

## Exercises to *Properties of axiomatic theories* (January 2, 2023)

### Exercises

1. Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be unary and  $R$  a binary predicate. Prove that the following sentences are logically valid, but reverting the outermost implication yields (in all cases) a formula that is not logically valid:

$$\exists x(P(x) \& Q(x)) \rightarrow \exists xP(x) \& \exists xQ(x),$$

$$\forall xP(x) \vee \forall xQ(x) \rightarrow \forall x(P(x) \vee Q(x)),$$

$$\exists x\forall yR(x, y) \rightarrow \forall y\exists xR(x, y),$$

$$\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)) \rightarrow (\forall xP(x) \rightarrow \forall xQ(x)),$$

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2. Which of  $\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow \forall yP(y))$ ,  $\exists x(P(x) \rightarrow \forall yP(y))$  and  $\exists x(\exists yP(y) \rightarrow P(x))$  are logically valid sentences?
3. For every sentence from the previous two exercises that is logically valid prove its provability in the Hilbert-style calculus. Use tautological consequences and the fact that all tautologies are provable, but avoid using the predicate completeness theorem (otherwise there would be nothing to do).
4. Show that  $\Delta, \psi \models \varphi$  if and only if  $\Delta \models \psi \rightarrow \varphi$  for any formulas  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  and any set  $\Delta$  of formulas.
5. Theories  $T$  and  $S$  are *equivalent* if every axiom of  $S$  is a consequence of  $T$ , and at the same time every axiom of  $T$  as a consequence of  $S$ . Prove that  $T$  and  $S$  are equivalent if and only if they have the same models (that is, every model of  $T$  is a model of  $S$  and vice versa).
6. Let  $\varphi$  be a formula in a language  $L$ . Consider the conditions (i) there exist terms  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  of  $L$  such that  $\varphi_x(t_1) \vee \dots \vee \varphi_x(t_n)$  is a logically valid formula, and (ii) the formula  $\exists x\varphi$  is logically valid. Show that (ii) is a consequence of (i) but (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) is not necessarily true.  
Hint. Let  $L$  be  $\{P\}$  and let  $\varphi$  be the formula  $P(x) \rightarrow \forall vP(v)$ . Since there are no function symbols,  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  must be variables. However, no disjunction of the form  $\bigwedge_i P(x_i) \rightarrow \forall vP(v)$  is logically valid.
7. The claim that if  $\varphi$  is open, then condition (i) in the previous exercise is a consequence of (ii) is true and is known as the Hilbert-Ackermann theorem.

This theorem was omitted in the course. Explain that one term would not be enough: if  $\varphi$  is an open formula in  $L$  and  $\exists x\varphi$  is logically valid, then there may not exist a single term  $t$  of  $L$  such that  $\varphi_x(t)$  is logically valid.

Hint. Pick the language  $\{P, F\}$  containing a unary predicate and a unary function and consider the formula  $P(x) \vee \neg P(F(x))$ . The term  $t$  must have the form  $F^{(m)}(z)$  where  $z$  is a variable.

8. For the formula  $\varphi$  from the above hint find an  $m$  and terms  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  of  $L$  such that  $\varphi_x(t_1) \vee \dots \vee \varphi_x(t_n)$  is logically valid.
9. Let the language of  $T$  be  $\{\in\}$  and let its axioms be
 
