

Predicate Logic

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Limitation of Propositional Logic

- Consider the following sentence:

Every student is younger than some instructor.

(每位學生都比某位授課者年輕。)

- How do we express it in propositional logic?
 - What are propositional atoms?
- To express the sentence, let us define some predicates.
 - Informally, a predicate is a function from objects to truth values.
- For example, $S(andy)$ denotes that Andy is a student; $I(paul)$ denotes that Paul is an instructor; $Y(andy, paul)$ denotes that Andy is younger than Paul.
- We also use variables to denote an object.
 - $S(x)$ means x is a student; $I(x)$ means x is an instructor; $Y(x, y)$ means x is younger than y .
- Here is a predicate logic formula expressing the sentence:

$$\forall x(S(x) \implies (\exists y(I(y) \wedge Y(x, y)))).$$

More Examples

- “Not all birds can fly.”
 - ▶ Let $B(x)$ denote x is a bird, and $F(x)$ denote x can fly.
 - ▶ $\neg(\forall x(B(x) \implies F(x)))$.
- “Some bird cannot fly.”

$$\exists x(B(x) \wedge \neg F(x)).$$

- Do “not all birds can fly” and “some bird cannot fly” have the same meaning?
 - ▶ What are the “meaning” of these sentences?
 - ▶ What is the “same”?

More Examples

- “Andy and Paul have the same biological maternal grandmother.”
 - ▶ Let $M(x, y)$ denote that x is y 's mother.
 - ▶ Consider

$$\forall x \forall y \forall u \forall v (M(x, y) \wedge M(y, \text{andy}) \wedge M(u, v) \wedge M(v, \text{paul}) \implies x = u).$$

- ▶ Let $m(x)$ denote x 's biological mother.
- ▶ Consider

$$m(m(\text{andy})) = m(m(\text{paul})).$$

- Since everyone has exactly one biological mother, we introduce a function $m(x)$ to denote this fact.
- In this chapter, we will consider these questions formally.

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- In our examples, there are two sorts of things:
 - ▶ $B(x)$, $M(x, y)$, $B(x) \wedge \neg F(x)$ are **formulae**. They denote **truth values**;
 - ▶ y , $paul$, $m(x)$ are **terms**. They denote **objects**.
- Hence a predicate vocabulary has three sets.
- \mathcal{P} is a set of **predicate** symbols ($B(x)$, $M(x, y)$ etc).
- \mathcal{F} is a set of **function** symbols ($m(x)$ etc).
- \mathcal{C} is a set of constant symbols ($andy$, $paul$ etc).
- A function symbol $f \in \mathcal{F}$ with arity n (or n -arity) takes n arguments.
- Observe that a 0-arity (or nullary) function is in fact a constant.
- Hence $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$. We can ignore \mathcal{C} for convenience.

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Definition

Terms are defined as follows.

- Any variable is a term;
- If $c \in \mathcal{F}$ is a nullary function symbol, c is a term;
- If t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n are terms and $f \in \mathcal{F}$ has arity $n > 0$, then $f(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$ is a term;
- Nothing else is a term.

- In Backus Naur form, we have

$$t ::= x \mid c \mid f(t, \dots, t)$$

where $x \in \text{var}$ is a variable, $c \in \mathcal{F}$ a nullary function symbol, and $f \in \mathcal{F}$ a function symbol with arity > 0 .

- Let $n, f, g \in \mathcal{F}$ be function symbols with arity 0, 1, and 2 respectively.
- $g(f(n), n), f(f(n)), f(g(n, g(f(n), n)))$ are terms.
- $g(n), f(n, n), n(g)$ are not terms.
- Let $0, 1, \dots$ be nullary function symbols, and $+, -, \times$ binary function symbols.
- $+(\times(3, x), 1), +(\times(x, x), +(\times(2, \times(x, y))), \times(y, y))$ are terms.
- In infix notation, they are $(3 \times x) + 1, (x \times x) + ((2 \times (x \times y)) + (y \times y))$.

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Definition

Formulae are defined as follows.

- If $P \in \mathcal{P}$ is a predicate symbol with arity $n \geq 1$, and t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n are terms over \mathcal{F} , then $P(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$ is a formula;
- If ϕ is a formula, so is $(\neg\phi)$;
- If ϕ and ψ are formulae, so are $(\phi \wedge \psi)$, $(\phi \vee \psi)$, and $(\phi \implies \psi)$.
- If ϕ is a formula and x is a variable, then $(\forall x\phi)$ and $(\exists x\phi)$ are formulae;
- Nothing else is a formula.

- In Backus Naur form, we have

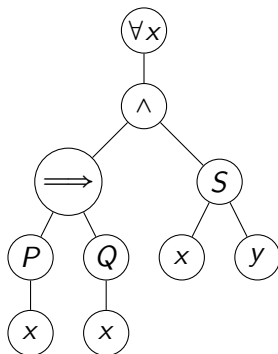
$$\phi ::= P(t_1, \dots, t_n) \mid (\neg\phi) \mid (\phi \wedge \phi) \mid (\phi \vee \phi) \mid (\phi \implies \phi) \mid (\forall x\phi) \mid (\exists x\phi)$$

where $P \in \mathcal{P}$ is a predicate symbol of arity n , t_1, \dots, t_n terms over \mathcal{F} , and $x \in \text{var}$ a variable.

Convention

- It is very tedious to write parentheses.
- We will assume the following binding priorities.
 - ▶ \neg , $\forall x$ and $\exists x$ (tightest)
 - ▶ \vee , \wedge
 - ▶ \implies (right-associative and loosest)

Parse Tree



- A predicate logic formula can be represented as a parse tree.
 - $\forall x, \exists y$ are nodes;
 - arguments of function symbols are also nodes.
- The above figure gives the parse tree of $\forall x((P(x) \implies Q(x)) \wedge S(x, y))$.

Example

Example

Write “every son of my father is my brother” in predicate logic.

Proof.

Let *me* denote ‘me’, $S(x, y)$ (x is a son of y), $F(x, y)$ (x is the father of y), and $B(x, y)$ (x is a brother of y) be predicate symbols of arity 2.

Consider

$$\forall x \forall y (F(x, me) \wedge S(y, x) \implies B(y, me)).$$

Alternatively, let f ($f(x)$ is the father of x) be a unary function symbol.

Consider

$$\forall x (S(x, f(me)) \implies B(x, me)).$$



- Translating an English sentence into predicate logic can be tricky.
- Can you identify problem(s) in the example?

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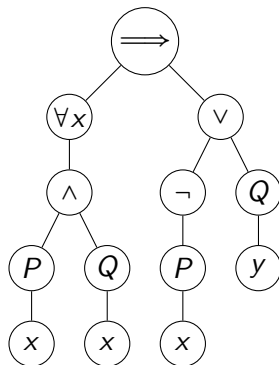
Constants and Variables

- Let c, d be constants (nullary functions).
- Consider $\forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x)) \wedge P(c) \implies Q(c)$.
 - If $P(x)$ implies $Q(x)$ for all x and $P(c)$ is true, then $Q(c)$ is true.
- Intuitively, $\forall y(P(y) \implies Q(y)) \wedge P(c) \implies Q(c)$ should have the same meaning.
- $\forall y(P(y) \implies Q(y)) \wedge P(d) \implies Q(d)$ is different.
 - We do not know if $Q(c)$ is true.
- Things can get very complicated when there are several variables.
 - $\forall x((P(x) \implies Q(x)) \wedge S(x, y))$
 - $\forall z((P(z) \implies Q(z)) \wedge S(z, y))$
 - $\forall y((P(y) \implies Q(y)) \wedge S(y, x))$

Free and Bound Variables

Definition

Let ϕ be a predicate logic formula. An occurrence of x in ϕ is free in ϕ if it is a leaf node without ancestor nodes $\forall x$ or $\exists x$ in the parse tree of ϕ . Otherwise, the occurrence of x is bound. The scope of $\forall x$ in $\forall x\phi$ is the formula ϕ minus any subformula in ϕ of the form $\forall x\psi$ or $\exists x\psi$.



$$(\forall x(P(x) \wedge Q(x))) \implies (\neg P(x) \vee Q(y))$$

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Substitution

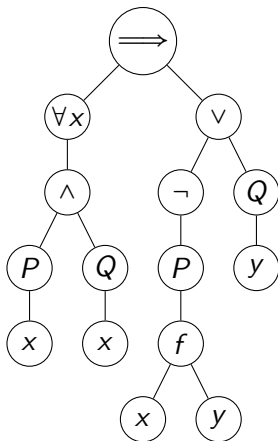
- Variables denote objects in predicate logic.
- Hence variables can be replaced by terms (but not formulae).
 - ▶ Replace x in $x \neq x + 1$ by 2 to get $2 \neq 2 + 1$.
 - ▶ What if we replace x by $2 = 2$?
- However, bound variables should not be replaced.
- The variables x and y in $\forall x\phi$ and $\exists y\psi$ denote all or some objects respectively.
 - ▶ What if we replace x in $\exists x(x = 0)$ by 1?

Definition

Given a variable x , a term t and a formula ϕ , define $\phi[t/x]$ to be the formula obtained by replacing each free occurrence of x in ϕ with t .

Example

- Let $\phi = (\forall x(P(x) \wedge Q(x))) \implies (\neg P(x) \vee Q(y))$. Consider $\phi[f(x,y)/x]$.



$$(\forall x(P(x) \wedge Q(x))) \implies (\neg P(x) \vee Q(y))[f(x,y)/x]$$

Variable Capture in Substitution

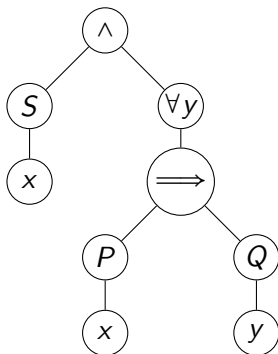
- Let $\phi = \exists y(y < x)$ and $\psi = \exists z(z < x)$.
 - ▶ Since ϕ and ψ only differ in bound variables, they should have the same meaning.
- Consider $\phi[(y - 1)/x] = \exists y(y < y - 1)$.
- The variable y in $y - 1$ is caught by the bound variable in ϕ .
- Consider $\psi[(y - 1)/x] = \exists z(z < y - 1)$.
- The variable y in $y - 1$ is not caught in the substitution $\psi[(y - 1)/x]$.

