

SUBSTITUTIONS FOR PREDICATE VARIABLES AND FUNCTIONAL VARIABLES

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The customary descriptions regarding substitution for predicate variables are quite involved and sometimes more restrictive than would be necessary. A precise statement of the conditions under which this type of substitution is permissible is very complex and often has been inadequate in rendering a validity-preserving substitution rule (for a detailed account with references see Church [1], pp. 289-290). Some of the difficulties arise from the restrictions placed on the formation rules for (well-formed) formulas; these restrictions range from the inadmissibility of vacuous quantifiers or quantifiers within the scope of quantifiers using the same variables, to the requirement that no variable may occur free and bound in the same formula. Although such restrictions placed on formulas appear to be impractical in many respects, even less restrictive formulation rules do not eliminate the complications inherent in the process involving substitution for predicate variables. Additional difficulties occur when an adequate formulation of substitution for functional variables is considered.

In this paper* we present recursive definitions of substitution for predicate variables as well as for functional variables which seem to be at least as general as the usual formulations and which at the same time avoid complex descriptions. The scope of our definition of substitution for predicate variables is essentially the same as the description given by Church [1], pp. 192-193. The adequacy of our formulations for both types of substitution will be established by showing that each type of substitution preserves validity.

1 *The formal language*

1.1 The list of *primitive symbols* of our formal language includes

*A description of both types of substitution was first presented at the 1974 meeting of the Association for Symbolic Logic in New York [3].

- (1) a denumerable set of individual variables
- (2) a countable set of individual constants
- (3) for each integer $n > 0$ a countable set of n -ary functional variables
- (4) for each integer $n \geq 0$ a countable set of n -ary predicate variables
- (5) the identity symbol \equiv
- (6) the propositional connectives \neg and \wedge
- (7) the universal quantifier \forall
- (8) the parentheses $(,)$.

Other propositional connectives and the existential quantifier may be introduced by definition in the customary manner; our further formulations are easily modified to accommodate these additional symbols.

1.2 *Terms* are defined inductively as follows:

- (1) Each individual variable and each individual constant is a term (of length 1).
- (2) If f is an n -ary functional variable and t_1, \dots, t_n are terms (of lengths m_1, \dots, m_n , respectively) then $ft_1 \dots t_n$ is a term (of length $m_1 + \dots + m_n + 1$).

Atomic formulas are defined as follows:

- (1) Each 0-ary predicate variable is an atomic formula.
- (2) If t_1, \dots, t_n are terms and P is an n -ary predicate variable then $Pt_1 \dots t_n$ is an atomic formula.
- (3) If t_1 and t_2 are terms then $t_1 \equiv t_2$ is an atomic formula.

Formulas are defined inductively by the following conditions:

- (1) Each atomic formula is a formula (of rank 0).
- (2) If B is a formula (of rank n) then $(\neg B)$ is a formula (of rank $n + 1$).
- (3) If B and C are formulas (of ranks m and n , respectively) then $(B \wedge C)$ is a formula (of rank $m + n + 1$).
- (4) If B is a formula (of rank n) and x is any individual variable then $(\forall x B)$ is a formula (of rank $n + 1$).

1.3 If t_0 is any term in which each occurrence of the individual variable x is replaced simultaneously by the term t , then the resulting term will be indicated by $t_0[x/t]$. Furthermore, we shall write $t_0[x^n/t^n]$ in place of $t_0[x_1/t_1][x_2/t_2] \dots [x_n/t_n]$. Note that if x_1, \dots, x_n are distinct individual variables not occurring in any of the terms t_1, \dots, t_n then $t_0[x^n/t^n]$ can be obtained by simultaneous replacements of t_1, \dots, t_n for x_1, \dots, x_n , respectively, in t_0 .

The notion of *free* occurrence of a term t in a formula A can be described inductively according to the rank of A as follows:

- (1) Any occurrence of a term t in an atomic formula is free.
- (2) If t occurs free in the formula B then t occurs free in the formula $(\neg B)$.
- (3) If t occurs free in the formula B or in the formula C then t occurs free in the formula $(B \wedge C)$.

- (4) If t occurs free in the formula B and x is an individual variable not occurring in t , then t occurs free in the formula $(\forall xB)$.

An occurrence of an individual variable in a formula which is not a free occurrence is said to be a *bound* occurrence.

