

2.2 Semantics of Predicate Logic

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We now determine which objects are described by terms and when a formula is true or false.

Interpretation:

- determines a set of objects that we speak about (carrier A)
- maps every function symbol f to a function α_f
— \hookrightarrow — pred. symbol p to a relation α_p
- assigns objects to variables (variable assignment β)

Def 2.2.1 (Interpretation, Structure)

For a signature (Σ, Δ) , an interpretation has the form

$$I = (A, \alpha, \beta).$$

A is an arbitrary set with $A \neq \emptyset$ (carrier).

α maps every $f \in \Sigma_n$ to a function $\alpha_f : \underbrace{A \times \dots \times A}_{n \text{ times}} \rightarrow A$

α maps every $p \in \Delta_n$ to a $\alpha_p \subseteq \underbrace{A \times \dots \times A}_{n \text{ times}}$ if $n \geq 1$

For $p \in \Delta_0$, $\alpha_p \in \{\text{TRUE}, \text{FALSE}\}$

We say that α_f resp. α_p is the meaning of f resp. p .

$\beta : V \rightarrow A$ is called a variable assignment.

Every interpretation I gives a meaning to every term,
i.e. $I : \mathcal{T}(\Sigma, V) \rightarrow A$ as follows:

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$$I(X) = \beta(X)$$

$$I(f(t_1, \dots, t_n)) = \alpha_f(I(t_1), \dots, I(t_n))$$

Ex. 2.2.2 Example Interpretation $I = (A, \alpha, \beta)$ with

$$A = \mathbb{N}$$

$$\alpha_n = n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\alpha_{monika} = 0$$

$$\alpha_{Karin} = 1$$

$$\alpha_{veneate} = 2$$

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$$\alpha_{date}(n_1, n_2, n_3) = n_1 + n_2 + n_3$$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_{female} &= \{n \mid n \text{ is even}\} \\ \alpha_{male} &= \{n \mid n \text{ is odd}\} \\ \alpha_{human} &= \mathbb{N} \\ \alpha_{married} &= \{(n, m) \mid n > m\} \\ &\vdots \\ \beta(X) &= 0 \\ \beta(Y) &= 1 \\ \beta(Z) &= 2 \\ &\vdots\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } I(date(1, X, Karin)) &= \alpha_{date}(\alpha_1, \beta(X), \alpha_{Karin}) \\ &= 1 + 0 + 1 = 2\end{aligned}$$

Def 2.2.1 (cont.)

For $X \in V$ and $a \in A$, let $\beta[X/a]$ be the variable assignment with $\beta[X/a](X) = a$ and $\beta[X/a](Y) = \beta(Y)$ for all $Y \in V$ with $Y \neq X$.

For $I = (A, \alpha, \beta)$, let $I[X/a] = (A, \alpha, \beta[X/a])$.

An interpretation $I = (A, \alpha, \beta)$ satisfies a formula

$\varphi \in \mathcal{F}(\Sigma, \Delta, V)$, denoted " $I \models \varphi$ ", iff

- $\varphi = p(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ and $(I(t_1), \dots, I(t_n)) \in \alpha_p$ if and

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if $p \in \Delta_n$ and $n \geq 1$ ↑ if and only if
- $\varphi = p$ and $\alpha_p = \text{TRUE}$ if $p \in \Delta_0$
- $\varphi = \neg \varphi_1$ and $I \not\models \varphi_1$
- $\varphi = \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$ and $I \models \varphi_1$ and $I \models \varphi_2$
- $\varphi = \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2$ and $(I \models \varphi_1 \text{ or } I \models \varphi_2)$
- $\varphi = \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2$ and if $I \models \varphi_1$, then also $I \models \varphi_2$
- $\varphi = \varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2$ and $(I \models \varphi_1 \text{ iff } I \models \varphi_2)$
- $\varphi = \forall X \varphi_1$ and $I \models X/a \models \varphi_1$ for all $a \in A$
- $\varphi = \exists X \varphi_1$ and there exists $a \in A$ $\underbrace{\text{such that}}_{\text{such that}}$ $I \models X/a \models \varphi_1$

Ex 2.2.2 (cont.)

