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Chapter 8

Classical Predicate Semantics and Proof Systems

PART 2: **Classical Semantics**

Classical Semantics

The notion of **predicate tautology** is much more **complicated** than that of the **propositional**

Predicate tautologies are also called **valid** formulas, or **laws of quantifiers** to **distinguish** them from the **propositional** case

The formulas of a predicate language \mathcal{L} have meaning only when an **interpretation** is given for all its **symbols**

Classical Semantics

We define an **interpretation** I by interpreting **predicate** and **functional** symbols as a concrete **relation** and **function** defined in a certain set $U \neq \emptyset$

Constants symbols are interpreted as **elements** of the set U

The set U is called the **universe** of the interpretation I

These two items specify a **structure**

$$\mathbf{M} = (U, I) \quad \text{for the language } \mathcal{L}_{CON}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C})$$

Classical Semantics

The **semantics** for a **first order** (predicate) language \mathcal{L} in general, and for the first order **classical logic** in particular, is **defined**, after **Tarski (1936)**, in terms of

the **structure** $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$

an **assignment** s of \mathcal{L}

a **satisfaction relation** $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$ between structures, assignments and formulas of \mathcal{L}

The definition of the structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ and the assignment s of \mathcal{L} is **common** for different **predicate** languages and for different **semantics** and we define them as follows.

Structure Definition

Definition

Given a predicate language

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{CON}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C})$$

A **structure** for \mathcal{L} is a pair

$$\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$$

where U is a **non empty** set called a **universe**

I is an assignment called an **interpretation** of the language $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C})$ in the universe U

The structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ components are defined as follows

Structure Definition

Structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ Components

1. I assigns to any **predicate** symbol $P \in \mathbf{P}$ a **relation** P_I defined in the universe U , i.e. for any $P \in \mathbf{P}$, if $\#P = n$, then

$$P_I \subseteq U^n$$

2. I assigns to any **functional** symbol $f \in \mathbf{F}$ a **function** f_I defined in the universe U , i.e. for any $f \in \mathbf{F}$, if $\#f = n$, then

$$f_I : U^n \rightarrow U$$

3. I assigns to any **constant** symbol $c \in \mathbf{C}$ an **element** c_I of the universe, i.e for any $c \in \mathbf{C}$,

$$c_I \in U$$

Structure Example

Example

Let \mathcal{L} be a language with one two-place **predicate** symbol, two **functional** symbols: one -place and one two-place, and two **constants**, i.e.

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(\{R\}, \{f, g\}, \{c, d\},)$$

where $\#R = 2$, $\#f = 1$, $\#g = 2$, and $c, d \in \mathbf{C}$

We define a **structure** $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ as follows

We take as the **universe** the set $U = \{1, 3, 5, 6\}$

The **predicate** R is interpreted as \leq what we write as

$$R_I : \leq$$

Structure Example

We interpret f as a **function** $f_I : \{1, 3, 5, 6\} \longrightarrow \{1, 3, 5, 6\}$ such that

$$f_I(x) = 5 \quad \text{for all } x \in \{1, 3, 5, 6\}$$

We put $g_I : \{1, 3, 5, 6\} \times \{1, 3, 5, 6\} \longrightarrow \{1, 3, 5, 6\}$ such that

$$g_I(x, y) = 1 \quad \text{for all } x \in \{1, 3, 5, 6\}$$

The constant c becomes $c_I = 3$, and $d_I = 6$

We write the structure \mathbf{M} as

$$\mathbf{M} = [\{1, 3, 5, 6\} \leq, f_I, g_I, c_I = 3, d_I = 6]$$

Assignment - Interpretation of Variables

Definition

Given a **first order** language

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C})$$

with the set **VAR** of variables

Let $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ be a structure for \mathcal{L} with the universe $U \neq \emptyset$

An **assignment of \mathcal{L} in $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$** is any function

$$s : \mathbf{VAR} \longrightarrow U$$

The **assignment s** is also called an **interpretation of variables **VAR**** of \mathcal{L} in the structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$