If A is any formula, x any individual variable, and t any term, and there exists a formula B which is the result of replacing in A each free occurrence of x by a free occurrence of t , then B is said to be obtained from A by a *free substitution* of t for x , abbreviated: $\mathbf{Sf}A(x/t)B$. An inductive definition of $\mathbf{Sf}A(x/t)B$ is:

- (1) If A is an atomic formula and B results from A upon simultaneously replacing in A each occurrence of x by t , then $\mathbf{Sf}A(x/t)B$.
- (2) If $A = (\neg A_1)$ and $\mathbf{Sf}A_1(x/t)B_1$ then $\mathbf{Sf}A(x/t)B$ with $B = (\neg B_1)$.
- (3) If $A = (A_1 \wedge A_2)$, $\mathbf{Sf}A_1(x/t)B_1$ and $\mathbf{Sf}A_2(x/t)B_2$, then $\mathbf{Sf}A(x/t)B$ with $B = (B_1 \wedge B_2)$.
- (4) (a) If $A = (\forall yA_1)$ and x does not occur free in A , then $\mathbf{Sf}A(x/t)A$.
 (b) If $A = (\forall yA_1)$, x is free in A , y does not occur in t , and $\mathbf{Sf}A_1(x/t)B_1$, then $\mathbf{Sf}A(x/t)B$ with $B = (\forall yB_1)$.

We shall indicate by $\mathbf{Sf}A(x^n/t^n)B$ that there exist formulas $B_1, \dots, B_n (= B)$ such that $\mathbf{Sf}A(x_1/t_1)B_1, \dots, \mathbf{Sf}A(x_n/t_n)B_n$. Note that if x_1, \dots, x_n are distinct individual variables not occurring in any of the terms t_1, \dots, t_n , then this consecutive free substitution leads to the same result as a simultaneous free substitution of x_i by t_i for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

2 Semantical concepts

2.1 Let ω be any non-empty domain of individuals. I is said to be an ω -*interpretation* iff I is a function whose domain consists of all individual variables, all individual constants, all functional variables, and all predicate variables, and whose range is such that:

- $I(x) \in \omega$ for each individual variable x
- $I(c) \in \omega$ for each individual constant c
- $I(f^n) \in \omega^{(\omega^n)}$ for each n -ary functional variable f^n
- $I(P^0) \in \{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{F}\}$ for each 0-ary predicate variable P^0
- $I(P^n) \subseteq \omega^n$ for each n -ary predicate variable P^n where $n > 0$.

If I is any ω -interpretation, x any individual variable, and d any individual of ω , then I_x^d denotes the function which coincides with I for all arguments other than x and for which $I_x^d(x) = d$. Clearly, I_x^d is again an ω -interpretation with $I_x^d(f) = I(f)$ and $I_x^d(P) = I(P)$ for any functional variable f and any predicate variable P . Furthermore, we note that $I_x^{I(x)} = I$, and $I_x^{dd'} = I_y^{d'd}$ for $x \neq y$.

According to the above definition, $I(t)$ is already defined for any term t which is an individual variable or an individual constant; on this basis we extend the definition inductively to any term t by the stipulation: $I(ft_1 \dots t_n) = I(f)(I(t_1), \dots, I(t_n))$. Induction on the length of the term t_0

shows that for any ω -interpretation I : $I_x^{I(t)}(t_0) = I(t_0[x/t])$. This relationship can be generalized:

Lemma 1 *If z_1, \dots, z_n are distinct individual variables not occurring in any of the terms t_1, \dots, t_n , then for any ω -interpretation I and for any term t_0 :*

$$I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(t_0) = I(t_0[z^n/t^n])$$

Proof: (by induction on the length of t_0)