$I \models \text{married}(\text{date}(1, X, \text{Karin}), \text{Karin})$, because

$$\left(\underbrace{I(\text{date}(1, X, \text{Karin}))}_{2}, \underbrace{I(\text{Karin})}_{\alpha_{\text{Karin}}=1} \right) \in \underbrace{\alpha_{\text{married}}}_{d(u, m) \mid u > m}$$

$I \models \forall X \text{female}(\text{date}(X, X, \text{monika}))$, because

$$\underbrace{I \models X/a \models (\text{date}(X, X, \text{monika}))}_{\alpha_{\text{date}}(a, a, \alpha_{\text{monika}})} \in \underbrace{\alpha_{\text{female}}}_{d(u \mid u \text{ is even})}$$

$$a + a + 0$$

holds for all $a \in \underline{A}$
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Def 22.1 (cont.)

An interpretation I is a model of φ iff $I \models \varphi$.

I is a model of a set of formulas Φ iff
 $I \models \varphi$ for all $\varphi \in \Phi$.

Two formulas φ_1, φ_2 are equivalent iff we have

$(I \models \varphi_1 \text{ iff } I \models \varphi_2)$ for all interpretations I .

A formula (resp. a set of formulas) is satisfiable
iff it has a model.

A formula is valid if every interpretation is a model of
the formula.
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An interpretation without variable
assignment is called a
structure $S = (A, \alpha)$.

If we only regard closed formulas,
then satisfiability etc. can be
defined for structures:

$S \models \varphi$ iff $I \models \varphi$ for some interpretation

- married (gerd, ese) is satisfiable, not valid
- married (2, 1) \vee \neg married (2, 1) is valid
- $\varphi \wedge \neg \varphi$ is unsatisfiable for any formula φ

$$I = (A, \alpha, \beta)$$

Similarly, we can define $S(t)$ for ground terms t .

2 similar concepts:

Substitution $\sigma: V \rightarrow T(\Sigma, V)$ (syntactic)

Variable assignment $\beta: V \rightarrow A$ (semantic)

Lemma 2.2.3 (Substitution Lemma)

Let $I = (A, \alpha, \beta)$ be an interpretation for a signature (Σ, A) , let $\sigma = \{X_1/t_1, \dots, X_n/t_n\}$. Then we have

$$(a) I(\sigma(t)) = I[X_1/I(t_1), \dots, X_n/I(t_n)](t) \quad \text{for all } t \in T(\Sigma, V)$$

$$(b) I \models \sigma(\varphi) \text{ iff } I[X_1/I(t_1), \dots, X_n/I(t_n)] \models \varphi \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in F(\Sigma, V).$$

Ex 2.2.4 Let I be the interp. from Ex. 2.2.2.

let $\sigma = \{X/\text{date}(1, X, \text{Karin})\}$, let $t = \text{date}(X, Y, Z)$.

$$\begin{aligned} I(\sigma(t)) &= I(\text{date}(\text{date}(1, X, \text{Karin}), Y, Z)) \\ &= \alpha_{\text{date}}(\alpha_{\text{date}}(\alpha_1, \beta(X)), \alpha_{\text{Karin}}), \beta(Y), \beta(Z) \\ &= 1 + 0 + 1 + 1 + 2 = 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$I[X/\underbrace{I(\text{date}(1, X, \text{Karin}))}_2](\text{date}(X, Y, Z)) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{\text{date}}(\beta[X/2](X), \beta[X/2](Y), \beta[X/2](Z)) &= \\ 2 + 1 + 2 &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Lemma 2.2.3 (Substitution Lemma)

$$I(\sigma(t)) = I[I[X_1/t_1, \dots, X_n/t_n]\sigma(t)] \quad (\text{for all terms } t.)$$

Proof by structural induction on t (Induction corresponds to the definition of the data structure for terms).

