

Mathematical Logic (XIII)

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1. Gödel's Incompleteness Theorems

Let \mathbb{P} be a program over \mathcal{A} . Assume that \mathbb{P} consists of instructions $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_k$. Let n be the maximum index i such that R_i is used by \mathbb{P} . Then a configuration of \mathbb{P} is an $(n+2)$ -tuple

$$(L, m_0, \dots, m_n),$$

where $L \leq k$ and $m_0, \dots, m_n \in \mathbb{N}$, meaning that α_L is the instruction to be executed next and every register R_i contains m_i , i.e., the word $\underbrace{|\dots|}_{m_i \text{ times}}$.

We have shown:

Lemma 1.1. *From the above program \mathbb{P} we can compute an S_{ar} -formula*

$$\chi_{\mathbb{P}}(x_0, \dots, x_n, z, y_0, \dots, y_n)$$

such that for all $\ell_0, \dots, \ell_n, L, m_0, \dots, m_n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\mathfrak{N} \models \chi_{\mathbb{P}}[\ell_0, \dots, \ell_n, L, m_0, \dots, m_n]$$

if and only if \mathbb{P} , beginning with the configuration $(0, \ell_0, \dots, \ell_n)$, after finitely many steps, reaches the configuration (L, m_0, \dots, m_n) . \dashv

Using Lemma 1.1 it is now routine to prove:

Theorem 1.2. *Let $r \geq 1$.*

(i) *Let $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathbb{N}^r$ be an R-decidable relation. Then there is an $L^{S_{\text{ar}}}$ -formula $\varphi(v_0, \dots, v_{r-1}) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $\ell_0, \dots, \ell_{r-1} \in \mathbb{N}$*

$$(\ell_0, \dots, \ell_{r-1}) \in \mathcal{R} \iff \mathfrak{N} \models \varphi(\bar{\ell}_0, \dots, \bar{\ell}_{r-1}).$$

(ii) *Let $f : \mathbb{N}^r \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be an R-computable function. Then there is an $L^{S_{\text{ar}}}$ -formula $\varphi(v_0, \dots, v_{r-1}, v_r)$ such that for all $\ell_0, \dots, \ell_{r-1}, \ell_r \in \mathbb{N}$*

$$f(\ell_0, \dots, \ell_{r-1}) = \ell_r \iff \mathfrak{N} \models \varphi(\bar{\ell}_0, \dots, \bar{\ell}_{r-1}, \bar{\ell}_r).$$

Therefore,

$$\mathfrak{N} \models \exists^{=1} v_r \varphi(\bar{\ell}_0, \dots, \bar{\ell}_{r-1}, v_r),$$

where $\exists^{=1} x \theta(x)$ denotes the formula

$$\exists x (\theta(x) \wedge \forall y (\theta(y) \rightarrow y \equiv x)). \quad \dashv$$

Let $\Phi \subseteq L_0^{S_{\text{ar}}}$.

Definition 1.3. Let $r \geq 1$.

(i) A relation $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathbb{N}^r$ is *representable in Φ* if there is an L^{Sar} -formula $\varphi(v_0, \dots, v_{r-1})$ such that for all $n_0, \dots, n_{r-1} \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{aligned} (n_0, \dots, n_{r-1}) \in \mathcal{R} &\implies \Phi \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}_0, \dots, \bar{n}_{r-1}), \\ (n_0, \dots, n_{r-1}) \notin \mathcal{R} &\implies \Phi \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{n}_0, \dots, \bar{n}_{r-1}). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) A function $F : \mathbb{N}^r \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is *representable in Φ* if there is an L^{Sar} -formula $\varphi(v_0, \dots, v_{r-1}, v_r)$ such that for all $n_0, \dots, n_{r-1}, n_r \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{aligned} f(n_0, \dots, n_{r-1}) = n_r &\implies \Phi \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}_0, \dots, \bar{n}_{r-1}, \bar{n}_r), \\ f(n_0, \dots, n_{r-1}) \neq n_r &\implies \Phi \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{n}_0, \dots, \bar{n}_{r-1}, \bar{n}_r). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,

$$\Phi \vdash \exists^{=1} v_r \varphi(\bar{n}_0, \dots, \bar{n}_{r-1}, v_r). \quad \dashv$$

Lemma 1.4. (i) If Φ is inconsistent, then every relation over \mathbb{N} and every function over \mathbb{N} is representable in Φ .

