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## LECTURE 9b

Chapter 9  
Hilbert Proof Systems  
Completeness of Classical Predicate Logic

**PART 3: Proof of the Completeness Theorem**

## Completeness Theorem

The proof of Gödel's **completeness theorem** given by **Kurt Gdel** in his doctoral dissertation of **1929** and published as an article in **1930** is **not easy** to read today

It uses concepts and formalism that are **no longer** used and terminology that is often **obscure**

**Gödel's** proof was then simplified in **1947**, when **Leon Henkin** observed in his Ph.D. thesis that the hard part of the proof can be presented as the Model Existence Theorem (published in **1949**)

**Henkin's** proof was simplified by **Gisbert Hasenjaeger** in **1953**

## Completeness Theorem

Other now classical **proofs** have been published by **Rasiowa** and **Sikorski** in **1951, 1952** using Boolean algebraic methods and by **Beth** in **1953**, using topological methods

Still **other proofs** may be found in **Hintikka (1955)** and in **Beth (1959)**

We follow a modern version of of **Henkin** proof

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

We define now a **Hilbert** style proof system **H** we are going to prove the **completeness theorem** for

### Language $\mathcal{L}$

The language  $\mathcal{L}$  of the proof system **H** is a predicate (first order) language with equality

We assume that the sets **P**, **F**, **C** are infinitely enumerable

We also assume that  $\mathcal{L}$  has a full set of **propositional connectives**, i.e.

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow\}}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C})$$

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

### Logical Axioms **LA**

The set **LA** of **logical axioms** consists of three groups of axioms:

propositional axioms **PA**, equality axioms **EA**, and  
quantifiers axioms **QA**

We write it symbolically as

$$LA = \{PA, EA, QA\}$$

For the set **PA** of **propositional axioms** we choose any **complete** set of axioms for **propositional logic** with a full set  $\{\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow\}$  of propositional connectives

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

In some formalizations, including the one in the *Handbook of Mathematical Logic, Barwise, ed. (1977)* we **base** our proof system **H** on, the authors just say for this group **PA** of **propositional axioms**: "all tautologies"

They of course mean all **predicate** formulas of  $\mathcal{L}$  that are **substitutions** of propositional **tautologies**

This is done for the **need** of being able to **use** freely these **predicate** substitutions of **propositional** tautologies in the proof of **completeness theorem** for the proof system they **formalize** this way.



## Hilbert-style Proof System H

In this case these **tautologies** are listed as **axioms** of the system and hence are **provable** in it

This is a **convenient** approach, but also the one that makes such a proof system **not** to be **finitely** axiomatizable

We **avoid** the **infinite axiomatization** by choosing a proper **finite** set of predicate language version of propositional **axioms** that is **known** (proved already for propositional case) to be **complete**, i.e. the one in which **all** propositional tautologies are **provable**

We choose, for name of the proof system **H** for **Hilbert**  
Moreover, historical sake, we adopt **Hilbert (1928)** set of **axioms** from chapter 5

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

For the set **EA** of **equational axioms** we choose the same set as in before because they were used in the proof of **Reduction to Propositional Logic Theorem**

We want to be able to carry this proof **within** the system **H**

For the set **QA** of **quantifiers axioms** we choose the **axioms** such that the Henkin set  $S_{Henkin}$  axioms **Q1**, **Q2** are their **particular cases**

This again is needed, so the proof of the **Reduction Theorem** can be carried within **H**

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

### Rules of inference $\mathcal{R}$

There are four inference rules:

**Modus Ponens** ( $MP$ ) and three quantifiers rules ( $G$ ), ( $G1$ ), ( $G2$ ), called **Generalization Rules**

We **define** the proof system **H** as follows

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow\}}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C}), \mathcal{F}, LA, \mathcal{R} = \{(MP), (G), (G1), (G2)\})$$

where  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow\}}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{C})$  is **predicate** (first order) language with **equality**

