# Automated reasoning 2018

## Lecture 2: FOL semantics and theory

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# Topic 2.1

## FOL - semantics



# Semantics : models

Definition 2.1 For signature S = (F, R), a S-model m is a

$$(D_m; \{f_m: D_m^n \to D_m | f/n \in \mathbf{F}\}, \{P_m \subseteq D_m^n | P/n \in \mathbf{R}\}),$$

where  $D_m$  is a nonempty set. Let S-Mods denotes the set of all S-models.

#### Some terminology

- $\triangleright$   $D_m$  is called domain of m.
- $f_m$  assigns meaning to f under model m.
- Similarly,  $P_m$  assigns meaning to P under model m.

## Example 2.1 (Running example)

Consider 
$$S = (\{\cup/2\}, \{\in/2\}).$$
  
 $m = (\mathbb{N}; \cup_m = max, \in_m = \{(i,j)|i < j\})$  is a S-model

Commentary: Models are also known as interpretations/structures.



Semantics: assignments

Definition 2.2 An assignment is a map  $\nu$  : **Vars**  $\rightarrow D_m$ 



## Semantics: term value

#### **Definition 2.3**

For a model m and assignment  $\nu$ , we define  $m^{\nu}$  :  $T_{S} \rightarrow D_{m}$  as follows.

$$egin{aligned} m^
u(x) &\triangleq 
u(x) & x \in \mathbf{Vars} \ m^
u(f(t_1,\ldots,t_n)) &\triangleq f_m(m^
u(t_1),\ldots,m^
u(t_n)) \end{aligned}$$

#### Definition 2.4

Let t be a closed term.  $m(t) \triangleq m^{\nu}(t)$  for any  $\nu$ .

#### Example 2.2

Consider assignment 
$$\nu = \{x \mapsto 2, y \mapsto 3\}$$
 and term  $\cup(x, y)$ .  
 $m^{\nu}(\cup(x, y)) = max(2, 3) = 3$ 



# Semantics: satisfaction relation

Definition 2.5

We define the satisfaction relation  $\models$  among models, assignments, and formulas as follows

$$\begin{array}{ll} m, \nu \models \top \\ m, \nu \models P(t_1, \dots, t_n) & \text{if } (m^{\nu}(t_1), \dots, m^{\nu}(t_n)) \in P_m \\ m, \nu \models t_1 \approx t_2 & \text{if } m^{\nu}(t_1) = m^{\nu}(t_n) \\ m, \nu \models \neg F & \text{if } m, \nu \not\models F \\ m, \nu \models F_1 \lor F_2 & \text{if } m, \nu \models F_1 \text{ or } m, \nu \models F_2 \\ & \text{skipping other boolean connectives} \\ m, \nu \models \exists x.F & \text{if } \text{there is } u \in D_m : m, \nu[x \mapsto u] \models F \\ m, \nu \models \forall x.F & \text{if } \text{for each } u \in D_m : m, \nu[x \mapsto u] \models F \\ \end{array}$$

Exercise 2.1

Consider sentence  $F = \exists x. \forall y. \neg y \in x$  (what does it say to you!) Use m and  $\nu$  from previous example. Does  $m, \nu \models F$ ?



Satisfiable, true, valid, and unsatisfiable

We say

- F is *satisfiable* if there are m and  $\nu$  such that  $m, \nu \models F$
- Otherwise, F is called unsatisfiable
- F is true in  $m (m \models F)$  if for all  $\nu$  we have  $m, \nu \models F$
- F is valid ( $\models$  F) if for all  $\nu$  and m we have  $m, \nu \models$  F

If F is a sentence,  $\nu$  has no influence in the satisfaction relation.(why?)

For sentence F, we say

- F is true in m if  $m \models F$
- ▶ Otherwise, *F* is *false* in *m*.



# Example: satisfiability

Example 2.3 Consider  $\mathbf{S} = (\{s/1, +/2\}, \{\})$  and formula  $\exists z.s(x) + y \approx s(z)$ Consider model  $m = (\mathbb{N}; succ, +^{\mathbb{N}})$  and assignment  $\nu = \{x \mapsto 3, y \mapsto 2\}$  $m^{\nu}(s(x) + y) = m^{\nu}(s(x)) + \mathbb{N} m^{\nu}(y) = succ(m^{\nu}(x)) + \mathbb{N} 2 = succ(3) + 2 = 6$  $m^{\nu[z\mapsto 5]}(s(x)+y) = m^{\nu}(s(x)+y) = 6$ //Since z does not occur in the term  $m^{\nu[z\mapsto 5]}(s(z))=6$ 

Therefore,  $m, \nu[z \mapsto 5] \models s(x) + y \approx s(z)$ .

$$m, \nu \models \exists z.s(x) + y \approx s(z).$$



## Extended satisfiability

We extend the usage of  $\models$ .