Assignment - Interpretation

Let $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ be a structure for \mathcal{L} and

$$s : \text{VAR} \rightarrow U$$

be an **assignment** of variables VAR of \mathcal{L} in the structure \mathbf{M}

Let \mathbf{T} be the set of all **terms** of \mathcal{L}

By definition of terms

$$\text{VAR} \subseteq \mathbf{T}$$

We use the interpretation I of the structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ to **extend** the **assignment** s to the set the set \mathbf{T} of all **terms** of the language \mathcal{L}

Interpretation of Terms

Notation

We **denote** the **extension** of the assignment s to the set the set \mathbf{T} by s_I rather than by s^* as we did before

s_I associates with each term $t \in \mathbf{T}$ an element $s_I(t) \in U$ of the universe of the structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$

We **define** the extension s_I of s by the **induction** of the length of the term $t \in \mathbf{T}$ and call it an **interpretation of terms** of \mathcal{L} in a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$

Interpretation of Terms

Definition

Given a language $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C})$ and a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$

Let a function

$$s : \text{VAR} \longrightarrow U$$

be any assignment of variables VAR of \mathcal{L} in \mathbf{M}

We **extend** s to a function

$$s_I : \mathbf{T} \longrightarrow U$$

called an **interpretation of terms** of \mathcal{L} in \mathbf{M}

Interpretation of Terms

We define the function s_I by **induction** on the complexity of terms as follows

1. For any $v x \in VAR$,

$$s_I(x) = s(x)$$

2. for any $c \in \mathbf{C}$,

$$s_I(c) = c_I;$$

3. for any $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n \in \mathbf{T}$, $n \geq 1$, $f \in \mathbf{F}$, such that $\#f = n$

$$s_I(f(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)) = f_I(s_I(t_1), s_I(t_2), \dots, s_I(t_n))$$

Interpretation of Terms Example

Example

Consider a language

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(\{P, R\}, \{f, h\}, \emptyset)$$

for $\#P = \#R = 2$, $\#f = 1$, $\#h = 2$

Let $\mathbf{M} = [Z, I]$, where Z is the set on **integers** and the **interpretation** I for elements of **F** and **C** is as follows

$f_I : Z \rightarrow Z$ is given by formula $f(m) = m + 1$ for all $m \in Z$

$h_I : Z \times Z \rightarrow Z$ is given by formula $h(m, n) = m + n$ for all $m, n \in Z$

Interpretation of Terms Example

Let s be any assignment $s : VAR \rightarrow Z$ such that

$$s(x) = -5, \quad s(y) = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad t_1, t_2 \in \mathbf{T}$$

$$\text{Let } t_1 = h(y, f(x)) \quad \text{and} \quad t_2 = h(f(x), h(x, f(y)))$$

We **evaluate**

$$\begin{aligned} s_I(t_1) &= s_I(h(y, f(x))) = h_I(s_I(y), f_I(s_I(x))) = \\ &+ (2, f_I(-5)) = 2 - 4 = -2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} s_I(t_2) &= s_I(h(f(x), h(x, f(y)))) = \\ &+ (f_I(-5), +(-5, 3)) = -4 + (-5 + 3) = -6 \end{aligned}$$

Observation

Given $t \in \mathbf{T}$

Let $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbf{VAR}$ be **all** variables appearing in t

We write it as

$$t(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Observation

For any term $t(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbf{T}$, any structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ and any assignments s, s' of \mathcal{L} in \mathbf{M} , the following holds

If $s(x) = s'(x)$ for all $x \in \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$, i.e

if the assignments s, s' **agree** on all variables appearing in t ,
then

$$s_I(t) = s'_I(t)$$

Notation

Thus for any $t \in \mathbf{T}$, the function $s_t : \mathbf{T} \rightarrow U$ **depends** on **only** a **finite** number of values of $s(x)$ for $x \in \mathbf{VAR}$

