

# Lecture 16 - FO Completeness

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# Recap: FO Resolution

- **Substitution Lemma:** Given an interpretation  $\mathcal{I} = ((M, \iota), \sigma)$ , an expression  $\varphi \in \text{FO}_{\Sigma}$ , and a substitution  $\{u/x\}$  such that  $u^{\mathcal{I}} = m \in M$ ,  $\mathcal{I} \models \varphi\{u/x\}$  iff  $\mathcal{I}[x \mapsto m] \models \varphi$ .
- Let  $\delta_1, \delta_2$  be clauses s.t.  $\text{fv}(\delta_1) \cap \text{fv}(\delta_2) = \emptyset$
- Let  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  be a  $k$ -ary predicate symbol
- Let  $L_1 = \{P(u_1, \dots, u_k) \in \delta_1 \mid u_1, \dots, u_k \in T(\Sigma)\}$  such that  $\delta_1 = \delta'_1 \cup L_1$
- Let  $L_2 = \{\neg P(v_1, \dots, v_k) \in \delta_2 \mid v_1, \dots, v_k \in T(\Sigma)\}$  such that  $\delta_2 = \delta'_2 \cup L_2$
- Denote by  $\bar{L}_2$  the set  $\{P(v_1, \dots, v_k) \in \delta_2 \mid v_1, \dots, v_k \in T(\Sigma)\}$
- Let  $L_1 \cup \bar{L}_2$  be unifiable, with  $\theta$  an mgu

$$\frac{\delta'_1 \cup L_1 \quad \delta'_2 \cup L_2}{\theta(\delta'_1 \cup \delta'_2)} \theta$$

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- What rules do we keep? What do we add?
- Keep all the existing axioms and **MP**
- All FO expression instances of **PL** tautologies are valid
- A **generalization** of an expression  $\varphi$  is any  $\forall x_1 \dots x_n. \varphi$ , where  $n \geq 0$ .

# System $\vdash_{HK}$ for FO

All generalizations of the following, along with **MP**.

$$\text{(H1a)} \quad \varphi \supset (\psi \supset \varphi)$$

$$\text{(H1b)} \quad (\varphi \supset (\psi \supset \chi)) \supset ((\varphi \supset \psi) \supset (\varphi \supset \chi))$$

$$\text{(H1c)} \quad (\neg\varphi \supset \neg\psi) \supset ((\neg\varphi \supset \psi) \supset \varphi)$$

$$\text{(H2a)} \quad x \equiv x$$

$$\text{(H2b)} \quad x \equiv y \supset ((\varphi(x) \supset \varphi(y)) \wedge (\varphi(y) \supset \varphi(x)))$$

$$\text{(H3a)} \quad \forall x. [\varphi \supset \psi] \supset (\forall x. [\varphi] \supset \forall x. [\psi])$$

$$\text{(H3b)} \quad \varphi \supset \forall x. [\varphi] \quad \text{where } x \text{ does not appear free in } \varphi$$

$$\text{(H3c)} \quad \forall x. [\varphi] \supset \varphi\{t/x\} \quad \text{for any term } t$$

$$\frac{\varphi \supset \psi \quad \varphi}{\psi} \text{MP}$$

We denote provability in this system with the symbol  $\vdash_{HK}$ .

# Soundness of $\vdash_{HK}$

- **Theorem (Soundness):** If  $\vdash_{HK} \varphi$ , then  $\models \varphi$
- Show that axioms are valid, and that **MP** preserves validity
- Might need the following lemma: For every  $\varphi$ , every  $x \in \mathcal{V}$ , and every  $y \notin \text{vars}(\forall x. [\varphi])$ ,  
 $\models (\forall x. [\varphi] \supset \forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}]) \wedge (\forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}] \supset \forall x. [\varphi])$ .
- For all  $\Gamma, \alpha, \beta$ , we have the following
- **Deduction Theorem:**  $\Gamma, \alpha \vdash_{HK} \beta$  iff  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \alpha \supset \beta$ .
- **Cut** is admissible: If  $\Gamma \vdash \alpha$  and  $\Gamma, \alpha \vdash \beta$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash \beta$ .
- **Lemma (Replacement by new variables):** Suppose  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \varphi$ , and  $y \in \mathcal{V} \setminus (\text{vars}(\Gamma) \cup \text{vars}(\varphi))$ . Then,  $\Gamma\{y/x\} \vdash_{HK} \varphi\{y/x\}$ .
- **Exercise:** Prove all these statements.