1. (a) If $t_0 = c$ then

$$I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(t_0) = I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(c) = I(c) = I(c[z^n/t^n]) = I(t_0[z^n/t^n])$$
- (b) If $t_0 = x$ with $x \neq z_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$, then

$$I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(t_0) = I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(x) = I(x) = I(x[z^n/t^n]) = I(t_0[z^n/t^n])$$
- (c) If $t_0 = x$ with $x = z_i$ for some (and hence exactly one) $i = 1, \dots, n$ then

$$\begin{aligned} I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(t_0) &= I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(z_i) \\ &= I(t_i) \text{ since } z_i \text{ occurs exactly once among } z_1, \dots, z_n \\ &= I(z_i[z^n/t^n]) \text{ since } z_i \text{ does not occur in } t_1, \dots, t_n \\ &= I(x[z^n/t^n]) = I(t_0[z^n/t^n]). \end{aligned}$$
2. If $t_0 = ft'_1 \dots t'_r$ and, by induction hypothesis, for $k = 1, \dots, r$:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(t'_k) &= I(t'_k[z^n/t^n]), \text{ then:} \\ I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(t_0) &= I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(ft'_1 \dots t'_r) \\ &= I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(f)(I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(t'_1), \dots, I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)}(t'_r)) \\ &= I(f)(I(t'_1[z^n/t^n]), \dots, I(t'_r[z^n/t^n])) \quad \text{Induction Hypothesis} \\ &= I(ft'_1[z^n/t^n] \dots t'_r[z^n/t^n]) = I(t_0[z^n/t^n]). \end{aligned}$$

2.2 Let I be any ω -interpretation; the notion that I is an ω -model of a formula A , abbreviated $\text{Mod}_\omega I A$, is defined inductively according to the rank of A as follows:

- (1) (a) $\text{Mod}_\omega I P^0$ iff $I(P^0) = T$
 (b) $\text{Mod}_\omega I P t_1 \dots t_n$ iff $\langle I(t_1), \dots, I(t_n) \rangle \in I(P)$
 (c) $\text{Mod}_\omega I t_1 \equiv t_2$ iff $I(t_1) = I(t_2)$
- (2) $\text{Mod}_\omega I (\neg B)$ iff not $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$
- (3) $\text{Mod}_\omega I (B \wedge C)$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$ and $\text{Mod}_\omega I C$
- (4) $\text{Mod}_\omega I (\forall x B)$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega I_x^d B$ for each $d \in \omega$.

A formula A is said to be ω -valid iff $\text{Mod}_\omega I A$ for each ω -interpretation I ; A is called *valid* iff A is ω -valid for each (non-empty) individual domain ω .

The notions of ω -interpretation and ω -model as formulated here are adapted from Hermes [2], pp. 78-79.

2.3 Two ω -interpretations I and J are said to *coincide* with respect to a formula A iff $I(f) = J(f)$ for each functional variable f occurring in A , $I(P) = J(P)$ for each predicate variable P occurring in A , $I(c) = J(c)$ for each individual constant c occurring in A , and $I(x) = J(x)$ for each individual variable x occurring *free* in A .

Proofs for the following two theorems can be found in [2], pp. 83-85.

Coincidence Theorem: *If I and J are two ω -interpretations which coincide with respect to a formula A then: $\text{Mod}_\omega I A$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A$.*

Substitution Theorem: *If $\text{Sf}A(x/t)B$ and I is any ω -interpretation, then: $\text{Mod}_\omega I_x^{I(t)} A$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$.*

This substitution theorem can be generalized as follows:

Lemma 2 *If z_1, \dots, z_n are distinct individual variables not occurring in any of the terms t_1, \dots, t_n and $\text{Sf}A(z^n/t^n)B$, then for any ω -interpretation I : $\text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)} A$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$.*

Proof: Since $\text{Sf}A(z^n/t^n)B$, there exist formulas $B_1, \dots, B_n = B$ such that $\text{Sf}A(z_1/t_1)B_1, \dots, \text{Sf}A(z_n/t_n)B_n$. Now:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{I(t_1) \dots I(t_n)} A \\
 & \quad \text{iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_n \dots z_1}^{I(t_n) \dots I(t_1)} A && \text{since } z_1, \dots, z_n \text{ are all distinct} \\
 & \quad \text{iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_n \dots z_2}^{I(t_n) \dots I(t_2)} I_{z_1}^{I(t_1)} A && \text{since } z_2, \dots, z_n \text{ do not occur in } t_1 \text{ and hence } I_{z_n \dots z_2}^{I(t_n) \dots I(t_2)}(t_1) = I(t_1) \\
 & \quad \text{iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_n \dots z_2}^{I(t_n) \dots I(t_2)} B_1 && \text{Substitution Theorem} \\
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 & \quad \text{iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_n z_{n-1}}^{I(t_n) I(t_{n-1})} B_{n-2} \\
 & \quad \text{iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_n z_{n-1}}^{I(t_n) I(t_{n-1})} B_{n-2} && \text{since } z_n \text{ does not occur in } t_{n-1} \text{ and hence } I_{z_n}^{I(t_n)}(t_{n-1}) = I(t_{n-1}) \\
 & \quad \text{iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_n}^{I(t_n)} B_{n-1} && \text{Substitution Theorem} \\
 & \quad \text{iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I B_n && \text{Substitution Theorem}
 \end{aligned}$$

