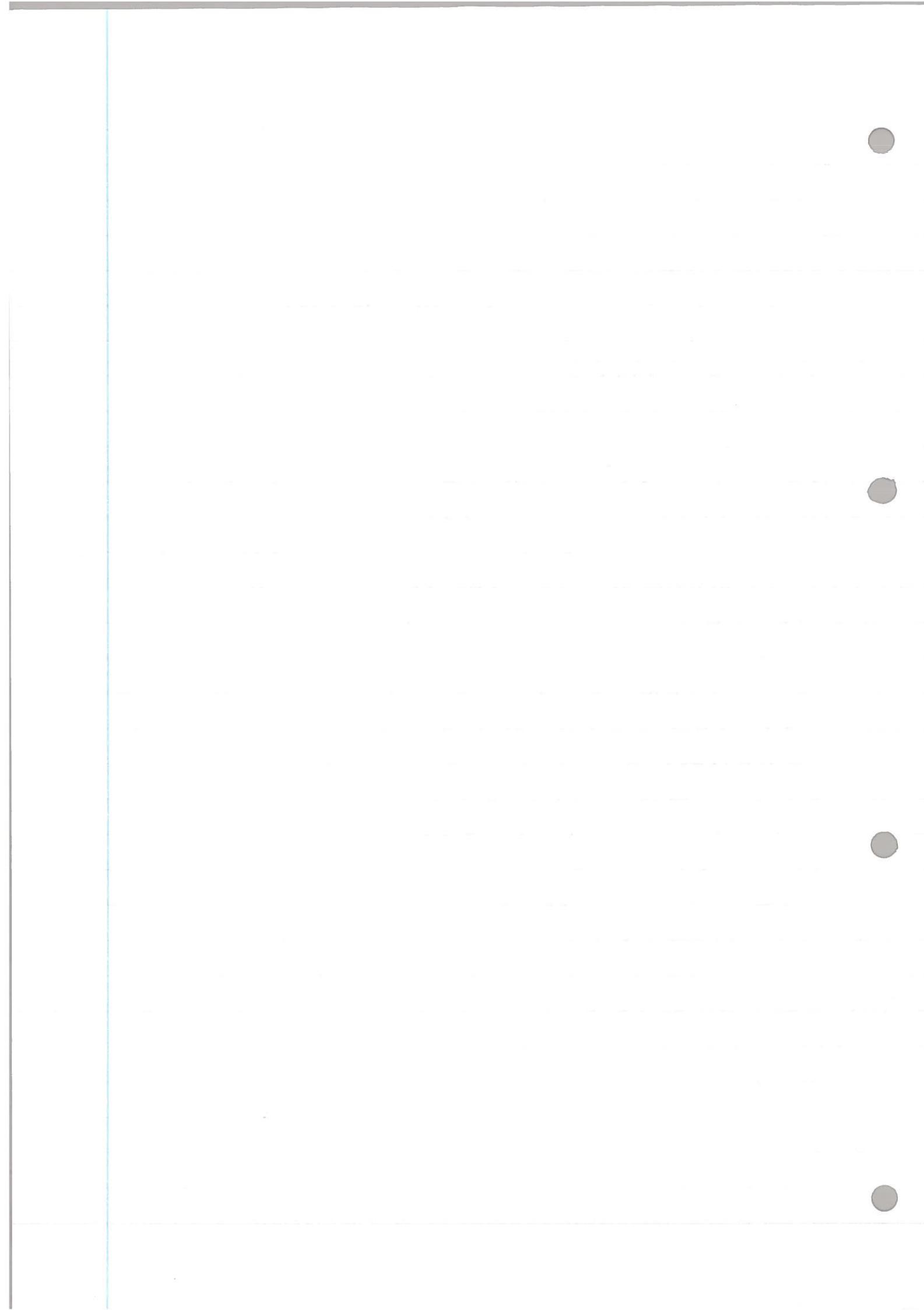
Similarly, any theory that has the natural numbers as a model will also have an uncountable model.