Notation

Given a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ and an assignment $s : \mathbf{VAR} \rightarrow U$ We write

$$s(x^a)$$

to **denote** any assignment

$$s' : \mathbf{VAR} \rightarrow U$$

such that s, s' **agree** on all variables **except** on x and such that

$$s'(x) = a \quad \text{for certain } a \in U$$

Classical Satisfaction

We introduce now a notion of a **satisfaction relation** $(M, s) \models A$ that acts between **structures, assignments** and **formulas** of \mathcal{L}

It is the **satisfaction relation** that allows us to **distinguish one** semantics for a given \mathcal{L} from the **other**, and consequently **one** logic from the **other**

We define now only a **classical** satisfaction and the notion of **classical** predicate **tautology**

Classical Satisfaction

Definition

Given a predicate (first order) language $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C})$

Let $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ be a structure for \mathcal{L} and

$s : \text{VAR} \rightarrow U$ be any assignment of \mathcal{L} in \mathbf{M}

Let $A \in \mathcal{F}$ be any formula of \mathcal{L}

We define a **satisfaction relation**

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$$

that reads: "the assignment s **satisfies** the formula A in \mathbf{M} "

by **induction** on the complexity of A as follows

Classical Satisfaction

(i) A is **atomic formula**

$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models P(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ if and only if $(s_I(t_1), \dots, s_I(t_n)) \in P_I$

(ii) A **is not** atomic formula and has one of **connectives** of \mathcal{L} as the **main** connective

$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models \neg A$ if and only if $(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models A$

$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models (A \cap B)$ if and only if $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$ and $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models B$

$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models (A \cup B)$ if and only if $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$ or $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models B$
or both

$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models (A \Rightarrow B)$ if and only if either $(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models A$ or else
 $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models B$ or both

Classical Satisfaction

(iii) **A is not** atomic formula and **A begins** with one of the **quantifiers**

$(M, s) \models \exists xA$ if and only if **there is** s' such that s, s' **agree** on all variables except on x , and

$$(M, s') \models A$$

$(M, s) \models \forall xA$ if and only if **for all** s' such that s, s' **agree** on all variables except on x , and

$$(M, s') \models A$$

Classical Satisfaction

Observe that that the **truth** or **falsity** of $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$ depends **only** on the values of $s(x)$ for variables x which are actually **free** in the formula A . This is why we often **write** the condition **(iii)** as follows

(iii)' $A(x)$ (with a **free** variable x) **is not** atomic formula and A **begins** with one of the **quantifiers**

$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models \exists x A(x)$ if and only if **there is** s' such that $s(y) = s'(y)$ such that for all $y \in \text{VAR} - \{x\}$,

$$(\mathbf{M}, s') \models A(x)$$

$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models \forall x A$ if and only if **for all** s' such that $s(y) = s'(y)$ for all $y \in \text{VAR} - \{x\}$,

$$(\mathbf{M}, s') \models A(x)$$

Satisfaction Relation Exercise

Exercise

For the structures \mathbf{M}_i , find assignments s_i, s'_i for $1 \leq i \leq 2$ such that

$$(\mathbf{M}_i, s_i) \models Q(x, c), \quad \text{and} \quad (\mathbf{M}_i, s'_i) \not\models Q(x, c)$$

where $Q \in \mathbf{P}$, $c \in \mathbf{C}$

The structures \mathbf{M}_i are defined as follows (the interpretation I for each of them is specified **only** for symbols in the **atomic** formula $Q(x, c)$, and N denotes the set of **natural** numbers

$$\mathbf{M}_1 = [\{1\}, Q_I :=, c_I : 1] \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{M}_2 = [\{1, 2\}, Q_I :=, c_I : 1]$$