# Substituting bound variables: Equivalence

**Lemma:** For every  $\varphi$ , every  $x \in \mathcal{V}$ , and every  $y \notin \text{vars}(\forall x. [\varphi])$ ,

$$\vdash_{HK} (\forall x. [\varphi] \supset \forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}]) \wedge (\forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}] \supset \forall x. [\varphi]).$$

**Proof:** Enough to show  $(\Rightarrow)$ , i.e.  $\vdash_{HK} \forall x. [\varphi] \supset \forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}]$ .

$(\Leftarrow)$  follows since  $x \notin \text{vars}(\forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}])$ , and  $\varphi\{y/x\}\{x/y\} = \varphi$ .

$\forall y. [\forall x. [\varphi] \supset \varphi\{y/x\}] \supset (\forall y. [\forall x. [\varphi]] \supset \forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}])$	H3a	$\forall y. [\forall x. [\varphi] \supset \varphi\{y/x\}]$	H3c+G	$\pi$
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$\forall x. [\varphi] \supset \forall y. [\forall x. [\varphi]]$	H3b	$\forall y. [\forall x. [\varphi]] \supset \forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}]$	$\pi$ $\vdots$	$\text{Cut}$
$\forall x. [\varphi] \supset \forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}]$				

# Universal generalization lemma

**Lemma (Universal generalization):** Suppose  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \varphi\{y/x\}$ , where  $y \notin \text{fv}(\Gamma) \cup \text{fv}(\varphi)$ . Then,  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \forall x. [\varphi]$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \varphi\{y/x\}$  via a proof  $\pi$ . We first show the following:

For any sequent  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \alpha_i$  appearing in the proof  $\pi$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \forall y. [\alpha_i]$ .

(Then,  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \forall y. [\varphi\{y/x\}]$ , and by the previous lemma,  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \forall x. [\varphi]$ .)

The proof is by induction on the structure of  $\pi$ .

**Base case(s):** Suppose  $\alpha_i$  is an instance of an axiom. Then,  $\forall x. [\alpha_i]$  is a generalization of an axiom, and hence, also an axiom. Otherwise, suppose  $\alpha_i \in \Gamma$ . Then,  $y \notin \text{fv}(\alpha_i)$ . Thus, **(H3b)** gives us  $\alpha_i \supset \forall y. [\alpha_i]$ .

$$\frac{\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \alpha_i \supset \forall y. [\alpha_i]} \text{H3b} \quad \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \alpha_i} \text{Ax}}{\Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_i]} \text{MP}$$



# Universal generalization lemma: Proof

**Induction case:**  $\alpha_i$  is obtained by applying **MP** to some  $\alpha_j \supset \alpha_i$  and  $\alpha_j$ , both appearing in shorter subtrees. By IH,  $\Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_j \supset \alpha_i]$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_j]$ .