This is, in some senses a "deficiency" of first order predicate logic: no first order predicate theory exists that has the natural numbers as the unique normal model.

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5) Def: the set of recursive (partial) functions is defined (inductively) as follows:

- 1) Any zero function $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $f(n_1, \dots, n_k) = 0$ is recursive.
- 2) The successor function $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, $f(n) = n+1$, is recursive.
- 3) Any projection function $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $f(n_1, \dots, n_k) = n_i$, is recursive for $1 \leq i \leq k$.
- 4) Applying composition to recursive (partial) function lead to a recursive (partial) function.
- 5) Applying primitive recursion to recursive (partial) function leads to recursive (partial) function.
- 6) Applying minimisation to a recursive (partial) function leads to a recursive, possibly, partial function.



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Chapter 4 : Computability

In this chapter, we will study (ideas related to) computable and recursive (partial) functions, and the interplay between them.

Computable (Partial) Functions:

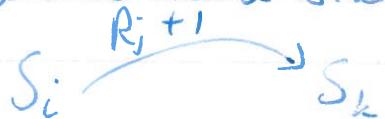
The basic object of this section is an abstract, idealised machine.

Definition: A register machine consists of the following:
a sequence of registers R_1, R_2, R_3, \dots each of which is capable of being assigned a non-negative integer.
(Note: In this chapter, we will use \mathbb{N}_0 to denote the set of non-negative integers: $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$)

- a program, which consists of a finite, specified number of states S_0, S_1, \dots, S_n say such that:
 - each S_i ($1 \leq i \leq n$) corresponds to an instruction
 - S_1 corresponds to the initial state (to the instruction we perform first).
 - S_0 is the terminal state; on reaching it, the program ends.

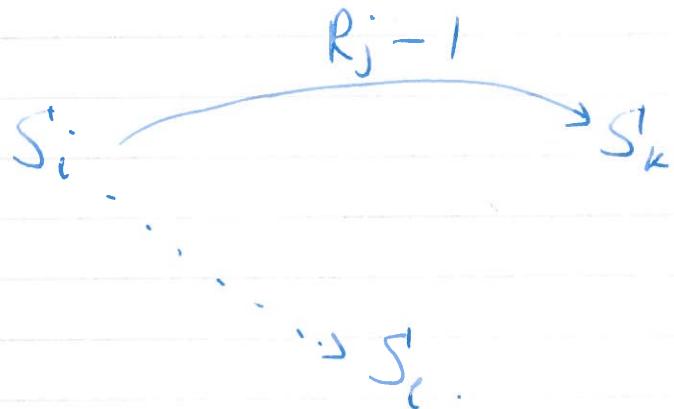
There are two types of instructions, that can be associated to a state S_i :

- 1) An instruction which adds 1 to a register, R_j say, and then moves to a state S_k



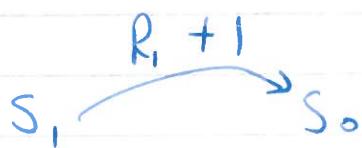
2) An instruction which:

- If $R_j > 0$, subtract 1 from R_j , and moves to state S_k
- If $R_j = 0$, moves to state S_ℓ .



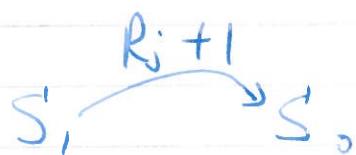
Examples of register machines:

- a register machine that adds 1 to R_1 .



R_1	R_2	R_3	R_4
1	0	3	2
2	0	3	2

- a register machine that adds 1 to R_j :

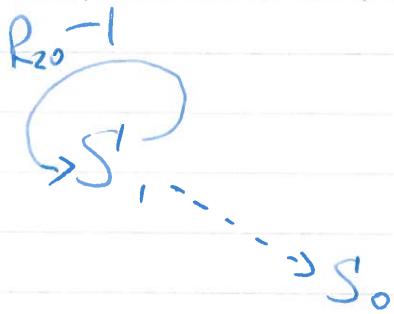


- a register machine that adds 3 to R_2 :



