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Thus  $I_H$  is not a Herbrand model for  $\Delta$ .

(iii) Let  $I_H^{A_3} :$

$$B_L \supseteq A_3 = \{ p(a) \}$$

Of course  $I_H^{A_3}$  is not a model

for  $\Delta$  as although (i) from  $\Delta$  is true under  $I_H^{A_3}$  but for  
(ii) from  $\Delta$  &  $\tilde{x} = a$  &  $\tilde{x} = f(f(a))$

$$\underbrace{p'(f'(f'(a')))}_{\text{false}} \leftarrow \underbrace{p'(a')}_{\text{true}}$$

false.

$$\text{So } \forall x(p(f(f(x))) \leftarrow p(x))$$

is obviously false.

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(iv) Let  $I_H^{A_4}:$

$$\emptyset \subseteq B_L$$

"all atoms from  $B_L$  are false".

Clearly,  $I_H^\emptyset$  is not a model for  $\Delta$  as (i) from  $\Delta$  is false under  $I_H^\emptyset$ .

(v) Let  $I_H^{A_5}:$

$$A = B_L \subseteq B_L$$

"all atoms in  $B_L$  are true".

Then of course by repeating an argument from above (i) is true under  $I_H^{B_L}$  & (ii) also is true as: true < true

So  $I_H^{B_L}$  is another <sup>true</sup> Herbrand model for  $\Delta$ .  $\square$

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(iv)  $\boxed{I_H^{A_4}} :$   $A_4 = \emptyset \subseteq B_L$

"all atoms are false"

Clearly  $I_H^\emptyset$  is not a Herbrand model

model for  $\Delta$  as (i) from  $\Delta$  is false under  $I_H^\emptyset$  (note (ii) in  $\Delta$  is true under  $I_H^\emptyset$ )  $\leftarrow \rightarrow \underbrace{\text{false} \leftarrow \text{false}}_{\text{true}}$

(v) Let  $\boxed{I_H^{A_5}} :$   $A_5 = B_L \subseteq B_L$

"all atoms are true".

Then  $I_H^{B_L}$  is a Herbrand model for  $\Delta$  as (i) is true under  $I_H^{B_L}$  (since  $p(a) \in B_L$ ) & (ii) is true under  $I_H^{B_L}$  (since whatever  $X$  is we have  $\underbrace{\text{true} \leftarrow \text{true}}_{\text{true}}$ ).

□

So we may have more than one Herbrand model or may not have at all

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RECALL (for PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC)

$$\Delta \models Q \iff \Delta \cup \{Q\}$$

is unsatisfiable

This result with new extended meanings (already defined) i.e.

$$\Delta \models Q$$

&

$\Delta \cup \{d-Q\}$  is unsatisfiable

can be immediately proved for PREDICATE LOGIC (the same proof).

Now the issue of satisfiability of  $\Delta \cup \{ \neg Q \}$

shall be reduced to the satisfiability of  $\Delta \cup \{ \neg Q \}$

but only with all possible Herbrand Interpretations.

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A ground instance of a clause  $C$  is a clause obtained by replacing variables in  $C$  by members of Herbrand Universe.

Clearly:

if  $\tilde{\Delta}$  has a Herbrand model  
 $\Rightarrow$  it has a model & thus  
 $\tilde{\Delta}$  is satisfiable.

More important question:

If  $\tilde{\Delta}$  has a model

$\Rightarrow$  has it got a Herbrand  
 model ?

If the answer is positive then:

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### Herbrand Theorem:

Let  $\tilde{\Delta}$  be a set of clauses & suppose that  $\tilde{\Delta}$  has a model. Then  $\tilde{\Delta}$  has a Herbrand model.

Note: this result holds for arbitrary clauses — not necessarily Horn clauses.

PROOF: To shorten notation assume that all predicates are of arity 1

We define now (from arbitrary non-Herbrand Interpretation  $I$  being a model) a new corresponding Herbrand interpretation  $\tilde{I}_H^A$ :

Shown later to be a Herbrand model!

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$$I \rightarrow \tilde{I}_H^A \xrightleftharpoons{f^{-1}} A \in BL$$

( $\Delta$ )  $A = \{ P_i(t) \in BL : \text{such that } P'(t') \text{ is true under } I \}$ .

$\uparrow$   
predicate ground term

So all atoms  $\in BL$  which are true under model  $I$  they are also to be true under  $\tilde{I}_H^A$ .

We show  $\forall \text{clause} \in \tilde{\Delta}$

$$\boxed{\tilde{I}_H^A(\text{clause}) \stackrel{?}{=} \text{true}} \quad (*)$$

(\*) would imply that  $\tilde{I}_H^A$  is a Herbrand Model for  $\tilde{\Delta}$ .

To prove (\*) it suffices to show

$$\boxed{\tilde{I}_H^A(\text{ground\_instance\_clause}) = \text{true}}$$

for arbitrary ground-instance-clause.

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Take arbitrary clause in  $\Delta$ :

$$q_1(x_{j_1}), q_2(x_{j_2}), \dots, q_m(x_{j_m}) \quad (*)$$

$$\leftarrow p_1(x_{i_1}), p_2(x_{i_2}), \dots, p_n(x_{i_n}).$$

Take now arbitrary ground terms  
 $t_{i_1}, t_{i_2}, \dots, t_{i_n}, t_{j_1}, t_{j_2}, \dots, t_{j_m}$ .