Satisfaction Relation Exercise

Solution

Given $Q(x,c)$. Consider

$$\mathbf{M}_1 = [\{1\}, Q_I :=, c_I : 1]$$

Observe that **all** assignments

$$s : VAR \longrightarrow \{1\}$$

must be defined by a formula $s(x) = 1$ for all $x \in VAR$

We evaluate $s_I(x) = 1, s_I(c) = c_I = 1$

By definition

$$(\mathbf{M}_1, s) \models Q(x, c) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad (s_I(x), s_I(c)) \in Q_I$$

This means that $(1, 1) \in Q_I$ what is **true** as $1 = 1$

We have proved

$$(\mathbf{M}_1, s) \models Q(x, c) \quad \text{for all assignments} \quad s : VAR \longrightarrow \{1\}$$

Satisfaction Relation Exercise

Given $Q(x,c)$. Consider

$$\mathbf{M}_2 = [\{1,2\}, Q_I : \leq, c_I : 1]$$

Let $s : VAR \rightarrow \{1,2\}$ be **any** assignment, such that

$$s(x) = 1$$

We evaluate $s_I(x) = 1$, $s_I(c) = 1$ and **verify** whether $(s_I(x), s_I(c)) \in Q_I$ i.e. whether $(1,1) \in \leq$

This is **true** as $1 \leq 1$

We have found s such that

$$(\mathbf{M}_2, s) \models Q(x, c)$$

In fact, have found **uncountably** many such assignments s

Satisfaction Relation Exercise

Given $Q(x,c)$ and the structure

$$\mathbf{M}_2 = [\{1, 2\}, Q_I : \leq, c_I : 1]$$

Let now s' we be any assignment

$$s' : VAR \longrightarrow \{1, 2\} \text{ such that } s'(x) = 2$$

We evaluate $s'_I(x) = 1, s'_I(c) = 1$

We verify whether $(s'_I(x), s'_I(c)) \in Q_I$, i.e. whether $(2, 1) \in \leq$

This is **not true** as $2 \not\leq 1$

We have **found** $s' \neq s$ such that

$$(\mathbf{M}_2, s') \not\models Q(x, c)$$

In fact, have found **uncountably** many such assignments s'

Model Definition

Definition

Given a predicate language \mathcal{L} , a formula $A \in \mathcal{F}$, and a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ for \mathcal{L}

\mathbf{M} is a **model** for the formula A if and only if $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$ for all $s : \text{VAR} \rightarrow U$

We denote it as

$$\mathbf{M} \models A$$

For any set $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ of formulas of \mathcal{L} ,

\mathbf{M} is a **model** for Γ if and only if $\mathbf{M} \models A$ for all $A \in \Gamma$

We denote it as

$$\mathbf{M} \models \Gamma$$

Counter Model Definition

Definition

Given a predicate language \mathcal{L} , a formula $A \in \mathcal{F}$, and a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ for \mathcal{L}

\mathbf{M} is a **counter model** for the formula A if and only if **there is** an assignment $s : VAR \rightarrow U$, such that $(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models A$

We denote it as

$$\mathbf{M} \not\models A$$

Counter Model Definition

Definition

For any set $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ of formulas of \mathcal{L} ,

\mathbf{M} is a **counter model** for Γ if and only if

there is $A \in \Gamma$, such that $\mathbf{M} \not\models A$

We denote it as

$$\mathbf{M} \not\models \Gamma$$

Sentence Model

Observe that if a formula A is a **sentence** then the **truth** or **falsity** of statement

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$$

is completely **independent** of s

Hence if $(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$ for some s , it holds for all s and the following holds

Fact

For any formula A of \mathcal{L}

If A is a **sentence**, then if there is an s such that

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models A$$

then \mathbf{M} is a model for A , i.e.

$$\mathbf{M} \models A$$

Formula Closure

We transform any formula A of \mathcal{L} into a certain **sentence** by **binding** all its **free** variables. The resulting sentence is called a **closure** of A and is defined as follows

Definition

Given A of \mathcal{L}

By the **closure** of A we mean the formula obtained from A by **prefixing** in **universal** quantifiers all variables that are **free** in A

If A **does not** have **free** variables, i.e. is a **sentence**, the **closure** of A is defined to be A itself