Definition

Let t be a term, x a variable, and ϕ a formula. t is free for x in ϕ if no free x leaf in ϕ occurs in the scope of $\forall y$ or $\exists y$ for any variable y occurring in t .

- Examples: $y - 1$ is free for x in $\exists z(z < x)$; $y - 1$ is not free for x in $\exists y(y < x)$.

Example



- Consider $\phi = S(x) \wedge \forall y (P(x) \implies Q(y))$ and $t = f(y, y)$.
- The two occurrences of x in ϕ are free.
- The right occurrence of x in ϕ is in the scope of $\forall y$ and y occurs in t .
- t is not free for x in ϕ .

Substitution and Variable Capture

- When t is not free for x in ϕ , the substitution $\phi[t/x]$ is not desirable.
- However, we can always rename bound variables for substitution.
- When we write $\phi[t/x]$, we mean all bound variables in ϕ are renamed so that t is free for x in ϕ .
- Examples.
 - ▶ $\phi = \exists y(y < x)$ and $t = y - 1$. t is not free for x in ϕ . Rename the bound variable y to z and obtain $\psi = \exists z(z < x)$. t is free for x in ψ .
 - ▶ $\phi = S(x) \wedge \forall y(P(x) \implies Q(y))$ and $t = f(y, y)$. t is not free for x in ϕ . Rename the bound variable y to z and obtain $\psi = S(x) \wedge \forall z(P(x) \implies Q(z))$. t is free for x in ψ .

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Natural Deduction for Predicate Logic

- Similar to propositional logic, predicate logic has its natural deduction proof system.
- Naturally, the natural deduction proof rules for contradiction (\perp), negation (\neg), and Boolean connectives (\vee , \wedge , \implies) are the same as those in propositional logic.
- Additionally, there are proof rules for equality ($=$) and quantification (\forall and \exists).
- Again, these additional rules have two types: introduction and elimination rules.

Equality

- Let s and t be terms.
- What do we mean by $s = t$?
- Shall we say $2 + 1 = 2 + 1$?
- What about $2^{61} - 1 = 2305843009213693951$?
- Apparently, if two terms are **syntactically** equal, they are equal.
 - This is called intensional equality.
- In practice, if two terms denote the **same object**, they are equal.
 - This is called extensional equality.

Natural Deduction Proof Rules for Equality

- The **introduction** rule for equality is as follows.

$$\overline{t = t} = i$$

- The elimination rule for equality is as follows.

$$\frac{t_1 = t_2 \quad \phi[t_1/x]}{\phi[t_2/x]} = e$$

(t_1 and t_2 are free for x in ϕ).

- ▶ The requirement “ t_1 and t_2 are free for x in ϕ ” is called the **side condition** of the proof rule.
- By convention, we assume the side condition holds in all substitutions.

Example

Example

Show

$$x + 1 = 1 + x, (x + 1) > 1 \implies (x + 1) > 0 \vdash (1 + x) > 1 \implies (1 + x) > 0.$$

Proof.

- | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|---------|
| 1 | $x + 1 = 1 + x$ | premise |
| 2 | $(x + 1) > 1 \implies (x + 1) > 0$ | premise |
| 3 | $(1 + x) > 1 \implies (1 + x) > 0$ | =e 1, 2 |

In step 3, take $\phi = x > 1 \implies x > 0$, $t_1 = x + 1$, and $t_2 = 1 + x$. Then

$$\phi[t_1/x] = (x + 1) > 1 \implies (x + 1) > 0,$$

$$\phi[t_2/x] = (1 + x) > 0 \implies (1 + x) > 0.$$



Reflexivity of Equality

Example

Show $t_1 = t_2 \vdash t_2 = t_1$.

Proof.

- 1 $t_1 = t_2$ premise
- 2 $t_1 = t_1$ $=i$
- 3 $t_2 = t_1$ $=e, 1, 2$

Take $\phi = (x = t_1)$. $\phi[t_1/x] = (t_1 = t_1)$ and $\phi[t_2/x] = (t_2 = t_1)$. □

Transitivity of Equality

Example

Show $t_1 = t_2, t_2 = t_3 \vdash t_1 = t_3$.

Proof.

- | | | |
|---|-------------|----------|
| 1 | $t_2 = t_3$ | premise |
| 2 | $t_1 = t_2$ | premise |
| 3 | $t_1 = t_3$ | =e, 1, 2 |

Take $\phi = (t_1 = x)$. $\phi[t_2/x] = (t_1 = t_2)$ and $\phi[t_3/x] = (t_1 = t_3)$. □

- Thus, the rules =i and =e give us the reflexivity, symmetry, and transitivity of equality.

Natural Deduction Proof Rules for Universal Quantification

- The elimination rule for universal quantification is the following:

$$\frac{\forall x\phi}{\phi[t/x]} \quad \forall xe$$

when t is free for x in ϕ .

- To see why t must be free for x in ϕ , let ϕ be $\exists y(x < y)$. For natural numbers, $\forall x\exists y(x < y)$ is clearly true (“for any number, there is a larger number”). But if we take $t = y$, $\phi[t/x] = \exists y(y < y)$. This is wrong. Hence t must be free for x in ϕ .
 - If we really need to replace x by y in this case, we should rewrite $\exists y(x < y)$ to $\exists z(x < z)$ and obtain $\exists z(x < z)[x/y] = \exists z(y < z)$.

Natural Deduction Proof Rules for Universal Quantification

- The introduction rule for universal quantification opens a new box for a fresh variable x_0 :

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} x_0 \\ \vdots \\ \phi[x_0/x] \end{array}}{\forall x \phi} \quad \forall xi$$

(By “fresh,” we mean x_0 does not occur outside of the box.)

- Informally, the rule $\forall xi$ says “if we can establish $\phi[x_0/x]$ for a fresh x_0 , then we can derive $\forall x \phi$.”
 - Intuitively, x_0 can be an arbitrary term since it is fresh and assumes nothing. If we can show $\phi[x_0/x]$, we have $\forall x \phi$.
 - Another way to see this is to replace x_0 by a term t in the box. We would have a proof for $\phi[t/x]$. That is, we have shown $\forall x \phi$.

Example

Example

Show $\forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x)), \forall xP(x) \vdash \forall xQ(x)$.

Proof.

1	$\forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x))$	premise	
2	$\forall xP(x)$	premise	
3	$x_0 \quad P(x_0) \implies Q(x_0)$	$\forall x e \ 1$] □
4	$P(x_0)$	$\forall x e \ 2$	
5	$Q(x_0)$	$\implies e \ 4, 3$	
6	$\forall xQ(x)$	$\forall x i \ 3-5$	

Example

Example

Show $P(t), \forall x(P(x) \implies \neg Q(x)) \vdash \neg Q(t)$ for any term t .

Proof.

1	$P(t)$	premise
2	$\forall x(P(x) \implies \neg Q(x))$	premise
3	$P(t) \implies \neg Q(t)$	$\forall xe\ 2$
4	$\neg Q(t)$	$\implies e\ 1, 3$



- In step 3, we apply $\forall xe$ by replacing x with t . We could apply the same rule with a different term, say, a . Hence the rule $\forall xe$ is in fact a **scheme** of rules; one for each term t (free of x in ϕ).
- Also, we have different introduction and elimination rule. for different variables. That is, we have $\forall xi$, $\forall xe$, $\forall yi$, $\forall ye$, and so on. We will simply write $\forall i$ and $\forall e$ when bound variables are clear.

Universal Quantification and Conjunction

- It is helpful to compare proof rules for universal quantification and conjunction.
- Introduction rules:
 - ▶ To establish $\forall x\phi$, we need to show $\phi[t/x]$ for any term t . This is accomplished by proving $\phi[x_0/x]$ with the box for a fresh variable x_0 ;
 - ▶ To establish $\phi \wedge \psi$, we need to show ϕ and ψ .
- Elimination rules:
 - ▶ To eliminate $\forall x\phi$, we pick a term (free for x in ϕ) and deduce $\phi[t/x]$;
 - ▶ To eliminate $\phi \wedge \psi$, we deduce ϕ (or ψ).

Natural Deduction Proof Rule for Existential Quantification

- The introduction rule for existential quantification is as follows.

$$\frac{\phi[t/x]}{\exists x\phi} \exists xi$$

when t is free for x in ϕ .

- To see why t must be free for x in ϕ , consider $\exists x\forall y(x = y)$. This is clearly wrong for, say, natural numbers. Let $\phi = \forall y(x = y)$ and $t = y$. Since $\phi[t/x] = \forall y(y = y)$ is deducible ($=i, \forall yi$), we would have $\exists x\forall y(x = y)$.
- Recall the elimination rule for universal quantification:

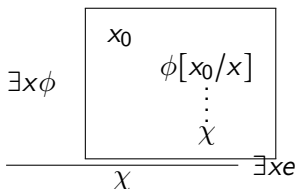
$$\frac{\forall x\phi}{\phi[t/x]} \forall xe$$

when t is free for x in ϕ .

- $\forall xe$ is the “dual” of $\exists xi$.
 - Recall the duality of $\wedge e$ and $\vee i$.

Natural Deduction Proof Rule for Existential Quantification

- The elimination rule for existential quantification is as follows.



- Informally, the rule $\exists e$ says: to show χ from $\exists x\phi$, we show χ by assuming $\phi[x_0/x]$ for a fresh variable x_0 .
 - Intuitively, x_0 stands for an unknown term t such that $\phi[t/x]$ holds. If we can deduce χ by assuming $\phi[t/x]$, then χ is deducible from $\exists x\phi$.
- Note that x_0 must not occur in χ .

