# Mathematical Logic (IX)

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#### 1. Completeness

Recall that we have shown:

**Lemma 1.1.** Let  $\Phi \subset L^S$  and  $\mathfrak{I}^{\Phi}$  be the term interpretation of  $\Phi$ . Then for every atomic  $\varphi$ 

$$\mathfrak{I}^{\Phi} \models \varphi \iff \Phi \vdash \varphi.$$

**Theorem 1.2** (Henkin's Theorem). Let  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  be consistent, negation complete, and contain witnesses. Then for every S-formula  $\phi$ 

$$\mathfrak{I}^{\Phi} \models \varphi \iff \Phi \vdash \varphi.$$

**Corollary 1.3.** Let S be countable and  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  consistent with finite free $(\Phi)$ . Then there is a  $\Theta$  such that

$$-\Phi\subseteq\Theta\subseteq L^{S};$$

 $-\Theta$  is consistent, negation complete, and contains witnesses.

Therefore by Theorem 1.2 for every  $\phi \in L^S$ 

$$\mathfrak{I}^{\Theta} \models \varphi \iff \Theta \vdash \varphi.$$

In particular

$$\mathfrak{I}^{\Theta} \models \Phi$$
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thus  $\Phi$  is satisfiable.

In the next step we eliminate the condition free( $\Phi$ ) being finite.

Corollary 1.4. Let S be countable and  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  consistent. Then  $\Phi$  is satisfiable.

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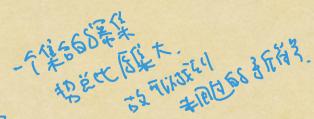
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**Lemma 1.5.** Let  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  be consistent. Then there is a symbol set S' with  $S \subseteq S'$  and a consistent  $\Psi$  with  $\Phi \subseteq \Psi \subseteq L^{S'}$  such that  $\Psi$  contains witnesses.

**Lemma 1.6.** Let  $\Psi \subseteq L^{S'}$  be consistent. Then there is a consistent  $\Theta$  with  $\Psi \subseteq \Theta \subseteq L^{S'}$  such that  $\Theta$  is negation complete.

Then the next corollary follows from Lemmas 1.5 and 1.6 in the same fashion as that of Corollary 1.3.

**Corollary 1.7.** Let  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  be consistent. Then  $\Phi$  is satisfiable.



We need some technical tools for proving Lemma 1.5. Let S be an arbitrary symbol set. For every  $\varphi \in L^S$  we introduce a new constant  $c_{\varphi} \notin S$ . In particular,  $c_{\varphi} \neq c_{\psi}$  for any  $\varphi \neq \psi$ . Then

$$\begin{split} S^* &:= S \cup \left\{ c_{\exists x \phi} \; \middle| \; \exists x \phi \in L^S \right\}, \\ & \text{Withers} \\ W(S) &:= \left\{ \exists x \phi \to \phi \frac{c_{\exists x \phi}}{x} \; \middle| \; \exists x \phi \in L^S \right\}. \end{split}$$

It is obvious that  $c_{\exists x \varphi}$  is introduced as a witness for  $\exists x \varphi$  as required by W(S). Nevertheless, we pay a price for expanding the symbol set S to S\*, i.e., there are formulas of the form  $\exists x \varphi$  in  $L^{S*} \setminus L^{S}$ , e.g.,

 $\exists v_7 c_{\exists x R x} \equiv v_7.$ 

**Lemma 1.8.** Assume that  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  is consistent. Then

 $\Phi \cup W(S) \subset L^{S^*}$ 

is consistent as well.

