

Overview of E0 205

Mathematical Logic and Theorem Proving

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Mathematical Logic and Theorem Proving

- “Mathematical” Logic (pioneered by Boole, Frege, Russell, Hilbert, Gödel, ...)
 - **Goals** related to foundations of Mathematics (formalizing set theory and mathematical reasoning techniques)
 - **Applications** in Math and Theoretical CS (e.g. Büchi’s logical characterisations of regular languages)as opposed to Philosophical Logic.
- SMT (SAT + **Decision Procedures** for certain theories) vs Theorem Proving
 - Fully automated vs Interactive.

Why study Logic in Computer Science?

Computability

- Notions of **computability** were proposed to answer questions in logic
 - Formalizing mathematics (coming up with a complete proof system, deciding truth of logical statements) led to Hilbert proposing the “Entscheidungsproblem” (decision problem for logical validity).
 - Church and Turing separately proposed Lambda Calculus and Turing machines as notions of computability, and showed the Entscheidungsproblem was undecidable.
- Natural **computational problems**
 - SAT complete for NP, Horn-SAT complete for P
 - FO with fixpoints.

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Verification and Synthesis

- **Specification** languages
 - Temporal Logic
 - Floyd-Hoare Logic
- **Checking** whether a program/system satisfies a specification
 - Program satisfies a pre-post specification if generated Verification Conditions (VCs) are logically valid.
 - Model-Checking procedures for Temporal Logics.
 - Constrained Horn Clauses
- **Symbolic Analysis**
 - Symbolic Model-Checking
 - Predicate abstraction
 - Controller Synthesis

Others (Proofs as Types, Algorithmic meta theorems, etc)

Course Contents

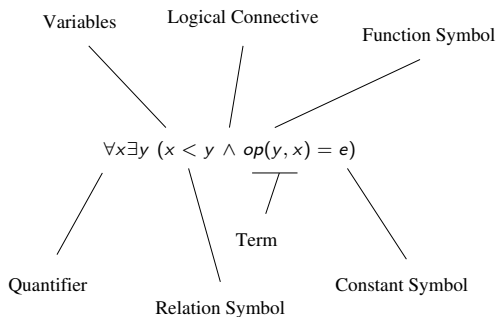
- Mathematical Logic
 - Propositional and First-Order Logic
 - Definability
 - Normal Forms
 - Sound and complete proof systems (Sequent Calculus)
 - Compactness and Lowenheim-Skolem Theorem
- Decision Procedures
 - DPLL procedure for Propositional Logic (SAT)
 - Equality and Uninterpreted Functions (EUF)
 - Real and Integer Linear Arithmetic
 - Array logic
 - Nelson-Oppen combination

Example FO Logic Formula

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FO Signature

A **First-Order signature** is a tuple

$$S = (R, F, C)$$

where

- R is a countable set of **relation symbols**
- F is a countable set of **function symbols**
- C is a countable set of **constant symbols**

Each relational/functional symbol comes with an associated “arity”.

Example FO signatures

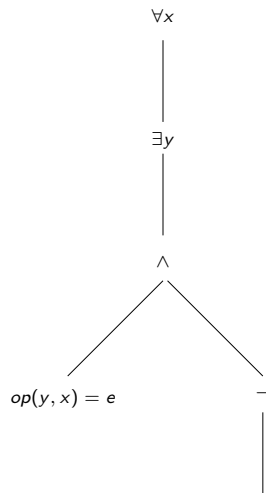
- $S_{gr} = (\{\}, \{op^{(2)}\}, \{e\})$ (Groups)
- $S_{ogr} = (\{<^{(2)}\}, \{op^{(2)}\}, \{e\})$ (Ordered Groups)
- $S_{ar} = (\{\}, \{+^{(2)}, \cdot^{(2)}\}, \{0, 1\})$ (Arithmetic)
- $S_{eq} = (\{r^{(2)}\}, \{\}, \{\})$ (Equivalence Relations)

Semantics: Example

Find the truth of the S_{gr} -formula

$$\forall x \exists y ((op(y, x) = e) \wedge \neg(y = e))$$

in the structure $(\mathbb{Z}, +, 0)$.



Theories

An ***S*-theory** is a set of *S*-sentences T which is **satisfiable** and **closed** under logical consequence.