Existential Quantification and Disjunction

- It is helpful to compare the elimination rules for existential quantification and disjunction.
- Recall

$$\frac{\phi \vee \psi \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \phi \\ \vdots \\ \chi \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \psi \\ \vdots \\ \chi \\ \hline \end{array}}{\chi} \vee e$$

- To eliminate $\phi \vee \psi$, we show that χ is deducible by assuming ϕ or assuming ψ .
- To eliminate $\exists x\phi$, we show that χ is deducible by assuming $\phi[x_0/x]$.

Subformula Property I

- An elimination rule has subformula property if it must conclude with a subformula of the eliminated formula.
- For example, both $\wedge e_1$ and $\neg e$ have the subformula property.

$$\frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\phi} \wedge e_1 \qquad \frac{\neg \neg \phi}{\phi} \neg e$$

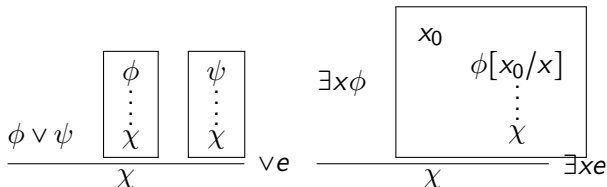
- Since the conclusion of $\forall x e$ has the same logical structure as the eliminated formula, we also say $\forall x e$ has the subformula property.

$$\frac{\forall x \phi}{\phi[t/x]} \forall x e$$

- Strictly speaking, $\phi[t/x]$ may not be a subformula of $\forall x \phi$.

Subformula Property II

- The subformula property helps proof search.
 - We need not invent a formula for rules with the property.
 - Such rules are good for automated proof search.
- $\vee e$ and $\exists xe$ however do not have the subformula property.



- The conclusion χ must be chosen carefully.

Examples I

Example

Show $\forall x\phi \vdash \exists x\phi$.

Proof.

1	$\forall x\phi$	premise
2	$\phi[x/x]$	$\forall x e$ 1
3	$\exists x\phi$	$\exists x i$ 2

(Is x free for x in $\phi[x/x]$?) □

- Is it correct?

Examples II

Example

Show $\forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x)), \exists xP(x) \vdash \exists xQ(x)$.

Proof.

1	$\forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x))$	premise	
2	$\exists xP(x)$	premise	
3	$x_0 \quad P(x_0)$	assumption]
4	$P(x_0) \implies Q(x_0)$	$\forall x e \ 1$	
5	$Q(x_0)$	$\implies e \ 3, 4$	
6	$\exists xQ(x)$	$\exists x i \ 5$	
7	$\exists xQ(x)$	$\exists x e \ 2, 3-6$	

(Can we close the box at line 5 instead of 6? Why not?)



Examples III

Example

Show $\exists xP(x), \forall x\forall y(P(x) \implies Q(y)) \vdash \forall yQ(y)$.

Proof.

1	$\exists xP(x)$	premise	
2	$\forall x\forall y(P(x) \implies Q(y))$	premise	
3	y_0]
4	x_0 $P(x_0)$	assumption	
5	$\forall y(P(x_0) \implies Q(y))$	$\forall x$ e 2	
6	$P(x_0) \implies Q(y_0)$	$\forall y$ e 5	
7	$Q(y_0)$	\implies e 4, 6]
8	$Q(y_0)$	$\exists x$ e 1, 4–7	
9	$\forall yQ(y)$	$\forall y$ i 3–8	

□

- Fresh variables in box must not appear outside!
- If not, we could show $\exists xP(x), \forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x)) \vdash \forall yQ(y)$!

1	$\exists xP(x)$	premise		
2	$\forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x))$	premise		
3	x_0]
4	$x_0 \quad P(x_0)$	assumption]	
5	$P(x_0) \implies Q(x_0)$	$\forall x e 2$		
6	$Q(x_0)$	$\implies e 4, 5$]	
7	$Q(x_0)$	$\exists x e 1, 4-6$]
8	$\forall yQ(y)$	$\forall y i 3-7$		

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Equivalent Predicate Logic Formulae I

- Let ϕ and ψ be predicate logic formulae.
- $\phi \dashv\vdash \psi$ denotes that $\phi \vdash \psi$ and $\psi \vdash \phi$.

Equivalent Predicate Logic Formulae II

Theorem

Let ϕ and ψ be predicate logic formulae. We have

- ① (a) $\neg\forall x\phi \dashv\vdash \exists x\neg\phi$; (b) $\neg\exists x\phi \dashv\vdash \forall x\neg\phi$.
- ② When x is not free in ψ :
 - (a) $\forall x\phi \wedge \psi \dashv\vdash \forall x(\phi \wedge \psi)$; (b) $\forall x\phi \vee \psi \dashv\vdash \forall x(\phi \vee \psi)$;
 - (c) $\exists x\phi \wedge \psi \dashv\vdash \exists x(\phi \wedge \psi)$; (d) $\exists x\phi \vee \psi \dashv\vdash \exists x(\phi \vee \psi)$;
 - (e) $\forall x(\psi \implies \phi) \dashv\vdash \psi \implies \forall x\phi$;
 - (f) $\exists x(\phi \implies \psi) \dashv\vdash \forall x\phi \implies \psi$;
 - (g) $\forall x(\phi \implies \psi) \dashv\vdash \exists x\phi \implies \psi$;
 - (h) $\exists x(\psi \implies \phi) \dashv\vdash \psi \implies \exists x\phi$.
- ③ (a) $\forall x\phi \wedge \forall x\psi \dashv\vdash \forall x(\phi \wedge \psi)$; (b) $\exists x\phi \vee \exists x\psi \dashv\vdash \exists x(\phi \vee \psi)$.
- ④ (a) $\forall x\forall y\phi \dashv\vdash \forall y\forall x\phi$ (b) $\exists x\exists y\phi \dashv\vdash \exists y\exists x\phi$.

$$\neg \forall x \phi \vdash \exists x \neg \phi$$

1	$\neg \forall x \phi$	premise			
2	$\neg \exists x \neg \phi$	assumption]
3	x_0]	
4	$\neg \phi[x_0/x]$	assumption]		
5	$\exists x \neg \phi$	$\exists x i$ 4			
6	\perp	$\neg e$ 5, 2]		
7	$\phi[x_0/x]$	PBC 4–6]		
8	$\forall x \phi$	$\forall x i$ 3–7			
9	\perp	$\neg e$ 8, 1]
10	$\exists x \neg \phi$	PBC 2–9			

- The proof structure is similar to $\neg(p_1 \wedge p_2) \vdash \neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2$.

$$\neg(p_1 \wedge p_2) \vdash \neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2$$

1	$\neg(p_1 \wedge p_2)$	premise		
2	$\neg(\neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2)$	assumption]	
3	$\neg p_1$	assumption]	
4	$\neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2$	$\vee i_1$ 3		
5	\perp	$\neg e$ 4, 2]	
6	p_1	PBC 3–5		
3'	$\neg p_2$	assumption]	
4'	$\neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2$	$\vee i_2$ 3'		
5'	\perp	$\neg e$ 4', 2']	
6'	p_2	PBC 3'–5'		
7	$p_1 \wedge p_2$	$\wedge i$ 6, 6'		
8	\perp	$\neg e$ 7, 1]	
9	$\neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2$	PBC 2–8.		

$$\exists x \neg \phi \vdash \neg \forall x \phi$$

1	$\exists x \neg \phi$	premise		
2	$\forall x \phi$	assumption]	
3	$x_0 \quad \neg \phi[x_0/x]$	assumption]	
4	$\phi[x_0/x]$	$\forall e$ 2		
5	\perp	$\neg e$ 4, 3]	
6	\perp	$\exists x e$ 1, 3–5]	
7	$\neg \forall x \phi$	$\neg i$ 2–6		

$\forall x\phi \wedge \psi \vdash \forall x(\phi \wedge \psi)$ and $\forall x(\phi \wedge \psi) \vdash \forall x\phi \wedge \psi$ (x not free in ψ)

1	$(\forall x\phi) \wedge \psi$	premise	
2	$\forall x\phi$	$\wedge e_1$ 1	
3	ψ	$\wedge e_2$ 1	
4	x_0]
5	$\phi[x_0/x]$	$\forall xe$ 2	
6	$\phi[x_0/x] \wedge \psi$	$\wedge i$ 5, 3	
7	$(\phi \wedge \psi)[x_0/x]$	x not free in ψ]
8	$\forall x(\phi \wedge \psi)$	$\forall xi$ 4–7	
<hr/>			
1	$\forall x(\phi \wedge \psi)$	premise	
2	x_0]
3	$(\phi \wedge \psi)[x_0/x]$	$\forall xe$ 1	
4	$\phi[x_0/x] \wedge \psi$	x not free in ψ	
5	ψ	$\wedge e_2$ 4	
6	$\phi[x_0/x]$	$\wedge e_1$ 4]
7	$\forall x\phi$	$\forall xi$ 2–6	
8	$\forall x\phi \wedge \psi$	$\wedge i$ 7, 5	

$$(\exists x\phi) \vee (\exists x\psi) \vdash \exists x(\phi \vee \psi)$$

1		$(\exists x\phi) \vee (\exists x\psi)$	premise		
2		$\exists x\phi$	assumption]	
3	x_0	$\phi[x_0/x]$	assumption]	
4		$\phi[x_0/x] \vee \psi[x_0/x]$	$\vee i_1$ 3		
5		$(\phi \vee \psi)[x_0/x]$	same as 4		
6		$\exists x(\phi \vee \psi)$	$\exists xi$ 5]	
7		$\exists x(\phi \vee \psi)$	$\exists xe$ 2, 3–6]	
2'		$\exists x\psi$	assumption]	
3'	y_0	$\psi[y_0/x]$	assumption]	
4'		$\phi[y_0/x] \vee \psi[y_0/x]$	$\vee i_2$ 3'		
5'		$(\phi \vee \psi)[y_0/x]$	same as 4'		
6'		$\exists x(\phi \vee \psi)$	$\exists xi$ 5']	
7'		$\exists x(\phi \vee \psi)$	$\exists xe$ 2', 3'–6']	
8		$\exists x(\phi \vee \psi)$	$\vee e$ 1, 2–7, 2'–7'		

$\exists x \exists y \phi \vdash \exists y \exists x \phi$

1	$\exists x \exists y \phi$	premise		
2	x_0	$(\exists y \phi)[x_0/x]$	assumption]
3		$\exists y (\phi[x_0/x])$	x and y different	
4	y_0	$\phi[x_0/x][y_0/y]$	assumption]
5		$\phi[y_0/y][x_0/x]$	x, y, x_0, y_0 different	
6		$\exists x \phi[y_0/y]$	$\exists x i 5$	
7		$\exists y \exists x \phi$	$\exists y i 6$]
8		$\exists y \exists x \phi$	$\exists y e 3, 4-7$]
9		$\exists y \exists x \phi$	$\exists x e 1, 2-8$]

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Deduction and Satisfaction

- Let Γ be a set of predicate logic formulae and ψ a predicate logic formula.
- We know how to show $\Gamma \vdash \psi$.
 - Intuitively, ψ “holds” when every formulae in Γ hold.
- What if we want to show $\Gamma \not\vdash \psi$?
 - How do we show “there is no such deduction?”
- Intuitively, we want to argue that ψ does not hold even when every formulae in Γ hold.
- Hence we will discuss when predicate logic formulae “hold.”

