

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be any language and let  $\phi(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in F_n(\mathcal{L})$ . Let  $\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n$  be constant symbols not in  $\mathcal{L}$ . (i) Assume that  $\Sigma$  is an  $\mathcal{L}$ -theory and that  $\Sigma \models \phi(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n)$ . Then  $\Sigma \models \forall v_1 \dots \forall v_n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n)$ . (ii) Now assume that  $\Sigma$  is an  $\mathcal{L}$ -theory, that  $\psi$  is an  $\mathcal{L}$ -sentence and that  $\Sigma \cup \{\phi(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n)\} \models \psi$ . Then  $\Sigma \cup \{\exists v_1 \dots \exists v_n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n)\} \models \psi$ .

13.11 Proof of the Omitting Types Theorem (13.8)

Let  $p \in S_n(T)$  be a non-principal type where  $T$  is a complete  $\mathcal{L}$ -theory in a countable language  $\mathcal{L}$ . We must find a countable model  $\mathcal{A} \models T$  such that  $\mathcal{A}$  omits  $p$ . We shall construct  $\mathcal{A}$  as a term model for some extended language  $\mathcal{L}' (\supseteq \mathcal{L})$ . This means that for every  $a \in A$ , there is some closed term  $\tau$  of  $\mathcal{L}'$  such that  $\tau^{\mathcal{A}} = a$ . This is just as in the proof of the Compactness Theorem and, indeed, the construction has many of the same steps. There is one extra step, however, (the step guaranteeing that  $p$  is omitted in  $\mathcal{A}$ ) and the countability of  $\mathcal{L}$  is needed at this point.

So let  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m, \dots$  be a countably infinite sequence of new constant symbols. Add these to  $\mathcal{L}$  to get the extended language  $\mathcal{L}'$ .

Now let  $\phi_0, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_m, \dots$  be an enumeration of all sentences of  $\mathcal{L}'$  and let  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m, \dots$  be an enumeration of all  $n$ -tuples,  $\langle c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n} \rangle$  of the new constant symbols.

We construct, for each  $m \geq 0$ , a finite set  $S_m$  of  $\mathcal{L}'$ -sentences such that  $T \cup S_m$  is satisfiable as follows.

Set  $S_0 = \emptyset$ .

Now suppose that  $S_m$  has been constructed for some  $m \geq 0$ .

Case 1  $m$  is odd, say  $m = 2l + 1$  for some  $l \geq 0$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A}'$  be any  $\mathcal{L}'$ -structure such that  $\mathcal{A}' \models T \cup S_m$ . Consider the sentence  $\phi_l$ . If  $\mathcal{A}' \models \phi_l$ , let  $S_{m+1} := S_m \cup \{\phi_l\}$ . If  $\mathcal{A}' \models \neg \phi_l$ , let  $S_{m+1} := S_m \cup \{\neg \phi_l\}$ . Clearly,  $T \cup S_{m+1}$  is satisfiable (by  $\mathcal{A}'$ ).

Case 2  $m$  is even, but not divisible by 4. Say,  $m = 2 \cdot (2l + 1)$ .

Suppose  $\phi_l$  has the form  $\exists v_j \psi(v_j)$  and  $T \cup S_m \models \exists v_j \psi(v_j)$  (if one of these two conditions fails, just let  $S_{m+1} := S_m$ .)

Now choose  $k \geq 1$  so that the constant symbols occurring in  $S_m \cup \{\exists v_j \psi(v_j)\}$  are amongst  $\{c_1, \dots, c_{k-1}\}$  and let  $\mathcal{L}'_k$  be the language  $\mathcal{L}$  together with just  $c_1, \dots, c_{k-1}$ . I claim that  $T \cup S_m \cup \{\psi(c_k)\}$  is satisfiable. For if not,  $T \cup S_m \models \neg \psi(c_k)$

and hence  $T \cup S_m \models \forall v_j \neg \psi(v_j)$  by 13.10 (i) (applied to  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}'_k$ ).

Thus  $T \cup S_m \models \neg \exists v_j \psi(v_j)$ . But since  $T \cup S_m \models \exists v_j \psi(v_j)$  it follows that  $T \cup S_m$  is not satisfiable - contradiction. Thus, we

may set  $S_{m+1} := S_m \cup \{\psi(c_k)\}$ .

Case 3  $m$  is divisible by 4, say  $m = 4l$ .

This is the new case. We want to construct  $S_{m+1}$  so that if  $\mathcal{A}'$  is any model of  $T \cup S_{m+1}$ , then the  $n$ -tuple  $\langle c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n} \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{A}'$ .

$\langle c_{j_1}^{c'}, \dots, c_{j_n}^{c'} \rangle \in A'^n$  does not realise  $p$ , where  $\langle c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n} \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{A}'$ .

This will clearly be achieved if we can find a formula  $\phi(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in p$  such that  $T \cup S_m \cup \{\neg \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n})\}$  is satisfiable, for then we set  $S_{m+1} := S_m \cup \{\neg \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n})\}$ .

Suppose, for a contradiction, that there is no such formula  $\phi$ .