Obviously, a **closure** of any formula is always a **sentence**

Formula Closure Example

Example

Let A, B be formulas

$$(P(x_1, x_2) \Rightarrow \neg \exists x_2 Q(x_1, x_2, x_3))$$

$$(\forall x_1 P(x_1, x_2) \Rightarrow \neg \exists x_2 Q(x_1, x_2, x_3))$$

Their respective **closures** are

$$\forall x_1 \forall x_2 \forall x_3 ((P(x_1, x_2) \Rightarrow \neg \exists x_2 Q(x_1, x_2, x_3)))$$

$$\forall x_1 \forall x_2 \forall x_3 ((\forall x_1 P(x_1, x_2) \Rightarrow \neg \exists x_2 Q(x_1, x_2, x_3)))$$

Model, Counter Model Example

Example

Let $Q \in \mathbf{P}$, $\#Q = 2$ and $c \in \mathbf{C}$

Consider formulas

$$Q(x, c), \exists xQ(x, c), \forall xQ(x, c)$$

and the structures defined as follows.

$$\mathbf{M}_1 = [\{1\}, Q_I :=, c_I : 1] \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{M}_2 = [\{1, 2\}, Q_I : \leq, c_I : 1]$$

Directly from definition and above **Fact** we get that:

$$1. \mathbf{M}_1 \models Q(x, c), \quad \mathbf{M}_1 \models \forall xQ(x, c), \quad \mathbf{M}_1 \models \exists xQ(x, c)$$

$$2. \mathbf{M}_2 \not\models Q(x, c), \quad \mathbf{M}_2 \not\models \forall xQ(x, c), \quad \mathbf{M}_2 \models \exists xQ(x, c)$$

Model, Counter Model Example

Example

Let $Q \in \mathbf{P}$, $\#Q = 2$ and $c \in \mathbf{C}$

Consider formulas

$$Q(x, c), \quad \exists xQ(x, c), \quad \forall xQ(x, c)$$

and the structures defined as follows.

$$\mathbf{M}_3 = [N, Q_I : \geq, c_I : 0], \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{M}_4 = [N, Q_I : \geq, c_I : 1]$$

Directly from definition and above **Fact** we get that:

$$3. \quad \mathbf{M}_3 \models Q(x, c), \quad \mathbf{M}_3 \models \forall xQ(x, c), \quad \mathbf{M}_3 \models \exists xQ(x, c)$$

$$4. \quad \mathbf{M}_4 \not\models Q(x, c), \quad \mathbf{M}_4 \not\models \forall xQ(x, c), \quad \mathbf{M}_4 \models \exists xQ(x, c)$$

True, False in \mathbf{M}

Definition

Given a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ for \mathcal{L} and a formula A of \mathcal{L}
 A is **true** in \mathbf{M} and is written as

$$\mathbf{M} \models A$$

if and only if **all** assignments s of \mathcal{L} in \mathbf{M} **satisfy** A , i.e.
when \mathbf{M} is a **model** for A

A is **false** in \mathbf{M} and written as

$$\mathbf{M} \models \neg A$$

if and only if there **is no** assignment s of \mathcal{L} in \mathbf{M} that
satisfies A

True, False in **M**

Here are some **properties** of the notions:

1. " **A** is **true** in **M**" written symbolically as

$$\mathbf{M} \models A$$

2. " **A** is **false** in **M**" written symbolically as

$$\mathbf{M} \models \neg A$$

They are obvious under **intuitive understanding** of the notion of **satisfaction**

Their formal **proofs** are left as an **exercise**

True, False in \mathbf{M} Properties

Properties

Given a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ and any formulas formula A, B of \mathcal{L} . The following properties hold

P1. A is **false** in \mathbf{M} if and only if $\neg A$ is **true** in \mathbf{M} , i.e.

$$\mathbf{M} \models \neg A \text{ if and only if } \mathbf{M} \not\models A$$

P2. A is **true** in \mathbf{M} if and only if $\neg A$ is **false** in \mathbf{M} , i.e.