• a register machine that clears R_{20} :

(i.e. that makes R_{20} hold the value 0 at the end, whatever the original value is):



R_{20}
3
2
1
0

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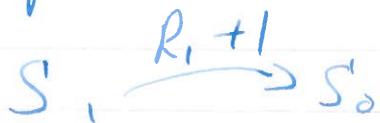
We will try to investigate the types of functions that can be expressed using register machines:

Definition: A function $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ is computable if there exists a register machine such that, when started with n_1 in R_1 , n_2 in R_2 , \dots , n_k in R_k , and zero values in the remaining registers, the associated program ends (i.e. reaches state S_0) with $f(n_1, \dots, n_k)$ in R_1 .

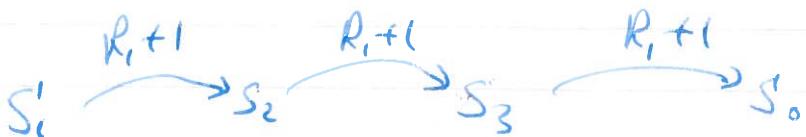
Examples:

1) The function $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ is computable
 $n \mapsto n+1$

Below is a diagrammatic description of a register machine that computes f :



2) The function $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $f(n) = n+3$, is computable e.g. via:



3) the function $f: \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, "the zero function"

$$(n_1, \dots, n_k) \mapsto 0$$

$$\boxed{n_1 | n_2 | \dots | n_k | \dots}$$

$$\boxed{0 | \dots}$$

is computable, e.g. via:



4) the identity function $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, where $f(n)=n$,
is computable e.g. via:

$$S_1 \xrightarrow{R_5+1} S'_0$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R_i \\ \hline \boxed{n} \\ \downarrow \\ \boxed{n} \end{array}$$

"use any program that leaves R_i unaltered."

5) the projection $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, defined via $f(n_1, \dots, n_k) = n_i$
for some $1 \leq i \leq k$. is computable:

If $i=1$, we need a program that "doesn't change R_i ", e.g. use:

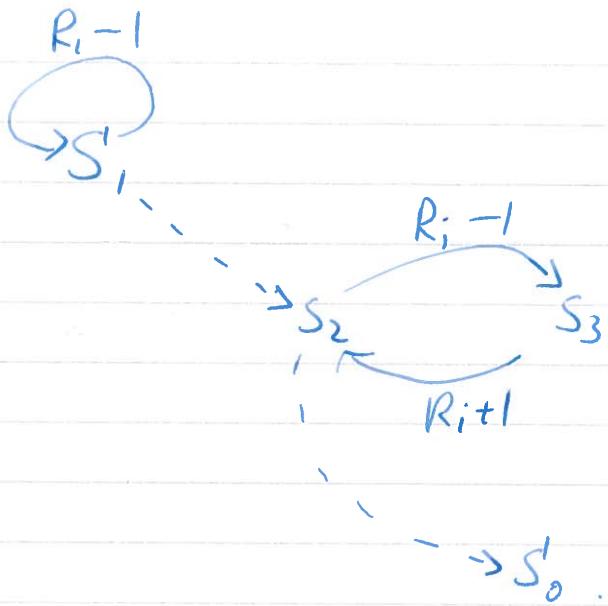
$$S'_1 \xrightarrow{R_5+1} S'_0$$

$$\boxed{n_1 | \dots | n_k | \dots}$$

$$\boxed{n_1}$$

$$\text{C } f(n_1, \dots, n_k) = n_i$$

If $i > 1$, we first "clear" R_i and then add the value of R_i to R_i :



n_1	n_2	\dots	n_l	R_i
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0	n_2	3
1		2
3		101

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Examples of Computable functions:

- zero function ...

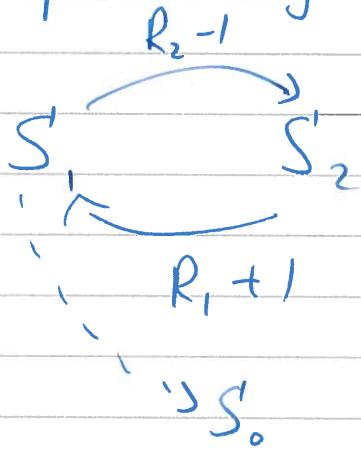


- successor function :



- The addition function $f: \mathbb{N}_0^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$
 $(m, n) \rightarrow m+n$.