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_j \supset \alpha_i] \supset (\forall y. [\alpha_j] \supset \forall y. [\alpha_i])}{\Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_j] \supset \forall y. [\alpha_i]} \text{H3a} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_j \supset \alpha_i] \quad \Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_j]}{\Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_i]} \text{MP} \\
 \Gamma \vdash \forall y. [\alpha_i]
 \end{array}$$

# Completeness of $\vdash_{HK}$

- **Gödel's Completeness Theorem (1929):** If  $\Gamma \models \varphi$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash_{HK} \varphi$
- Want a slightly different, equivalent formulation of this statement
- Introduce a notion of **consistency**
- An expression  $\varphi$  is said to be **consistent** if  $\not\vdash_{HK} \neg\varphi$
- A finite set  $\{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n\}$  is consistent if  $\bigwedge_{1 \leq i \leq n} \varphi_i$  is consistent
- An arbitrary set  $\Gamma$  is consistent if each of its finite subsets is consistent.
- Equivalent statement: *Any consistent set of expressions is satisfiable*
- **Exercise:** Show that this is equivalent to the Completeness statement.

# Completeness of $\vdash_{HK}$

- Suppose we start out with a consistent set of expressions  $\Gamma$
- The proof becomes easier if we can assume  $\mathcal{V} \setminus \text{vars}(\Gamma)$  to be infinite.
- We achieve this as follows. Let  $\mathcal{V} = \{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots\}$
- Partition this set into  $\mathcal{V}_e = \{x_0, x_2, x_4, \dots\}$  and  $\mathcal{V}_o = \{x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots\}$
- Given a  $\Gamma$ , form  $\Delta$  by systematically replacing each occurrence (free or bound) of  $x_i$  in  $\Gamma$  by  $x_{2i}$  for all  $i \geq 0$ .
- $\text{vars}(\Delta) \subseteq \mathcal{V}_e$ , so  $\mathcal{V} \setminus \text{vars}(\Delta)$  is infinite.
- We now need to prove the following:
  - If  $\Gamma$  is consistent, then  $\Delta$  is consistent
  - If  $\Delta$  is satisfiable, then  $\Gamma$  is satisfiable
- Once we prove these, we can assume  $\mathcal{V} \setminus \text{vars}(\Gamma)$  to be infinite in the rest of the presentation.

## $\Gamma$ consistent $\Rightarrow \Delta$ consistent

- Proof by contradiction. Suppose  $\Delta$  is inconsistent.
- Then, there is a  $\{\delta_1, \dots, \delta_k\} \subseteq_{\text{fin}} \Delta$  such that  $\vdash_{HK} \neg(\delta_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \delta_k)$
- Let  $n$  be such that  $i < 2n$  for every  $i$  where  $x_i \in \text{fv}(\bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq k} \delta_j)$ .
- Replace every  $x_{2j} \in \text{vars}(\bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq k} \delta_j)$  by  $x_{2n+j}$  to get  $\{\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k\}$
- **Claim:**  $\vdash_{HK} \neg(\rho_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \rho_k)$     **Exercise:** Prove this claim.
- Replace every  $x_{2n+j}$  by  $x_j$  to get  $\{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_k\} \subseteq_{\text{fin}} \Gamma$
- $\vdash_{HK} \neg(\gamma_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \gamma_k)$
- Thus,  $\Gamma$  is inconsistent.

## $\Delta$ satisfiable $\Rightarrow \Gamma$ satisfiable

- Suppose  $(\mathcal{M}, \sigma) \models \Delta$ .
- Only variables from  $\mathcal{V}_e$  appear in  $\Delta$
- We replace every occurrence of  $x_{2i}$  by  $x_i$  to get  $\Gamma$
- $(\mathcal{M}, \sigma') \models \Gamma$ , where  $\sigma'(x_i) = \sigma(x_{2i})$
- Thus, if  $\Delta$  is satisfiable, then so is  $\Gamma$

# Lindenbaum's Lemma

- A set  $\Gamma$  is maximally consistent if  $\Gamma$  is consistent, and  $\Gamma \cup \{\varphi\}$  is inconsistent for any FO expression  $\varphi \notin \Gamma$ .
- A set  $\Gamma$  is said to be  $\exists$ -fulfilled iff for every expression of the form  $\neg\forall x. [\alpha] \in \Gamma$ , there exists some term  $t$  such that  $\neg\alpha\{t/x\} \in \Gamma$ .
- **Lindenbaum's Lemma:** Every consistent set can be extended to an  $\exists$ -fulfilled MCS.
- Given a consistent  $\Gamma$ , we build an  $\exists$ -fulfilled MCS which extends  $\Gamma$ .
- As earlier, fix an enumeration of expressions, and examine each.