$$\mathbf{M} \models A \text{ if and only if } \mathbf{M} \not\models \neg A$$

P3. It is **not** the case that **both** $\mathbf{M} \models A$ and $\mathbf{M} \models \neg A$, i.e. there is **no** formula A , such that

$$\mathbf{M} \models A \text{ and } \mathbf{M} \models \neg A$$

True, False in \mathbf{M} Properties

Properties

P4. If $\mathbf{M} \models A$ and $\mathbf{M} \models (A \Rightarrow B)$, then $\mathbf{M} \models B$

P5. $(A \Rightarrow B)$ is **false** in \mathbf{M} if and only if

$\mathbf{M} \models A$ and $\mathbf{M} \models \neg B$

$\mathbf{M} \models (A \Rightarrow B)$ if and only if $\mathbf{M} \models A$ and $\mathbf{M} \models \neg B$

P6. $\mathbf{M} \models A$ if and only if $\mathbf{M} \models \forall xA$

P7. A formula A is **true** in \mathbf{M} if and only if its **closure** is **true** in \mathbf{M}

Valid, Tautology Definition

Definition

A formula A of \mathcal{L} is a **predicate** tautology (is **valid**) if and only if $\mathbf{M} \models A$ for **all** structures $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$

We also say

A formula A of \mathcal{L} is a **predicate** tautology (is **valid**) if and only if A is **true** in **all** structures \mathbf{M} for \mathcal{L}

We write

$$\models A \quad \text{or} \quad \models_p A$$

to denote that a formula A is **predicate** tautology (is **valid**)

Valid, Tautology Definition

We write

$$\models_p A$$

when there is a **need** to stress a **distinction** between **propositional** and **predicate** tautologies
otherwise we write

$$\models A$$

Predicate tautologies are also called **laws of quantifiers**.

Following the notation **T** we have established for the **set** of all **propositional** tautologies we denote by **T_p** the **set** of all **predicate** tautologies

We put

$$\mathbf{T}_p = \{A \text{ of } \mathcal{L} : \models_p A\}$$

Not a Tautology, Counter Model

Definition

For any formula A of predicate language \mathcal{L}

A is not a predicate tautology and denote it by

$$\not\models A$$

if and only if there is a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ for \mathcal{L} , such that

$$\mathbf{M} \not\models A$$

We call such structure \mathbf{M} a **counter-model** for A

Counter Model

In order to **prove** that a formula **A** is **not** a tautology one has to find a **counter-model** for **A**

It means one has to **define** the components of a structure $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ for \mathcal{L} , i.e.

a non-empty set **U**, called **universe** and
an interpretation **I** of \mathcal{L} in the universe **U**

Moreover, one has to **define** an assignment $s : VAR \rightarrow U$
and **prove** that that

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models A$$

Contradictions

We introduce now a notion of predicate **contradiction**

Definition

For any formula A of \mathcal{L} ,

A is a **predicate contradiction** if and only if

A is **false** in **all** structures \mathbf{M}

We denote it as $\models A$ and write symbolically

$\models A$ if and only if $\mathbf{M} \models A$, for **all** structures \mathbf{M}

When there is a need to distinguish between **propositional** and **predicate** contradictions we also use symbol

$\models_p A$

Contradictions

Following the notation **C** for the set of all propositional **contradictions** we denote by **C_p** the set of all **predicate** contradictions, i.e.

$$\mathbf{C}_p = \{A \text{ of } \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C}) : \models_p A\}$$

Directly from the contradiction definition we have the following **duality** property characteristic for classical logic

Fact

For any formula **A** of a predicate language \mathcal{L} ,

$$A \in \mathbf{T}_p \text{ if and only if } \neg A \in \mathbf{C}_p$$

$$A \in \mathbf{C}_p \text{ if and only if } \neg A \in \mathbf{T}_p$$

Proving Predicate Tautologies

We **prove**, as an example the following **basic** predicate tautology

Fact

For any formula $A(x)$ of \mathcal{L} ,

$$\models (\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow \exists x A(x))$$

