

# **Gödeli meeldetuletus**

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- **What is this about?** (Rich) languages with a decided intended interpretation. (powerful) theories in such languages, axiomatized (powerful) theories in such languages.

- **Definition:** A *language*  $L$  is a first-order logical language with equi-numerable amount of non-logical individual, function and predicate symbols. We assume a fixed intended interpretation. This singles out a subset of all  $L$ -sentences, the set of *true* sentences.

$\models A$  means  $A$  is true in the intended interpretation.

An *L-theory*  $T$  is a subset of all  $L$ -sentences, these sentences are called *axioms*.

$\vdash_T A$  means  $A$  is a  $T$ -theorem.

An *axiomatized L-theory* is a  $L$ -theory generated by a p.r. subset of all  $L$ -sentences (called *axioms*) and the inference rules of first-order logic.

- **Definition:** Let  $T$  be a theory in a language  $L$  (with fixed intended interpretation).
  - $T$  is said to be *consistent* (kooskõlaline), if  $\vdash_T A$  implies  $\not\vdash_T \neg A$  (there are no more theorems than syntactically ok).
  - $T$  is said to be *sound* (korrektne), if  $\vdash_T A$  implies  $\models A$  (there are no more theorems than semantically ok).
  - $T$  is said to be *syntactically complete* (süntaktiliselt täielik), if  $\vdash_T A$  or  $\vdash_T \neg A$  (there are no less theorems than syntactically ok).
  - $T$  is said to be *semantically complete* (semantiliselt täielik), if  $\models A$  or  $\models \neg A$  (there are no less theorems than semantically ok).

- **Observation:** The semantic properties are stronger than the syntactic ones.
  - soundness implies consistency,
  - and semantic completeness implies syntactic completeness.
- **Observation:** The converses don't hold in general, but:
  - consistency implies soundness under the assumption of semantic completeness,
  - and syntactic completeness implies semantic completeness under the assumption of soundness.
- $T$  syntactically perfect, if it's both consistent and syntactically complete. For every sentence  $A$ , either  $\vdash_T A$  or  $\vdash_T \neg A$  (which mimicks bivalence).
- $T$  is semantically perfect, if it's both sound and semantically complete. In this case, theoremhood exactly captures truth.

- **Definition:** A language  $L$  is *rich* if natural numbers, p.r. operations, natural numbers and p.r. relations on natural numbers are effectively *represented* (faithfully wrt. the intended interpretation) in  $L$  by terms, schematics, schematics sentences.

Terms representing natural numbers are called *numerals*.

- **Definition:** An  $L$ -theory  $T$  is *powerful*, if natural numbers, p.r. operations, relations on them satisfy the following *presentation conditions* (essential):
  - for  $f$  a p.r. operation,

$$\vdash_T \bar{f}[\bar{m}_1, \dots, \bar{m}_n] \doteq \bar{m} \text{ iff } f(m_1, \dots, m_n) = m$$

- for  $p$  a p.r. relation,

$$\vdash_T \bar{p}[\bar{m}_1, \dots, \bar{m}_n] \text{ iff } p(m_1, \dots, m_n)$$

( $\bar{m}$  denotes the representation of  $m$ .)

- **Fact:** The terms and sentences (and schematic terms and schematic sentences) of a rich language  $L$  (with denumerable signature) are effectively enumerated by natural numbers so that all important syntactic operations on them reduce to operations on natural numbers (*Gödel numbers*).

- **Consequence:** Because of the representability of natural numbers and sentences of  $L$  therefore translate to  $L$ -numerals (*codes*).

$\ulcorner m \urcorner$  denotes the code of  $m$ .

In powerful  $L$ -theories, facts about important operations and relations on codes are reflected quite well since the presentation conditions hold.

- **Convention:** From now on, saying “language”, we always mean a rich language. Saying “theory”, we always mean a powerful theory.