It might be noticed that in this lemma the conditions placed on z_1, \dots, z_n could be relaxed; the proof of the lemma indicates that it would suffice to require that z_1, \dots, z_n are distinct individual variables with z_{k+1}, \dots, z_n not occurring in t_k for $k = 1, \dots, n-1$.

3 Substitution for predicate variables

3.1 Consider a formula A together with an n -ary predicate variable P , and let z_1, \dots, z_n be n distinct individual variables not occurring in A . The atomic formula $Pz_1 \dots z_n$ will be called a *name form* of P with the *name variables* z_1, \dots, z_n . Furthermore, let H^* be a formula, called a *substituend* for the name form $Pz_1 \dots z_n$ of P , whose free individual variables other than z_1, \dots, z_n are referred to as the *parameters* of H^* . If now t_1, \dots, t_n are any terms, then $Pt_1 \dots t_n$ is called a *derivative* of the name form $Pz_1 \dots z_n$ of P , and $H^*(z_1/t_1, \dots, z_n/t_n)$ is called the *corresponding derivative* of the substituend H^* ; here $H^*(z_1/t_1, \dots, z_n/t_n)$ indicates the formula which is obtained from H^* upon replacing simultaneously each free occurrence of z_k in H^* by t_k for $k = 1, \dots, n$.

In terms of these notions, substitution for predicate variables can be described as follows: The formula A is said to be transformed into the formula B by a substitution of H^* for $Pz_1 \dots z_n$, abbreviated: $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)B$, iff B is obtained from A upon replacing in A each occurrence of a derivative of the name form $Pz_1 \dots z_n$ by the corresponding derivative of

the substituend H^* , provided that: (i) P does not occur in a component formula $(\forall x A_1)$ of A if x is a parameter of H^* , and (ii) the name variable z_k , $k = 1, \dots, n$, is not free in a component formula $(\forall x H)$ of H^* if $P t_1 \dots t_n$ occurs in A with x occurring in t_k . If conditions (i) and (ii) are not satisfied, then the indicated substitution for predicate variables is left undefined.

It should be noted that the restriction (i) prevents the binding of parameters; and the conditions (ii) ensures that the corresponding derivatives of the substituend are obtained by *free* term substitutions.

3.2 The above description of substitution for predicate variables can be presented in form of a recursive definition in accordance with the recursive definition of formula.

Recursive definition of Sub $A(Pz^n/H^)B$* It is assumed that z_1, \dots, z_n are distinct individual variables which do not occur in A .

- (1) (a) If A is an atomic formula not containing P then $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)A$.
 (b) If $A = P t_1 \dots t_n$ and $\text{Sf } H^*(z^n/t^n)B$, then $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)B$.
- (2) If $A = (\neg A_1)$ and $\text{Sub } A_1(Pz^n/H^*)B_1$, then $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)(\neg B_1)$.
- (3) If $A = (A_1 \wedge A_2)$, $\text{Sub } A_1(Pz^n/H^*)B_1$, and $\text{Sub } A_2(Pz^n/H^*)B_2$, then $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)(B_1 \wedge B_2)$.
- (4) (a) If $A = (\forall x A_1)$ and P does not occur in A then $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)A$.
 (b) If $A = (\forall x A_1)$, P occurs in A , x is not free in H^* , and $\text{Sub } A_1(Pz^n/H^*)B_1$, then $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)(\forall x B_1)$.

This definition of substitution for predicate variables includes the degenerate case where $n = 0$; in this case the above definition reduces to a substitution for 0-ary predicate variables (i.e., propositional variables).