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- Recall that we have constant, function, and predicate symbols in predicate logic.
- The semantics of terms and atomic predicates are defined in models.

Definition

Let \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{P} be a set of function and predicate symbols respectively. A model \mathcal{M} of $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ consists of

- A non-empty set A called the universe;
- For function symbol $f \in \mathcal{F}$ with arity $n \geq 0$, a function $f^{\mathcal{M}}: A^n \rightarrow A$;
 - Particularly, a constant symbol $c \in \mathcal{F}$ is an element $c^{\mathcal{M}} \in A$.
- For predicate symbol $P \in \mathcal{P}$ with arity $n > 0$, a set $P^{\mathcal{M}} \subseteq A^n$.

Example of Models

- Let $\mathcal{F} = \{e, \cdot\}$ and $\mathcal{P} = \{\leq\}$ where e is a constant, \cdot a binary function, and \leq a binary predicate symbol respectively. We use infix notation for \cdot and \leq .
- Consider the model \mathcal{M} :
 - ▶ the universe A is the set of all binary finite strings;
 - ▶ $e^{\mathcal{M}}$ is the empty string ϵ ;
 - ▶ $\cdot^{\mathcal{M}}$ is string concatenation;
 - ▶ $\leq^{\mathcal{M}}$ is the string prefix relation.
- For instance, $00 \cdot^{\mathcal{M}} 111 = 00111$ and $01 \leq^{\mathcal{M}} 011$.
- In this model,
 - ▶ $\forall x((x \leq x \cdot e) \wedge (x \cdot e \leq x))$ is true.
 - ▶ $\exists y \forall x (y \leq x)$ is true.
 - ▶ $\forall x \forall y \forall z ((x \leq y) \implies (x \cdot z \leq y \cdot z))$ is false.

Environment

- For the semantics of $\forall x\phi$ and $\exists x\phi$, we need to check whether ϕ is true when x is assigned to an element of the universe.
- A model $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ however does not give semantics to variables.

Definition

An **environment** for a universe A is a function $I : \text{var} \rightarrow A$. If I is an environment, $x \in \text{var}$, and $a \in A$, the environment $I[x \mapsto a]$ is defined as follows.

$$I[x \mapsto a](y) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } x = y \\ I(y) & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

Semantics of Predicate Logic Formulae

Definition

Let \mathcal{M} be a model of $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$, I an environment, and ϕ a predicate logic formula. $\mathcal{M} \models_I \phi$ holds is defined as follows.

- $\mathcal{M} \models_I P(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$ holds if $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in P^{\mathcal{M}}$ where $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in A$ are computed for t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n by \mathcal{F} and I ;
- $\mathcal{M} \models_I \forall x \psi$ holds if $\mathcal{M} \models_{I[x \mapsto a]} \psi$ for every $a \in A$;
- $\mathcal{M} \models_I \exists x \psi$ holds if $\mathcal{M} \models_{I[x \mapsto a]} \psi$ for some $a \in A$;
- $\mathcal{M} \models_I \neg \psi$ holds if it is not the case $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi$;
- $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_0 \vee \psi_1$ holds if $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_0$ holds or $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_1$ holds;
- $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_0 \wedge \psi_1$ holds if $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_0$ holds and $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_1$ holds;
- $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_0 \implies \psi_1$ holds if $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_1$ holds whenever $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi_0$ holds.

If $\mathcal{M} \models_I \phi$ holds, we say ϕ computes to T in \mathcal{M} with respect to I . Also, we write $\mathcal{M} \not\models_I \phi$ when it is not the case $\mathcal{M} \models_I \phi$.

- Let ϕ be a predicate logic formula, I and I' two environments that agree on free variables of ϕ .
 - That is, $I(x) = I'(x)$ for every free variable x in ϕ .
- By induction on ϕ , it is straightforward to show $\mathcal{M} \models_I \phi$ holds if and only if $\mathcal{M} \models_{I'} \phi$.
- A **sentence** is a predicate logic formula without free variables.
- Let ϕ be a sentence. Either
 - $\mathcal{M} \models_I \phi$ holds for every environment I ; or
 - $\mathcal{M} \models_I \phi$ does not hold for every environment I .
- Hence we write $\mathcal{M} \models \phi$ (or $\mathcal{M} \not\models \phi$) for a sentence ϕ since the choice of I does not matter.

Example

- Consider $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P}) = (\{\text{alma}\}, \{\text{loves}\})$ where *alma* is a constant and *loves* is a binary predicate.
- Let \mathcal{M} be a model of $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ with the universe $A = \{a, b, c\}$, $\text{alma}^{\mathcal{M}} = a$, and $\text{loves}^{\mathcal{M}} = \{(a, a), (b, a), (c, a)\}$.
- Consider the statement:

None of Alma's lovers' lovers love her.

- We first translate the statement into a predicate logic formula ϕ :

$$\forall x \forall y (\text{loves}(x, \text{alma}) \wedge \text{loves}(y, x) \implies \neg \text{loves}(y, \text{alma})).$$

Alma's lovers Whom love Alma's lovers

- We have $\mathcal{M} \not\models \phi$.
 - ▶ Choose *a* for *x* and *b* for *y*. We have $(a, a) \in \text{loves}^{\mathcal{M}}$ and $(b, a) \in \text{loves}^{\mathcal{M}}$ but it is not the case $(b, a) \notin \text{loves}^{\mathcal{M}}$.

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Semantic Entailment

Definition

Let Γ be a (possibly infinite) set of predicate logic formulae and ψ a predicate logic formula.

- $\Gamma \models \psi$ holds (or Γ semantically entails ψ) if for every model \mathcal{M} and environment I , $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi$ holds whenever $\mathcal{M} \models_I \phi$ holds for every $\phi \in \Gamma$;
 - ψ is satisfiable if there is a model \mathcal{M} and an environment I such that $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi$ holds;
 - ψ is valid if $\mathcal{M} \models_I \psi$ holds for every model \mathcal{M} and environment I where we can compute ψ ;
 - Γ is consistent or satisfiable if there is a model \mathcal{M} and an environment I such that $\mathcal{M} \models_I \phi$ for every $\phi \in \Gamma$.
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- Note that “ \models ” has two different meanings:
 - $\mathcal{M} \models \psi$ means “ ψ computes to \top in \mathcal{M} ;”
 - $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n \models \psi$ means “ ψ is semantically entailed by $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$.”

Checking $\mathcal{M} \models \psi$ and $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n \models \psi$

- Let $\psi, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$ be sentences.
- To check if $\mathcal{M} \models \psi$ holds, we need to enumerate all elements in the universe if ψ contains \forall or \exists .
- To check if $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n \models \psi$ holds, we need to consider all possible models satisfying $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$.
- Both sound difficult since a model may contain an infinite number of elements in its universe.
- However, we may still prove semantic entailments.

Examples I

Example

Show $\forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x)) \models \forall xP(x) \implies \forall xQ(x)$.

Proof.

Let \mathcal{M} be a model that $\mathcal{M} \models \forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x))$. There are two cases:

- $\mathcal{M} \not\models \forall xP(x)$. Then $\mathcal{M} \models \forall xP(x) \implies \forall xQ(x)$.
- $\mathcal{M} \models \forall xP(x)$. Let a be an element in the universe of \mathcal{M} . We have $a \in P^{\mathcal{M}}$ since $\mathcal{M} \models \forall xP(x)$ and hence $a \in Q^{\mathcal{M}}$ since $\mathcal{M} \models \forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x))$. That is, $\mathcal{M} \models \forall xQ(x)$. We conclude $\mathcal{M} \models \forall xP(x) \implies \forall xQ(x)$.



Examples II

Example

Show $\forall x P(x) \implies \forall x Q(x) \not\models \forall x (P(x) \implies Q(x))$.

Proof.

Let \mathcal{M}' be a model where $A' = \{a, b\}$, $P^{\mathcal{M}'} = \{a\}$, and $Q^{\mathcal{M}'} = \{b\}$. Since $\mathcal{M}' \not\models \forall x P(x)$, $\mathcal{M}' \models \forall x P(x) \implies \forall x Q(x)$. Since $a \in P^{\mathcal{M}'}$ but $a \notin Q^{\mathcal{M}'}$, $\mathcal{M}' \not\models \forall x (P(x) \implies Q(x))$. \square

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Semantics of Equality

- Observe that $=$ is also a binary predicate.
- But the symbol “ $=$ ” is somewhat special.
 - We did not say $= \in \mathcal{P}$.
 - Rather, we explicitly say that $=$ denotes the equality.
- This is because we do not want to interpret the equality arbitrarily.
 - It sounds absurd if $a = b$ means a is not b .
- In all model \mathcal{M} , we always have $=^{\mathcal{M}} \triangleq \{(a, a) : a \in A\}$.