- **Diagonalization Lemma:** Given a language  $L$ , one can for any schematic  $L$ -sentence  $P$  effectively find a sentence  $S$  s.t.  $\models S \equiv P[\ulcorner S \urcorner]$  and, for any  $L$ -theory  $T$ ,  $\vdash_T S \equiv P[\ulcorner S \urcorner]$ .

- **Proof:** Instantiating schematic  $L$ -sentences with  $L$ -numerals is a procedure reduced to Gödel numbers thus a p.r. operation on numbers, hence recursive. Let  $\text{subst}$  be the schematic  $L$ -term representing it. Then  $\models \text{subst}[\ulcorner Q \urcorner, t] \equiv Q[t]$  for any schematic  $L$ -sentence  $Q$  and any numeral  $t$ . For an  $L$ -theory  $T$ ,  $\vdash_T \text{subst}[\ulcorner Q \urcorner, t] \equiv Q[t]$  by the presentation conditions.

Consider any schematic  $L$ -sentence  $P$ . Let  $D$  be the diagonal schematic  $L$ -sentence given by  $D[t] := P[\text{subst}[t, t]]$ .

Set  $S := D[\ulcorner D \urcorner]$ . Then

$$\models S \equiv P[\ulcorner S \urcorner] \text{ and } \vdash_T S \equiv P[\ulcorner S \urcorner]$$

since by the definitions of  $S$  and  $D$ ,  $S \equiv P[\ulcorner S \urcorner]$  is identical to  $P[\text{subst}[\ulcorner D \urcorner, \ulcorner D \urcorner]] \equiv P[\ulcorner D[\ulcorner D \urcorner] \urcorner]$ .

- **Tarski's theorem about non-representability of truth.** Given a language  $L$ , the set of  $L$ -sentences is non-representable in  $L$ : there is no schematic  $L$ -sentence

$$\models A \text{ iff } \models \text{True}[\ulcorner A \urcorner]$$

- **Proof.** Suppose a schematic  $L$ -sentence True with the stated property. Then, applying the Diagonalization Lemma to the schematic  $L$ -sentence True can produce an  $L$ -sentence Tarski such that  $\models \text{Tarski} \equiv \neg \text{True}[\ulcorner \text{Tarski} \urcorner]$ . This has the effect that  $\models \text{Tarski}$  iff  $\not\models \text{True}[\ulcorner \text{Tarski} \urcorner]$ , which, by our assumption, happens iff  $\not\models \text{Tarski}$ .

Hence Tarski is a sentence stating its own falsity, a “liar”. Independently of whether Tarski is true or false, it is true and false, which cannot be.

- **Gödel's theorem about representability of theoremhood.** Given theoremhood in an *axiomatized*  $L$ -theory  $T$  is effectively representable in  $L$ , we can effectively find a schematic sentence  $\text{Thm}_T$  in  $L$  s.t.

$$\vdash_T A \text{ iff } \models \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner A \urcorner]$$

- **Proof:** For an axiomatized  $L$ -theory  $T$ , the relation of a sequence of  $L$ -sentences being a  $T$ -proof of a  $L$ -sentence is a p.r. relation, reduced to Gödel numbering, a recursive relation on numbers, thus effectively representable in  $L$ . Let  $\text{Proof}_T$  be the  $L$ -sentence representing it.

$\text{Thm}_T$  is constructed by letting  $\text{Thm}_T[t] := \exists x. \text{Nat}[x] \wedge \text{Proof}_T[t, x]$

- **Lemma (Gödel):** Given a language  $L$ , each axiomatized  $L$ -theory following derivability conditions (tuletatavustingimused):
  - D1**  $\vdash_T A$  implies  $\vdash_T \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner A \urcorner]$  (the theory is positively introspective),
  - D2**  $\vdash_T \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner A \supset B \urcorner] \supset (\text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner A \urcorner] \supset \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner B \urcorner])$  (the theory is closed under modus ponens),
  - D3**  $\vdash_T \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner A \urcorner] \supset \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner A \urcorner] \urcorner]$  (the theory knows its own provability is introspective).
- **Proof:** Hard work (unrewarding).