We assume that the sets **P, F, C** are **infinitely** enumerable

$\mathcal{F}$  is the set of all well formed **formulas** of  $\mathcal{L}$

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

**LA** is the set of **logical axioms**

$$LA = \{PA, EA, QA\}$$

for **PA, EA, QA** defined as follows

**PA** is the set of **propositional axioms** (Hilbert, 1928)

**A1**  $(A \Rightarrow A)$

**A2**  $(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A))$

**A3**  $((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$

**A4**  $((A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B))$

**A5**  $((A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$

**A6**  $((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

$$\mathbf{A7} \quad ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow A)$$

$$\mathbf{A8} \quad ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow B)$$

$$\mathbf{A9} \quad ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow (B \cap C))))$$

$$\mathbf{A10} \quad (A \Rightarrow (A \cup B))$$

$$\mathbf{A11} \quad (B \Rightarrow (A \cup B))$$

$$\mathbf{A12} \quad ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((A \cup B) \Rightarrow C)))$$

$$\mathbf{A13} \quad ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow \neg B) \Rightarrow \neg A))$$

$$\mathbf{A14} \quad (\neg A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B))$$

$$\mathbf{A15} \quad (A \cup \neg A)$$

for any  $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}$

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

**EA** is the set of **equality axioms**

**E1**  $u = u$

**E2**  $(u = w \Rightarrow w = u)$

**E3**  $((u_1 = u_2 \wedge u_2 = u_3) \Rightarrow u_1 = u_3)$

**E4**

$((u_1 = w_1 \wedge \dots \wedge u_n = w_n) \Rightarrow (R(u_1, \dots, u_n) \Rightarrow R(w_1, \dots, w_n)))$

**E5**

$((u_1 = w_1 \wedge \dots \wedge u_n = w_n) \Rightarrow (t(u_1, \dots, u_n) \Rightarrow t(w_1, \dots, w_n)))$

for any **free** variable or **constant** of  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $R \in \mathbf{P}$ , and  $t \in \mathbf{T}$

where  $R$  is an arbitrary n-ary **relation** symbol of  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $t \in \mathbf{T}$

is an arbitrary n-ary **term** of  $\mathcal{L}$

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

**QA** is the set of **quantifiers axioms**.

$$\text{Q1 } (\forall xA(x) \Rightarrow A(t))$$

$$\text{Q2 } (A(t) \Rightarrow \exists xA(x))$$

where where **t** is a **term**

**A(t)** is a result of **substitution** of **t** for all **free** occurrences of **x** in **A(x)** and

**t** is **free for x** in **A(x)**, i.e. **no** occurrence of a variable in **t** becomes a **bound** occurrence in **A(t)**

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

$\mathcal{R}$  is the set of **rules of inference**

$$\mathcal{R} = \{(MP), (G), (G1), (G2)\}$$

$(MP)$  is **Modus Ponens** rule

$$(MP) \frac{A ; (A \Rightarrow B)}{B}$$

for any formulas  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$

$(G)$  is a quantifier **generalization** rule

$$(G) \frac{A}{\forall x A}$$

where  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  and in particular we write

$$(G) \frac{A(x)}{\forall x A(x)}$$

for  $A(x) \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $x \in VAR$



## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

(G1) is a quantifier **generalization** rule

$$(G1) \frac{(B \Rightarrow A(x))}{(B \Rightarrow \forall xA(x))}$$

where for  $A(x), B \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $x \in VAR$ , and  $B$  is such that  $x$  is **not free** in  $B$

(G2) is a quantifier **generalization** rule

$$(G2) \frac{(A(x) \Rightarrow B)}{(\exists xA(x) \Rightarrow B)}$$

where for  $A(x), B \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $x \in VAR$ , and  $B$  is such that  $x$  is **not free** in  $B$

## Hilbert-style Proof System **H**

We define now, as we do for any proof system, a notion of a **formal proof** of a formula **A** **from** a set **S** of formulas in **H** as a finite **sequence**

$$B_1, B_2, \dots B_n$$

of formulas with each of which is **either** a logical axiom of **H**, a member of **S**, **or** else follows from earlier formulas in the sequence by one of the **inference rules** from  $\mathcal{R}$  and is such that

$$B_n = A$$

We write it formally as follows.

## Formal Proof in $\mathbf{H}$

### Definition

Let  $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  be any set of formulas of  $\mathcal{L}$

A **proof** in  $\mathbf{H}$  of a formula  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  **from** a set  $\Gamma$  of formulas is a sequence

$$B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n$$

of formulas, such that

$$B_1 \in LA \cup \Gamma, \quad B_n = A$$

and for each  $1 < i \leq n$ , **either**  $B_i \in LA \cup \Gamma$  **or**  $B_i$  is a **conclusion** of some of the preceding expressions in the sequence  $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n$  by virtue of one of the **rules** of inference from  $\mathcal{R}$

## Formal Proof in $\mathbf{H}$

We write

$$\Gamma \vdash_{\mathbf{H}} A$$

to denote that the formula  $A$  has a **proof** from  $\Gamma$  in  $\mathbf{H}$