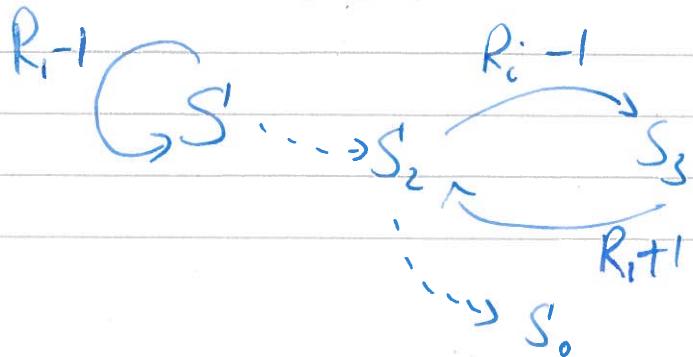
is also computable e.g. via the register function :



m	n	
$m+1$	$n-1$	
$m+2$	$n-2$	
\vdots	\vdots	
$m+n$	0	

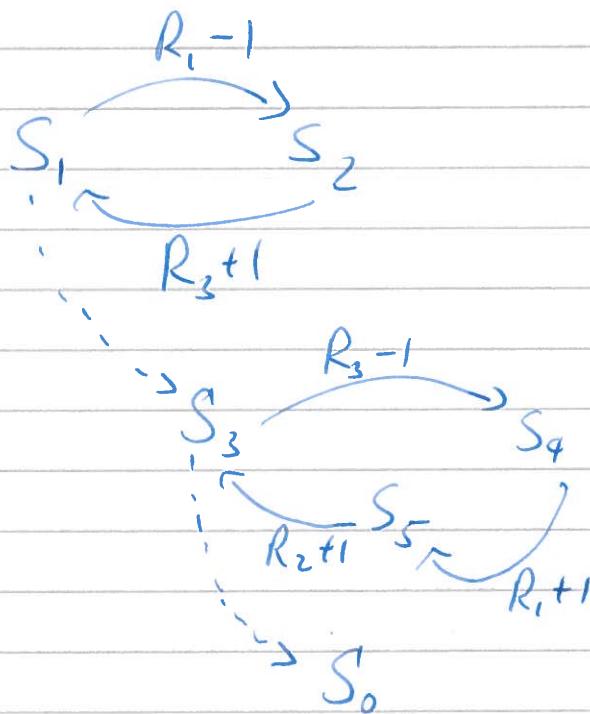
Note that such a register machine is "present" inside the projection function register machine from last time:

$$f(n_1, \dots, n_k) \mapsto n_i \text{ if } i \neq 1$$



R_i	R_i
0	n_j
1	n_{j-1}
2	n_{j-2}
\vdots	\vdots
n	0

Let's now show how we can copy a register entry. Suppose we start with $R_1 = n$, $R_2 = 0$ and we want to end with $R_1 = n$, $R_2 = n$.



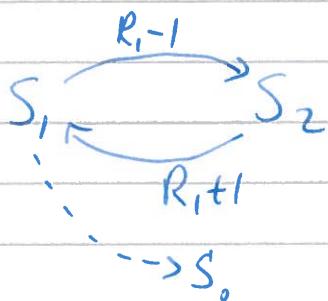
n	0	0
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{n-1}{n-2}$

0	0	n
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{n-1}{n-2}$

So we can express the "copy operation" in terms of a register machine.

Some register machine (at least given certain inputs) may lead to processes that do not terminate

e.g.: $[S_1 \supseteq R_1 + 1]$



If this expresses some "f"

$$f(0) = 0$$

$f(n)$ is undefined for $n > 0$

The f gives true is an example of a partial function.