$$\forall x \forall y (\forall v (v \in x \equiv v \in y) \rightarrow x = y),$$

$$\exists x \forall v \neg (v \in x),$$

$$\forall x \forall y \exists z \forall v (v \in x \vee v \in y \rightarrow v \in z).$$
  - (a) Use finite models to show that  $\forall x (x \notin x)$  and  $\neg \exists x \forall v (v \in x)$  cannot be proved in  $T$ .
  - (b) Prove that none of the axioms of  $T$  is provable from the remaining two.
10. Let  $T$  be a theory with an empty language and no axioms. Describe all models of  $T$ . Find an extension  $S$  of  $T$  formulated in the same (empty) language such that  $S$  is consistent and has no finite models.
11. For each of the structures  $\langle \mathbb{N}, < \rangle$ ,  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, < \rangle$  a  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, < \rangle$  find a sentence that is valid in it but is not valid in the remaining two structures. Can also the structures  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$  be distinguished by the validity of some sentence? And what about  $\langle \mathbb{Z}, + \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, + \rangle$ ?
12. Show that the structures  $\langle \mathbb{R}, < \rangle$  a  $\langle \mathbb{R} - \{0\}, < \rangle$  are not isomorphic. Prove that they are elementarily equivalent.
 

Hint. In  $\langle \mathbb{R}, < \rangle$ , every nonempty subset has the least upper bound. This is not true about  $\langle \mathbb{R} - \{0\}, < \rangle$ . The two structures are models of the same complete theory.
13. Use Vaught test to show that the theory  $S$  from [Exercise 10](#) is complete.
14. Show that if  $T$  is equivalent (in the sense of [Exercise 5](#)) to some finite set of sentences, then it is equivalent to its own finite subset. Conclude that the theory  $S$  from [Exercise 10](#) is not finitely axiomatizable. The theory  $\text{SUCC}$  is not finitely axiomatizable either.
15. Prove that if a class  $\mathcal{C}$  of structures for a language  $L$  is axiomatizable and its complement  $-\mathcal{C}$  (that is, the class of all structures for  $L$  that are not in  $\mathcal{C}$ ) is axiomatizable as well, then both  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $-\mathcal{C}$  are finitely axiomatizable.

16. Show that the class of all connected graphs, understood as structures for a language with a binary predicate, is not axiomatizable.
17. Consider the class of all structures  $\langle D, P \rangle$  for a language with a unary predicate such that both  $P$  and  $D - P$  are infinite. Prove that this class is axiomatizable. Is it finitely axiomatizable? For which  $\kappa$  is the corresponding theory  $\kappa$ -categorical?
18. Show that the theory whose language is  $\{+, 0, S\}$  and whose axioms are Q1–Q5 is a conservative extension of the theory with axioms Q1–Q3.
19. Use the same method to prove that adding the axioms Q4 a Q5 to SUCC yields a theory that is a conservative extension of SUCC. Prove the same using the following fact: *every consistent extension of a complete theory is a conservative extension*. Explain that this fact is true. Prove that also  $\text{Th}(\langle \mathbb{N}, +, 0, s \rangle)$  is a conservative extension of SUCC. Explain that this last claim cannot be proved using the method from the previous exercise: no expansion of the structure  $\langle \mathbb{N}, 0, s \rangle + \langle \mathbb{Z}, s \rangle$  is a model of  $\text{Th}(\langle \mathbb{N}, +, 0, s \rangle)$ .
- Hint. There is no realization of the symbol  $+$  such that the sentences  $\forall x \exists y (x = y + y \vee x = S(y + y))$  and  $\forall x \forall y \forall z (z + x = z + y \rightarrow x = y)$  are valid.
20. Show that every natural number is a definable element of  $\langle \mathbb{N}, < \rangle$ . Furthermore, let  $R$  be the relation  $\{[a, b]; |a - b| = 1\}$ . Prove that every natural number is a definable element of  $\langle \mathbb{N}, R \rangle$ .
21. Let  $M$  be the set  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{a, b\}$  obtained by adding two new elements  $a$  and  $b$  to the set of all natural numbers, and consider the prolongation of the successor function  $\mathbb{N}$  defined by the conditions  $S(a) = b$  and  $S(b) = a$ . Show that there are ways how to define addition and multiplication on  $M$  so that the resulting structure is a model of Robinson arithmetic Q.