3.3 Substitution for predicate variables, as defined here, preserves validity; our proof is based on the following lemma:

Lemma 3 *Let $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)B$; let I and J be any ω -interpretations which differ at most with respect to P and which are such that $J(P) = \{\langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \in \omega^n \mid \text{Mod}_\omega I z_1^{d_1} \dots z_n^{d_n} H^*\}$; then $\text{Mod}_\omega I B \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A$.*

Proof: Suppose: (i) $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)B$, (ii) I and J are ω -interpretations which differ at most with respect to P , and which are such that (iii) $J(P) = \{\langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \in \omega^n \mid \text{Mod}_\omega I z_1^{d_1} \dots z_n^{d_n} H^*\}$. First, if P does not occur in A , then $B = A$ and I and J coincide with respect to A so that by the coincidence theorem we get trivially $\text{Mod}_\omega I B \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A$. Hence it can be assumed that P occurs in A . The proof of the lemma is by induction on the rank of A .

- (1) If A is an atomic formula then $A = P t_1 \dots t_n$ for some terms t_1, \dots, t_n since by assumption P occurs in A . By (i) it follows that $\text{Sf } H^*(z^n/t^n)B$. Hence:

$$\text{Mod}_\omega I B \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I z_1^{l(t_1)} \dots z_n^{l(t_n)} H^*$$

Lemma 2

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{iff } \langle I(t_1), \dots, I(t_n) \rangle \in J(P) && \text{by (iii)} \\
 & \text{iff } \langle J(t_1), \dots, J(t_n) \rangle \in J(P) && \text{by (ii)} \\
 & \text{iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J P t_1 \dots t_n \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A.
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) If $A = (\neg A_1)$ then by (i) there exists a formula B_1 such that $B = (\neg B_1)$ and $\text{Sub } A_1(Pz^n/H^*)B_1$. By induction hypothesis we have: $\text{Mod}_\omega I B_1$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A_1$; thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Mod}_\omega I B & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I (\neg B_1) \\
 & \text{ iff not } \text{Mod}_\omega I B_1 \\
 & \text{ iff not } \text{Mod}_\omega J A_1 && \text{Induction Hypothesis} \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J (\neg A_1) \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A.
 \end{aligned}$$

(3) If $A = (A_1 \wedge A_2)$ then by (i) there exist formulas B_1 and B_2 such that $B = (B_1 \wedge B_2)$, $\text{Sub } A_1(Pz^n/H^*)B_1$ and $\text{Sub } A_2(Pz^n/H^*)B_2$. The induction hypothesis yields: $\text{Mod}_\omega I B_1$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A_1$ and $\text{Mod}_\omega I B_2$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A_2$. Hence:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Mod}_\omega I B & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I (B_1 \wedge B_2) \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I B_1 \text{ and } \text{Mod}_\omega I B_2 \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A_1 \text{ and } \text{Mod}_\omega J A_2 && \text{Induction Hypothesis} \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J (A_1 \wedge A_2) \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A.
 \end{aligned}$$

(4) Let $A = (\forall x A_1)$; since by assumption P occurs in A , it follows from (i) that x is not free in H^* and that there exists a formula B_1 with $B = (\forall x B_1)$ and $\text{Sub } A_1(Pz^n/H^*)B_1$. The induction hypothesis states: If I' and J' are any ω -interpretations which differ at most with respect to P and which are such that $J'(P) = \{\langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \in \omega^n \mid \text{Mod}_\omega I' z_1^{d_1} \dots z_n^{d_n} H^*\}$, then $\text{Mod}_\omega I' B_1$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J' A_1$. Now I_x^d and J_x^d are ω -interpretations which differ at most with respect to P in view of (ii); moreover,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \in J_x^d(P) \\
 & \text{ iff } \langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \in J(P) && \text{since } J \text{ and } J_x^d \text{ differ at most in } x \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{d_1 \dots d_n} H^* && \text{by (iii)} \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_1 \dots z_n x}^{d_1 \dots d_n d} H^* && \text{Coincidence Theorem; } x \text{ is not free in } H^* \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_{x z_1 \dots z_n}^{d d_1 \dots d_n} H^* && \text{since } x \text{ is different from } z_1, \dots, z_n \text{ which in} \\
 & && \text{turn follows from the fact that } x \text{ occurs in} \\
 & && A = (\forall x A_1) \text{ while } z_1, \dots, z_n \text{ do not occur in } A.
 \end{aligned}$$

From $\langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \in J_x^d(P)$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega I_{x z_1 \dots z_n}^{d d_1 \dots d_n} H^*$ it follows that $J_x^d(P) = \{\langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \in \omega^n \mid \text{Mod}_\omega I_{x z_1 \dots z_n}^{d d_1 \dots d_n} H^*\}$ and hence (#) $\text{Mod}_\omega I_x^d B_1$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J_x^d A_1$, by the induction hypothesis. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Mod}_\omega I B & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I (\forall x B_1) \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_x^d B_1 \text{ for each } d \in \omega \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J_x^d A_1 \text{ for each } d \in \omega && \text{by (#)} \\
 & \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J (\forall x A_1) \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A.
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 3. The following substitution rule is an immediate consequence of this lemma.

