Proof Theory, 2021

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Exercises, Set 5

Exercise 0.1. In this exercise you are asked to reflect on the sketch of completeness of predicate calculus as we have seen in class. Thus, you are asked to describe non-successful branches in proof-attempt trees of non-provable formulas and describe the term-model that arises from it.

- 1. Describe how a proof-attempt tree for $\Rightarrow \exists xPx \rightarrow \forall xPx$ gives rise to a term model.
- 2. Describe how a proof-attempt tree for ⇒ ∀x∀y(Rxy → Ryx) → ∀xRxx gives rise to an infinite term model. Of course, there will be many term-models described in our infinite proof-attempt tree. You are asked to describe just one infinite branch and the term model defined by that. Observe that our method fails to deliver the simplest one-point/empty-relation counter model!

The following question is not part of the homework and is just there to tickle your curiosity. Can every possible counter model of a formula be obtained as a term-model of our proof-attempt tree? Correct answers will count as bonus points.

Exercise 0.2. Prove the Substitution of Terms Lemma which is Lemma 3.5.2 in the book.

Exercise 0.3. For classical logic, provide the step in the proof of Cut Elimination for the case the cut formula is of the form $\exists x A$ and is active on both premisses.