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Validity Problem for Predicate Logic

Definition

Given a predicate logic formula ϕ , the validity problem for predicate logic is to check whether $\models \phi$ holds or not.

- For a propositional logic formula ϕ , it is decidable to check whether $\models \phi$ holds.
 - ▶ The validity problem for propositional logic is coNP-complete.
- For a predicate logic formula ϕ , it is unclear how to design an algorithm.
- We will show the validity problem for predicate logic is undecidable.

Post Correspondence Problem

Definition

Given $C = ((s_1, t_1), (s_2, t_2), \dots, (s_k, t_k))$ where s_i, t_i are non-empty binary strings for every $1 \leq i \leq k$. The Post correspondence problem (PCP) is to check whether there are $1 \leq i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n \leq k$ such that $s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \dots s_{i_n} = t_{i_1} t_{i_2} \dots t_{i_n}$.

- For example, consider $C = ((1, 101), (10, 00), (011, 11))$. We have

$$\underline{1} \underline{011} \underline{10} \underline{011} = \underline{101} \underline{11} \underline{00} \underline{11}.$$

- The Post correspondence problem is undecidable.
 - For details, study computational complexity.

Undecidability of Validity Problem I

Theorem

The validity problem for predicate logic is undecidable.

Proof.

Let $C = ((s_1, t_1), (s_2, t_2), \dots, (s_k, t_k))$ be an instance of PCP. We build a predicate logic formula ϕ so that C has a solution iff $\models \phi$ holds.

Let $\mathcal{F} = \{e, f_0, f_1\}$ and $\mathcal{P} = \{P\}$. The function symbols $e, f_0(), f_1()$ encode binary strings. The binary predicate symbol $P(s, t)$ means “there are i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m so that $s = s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \dots s_{i_m}$ and $t = t_{i_1} t_{i_2} \dots t_{i_m}$.”

For instance, $1011 = f_1(f_1(f_0(f_1(e)))) = f_{1011}(e)$. Moreover, we write $f_{b_1 b_2 \dots b_h}(v)$ for $f_{b_h}(f_{b_{h-1}} \dots f_{b_1}(v))$ where $b_1 b_2 \dots b_h$ is a binary string.

Undecidability of Validity Problem II

Proof (cont'd).

Define

$$\phi_1 \triangleq \bigwedge_{i=1}^k P(f_{s_i}(e), f_{t_i}(e))$$

$$\phi_2 \triangleq \forall v \forall w (P(v, w) \implies \bigwedge_{i=1}^k P(f_{s_i}(v), f_{t_i}(w)))$$

$$\phi_3 \triangleq \exists z P(z, z)$$

We claim $\models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \implies \phi_3$ iff C has a solution.

Suppose $\models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \implies \phi_3$. Consider the model \mathcal{M} for $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ as follows.

The universe A is the set of all finite binary strings. $e^{\mathcal{M}} \triangleq \epsilon$, $f_0^{\mathcal{M}}(s) \triangleq s0$, and $f_1^{\mathcal{M}}(s) \triangleq s1$. Finally, $P^{\mathcal{M}} = \{(s, t) : \text{there are } i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m \text{ so that } s = s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \dots s_{i_m} \text{ and } t = t_{i_1} t_{i_2} \dots t_{i_m}\}$. We have $\mathcal{M} \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \implies \phi_3$. Moreover, since $\mathcal{M} \models \phi_1$ and $\mathcal{M} \models \phi_2$ (why?), $\mathcal{M} \models \phi_3$. That is, there is a binary string z and i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n such that $z = s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \dots s_{i_n} = t_{i_1} t_{i_2} \dots t_{i_n}$.

Undecidability of Validity Problem III

Proof (cont'd).

Conversely, suppose C has a solution i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n that $s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \dots s_{i_n} = t_{i_1} t_{i_2} \dots t_{i_n}$. We need to show $\mathcal{M}' \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \implies \phi_3$ for every model \mathcal{M}' defining $e^{\mathcal{M}'}$, $f_0^{\mathcal{M}'}$, $f_1^{\mathcal{M}'}$, and $P^{\mathcal{M}'}$. Clearly, $\mathcal{M}' \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \implies \phi_3$ when $\mathcal{M}' \not\models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$. It suffices to consider $\mathcal{M}' \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$, and show $\mathcal{M}' \models \phi_3$ as well. Let A' be the universe of \mathcal{M}' . We interpret finite binary strings in A' as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{interpret}(\epsilon) &\triangleq e^{\mathcal{M}'} \\ \text{interpret}(s0) &\triangleq f_0^{\mathcal{M}'}(\text{interpret}(s)) \\ \text{interpret}(s1) &\triangleq f_1^{\mathcal{M}'}(\text{interpret}(s)).\end{aligned}$$

Hence, for instance, the string 1011 is interpreted as the element $f_1^{\mathcal{M}'}(f_1^{\mathcal{M}'}(f_0^{\mathcal{M}'}(f_1^{\mathcal{M}'}(e^{\mathcal{M}'}))))$. Generally, a finite binary string s is interpreted as $f_s^{\mathcal{M}'}(e^{\mathcal{M}'})$ in A' .

Undecidability of Validity Problem IV

Proof (cont'd).

Since $\mathcal{M}' \models \phi_1$, we have

$$(\text{interpret}(s_i), \text{interpret}(t_i)) \in P^{\mathcal{M}'} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq k.$$

Since $\mathcal{M}' \models \phi_2$, we have for every $(\text{interpret}(s), \text{interpret}(t)) \in P^{\mathcal{M}'}$,

$$(\text{interpret}(ss_i), \text{interpret}(tt_i)) \in P^{\mathcal{M}'} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq k.$$

Thus,

$$(\text{interpret}(s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_n}), \text{interpret}(t_{i_1} t_{i_2} \cdots t_{i_n})) \in P^{\mathcal{M}'}.$$

Moreover, $s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_n} = t_{i_1} t_{i_2} \cdots t_{i_n}$ since i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n is a solution to C . Hence $\text{interpret}(s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_n}) = \text{interpret}(t_{i_1} t_{i_2} \cdots t_{i_n})$. In other words, $\mathcal{M}' \models \phi_3$. \square

Undecidability of Validity Problem V

Corollary

The satisfiability problem for predicate logic is undecidable.

Proof.

Observe $\models \phi$ holds iff $\neg\phi$ is not satisfiable. □

Theorem

For any predicate logic sentence ϕ , $\vdash \phi$ iff $\models \phi$.

Corollary

It is undecidable to check whether $\vdash \phi$ for any predicate logic sentence ϕ .

- The undecidability of provability problem for predicate logic means it is impossible to build a perfect automatic theorem prover.
- Just like art, human creativity is still important in mathematics!

A Glimpse into Completeness I

- Similar to propositional logic, the natural deduction proof system for predicate logic is both sound and complete.
- Proving completeness however is much harder for predicate logic.
 - There is no truth table for predicate logic.
- We will give the first step to establish completeness.

A Glimpse into Completeness II

Lemma

Let Γ be a set of predicate logic formulae. The following are equivalent:

- ① $\Gamma \models \phi$ *implies* $\Gamma \vdash \phi$;
- ② $\Gamma \models \perp$ *implies* $\Gamma \vdash \perp$.

Proof.

(1) to (2). Suppose $\Gamma \models \perp$. Then $\Gamma \vdash \perp$ by (1).

(2) to (1). Suppose $\Gamma \models \phi$. Then $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\phi\} \models \perp$. Hence $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\phi\} \vdash \perp$.

Therefore $\Gamma \vdash \phi$ using PBC. □

- To show completeness, it suffices to show that for every Γ , $\Gamma \not\models \perp$ implies Γ is satisfiable.

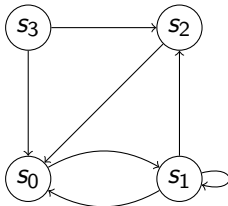
Completeness and Undecidability

- We have two facts about predicate logic formulae.
 - ▶ $\models \phi$ implies $\vdash \phi$; and
 - ▶ it is undecidable to check if $\vdash \phi$.
- If a predicate logic formula is valid, then there is a natural deduction proof.
- On the other hand, it is impossible to have a program which checks whether there is a natural deduction proof.

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Reachability



Example

Let $A = \{s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3\}$ and $R^M = \{(s_0, s_1), (s_1, s_0), (s_1, s_1), (s_1, s_2), (s_2, s_0), (s_3, s_0), (s_3, s_2)\}$. We write $s \rightarrow s'$ if $(s, s') \in R^M$, and say there is a transition from s to s' .

Definition

Given a directed graph G and nodes n, n' in G , the reachability problem for G is to check whether there is a path of transition from n to n' .

Reachability in Predicate Logic

- Let $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P}) = (\emptyset, \{R\})$ with a binary predicate R .
- A model of $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ denotes a directed graph.
- Can we write a predicate logic formula ϕ with free variables u and v to express $u \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v$?
- Consider

$$u = v \vee$$

$$R(u, v) \vee$$

$$\exists x_0 (R(u, x_0) \wedge R(x_0, v)) \vee$$

$$\exists x_0 \exists x_1 (R(u, x_0) \wedge R(x_0, x_1) \wedge R(x_1, v)) \vee \dots$$

- But this is not a predicate logic formula since it is infinite.
- We will show it is impossible to express reachability in predicate logic.

Compactness Theorem

Theorem

Let Γ be a set of predicate logic sentences. If all finite subset of Γ is satisfiable, Γ is satisfiable.

Proof.

Assume Γ is not satisfiable. Then $\Gamma \models \perp$. By the completeness theorem for predicate logic, $\Gamma \vdash \perp$. Since deductions are finite, we have $\Delta \vdash \perp$ for some finite subset Δ of Γ . By the soundness theorem for predicate logic, $\Delta \models \perp$. Δ is not satisfiable, a contraction. \square

Löwenheim-Skolem Theorem

Theorem

Let ψ be a predicate logic sentence. If ψ has a model with at least n elements for every $n \geq 1$, ψ has a model with infinitely many elements.

