

Let's go to the MALL!

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It is colloquial to interpret quantifiers via a 2-player game (e.g. when teaching kindergarteners the ϵ - δ definition of limit).

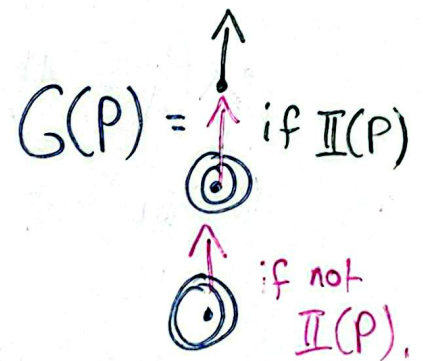
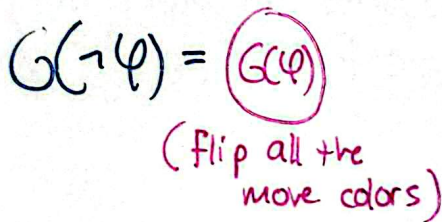
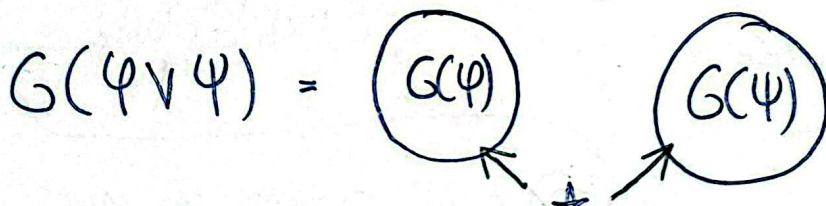
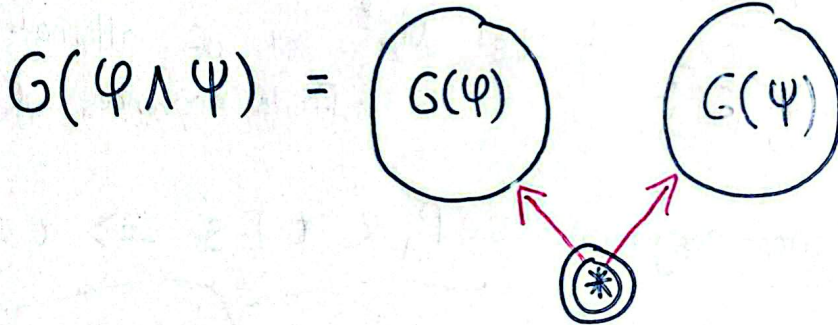
"the sequence $\{x_i\}_{i \in \omega}$ converges to x if no matter what $\epsilon > 0$ the opponent chooses, you (the player) can find some $\delta \in \omega$ such that any choice of $i \geq \delta$ by the opponent satisfies

$$\|x_i - x\| < \epsilon.$$



$$\forall \epsilon > 0. \exists \delta \in \omega. \forall i \geq \delta. \|x_i - x\| < \epsilon$$

OK, let's take this seriously as a truth definition for first-order logic: Fix a model (M, \mathbb{I})



i.e. \forall sequence of moves $\sigma: a$ a move b s.t. $\sigma: a.b$

$G(\forall x. \varphi(x))$ and $G(\exists x. \varphi(x))$ similar, ranging over $x \in M$.

Define: $(M, \mathbb{I}) \models \varphi \iff G(\varphi)$ has a winning strategy.

Hintikka Calls this the "semantic game". OK, and we (2) can actually show that

$$(M, \mathbb{I}) \models \varphi \iff (M, \mathbb{I}) \models_G \varphi$$

just to convince you that this is acceptable.

This is well and good, because the games we play are finite, and this stems from a lack of interiority in the atomic games. But suppose we want to formulate this as a categorical semantics. Then we have to say what is

$A \wedge B, A \vee B, \neg A$ etc. for arbitrary games A and B . And now this gets interesting, because we don't have to be finite. Let's be precise to start with:

Defn A game $A = (M_A, \lambda_A, P_A, W_A)$ consists of

- a set M_A of moves
- $\lambda_A: M_A \rightarrow \{ \oplus, \ominus \}$
- $P_A \subseteq M_A^*$ non-empty and $s \in P_A \ \& \ t \in s \implies t \in P_A$.

Let M_A^* set of alternating finite sequences of moves

set of positions.

Prefix-closed

Define P_A^∞ the set of all infinite sequence of moves S s.t. $\forall t \in S$ finite, $t \in P_A$.

