

Mathematical Logic (VI)

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1 Sequent Calculus

1.1 Basic Rules

Antecedent

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi}{\Gamma' \quad \varphi} \Gamma \subseteq \Gamma'$$

Assumption

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \quad \varphi} \varphi \in \Gamma$$

Case Analysis

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \psi \quad \varphi \quad \Gamma \quad \neg\psi \quad \varphi}{\Gamma \quad \varphi}$$

Contradiction

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \neg\varphi \quad \psi \quad \Gamma \quad \neg\varphi \quad \neg\psi}{\Gamma \quad \varphi}$$

\vee -introduction in antecedent

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi \quad \chi \quad \Gamma \quad \psi \quad \chi}{\Gamma \quad (\varphi \vee \psi) \quad \chi}$$

\vee -introduction in succedent

$$(a) \frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi}{\Gamma \quad (\varphi \vee \psi)} \quad (b) \frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi}{\Gamma \quad (\psi \vee \varphi)}$$

\exists -introduction in succedent

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi \frac{x}{x}}{\Gamma \quad \exists x \varphi}$$

\exists -introduction in antecedent

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi \frac{y}{x} \quad \psi}{\Gamma \quad \exists x \varphi \quad \psi} \text{ if } y \notin \text{free}(\Gamma \cup \{\exists x \varphi, \psi\})$$

Equality

$$\frac{}{t \equiv t}$$

Substitution

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi \frac{t}{x}}{\Gamma \quad t \equiv t' \quad \varphi \frac{t'}{x}}$$

1.2 Some Derived Rules

Example 1.1 (The law of excluded middle).

1. φ φ (assumption)
2. φ $(\varphi \vee \neg\varphi)$ (\vee -introduction in succedent by 1)
3. $\neg\varphi$ $\neg\varphi$ (assumption)
4. $\neg\varphi$ $(\varphi \vee \neg\varphi)$ (\vee -introduction in succedent by 3)
5. $(\varphi \vee \neg\varphi)$ (case analysis by 2 and 4).

Therefore $\vdash (\varphi \vee \neg\varphi)$.

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Example 1.2 (The modified contradiction).

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \psi}{\Gamma \quad \neg\psi} \quad \frac{}{\Gamma \quad \varphi}$$

We argue as follows.

1. $\Gamma \quad \psi$ (premise)
2. $\Gamma \quad \neg\psi$ (premise)
3. $\Gamma \quad \neg\varphi \quad \psi$ (antecedent by 1)
4. $\Gamma \quad \neg\varphi \quad \neg\psi$ (antecedent by 2)
5. $\Gamma \quad \varphi$ (contradiction by 3 and 4).

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Example 1.3 (The chain deduction).

$$\frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi \quad \psi}{\Gamma \quad \psi}$$

We have the following deduction.

1. $\Gamma \quad \varphi$ (premise)
2. $\Gamma \quad \varphi \quad \psi$ (premise)
3. $\Gamma \quad \neg\varphi \quad \varphi$ (antecedent by 1)
4. $\Gamma \quad \neg\varphi \quad \neg\varphi$ (assumption)
5. $\Gamma \quad \neg\varphi \quad \psi$ (modified contradiction by 3 and 4)
6. $\Gamma \quad \psi$ (case analysis by 2 and 5).

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Definition 1.4. Let Φ be a set of S-formulas and φ an S-formula. Then φ is **derivable from Φ** , denoted by $\Phi \vdash \varphi$, if there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n \in \Phi$ such that

$$\vdash \varphi_1 \dots \varphi_n \varphi. \quad \dashv$$

Let Φ be a set of S-sentences and φ an S-formula.

Lemma 1.5. $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ if and only if there exists a **finite** $\Phi_0 \subseteq \Phi$ such that $\Phi_0 \vdash \varphi$. \dashv

Theorem 1.6 (Soundness). If $\Phi \vdash \varphi$, then $\Phi \models \varphi$. \dashv

2 Consistency

Definition 2.1. Φ is **consistent**, written $\text{cons}(\Phi)$, if there is no φ such that both $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ and $\Phi \vdash \neg\varphi$. Otherwise, Φ is **inconsistent**.

