

Models  
Sequent Calculus  
and  
Tableau Proofs  
for first order logic

# Models

- To give semantics to formulas in first order logic we need a model.
- A model for  $L(C,F,P)$  is a mathematical structure  $M = \langle D, I \rangle$  where
  - $D$  is a **non empty** set called the domain of  $M$
  - $I$  is a mapping, called an interpretation, that associates
    - $c^I \in D$  for every  $c \in C$
    - $f^I \in D^n \rightarrow D$  for every  $n$ -ary function symbol  $f \in F$
    - $p^I \subseteq D^n$  for every  $n$ -ary predicate symbol  $p \in P$

# Meanings

- We will use a model to give meanings to sentences (closed formula)
- We will need an assignment to give meanings to variables (sometimes called a **valuation**)
- An assignment  $A$  for a model  $M = \langle D, I \rangle$  is a mapping from the set of variables to the set  $D$
- The image of a variable  $v$  under a valuation  $A$  we denote  $v^A$ 
  - $v^I = v^A$

# Exercise

- Given a model and an assignment design a function mapping quantifier free formula to their meanings.
- Next time we will think about quantifiers and meanings

# Exercise

- Work out the details of a logic language, and a model for it, for the integers modulo 3 under addition. Start with a few constants and function symbols (at least + and -)
- Add a few predicates
- Pick a formula you expect to be true, show that it is true in your model.

# Definitions

- Let  $A$  be a formula with no free variables
- Let  $I$  be an interpretation
- We say
  - $I$  **satisfies** a formula  $A$  if  $I \models A$  holds
  - A set of formula  $S$  is **valid** if every interpretation of  $S$  satisfies every formula in  $S$
  - A set of formula is **satisfiable** (or **consistent**) if there is some interpretation of  $S$  that satisfies every formula in  $S$
  - A set of formula is **unsatisfiable** (or inconsistent) if it is not satisfiable (i.e. every interpretation falsifies some formula of  $S$ )
  - A **model**  $M = \langle D, I \rangle$  of a set  $S$  is an interpretation  $I$  that satisfies every formula of  $S$

# Sequent calculus

- A sequent  $A, B, C \Rightarrow D, E, F$ 
  - provided  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are true
  - We can show at least one of  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$  are true
- Similar to natural deduction but makes the assumptions explicit
- A sequent is true if it is true in all valuations
- The basic step for proving a sequent is for the same term to be on both sides
  - $A, B \Rightarrow C, B$

*basic sequent:  $A, \Gamma \Rightarrow A, \Delta$*

*Negation rules:*

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A}{\neg A, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\neg l) \quad \frac{A, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \neg A} (\neg r)$$

*Conjunction rules:*

$$\frac{A, B, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{A \wedge B, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\wedge l) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \quad \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \wedge B} (\wedge r)$$

*Disjunction rules:*

$$\frac{A, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta \quad B, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{A \vee B, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\vee l) \quad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A, B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \vee B} (\vee r)$$

*Implication rules:*

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \quad B, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{A \rightarrow B, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\rightarrow l) \quad \frac{A, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, B}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A \rightarrow B} (\rightarrow r)$$



# Rules for FO logic

- Recall some properties of the sequent calculus
  - Weakening (throw things away on the left or add things on the right)
  - Exchange (duplicate things)
- While we don't usually need these rules, in FO logic they are necessary to deal with quantifiers
- We need new rules for quantifiers

Here are the sequent rules for  $\forall$ :

$$\frac{A[t/x], \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\forall x A, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\forall l) \qquad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \forall x A} (\forall r)$$

## Notes

1. The rule  $\forall r$  only holds if (the now free) variable  $x$  is not free in  $\Gamma$  or  $\Delta$
2. The rule  $\forall l$  lets one create many instances of  $\forall x A$

Here are the sequent rules for  $\exists$ :

$$\frac{A, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta}{\exists x A, \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta} (\exists l) \qquad \frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, A[t/x]}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta, \exists x A} (\exists r)$$

## Notes

1. The rule  $\exists l$  only holds if (the now free) variable  $x$  is not free in  $\Gamma$  or  $\Delta$
2. The rule  $\exists r$  lets one create many instances of  $\forall x A$
3. One may always rename a bound variable if one needs to.

# Implementing the Sequent Calculus

- We will implement the sequent calculus in Haskell
- We will make it an interactive program
- The user will choose rules to transform one sequent into an equivalent one
- We will use monads to deal with possible mistakes by the user
- If a rule doesn't apply the computation will fail in the monad.
- By using Monad Plus we can also deal with more than one choice.

# Discriminating formulas in FO logic

- As in predicate logic we can discriminate formulas into certain sets (e.g. Alpha, Beta, Lit)