

We consider the following formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lin} &= (p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p), & D &= \forall x(P(x) \vee q) \rightarrow (\forall xP(x) \vee q), \\ \text{Wel}_1 &= \exists x(\exists yP(y) \rightarrow P(x)), & \text{Wel}_2 &= \exists x(P(x) \rightarrow \forall yP(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Note that $D \in [H + \text{Wel}_2]$, but $D \notin [H + \text{Wel}_1]$.

THEOREM. *Let L be any recursively axiomatizable intermediate predicate logic between $[H + \text{Lin} + \text{Wel}_1] \cap [H + \text{Lin} + \text{Wel}_2]$ and $[H + \text{Lin} + \text{Wel}_1 + \text{Wel}_2]$. Then L is KB-incomplete.*

COROLLARY. *The predicate logics $[H + \text{Lin} + \text{Wel}_1 + \text{Wel}_2]$, $[H + \text{Lin} + \text{Wel}_1 + D]$, and $[H + \text{Lin} + \text{Wel}_i]$ for $i = 1, 2$ are KB-incomplete.*

Incompleteness of these logics with respect to the usual Kripke semantics K was mentioned in [2]. The semantics of Kripke bundles KB is in fact stronger than K (see [1]).

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ŽELJKO SOKOLOVIĆ (with ANAND PILLAY), *Superstable differential fields*.

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E. Kolchin has developed a Galois theory for so-called strongly normal extensions. Using his method of associating an algebraic group for these extensions, we will indicate how to prove:

THEOREM. *A nontrivial superstable differential field has no proper strongly normal extensions.*

SERGEI V. SOLOVIEV, *λ -terms with functional symbols and closed categories*.

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There are various applications of weak systems of λ -calculus (or weak systems of natural deduction). In particular, they are very useful for representing the maps in free closed categories (see [1] and [2]). A more general case is also interesting: when a free closed category on a nonfree category is considered. We shall deal with a free symmetric monoidal closed category $C(V)$ on a nonfree symmetric monoidal category V . As in [1] and [2], there exists an isomorphism τ between morphisms in $C(V)$ and λ -terms of some weak system $T_{C(V)}$. Here $T_{C(V)}$ is the system in the language with functional systems corresponding to the morphisms of V . Also as in [1] and [2], on $T_{C(V)}$ we can define the equivalence relation \equiv such that $f = g$ in $C(V)$ iff $\tau(f) \equiv \tau(g)$. In the case when V is the symmetric monoidal category of permutations a deciding algorithm for \equiv is obtained using normalization in $T_{C(V)}$.

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AN. A. MUCHNIK AND S. F. SOPRUNOV, *Decidability of monadic theories of countable structures and of their classes*.

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We consider countable graphs of bounded degree, and assume that a numbering of edges going out from each node is fixed. Such a graph determines a first-order structure. The universe of this structure is the set of all nodes. The i th binary relation corresponds to the i th edge. We are interested in whether the monadic theory (MT) or weak monadic theory (WMT) of such a structure is decidable. We say that

monadic (weak monadic) structure S is *undecidable by nature* if any class of structures (having the same signature) which includes S has an undecidable MT (WMT).

A graph is called m -deducible if one can divide it into two parts, then divide each of them into two parts, and so on (the division process terminates when a part contains only one node) in such a way that the number of boundary edges for each part is less than m .

THEOREM 1. *A countable graph G is m -deducible for some m iff for some m each finite subgraph of G is m -deducible.*

THEOREM 2. *A plane square lattice is not m -deducible for any m .*

THEOREM 3. *The monadic structure of a graph G is undecidable by nature iff graph G is not m -deducible for any m .*

It is well known that for any unary predicate P the MT of the structure $\langle N; ', P \rangle$ is m -reducible to its WMT.

THEOREM 4. *There exists a unary predicate P on the binary tree T_2 (with successor functions t_0 and t_1) such that the WMT of $\langle T_2; t_0, t_1, P \rangle$ is decidable but its MT is undecidable.*

THEOREM 5. *If \succ is a well-ordering on a binary tree T_2 , then the weak monadic structure $\langle T_2; t_0, t_1, \succ \rangle$ is undecidable by nature.*

OTMAR SPINAS, *Inner product spaces in an iterated forcing model.*

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In [B, G], [Sp] and [Ba, Sp] it has been shown that the existence of a symmetric bilinear form on an uncountable-dimensional vector space E over a finite or countable field, sharing the property

$$(**) \quad (\text{for all subspaces } U \subseteq E) \dim U \geq \aleph_0 \rightarrow \dim U^\perp \leq \aleph_0$$

is independent of ZFC.

(**)-spaces exist under CH (see [B, G]) or in a model obtained by adjoining uncountably many Cohen reals.

(**)-spaces do not exist if $\mathfrak{p} > \aleph_1$ holds, where \mathfrak{p} is the Rothberger cardinal $\min\{|\mathcal{F}|: \mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega) \text{ has the finite intersection property and no infinite almost-intersection}\}$.

The question remained open whether under the condition $\mathfrak{p} = \aleph_1$ (**)-spaces always exist. We give a negative answer. By iterated forcing we construct a model where $\mathfrak{p} = \aleph_1$ and there exist no (**)-spaces.

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JAN HRIC AND PETR ŠTĚPÁNEK, *Remarks on logical operational semantics of PROLOG.*

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An algebraic framework for semantics of programming languages was recently proposed by Y. Gurevich [1988]. His approach is based on finite structures that evolve in time in the same way as real computers do. These structures are called *dynamic algebras* and allow us to give an operational semantics for real programming languages, in particular for the procedural ones. It was an open problem whether it is possible to describe in the same way the semantics of nonprocedural languages, especially of the PROLOG language based on the idea of logic programming.

In his pioneering paper, E. Börger [1990] described dynamic algebras giving a logical operational semantics for full PROLOG. In this paper, we shall attempt to give an operational logic semantics for PROLOG with a more specific description of unification as an essential part of resolution steps in PROLOG computations. Our aim is twofold: first we get a more concise description of computation and answer substitutions, and second, we get a more transparent description of terms and of built-in predicates of PROLOG that handle terms. We hope that we get this still on a reasonable level of abstraction that is not tied to a specific implementation.