Ind. Base: prove the statement for the smallest possible terms (i.e. $t \in V \cup \Sigma_0$)

Ind. Step: prove the statement for terms of the form $f(s_1, \dots, s_k)$

Ind. Hypothesis: statement already holds for smaller terms s_1, \dots, s_k .

Ind. Base t is a variable (The case where $t \in \Sigma_0$ is handled together with the ind. step.)

$$\sigma = \{X_1/t_1, \dots, X_n/t_n\}.$$

Case 1: $t = X_i$

$$I(\sigma(X_i)) = I(t_i)$$

$$I[I[X_1/I(t_1), \dots, X_n/I(t_n)]\sigma(X_i)] = I(t_i)$$

Case 2: t is a variable $Y \notin \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

$$I(\sigma(Y)) = I(Y) = \beta(Y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} I[X_1/I(t_1), \dots, X_n/I(t_n)](Y) &= \beta[X_1/I(t_1), \dots, \\ &\quad X_n/I(t_n)](Y) \\ &= \beta(Y) \end{aligned}$$

Ind. Step: $t = f(s_1, \dots, s_k)$ with $k \geq 0$

$$I(\sigma(t)) = I(\sigma(f(s_1, \dots, s_k))) = I(f(\sigma(s_1), \dots, \sigma(s_k)))$$

$$= \alpha_f(\underbrace{I(\sigma(s_1)), \dots, I(\sigma(s_k))}_{\text{equal due to the ind. hypothesis}})$$

$$I[X_1/I(t_1), \dots, X_n/I(t_n)](t) =$$

$$\frac{\text{equal due to the ind. hypothesis}}{I[\dots](f(s_1, \dots, s_k))} =$$

$$\alpha_f(\underbrace{I[X_1/I(t_1), \dots, X_n/I(t_n)](s_1), \dots, I[\dots](s_k)}_{\text{equal due to the ind. hypothesis}})$$

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The proof of (b) is similar, by structural induction on formulas. \square

Def 22.5 (Entailment)

A set of formulas Φ entails a formula φ (denoted

$\emptyset \models \varphi$) iff for all interpretations I with
 $I \models \emptyset$ we also have $I \models \varphi$.

(If \emptyset and φ have no free variables, then

$\emptyset \models \varphi$ means that $S \models \emptyset$ implies $S \models \varphi$
for all structures S .)

So " \models " has two meanings:

$I \models \varphi$ means: the interpr. I satisfies φ

$\emptyset \models \varphi$ means: \emptyset entails φ

Instead of $\overset{\uparrow}{\emptyset} \models \varphi$, we also write $\models \varphi$.

empty set
of formulas

means: φ is valid

Ex. 2.7.6

Let \emptyset be the set of formulas from Ex. 2.1.7 that corresponds to the logic prog. from Chapter 1.

Asking the query

? - male(gerd).

means that one has to prove

$\emptyset \models \text{male(gerd)}$.

This clearly holds, because $\text{male(gerd)} \in \emptyset$.

Asking ? - human(gerd).

Asking $? - \text{human}(\text{gerd})$.

means that one has to prove

$$\emptyset \models \text{human}(\text{gerd}).$$

This holds, as \emptyset contains $\forall X \text{ human}(X)$:

$$I \models \forall X \text{ human}(X) \quad \sim$$

$$I \models X/a \models \text{human}(X) \text{ for all } a \in A \quad \sim$$

$$I \models X/\alpha_{\text{gerd}} \models \text{human}(X)$$

\sim Subst.
Lemma
by the

$$I \models \text{human}(\text{gerd})$$

Asking the query $? - \text{motherOf}(X, \text{susanne})$

means that one has to prove

$$\emptyset \models \exists X \text{ motherOf}(X, \text{susanne})$$

How does Prolog do this automatically?