Lemma 2.2. Φ is inconsistent if and only if $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ for any formula φ .

Proof: The direction from right to left is by Definition 2.1. For the converse direction, assume that there is a ψ such that $\Phi \vdash \psi$ and $\Phi \vdash \neg\psi$. Then there exist two finite sequences of formulas, Γ_1 and Γ_2 , such that we have derivation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vdots & \text{and} & \vdots \\ \Gamma_1 \vdash \psi & & \Gamma_2 \vdash \neg\psi. \end{array}$$

Then for every φ we can obtain the derivation of $\Gamma_1 \Gamma_2 \vdash \varphi$ as below.

$$\begin{array}{llll} & \vdots & & \\ \text{m.} & \Gamma_1 \vdash \psi & & \\ & \vdots & & \\ \text{n.} & \Gamma_2 \vdash \neg\psi & & \\ \text{(n+1).} & \Gamma_1 \Gamma_2 \vdash \psi & \text{(antecedent by m)} & \\ \text{(n+2).} & \Gamma_1 \Gamma_2 \vdash \neg\psi & \text{(antecedent by n)} & \\ \text{(n+3).} & \Gamma_1 \Gamma_2 \vdash \varphi & \text{(modified contradiction by n+1 and n+2).} & \end{array}$$

□

Corollary 2.3. Φ is consistent if and only if there is a φ such that $\Phi \not\vdash \varphi$.

Lemma 2.4. Φ is consistent if and only if every finite $\Phi_0 \subseteq \Phi$ is consistent.

Lemma 2.5. Every satisfiable Φ is consistent.

Proof: Assume that Φ is inconsistent. Then there is a φ such that $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ and $\Phi \vdash \neg\varphi$. By the Soundness Theorem, i.e., Theorem 1.6, we conclude $\Phi \models \varphi$ and $\Phi \models \neg\varphi$. Thus, Φ cannot be satisfiable. □

Lemma 2.6. (a) $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ if and only if $\Phi \cup \{\neg\varphi\}$ is inconsistent.

(b) $\Phi \vdash \neg\varphi$ if and only if $\Phi \cup \{\varphi\}$ is inconsistent.

(c) If $\text{cons}(\Phi)$, then either $\text{cons}(\Phi \cup \{\varphi\})$ or $\text{cons}(\Phi \cup \{\neg\varphi\})$.

3 Completeness

The goal of this section is to show:

Theorem 3.1 (Completeness). *If $\Phi \models \varphi$, then $\Phi \vdash \varphi$.* ⊢

We observe that the contrapositive of Theorem 3.1 is:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi \not\models \varphi &\text{ implies } \Phi \not\vdash \varphi \\ \iff &\text{ if } \Phi \cup \{\neg\varphi\} \text{ is consistent, then } \Phi \cup \{\neg\varphi\} \text{ is satisfiable.} \end{aligned}$$

As a matter of fact, we actually will prove the following general statement.

Theorem 3.2. *cons(Φ) implies that Φ is satisfiable.* ⊢

3.1 Henkin's Theorem

We fix a set Φ of S-formulas and will construct an S-interpretation out of Φ . To that end, we first define a binary relation over the set T^S of S-terms.

Definition 3.3. Let $t_1, t_2 \in T^S$. Then $t_1 \sim t_2$ if $\Phi \vdash t_1 \equiv t_2$. ⊢

Lemma 3.4. (i) \sim is an **equivalence** relation.

(ii) \sim is a **congruence** relation. That is:

- For every n-ary function symbol $f \in S$ and $2 \cdot n$ S-terms $t_1 \sim t'_1, \dots, t_n \sim t'_n$, we have

$$ft_1 \cdots t_n \sim ft'_1 \cdots t'_n.$$

- For every n-ary relation symbol $R \in S$ and $2 \cdot n$ S-terms $t_1 \sim t'_1, \dots, t_n \sim t'_n$, we have

$$\Phi \vdash Rt_1 \cdots t_n \iff \Phi \vdash Rt'_1 \cdots t'_n.$$

⊢

Proof: By the equality rule and the substitution rule. □

Now for every $t \in T^S$ we define

$$\bar{t} := \{t' \in T^S \mid t' \sim t\},$$

i.e., the equivalence class of t .