Proof.

Define $\phi_n \triangleq \exists x_1 \exists x_2 \cdots \exists x_n \bigwedge_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \neg(x_i = x_j)$. Let $\Gamma = \{\psi\} \cup \{\phi_n : n > 1\}$. For every finite subset Δ of Γ , Δ is satisfiable. By the compactness theorem, Γ is satisfiable by some model \mathcal{M} . Particularly, $\mathcal{M} \models \psi$ holds. Since $\mathcal{M} \models \phi_n$ for every $n \geq 1$, \mathcal{M} has infinitely many elements. \square

Reachability in Predicate Logic

Theorem

*There is **no** predicate logic formula ϕ with exactly two free variables u, v and exactly one binary predicate R such that ϕ holds in directed graphs iff there is a path in the graph from the node associated with u to the node associated with v .*

Proof.

Suppose ϕ is a predicate logic formula expressing a path from u to v . Let c and c' be constants. Define $\phi_0 \triangleq c = c'$ and

$$\phi_n \triangleq \exists x_1 \exists x_2 \cdots \exists x_{n-1} (R(c, x_1) \wedge R(x_1, x_2) \wedge \cdots \wedge R(x_{n-1}, c')).$$

Then ϕ_n expresses that there is a path of length n from c to c' . Let $\Gamma = \{\phi[c/u][c'/v]\} \cup \{\neg\phi_i : i \geq 0\}$. For every finite subset Δ of Γ , Δ is satisfiable since there is always a path of an arbitrary finite length from c to c' . By the compactness theorem, Γ is satisfiable. A contradiction. \square

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Existential Second-Order Logic

- In predicate logic, we can ask if there is an element with a certain property.
 - Predicate logic is also called first-order logic.
- We can generalize the concept and ask if there is a predicate with a certain property in existential second-order logic.
- Let P be an n -ary predicate symbol.
- $\exists P\phi$ is an existential second-order logic formula.
- Let \mathcal{M} be a model for all function and predicate symbols except P and \mathcal{M}_T the same model with an additional n -ary relation $T(= P^{\mathcal{M}_T}) \subseteq A^n$. Define

$$\mathcal{M} \models_I \exists P\phi \text{ if } \mathcal{M}_T \models_I \phi \text{ for some } T(= P^{\mathcal{M}_T}) \subseteq A^n.$$

Unreachability in Existential Second-Order Logic I

- Consider the existential second-order logic formula $\exists P \forall x \forall y \forall z (C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge C_3 \wedge C_4)$ where

$$C_1 \triangleq P(x, x)$$

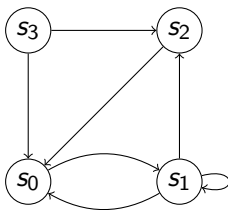
$$C_2 \triangleq P(x, y) \wedge P(y, z) \implies P(x, z)$$

$$C_3 \triangleq P(u, v) \implies \perp$$

$$C_4 \triangleq R(x, y) \implies P(x, y).$$

- C_i 's are Horn clauses.

Unreachability in Existential Second-Order Logic II



- Consider the directed graph \mathcal{M} in the previous slide.
- Let $I(u) = s_0$ and $I(v) = s_3$.
- Does $\mathcal{M} \models \exists P \forall x \forall y \forall z (C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge C_3 \wedge C_4)$ hold?
 - Take $T \triangleq \{(s, s') \in A \times A : s' \neq s_3\} \cup \{(s_3, s_3)\}$.

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Universal Second-Order Logic

- Let P be an n -ary predicate symbol.
- $\forall P\phi$ is a universal second-order logic formula.
- Let \mathcal{M} be a model for all function and predicate symbols except P . Define

$$\mathcal{M} \models_I \forall P\phi \text{ if } \mathcal{M}_T \models_I \phi \text{ for every } T(= P^{\mathcal{M}_T}) \subseteq A^n.$$

Reachability in Universal Second-Order Logic I

Theorem

Let \mathcal{M} be a model of $(\emptyset, \{R\})$ with a binary predicate symbol R . $\mathcal{M} \models \forall P \exists x \exists y \exists z (\neg C_1 \vee \neg C_2 \vee \neg C_3 \vee \neg C_4)$ holds iff $I(v)$ is R -reachable from $I(u)$ in \mathcal{M} , where $C_1 \triangleq P(x, x)$, $C_2 \triangleq P(x, y) \wedge P(y, z) \implies P(x, z)$, $C_3 \triangleq P(u, v) \implies \perp$, and $C_4 \triangleq R(x, y) \implies P(x, y)$.

Proof.

Assume $\mathcal{M}_T \models \exists x \exists y \exists z (\neg C_1 \vee \neg C_2 \vee \neg C_3 \vee \neg C_4)$ for every $T \subseteq A \times A$. Consider the reflexive and transitive closure T^* of $R^{\mathcal{M}}$. Then $\mathcal{M}_{T^*} \models C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge C_4$ where $I' = I[x, y, z \mapsto a, b, c]$ for some $a, b, c \in A^{\mathcal{M}_T}$. Hence $\mathcal{M}_{T^*} \models \neg C_3$ and so $\mathcal{M}_{T^*} \models P(u, v)$. In other words, $(I'(u), I'(v)) = (I(u), I(v)) \in T^*$. There is a finite path from $I(u)$ to $I(v)$.

Reachability in Universal Second-Order Logic II

Proof (cont'd).

Conversely, assume there is a finite path from $I(u)$ to $I(v)$. Let $T \subseteq A \times A$. There are two cases.

- T is not reflexive, not transitive, or does not contain R^M . Then $\mathcal{M}_T \models_{I'} \neg C_1$, $\mathcal{M}_T \models_{I'} \neg C_2$, or $\mathcal{M}_T \models_{I'} \neg C_4$ for some $I' = I[x, y, z \mapsto a, b, c]$ for some $a, b, c \in A^{\mathcal{M}_T}$.
- T is reflexive, transitive, and contains R^M . Then T contains the reflexive, transitive closure of R^M . Note that $(I(u), I(v))$ is in the reflexive, transitive closure of R^M . Hence $\mathcal{M}_T \models_{I'} \neg C_3$.

In all cases, we have $\mathcal{M}_T \models_I \exists x \exists y \exists z (\neg C_1 \vee \neg C_2 \vee \neg C_3 \vee \neg C_4)$. □

- Reachability is in fact expressible in existential second-order logic.

Reachability in Universal Second-Order Logic III

- Given an existential second-order logic formula ϕ , whether there is an existential second-order logic formula ψ such that ψ and $\neg\phi$ are equivalent is an open problem.

Second- and Higher-Order Logic

- If we allow both quantifiers in a formula, we get second-order logic.
 - For instance, $\exists P \forall Q (\forall x \forall y (Q(x, y) \implies Q(y, x)) \implies \forall u \forall v (Q(u, v) \implies P(u, v)))$ is a second-order logic sentence.
- Furthermore, if we allow quantifiers over relations of relations, we get third-order logic.
- Designing higher-order logic need be careful.
 - Nice properties such as compactness and completeness often fail.
 - Soundness theorem can also fail!
 - ★ Consider $A \triangleq \{x : x \notin x\}$.
- Many theorem provers (Coq, Isabelle, HOL etc) are in fact based on higher-order logics.

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8 The Coq Proof Assistant

The CoQ Proof Assistant

- CoQ is a proof assistant which checks every proof steps.
- It has been developed by *Institut national de recherche en informatique et en automatique* (INRIA) at France since 1984.
- It is used to check the proofs of the four color theorem (September 2004) and Feit-Thompson theorem (September 2012).
- It is also used in the CompCert project to formally verify an optimizing C compiler for PowerPC, ARM, and 32-bit x86 processors (2005).
- CoQ is available on various platforms.
- The contents of this lecture are borrowed from CoQ Tutorial.

- We start up and exit Coq as follows.

```
$ coqtop
Welcome to Coq 8.3p14 (April 2012)

Coq < Quit .
$
```

Prop, Set, and Type

- A sort classifies specifications.
 - a logical proposition has the sort Prop;
 - a mathematical collection has the sort Set; and
 - an abstract type has the sort Type.
- Every Coq expression has a sort.

```
Coq < Check False .  
False  
      : Prop
```

```
Coq < Check nat .  
nat  
      : Set
```

```
Coq < Check 0 .  
0  
      : nat
```

Basic Proof Tactics I

- Let us do some simple proofs.
- We first set up our context .

```
Coq < Section Simple .
```

```
Coq < Hypothesis P Q : Prop .
```

```
P is assumed
```

```
Q is assumed
```

- In this code, we start a section called Simple.
- We also make two hypotheses. Both P and Q are logical propositions.

Basic Proof Tactics II

- We first show $P \implies P$.

```
Coq < Lemma one_line : P -> P .  
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
=====
```

```
P -> P
```

- We declare a lemma called one_line.
- Coq asks us to show $P \implies P$ from the hypotheses P and Q .

Basic Proof Tactics III

- The tactic `intros` introduces new hypotheses with the given name.

```
one_line < intros HP .  
1 subgoal  
  
P : Prop  
Q : Prop  
HP : P  
=====
```

- How does `intros` compare to the $\implies i$ rule?

Basic Proof Tactics IV

- The tactic `exact` uses the named hypothesis.

```
one_line < exact HP .  
Proof completed.
```

- The command `Qed` finishes up the lemma.

```
one_line < Qed .  
intros HP.  
exact HP.  
  
one_line is defined
```

- We can check our new lemma and print its proof.

```
Coq < Check one_line .  
one_line  
  : P -> P
```

```
Coq < Print one_line .  
one_line = fun HP : P => HP  
  : P -> P
```

- Observe how our proof is represented in Coq.

Basic Proof Tactics VI

- Tactics start with lowercase letters such as `intros` and `exact`.
 - We use tactics to construct formal proofs.
- Commands on the other hand start with uppercase letters such as `Quit`, `Section`, `Lemma`, `Qed`, `Print`.
 - We use commands to operate Coq.