The case when  $\Gamma = \emptyset$  is a special one

By the definition,  $\emptyset \vdash_{\mathbf{H}} A$  means that in the proof of  $A$  **only** logical axioms  $LA$  are used. We hence write

$$\vdash_{\mathbf{H}} A$$

to denote that a formula  $A$  has a proof in  $\mathbf{H}$

## Formal Proof in **H**

As we work now with a **fixed** (and only one) proof system **H**, we use the notation

$$\Gamma \vdash A \text{ and } \vdash A$$

to denote the **proof** of a formula **A** **from** a set  $\Gamma$  in **H** and the proof of a formula **A** in **H**, respectively

## Completeness Theorem

Any proof of the **completeness theorem** for a given **proof system** consists always of **two parts**

**First** we have show that

*all formulas that have a proof in the system are tautologies*

This is called a **soundness theorem** or **soundness part** of the completeness theorem

## Completeness Theorem

The **second** implication says:

*if a formula is a tautology then it has a proof in the proof system*

This **alone** is sometimes called a **completeness theorem** (on assumption that the proof system is **sound**)

Traditionally it is called a **completeness part** of the **completeness theorem**

## Soundness Theorem

We know that all **axioms** of **H** are **predicate tautologies** (proved in chapter 8)

All **rules** of inference from  $\mathcal{R}$  are **sound** as the corresponding formulas were **also** proved in chapter 8 to be **predicate tautologies** and so the system **H** is **sound** i.e. the following holds for **H**

### Soundness Theorem

For every formula  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  of the language  $\mathcal{L}$  of the proof system **H**,

$$\text{if } \vdash A \text{ then } \models A$$



## Completeness Theorem

The **soundness theorem** proves that the proofs in the system **H** "produce" only tautologies

We show here, as the next step that our proof system **H** "produces" not only tautologies, but that **all tautologies** are **provable** in it

This is called a **completeness theorem** for classical **predicate** (first order logic, as it all is proven with **respect** to **classical** semantics

This is why it is called a **completeness** of classical **predicate logic**

## Completeness Theorem

The **goal** is now to prove the **completeness part** of the following original theorem **Gödel's** theorem

**Theorem** (completeness of predicate logic)

For any formula **A** of the language  $\mathcal{L}$  of the proof system **H**,

**A** is **provable** in **H** if and only if

**A** is a predicate **tautology** (**valid**)

We write it symbolically as

$\vdash A$  if and only if  $\models A$

## Completeness Theorem

We are going to **prove** the above **Theorem** (**completeness of predicate logic**) as a **particular case** of the **Gödel Completeness Theorem** that follows

This theorem is its more **general**, and more **modern** version

Its formulation, as well as the **method** of proving it, was first introduced by **Henkin** in **1947**

It uses a **notion** of a **logical implication**, and some other **notions** that we introduce now below

## Completeness Theorem

### Sentence, Closure

Any formula of  $\mathcal{L}$  **without** free variables is called a **sentence**

For any formula  $A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , a sentence

$$\forall x_1 \forall x_2 \dots \forall x_n A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

is called a **closure** of  $A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

Directly from the above definition have that the following hold

### Closure Fact

For any formula  $A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,

$$\models A(x_1, \dots, x_n) \text{ if and only if } \models \forall x_1 \forall x_2 \dots \forall x_n A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

## Completeness Theorem

### Logical Implication

For any set  $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  of formulas of  $\mathcal{L}$  and any  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , we say that the set  $\Gamma$  **logically implies** the formula  $A$  and write it as

$$\Gamma \models A$$

if and only if all **models** of  $\Gamma$  are **models** of  $A$

Observe, that in order to **prove** that  $\Gamma \models B$  we have to show that the implication

$$\text{if } \mathcal{M} \models \Gamma \text{ then } \mathcal{M} \models B$$

holds for all structures  $\mathcal{M} = [U, I]$  for  $\mathcal{L}$

## Completeness Theorem

Directly from the **Closure Lemma** we get the following

### Lemma

Let  $\Gamma$  be a set of sentences of  $\mathcal{L}$

For any formula  $A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  that **is not** a sentence,

$\Gamma \vdash A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  if and only if  $\Gamma \models \forall x_1 \forall x_2 \dots \forall x_n A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

## Completeness Theorem

The above **Lemma** and **Closure Lemma** show that we need to consider **only sentences** (closed formulas) of  $\mathcal{L}$  since they prove two properties:

(1) a formula of  $\mathcal{L}$  is a **tautology** if and only if **its closure** is a **tautology**

(2) a formula of  $\mathcal{L}$  is **provable** from  $\Gamma$  if and only if **its closure** is **provable** from  $\Gamma$

This justifies the following **generalization** of the original **Gödel's** completeness of predicate logic theorem

## Completeness Theorem

### Gödel Completeness Theorem

Let  $\Gamma$  be any set of sentences and  $A$  any sentence of a language  $\mathcal{L}$  of Hilbert proof system  $\mathbf{H}$

A sentence  $A$  is **provable** from  $\Gamma$  in  $\mathbf{H}$  if and only if the set  $\Gamma$  **logically implies**  $A$

We write it in symbols,

$\Gamma \vdash A$  if and only if  $\Gamma \models A$ .



## Completeness Theorem

### Remark

We want to remind that the Section: **Reduction Predicate Logic to Propositional Logic** is an integral and the **first part** of the proof the **Gödel Completeness Theorem**

We presented it **separately** for two reasons

**R1.** The **reduction method** and theorems and their proofs are purely **semantical** in their nature and hence are **independent** of the proof system **H**

**R2.** Because of the reason **R1.** the **reduction method** can be **used/adapted** to a proof of **completeness theorem** of **any other** proof system one needs to prove the classical **completeness theorem** for

## Consistency

There are two definitions of **consistency**: semantical and syntactical

The **semantical** definition uses the notion of a **model** and says, in plain English:

*a set of formulas is **consistent** if it has a **model***

The **syntactical** one uses the notion of **provability** and says:

*a set of formulas is **consistent** if one **can't** prove a **contradiction** from it*

We have used, in the Proof Two of the **Completeness Theorem** for **propositional** logic (chapter 5) the syntactical definition of **consistency**

We use **now** the following **semantical** definition

## Consistency

### Definition (Consistent/Inconsistent)

A set  $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  of formulas of  $\mathcal{L}$  is **consistent** if and only if it has a **model**, otherwise, is **inconsistent**

Directly from the above definition we have the following

### Inconsistency Lemma

For any set  $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  of formulas of  $\mathcal{L}$  and any  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , if  $\Gamma \models A$ , then the set  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg A\}$  is **inconsistent**

### Proof

Assume  $\Gamma \models A$  and  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg A\}$  is **consistent**

It means there is a structure  $\mathcal{M} = [U, I]$ , such that

$\mathcal{M} \models \Gamma$  and  $\mathcal{M} \models \neg A$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{M} \not\models A$

This is a **contradiction** with  $\Gamma \models A$

## Crucial Lemma

Now we are going to **prove** the following **Lemma** that is **crucial**, to the **proof** of the Completeness Theorem

### Crucial Lemma

Let  $\Gamma$  be any set of **sentences** of a language  $\mathcal{L}$  of **H**

The following conditions hold for any formulas  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{L}$

- (i) If  $\Gamma \vdash (A \Rightarrow B)$  and  $\Gamma \vdash (\neg A \Rightarrow B)$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash B$
- (ii) If  $\Gamma \vdash ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow B)$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash (\neg A \Rightarrow B)$  and  $\Gamma \vdash (C \Rightarrow B)$
- (iii) If  $x$  does not appear in  $B$  and if  $\Gamma \vdash ((\exists y A(y) \Rightarrow A(x)) \Rightarrow B)$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash B$
- (iv) If  $x$  does not appear in  $B$  and if  $\Gamma \vdash ((A(x) \Rightarrow \forall y A(y)) \Rightarrow B)$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash B$

## Crucial Lemma Proof

### Proof

(i) Notice that the formula  $((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((\neg A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B))$  is a substitution of a propositional tautology, hence by definition of **H**, is **provable** in it

By monotonicity,  $\Gamma \vdash ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((\neg A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B))$

By assumption  $\Gamma \vdash (A \Rightarrow B)$  and by **Modus Ponens** we get

$$\Gamma \vdash ((\neg A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B)$$

By assumption  $\Gamma \vdash (\neg A \Rightarrow B)$  and **Modus Ponens** we get

$$\Gamma \vdash B$$

## Crucial Lemma Proof

(ii) The formulas

$$(1) \quad (((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (\neg A \Rightarrow B)))$$

$$(2) \quad (((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (C \Rightarrow B))$$

are substitution of a propositional tautologies, hence are **provable** in **H**

Assume  $\Gamma \vdash ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow B)$