- $W_A \subseteq P_A^\infty$ winning sequences.

Defn A play of A is $\pi \in P_A^{\leq \infty}$ s.t. $\pi = m^\ominus.p$ for some p .
(Opponent starts first, but there are positions starting with Player).

Remark Finite plays are winning if $\pi = p.m^\oplus$, otherwise losing.

Defn A strategy is a non-empty prefix-closed subset (3)

$\sigma \subseteq P_A$ satisfying

(s1) $a \cdot s \in \sigma \Rightarrow a$

(s2) $s \cdot a \in \sigma \ \& \ s \cdot b \in \sigma \Rightarrow a = b$

(s3) $s \in \sigma \ \& \ s \cdot a \in P_A \Rightarrow s \cdot a \in \sigma$

σ defines $\hat{\sigma} : s \cdot a \mapsto s \cdot a \cdot b$ (if any)

A counter-strategy is $\tau \subseteq P_A$ s.t. (s1) and (s2) and (s3)

Define $\langle \sigma | \tau \rangle = \sqcup (\sigma \cap \tau)$ the play resulting

from σ against τ . σ is winning if $\langle \sigma | \tau \rangle$ is winning

for every τ .

example In practice can make positions finite, to draw pictures

like



formally, $M_L = \{!, ?\}$, λ_L as coloured,

$P_L = \{ \epsilon, ?, !, ?!, !?, \dots \}$

Take $W_L = \{ !? !? !? \dots \}$ (and not the other one)

Defn The game $\neg A = (M_A, \overline{\lambda_A}, P_A, P_A^\infty - W_A)$. The game $A \vee B$

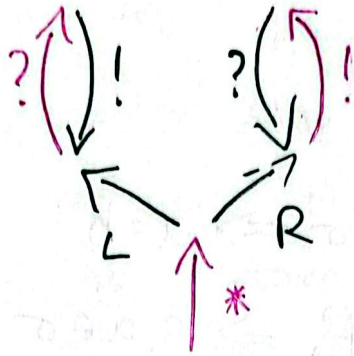
$M_{A \vee B} = M_A + M_B + \{ *^\ominus, L^\oplus, R^\oplus \}$ $\lambda_{A \vee B}$ as per λ_A and λ_B and as displayed

$P_{A \vee B} = \bigcup_{\epsilon} P_A^\oplus + P_B^\oplus \cup \{ * \cdot L \cdot P_A^\ominus + * \cdot R \cdot P_B^\ominus \}$

$W_{A \vee B} = \underline{\hspace{10em}} \parallel \underline{\hspace{10em}}$ with W instead of P_i

example The game $L \vee \neg L$

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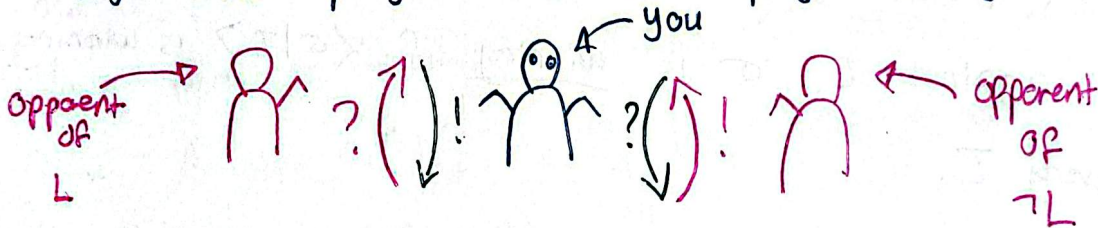


There is no winning strategy, i.e. $\nexists L \vee \neg L$.

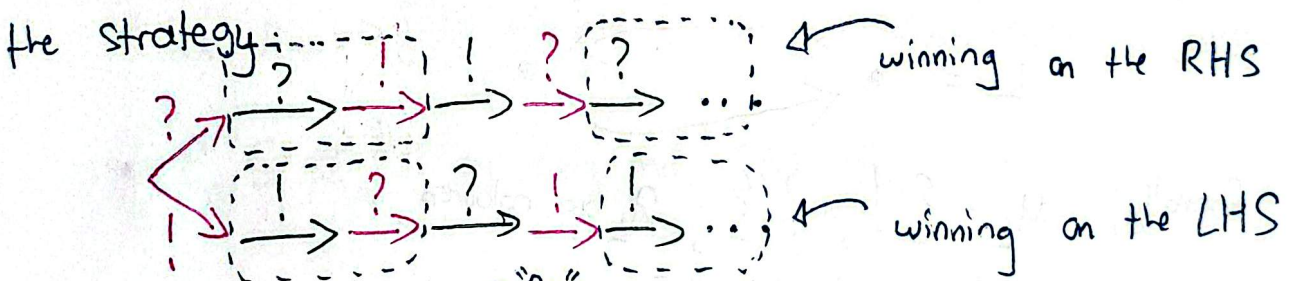
RIP the law of excluded middle.