Definition: A map $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ is a partial function if f is defined on some subset A of \mathbb{N}_0^k .

i.e. when restricted to $A \subset \mathbb{N}_0^k$, f becomes a function.
There exists $A \subset \mathbb{N}_0^k$ such that $f|_A: A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ is a function.

e.g.: $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ s.t. $f(0) = 0$.

$f(n)$ is undefined for $n > 0$.

$f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ f is only defined for
 $n \mapsto \sqrt{n}$ square numbers.

$f(1) = 1$, $f(2)$ undefined,
 $f(3)$ undefined, $f(4) = 2$.

$f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ f only defined on the subset of
 $n \mapsto \frac{n}{2}$ even numbers (in \mathbb{N}_0)

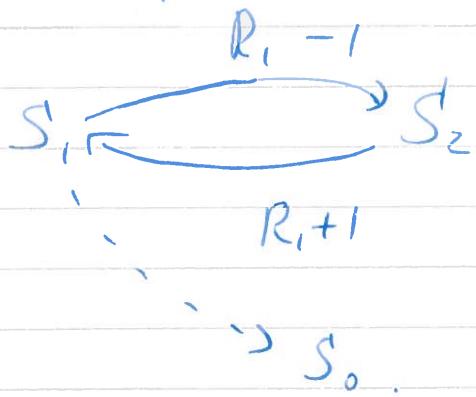
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A partial function $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ is computable if there exists a register machine such that, when started with n_1 in R_1, \dots, n_k in R_k , and zero values in all remaining registers, the register machine:

- ends with $f(n_1, \dots, n_k)$ in R_1 , if $f(n_1, \dots, n_k)$ is defined
- does not terminate , if $f(n_1, \dots, n_k)$ is undefined.

e.g. the partial function $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$
 satisfying $f(0) = 0$
 $f(n)$ is undefined for $n > 1$

is computable partial function, as shown earlier



We now describe some operations that can be performed on computable (partial) functions to yield other computable (partial) functions:

We start with composition:

Theorem: Let $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $g_i: \mathbb{N}_0^l \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$
 for $1 \leq i \leq k$ be computable (partial) functions.
 Then, the following is a computable (partial) function.

$$h: \mathbb{N}_0^l \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \quad (n_1, \dots, n_l) \mapsto f(g_1(n_1, \dots, n_l), \dots, g_k(n_1, \dots, n_l))$$

e.g. if $f: \mathbb{N}_0^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$
 $(m, n) \mapsto m+n$.

and $g_1: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $g_2: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$
 $n \mapsto n$, $n \mapsto n^2$.

then the h in the theorem is defined as follows:
 $h: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$.

$$\begin{aligned} h(n) &= f(g_1(n), g_2(n)) \\ &= f(n, n^2) \\ &= n + n^2. \end{aligned}$$

Explicit example (using a register machine)

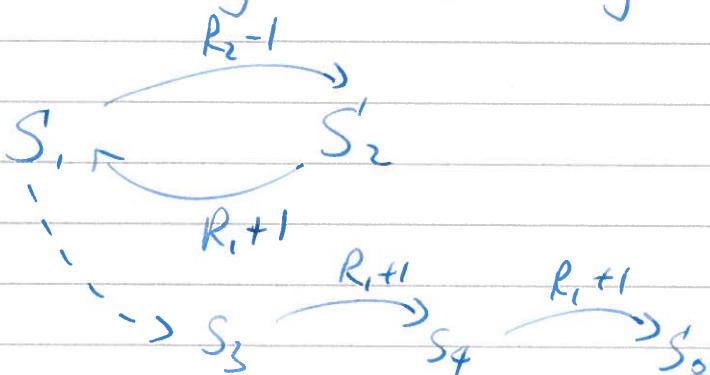
$$\begin{aligned} f: \mathbb{N}_0^2 &\rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \\ (m, n) &\mapsto m+n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g: \mathbb{N}_0 &\rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \\ n &\mapsto n+2 \end{aligned}$$

These are both computable

Then, consider $g \circ f: \mathbb{N}_0^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$
 $(m, n) \mapsto (m+n)+2$.