# Lindenbaum's Lemma: Proof

- Fix an enumeration  $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots$  of the expressions in  $\mathbf{FO}_\Sigma$
- Also fix an enumeration  $x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots$  of the variables in  $\mathcal{V}$
- Now, we build the following sequence  $\Gamma_0, \Gamma_1, \dots$  of sets of formulas.
- $\Gamma_0 := \Gamma$ , and for every  $i \geq 0$ ,

$$\Gamma_{i+1} := \begin{cases} \Gamma'_i & \text{if } \Gamma'_i \text{ consistent and } \varphi_i \text{ not of the form } \neg\forall x. [\alpha] \\ \Gamma'_i \cup \{\neg\alpha\{y/x\}\} & \text{if } \Gamma'_i \text{ consistent, } \varphi_i = \neg\forall x. [\alpha], \text{ and} \\ & y \text{ the first variable not in } \mathbf{fv}(\Gamma_i) \cup \mathbf{vars}(\varphi_i)^1 \\ \Gamma_i & \text{if } \Gamma'_i \text{ not consistent} \end{cases}$$

where  $\Gamma'_i = \Gamma_i \cup \{\varphi_i\}$ .

- Finally,  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}} := \bigcup_{i \geq 0} \Gamma_i$

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<sup>1</sup>We can get away with only requiring that  $y$  is the first variable not in  $\mathbf{fv}(\Gamma_i) \cup \mathbf{fv}(\alpha)$  as long as we somehow ensure that  $y \notin \mathbf{bv}(\alpha)$

# Lindenbaum's Lemma: Proof

- **Claim:**  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  is maximally consistent and  $\exists$ -fulfilled.
- We first show that each  $\Gamma_i$  is consistent (by induction on  $i$ )
- **Base case:**  $\Gamma_0 = \Gamma$ , consistent by assumption.
- **Induction step:** Suppose  $\Gamma_i$  is consistent. Two cases arise: Either  $\Gamma'_i = \Gamma_i \cup \{\varphi_i\}$  is consistent or not.
- In the latter case,  $\Gamma_{i+1} = \Gamma_i$ , and  $\Gamma_{i+1}$  is also consistent.
- If  $\Gamma'_i = \Gamma_i \cup \{\varphi_i\}$  is consistent, and if  $\varphi_i$  is not of the form  $\neg\forall x. [\alpha]$ , then  $\Gamma_{i+1} = \Gamma'_i$ , so consistent by construction.



# Lindenbaum's Lemma: Proof

- If  $\varphi_i = \neg\forall x. [\alpha]$  for some  $\alpha$ , and  $\Gamma_i \cup \{\neg\forall x. [\alpha]\}$  is consistent, we set  $\Gamma_{i+1} = \Gamma_i \cup \{\neg\forall x. [\alpha], \neg\alpha\{y/x\}\}$ , where  $y$  is the first variable not in  $\text{fv}(\Gamma_i) \cup \text{vars}(\varphi_i)$
- Suppose towards a contradiction that  $\Gamma_{i+1}$  is not consistent
- There is  $\{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_k\} \subseteq_{\text{fin}} \Gamma_i$  such that  $\neg\forall x. [\alpha], \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_k \vdash \alpha\{y/x\}$ . **Why?**
- Since  $y \notin \text{fv}(\Gamma_i) \cup \text{vars}(\varphi_i)$ , we can use Universal Generalization to get  $\neg\forall x. [\alpha], \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_k \vdash \forall x. [\alpha]$ .
- One can avoid using  $\neg\varphi$  as an assumption to prove  $\varphi$  for any  $\varphi$ . So  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_k \vdash \forall x. [\alpha]$
- But this contradicts the fact that  $\Gamma_i \cup \{\neg\forall x. [\alpha]\}$  is consistent!
- So  $\Gamma_{i+1}$  is consistent for every  $i$ .