Definition 2.6 Let  $\Sigma$  be a (possibly infinite) set of formulas.  $m, \nu \models \Sigma$  if  $m, \nu \models F$  for each  $F \in \Sigma$ .

Definition 2.7 Let M be a (possibly infinite) set of models.  $M \models F$  if for each  $m \in M$ ,  $m \models F$ .



# Implication and equivalence

Definition 2.8 Let  $\Sigma$  be a (possibly infinite) set of formulas.  $\Sigma \models F$  if for each model m and assignment  $\nu$  if  $m, \nu \models \Sigma$  then  $m, \nu \models F$ .

 $\Sigma \models F$  is read  $\Sigma$  implies F. If  $\{G\} \models F$  then we may write  $G \models F$ .

Definition 2.9 Let  $F \equiv G$  if  $G \models F$  and  $F \models G$ .

The above are semantic definitions.

Later, we will see the connection between logical connective  $\Rightarrow$  and semantic implication  $\models.$ 

We also need to prove that  $\equiv$  are closely related to  $\Leftrightarrow$ .

The above definitions may appear to be abuse of notation.



# Topic 2.2

## FOL examples



## Example: non-standard models

Example 2.4

Consider  $S = (\{0/0, s/1, +/2\}, \{\})$  and formula  $\exists z.s(x) + y \approx s(z)$ 

**Unexpected model:** Let  $m = (\{a, b\}^*; \epsilon, append_a, concat)$ .

- ▶ The domain of m is the set of all strings over alphabet {a, b}.
- append\_a: appends a in the input and
- concat: joins two strings.

Let 
$$\nu = \{x \mapsto ab, y \mapsto ba\}$$
.  
Since  $m, \nu[z \mapsto abab] \models s(x) + y \approx s(z)$ ,  
 $m, \nu \models \exists z.s(x) + y \approx s(z)$ .

Exercise 2.2

- Show  $m, \nu[y \mapsto bb] \not\models \exists z.s(x) + y \approx s(z)$
- ► Give an assignment  $\nu$  s.t.  $m, \nu \models x \not\approx 0 \Rightarrow \exists y. x \approx s(y)$ . Show  $m \not\models \forall x. x \not\approx 0 \Rightarrow \exists y. x \approx s(y)$ .



# Example: graph models

#### Example 2.5

Consider  $\mathbf{S} = (\{\}, \{E/2\})$  and  $m = (\{a, b\}; \{(a, a), (a, b)\})$ . m may be viewed as the following graph.



$$m, \{x \to a\} \models E(x, x) \land \exists y. (E(x, y) \land \neg E(y, y))$$

#### Exercise 2.3

Give another model and assignment that satisfies the above formula



# Example : counting

### Example 2.6

*Consider*  $S = (\{\}, \{E/2\})$ 

The following sentence is false in all the models with one element domain

$$\forall x. \neg E(x, x) \land \exists x \exists y. E(x, y)$$

#### Exercise 2.4

*a.* Give a sentence that is true only in a model that has more than two elements in its domains

- b. Give a sentence that is true only in infinite models
- c. Does the negation of the sentence in b satisfies only finite models.



# Topic 2.3

## What is theory?





"..... "Theory is a contemplative and rational type abstract ... thinking, or ....." - Wikipedia

#### Example 2.7

Scientific and economic theories

- ► Newton's theory of Gravity
- Theory of evolution
- Theory of marginal utility



# Conspiracy theories

### Example 2.8

- ▶ 9/11 is an inside job
- Trump is a Russian mole
- $\blacktriangleright R + L = J$

They may sound silly.

However, they are still theories.



- First-order logic(FOL) provides a grammar for rational abstract thinking.
- However, FOL carries no knowledge of any subject matter.
- It was not obvious. 16th century philosopher René Descartes tried to prove

# Inherent structure of logic $\Rightarrow$ God exists.



Theory crafting needs something more than logic

# $\label{eq:theory} Theory = {\sf Subject\ knowledge} + {\sf FOL}$

Now we will formally define theories in logic.



