

Predicate Calculus - Semantic Tableau (2/2)

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Formal construction

- Formal construction is explained in **two steps**
 1. Construction rules (α rule, β rule, γ rule for $\forall x$, and δ rule for $\exists y$)
 - These rules might **not** be systematic, but enough for showing **soundness** of a semantic tableau.

 $\forall x$

γ	$\gamma(a)$
$\forall xA(x)$	$A(a)$
$\neg \exists xA(x)$	$\neg A(a)$

 $\exists x$

δ	$\delta(a)$
$\exists xA(x)$	$A(a)$
$\neg \forall xA(x)$	$\neg A(a)$

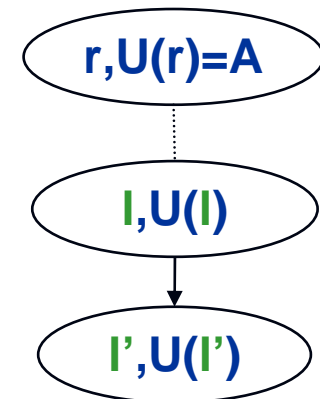
2. **Systematic** construction rules, which specify **the order** of applying rules
 - Systematic construction rules can show the **completeness** of a semantic tableau
- Def 5.25 A **literal** is a **closed** atomic formula $p(a_1, \dots, a_k)$ or the negation of such a formula
 - If a formula has **no free variable**, it is **closed**. Therefore, if an atomic formula is closed, all of its arguments are constants.

Formal construction rules (1/2)

- Alg 5.26 (Construction of a semantic tableau)
 - Input: A formula A of the predicate calculus
 - Output: A semantic tableau \mathcal{T} for A
 - Each node of \mathcal{T} will be labeled with a set of formulas.
 - Initially, \mathcal{T} consists of a single node, the root, labeled with $\{A\}$
 - All branches are either
 - **infinite** or
 - **finite** with
 - leaves marked **closed** or
 - leaves marked **open**
 - \mathcal{T} is built **inductively** by choosing an unmarked **leaf** l labeled with a set of formulas $U(l)$, and applying **one** of the following rules:

Formal construction rules (2/2)

- If $U(I)$ is a set of literals and γ -formulas which contains a complementary pair of literals $\{p(a_1, \dots, a_k), \neg p(a_1, \dots, a_k)\}$, mark the leaf **closed x**
- If $U(I)$ is **not** a set of literals, **choose** a formula A in $U(I)$ which is not a literal
 - if A is an α -formula or β -formula, do the same as in propositional calculus
 - if A is a γ -formula (such as $\forall x A_1(x)$), create a new node I' as a child of I and label I' with $U(I') = U(I) \cup \{\gamma(a)\}$ where a is some constant that appears in $U(I)$ (**infinite branch**)
 - If no constant exists in $U(I)$, use an arbitrary constant, say a_i
 - Note that the γ -formula **remains** in $U(I')$.
 - If $U(I)$ consists **only** of literals and γ -formulas and $U(I)$ does **not** contain a **complementary pair** of literals and $U(I')=U(I)$ for all choices of a , then mark the leaf as **open O**. (**finite branch**)
 - If the only rule that applies is a γ -rule and the rule produces no new subformulas, then the branch is open.
 - ex. for $\{\forall x p(a,x)\}$, $(\{a\}, \{(a,a)\}, \{a\})$ is a model for it.
 - if A is a δ formula (such as $\exists x A_1(x)$), create a new node I' as a child of I and label I' with $U(I') = (U(I) - \{A\}) \cup \{\delta(a)\}$ where a is some constant that does **not** appear in $U(I)$.



Soundness

- Thm 5.28 (**Soundness**) let A be a formula in the predicate calculus and let \mathcal{T} be a tableau for A . If \mathcal{T} closes, then A is unsatisfiable.
 - However, the construction of the tableau is **not complete** unless it is built systematically.
 - ex. $\forall x \exists y p(x,y) \wedge \forall x (p(x) \wedge \neg p(x))$
- The proof is by induction on the **height h** of node n
 - Cases for $h=0$, and the inductive cases for α , β formulas is the same as the proof in the propositional calculus
 - Case 3: The **γ -rule** was used. Then
 - $U(n) = U_0 \cup \{\forall x A(x)\}$ and $U(n') = U_0 \cup \{\forall x A(x), A(a)\}$
 - Assume that $U(n)$ is **satisfiable** and let \mathcal{I} be a model for $U(n)$, so that $v_{\mathcal{I}}(A_i) = T$ for all $A_i \in U_0(n)$ and also $v_{\mathcal{I}}(\forall x A(x)) = T$.
 - By Thm 5.15, $v_{\mathcal{I}}(\forall x A(x)) = T$ iff $v_{\sigma_{\mathcal{I}}} = T$ for all assignments $\sigma_{\mathcal{I}}$, in particular for any assignment that assigns the same domain element to x that \mathcal{I} does to a
 - But $v_{\mathcal{I}}(A(a)) = T$ **contradicts** the inductive hypothesis that $U(n')$ is unsatisfiable
 - Case 4: The **δ -rule** was used. Then
 - $U(n) = U_0 \cup \{\exists x A(x)\}$ and $U(n') = U_0 \cup \{A(a)\}$ for some constant a which does not occur in a formula of $U(n)$
 - Assume that $U(n)$ is **satisfiable** and let $\mathcal{I} = (D, \{R_1, \dots, R_n\}, \{d_1, \dots, d_k\})$ be a satisfying interpretation.
 - Then $v_{\mathcal{I}}(\exists x A(x)) = T$, so for the relation R_i assigned to A and for some $d \in D$, $(d) \in R_i$. Extend \mathcal{I} to the interpretation $\mathcal{I}' = (D, \{R_1, \dots, R_n\}, \{d_1, \dots, d_k, d\})$ by assigning d to the constant a .
 - Then $v_{\mathcal{I}'}(A(a)) = T$, and since $v_{\mathcal{I}'}(U_0) = v_{\mathcal{I}}(U_0) = T$, we can conclude that $v_{\mathcal{I}'}(U(n')) = T$, **contradicting** the inductive hypothesis that $U(n')$ is unsatisfiable