The **theory** of a set of *S*-formulas T , written “ $Th(T)$ ”, is the set of *S*-sentences that are logical consequences of T . That is:

$$Th(T) = \{\varphi \in L_0^S \mid T \models \varphi\}.$$

Theory of Groups $Th(\Phi_{gr})$

Let Φ_{gr} be the set of formulas (group axioms):

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z (op(op(x, y), z) = op(x, op(y, z))) \quad (1)$$

$$\forall x (op(x, e) = x) \quad (2)$$

$$\forall x \exists y (op(x, y) = e) \quad (3)$$

Then $Th(\Phi_{gr})$

- Contains $\forall x \exists y (op(y, x) = e)$, but

Example of Group Theory

Group Axioms Φ_{Gr}

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z ((x \circ y) \circ z = x \circ (y \circ z)) \quad (4)$$

$$\forall x (x \circ e = x) \quad (5)$$

$$\forall x \exists y (x \circ y = e) \quad (6)$$

Structures for Φ_{Gr} : $(\mathbb{Z}, +, 0)$ and $(\mathbb{R}, +, 0)$; but not $(\mathbb{R}, \cdot, 1)$.

Theorem: Every element of a group has a left-inverse:

$$\forall x \exists y (y \circ x = e).$$

Question: is there a **complete** proof system for Group theory?

That is, whenever we have $\Phi_{Gr} \models \varphi$, then we also have $\Phi_{Gr} \vdash \varphi$.

Gödel's Completeness Theorem

Let $\Phi \vdash \varphi$ denote a derivation of φ from Φ using the Sequent Calculus proof system.

Theorem (Completeness)

For any set of first-order logic sentences Φ :

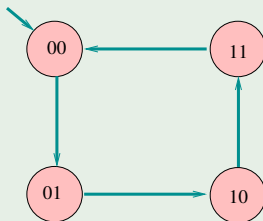
$$\Phi \models \varphi \text{ iff } \Phi \vdash \varphi.$$

Some consequences of the theorem and its proof:

- There is a **complete** proof system for Group Theory (Sequent Calculus + Φ_{Gr} as axioms).
- (Lowenheim-Skolem) If a set of FO formulas Φ is satisfiable then it is satisfiable in a **countable** model.
- (Compactness) If a set of formulas Φ is unsatisfiable, then there is a **finite** subset of Φ which is unsatisfiable.

Boolean SAT solving

Does the system satisfy the temporal logic formula
 $G(b \implies X(\neg b))$?



In bounded model-checking we could ask for a path of length 2 that violates the specification: Is

$$\neg a_0 \wedge \neg b_0 \wedge T(a_0, b_0, a_1, b_1) \wedge T(a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2) \wedge b_1 \wedge b_2,$$

where $T(a, b, a', b') = (\neg a \wedge a' \wedge b \iff b') \vee (a \wedge \neg a' \wedge b \iff \neg b')$,
satisfiable?

Linear Arithmetic

Bounded model-checking for programs:

```
int x = 19;  
int y = 15;  
while (x >= 10) {  
    int z = -1;  
    x = x + z;  
}  
assert(y >= x);
```

Does there exist zero-iteration
execution violating the assertion: Is

$$x_1 = 19 \wedge y_1 = 15 \wedge x_1 < 10 \wedge y_1 < x_1$$

satisfiable?

Linear Arithmetic

Floyd-Hoare style verification of programs:

Are the constraints: $\forall x, y, z, x' :$

```
int x = 19;  
int y = 15;  
// inv: x <= 20  
while (x >= 10) {  
    int z = -1;  
    x = x + z;  
}  
assert(y >= x);
```

$$x = 19 \implies x \leq 20$$

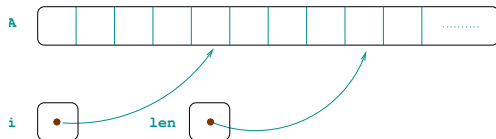
$$x \leq 20 \wedge x \geq 10 \wedge z = -1 \wedge x' = x + z \implies x' \leq 20$$

$$x \leq 20 \wedge y = 15 \wedge \neg(x \geq 10) \implies y \geq x'$$

valid?

Array Logic

```
ainit(int A[], int len) {  
  // Pre: 0 ≤ len  
  int i = 0;  
  while (i < len) {  
    A[i] = 0;  
    i = i + 1;  
  }  
  // Post:  
  forall k: ((0 ≤ k < len)  
             ⇒ A[k] = 0)
```



Loop invariant:

$$(0 \leq i \leq len) \wedge \forall k ((0 \leq k < i) \Rightarrow A[k] = 0)$$

Verification condition:

$$\begin{aligned} &[(0 \leq i \leq len) \wedge \forall k ((0 \leq k < i) \Rightarrow A[k] = 0) \wedge \neg(i < len)] \Rightarrow \\ &\quad \forall k : ((0 \leq k < len) \Rightarrow A[k] = 0). \end{aligned}$$

Program Transformation

Example: Are these programs equivalent?