# Decidablity and Complexity

- FOL validity is undecidable
- We restrict the problem in two ways
  - Theories : limits on the space of models
  - Logics/Fragments : limits on the structure of formulas



# Topic 2.4

## Theories



# Defining theories

The subject knowledge can be expressed in the following two ways

- the set of acceptable models
- the set of valid sentences in the subject

#### Example 2.9

Model *m* with  $D_m = \mathbb{N}$  is the only model we consider for the theory of natural numbers.

We can also define the theory using the set of valid sentences over natural numbers. e.g.  $\forall x. x + 1 \not\approx 0$ .

Now let us define this formally.



# Definability of a class of models

Definition 2.10

For a set  $\Sigma$  of sentences in signature  $\bm{S},$  let  $Mod(\Sigma)$  be a class of models such that

$$Mod(\Sigma) = \{m \mid \textit{for all } F \in \Sigma. \ m \models F\}.$$





## Theories

Definition 2.11

A theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is a set of sentences closed under implication, i.e.,

if  $\mathcal{T} \models F$  then  $F \in \mathcal{T}$ . Abuse of notation,  $\models$  is also used for implication



Sentences



# Theory of Models

Definition 2.12

For a set  $\mathcal{M}$  of models for signature **S**, let  $Th(\mathcal{M})$  be the set of **S**-sentences that are true in every model in  $\Sigma$ , *i.e.*,

$$Th(\mathcal{M}) = \{F \mid \text{ for all } m \in \mathcal{M}. \ m \models F\}$$





# Theory and models

Theorem 2.1  $Th(\mathcal{M})$  is a theory

Proof. Consider F such that  $Th(\mathcal{M}) \models F$ .

Therefore, F is true in every model in  $\mathcal{M}$ .

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Therefore, F \in Th(\mathcal{M}).
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 $Th(\mathcal{M})$  is closed under implication.



## Consequences

#### Definition 2.13

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For a set  $\Sigma$  of sentences, let  $Cn(\Sigma)$  be the set of consequences of  $\Sigma$ , i.e.,

 $Cn(\Sigma) = Th(Mod(\Sigma)).$ 



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# Example: theory of lists

## Example 2.10

Let us suppose our subject of interest is lists.

First we need to fix our signature.

We should be interested in the following functions and predicates

- :: constructor for extending a list
- head function to pick head of a list
- tail function to pick tail of a list
- ▶ atom predicate that checks if something is constructed using :: or not

The signature is

$$S = ({:: /2, head/1, tail/1}, {atom/1})$$



# Example: theory of lists

Let  $\Sigma$  consists of 1.  $\forall x, y. head(x :: y) \approx x$ 2.  $\forall x, y. tail(x :: y) \approx y$ 3.  $\forall x. atom(x) \lor head(x) :: tail(x) \approx x$ 4.  $\forall x, y. \neg atom(x :: y)$ 

 $\mathcal{T}_{list} = Th(Mod(\Sigma))$  is the set of valid sentences over lists.

The sentences in  $\mathcal{T}_{list}$  may not be true on the non-list models.

Exercise 2.6 Why empty list is not explicitly encoded?



## Axiomatizable



#### Definition 2.15

A theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is finitely axiomatizable if there is a finite set  $\Sigma$  s.t.  $\mathcal{T} = Cn(\Sigma)$ .



# $\mathcal{T}\text{-satisfiability,validity}$

## Definition 2.16

A formula F  $\mathcal{T}$ -satisfiable if there is model m s.t.  $m \models \mathcal{T} \cup \{F\}$ .  $\mathcal{T}$ -satisfiability is usually written as  $m \models_{\mathcal{T}} F$ .

### Definition 2.17 A formula F is $\mathcal{T}$ -valid if $\mathcal{T} \models F$ . $\mathcal{T}$ -validity is usually written as $\models_{\mathcal{T}} F$ .



# Topic 2.5

# Decidability



## Decidable theories

### Definition 2.18

Let  $\mathcal{T} = Th(Mod(\Sigma))$ .  $\mathcal{T}$  is decidable if there is an algorithm that, for each sentence F, can decide (in finite time) whether  $F \in \mathcal{T}$  or not.