Proof

Assume that $\not\models (\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow \exists x A(x))$

It means that there is a structure

$\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ and $s : VAR \rightarrow U$, such that

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models (\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow \exists x A(x))$$

Proving Predicate Tautologies

Observe that $(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models (\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow \exists x A(x))$ is equivalent to

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models \forall x A(x) \text{ and } (\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models \exists x A(x)$$

By definition, $(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models \forall x A(x)$ means that $(\mathbf{M}, s') \models A(x)$ for **all** s' such that s, s' agree on all variables except on x

At the same time $(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models \exists x A(x)$ means that it is **not true** that **there is** s' such that s, s' agree on all variables except on x , and $(\mathbf{M}, s') \models A(x)$. This **contradiction** proves

$$\models (\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow \exists x A(x))$$

Disproving Predicate Tautologies

We show now, as an example of a **counter model** construction that the converse implication to

$$\models (\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow \exists x A(x))$$

is not a predicate tautology i.e. the following holds

Fact

There is a formula A of \mathcal{L} , such that

$$\not\models (\exists x A(x) \Rightarrow \forall x A(x))$$

Proof

Observe that to prove the **Fact** we have to provide an example of an **instance** of a formula $A(x)$ and construct a **counter model** $\mathbf{M} = [U, I]$ for it

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Let $A(x)$ be an **atomic** formula

$$P(x, c) \quad \text{for any } P \in \mathbf{P}, \quad \#P = 2$$

The needed **instance** is a formula

$$(\exists x P(x, c) \Rightarrow \forall x P(x, c))$$

We take as its **counter model** a structure

$$\mathbf{M} = [N, P_I : <, c_I : 3]$$

where N is set of natural numbers. We want to show

$$\mathbf{M} \not\models (\exists x P(x, c) \Rightarrow \forall x P(x, c))$$

It means we have to define an assignment s such that

$$s : \text{VAR} \longrightarrow N \quad \text{and}$$

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models (\exists x P(x, c) \Rightarrow \forall x P(x, c))$$

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Let s be any assignment $s : VAR \rightarrow N$

We show now

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \models \exists x P(x, c)$$

Take any s' such that

$$s'(x) = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad s'(y) = s(y) \quad \text{for all } y \in VAR - \{x\}$$

We have $(2, 3) \in P_I$, as $2 < 3$

Hence we proved that **there exists** s' that agrees with s on all variables except on x and

$$(\mathbf{M}, s') \models P(x, c)$$

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But at the same time

$$(\mathbf{M}, s) \not\models \forall x P(x, c)$$

as for example for s' such that

$$s'(x) = 5 \quad \text{and} \quad s'(y) = s(y) \quad \text{for all } y \in \text{VAR} - \{x\}$$

We have that $(2, 3) \notin P_I$, as $5 \neq 3$

This proves that the structure

$$\mathbf{M} = [N, P_I : <, c_I : 3]$$

is a **counter model** for $\forall x P(x, c)$

Hence we proved that

$$\not\models (\exists x A(x) \Rightarrow \forall x A(x))$$

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Short Hand Solution of

$$\not\models (\exists x P(x, c) \Rightarrow \forall x P(x, c))$$

We take as its **counter model** a structure

$$\mathbf{M} = [N, P_I : <, c_I : 3]$$

where N is set of natural numbers

The formula

$$(\exists x P(x, c) \Rightarrow \forall x P(x, c))$$

becomes in $\mathbf{M} = (N, P_I : <, c_I : 3)$ a mathematical statement (written with logical symbols):

$$\exists n n < 3 \Rightarrow \forall n n < 3$$

It is an obviously **false** statement in the set N of natural numbers, as there is $n \in N$, such that $n < 3$, for example $n = 2$, and it is **not true** that all natural numbers are **smaller** than 3