

# VALIDITY & ENTAILMENT

## A model (example)

$$M = (D, I)$$

$$\{a, b\}$$

$$A^I = a$$

$$B^I = b$$

$$P^I = \{a, b\}$$

$$Q^I = \{a\}$$

for FO language  
with:

ind. const.: A, B

pred. const.: P, Q

(1-place)

func. consts: none

## Truth in a model (examples)

$\models_M \varphi$  "φ is true in M"  
 "M is a model of φ" } satisfaction  
 of φ by all  
 v.a. u, rel.  
 to M

$\models_M (\forall x P(x))$  for M as above  
 (proved on board & in handout)

$\models_M (\exists x Q(x))$  — " —

$\models_M (\forall x (Q(x) \Rightarrow P(x)))$  — " —

Generalize:  
 $\models_M \Delta$  iff  
 for all  $\varphi \in \Delta$ ,  
 $\models_M \varphi$

Note distinction in truth conditions between

"All P are Q"

"Everything is P"

"Some P are Q"

"Something is P"

## Validity $\vdash \varphi$

= truth in all models

= satisfaction by all v.a.'s rel. to all models

also called logical truth (independently  
 of "how the world is")

$\vdash \varphi$  iff for all models M,  $\models_M \varphi$

iff for all v.a. u & all models M,  
 $\models_M \varphi[u]$

## Examples

$P(c) \vee \neg P(c)$      $(\forall x (x = x))$      $P(c) \leftrightarrow \neg \neg P(c)$

schemas  $\varphi \vee \psi$      $(\forall v (v = v))$      $\varphi \leftrightarrow \neg \neg \psi$

prove  $\vdash (\varphi \vee \psi)$

## Unsatisfiability (logical falsehood)

$\varphi$  unsatisfiable

iff for all models  $M$ ,  $\not\models_M \varphi$

iff for all models  $M$ ,  $\models_M \neg\varphi$

i.e., false in all models,  
i.e., negation true in all models }  $\models \neg\varphi$

$\varphi \wedge \neg\varphi$ ,  $\neg(c \cdot c)$ ,  $(\varphi \Rightarrow \psi) \wedge \varphi \wedge \neg\psi$ , etc

Generalize:  $\Delta$  unsatisfiable iff

for all models  $M$ ,  $\not\models_M \Delta$  (i.e.,  
for some  $\varphi \in \Delta$ ,  $\not\models_M \varphi$ )

## Contingent formulas

dependent on "how things are"

$\varphi$  contingent iff for some model  $M$ ,  
 $\models_M \varphi$ , and for some model  $M'$ ,  $\not\models_{M'} \varphi$

$P(A)$ ,  $\text{Loves}(A, B)$ ,  $\forall x. P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x)$ , ...  
prove contingent

( $\varphi$  closed)  
assume

## Satisfiability

$\varphi$  satisfiable iff for some model  $M$ ,  
 $\models_M \varphi$

i.e.,  $\varphi$  is either valid or contingent

## Entailment $\Delta \models \varphi$ (logical consequence)

$\Delta \models \varphi$  iff all models of  $\Delta$  are models of  $\varphi$

i.e., iff for all models  $M$  s.t.  $\models_M \Delta$ ,  
we also have  $\models_M \varphi$

i.e., iff for all models  $M$  s.t. for all v.a.  $U$ ,  
 $\models_M \Delta[U]$ , we also have that for all  
v.a.  $U$ ,  $\models_M \varphi[U]$ .

$\neg\neg\varphi \models \varphi$ ,  $\{\varphi, \varphi \Rightarrow \psi\} \models \psi$ ,

$\forall x. P(x) \models P(A)$ ,  $\underbrace{P(A) \wedge \neg P(A)}_{\text{true in no models}} \models Q(B)$