Rule for substitution of predicate variables: *If $\text{Sub } A(Pz^n/H^*)B$ and A is valid, then B is valid.*

Proof: Suppose B is not valid; then there exists an individual domain ω and an ω -interpretation I such that $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$. Let J be the ω -interpretation which differs from I at most with respect to P and which is such that $J(P) = \{\langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \in \omega^n \mid \text{Mod}_\omega I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{d_1 \dots d_n} H^* \}$. It follows from Lemma 3 that $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A$. Since not $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$, we get thus not $\text{Mod}_\omega J A$, and hence A is not valid. Thus the validity of A implies the validity of B .

4 Substitution for functional variables

4.1 A substitution of an n -ary functional variable f by a term t^* in a formula A is a replacement of each occurrence of a term starting with f by a "corresponding" replacement instance of t^* , subject to certain conditions so as to ensure that validity is preserved. A descriptive formulation analogous to that given for substitution of predicate variables using name forms, etc., is complicated by the fact that an occurrence of the functional variable f in a formula can be within the "scope" of another occurrence of f in the same term. Since substitution for a functional variable f requires replacement at *each* occurrence of f in a formula, such iterated occurrences of f in a formula must be replaced in a corresponding iterated manner. Because of this intricate situation we shall not attempt to give a descriptive formulation of substitution for functional variables, but rather proceed at once with a recursive definition.

4.2 In order to facilitate our recursive definition of substitution for functional variables, we introduce first as an auxiliary notion a term substitution operator $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}$ which is applicable to any term t .

Definition of $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^}(t)$* By induction on the length of t :

- (1) If t is an individual variable or constant then $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t) = t$.
- (2) (a) If $t = gt_1 \dots t_r$ where g is any r -ary functional variable different from f then $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t) = g\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \dots \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_r)$.
- (b) If $t = ft_1 \dots t_n$ then $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t) = t^* [z^n / \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t^n)]$ where $t^* [z^n / \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t^n)]$ stands for $t^* [z_1 / \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1)] \dots [z_n / \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_n)]$.

With the help of this notion of term substitution, the concept of substitution for functional variables in a formula can be defined inductively in a similar manner as was done in the case of substitution for predicate variables. We shall indicate by $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)B$ that B is the formula obtainable from the formula A upon substituting in A for each occurrence of a term involving the n -ary functional variable f a corresponding term of the substituent t^* .

Recursive definition of $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^)B$* It is assumed that z_1, \dots, z_n are distinct individual variables which do not occur in A .

- (1) (a) If $A = P^0$ then $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)A$.

- (b) If $A = Pt_1 \dots t_m$ then $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)P\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \dots \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_m)$.
 (c) If $A = t_1 \equiv t_2$ then $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \equiv \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_2)$.
- (2) If $A = (\neg A_1)$ and $\text{Sub } A_1(fz^n/t^*)B_1$, then $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)(\neg B_1)$.
- (3) If $A = (A_1 \wedge A_2)$, $\text{Sub } A_1(fz^n/t^*)B_1$, and $\text{Sub } A_2(fz^n/t^*)B_2$, then $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)(B_1 \wedge B_2)$.
- (4) (a) If $A = (\forall x A_1)$ and f does not occur in A , then $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)A$.
 (b) If $A = (\forall x A_1)$, f occurs in A , x does not occur in t^* , and $\text{Sub } A_1(fz^n/t^*)B_1$, then $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)(\forall x B_1)$.

From the definition it follows at once that $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)A$ if A is a formula which does not contain f . Furthermore, if $(\forall x A_1)$ is a component formula of A which also contains the functional variable f and x occurs in t^* , then according to our definition there does not exist a formula B with $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)B$.