(Some remark about "proof goes" of Hintikka)

So the problem is that you had to pick one game to play, either L or $\neg L$. But suppose you are a high ELO player and can play two games at once?



Remember that you only need to win one, so here's



Defn The game $A \wp B$:

$$M_{A \wp B} = M_A + M_B, \quad \lambda_{A \wp B} \text{ as in } \lambda_A \text{ or } \lambda_B.$$

$$P_{A \wp B} = \left\{ s \in M_{A \wp B}^{\oplus} \mid s \upharpoonright_A \in P_A \text{ and } s \upharpoonright_B \in P_B \text{ and } \forall G \in \{A, B\} \right. \\ \left. \forall t \in S. t = t' \cdot m^{\oplus} \cdot n^{\ominus} \text{ and } m \in M_G \Rightarrow n \in M_G \right\}$$

$$W_{A \wp B} = \left\{ w \in P_{A \wp B}^{\infty} \mid w \upharpoonright_A \in W_A \text{ or } w \upharpoonright_B \in W_B \right\}$$

theorem $\models \neg A \wp A$.

proof Do the "copycat strategy" e_A . Note that

$$W_{\neg A \wp A} = \{ w \mid w \upharpoonright_{\neg A} \notin W_A \text{ or } w \upharpoonright_A \in W_A \}$$

And $e_A = \{ s \in P_{\neg A \wp A} \mid \forall t \in s. t = t'. m^\ominus. n^\oplus$

and $(m \in M_{\neg A} \Rightarrow n \in M_A \text{ and } m=n)$

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i.e. e_A inductively generated by $\frac{}{e \in e_A}$ $\frac{s \in e_A \quad m^\ominus \in M_A}{s. m^\ominus. m^\oplus \in e_A}$ and vice versa.

Then $\forall \tau$ counter-strategy,

$$w' = \langle e_A \mid \tau \rangle \upharpoonright_{\neg A} = \langle e_A \mid \tau \rangle \upharpoonright_A$$

So clearly $w' \notin W_A$ or $w' \in W_A$

and hence $\langle e_A \mid \tau \rangle \in W_{\neg A \wp A}$.

(by meta-LEM which is fine, because our meta-logic is justified by finite games)

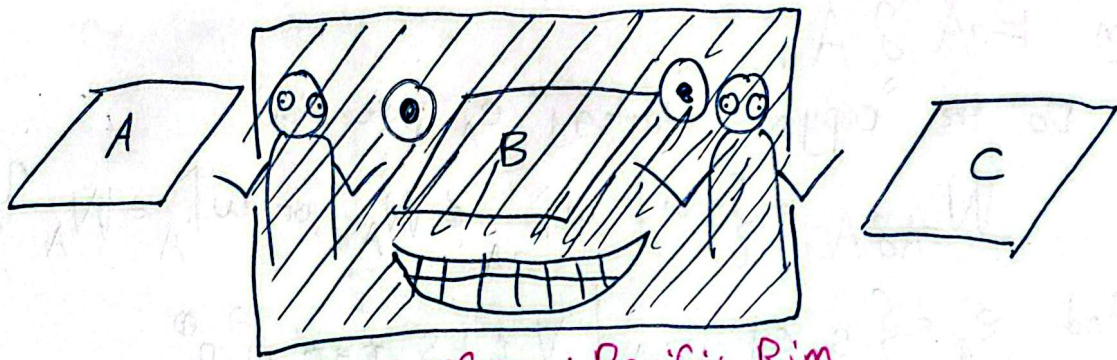
(essentially, one of your opponents is bound to win, so just play them against each other. Notice that this requires draws to never happen)

In classical logic, $A \rightarrow B \cong \neg A \vee B$. So this suggests we define an "implication" $A \multimap B := \neg A \wp B$, which we can use to define morphisms between games:

$$\text{Hom}(A, B) = \{ \sigma \text{ winning strategy for } \neg A \wp B \}$$

Computability/complexity theoretic interpretation: reduce the problem of beating B to winning A (which the A-player knows how to do)

What is $\sigma_1; \sigma_2$?



