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**Exercise 12.1.** [Łoś–Vaught Test]

Given a theory  $T$ , one often wants to know whether  $T$  is complete, i.e.  $T$  contains either  $F$  or  $\neg F$  for any sentence  $F$ . In the lecture, you proved that a theory  $T$  is complete iff all its models are elementarily equivalent. However, checking whether all models of a theory are elementarily equivalent is usually rather difficult. The Łoś–Vaught test provides an improved version of this theorem:

Let  $T$  be a  $\Sigma$ -theory with no finite models. Let  $\kappa \geq |\Sigma|$  be a cardinal. Show that if all models of size  $\kappa$  for  $T$  are elementarily equivalent, then  $T$  is complete.

You can assume the following without a proof:

**Theorem 1** (Generalised Löwenheim-Skolem Theorems). *Let  $S$  be a set of formulas in a language of cardinality  $\lambda$ , and assume that  $S$  has some infinite model. Then for every infinite cardinal  $\kappa \geq \lambda$ , there is a model of cardinality  $\kappa$  for  $S$ .*

**Solution:**

Prove by contraposition. Assume  $T$  is not complete. Hence there is a sentence  $F$  such that  $T \not\models F$  and  $T \not\models \neg F$ . Thus  $T \cup \{F\}$  and  $T \cup \{\neg F\}$  are both satisfiable. Hence there are  $\mathcal{M} \models T \cup \{F\}$  and  $\mathcal{M}' \models T \cup \{\neg F\}$ . As both are models of  $T$ , we know that both models are infinite by assumption.

Now by Löwenheim-Skolem, there are  $\mathcal{M}_\kappa \models T \cup \{F\}$  and  $\mathcal{M}'_\kappa \models T \cup \{\neg F\}$  of cardinality  $\kappa$ . Thus, not all models of size  $\kappa$  of  $T$  are elementarily equivalent.

**Exercise 12.2.** [QE for DLO]

Use the quantifier-elimination procedure for DLOs to check whether the following formula is a member of  $Th(DLO)$ :

$$\exists x \forall y \exists z ((x < y \vee z < x) \wedge y < z)$$

Use  $\iff$  if two formulas are logically equivalent and  $\iff_{DLO}$  if the equivalence requires the DLO axioms.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} & \exists x \forall y \exists z ((x < y \vee z < x) \wedge y < z) \\ \iff & \exists x \forall y \exists z ((x < y \wedge y < z) \vee (z < x \wedge y < z)) \\ \iff & \exists x \forall y (\exists z (x < y \wedge y < z) \vee \exists z (z < x \wedge y < z)) \\ \iff & \exists x \forall y ((x < y \wedge \top) \vee \exists z (z < x \wedge y < z)) \\ \iff_{DLO} & \exists x \forall y (x < y \vee y < x) \\ \iff & \exists x \neg \exists y \neg (x < y \vee y < x) \\ \iff_{DLO} & \exists x \neg \exists y ((y < x \vee x = y) \wedge (x < y \vee x = y)) \\ \iff & \exists x \neg \exists y ((y < x \wedge x < y) \vee (y < x \wedge x = y) \vee (x = y \wedge x < y) \vee (x = y)) \\ \iff & \exists x \neg (\exists y (y < x \wedge x < y) \vee \exists y (y < x \wedge x = y) \vee \exists y (x = y \wedge x < y) \vee \exists y (x = y)) \\ \iff_{DLO} & \exists x \neg (x < x \vee x < x \vee x < x \vee \top) \\ \iff_{DLO} & \exists x ((x = x \vee x < x) \wedge (x = x \vee x < x) \wedge (x = x \vee x < x) \wedge \perp) \\ \iff & \exists x ((x = x \wedge \perp) \vee (x = x \wedge x < x \wedge \perp) \vee (x < x \wedge \perp)) \\ \iff & (\exists x (x = x) \wedge \perp) \vee (\exists x (x = x \wedge x < x) \wedge \perp) \vee (\exists x (x < x) \wedge \perp) \\ \iff_{DLO} & (\top \wedge \perp) \vee (\perp \wedge \perp) \vee (\perp \wedge \perp) \\ \iff & \perp \quad (\text{optional step; not part of QEP}) \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 12.3. [Fourier–Motzkin Elimination]**

Apply the Fourier–Motzkin Elimination to check the following sentences:

$$1. \exists x \exists y (2 \cdot x + 3 \cdot y = 7 \wedge x < y \wedge 0 < x)$$

$$2. \exists x \exists y (3 \cdot x + 3 \cdot y < 8 \wedge 8 < 3 \cdot x + 2 \cdot y)$$

Use  $\iff$  if two formulas are logically equivalent and  $\iff_{R_+}$  if the equivalence requires the theory  $R_+$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} & \exists x \exists y (2 \cdot x + 3 \cdot y = 7 \wedge x < y \wedge 0 < x) \\ \iff & \exists x (\exists y (2 \cdot x + 3 \cdot y = 7 \wedge x < y) \wedge 0 < x) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x \left( \exists y \left( y = \frac{7}{3} - \frac{2}{3} \cdot x \wedge x < y \right) \wedge 0 < x \right) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x \left( x < \frac{7}{3} - \frac{2}{3} \cdot x \wedge 0 < x \right) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x \left( x < \frac{7}{5} \wedge 0 < x \right) \\ \iff_{R_+} & 0 < \frac{7}{5} \\ \iff_{R_+} & \top \quad (\text{optional step; not part of QEP}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \exists x \exists y (3 \cdot x + 3 \cdot y < 8 \wedge 8 < 3 \cdot x + 2 \cdot y) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x \exists y \left( y < \frac{8}{3} - x \wedge 4 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot x < y \right) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x \left( 4 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot x < \frac{8}{3} - x \right) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x \left( \frac{8}{3} < x \right) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \top \end{aligned}$$

**Homework 12.1.** [Subtraction Logic] (+++)

We consider a fragment of linear arithmetic, in which atomic formulas only take the form  $x - y \leq c$  for variables  $x$  and  $y$ , and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

For a finite set  $S$  of such difference constraints, we can define a corresponding inequality graph  $G(V, E)$ , where  $V$  is the set of variables of  $S$ , and  $E$  consists of all the edges  $(x, y)$  with weight  $c$  for all constraints  $x - y \leq c$  of  $S$ . Show that the conjunction of all constraints from  $S$  is satisfiable iff  $G$  does not contain a negative cycle.