- **Corollary:** Given a language  $L$ , a sound axiomatized  $L$ -theory  $T$  is semantically incomplete (and hence because of the assumption of soundness syntactically incomplete).
- **Proof:** If some  $L$ -theory  $T$  was both sound and semantically complete, then  $T$ -theoremhood of  $L$ -sentences would be the same as truth. But only  $L$ -representable, the other is not.

- **Gödel's first incompleteness theorem:** Given a language  $L$ , for a  
 $L$ -theory  $T$ , one can effectively find an  $L$ -sentence  $\text{Godel}_T$  s.t.
  - if  $T$  is consistent, then  $\not\vdash_T \text{Godel}_T$ , but  $\models \text{Godel}_T$  (so  $T$  is semi-  
incomplete),
  - if  $T$  is omega-consistent, then  $\not\vdash_T \neg \text{Godel}_T$  (so  $T$  is also syntactically  
incomplete),
- **Proof:** For an axiomatized  $L$ -theory  $T$ , we know that a schematic  
exists s.t.  $\vdash_T A$  iff  $\models \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner A \urcorner]$ .

Using the Diagonalization Lemma, we construct  $\text{Godel}_T$  as an  $L$ -s

$$\models \text{Godel}_T \equiv \neg \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner] \text{ and } \vdash_T \text{Godel}_T \equiv \neg \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner]$$

(so informally  $\text{Godel}_T$  says it's a non- $T$ -theorem and that's a  $T$ -the

Assume  $T$  is consistent. Suppose  $\vdash_T \text{Godel}_T$ . Then, by D1, also  
 $\vdash_T \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner]$ . But then, by the construction of  $\text{Godel}_T$ ,  $\vdash_T$   
contradicts consistency.

Suppose  $\not\vdash_T \text{Godel}_T$ , then by the construction of  $\text{Godel}_T$ ,  $\models \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner]$   
by the construction of  $\text{Thm}_T$ , equivalent to  $\vdash_T \text{Godel}_T$ , but we already  
 $\vdash_T \neg \text{Godel}_T$ , so again we are contradicting consistency.

- **Remark:** Note that while Tarski is an antinomic sentence, it must be more than merely paradoxical, its existence looks potentially troublesome, but not necessarily harmful about it.

- **Gödel's second incompleteness theorem:** Given a language  $L$ , for any  $L$ -theory  $T$ , if  $T$  is consistent, then

$$\not\vdash_T \text{Cons}_T$$

where  $\text{Cons}_T := \neg \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \perp \urcorner]$  (which says  $T$  is consistent). (So a consistent axiomatized theory  $T$  is not a  $T$ -theorem.)

- **Proof:**

Assume  $T$  is a consistent axiomatized  $L$ -theory. By the construction we have

$$\vdash_T \text{Godel}_T \supset \neg \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner]$$

From this, by D1, we get

$$\vdash_T \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner] \supset \neg \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner]$$

from where, by D2, we further get

$$\vdash_T \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner] \supset \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \neg \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner] \urcorner]$$

But by D3 we also have

$$\vdash_T \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner] \supset \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner] \urcorner]$$

Combining the last two using D2 and the construction of  $\text{Cons}_T$ , w

$$\vdash_T \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner] \supset \neg \text{Cons}_T$$

which of course gives

$$\vdash_T \text{Cons}_T \supset \neg \text{Thm}_T[\ulcorner \text{Godel}_T \urcorner]$$

Together with the construction of  $\text{Godel}_T$  again (the second half of  
this yields

$$\vdash_T \text{Cons}_T \supset \text{Godel}_T$$

If now it were the case that  $\vdash_T \text{Cons}_T$ , then also  $\vdash_T \text{Godel}_T$ , but s  
the First Incompleteness Theorem tell us the that  $\not\vdash_T \text{Godel}_T$ .