(ii) Let $\Phi \subseteq \Phi' \subseteq L_0^{\text{Sar}}$. Then every relation representable in Φ is also representable in Φ' . Similarly, every function representable in Φ is representable in Φ' as well.

(iii) Let Φ be consistent. If Φ is R-decidable, then every relation representable in Φ is R-decidable, and every function representable in Φ is R-computable. \dashv

Definition 1.5. Φ *allows representations* if all R-decidable relations and all R-computable functions over \mathbb{N} are representable in Φ . \dashv

By Theorem 1.2:

Theorem 1.6. $\text{Th}(\mathfrak{N})$ *allows representations*. \dashv

With some extra efforts we can prove:

Theorem 1.7. Φ_{PA} *allows representations*. \dashv

Recall that we have exhibited the so-called Gödel numbering of register programs. For later purposes, we do the same for L^{Sar} -formulas. Let

$$\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \quad (1)$$

be an *effective* enumeration of all L^{Sar} -formulas without repetition. That is, there is a program that prints out the sequence (1). Then for every $\varphi \in L^{\text{Sar}}$ we let

$$[\varphi] := n \quad \text{where } \varphi = \varphi_n.$$

Observe that both

$$n \mapsto \varphi_n \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi \mapsto [\varphi]$$

are R-computable.

Theorem 1.8 (Fixed Point Theorem). *Assume that Φ allows representations. Then for every $\psi \in L_1^{\text{Sar}}$, there is an S_{ar} -sentence φ such that*

$$\Phi \vdash \varphi \leftrightarrow \psi([\overline{\varphi}]). \quad (2)$$

Proof: We define a function $F : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ as follows. For every $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$

$$F(n, m) := \begin{cases} [\varphi_n(\bar{m})] & \text{if } \text{free}(\varphi_n) = \{v_0\}, \\ & \text{i.e., } \varphi_n \in L_1^{S_{\text{ar}}} \setminus L_0^{S_{\text{ar}}}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that F is R-computable, and for every $\varphi \in L_1^{S_{\text{ar}}} \setminus L_0^{S_{\text{ar}}}$ we have

$$F([\varphi], m) = [\varphi(\bar{m})]. \quad (3)$$

Since Φ allows representations, there is an S_{ar} -formula $\varphi_F(x, y, z)$ such that for all $n, m, \ell \in \mathbb{N}$

$$F(n, m) = \ell \implies \Phi \vdash \varphi_F(\bar{n}, \bar{m}, \bar{\ell}), \quad (4)$$

$$F(n, m) \neq \ell \implies \Phi \vdash \neg \varphi_F(\bar{n}, \bar{m}, \bar{\ell}). \quad (5)$$

Moreover,

$$\Phi \vdash \exists^{=1} z \varphi_F(\bar{n}, \bar{m}, z). \quad (6)$$

Let

$$\chi(v_0) := \forall x (\varphi_F(v_0, v_0, x) \rightarrow \psi(x)).$$

In particular, $\text{free}(\chi) = \{v_0\}$. Finally we define the desired

$$\varphi := \chi(\bar{n}) \quad \text{with } n = [\chi].$$

We show that (2) holds. First, by (3)

$$F(n, n) = F([\chi], n) = [\chi(\bar{n})] = [\varphi].$$

Then (4) implies

$$\Phi \vdash \varphi_F(\bar{n}, \bar{n}, \overline{[\varphi]}) \quad (7)$$

Recall

$$\varphi = \chi(\bar{n}) = \forall x (\varphi_F(\bar{n}, \bar{n}, x) \rightarrow \psi(x)).$$