4.3 In order to show that this type of substitution preserves validity, we establish first the following lemma:

Lemma 4 *Let $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)B$; let I and J be ω -interpretations which differ at most with respect to f and which are such that for all $d_1, \dots, d_n \in \omega$: $J(f)(d_1, \dots, d_n) = I_{z_1^d \dots z_n^d}^{d_1 \dots d_n}(t^*)$; then $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A$.*

Proof: Suppose: (i) $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)B$, (ii) I and J are ω -interpretations which differ at most with respect to f , and which are such that (iii) $J(f)(d_1, \dots, d_n) = I_{z_1^d \dots z_n^d}^{d_1 \dots d_n}(t^*)$ for all $d_1, \dots, d_n \in \omega$. By induction on the length of t we show first that for any term t :

$$(\#) \quad J(t) = I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t)) \quad .$$

Indeed, if t is an individual variable or an individual constant, then $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t) = t$ and by (ii) it follows that $J(t) = I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t))$.

Next, if $t = gt_1 \dots t_r$ with $g \neq f$ then by definition of $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}$: $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t) = g\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \dots \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_r)$ and hence

$$\begin{aligned} J(t) &= J(gt_1 \dots t_r) \\ &= J(g)(J(t_1), \dots, J(t_r)) \\ &= I(g)(J(t_1), \dots, J(t_r)) && \text{by (ii)} \\ &= I(g)(I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1)), \dots, I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_r))) && \text{Induction Hypothesis} \\ &= I(g\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \dots \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_r)) = I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t)). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, if $t = ft_1 \dots t_n$ then by definition of $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}$ we have $\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t) = t^* [z^n / \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t^n)]$ and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} J(t) &= J(ft_1 \dots t_n) \\ &= J(f)(J(t_1), \dots, J(t_n)) \\ &= I_{z_1^J \dots z_n^J}^{J(t_1) \dots J(t_n)}(t^*) && \text{by (iii)} \\ &= I_{z_1^J \dots z_n^J}^{I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1)) \dots I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_n))}(t^*) && \text{Induction Hypothesis} \\ &= I(t^* [z^n / \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t^n)]) && \text{by Lemma 1} \\ &= I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t)). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the inductive proof of property (#). In order to prove now the lemma, we note first that if f does not occur in A then $B = A$ so that in view of (ii) and the coincidence theorem we get at once: $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A$. Hence we can assume that f occurs in A . The lemma is now proved by induction on the rank of A .

(1) If A is an atomic formula then A has one of the following two forms: (a) $A = Pt_1 \dots t_m$ or (b) $A = t_1 \equiv t_2$. By (i) we get in case (a): $B = P\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \dots \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_m)$ and therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mod}_\omega I B &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I P\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \dots \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_m) \\ &\text{ iff } \langle I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1)), \dots, I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_m)) \rangle \in I(P) \\ &\text{ iff } \langle J(t_1), \dots, J(t_m) \rangle \in J(P) && \text{by (\#) and (ii)} \\ &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J Pt_1 \dots t_m \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A. \end{aligned}$$

In case (b) we have by (i): $B = \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \equiv \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_2)$ and therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mod}_\omega I B &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1) \equiv \Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_2) \\ &\text{ iff } I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_1)) = I(\Delta_{fz^n}^{t^*}(t_2)) \\ &\text{ iff } J(t_1) = J(t_2) && \text{by (\#)} \\ &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J t_1 \equiv t_2 \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A. \end{aligned}$$

(2) If $A = (\neg A_1)$ then by (i) there exists a formula B_1 such that $B = (\neg B_1)$ and $\text{Sub } A_1(fz^n/t^*)B_1$. By induction hypothesis we have: $\text{Mod}_\omega I B_1$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A_1$. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mod}_\omega I B &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I (\neg B_1) \\ &\text{ iff not } \text{Mod}_\omega I B_1 \\ &\text{ iff not } \text{Mod}_\omega J A_1 && \text{Induction Hypothesis} \\ &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J (\neg A_1) \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A. \end{aligned}$$