By monotonicity and (1) we get

$$\Gamma \vdash (\neg A \Rightarrow B)$$

and by (2) we get

$$\vdash (C \Rightarrow B)$$

## Crucial Lemma Proof

(iii) Assume

$$\Gamma \vdash ((\exists y A(y) \Rightarrow A(x)) \Rightarrow B)$$

Observe that it is a particular case of assumption

$$\Gamma \vdash ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow B)$$

in (ii), for  $A = \exists y A(y)$ ,  $C = A(x)$  and  $B = B$

Hence by (ii) we have that

$$\Gamma \vdash (\neg \exists y A(y) \Rightarrow B) \text{ and } \Gamma \vdash (A(x) \Rightarrow B)$$

Apply Generalization Rule **G2** to

$$\Gamma \vdash (A(x) \Rightarrow B)$$

and we have

$$\Gamma \vdash (\exists y A(y) \Rightarrow B)$$

## Crucial Lemma Proof

Then by (i) applied to

$$\Gamma \vdash (\exists y A(y) \Rightarrow B) \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma \vdash (\neg \exists y A(y) \Rightarrow B)$$

we get

$$\Gamma \vdash B$$

The proof of (iv) is similar to (iii) but uses the Generalization Rule **G1**

This **ends** the proof of the **Lemma**



## Completeness Theorem for **H**

Now we are ready to conduct the proof of the Completeness Theorem for **H** stated as follows

### **H** Completeness Theorem

Let  $\Gamma$  be any set of sentences and  $A$  any sentence of a language  $\mathcal{L}$  of Hilbert proof system **H**

$$\Gamma \vdash A \text{ if and only if } \Gamma \models A$$

In particular, for any formula  $A$  of  $\mathcal{L}$ ,

$$\vdash A \text{ if and only if } \models A$$

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for **H**

### Proof

We prove the **completeness part**, i.e. we prove the implication

if  $\Gamma \models A$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash A$

Suppose that  $\Gamma \models A$

This means that we assume that all  $\mathcal{L}$  models of  $\Gamma$  are models of  $A$

By the **Inconsistency Lemma** the set  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg A\}$  is **inconsistent**

Let  $\mathcal{M} \models \Gamma$

We **construct**, as a next step, a **witnessing expansion** language  $\mathcal{L}(C)$  of  $\mathcal{L}$

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for **H**

By the **Reduction Theorem** the set

$$\Gamma \cup S_{Henkin} \cup EQ$$

is **consistent** in a sense of propositional logic in  $\mathcal{L}$

The set  $S_{Henkin}$  is a Henkin Set and  $EQ$  are equality axioms that are also the equality axioms  $EQ$  of **H**

By the **Compactness Theorem** for propositional logic of  $\mathcal{L}$  there is a **finite** set

$$S_0 \subseteq \Gamma \cup S_{Henkin} \cup EQ$$

such that  $S_0 \cup \{\neg A\}$  is **inconsistent** in the sense of propositional logic in  $\mathcal{L}$

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for **H**

We list all elements of  $S_0$  in a sequence

$$A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m$$

where the sequence

$$A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$$

consists of those elements of  $S_0$  which are **either** in  $\Gamma \cup EQ$  **or else** are **quantifiers axioms** that are particular cases of the quantifiers axioms **QA** of **H**. We list them in **any** order

The sequence

$$B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m$$

consists of elements of  $S_0$  which are **Henkin Axioms** but listed **carefully** as to be described as follows

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for **H**

Observe that by definition,

$$\mathcal{L}(C) = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{L}_n \text{ for } \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{L}_1 \subseteq \dots$$

We **define** the **rank** of  $A \in \mathcal{L}(C)$  to be the **least**  $n$ , such that  
 $A \in \mathcal{L}_n$

Now we choose for  $B_1$  a **Henkin Axiom** in  $S_0$  of the  
maximum **rank**

We choose for  $B_2$  a **Henkin Axiom** in  $S_0 - \{B_1\}$  of the  
maximum **rank**

We choose for  $B_3$  a **Henkin Axiom** in  $S_0 - \{B_1, B_2\}$  of the  
maximum **rank**, etc. ...