Then for every formula  $\phi(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in P$ , we have that  $T \cup S_m \cup \{\neg \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n})\}$  is not satisfiable. So for

every  $\phi(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in P$ ,  $T \cup S_m \models \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n})$  ----- (\*)

Now let  $\mathcal{X}'$  be the conjunction of the (finitely many) sentences in  $S_m$ . Then, up to logical equivalence, we may write  $\mathcal{X}'$  in the form  $\mathcal{X}(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}, c_{i_1}, \dots, c_{i_s})$  where

$\mathcal{X}(v_1, \dots, v_n, v_{n+1}, \dots, v_{n+s})$  is a formula of  $\mathcal{L}$ . By (\*) we have

$T \cup \{ \mathcal{X}(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}, c_{i_1}, \dots, c_{i_s}) \} \models \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n})$  for all  $\phi \in P$ .

(Here,  $c_{i_1}, \dots, c_{i_s}$  are the new constant symbols occurring in  $\mathcal{X}'$  that are not amongst  $c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}$ .)

We now apply 13.10 (ii) with  $\mathcal{L}$  there equal to  $\mathcal{L} \cup \{c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}\}$  here, to get

$T \cup \{ \exists v_{n+1} \dots \exists v_{n+s} \mathcal{X}(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}, v_{n+1}, \dots, v_{n+s}) \} \models \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n})$  for

all  $\phi \in P$ .

Thus  $T \models (\exists v_{n+1} \dots \exists v_{n+s} \mathcal{X}(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}, v_{n+1}, \dots, v_{n+s}) \rightarrow \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}))$  for all  $\phi \in P$ .

But since  $c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}$  do not occur in  $T$ , we may apply 13.10(i) (to our original  $\mathcal{L}$ ) and obtain

(+) ...  $T \models \forall v_1 \dots \forall v_n (\exists v_{n+1} \dots \exists v_{n+s} \mathcal{X}(v_1, \dots, v_n, v_{n+1}, \dots, v_{n+s}) \rightarrow \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n))$  for all  $\phi \in P$ .

However,  $\theta(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in P$  (because otherwise  $\neg \theta(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in P$ , and taking  $\phi$  to be  $\neg \theta$  in (+) we see that  $T \models \forall v_1 \dots \forall v_n \neg \theta(v_1, \dots, v_n)$  which easily implies that  $T \cup S_m$  is not satisfiable), so by (+) we see that  $P$  is a principal n-type (over  $T$ ) - contradiction.

This completes the inductive construction of the  $S_m$ 's and we now set  $\Sigma' := T \cup \bigcup_{m \geq 0} S_m$ .

Then  $\Sigma'$  is finitely satisfiable since if  $\Sigma_0 \subseteq_{\text{finite}} \Sigma'$  then <sup>(4)</sup> then <sup>59</sup>

$\Sigma_0 \subseteq T \cup S_{m_0}$  for some  $m_0$  (NB  $S_0 \subseteq S_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq S_m \subseteq \dots$ )

and we guaranteed that  $T \cup S_{m_0}$  was satisfiable.

Also, by cases (i) and (ii) of the construction  $\Sigma'$  is both complete and full (in the language  $\mathcal{L}'$ ). Hence, by exactly the same proof as in that of the Compactness Theorem,  $\Sigma'$  has a model

$\mathcal{A}'$  say, such that  $A' = \{ \tilde{c} : c \text{ a term of } \mathcal{L}' \}$ . In fact,

since for any closed term  $c$ ,  $\models \exists v_1 v_1 \approx c$ , it follows

from case (ii) of the construction that  $\Sigma' \models c_k \approx c$  for

some new constant symbol  $c_k$ . Hence  $c_k \in \tilde{c}$ , so we actually

have  $A' = \{ \tilde{c}_i : i=1,2,\dots \}$ . Thus  $\mathcal{A}' = \langle \mathcal{A}_2, \tilde{c}_1, \tilde{c}_2, \dots \rangle$

where  $\mathcal{A}_2$  is an  $\mathcal{L}$ -structure such that  $\mathcal{A}_2 \models T$ . Notice that

$\text{dom}(\mathcal{A}) = \{ \tilde{c}_i : i=1,2,\dots \}$  is countable. We complete the proof

by showing that  $\mathcal{A}_2$  omits  $p$ .

So suppose, for a contradiction, that  $\mathcal{A}_2$  realises  $p$ . Then there

exists  $\langle \tilde{c}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{c}_{j_n} \rangle \in A'^n$  such that  $\mathcal{A}_2 \models \phi[\tilde{c}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{c}_{j_n}]$  for

all  $\phi \in p$ . Now by the construction of the term model (see proof

of Compactness Theorem), this means that  $\phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}) \in \Sigma'$

for all  $\phi \in p$ . However, choosing  $l$  so that  $\alpha_l = \langle c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n} \rangle$

we see from ~~stage~~ case (iii) of the construction that for some  $\phi \in p$ ,

$\neg \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}) \in S_{4l+1}$ , so  $\neg \phi(c_{j_1}, \dots, c_{j_n}) \in \Sigma'$  - contradicting

the satisfiability of  $\Sigma$ .  $\square$

### Exercise

Modify the above construction to show that if  $\{p_i : i \geq 1\}$  is any countable collection of non-principal types (over  $T$ ) (possibly having different  $n$ 's) then there exists a countable  $\mathcal{A}_2 \models T$  which simultaneously omits all the  $p_i$ .