# Provability logics and applications

## Day 1: Provability as modality

- 1. Give formal proofs to the extend that  $\mathbf{K} \vdash \Box A \land \Box B \leftrightarrow \Box (A \land B)$ . (Hints are in the slides.)
- 2. Let Löb's rule –we write LR– be  $\Box A \rightarrow A/A$ .
  - (a) Show that  $\mathbf{K} + \mathsf{LR} = \mathbf{K}$
  - (b) Show that  $\mathbf{K4} + \mathsf{LR} = \mathbf{GL}$
- 3. Show that  $\mathbf{GL} \vdash \Box A \rightarrow \Box \Box A$ . (Hints are in the slides.)
- 4. Let  $\lambda$  be Gödel's liar sentence so that  $PA \vdash \neg Prv_{PA}(\lambda) \leftrightarrow \lambda$ 
  - (a) Show that  $PA \vdash \lambda \leftrightarrow Con_{PA}$ .
  - (b) Show that if PA is consistent, then  $PA \nvDash \lambda$ .
- 5. Löb's Theorem

In the lecture we have proven Löb's Theorem by considering a fixpoint of

$$\mathsf{Bew}_{\mathsf{PA}}(x) \to A.$$

- (a) Formulate Gödel's Second Incompleteness Theorem.
- (b) Formulate the modal soundness result for GL.
- (c) Formulate the arithmetical soundness result for **GL**.
- (d) Show how Gödel's Second Incompleteness Theorem follows from Löb's Rule.
- (e) Consider a fixpoint  $\lambda$  of  $\neg \mathsf{Bew}_{\mathsf{PA}}(x)$ . State what it means that  $\lambda$  is a fixpoint of this particular sentence.
- (f) We say that PA is  $\Sigma_1$ -complete. What does this mean?
- (g) Formulate provable  $\Sigma_1$ -completeness.
- (h) Which modal principle reflects provable  $\Sigma_1$ -completeness?
- (i) Show that  $\Sigma_1$ -soundness is stronger than consistency.
- (j) Assume that PA is  $\Sigma_1$ -sound. Consider the sentence  $\lambda$  from Item 5e. Give proofs for the following two assertions and tell which of the two assertions can be proven using consistency of PA rather than the stronger  $\Sigma_1$ -soundness.
  - i. PA  $\not\vdash \lambda$ .
  - ii. PA  $\not\vdash \neg \lambda$ .

#### Day 2: Completeness results for GL

- 1. (a) Exhibit a **GL** frame with an increasing chain of length  $\omega \cdot 2 + 2$ .
  - (b) Exhibit a rooted tree where each branch is of finite length but so that there is a point x with  $Ord(x) = \omega$ .
  - (c) Exhibit a rooted tree where each branch is of finite length but so that there is a point x with  $Ord(x) = \omega \cdot 2$ .
  - (d) Let FRT be the class of ordinals such that  $\alpha \in \mathsf{FRT}$  iff there is some rooted tree T where each branch is of finite length and for some  $x \in T$  we have  $\mathsf{Ord}(x) = \alpha$ . Show that  $\mathsf{FRT}$  is closed under  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha + 1$ .
  - (e) Show that FRT is closed under addition. That is, if  $\alpha \in \mathsf{FRT}$  and  $\beta \in \mathsf{FRT}$ , then  $\alpha + \beta \in \mathsf{FRT}$ .
  - (f) Show that FRT defines an initial segment of the ordinals, that is,  $\alpha \in \mathsf{FRT}$  and  $\beta < \alpha$  implies  $\beta \in \mathsf{FRT}$ .
  - (g) Show that FRT is closed under unions.
  - (h) Conclude that FRT = Ord.
  - (i) \* Determine the size of  $\mathsf{FRT}^\omega$  which defined just as  $\mathsf{FRT}$  but now we require that at each node in the tree only countably many bifurcations/children are allowed.
- 2. Use the modal completeness theorem to prove

$$\mathbf{GL} \vdash \Box A \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{GL} \vdash A.$$

3. Prove the generalized fixpoint Lemma:

**Lemma 0.1.** If  $\psi_1(\vec{x}), \ldots, \psi_n(\vec{x})$  are arithmetical formulas where the variables  $\vec{x} = \langle x_1, \ldots, x_n \rangle$  appear free, then there are formulas  $\psi_1, \ldots, \psi_n$  such that, for all  $i \leq n$ ,

$$\mathsf{PA} \vdash \phi_i \leftrightarrow \psi_i(\ulcorner \phi_1 \urcorner, \dots, \ulcorner \phi_n \urcorner).$$

Hint: Use the standard fixpoint lemma and induction on n.

- 4. With notation as in the proof of Solovay's theorem, show that if f is an arithmetical interpretation with  $f(p) = \bigvee_{w \in V(p)}$  and  $w \neq 0$  then  $\mathfrak{M}, w \models \phi$  if and only if  $\mathsf{PA} + \theta(w) \vdash f(\phi)$ .
- 5. In the proof of Solovay's theorem, we defined the formulas  $\theta(w)$  using the multiple fixpoint lemma. Write down explicitly the fixpoint equations in terms of the provability predicate  $\mathbf{prv}_T$  and the variables  $\theta(w), \ulcorner\theta(w)\urcorner$ .