The theorem says $g \circ f$ is computable, and we may verify this using the following register machine:



|m n|

|m+n | 0 |

We now consider the process of recursion:

Let's use addition to define multiplication recursively:

$$\text{Let } f: \mathbb{N}_0^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$$

$$(m, n) \mapsto mn.$$

$$f(m, 0) = 0 \quad \text{computable (zero function)}$$

$$f(m, k+1) = f(m, k) + m \quad \text{computable (addition)}$$

In this recursive input we using the original input, "m".

Let's now define $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ recursively
 $n \mapsto n!$

$$f(0) = 1 \quad (\text{convention } 0! = 1)$$

Recursive step:

$$f(k+1) = (k+1)f(k) \quad \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

In this recursive step, what we do depends on the step itself, there is a dependency on k .

In the type of recursion we will encounter, primitive recursion, we will allow both the original input value(s) and the step (counter) itself to play a role in the recursion.

Crucially, recursion respects computability

Theorem: Let $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ and $g: \mathbb{N}_0^{k+2} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ be computable (partial) functions. Then, applying primitive recursion to f and g gives a computable (partial) function, i.e. the following is computable:

$$h: \mathbb{N}_0^{k+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$$

$$h(n_1, \dots, n_k, 0) = f(n_1, \dots, n_k)$$

and for $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

$$h(n_1, \dots, n_k, m+1) = g(h(n_1, \dots, n_k, m), n_1, \dots, n_k, m)$$

Finally, the process of minimisation:

Theorem: Let $f: \mathbb{N}_0^{k+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a computable (partial) function. Then, the following is a computable, possibly partial, function:

$$g: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$$

$$g(n_1, \dots, n_k) = n \text{ if } f(n_1, \dots, n_k, n) = 0.$$

$$f(n_1, \dots, n_k, m) > 0 \text{ for any } m < n.$$

so $g(n_1, \dots, n_k)$ is undefined if there is no $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ st $f(n_1, \dots, n_k, n) = 0$.

e.g. consider $f: \mathbb{N}_0^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$.
 $(m, n) \mapsto m+n$.

Let's apply minimisation to the "second" input:

$$g(0) = 0 \quad \text{since } f(0, \underline{n}) = 0.$$

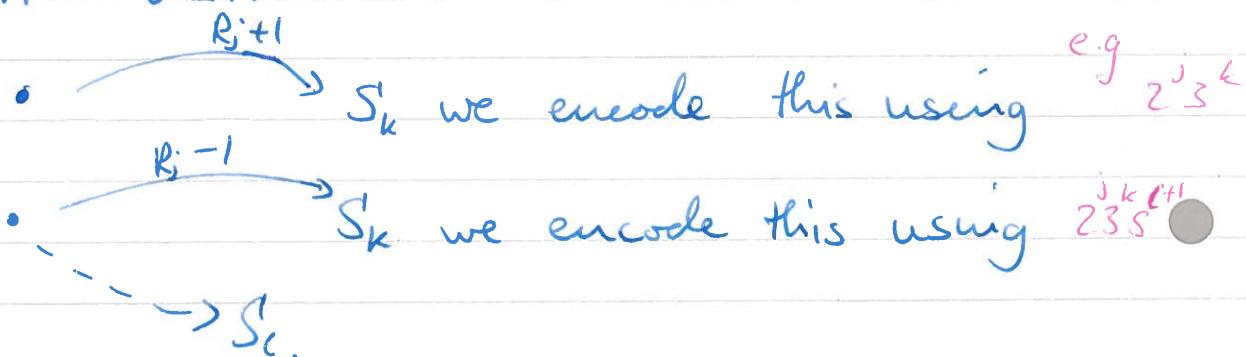
$g(3)$ is undefined since $f(3, n) \neq 0$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

So overall, g is the following computable function:

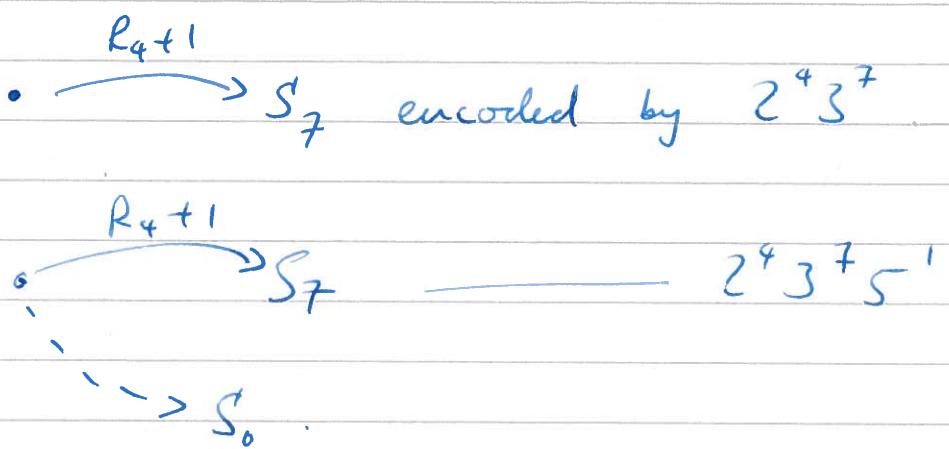
$$\begin{aligned} g: \mathbb{N}_0 &\mapsto \mathbb{N}_0 \\ g(0) &= 0 \\ g(m) &\text{ undefined for } \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{any } m > 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{this is computable.} \\ \text{as shown earlier.} \end{array}$$

Let's now see how to encode programs. i.e. to find, for each program, we will try to find a unique identifier, in natural numbers.

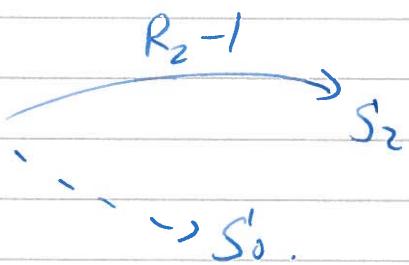
Let's start by encoding single instructions. Suppose we are in state S_i , there are two possible instructions:



Then e.g.:



Similarly: $180 = 2^2 \times 3^2 \times 5$
so 180 encodes.



defines $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$

$f(0) = 0$, $f(n) = n-1$ for $n > 0$.

How do we now encode whole program?

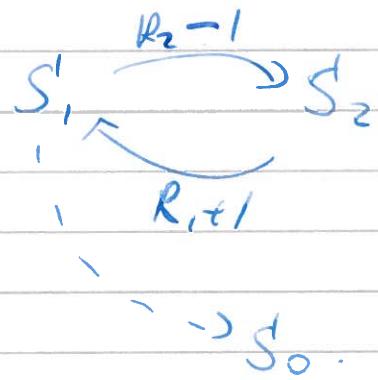
A program has a number of states, each associated to an instruction.

Use the following code/natural number.

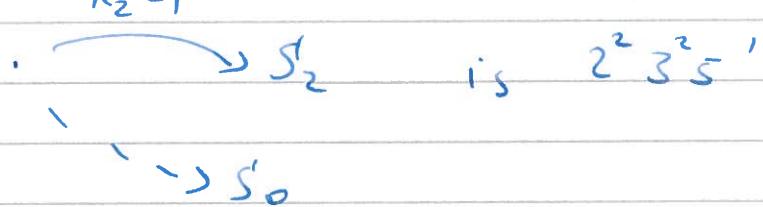
- 2 code of state S_1 , 3 code of state S_2 , ... code of state S_n
-- P_n
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 n^{th} prime number.