Combined with (7) we obtain

$$\Phi \cup \{\varphi\} \vdash \psi(\overline{[\varphi]}).$$

Equivalently

$$\Phi \vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi(\overline{[\varphi]}).$$

For the other direction in (2), observe that (6) and (7) guarantee that

$$\Phi \vdash \forall z (\varphi_F(\bar{n}, \bar{n}, z) \rightarrow z \equiv \overline{[\varphi]}).$$

Thus

$$\Phi \cup \{\psi(\overline{[\varphi]})\} \vdash \forall x (\varphi_F(\bar{n}, \bar{n}, x) \rightarrow \psi(x)),$$

i.e., $\Phi \cup \{\psi(\overline{[\varphi]})\} \vdash \varphi$. It follows that

$$\Phi \vdash \psi(\overline{[\varphi]}) \rightarrow \varphi. \quad \square$$

Definition 1.9. Let $\Phi \subseteq L^{S_{\text{ar}}}$. Then

$$\Phi^\vdash := \{\varphi \in L^{S_{\text{ar}}} \mid \Phi \vdash \varphi\}.$$

We say that Φ^\vdash is *representable in* Φ if

$$\{[\varphi] \in \mathbb{N} \mid \varphi \in \Phi^\vdash\} = \{[\varphi] \mid \varphi \in L^{S_{\text{ar}}} \text{ and } \Phi \vdash \varphi\}.$$

is representable in Φ . \dashv

Lemma 1.10. *Let $\Phi \subseteq L^{\text{Sar}}$ be consistent and allow representations. Then Φ^\vdash is not representable in Φ .*

Proof: Assume that Φ^\vdash is representable in Φ . In particular, there is a $\chi(v_0) \in L_1^{\text{Sar}}$ such that for all $\varphi \in L_0^{\text{Sar}}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi \vdash \varphi &\implies \Phi \vdash \chi(\overline{[\varphi]}), \\ \Phi \not\vdash \varphi &\implies \Phi \vdash \neg\chi(\overline{[\varphi]}).\end{aligned}$$

Since Φ is consistent, we conclude

$$\Phi \not\vdash \varphi \iff \Phi \vdash \neg\chi(\overline{[\varphi]}). \quad (8)$$

We apply the Fixed Point Theorem 1.8 to $\neg\chi$ to obtain a sentence φ such that

$$\Phi \vdash \varphi \leftrightarrow \neg\chi(\overline{[\varphi]}). \quad (9)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi \vdash \varphi &\iff \Phi \vdash \neg\chi(\overline{[\varphi]}) && \text{(by (9))} \\ &\iff \Phi \not\vdash \varphi, && \text{(by (8))}\end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. \square

Theorem 1.11 (Tarski's Undefinability of the Arithmetic Truth).

- (i) *Let $\Phi \subseteq L^{\text{Sar}}$ be consistent and allow representations. Then Φ^{\models} is not representable in Φ .*
- (ii) *$\text{Th}(\mathfrak{N})$ is not representable in $\text{Th}(\mathfrak{N})$.*

Proof: By the Completeness Theorem

$$\Phi^{\models} = \Phi^\vdash.$$

So (i) is a direct consequence of Lemma 1.10.

(ii) is a special case of (i). \square

Theorem 1.12 (Gödel's First Incompleteness Theorem). *Let $\Phi \subseteq L^{\text{Sar}}$ be consistent and allow representations. Moreover, Φ is R-decidable. Then there is an L^{Sar} -sentence φ such that neither $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ nor $\Phi \vdash \neg\varphi$.*

Proof: Assume for every L^{Sar} -sentence φ either $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ or $\Phi \vdash \neg\varphi$. Thus Φ is complete. By the R-decidability of Φ , we can then conclude that Φ^\vdash is R-decidable too.