## Definition 2.19 (Equivalent to 2.18)

There is an algorithm that, for each sentence F, can decide (in finite time) whether  $\Sigma \Rightarrow F$  or not.



Complexity of decidability

A theory may have axioms with some structure

and we can exploit the structure

to avoid the mindless enumeration of proofs and search them efficiently.

The dedicated search procedures are called decision procedures.

We often show decidability of a theory by providing a decision procedure.



# Example decidable and undecidable theories

Example 2.11

Two arithmetics over natural numbers.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Presburger} \\ \text{Decidable} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall x \neg (x+1 \approx 0) \\ \forall x \forall y (x+1 \approx y+1 \Rightarrow x \approx y) \\ F(0) \land (\forall x (F(x) \Rightarrow F(x+1)) \Rightarrow \forall x F(x)) \\ \forall x (x+0 \approx x) \\ \forall x \forall y (x+(y+1) \approx (x+y)+1) \\ \forall x, y (x \circ 0 \approx 0) \\ \forall (x \cdot (y+1) \approx x \cdot y+x) \end{array} \right\} \text{Peano} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Peano} \\ \text{Pea$$

The third axiom is a schema.(It will be explained shortly!)

Exercise 2.7

Prove commutativity of + in Presburger arithmetic.



# Example: theory of equality $\mathcal{T}_E$

We have treated equality as part of FOL syntax and added special proof rules for it.

We can also treat equality as yet another predicate.

We can encode the behavior of equality as the set of following axioms.

1. 
$$\forall x.x \approx x$$
  
2.  $\forall x, y.x \approx y \Rightarrow y \approx x$   
3.  $\forall x, y, z. x \approx y \land y \approx z \Rightarrow x \approx z$   
4. for each  $f/n \in \mathbf{F}$   
 $\forall x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n. x_1 \approx y_1 \land ... \land x_n \approx y_n \Rightarrow f(x_1, ..., x_n) \approx f(y_1, ..., y_n)$   
5. for each  $P/n \in \mathbf{R}$   
 $\forall x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n. x_1 \approx y_1 \land ... \land x_n \approx y_n \land P(x_1, ..., x_n) \Rightarrow P(y_1, ..., y_n)$   
The last two axioms are called schema, because they define a set of axioms

using a pattern.



# Topic 2.6

# Fragments/Logics



## Fragments

We may restrict  ${\mathcal T}$  syntactically to achieve decidablity or low complexity.

#### Definition 2.20

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a theory and  $\mathcal{L}$  be a set of **S**-sentences.  $\mathcal{L}$  wrt  $\mathcal{T}$  is decidable if there is an algorithm that takes  $F \in \mathcal{L}$  as input and returns if  $F \in \mathcal{T}$  or not.



#### Sentences



# Example : fragments

#### Example 2.12 (Horn clauses)

 $\mathcal{L} = \{ \forall x. \ A_1(x) \land \dots \land A_n(x) \Rightarrow B(x) | A_i \text{ and } B \text{ are atomic} \}$ 

## Example 2.13 (Integer difference logic)

 $\mathcal{L} =$  linear arithmetic formulas that contain atoms with only two variables and with opposite signs [quadratic complexity].



# Quantifier-free fragments

Quantifier-free(QF) fragment has free variables that are assumed to be existentially quantified.(unlike FOL clauses!!)

Often, the quantifier-free fragments of theories have efficient decision procedures.

#### Example 2.14

The following is a QF formula in the theory of equality

$$f(x) \approx y \land (x \approx g(a, z) \lor h(x) \approx g(b))$$

QF of T of equality has an efficient decision procedure. Otherwise, the theory is undecidable.



Some times the fragments are also referred as logics.

- quantifier-free theory of equality and uninterpreted function symbols (QF\_EUF)
- quantifier-free theory of linear rational arithmetic (QF\_LRA)
- quantifier-free theory of uninterpreted function and linear integer arithmetic (QF\_UFLIA)



# Topic 2.7

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# Topic 2.8

## Problems



# Axioms for predicates

## Exercise 2.8

- a. Write axioms for odd numbers in first order logic
- b. Write axioms for even numbers in first order logic
- c. Write axioms for divisibility in first order logic
- d. Using the axioms write a resolution proof for the following statement

Between any two prime numbers greater than 2, there is an even number.



# End of Lecture 2