Definition 3.5. The **term structure** for Φ , denoted by \mathfrak{T}^Φ , is defined as follows.

(i) The universe is $T^\Phi := \{\bar{t} \mid t \in T^S\}$.

(ii) For every n-ary relation symbol $R \in S$, and $\bar{t}_1, \dots, \bar{t}_n \in T^\Phi$

$$(\bar{t}_1, \dots, \bar{t}_n) \in R^{\mathfrak{T}^\Phi} \quad \text{if} \quad \Phi \vdash Rt_1 \dots t_n.$$

(iii) For every n-ary function symbol $f \in S$, and $\bar{t}_1, \dots, \bar{t}_n \in T^\Phi$

$$f^{\mathfrak{T}^\Phi}(\bar{t}_1, \dots, \bar{t}_n) := \overline{ft_1 \cdots t_n}.$$

(iv) For every constant $c \in S$

$$c^{\mathfrak{T}^\Phi} := \bar{c}.$$

This finishes the construction of \mathfrak{I}^Φ . ⊢

Using Lemma 3.4, in particular (ii), it is easy to verify that:

Lemma 3.6. \mathfrak{I}^Φ is well-defined. ⊢

To complete the definition of an S-interpretation, we still need to provide an assignment of the variables v_0, v_1, \dots in \mathfrak{I}^Φ .

Definition 3.7. For every variable v_i we let

$$\beta^\Phi(v_i) := \bar{v}_i. \quad \dashv$$

Finally we let

$$\mathfrak{J}^\Phi := (\mathfrak{I}^\Phi, \beta^\Phi).$$

Lemma 3.8. (i) For any $t \in \mathsf{T}^S$

$$\mathfrak{J}^\Phi(t) = \bar{t}.$$

(ii) For every **atomic** φ

$$\mathfrak{J}^\Phi \models \varphi \iff \Phi \vdash \varphi.$$

Proof: (i) We proceed by induction on t .

- $t = v_i$ is a variable. Then

$$\mathfrak{J}^\Phi(v_i) = \beta^\Phi(v_i) = \bar{v}_i.$$

- $t = c$ is a constant. Then

$$\mathfrak{J}^\Phi(c) = c^{\mathfrak{I}^\Phi} = \bar{c}$$

- $t = ft_1 \cdots t_n$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{J}^\Phi(ft_1 \cdots t_n) &= f^{\mathfrak{I}^\Phi}(\mathfrak{J}^\Phi(t_1), \dots, \mathfrak{J}^\Phi(t_n)) \\ &= f^{\mathfrak{I}^\Phi}(\bar{t}_1, \dots, \bar{t}_n) && \text{(by induction hypothesis)} \\ &= \overline{ft_1 \cdots t_n}. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Recall that there are two types of atomic formulas. For the first type, let $\varphi = t_1 \equiv t_2$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{J}^\Phi \models t_1 \equiv t_2 &\iff \mathfrak{J}^\Phi(t_1) = \mathfrak{J}^\Phi(t_2) \\ &\iff \bar{t}_1 = \bar{t}_2 && \text{(by (i))} \\ &\iff t_1 \sim t_2 \\ &\iff \Phi \vdash t_1 \equiv t_2. \end{aligned}$$

Second, let $\varphi = Rt_1 \cdots t_n$. We deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{J}^\Phi \models Rt_1 \cdots t_n &\iff (\mathfrak{J}^\Phi(t_1), \dots, \mathfrak{J}^\Phi(t_n)) \in R^{\mathfrak{I}^\Phi} \\ &\iff (\bar{t}_1, \dots, \bar{t}_n) \in R^{\mathfrak{I}^\Phi} && \text{(by (i))} \\ &\iff \Phi \vdash Rt_1 \cdots t_n. \end{aligned}$$

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