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*Proof:* It suffices to show that every finite subset  $\Phi_0^*$  of  $\Phi \cup W(S) \subseteq L^{S^*}$  is satisfiable. Let  $\Phi_0^* = \Phi_0 \cup \left\{ \exists x_1 \phi_1 \to \phi_1 \frac{c_1}{x_1}, \ldots, \exists x_n \phi_n \to \phi_n \frac{c_n}{x_n} \right\},$ 

where  $\Phi_0 \subseteq \Phi$  is finite, every  $\exists x_i \phi_i \in L^S$ , and  $c_i = c_{\exists x_i \phi_i}$  for  $i \in [n]$ . Choose a finite  $S_0 \subseteq S$  such that  $\Phi_0 \subseteq L^{S_0}$ . Note that  $\Phi_0$  is consistent due to the consistency of  $\Phi$ . Furthermore free $(\Phi_0)$  is finite<sup>1</sup>. Therefore  $\Phi_0$  is satisfiable by Corollary 1.3, i.e., there is an  $S_0$ -interpretation  $\mathfrak{I}_0 = (\mathfrak{A}_0, \beta)$  such that

 $\mathfrak{I}_0 \models \Phi_0$ 

Note that  $\mathfrak{A}_0$  is an  $S_0$ -structure. By choosing some arbitrary interpretation of the symbols in  $S \setminus S_0$ we obtain an S-structure  $\mathfrak A$ . Then the Coincidence Lemma guarantees that for the S-interpretation  $\mathfrak{I} := (\mathfrak{A}, \beta)$ 

 $\mathfrak{I} \models \Phi_0.$  Next, we need to further expand  $\mathfrak{A}$  to an S\*-structure  $\mathfrak{A}^*$  by giving interpretation of all new constants  $c_{\exists k\phi}$ . Let  $a \in A$  be an arbitrary but fixed element. Then for every  $i \in [n]$  we set

 $c_{i}^{\mathfrak{A}^{*}} := \begin{cases} a_{i} & \text{if there is an } a_{i} \in A \text{ with } \mathfrak{I}, \quad \mathbf{I} \overset{\mathbf{a}_{i}}{\mathfrak{K}^{*}} \models \mathbf{Q}_{i} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{A}^{*} & \mathbf{A}^{$ 

For all the other new constants  $c_{\exists x \varphi}$  we simply let  $c_{\exists x \varphi}^{\mathfrak{A}^*} := \mathfrak{a}$ . Then for the S\*-interpretation  $\mathfrak{I}^* := (\mathfrak{A}^*, \beta)$  we claim

$$\mathfrak{I}^* \models \Phi_0 \cup \left\{ \exists x_1 \varphi_1 \to \varphi_1 \frac{c_1}{x_1}, \dots, \exists x_n \varphi_n \to \varphi_n \frac{c_n}{x_n} \right\}.$$

 $\mathfrak{I}^* \models \Phi_0$  is immediate by  $\mathfrak{I} \models \Phi_0$  and the Coincidence Lemma. Let  $\mathfrak{i} \in [n]$  and assume  $\mathfrak{I}^* \models \exists x_{\mathfrak{i}} \varphi_{\mathfrak{i}}$ , or equivalently  $\mathfrak{I} \models \exists x_i \varphi_i$ . Then by our choice of  $a_i \in A$ 

$$\mathfrak{I}\models \varphi_{\mathfrak{i}}\frac{\mathfrak{a}_{\mathfrak{i}}}{\mathfrak{x}_{\mathfrak{i}}},$$

hence

$$\mathfrak{I}^* \models \exists x_i \varphi_i \to \varphi_i \frac{c_i}{x_i},\tag{1}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Here, we can also apply Corollary 1.4 without using the finiteness of free  $(\Phi_0)$ . But then this would introduce a further layer of construction as in the proof of Corollary 1.4.

by the Coincidence Lemma and by the Substitution Lemma. Note (1) trivially holds if  $\mathfrak{I}^* \not\models \exists x_i \phi_i$ . This finishes the proof.

Lemma 1.9. Let

$$S_0 \subseteq S_1 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq S_n \subseteq \cdots$$

be a sequence of symbol sets. Furthermore, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $\Phi_n$  be a set of  $S_n$ -formulas such that

$$\Phi_0 \subseteq \Phi_1 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \Phi_n \subseteq \cdots$$

We set

$$S:=\bigcup_{n\in\mathbb{N}}S_n\quad \text{and}\quad \Phi:=\bigcup_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\Phi_n.$$

Then  $\Phi$  is a consistent set of S-formulas if and only if every  $\Phi_n$  is consistent.

