

# lecture 22, trees for GPLI

phil1012 introductory logic

## overview

### this lecture

- trees for GPLI
- two new tree rules
  - the closure rule
  - substitution of identicals
- finished trees and saturated paths
  - new definition of saturation
- reading models off open paths
  - provisional domains and assignments of referents
  - trimming domains and assignments of referents

### learning outcomes

- after doing the relevant reading for this lecture, listening to the lecture, and attending the relevant tutorial, you will be able to:
  - explain what it is for a GPLI tree to be finished and a path to be saturated
  - construct GPLI trees
  - read models off open paths of GPLI trees

### required reading

- section 13.7 of chapter 13

## tree rules for gpli

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- as in the transition from MPL to GPL we will build on our pre-existing tree rules
- since  $\equiv$  is part of the logical vocabulary, we need to say something about the tree rules for it

### the closure rule

- the first new rule is called the **closure rule**

$$\frac{a \neq a}{\otimes}$$

- this basically says that you can close a path if there is a proposition on it which asserts that something is not identical to itself!
- the motivation for this rule should be obvious

## new notation explained

- recall that  $\alpha(\underline{x})$  stands for any arbitrary wff that has no free variables other than  $\underline{x}$  and that  $\alpha(\underline{a}/\underline{x})$  stands for the wff that results from  $\alpha(\underline{x})$  by replacing *all* free occurrences of  $\underline{x}$  in  $\alpha(\underline{x})$  with the name  $\underline{a}$
- we use  $\alpha(\underline{a})$  to stand for any arbitrary wff in which the name  $\underline{a}$  occurs (one or more times)
- we then use  $\alpha(\underline{b}/\underline{a})$  to stand for any wff which results from  $\alpha(\underline{a})$  by replacing *some* occurrences of  $\underline{a}$  with the name  $\underline{b}$

## some examples using the new notation

- if  $\alpha(\underline{a})$  is  $GaGa$ , then  $\alpha(\underline{b}/\underline{a})$  is  $GbGb$  and  $\alpha(\underline{c}/\underline{a})$  is  $GcGc$
- if  $\alpha(\underline{a})$  is  $RabRab$ , then  $\alpha(\underline{b}/\underline{a})$  is  $RbbRbb$  and  $\alpha(\underline{c}/\underline{a})$  is  $RcbRcb$
- if  $\alpha(\underline{a})$  is  $(Ga \vee Rab)(Ga \vee Rab)$ , then  $\alpha(\underline{c}/\underline{a})$  is  $(Gc \vee Rab)(Gc \vee Rab)$  or  $(Ga \vee Rcb)(Ga \vee Rcb)$  or  $(Gc \vee Rcb)(Gc \vee Rcb)$
- if  $\alpha(\underline{a})$  is  $(Ga \rightarrow Rbb)(Ga \rightarrow Rbb)$ , then  $\alpha(\underline{a}/\underline{b})$  is  $(Ga \rightarrow Rab)(Ga \rightarrow Rab)$  or  $(Ga \rightarrow Rba)(Ga \rightarrow Rba)$  or  $(Ga \rightarrow Raa)(Ga \rightarrow Raa)$

## substitution of identicals

- the second new rule is called the **substitution of identicals** rule

$$\frac{\alpha(\underline{a})}{\alpha(\underline{b}/\underline{a})} \quad (\text{or } \underline{b} = \underline{a})$$

- let's run through an example . . .

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- why? neither the closure rule nor the ordinary rule for closing a path applies here

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  8.  $\neg I^2mm$  2,7 SI
- $\otimes$

- right!

## finished trees, closed and saturated paths

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- a tree is finished when all paths are closed or saturated
- a tree is saturated when no more rules can be applied to it
- recall the qualification for the rule for the universal quantifier
- we add the following qualification for saturation

### saturation

- **saturation:** a path is not saturated unless every application of SI that could be made on that path and that would result in the addition to the path of a formula that does not already appear on the path has been made

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5.  $Rba$  4,2, SI 4= $\alpha(b)$

- this tree is finished, as we cannot apply the SI rule to generate any new basic propositions (or negations of basic propositions)

## reading models off open paths

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- given a saturated open path, we can read off from it a model on which the proposition(s) at the top of the tree are true
- the process involves three stages
  - stage one: construct a provisional domain and assignment of referents to names
  - stage two: trim the domain and assignments of referents to names to obtain a final domain and assignment of referents to names
  - stage three: assign extensions to predicates on the trimmed domain and assignments of referents

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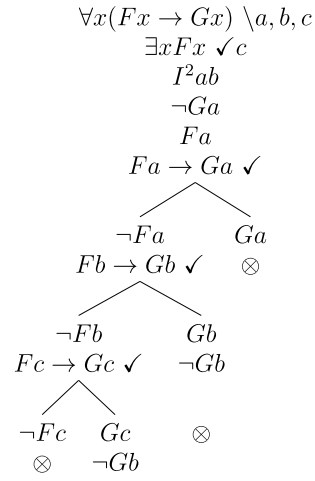

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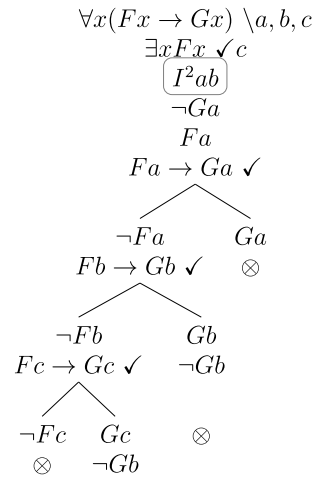
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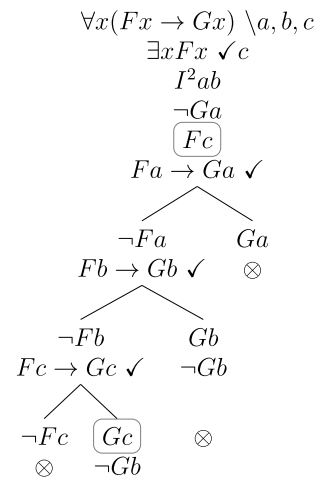
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- extensions: F:{2}, G:{2} F: \{2\}, G: \{2\}

## wrapping up

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### live lecture and tutorials

- you will practice constructing GPLI trees on your own

### next lecture

- lecture 23, numerical quantifiers and definite descriptions in GPLI