#### 6. Solovay's Completeness Result

For each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  we consider the sentence

 $\varphi_m := \mathsf{Con}_{\mathsf{PA}}^{\mathsf{m}}(\lceil 1 = 1 \rceil) \land \mathsf{Bew}_{\mathsf{PA}}^{\mathsf{m}+1}(\lceil 0 = 1 \rceil)$ 

where we define  $\operatorname{Con}_{\mathsf{PA}}^{\mathsf{O}}(\ulcorner 1 = 1\urcorner)$  to be just 1 = 1.

(a) Prove that for  $l \neq m$  we have that

$$\mathsf{PA} \vdash \varphi_l \to \neg \varphi_m.$$

(b) Prove that for each l,

$$\mathsf{PA} \vdash \varphi_l \to \mathsf{Bew}_{\mathsf{PA}}(\ulcorner \bigvee_{m < l} \varphi_m \urcorner).$$

(c) Prove that for m < l,

$$\mathsf{PA} \vdash \varphi_l \to \mathsf{Con}_{\mathsf{PA}}(\ulcorner \varphi_m \urcorner).$$

(d) Suppose that some modal formula A is not a theorem of **GL** and is refutable on a linear model. We label the top-node of this model by 0, the node immediately below that 1, etc. We now define an arithmetical translation \* as follows

$$p^* := \bigvee_{m \Vdash p} \varphi_m.$$

Prove that for modal formulas B we have that

$$m \Vdash B \Rightarrow \mathsf{PA} \vdash \varphi_m \to B^*,$$

and

$$m \not\Vdash B \Rightarrow \mathsf{PA} \vdash \varphi_m \to \neg B^*.$$

(e) Prove that for each natural number n in **GL** we can prove

$$\Diamond \Diamond^n \top \to \Diamond (\Diamond^n \top \land \Box^{n+1} \bot).$$

(f) Prove that for each m,

$$\mathbb{N} \models \mathsf{Con}_{\mathsf{PA}}(\ulcorner \varphi_m \urcorner).$$

(g) Prove that

$$\mathsf{PA} \vdash \varphi_n \to \neg B^* \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathsf{PA} \vdash \mathsf{Con}_{\mathsf{PA}}(\ulcorner \varphi_n \urcorner) \to \neg \mathsf{Bew}_{\mathsf{PA}}(\ulcorner B^* \urcorner).$$

(h) Suppose that some modal formula A is not a theorem of **GL** and is refutable on a linear model. Prove that there is an arithmetical realization \* that maps propositional variables to Boolean combinations of sentences of the form  $\mathsf{Con}_{\mathsf{PA}}^{\mathsf{m}}(\ulcorner1=1\urcorner)$  so that

$$\mathsf{PA} \nvDash A^*$$
.

(i) Provide an arithmetical sentence  $\psi$  so that

$$\mathsf{PA} \nvDash \mathsf{Bew}(\ulcorner \psi \urcorner) \lor \mathsf{Bew}(\ulcorner \neg \psi \urcorner).$$

## Day 3: Polymodal logics

- 1. Prove that  $0 + \beta = \beta$  for any ordinal  $\beta$ .
- 2. Suppose we define exponentiation as
  - $\alpha^0 = 1;$
  - $\alpha^{(\beta+1)} = \alpha \times \alpha^{\beta};$
  - $\alpha^{\lambda} = \cup_{\beta < \lambda} (\alpha^{\lambda})$  for  $\lambda \in \text{Lim}$ .

Is this definition equivalent to the one given in the slides?

- 3. Prove that if X is a scattered space then  $X \models \Box(\Box p \rightarrow p) \rightarrow \Box p$ .
- 4. Prove that if  $\langle X, \mathcal{T} \rangle$  is a scattered space and  $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  then  $\langle X, \mathcal{S} \rangle$  is scattered as well.

## Day 4: The closed fragment

- 1. Show that if  $\phi, \psi$  are formulas then  $\Im \mathfrak{g} \models \Box((\Box \phi \to \Box \psi) \lor (\Box \psi \to \Box \phi)).$
- 2. Define a valuation V on  $\Im g$  such that  $\Im \mathfrak{g} \models [0]p \land \neg [1]p$ . Conclude that  $\Im \mathfrak{c}$  is not a valid frame for the full logic  $\mathsf{GLP}_{\omega}$ .
- 3. Define a valuation V on  $\mathfrak{Ic}$  such that  $\mathfrak{Ic} \models \langle 0 \rangle p \land \neg [1] \langle 0 \rangle p$ .

### Day 5: Ordinal analysis

- 1. Compute the following order-types:
  - (a) o(1)
  - (b) o(212)
  - (c)  $o(100\omega)$
  - (d) o(012101210)