Systematic formal construction rules (1/2)

- The **aim** of the systematic construction is to ensure that
 1. rules are **eventually** applied to **all formulas** in the label of a node and
 2. in the case of universally quantified formulas, that an instance is created for **all constants** that appears
- Alg 5.29 (**Systematic** construction of a semantic tableau)
 - Input: A formula A of the predicate calculus
 - Output: A semantic tableau \mathcal{T} for A
 - key idea: to apply α, β, δ , and γ rules **in order**, to prevent infinite branch due to γ rule from hiding that a branch is closed
 - A semantic tableau for A is a tree \mathcal{T} each node of which is labeled by a pair $W(n) = (U(n), C(n))$, where $U(n) = \{A_1, \dots, A_k\}$ is a set of formulas and $C(n) = \{a_1, \dots, a_m\}$ is a set of constants appearing in the formulas in $U(n)$
 - Initially, \mathcal{T} consists of a single node (the root) labeled with $(\{A\}, \{a_1, \dots, a_m\})$
 - If A has no constants, choose an arbitrary constant a and label the node with $(\{A\}, \{a\})$

Systematic formal construction rules (2/2)

- Inductively applying one of the following rules in the order given
 1. If $U(I)$ is a set of literals and γ -formulas which contains a complementary pair of literals $\{p(a_1, \dots, a_k), \neg p(a_1, \dots, a_k)\}$, mark the leaf closed \times
 2. If $U(I)$ is not a set of literals, choose a formula A in $U(I)$ which is not a literal
 1. if A is an α -formula or β -formula, do the same as in propositional calculus with $C(I') = C(I)$
 2. if A is a δ -formula, create a new node I' as a child of I and label I' with $W(I') = ((U(I) - \{A\}) \cup \{\delta(a)\}, C(I) \cup \{a\})$ where a is some constant that does not appear in $U(I)$
 3. Let $\{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_m\} \subseteq U(I)$ be all the γ -formulas in $U(I)$ and let $C(I) = \{a_1, \dots, a_k\}$. Create a new node I' as a child of I and label I' with
 - $W(I') = (U(I) \cup \bigcup_{i=1..m, j=1..k} \{\gamma_i(a_j)\}, C(I))$
 - If $U(I)$ consists only of literals and γ -formulas and $U(I)$ does not contain a complementary pair of literals and $U(I') = U(I)$, then mark the leaf as open \circ .

Completeness

- Thm 5.34 (Completeness) Let A be a valid formula. Then the systematic semantic tableau for $\neg A$ closes
 - Thm 5.32 Let b be an **open** branch of a systematic tableau and $U = \bigcup_{n \in b} U(n)$. The U is a Hintikka set.
 - Lem 5.33 (Hintikka's lemma) Let U be a Hintikka set. Then there is a model for U
- Proof:
 - Let A be a valid formula and suppose that the systematic tableau for $\neg A$ does **not** close.
 - By Thm 5.32, there is an open branch b s.t. $U = \bigcup_{n \in b} U(n)$ is a Hintikka set.
 - By Lem 5.33, there is a model \mathcal{I} for U . But $\neg A \in U$ so $\mathcal{I} \models \neg A$ **contradicting** the assumption that A is valid

Finite and infinite models

- Def 5.35 A formula of the predicate calculus is **pure** if it contains no function symbols
- Def 5.36 A set of formulas U has the **finite model property** iff
 - U is satisfiable iff it is satisfiable in an interpretation whose domain is a finite set.
- Thm 5.37 Let U be a set of pure formulas of the form
 - $\exists x_1 \dots x_k \forall y_1 \dots y_l A(x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_l)$ where A does not contain any quantifiers.
 - Then, U has the **finite model property**.
 - During the construction of semantic tableau, the set of constants will be finite
- Thm 5.39 (Lowenheim-Skolem) If a **countable** set of formulas is satisfiable then it is satisfiable in a **countable domain**
 - For example, formulas that describe **real numbers** also have a **countable non-standard model!!!**
- Thm 5.40 (Compactness) Let U be a countable set of formulas. If **all finite subsets** of U are satisfiable then so is U