Proof: We prove that

 $\Phi$  is inconsistent  $\iff \Phi_n$  is inconsistent for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

The direction from right to left is trivial. So assume that  $\Phi$  is inconsistent. In particular, for some  $\varphi \in L^S$  there are proofs of  $\varphi$  and  $\neg \varphi$  from  $\Phi$ . Since proofs in sequent calculus are all finite, we can choose a finite  $S' \subseteq S$  such that every formula used in the proofs of  $\varphi$  and  $\neg \varphi$  is an S'-formulas. For the same reason, for a sufficiently large  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

- (i)  $S' \subset S_n$ ,
- (ii)  $\Phi_n \vdash \varphi$  and  $\Phi_n \vdash \neg \varphi$ .

Thus  $\Phi_n$  is inconsistent.

**Remark 1.10.** Note at this point we have not shown the following seemingly trivial result. Let S be an (infinite) set of symbols, a finite  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$ , and  $\varphi \in L^S$  such that  $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ . Furthermore, let  $S_0 \subseteq S$  be the set of symbols that occur in  $\Phi$  and  $\varphi$ . Then there is a proof of sequence calculus for  $\Phi \vdash \varphi$  such that every formula occurs in the proof is an  $S_0$ -formula, i.e., only uses symbols in  $S_0$ .

This is the reason in the proof of Lemma 1.9 we need to emphasize (i).

Proof of Lemma 1.5: Let

$$\begin{split} S_0 &:= S \quad \text{and} \quad S_{n+1} := (S_n)^*, \\ \Psi_0 &:= \Phi \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi_{n+1} := \Psi_n \cup W(S_n). \end{split}$$

Therefore

$$S = S_0 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq S_n \subseteq S_{n+1} \subseteq \cdots$$
$$\Phi = \Psi_0 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \Psi_n \subseteq \Psi_{n+1} \subseteq \cdots$$

Then we set

$$S' := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} S_n \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \Psi_n.$$

By Lemma 1.8 and induction on n we conclude that every  $\Psi_n$  is consistent. Thus Lemma 1.9 implies that  $\Phi$  is a consistent set of S'-formulas.

By our construction of  $W(S_n)$ , the set  $\Phi$  trivially contains witnesses.

The proof of Lemma 1.6 relies on well-known Zorn's Lemma. Let M be a set and  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathscr{P}ow(M) = \{T \mid T \subseteq M\}$ . We say that a *nonempty* subset  $C \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  is a *chain* in  $\mathcal{U}$  if for every  $T_1, T_2 \in C$  either  $T_1 \subseteq T_2$  or  $T_2 \subseteq T_1$ .