Cultural reference: Pacific Rim

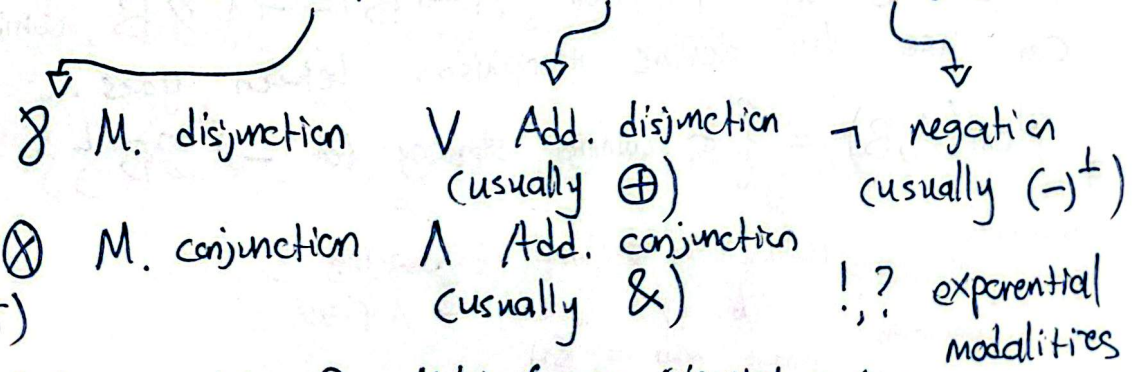
Important The robot must "think" to respond, i.e. internal play must occur.

Defn $L(A_1, A_2, A_3) = \left\{ s \in (M_{A_1} + M_{A_2} + M_{A_3})^\infty \mid \begin{array}{l} \forall t \in s \text{ finite.} \\ t = t'.m.n \ \& \\ m \in M_{A_i} \ \& \ n \in M_{A_j} \\ \Rightarrow |i-j| \leq 1. \end{array} \right\}$

$\sigma_1; \sigma_2 = \left\{ s \upharpoonright_{A,C} \mid s \in L(A,B,C) \ \& \ s \upharpoonright_{A,B} \in \sigma_1 \ \& \ s \upharpoonright_{B,C} \in \sigma_2 \right\}$

Theorem $\sigma_1; \sigma_2$ is winning. (in particular, robot cannot think forever)

So you get a category of \downarrow games \mathbb{G} . So, What is MALL? Multiplicative Additive Linear Logic



Theorem (AJ)

\mathbb{G} is fully complete for MLL (every win. strat morphism coes from a proof) (But for MALL, need ^{truly} concurrent + MIX goes!)

Defn (Sequent Calculus for MALL) Γ, Δ multi-sets. (7)
 (think of $\Gamma \vdash \Delta$ as $\otimes \Gamma - \otimes \Delta$)

$$\frac{}{A \vdash A} (Ax)$$

(compare with usual $\frac{}{\Gamma, A \vdash A, \Delta}$)

e.g. $\frac{}{B, A \vdash A}$

what if your opponent opens in B?

In general, multiple copies in Γ means you are able to leverage more information about that game (e.g. retrying Boss fights in games). Multiple copies in Δ means more trouble for you.

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash A^\perp, \Delta}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A, \Delta}{\Gamma, A^\perp \vdash \Delta}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, A, B}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, A \wp B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A \vdash \Delta_1 \quad B, \Gamma_2 \vdash \Delta_2}{\Gamma_1, A \wp B, \Gamma_2 \vdash \Delta_1, \Delta_2}$$

Dually,

$$\frac{\Gamma, A, B \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, A \otimes B \vdash \Delta}$$

this is the game $A \wp B$ for your opponent; so they get to choose the switches. in the worst cases, they may choose to play exclusively in A or exclusively in B. So if you can confidently address both possibilities, then you can prove this.

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \Delta_1, A \quad \Gamma_2 \vdash B, \Delta_2}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \Delta_1, A \otimes B, \Delta_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, A}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, A \oplus B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, B}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, A \oplus B}$$

you better be ready for one possibility.

(note: no contraction & weakening! the collapse the distinction

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \vdash \Delta \quad \Gamma, B \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, A \oplus B \vdash \Delta}$$

(you better be ready for both)

\wp vs \oplus
 & vs \otimes)

And the "bug":

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$$\frac{\vdash P \quad \vdash \Delta}{\vdash P, \Delta} \text{ (mix)}$$

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