Then an arbitrary ground instance of (\*) reads:

$$(*) \boxed{q_1(t_{j_1}), \dots, q_m(t_{j_m}) \leftarrow p_1(t_{i_1}), \dots, p_n(t_{i_n})}.$$

We represent (\*) in DNF:

$$\boxed{q_1(t_{j_1}) \vee \dots \vee q_m(t_{j_m}) \vee \neg p_1(t_{i_1}) \vee \dots \vee \neg p_n(t_{i_n})}.$$

Assume  $n > 0$  (non-empty body)

If any of  $p_k'(t_{i_k}')$  is false under  $I$  then by (a) (as it is an atom)

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$$\tilde{I}_H^A(P_k(t_{ik})) = \text{false}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\tilde{I}_H^A(\neg P_k(t_{ik})) = \text{true}$$

(\*\*\*)

$$q_1(t_{j_1}) \vee \dots \vee q_j(t_{j_m}) \vee \neg p_{i_1}(t_{i_1}) \vee \dots \vee \neg p_k(t_{ik}) \vee \dots \vee \neg p_n(t_{in}).$$

is true under  $\tilde{I}_H^A$ .

(ii) if all  $p'_1(t'_{i_1}), \dots, p'_n(t'_{i_n})$  are true under  $I$  then as

$I$  is a model, clause (\*\*) must be true <sup>under  $I$</sup>  & therefore as all body atoms are true under  $I \Rightarrow$

$$\tilde{I}(q'_1(t'_{j_1}) \vee \dots \vee q'_j(t'_{j_m})) = \text{true}$$

Thus at least one  $q'_k(t'_{jk})$  is

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true under  $\tilde{I}^A$ . As it is an atom by (\*)

$$\tilde{I}_H^A(q_k(t_{jk})) = \text{true}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{I}_H^A(q_1(t_{j1}) \vee \dots \vee q_k(t_{jk}) \vee \dots \vee q_m(t_{jm})) \\ = \text{true}\end{aligned}$$



the whole clause (\*\*) is true  
under  $\tilde{I}_H^A$ .

b) Assume  $m=0$  (empty body) i.e.  
(\*\*) reads

$$q_1(t_{j1}) \vee \dots \vee q_m(t_{jm})$$

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Again since  $\mathcal{I}$  is a model

$$\mathcal{I}(q'_1(t'_{j_1}) \vee \dots \vee q'_m(t'_{j_m})) = \text{true}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\exists_k \quad \mathcal{I}(q'_k(t'_{j_k})) = \text{true}$$

$\Downarrow$   $\uparrow$  as this is an atom by (a)

$$\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_H^A(q_k(t_{j_k})) = \text{true}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_H^A(q_1(t_{j_1}) \vee \dots \vee q_k(t_{j_k}) \vee \dots \vee q_m(t_{j_m}))$$

$\parallel$

true.

So the whole  $(*)$  is true under  
 $\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_H^A$ .

The proof is complete ■

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### Lemma 1:

Let  $S'$  be a set of clauses.  
Then

$S'$  is unsatisfiable  
 $\Updownarrow$  iff  
 $S'$  has no Herbrand model.

This is a simple conclusion from previous theorem.

Lemma 1 (& Herbrand Th.) is not true for  $S'$  not being a set of clauses.

Example 2:  $\Delta^a \models \{ p(a), p(f(f(f(x)))) \leftarrow p(x) \}$

$I_H^A \Leftrightarrow A = \{ p(a), p(f(f(f(a)))) , p(f(f(f(f(f(a)))))) , \dots \}$   
is a Herbrand model  $\Rightarrow \underline{\Delta \text{ is satisfiable}}$ .

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b)  $S' = \{ p(x), \neg p(a) \}$ .

$$U_L = \{ a \} \text{ and } B_L = \{ p(a) \}.$$

There are only 2 subsets of  $B_L$   
 (and thus 2 Herbrand interpretations):

$$(i) \quad \phi \subseteq B_L \iff I_H^\phi(p(a)) = \text{false} \\ \Rightarrow I_H^\phi(\neg p(a)) = \text{true}$$

$$(ii) \quad B_L \subseteq B_L \iff I_H^{B_L}(p(a)) = \text{true} \\ \Rightarrow I_H^{B_L}(\neg p(a)) = \text{false}$$

Under (i) & (ii) one of the clauses from  $S'$  is false.

Thus no Herbrand model for  $S'$ .  
 Thus by Lemma 1 no model at all  $\Rightarrow S'$  is unsatisfiable. □

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Remark :

If  $\mathcal{L}$  has no function symbols

$\Rightarrow U_{\mathcal{L}}$  is finite  $\Rightarrow \underline{B_{\mathcal{L}} \text{ is finite}}$

as for a given language  $\mathcal{L}$   
we have finite number of  
constants & predicates.

Hence if  $B_{\mathcal{L}}$  is finite (say  $\bar{B}_{\mathcal{L}} = n$ )

$\Rightarrow 2^m$  different subsets

(so different Herbrand interpretations) of  $B_{\mathcal{L}}$ .

$\Rightarrow$  the upper bound for the  
number of Herbrand models  
is

$$2^m$$

2. If there is at least one function

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symbol in  $\mathcal{L} \Rightarrow \bar{U}_L = \infty$

$$\bar{B}_L = \infty$$

(infinite)

Then number of all Herbrand Interpretations (the same as number of all subsets of  $B_L$ ) is infinite.

Clearly number of Herbrand models can be now

- either infinite
- or finite

### REMARK :

a) If  $\mathcal{L}$  is defined a priori then even if Program is not using all constant & function & predicate symbols from  $\mathcal{L} \Rightarrow$

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$U_L$  &  $B_L$  are built based on all symbols from  $\mathcal{L}$ .

- b) If  $\mathcal{L}$  is not defined a priori the  $\mathcal{L}$  is inherited from program  $P$  (i.e. we use all constant, function & predicate symbols from  $P$ ). So  $U_L$  &  $B_L$  are built from  $P$ .