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for H

The **point** of choosing the formulas  $B_i$  in this way is to make **sure** that the **witnessing constant** about which  $B_i$  speaks, **does not** appear in

$$B_{i+1}, B_{i+2}, \dots, B_m$$

For **example**, if  $B_1$  is

$$(\exists x A(x) \Rightarrow A(c_{A[x]}))$$

then  $A[x]$  **does not** appear in any of the other  $B_2, \dots, B_m$ , by the **maximality condition** on  $B_1$

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for **H**

We know that that  $S_0 \cup \{\neg A\}$  is **inconsistent** in the sense of propositional logic, i.e.

$S_0 \cup \{\neg A\}$  **does not** have a (propositional) model

This means that

$$v^*(\neg A) \neq T \text{ for all } v \text{ and so } v^*(A) = T \text{ for all } v$$

Hence a sentence

$$(S) \quad (A_1 \Rightarrow (A_2 \Rightarrow \dots (A_n \Rightarrow (B_1 \Rightarrow \dots (B_m \Rightarrow A))\dots))$$

is a **propositional tautology**

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for **H**

We now replace in the sentence (S) each **witnessing constant** by a distinct **new** variable and write the result as

$$(S') (A_1' \Rightarrow (A_2' \Rightarrow \dots (A_n' \Rightarrow (B_1' \Rightarrow \dots (B_m' \Rightarrow A))..))$$

We have  $A' = A$  since  $A$  has **no** witnessing constant in it

The result is still a **tautology** and hence is **provable** in **H** from propositional axioms **PA** and **Modus Ponens**

By monotonicity

$$S_0 \vdash (A_1' \Rightarrow (A_2' \Rightarrow \dots (A_n' \Rightarrow (B_1' \Rightarrow \dots (B_m' \Rightarrow A))..))$$



## Proof of Completeness Theorem for **H**

Each of  $A_1', A_2', \dots, A_n'$  is **either** a quantifiers axiom from **QA** of **H** **or else** in  $S_0$ , so

$$S_0 \vdash A_i' \quad \text{for all } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

We apply **Modus Ponens** to the above and (S') **n times** and get

$$S_0 \vdash (B_1' \Rightarrow (B_2' \Rightarrow \dots (B_m' \Rightarrow A))..)$$

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for H

For **example**, if  $B_1'$  is

$$(\exists x C(x) \Rightarrow C(x))$$

we have

$$S_0 \vdash ((\exists x C(x) \Rightarrow C(x)) \Rightarrow B)$$

for  $B = (B_2' \Rightarrow \dots (B_m' \Rightarrow A))..)$

By the **Crucial Lemma** part (iii) that says:

(iii) If  $x$  does not appear in  $B$  and if

$\Gamma \vdash ((\exists y A(y) \Rightarrow A(x)) \Rightarrow B)$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash B$

we get  $S_0 \vdash B$ , i.e.

$$S_0 \vdash (B_2' \Rightarrow \dots (B_m' \Rightarrow A))..)$$

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for H

If, for **example**,  $B_2'$  is

$$(D(x) \Rightarrow \forall x D(x))$$

we have

$$S_0 \vdash ((\exists x C(x) \Rightarrow C(x)) \Rightarrow D)$$

for  $D = (B_3' \Rightarrow \dots (B_m' \Rightarrow A))..)$

By the **Crucial Lemma** part (iv) that says:

(iv) If  $x$  does not appear in  $B$  and if  
 $\Gamma \vdash ((A(x) \Rightarrow \forall y A(y)) \Rightarrow B)$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash B$

we get  $S_0 \vdash D$ , i.e.

$$S_0 \vdash (B_3' \Rightarrow \dots (B_m' \Rightarrow A))..)$$

## Proof of Completeness Theorem for **H**

We hence apply parts (iii) and (iv) of the **Crucial Lemma** to successively remove **all**

$$B_1', \dots, B_m'$$

and obtain

$$S_0 \vdash A$$

This **ends** the proof that

$$\Gamma \vdash A$$

We hence we **completed** the proof of the **completeness part** of the first part

$$\Gamma \vdash A \text{ if and only if } \Gamma \models A$$

of the **H Completeness Theorem**

## Gödel' s Completeness Theorem

The **soundness part** of the **H Completeness Theorem** i.e. the implication

$$\text{if } \Gamma \vdash A, \text{ then } \Gamma \models A$$

holds for any sentence  $A$  of  $\mathcal{L}$  directly by **Closure Lemma** and **Soundness Theorem**

The original **Gödel' s Theorem**, is expressed by the second part of the **H** Completeness Theorem:

$$\vdash A \text{ if and only if } \models A$$

It follows from **Closure Lemma** and the first part for  $\Gamma = \emptyset$