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:. 3xe -> p Grey CW (Sn) emma 1.11 (Zorn's Lemma). Assume that for every chain C in U we have  $\bigcup C := \{ \alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathsf{T} \text{ for some } \mathsf{T} \in \mathsf{C} \} \in \mathcal{U}.$ Then  $\mathcal{U}$  has a maximal element  $\mathsf{T}$ , i.e., there is no  $\mathsf{T}' \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $\mathsf{T} \subsetneq \mathsf{T}'$ . *Proof of Lemma 1.6* In order to apply Zorn's Lemma we let  $M := L^S$  and  $\mathcal{U} := \{ \Theta \mid \Psi \subseteq \Theta \subseteq L^{S} \text{ and } \Theta \text{ is consistent} \}.$ Let C be a chain in U. We set  $\Theta_{C} := \bigcup C = \{ \varphi \mid \varphi \in \Theta \text{ for some } \Theta \in C \}.$  $C \neq \emptyset$  implies  $\Psi \subseteq \Theta_C$ . To see that  $\Theta_C$  is consistent, let  $\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n\}$  be a finite subset of  $\Theta_C$ , in particular, there are  $\Theta_i \in C$  such that  $\varphi_i \in \Theta_i$ . As C is a chain, without loss of generality, we can assume that every  $\Theta_i \subseteq \Theta_i^{\bullet}$ . Since  $\Theta_n \in C$  is consistent by the definition of  $\mathcal{U}$ , we conclude  $\{\varphi_1,\ldots,\varphi_n\}$  is consistent as well.  $\{\varphi_1,\ldots,\varphi_n\}$  is consistent as well. Thus the condition in Zorn's Lemma is satisfied. It follows that  $\mathcal{U}$  has a maximal element  $\Theta$ . We claim that  $\Theta$  is negation complete. Otherwise, for some  $\varphi \in L^S$  we have  $\Theta \not\vdash \varphi$  and  $\Theta \not\vdash \neg \varphi$ . Therefore  $\varphi \notin \Theta$  and  $\Theta \cup \{\varphi\}$  is consistent. As a consequence  $\Theta \subsetneq \Theta \cup \{\varphi\} \in \mathcal{U}$ . This is a contradiction to the maximality of  $\Theta$ . Now we are ready to prove the completeness theorem. **Theorem 1.12.** Let  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  and  $\varphi \in L^S$ . Then  $\Phi \vdash \omega \iff \Phi \models \omega$ . Proof: The direction from left to right is easy by the soundness of sequent calculus. Conversely, assume that  $\Phi \not\vdash \varphi$ , then  $\Phi \cup \neg \{\neg \varphi\}$  is consistent. Corollary 1.7 implies that  $\Phi \cup \neg \{\neg \varphi\}$  is satisfiable. In particular, there is an S-interpretation  $\mathfrak{I}$  with  $\mathfrak{I} \models \Phi$  and  $\mathfrak{I} \models \neg \varphi$  (i.e.,  $\mathfrak{I} \not\models \varphi$ ). But this means that  $\Phi \not\models \varphi$ . 2. The Löwenheim-Skolem Theorem and the Compactness Theorem Using the term-interpretation, it is routine to verify: **Theorem 2.1** (Löwenheim-Skolem). Let  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  be at most countable and satisfiable. Then there is an S-interpretation  $\mathfrak{I} = (\mathfrak{A}, \beta)$  such that - the universe A of 𝔄 is at most countable, - and  $\mathfrak{I} \models \Phi$ . The following is a more general version. **Theorem 2.2** (Downward Löwenheim-Skolem). Let  $\Phi \subseteq L^S$  be satisfiable. Then there is an Sinterpretation  $\mathfrak{I} = (\mathfrak{A}, \beta)$  such that  $-|A| \leqslant |T^S| = |L^S|,$ - and  $\mathfrak{I} \models \Phi$ .  $\dashv$ **Corollary 2.3.** Let  $S := \{+, \times, <, 0, 1\}$  with the usual meaning and  $\Phi_{\mathbb{R}} := \{ \varphi \in L_0^{\mathbb{S}} \mid (\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot, <, 0, 1) \models \varphi \}.$ Then there is a countable S-structure  $\mathfrak{A}$  with  $\mathfrak{A} \models \Phi_{\mathbb{R}}$ . By the Completeness Theorem: **Theorem 2.4** (Compactness). (a)  $\Phi \models \varphi$  if and only if there is a finite  $\Phi_0 \subseteq \Phi$  with  $\Phi_0 \models \varphi$ . (b)  $\Phi$  is satisfiable if and only if every finite  $\Phi_0 \subseteq \Phi$  is satisfiable.

### 3. Exercises

**Definition 3.1.** A *total order* on a set A is a binary relation  $\leq \subseteq A \times A$  with the following properties. Let  $a, b, c \in A$  be arbitrary.

- (i)  $a \le a$  (i.e.,  $\le$  is reflexive).
- (ii) If  $a \le b$  and  $b \le a$ , then a = b (i.e.,  $\le$  is anti-symmetric).
- (iii) If  $a \le b$  and  $b \le c$ , then  $a \le c$  (i.e.,  $\le$  is transitive).
- (iv)  $a \le b$  or  $b \le a$  (i.e.,  $\le$  is total).

#### If furthermore

(v) every nonempty  $A' \subseteq A$  has a *minimum* element a, i.e.,  $a \in A'$  and  $a \leqslant a'$  for any  $a' \in A'$ , then  $\leqslant$  is a *well order*.

**Exercise 3.2.** Assume that for every set A there is a well order  $\leq \subseteq A \times A$ . Prove Zorn's Lemma.  $\dashv$