Since Φ allows representations, Φ^\vdash is representable in Φ . Together with the consistency of Φ , we obtain a contradiction to Lemma 1.10. \square

In the following we fix an R-decidable $\Phi \subseteq L_0^{\text{Sar}}$ which allows representations.

We choose an effective enumeration of all derivations in the sequent calculus associated with S_{ar} and define a relation $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathbb{N}^2$ by

$$\begin{aligned}(n, m) \in \mathcal{H} &\iff \text{the } m\text{-th derivation in the above enumeration ends with a sequent} \\ &\psi_0, \dots, \psi_{k-1}, \varphi \text{ with } \psi_0, \dots, \psi_{k-1} \in \Phi \text{ and } n = [\varphi],\end{aligned}$$

Clearly, \mathcal{H} is R-decidable by the R-decidability of Φ . Moreover, for every $\varphi \in L^{\text{Sar}}$

$$\Phi \vdash \varphi \iff \text{there is an } m \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } ([\varphi], m) \in \mathcal{H}.$$

Since Φ allows representation, there is a $\varphi_{\mathcal{H}}(v_0, v_1) \in L_2^{\text{ar}}$ such that for every $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$

$$(n, m) \in \mathcal{H} \implies \Phi \vdash \varphi_{\mathcal{H}}(\bar{n}, \bar{m}), \quad (10)$$

$$(n, m) \notin \mathcal{H} \implies \Phi \vdash \neg \varphi_{\mathcal{H}}(\bar{n}, \bar{m}). \quad (11)$$

We set

$$\text{DER}_{\Phi}(x) := \exists y \varphi_{\mathcal{H}}(x, y),$$

which intuitively says that x is provable in Φ .

Applying Lemma 1.8 to $\psi(x) := \neg \text{DER}_{\Phi}(x)$, we obtain an L_0^{ar} -sentence φ such that

$$\Phi \vdash \varphi \leftrightarrow \neg \text{DER}_{\Phi}(\overline{[\varphi]}). \quad (12)$$

Lemma 1.13. *If Φ is consistent, then $\Phi \not\vdash \varphi$.*

Proof: Assume that $\Phi \vdash \varphi$, which is given by the m -th derivation for some $m \in \mathbb{N}$. In other words,

$$([\varphi], m) \in \mathcal{H}.$$

Then, (10) implies

$$\Phi \vdash \varphi_{\mathcal{H}}(\overline{[\varphi]}, \bar{m}).$$

It follows that

$$\Phi \vdash \text{DER}_{\Phi}(\overline{[\varphi]}).$$

By (12)

$$\Phi \vdash \neg \varphi.$$

Thus Φ is inconsistent. □

Observe that $\Phi \vdash 0 \equiv 0$, therefore

$$\Phi \text{ is consistent} \iff \Phi \not\vdash \neg 0 \equiv 0.$$

Hence,

$$\text{CONS}_{\Phi} := \neg \text{DER}_{\Phi}(\overline{[\neg 0 \equiv 0]})$$

expresses that Φ is consistent.

Lemma 1.14. *Assume $\Phi_{\text{PA}} \subseteq \Phi$. Then*

$$\Phi \vdash \text{CONS}_{\Phi} \rightarrow \neg \text{DER}_{\Phi}([\varphi]),$$

where φ is the sentence in (12).

Proof: A tedious analysis shows that the proof of Lemma 1.13 can be carried out on the basis of Φ_{PA} . □

Theorem 1.15 (Gödel's Second Incompleteness Theorem). *Assume Φ is consistent and R-decidable with $\Phi_{\text{PA}} \subseteq \Phi$. Then*

$$\Phi \not\vdash \text{CONS}_{\Phi}.$$

Proof: Assume $\Phi \vdash \text{CONS}_{\Phi}$. Then Lemma 1.14 implies

$$\Phi \vdash \neg \text{DER}_{\Phi}([\varphi]).$$

By (12) we have

$$\Phi \vdash \varphi,$$

which contradicts Lemma 1.13. □