How can you use this theorem to obtain a procedure for deciding whether a formula is a member of this fragment where all variables and constants are of the domain  $\mathbb{Z}$ ?

**Solution:**

First part: see [here](#), slide 4.

Second part: We first replace any  $x = y$  by  $x - y \leq 0 \wedge y - x \leq 0$ . We can replace any  $\neg(x - y \leq 0)$  by  $x - y > 0 \equiv y - x < 0 \equiv y - x \leq -1$ . Note that the final step is only possible in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . For  $\mathbb{R}$ , one would instead have to symbolically compute with a “sufficiently small”  $\delta$  instead of  $-1$ . We can then use the Bellman-Ford algorithm to detect negative cycles.

**Homework 12.2.** [Min, Max, Abs] (++)

1. Show that  $\text{Th}(\mathbb{R}, 0, 1, <, =, +, \min, \max)$  is decidable, where  $\min$  and  $\max$  return the minimum and maximum of two values.
2. Show that  $\text{Th}(\mathbb{R}, 0, 1, <, =, +, \min, \max, |\cdot|)$  is decidable, where  $|\cdot|$  is the absolute value.

**Solution:**

1. Extend Fourier-Motzkin by new steps before applying *qe1ca* to  $\exists x(A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n) \equiv: \exists x F$ :

(a) If there is some term  $\min(t_1, t_2)$  in  $F$ , then replace the formula by

$$\exists x((t_1 < t_2 \rightarrow F[t_1/\min(t_1, t_2)]) \wedge (t_2 < t_1 \vee t_2 = t_1 \rightarrow F[t_2/\min(t_1, t_2)]))$$

where by abuse of notation,  $F[t_1/\min(t_1, t_2)]$  is the formula obtained by replacing all occurrences of  $\min(t_1, t_2)$  by  $t_1$ . Then renormalise the formula and repeat.

(b) If there is some term  $\max(t_1, t_2)$  in  $F$ , then replace the formula by

$$\exists x((t_1 < t_2 \rightarrow F[t_2/\max(t_1, t_2)]) \wedge (t_2 < t_1 \vee t_2 = t_1 \rightarrow F[t_1/\max(t_1, t_2)]))$$

Then renormalise the formula and repeat.

As a result, we reduced the theory to the theory of linear real arithmetic, which is decidable.

1. Similar to the previous exercise with an additional step: If there is some term  $c \cdot |t|$  in  $F$ , then replace the formula by

$$\exists x((0 < t \vee 0 = t \rightarrow F[t/|t|]) \vee (t < 0 \rightarrow F[(-c) \cdot t/c \cdot |t|]))$$

Then renormalise the formula and repeat.

**Homework 12.3. [Optimising DLO]** (++)

DLO suffers from a heavy performance loss because after each step, a DNF needs to be reconstructed. We want to study an optimisation that may avoid this under some circumstances.

Assume that we want to eliminate an  $\exists xF$  where

- $F$  contains no negations and quantifiers,
- $F$  contains no  $\perp$ , and
- all bounds in  $F$  are lower bounds for  $x$  or all bounds in  $F$  are upper bounds for  $x$ .

Then,  $\exists xF \equiv \top$ . Prove the correctness of this optimisation.

**Solution:**

WLOG assume that  $F$  only contains upper bounds (the other case is analagous). Let  $\vec{y}$  be the free variables of  $\exists F$ . We proof by induction on  $F$  that there is a witness  $w$  for any instantiation  $F[\vec{u}/\vec{y}]$  such that  $F[\vec{u}/\vec{y}][t/x] \equiv \top$  for any  $t \leq w$ .

Case  $\top$ : any  $w$  does the job.

Case  $x < z$ : For any instantiation  $u$  of  $z$ , we can obtain by the axioms of DLO some  $t$  such that  $t < z$ . We set  $w := t$ .

Case  $F_1 \vee F_2$ : then by induction  $F_1[\vec{u}/\vec{y}][t/x] \equiv \top$  for some  $w_1$  and all  $t \leq w_1$  and hence  $F_1[\vec{u}/\vec{y}][t/x] \vee F_2[\vec{u}/\vec{y}][t/x] \equiv \top \vee F_2[\vec{u}/\vec{y}][t/x] \equiv \top$

Case  $F_1 \wedge F_2$ : then by induction  $F_i[\vec{u}/\vec{y}][t_i/x] \equiv \top$  for some  $w_i$  and all  $t_i \leq w_i$ . Set  $w := w_1$  if  $w_1 < w_2$  and  $w := w_2$  otherwise. Then  $F_1[\vec{u}/\vec{y}][t/x] \wedge F_2[\vec{u}/\vec{y}][t/x] \equiv \top \wedge \top \equiv \top$  for all  $t \leq w$ .

all other cases: excluded by assumption.

In order to attain the impossible, one must attempt the absurd.

— Miguel de Cervantes