Note! A program has a finite number of states, the above code will always be a well-defined natural number.

e.g. let's encode "addition"



Code of instruction in S_1 :



Code of instructions in S_2 : $S_1 \xrightarrow{R_1+1} S_2$ 2^3 3^1

So the code of the whole program is $2^{180} 3^6$

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Recursive (partial) functions

Definition: The set of recursive (partial) functions is defined (inductively) as follows:

- 1) Any zero function $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $f(u_1, \dots, u_k) = 0$, is recursive.
- 2) The successor function $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $f(u) = u + 1$, is recursive.
- 3) Any projection function $f: \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $f(u_1, \dots, u_k) = u_i$, is recursive for $1 \leq i \leq k$.
- 4) Applying composition to recursive (partial) functions lead to a recursive (partial) function.
- 5) Applying primitive recursion to recursive (partial) functions lead to a recursive (partial) function.
- 6) Applying minimisation to a recursive (partial) function leads to a recursive, possibly, partial, function.



Note that the functions described in parts (1) to (3) are all examples of computable functions (as shown earlier), and the processes described in parts (4) to (6) take computable (partial) functions to computable, possibly partial, functions (as shown earlier). So, we deduce that :

Any recursive (partial) function is a computable (partial) function.

Examples of recursive functions :

1) The constant function $f_1 : \mathbb{N}_0^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $f_1(u_1, \dots, u_k) = n$ is recursive.

e.g. f_1 may be obtained as the composition of a zero function and a successor function.

2) The addition function $f_2 : \mathbb{N}_0^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$, $f_2(m, n) = m+n$, is recursive.

e.g. We may apply primitive recursion, and use the projection and successor functions

$$f_2(m, 0) = m \quad \text{and} \quad f_2(m, k+1) = f_2(m, k) + 1$$

projection ↑
successor function

3) The multiplication function $f_3: \mathbb{N}_0^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$,
 $f_3(m, n) = mn$, is recursive

e.g. may apply primitive recursion, and use the zero function, and the addition function (f_2):

$$f_3(m, 0) = 0, f_3(m, k+1) = f_3(m, k) + m \\ = f_2(f_3(m, k), m).$$

4) The exponentiation function $f_4: \mathbb{N}_0^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$,
 $f_4(m, n) = m^n$, is recursive.

e.g. may apply primitive recursion, and use the constant and multiplication functions (f_1, f_3)

$$f_4(m, 0) = 1, f_4(m, k+1) = m f_4(m, k) \\ (\text{since } m^{k+1} = m \cdot m^k) = f_3(m, f_4(m, k))$$

We may similarly construct versions of "subtraction" and "division" as recursive (partial) functions

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Using the way of encoding computable (partial) functions, described earlier, it is possible to show that:

Any computable (partial) function is recursive.

So, overall, the notions of recursive and computable

(partial) functions coincide.

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Using this, and the encoding of computable functions described earlier, we may deduce that there is a countable set of all recursive (partial) functions (the set of such objects is countable).

$f_0, f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_n$.

where $f_n = \begin{cases} \text{(partial) function encoded by } n, & \text{if } n \text{ is the} \\ & \text{code of a (partial) function} \\ \text{undefined} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

e.g. $f: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ express using $S_i \xrightarrow{R_i + 1} S_0$
 $n \mapsto n+1$

Code of instruction: $2^1 3^0 = 2$

Code of function: $2^2 = 4$

So, f_4 is the successor function.

Let's now use the list, to construct a non-recursive (partial) function:

Proposition: Consider $g: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ defined as follows

$$g(n) = \begin{cases} f_n(n) + 1 & \text{if } f_n \text{ is defined} \\ 0 & \text{if } f_n \text{ is undefined.} \end{cases}$$

Then g , is not recursive.

Proof (by contradiction): Suppose that g is recursive. Then, since g is also defined everywhere, it must correspond to some recursive function on the list, f_m say, which is defined everywhere.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But then } g(m) &= f_m(m) + 1 \\ &\neq f_m(m). \end{aligned}$$

So, g and f_m take different values at m , i.e. they cannot be the same function.

So, g is not recursive □

If g was recursive, it would give a recursive way of deciding which recursive functions are defined where.

This is relevant to the halting problem, the problem of determining whether or not a given register machine, given certain input, will terminate.

There is no recursive way of deciding the halt problem.

If we "place" this problem in a first order predicate setting, we can show that there is no decidability theorem for first order predicate logic.

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