

Mathematical Logic

HOMEWORK 5

Due: Mar 20 (Wed)

0. Let T be a σ -theory, φ and ψ be σ -sentences. Prove:
- " \models " in terms of satisfiability:** $T \models \varphi$ if and only if $T \cup \{\neg\varphi\}$ is not satisfiable.
 - Deduction:** $T \models (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ if and only if $T \cup \{\varphi\} \models \psi$.
 - Constant/exists elimination:** Let $\theta(\vec{x})$ be an extended σ -formula, where $\vec{x} := (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$. Let $\vec{c} := (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$ be a vector of constant symbols which do not appear in σ and let $\theta(\vec{c})$ be the sentence in the signature $\tilde{\sigma} := \sigma \cup \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n\}$ obtained by replacing each variable x_i in θ with c_i , for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then

$$T \cup \{\theta(\vec{c})\} \models \psi \text{ if and only if } T \cup \{\exists \vec{x} \theta(\vec{x})\} \models \psi.$$
1. Let A_0, A_1, \dots be σ -structures such that $A_0 \subseteq A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \dots$.
- Show that there is a unique σ -structure A with underlying set $A := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ such that $A_n \subseteq A$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - Prove that $A_0 \leq A_1 \leq A_2 \leq \dots$ if and only if $A_n \leq A$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
2. **Sufficient condition for elementarity.** Let B be a σ -structure and $A \subseteq B$. Suppose that for every finite $P \subseteq A$ and $b \in B$, there exists an automorphism h of B that fixes P pointwise (i.e. $h(p) = p$ for all $p \in P$) and sends b into A , i.e. $h(b) \in A$. Prove that $A \leq B$.
3. Prove that $(\mathbb{Q}, <) \leq (\mathbb{R}, <)$. Conclude that $(\mathbb{Q}, <) \equiv (\mathbb{R}, <)$, but $(\mathbb{Q}, <) \not\cong (\mathbb{R}, <)$.
 HINT: Use Question 2 and the ultrahomogeneity of $(\mathbb{Q}, <)$ and $(\mathbb{R}, <)$ (see Question 2(a) of Homework 2).
4. Let σ be a signature.
- Prove that if a σ -theory T is finitely axiomatizable, then there is a finite axiomatization $T_0 \subseteq T$ of T .
 - Deduce that the class of all infinite σ -structures is not finitely axiomatizable.
 - Also deduce that the class of all bipartite graphs is not finitely axiomatizable.
5. **Lefschetz Principle (weak version).** Let φ be a σ_{rng} -sentence, where $\sigma_{\text{rng}} := (0, 1, +, \cdot)$ is the signature for rings. Prove that if φ holds in all algebraically closed fields of characteristic zero (i.e. $\text{ACF}_0 \models \varphi$), then it holds in all algebraically closed fields of large enough characteristic (i.e. $\text{ACF}_p \models \varphi$ for large enough primes $p \in \mathbb{N}$).
- REMARK: The strong version says that this is "if and only if", and it follows immediately from the completeness of ACF_0 and ACF_p , which we will prove later.
- REMARK: [Solomon Lefschetz](#) was an algebraic topologist/geometer who stated this as a philosophical principle, and logicians turned this into an actual theorem.

6. Let σ be a signature and T, S be σ -theories. Suppose that for each σ -structure M ,
- $$M \models \varphi \text{ for every } \varphi \in T \text{ if and only if } M \models \psi \text{ for some } \psi \in S.$$

In other words, if we allowed ourselves to write infinite conjunctions and disjunctions, we would *informally* write

$$\bigwedge_{\varphi \in T} \varphi \iff \bigvee_{\psi \in S} \psi.$$

Prove that there are finite subsets $T_0 \subseteq T$ and $S_0 \subseteq S$ such that the sentences $\bigwedge_{\varphi \in T_0} \varphi$ and $\bigvee_{\psi \in S_0} \psi$ are equivalent, i.e.

$$\emptyset \models \left(\bigwedge_{\varphi \in T_0} \varphi \leftrightarrow \bigvee_{\psi \in S_0} \psi \right).$$

Deduce that T_0 axiomatizes T , so T is finitely axiomatizable.

HINT: Prove that $T \cup \{\neg\psi : \psi \in S\}$ contains a finite non-satisfiable subset F , and let $T_0 := \{\varphi \in T : \varphi \in F\}$ and $S_0 := \{\psi \in S : \neg\psi \in F\}$.

7. [Optional] **The logic topology.** For a signature σ , let \mathcal{T}_σ denote the set of all maximal satisfiable σ -theories and equip it with the topology generated by the sets of the form

$$[\varphi] := \{T \in \mathcal{T}_\sigma : \varphi \in T\}$$

for a σ -sentence φ .

- (a) Show that the sets $[\varphi]$ are clopen and form a basis for this topology, making it a 0-dimensional Hausdorff space homeomorphic to a subset of $2^{\text{Sentences}(\sigma)}$.
- (b) Realize that the Compactness theorem simply says that \mathcal{T}_σ is compact. Thus, \mathcal{T}_σ is homeomorphic to a *closed* subset of $2^{\text{Sentences}(\sigma)}$.

HINT: Recall the definition of compactness in terms of collections of closed sets with the finite intersection property.

- (c) Observe that Question 6 simply says that the only clopen sets in \mathcal{T}_σ are the basic ones, i.e. the sets of the form $[\varphi]$.