22. Find out which of the following sentences are provable in Q:

$\forall x(x \leq x)$	$\forall x \forall y (x + y = 0 \rightarrow x = 0 \ \& \ y = 0)$
$\forall x(x \leq 0 \rightarrow x = 0)$	$\forall x \forall y (x \leq y \equiv S(x) \leq S(y))$
$\forall x(0 \leq x)$	$\forall x \forall y (x < y \rightarrow x < S(y))$
$\forall x(0 \cdot x = 0)$	$\forall x \forall y (S(x) < y \rightarrow x < y)$
$\forall x(x \cdot \bar{1} = x)$	$\forall x \forall y (x \cdot y = 0 \rightarrow x = 0 \vee y = 0)$
$\forall x \forall y \exists z (x \leq z \ \& \ y \leq z)$	$\forall x (x \leq \bar{1} \rightarrow x = 0 \vee x = \bar{1})$
$\forall x \neg (x < x)$	$\forall x \forall y \forall z ((z + y) + x = z + (y + x)).$
$\forall x \forall y (x \leq y \rightarrow x < y \vee x = y)$	

Hint. Unprovability can be proved by a suitable choice of operations in the previous exercise, and just two models are sufficient.

23. Use Post's theorem to prove that if  $X \subseteq \mathbb{N}^q$  and  $Y \subseteq \mathbb{N}^q$  are *RE* sets such that  $X \cup Y$  is recursive and  $X \cap Y = \emptyset$ , then both  $X$  and  $Y$  are recursive.

24. Prove that if  $R \subseteq \mathbb{N}^2$  is an equivalence having only finitely many classes (classes of equivalence) and  $R$  is *RE*, then  $R$  must be recursive.

Hint. Let  $A_1 \dots, A_n$  be a list of all classes of equivalence  $R$ . Explain in detail the following facts. Every  $A_i$  is *RE*. Its complement is *RE* as well, and so Post's theorem is applicable. The relation  $R$  can be defined in terms of the list  $A_1 \dots, A_n$  via a recursive condition.

25. Prove that  $\text{Thm}(T) = \bigcap \{ \text{Thm}(S) ; S \text{ is a complete extension of } T \}$  holds for any theory  $T$ . Conclude that if  $T$  has only finitely many extensions formulated in the language of  $T$  and all of them are decidable, then  $T$  is decidable. It follows that the theory obtained from *DNO* by removing the axioms postulating the existence of the greatest and the least individual is decidable.

26. Let  $T$  be a recursively axiomatizable extension of Robinson arithmetic formulated in the arithmetic language. such that  $\mathbb{N}$  is a model (one of the models) of  $T$ . Find out whether the following claims are true.

(a) If  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are sentences such that  $T \vdash \varphi \vee \psi$ , then  $T \vdash \varphi$  or  $T \vdash \psi$ .

(b) if  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are  $\Sigma_1$ -sentences such that  $T \vdash \varphi \vee \psi$ , then  $T \vdash \varphi$  or  $T \vdash \psi$ .

Hint. In (a), use Gödel's first incompleteness theorem. In (b) apply the  $\Sigma$ -completeness theorem separately to  $\varphi$  and to  $\psi$ .

27. In the same situation find out whether the following claims are true.

(a) If  $\exists x\varphi(x)$  is an arithmetic sentence such that  $T \vdash \exists x\varphi(x)$ , then there exists a number  $n$  such that  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n})$ .

(b) If  $\exists x\varphi(x)$  is an arithmetic sentence such that  $T \vdash \exists x\varphi(x)$  and  $\varphi \in \Delta_0$ , then there exists a number  $n$  such that  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n})$ .

Hint. In (a) pick a formula  $\psi(y) \in \Delta_0$  such that  $\mathbb{N} \models \forall y\psi(y)$  and  $T \not\vdash \forall y\psi(y)$ . The existence of a formula like that is guaranteed by Gödel's first incompleteness theorem. Then consider the sentence  $\exists x\forall y(\psi(y) \vee \neg\psi(x))$ .