

# Tarski fixed point theorem

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## 5.3. RULE INDUCTION

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**Exercise 5.8** The set  $S$  is defined to be the least subset of natural numbers  $\mathbb{N}$  such that:

$$1 \in S;$$

$$\text{if } n \in S, \text{ then } 3n \in S;$$

$$\text{if } n \in S \text{ and } n > 2, \text{ then } (n - 2) \in S.$$

Show that  $S = \{m \in \mathbb{N} \mid \exists r, s \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. m = 3^r - 2s\}$ . Deduce that  $S$  is the set of odd numbers.  $\square$

By prop (2), we only need  $Q$  is  $R$ -closed.  
for all  $(X/y) \in R$ .

$$(\forall x \in X. x \in I_R \ \& \ P(x)) \Rightarrow (\underline{y \in I_R} \ \& \ P(y))$$

Because  $I_R$  is  $R$ -closed,

$$\forall x \in X. x \in I_R \Rightarrow y \in I_R \text{ follows.}$$

then  $\Downarrow$

$$(\forall x \in X. x \in I_R \ \& \ P(x)) \Rightarrow P(y)$$

principle of rule induction

Q:  $I_R$  or induction or fixed point  $\longleftrightarrow$  relation? Schöder -  
Bernstein

$R$  is a set of rules.  $I_R = \bigcap \{Q \mid Q \text{ is } R\text{-closed}\}$

A set  $B$  of propositions  
 $\downarrow$   
 $\{x_1, \dots, x_i, y_1, \dots, y_k\}$

$\forall x \subseteq Q, (x/y) \in R$   
 $y \in Q$

Refine the action of  $R$  on  $B$ .

$$\hat{R}(B) = \{y \mid \exists x \in B. (x/y) \in R\}$$

Proposition:  $B$  is  $R$ -closed iff  $\hat{R}(B) \subseteq B$ .

$\implies$  easy by definition.  
 $\impliedby$

$\hat{R}$  is a monotone  
monotonic operation.

$$A \subseteq B \implies \hat{R}(A) \subseteq \hat{R}(B)$$

start from  $\emptyset$ . id

$$A_0 = \hat{R}^0(\emptyset) = \emptyset$$

$$A_1 = \hat{R}^1(\emptyset) = \hat{R}(\emptyset)$$

$$A_2 = \hat{R}^2(\emptyset)$$

$A_1$  consists all the axioms

$A_{n+1}$  is the closures immediately follows from  $A_n$ .

$$A_0 \subseteq A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \dots A_n \subseteq A_{n+1} \subseteq \dots$$

$$A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0} A_n$$

Assume

Theorem: rules in  $R$  are all finitary

finite premises

$$\frac{x_1 \dots x_n}{y}$$

then ①  $A$  is  $R$ -closed.  $\checkmark$

②  $\hat{R}(A) = A$ .  $\checkmark$

③  $A$  is the least  $R$ -closed set.  $\rightarrow A =$

proof: Take

$B$   $R$ -closed

and

We want  
 $A \subseteq B$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{R}(B) = B$$

Now we show  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0, A_n \subseteq B$ .

Base  $A_0 \subseteq B$  of course.  $\phi \in$  any set  $\checkmark$

inductive: assume  $A_n \subseteq B$ .

$$A_{n+1} = \hat{R}(A_n) \subseteq \hat{R}(B) = B.$$

$\square$

## Tarski's Fixed point Theorem

Thm (minimal version)  $U$  is a set,  $P(U)$  power set.

Let  $\varphi: P(U) \rightarrow P(U)$  monotonic (total) function.

Define  $m = \bigwedge \{ S \subseteq U \mid \varphi(S) \subseteq S \}$ .

Then  $m$  is a fixed point of  $\varphi$ .

Moreover  $m$  is a least pre-fixed point of  $\varphi$ .

$S$  s.t.  $\varphi(S) \subseteq S$

Proof:  $X = \{ S \subseteq U \mid \varphi(S) \subseteq S \}$

$$m = \bigwedge X$$

Take  $S \in X$ , then  $m \subseteq S$ .

$\varphi(m) \subseteq \varphi(S)$  by monotonicity.

$\varphi(S) \subseteq S$

then  $\varphi(m) \subseteq S$  for any  $S \in X$ .

$$\varphi(m) \subseteq \bigwedge X = m$$

$\Rightarrow$   $m$  is a pre-fixed point.

$$\varphi(m) \in \bigwedge X = m \Rightarrow \boxed{m \text{ is a pre-fixed point.}}$$

$$\varphi(m) \leq m \Rightarrow m \text{ is the minimal pre-fixed point. by def.}$$

Now:  $\varphi(m) \geq m$  or  $m \leq \varphi(m)$

$$\varphi(\varphi(m)) \leq \varphi(m)$$

Then.  $\varphi(m) \in X = \{ S \subseteq U \mid \varphi(S) \subseteq S \}$  ✓

Then.  $m \leq \varphi(m)$