# Lindenbaum's Lemma: Proof

- $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  is consistent, since each finite subset of  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  is also a finite subset of  $\Gamma_i$  for some  $i \geq 0$ . **Exercise:** Why only one  $\Gamma_i$  and not multiple?
- For every  $\varphi_\ell$  such that  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}} \cup \{\varphi_\ell\}$  is consistent,  $\Gamma_\ell \cup \varphi_\ell$  is also consistent (reasoning as above), so  $\varphi_\ell \in \Gamma_{\ell+1} \subseteq \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ . Therefore,  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  is maximally consistent.
- Consider  $\varphi_\ell = \neg\forall x. [\alpha] \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ . Note that  $\Gamma_\ell \cup \{\varphi_\ell\}$  is consistent (as above). So  $\neg\alpha\{y/x\} \in \Gamma_{\ell+1} \subseteq \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  for some  $y$ , by construction. Therefore,  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  is also  $\exists$ -fulfilled.
- Thus, we have shown that every consistent set  $\Gamma$  can be extended to an  $\exists$ -fulfilled MCS  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ .

# A useful property of $\exists$ -fulfilled MCSs

**Lemma:** Let  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  be any  $\exists$ -fulfilled MCS. Then, for all expressions  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$

1.  $\neg\alpha \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  iff  $\alpha \notin \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$
2.  $\alpha \supset \beta \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  iff  $\alpha \notin \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  or  $\beta \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$
3.  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}} \vdash \alpha$  iff  $\alpha \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ . In particular, all  $\alpha \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  such that  $\vdash_{\text{HK}} \alpha$ .
4.  $\forall x. [\alpha] \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  iff  $\alpha\{t/x\} \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ , for all terms  $t$ .

**Proof:** Statements (1)–(3) follow as for PL. Consider (4). If  $\forall x. [\alpha] \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ , then  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}} \vdash \forall x. [\alpha]$ , by (3). We also have  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}} \vdash \forall x. [\alpha] \supset \alpha\{t/x\}$  for any term  $t$ , by (H3c). Thus, by MP,  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}} \vdash \alpha\{t/x\}$  for any  $t$ , and so  $\alpha\{t/x\} \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  by (3). Now suppose  $\forall x. [\alpha] \notin \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ , then  $\neg\forall x. [\alpha] \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ , by (1). Since  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  is  $\exists$ -fulfilled, we have  $\neg\alpha\{y/x\} \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  for some  $y \in \mathcal{V}$ . Thus,  $\alpha\{y/x\} \notin \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ , and thus it is not the case that  $\alpha\{t/x\} \in \Gamma$  for all terms  $t$ .

## From an $\exists$ -fulfilled MCS to a model

- What did we want to show? *Any consistent set of expressions is satisfiable*
- So far: *Any consistent set of expressions can be extended to an  $\exists$ -fulfilled MCS*
- If I can produce a model for this  $\exists$ -fulfilled MCS, done!
- Suppose  $\Gamma_{\text{ext}}$  is an  $\exists$ -fulfilled MCS corresponding to a consistent  $\Gamma$ .
- Need to build an interpretation  $\mathcal{I} = ((M, \iota), \sigma)$  such that  $\mathcal{I} \models \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ .
- We will, in fact, show that for every  $\varphi$ ,  $\mathcal{I} \models \varphi$  iff  $\varphi \in \Gamma_{\text{ext}}$ .
- We have a signature  $\Sigma = (\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ . Need to
  - Define  $M$
  - Fix interpretations via  $\iota$  for every symbol in  $\Sigma$  to get  $\mathcal{M} = (M, \iota)$
  - Fix an assignment  $\sigma$