Basic Proof Tactics VII

- Let us prove $P \implies (P \implies Q) \implies Q$.

```
Coq < Lemma MP : P -> (P -> Q) -> Q .  
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
=====
```

```
P -> (P -> Q) -> Q
```

```
MP < intros HP HI .
```

```
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
HP : P
```

```
HI : P -> Q
```

```
=====
```

```
Q
```

Basic Proof Tactics VIII

- The tactic `apply` matches the conclusion with the named hypothesis and lists unresolved conditions.

```
MP < apply HI .
1 subgoal

P : Prop
Q : Prop
HP : P
HI : P -> Q
=====
P

MP < exact HP .
Proof completed.
```

- How does `apply` compare to $\implies e$?

Basic Proof Tactics IX

- Let us finish up the lemma and see the proof term.

```
MP < Qed .  
intros HP HI.  
apply HI.  
exact HP.
```

MP is defined

```
Coq < Print MP .  
MP = fun (HP : P) (HI : P -> Q) => HI HP  
      : P -> (P -> Q) -> Q
```

Basic Proof Tactics X

- Let us prove $P \wedge Q \implies Q \wedge P$.

```
Coq < Lemma conj_comm : P /\ Q -> Q /\ P .  
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
=====
```

```
P /\ Q -> Q /\ P
```

```
conj_comm < intros conj .
```

```
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
conj : P /\ Q
```

```
=====
```

```
Q /\ P
```


Basic Proof Tactics XI

- The tactic `elim` eliminates a named hypothesis.

```
conj_comm < elim conj .  
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop  
Q : Prop  
conj : P /\ Q  
=====  
P -> Q -> Q /\ P
```

- Observe that $P \wedge Q$ is decomposed into P and Q .
- How does `elim` compare to $\wedge e_1$ and $\wedge e_2$?

Basic Proof Tactics XII

- We introduce two more hypotheses HP and HQ .

```
conj_comm < intros HP HQ .  
1 subgoal  
  
P : Prop  
Q : Prop  
conj  : P /\ Q  
HP  : P  
HQ  : Q  
=====  
Q /\ P
```

- Now we can use the hypotheses HP and HQ .

Basic Proof Tactics XIII

- The tactic `split` splits a conjunction into two.

```
conj_comm < split .
2 subgoals

P : Prop
Q : Prop
conj : P /\ Q
HP : P
HQ : Q
=====
Q

subgoal 2 is:
P
```

- How does `split` compare to $\wedge i$?

Basic Proof Tactics XIV

- We use hypotheses to prove the lemma.

```
conj_comm < exact HQ .
1 subgoal

P : Prop
Q : Prop
conj : P /\ Q
HP : P
HQ : Q
=====
P

conj_comm < exact HP .
Proof completed.
```

Basic Proof Tactics XV

- Let us finish up the lemma and see its proof term.

```
conj_comm < Qed .
intros conj.
elim conj.
intros HP HQ.
split.
  exact HQ.

  exact HP.

conj_comm is defined

Coq < Print conj_comm .
conj_comm =
fun conj0 : P /\ Q =>
  and_ind (fun (HP : P) (HQ : Q) =>
    conj HQ HP) conj0
  : P /\ Q -> Q /\ P
```

Basic Proof Tactics XVI

- Let us try to prove $P \vee Q \implies Q \vee P$.

```
Coq < Lemma disj_comm : P \/ Q -> Q \/ P .  
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
=====
```

```
P \/ Q -> Q \/ P
```

```
disj_comm < intros disj .
```

```
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
disj : P \/ Q
```

```
=====
```

```
Q \/ P
```

Basic Proof Tactics XVII

- We eliminate the hypothesis `disj`.

```
disj_comm < elim disj .  
2 subgoals
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
disj : P \/ Q
```

```
=====
```

```
P -> Q \/ P
```

```
subgoal 2 is:
```

```
Q -> Q \/ P
```

- How does `elim` compare to `ve`?

Basic Proof Tactics XVIII

- We next introduce a new hypothesis P .

```
disj_comm < intros HP .  
2 subgoals
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
disj : P  $\vee$  Q
```

```
HP : P
```

```
=====
```

```
Q  $\vee$  P
```

```
subgoal 2 is:
```

```
Q  $\rightarrow$  Q  $\vee$  P
```


Basic Proof Tactics XIX

- The tactic `right` selects the left operand in a disjunction.

```
disj_comm < right .
2 subgoals

P : Prop
Q : Prop
disj : P \/ Q
HP : P
=====
P

subgoal 2 is:
Q -> Q \/ P
```

- How does `right` compare to $\vee i_2$?

Basic Proof Tactics XX

- The tactic `assumption` searches an exact hypothesis for the conclusion.

```
disj_comm < assumption .
1 subgoal

P : Prop
Q : Prop
disj : P \/ Q
=====
Q -> Q \/ P
```

- We can combine a sequence of tactics by semicolon (;).

```
disj_comm < intros HQ; left; assumption .
Proof completed.
```

Basic Proof Tactics XXI

- We finish up the lemma and print our proof.

```
disj_comm < Qed .
intros disj.
elim disj.
  intros HP.
  right.
  assumption.

  intros HQ; left; assumption.

disj_comm is defined

Coq < Print disj_comm .
disj_comm =
fun disj : P \/ Q =>
  or_ind (fun HP : P => or_intror Q HP)
    (fun HQ : Q => or_introl P HQ) disj
  : P \/ Q -> Q \/ P
```

Basic Proof Tactics XXII

- Let us prove a lemma about double negation: $P \implies \neg\neg P$.

```
Coq < Lemma PNNP : P -> ~~P .
```

```
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
=====
```

```
P -> ~ ~ P
```

```
PNNP < intros HP .
```

```
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
HP : P
```

```
=====
```

```
~ ~ P
```

Basic Proof Tactics XXIII

- In Coq, $\neg P$ is a shorthand for $P \implies \perp$.
- We use `red` to expand a toplevel shorthand.

```
PNNP < red .  
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop  
Q : Prop  
HP : P
```

```
=====
```

```
~ P -> False
```

Basic Proof Tactics XXIV

- We introduce another hypothesis $\neg P$.

```
PNNP < intros HNP .  
1 subgoal  
  
P : Prop  
Q : Prop  
HP : P  
HNP : ~ P  
=====
```

False

- How does this intros compare to $\neg i$?

Basic Proof Tactics XXV

- We have P and $\neg P$. The tactic `absurd` P exploits the contraction.

```
PNNP < absurd P .
```

```
2 subgoals
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
HP : P
```

```
HNP : ~ P
```

```
=====
```

```
~ P
```

```
subgoal 2 is:
```

```
P
```

- How does `absurd` compare to $\neg e$?

Basic Proof Tactics XXVI

- The tactic `trivial` performs a simple proof search.

```
PNNP < trivial .  
1 subgoal
```

```
P : Prop
```

```
Q : Prop
```

```
HP : P
```

```
HNP : ~ P
```

```
=====
```

```
P
```

```
PNNP < trivial .
```

```
Proof completed.
```


Basic Proof Tactics XXVII

- Let us finish up the lemma, conclude the section, and check it.

```
PNNP < Qed .
```

```
intros HP.
```

```
red.
```

```
intros HNP.
```

```
absurd P.
```

```
trivial.
```

```
trivial.
```

```
PNNP is defined
```

```
Coq < End Simple .
```

```
Coq < Check PNNP .
```

```
PNNP
```

```
: forall P : Prop, P -> ~ ~ P
```

- Note the hypothesis P is generalized after closing the section.

Basic Proof Tactics XXVIII

- Coq actually provides a complete tactic `tauto`.

```
Coq < Hypotheses P Q R S : Prop .
P is assumed
Q is assumed
R is assumed
S is assumed
Coq < Hypothesis H0 : (P /\ Q) -> R .
H0 is assumed
Coq < Hypothesis H1 : R -> S .
H1 is assumed
Coq < Hypothesis H2 : Q /\ ~S .
H2 is assumed
Coq < Lemma homework : ~P .
1 subgoal

P : Prop
Q : Prop
R : Prop
S : Prop
H0 : P /\ Q -> R
H1 : R -> S
H2 : Q /\ ~ S
=====
~ P
homework < tauto .
Proof completed.
```

Basic Proof Tactics XXIX

- Coq in fact uses intuitionistic logic.

```
Coq < Goal forall P : Prop, P \/ ~P .
1 subgoal

=====
forall P : Prop, P \/ ~ P

Unnamed_thm < tauto .
Toplevel input, characters 0-5:
> tauto .
> ~~~~~
Error: tauto failed.
```

- ▶ Goal declares an unnamed lemma.

- To do classical logic, add

```
Coq < Require Import Classical .

Coq < Check classic .
classic
      : forall P : Prop, P \/ ~ P
```

More Proof Tactics I

- Let us set up a section for predicate logic.

```
Coq < Section Easy .
```

```
Coq < Hypothesis D : Set .  
D is assumed
```

```
Coq < Hypothesis R : D -> D -> Prop .  
R is assumed
```

- In a new section, we declare a set D and a binary predicate symbol R .
- Let us set up a subsection where R is symmetric and transitive.

```
Coq < Section R_sym_trans .
```

```
Coq < Hypothesis R_symmetric :  
      forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x .  
R_symmetric is assumed
```

```
Coq < Hypothesis R_transitive :  
      forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z .  
R_transitive is assumed
```

More Proof Tactics II

- Let us prove $\forall x \in D (\exists y \in D, (Rxy) \implies Rxx)$.

```
Coq < Lemma refl_if :  
      forall x : D, (exists y, R x y) -> R x x .  
1 subgoal  
  
D : Set  
R : D -> D -> Prop  
R_symmetric : forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x  
R_transitive : forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z  
=====  
forall x : D, (exists y : D, R x y) -> R x x
```

- Our predicate logic formula is written as
 $\text{forall } x : D, (\text{exists } y, R \ x \ y) \rightarrow R \ x \ x .$
- Observe that we did not specify $y \in D$ but COQ infers it anyway.