S1: $z := (x_1 + y_1) * (x_2 + y_2);$

T1: $u_1 := (x_1 + y_1);$

T2: $u_2 := (x_2 + y_2);$

T3: $z := u_1 * u_2;$

We want to check whether $(\text{forall } x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, z_1, z_2, u_1, u_2)$

$$\begin{aligned} & (z_1 = (x_1 + y_1) * (x_2 + y_2)) \wedge \\ & u_1 = x_1 + y_1 \wedge u_2 = x_2 + y_2 \wedge z_2 = u_1 * u_2 \\ & \rightarrow z_1 = z_2. \end{aligned}$$

Since reasoning about 32 bit ints and addition and multiplication is difficult, We could instead check whether the EUF formula:

$$\begin{aligned} & (z_1 = G(F(x_1, y_1), F(x_2, y_2))) \wedge \\ & u_1 = F(x_1, y_1) \wedge u_2 = F(x_2 + y_2) \wedge z_2 = G(u_1, u_2)) \\ & \rightarrow z_1 = z_2. \end{aligned}$$

is valid.

Nelson-Oppen Combination

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No, because the arithmetic constraints imply that $x = y$ and $z = 0$; and the functional constraints must then imply that $f(f(x) - f(y)) = f(0) = f(z)$.

Nelson-Oppen Combination

Shows how we can combine decision procedures for two theories into a decision procedure for their union.

“Equality Sharing” Procedure:

Is this sentence satisfiable?

$$f(f(x) - f(y)) \neq f(z) \wedge x \leq y \wedge y + z \leq x \wedge z \geq 0$$

Arithmetic Constraints

$$\begin{aligned}x &\leq y \\ y + z &\leq x \\ z &\geq 0 \\ g_2 - g_3 &= g_1\end{aligned}$$

Function Constraints

$$\begin{aligned}f(g_1) &\neq f(z) \\ f(x) &= g_2 \\ f(y) &= g_3\end{aligned}$$

Constrained Horn Clauses

Find unary relations f , g and inv
such that:

```
int x = 19;
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$$\begin{aligned}x = 19 &\implies inv(x) \\ inv(x) \wedge f(z) \wedge x' = x + z &\implies inv(x') \\ inv(x) \wedge g(y) &\implies y \geq x\end{aligned}$$

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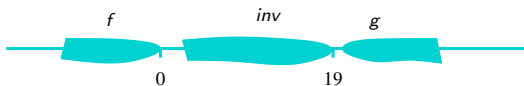
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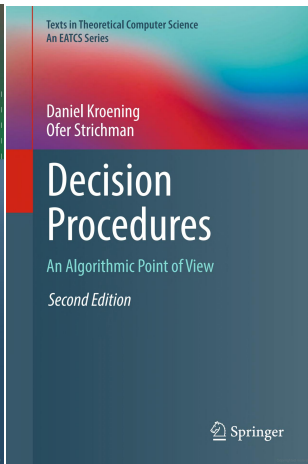
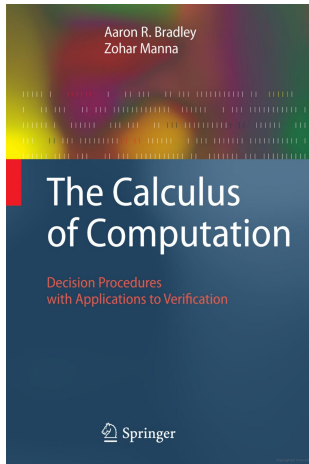
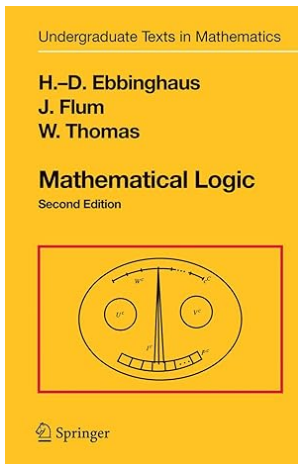
$$x = 19 \implies inv(x)$$

$$inv(x) \wedge f(z) \wedge x' = x + z \implies inv(x')$$

$$inv(x) \wedge g(y) \implies y \geq x$$



Course Textbooks



Course Details

- Weightage: 40% assignments + seminar, 20% midsem exam, 40% final exam.
- Assignments to be done on your own.
- Dishonesty Policy: Any instance of copying in an assignment will fetch you a 0 in that assignment + one grade reduction + report to DCC.
- Seminar (in pairs) can be chosen from list on course webpage or your own topic.
- Course webpage:
www.csa.iisc.ac.in/~deepakd/logic-2025
- Teaching assistants for the course: Alan Jojo and Abhishek Uppar
- Those interested in crediting/auditing please send me an email so that I can add you to the course Teams / mailing list.