More Proof Tactics III

- The tactic `intros` again introduces a new hypothesis.

```
refl_if < intros x .  
1 subgoal
```

```
D : Set  
R : D -> D -> Prop  
R_symmetric : forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x  
R_transitive : forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z  
x : D  
=====  
(exists y : D, R x y) -> R x x
```

- How does it compare to $\forall i$?

More Proof Tactics IV

- We introduce another hypothesis $\exists y \in D(Rxy)$.

```
refl_if < intros Ey .  
1 subgoal
```

```
D : Set  
R : D -> D -> Prop  
R_symmetric : forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x  
R_transitive : forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z  
x : D  
Ey : exists y : D, R x y  
=====
```

```
R x x
```

- This is simply $\implies i$.

- Let us eliminate $\exists y \in D(Rxy)$.

```
refl_if < elim Ey .  
1 subgoal
```

```
D : Set
```

```
R : D -> D -> Prop
```

```
R_symmetric : forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x
```

```
R_transitive : forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z
```

```
x : D
```

```
Ey : exists y : D, R x y
```

```
=====
```

```
forall x0 : D, R x x0 -> R x x
```

- How does elim compare to $\exists e$?

More Proof Tactics VI

- We get the instance of $\exists y \in D(Rxy)$ by `intros`.

```
refl_if < intros y Rxy .  
1 subgoal
```

```
D : Set  
R : D -> D -> Prop  
R_symmetric : forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x  
R_transitive : forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z  
x : D  
Ey : exists y : D, R x y  
y : D  
Rxy : R x y  
=====
```

```
R x x
```

- Now `elim` and `intros` look really like $\exists e$.

More Proof Tactics VII

- We apply the hypothesis `R_transitive`.

```
refl_if < apply R_transitive with y .
2 subgoals

D : Set
R : D -> D -> Prop
R_symmetric : forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x
R_transitive : forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z
x : D
Ey : exists y : D, R x y
y : D
Rxy : R x y
=====
R x y

subgoal 2 is:
R y x
```

- Note that we need to give the hint `y`.
- How does `apply` compare to $\forall e$?

More Proof Tactics VIII

- The first subgoal is trivial.

```
refl_if < trivial .  
1 subgoal
```

```
D : Set  
R : D -> D -> Prop  
R_symmetric : forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x  
R_transitive : forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z  
x : D  
Ey : exists y : D, R x y  
y : D  
Rxy : R x y  
=====
```

```
R y x
```

More Proof Tactics IX

- For the other subgoal, we apply $\forall xy \in D (Rxy \implies Ryx)$.

```
refl_if < apply R_symmetric .  
1 subgoal
```

```
D : Set  
R : D -> D -> Prop  
R_symmetric : forall x y : D, R x y -> R y x  
R_transitive : forall x y z : D, R x y -> R y z -> R x z  
x : D  
Ey : exists y : D, R x y  
y : D  
Rxy : R x y  
=====
```

```
R x y
```

- Now the goal is trivial.

```
refl_if < trivial .  
Proof completed.
```

More Proof Tactics X

- Let us finish up the lemma and see the proof term.

```
refl_if < Qed .
intros x.
intros Ey.
elim Ey.
intros y Rxy.
apply R_transitive with y.
  trivial.

  apply R_symmetric.
  trivial.

refl_if is defined

Coq < Print refl_if .
refl_if =
fun (x : D) (Ey : exists y : D, R x y) =>
ex_ind
(fun (y : D) (Rxy : R x y) =>
  R_transitive x y x Rxy (R_symmetric x y Rxy)) Ey
: forall x : D, (exists y : D, R x y) -> R x x
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox I

- We will prove Smullyan's drinkers' paradox:
“in any non-empty bar, there is a person such that she drinks then everyone drinks.”
- Let us set up the context.

```
Coq < Section DrinkersParadox .  
  
Coq < Require Import Classical .  
  
Coq < Hypothesis bar : Set .  
bar is assumed  
  
Coq < Hypothesis Joe : bar .  
Joe is assumed  
  
Coq < Hypothesis drinks : bar -> Prop .  
drinks is assumed
```

- Note that Joe is in the bar.

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox II

- Here is what we want to prove.

```
Coq < Lemma drinker : exists x : bar, drinks x ->
                                forall y : bar, drinks y .
1 subgoal

bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
=====
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox III

- By LEM, we have $(\exists x \in \text{bar}(\neg \text{drinks } x)) \vee \neg(\exists x \in \text{bar}(\neg \text{drinks } x))$.
- We consider the two cases.

```
drinker < Check (classic (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)) .
classic (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
      : (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x) \/  
        ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
```

```
drinker < elim (classic (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)) .
2 subgoals
```

```
bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
=====
(exists x : bar, ~ drinks x) ->
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

```
subgoal 2 is:
~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x) ->
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```


Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox IV

- We introduce the hypothesis `non_drinker`.

```
drinker < intros non_drinker .  
2 subgoals
```

```
bar : Set  
Joe : bar  
drinks : bar -> Prop  
non_drinker : exists x : bar, ~ drinks x  
=====  
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y  
  
subgoal 2 is:  
~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x) ->  
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox V

- We eliminate `non_drinker` and obtain an instance.

```
drinker < elim non_drinker; intros Jane Jane_non_drinker .
2 subgoals
```

```
bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
non_drinker : exists x : bar, ~ drinks x
Jane : bar
Jane_non_drinker : ~ drinks Jane
=====
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y

subgoal 2 is:
~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x) ->
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox VI

- The tactic `exists` uses a term as a witness to an existential formula.

```
drinker < exists Jane .
2 subgoals

bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
non_drinker : exists x : bar, ~ drinks x
Jane : bar
Jane_non_drinker : ~ drinks Jane
=====
drinks Jane -> forall y : bar, drinks y

subgoal 2 is:
~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x) ->
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

- How does `exists` compare to $\exists i$?

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox VII

- Observe that we have a contradiction.
- The tactic `tauto` will do.

```
drinker < tauto .
1 subgoal

bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
=====
~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x) ->
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox VIII

- We introduce a hypothesis for the other subgoal.

```
drinker < intros no_non_drinker .  
1 subgoal
```

```
bar : Set  
Joe : bar  
drinks : bar -> Prop  
no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)  
=====  
exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox IX

- Joe is our witness.

```
drinker < exists Joe .
1 subgoal
bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
=====
drinks Joe -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

- We introduce more hypotheses.

```
drinker < intros Joe_drinker y .
1 subgoal
bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
Joe_drinker : drinks Joe
y: bar
=====
drinks y
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox X

- For $y \in \text{bar}$, we have $\text{drinks } y \vee \neg \text{drinks } y$ by LEM.

```
drinker < elim (classic (drinks y)) .
2 subgoals

bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
Joe_drinker : drinks Joe
y : bar
=====
drinks y -> drinks y

subgoal 2 is:
~ drinks y -> drinks y
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox XI

- The first subgoal is easy.

```
drinker < tauto .
1 subgoal

bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
Joe_drinker : drinks Joe
y : bar
=====
~ drinks y -> drinks y
```


Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox XII

- We introduce a hypothesis that y does not drink.

```
drinker < intros y_non_drinker .
1 subgoal

bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
Joe_drinker : drinks Joe
y : bar
y_non_drinker : ~ drinks y
=====
drinks y
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox XIII

- This is contradictory to `no_non_drinker`.

```
drinker < absurd (exists x, ~ drinks x) .
2 subgoals

bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
Joe_drinker : drinks Joe
y : bar
y_non_drinker : ~ drinks y
=====
~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)

subgoal 2 is:
exists x : bar, ~ drinks x
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox XIV

- Again, the first subgoal is trivial.
- The second subgoal has a witness y .

```
drinker < trivial .
1 subgoal

bar : Set
Joe : bar
drinks : bar -> Prop
no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x)
Joe_drinker : drinks Joe
y : bar
y_non_drinker : ~ drinks y
=====
exists x : bar, ~ drinks x

drinker < exists y; trivial .
Proof completed.
```

Smullyan's Drinkers' Paradox XV

- Let us finish up the lemma and see its proof term.

```
drinker < Qed .
(* proof script skipped *)

Coq < Print drinker .
drinker =
or_ind
  (fun non_drinker : exists x : bar, ~ drinks x =>
    ex_ind
      (fun (Jane : bar) (Jane_non_drinker : ~ drinks Jane) =>
        ex_intro (fun x : bar => drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y) Jane
          (fun H : drinks Jane =>
            let H0 := Jane_non_drinker H in
            False_ind (forall y : bar, drinks y) H0)) non_drinker)
  (fun no_non_drinker : ~ (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x) =>
    ex_intro (fun x : bar => drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y) Joe
      (fun (_ : drinks Joe) (y : bar) =>
        or_ind (fun H : drinks y => H)
          (fun y_non_drinker : ~ drinks y =>
            False_ind (drinks y)
              (let H := ex_intro (fun x : bar => ~ drinks x) y y_non_drinker in
                (let H0 := no_non_drinker in
                  fun H1 : exists x : bar, ~ drinks x => H0 H1) H))
            (classic (drinks y)))) (classic (exists x : bar, ~ drinks x))
    : exists x : bar, drinks x -> forall y : bar, drinks y
```

Where to go?

- Proof assistants are used to check long proofs in mathematics and logic.
 - ▶ Four color theorem, Feit-Thompson theorem, incompleteness theorem.
- We only discuss elements of predicate logic.
- Lots of interesting topics are missing. For instance,
 - ▶ Soundness and completeness theorems of natural deduction for predicate logic;
 - ▶ Gödel's incompleteness theorem;
 - ▶ Number theory, real analysis Coq libraries.
- Many resources are available for learning Coq.
 - ▶ Short NTU summer courses (FLOLAC).
 - ▶ *"Interactive Theorem Proving and Program Development Coq'Art: The Calculus of Inductive Constructions"*, Bertot and Castéran.