(3) If $A = (A_1 \wedge A_2)$ then by (i) there exist formulas B_1 and B_2 such that $B = (B_1 \wedge B_2)$, $\text{Sub } A_1(fz^n/t^*)B_1$, and $\text{Sub } A_2(fz^n/t^*)B_2$. By induction hypothesis we have: $\text{Mod}_\omega I B_1$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A_1$ and $\text{Mod}_\omega I B_2$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A_2$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mod}_\omega I B &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I (B_1 \wedge B_2) \\ &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I B_1 \text{ and } \text{Mod}_\omega I B_2 \\ &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A_1 \text{ and } \text{Mod}_\omega J A_2 && \text{Induction Hypothesis} \\ &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J (A_1 \wedge A_2) \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A. \end{aligned}$$

(4) If $A = (\forall x A_1)$ then by (i) there exists a formula B_1 such that $B = (\forall x B_1)$, x does not occur in t^* , and $\text{Sub } A_1(fz^n/t^*)B_1$. The induction hypothesis states: If I' and J' are any ω -interpretations which differ at most with respect to f and which are such that $J'(f)(d_1, \dots, d_n) = I'_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{d_1 \dots d_n}(t^*)$ for all $d_1, \dots, d_n \in \omega$, then: $\text{Mod}_\omega I' B_1$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J' A_1$. Consider now the ω -interpretations I_x^d and J_x^d which in view of (ii) differ at most with respect to f . Moreover, we have for all $d_1, \dots, d_n \in \omega$:

$$\begin{aligned} J_x^d(f)(d_1, \dots, d_n) &= J(f)(d_1, \dots, d_n) && \text{since } J \text{ and } J_x^d \text{ differ at} \\ & && \text{most with respect to } x \\ &= I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{d_1 \dots d_n}(t^*) && \text{by (iii)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{d_1 \dots d_n} x(t^*) && \text{since } x \text{ does not occur in } t^* \\
 &= I_{x z_1 \dots z_n}^d x(t^*) && \text{since } x \text{ is different from } z_1, \dots, z_n \text{ which in} \\
 & && \text{turn follows from the fact that } x \text{ occurs in} \\
 & && A = (\forall x A_1) \text{ whereas } z_1, \dots, z_n \text{ do not occur} \\
 & && \text{in } A.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $J_x^d(f)(d_1, \dots, d_n) = I_{x z_1 \dots z_n}^{d_1 \dots d_n}(t^*)$, it follows by induction hypothesis that $\text{Mod}_\omega I_x^d B_1$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J_x^d A_1$ for all $d \in \omega$, and hence:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Mod}_\omega I B &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I(\forall x B_1) \\
 &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega I_x^d B_1 \text{ for all } d \in \omega \\
 &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J_x^d A_1 \text{ for all } d \in \omega \\
 &\text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J(\forall x A_1) \text{ iff } \text{Mod}_\omega J A.
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the inductive proof of Lemma 4. On the basis of this lemma we get at once the following substitution rule.

Rule for substitution of functional variables: *If $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)B$ and A is valid, then B is valid.*

Proof: Suppose $\text{Sub } A(fz^n/t^*)B$ and assume that B is not valid. Then there is an individual domain ω and an ω -interpretation I such that $\text{not Mod}_\omega I B$. Let J be the ω -interpretation which differs from I at most with respect to f and which is such that for all $d_1, \dots, d_n \in \omega$: $J(f)(d_1, \dots, d_n) = I_{z_1 \dots z_n}^{d_1 \dots d_n}(t^*)$. By Lemma 4 it follows that $\text{Mod}_\omega I B$ iff $\text{Mod}_\omega J A$. Since $\text{not Mod}_\omega I B$, we have thus $\text{not Mod}_\omega J A$ so that A is not valid. Therefore, the validity of A implies the validity of B .

5 As an *illustration* for the two types of substitution discussed in this paper, consider the formula

$$A = (\forall x(Q^2 x g^1 y \rightarrow (\exists z Q^2 x z)))$$

where Q^2 is a binary predicate variable and g^1 is a unary functional variable (with \rightarrow and \exists taken as abbreviations in the familiar manner). Choosing $Q^2 z_1 z_2$ as the name form and $P^2 f^2 z_1 z_2 f^2 z_1 z_2$ as substituend with P^2 as a binary predicate variable and f^2 as a binary functional variable, predicate variable substitution in A yields $\text{Sub } A(Q^2/P^2 f^2 z_1 z_2 f^2 z_1 z_2)B$ where $B = (\forall x(P^2 f^2 x g^1 y f^2 x g^1 y \rightarrow (\exists z P^2 f^2 x z f^2 x z)))$.

Functional variable substitution in B with $f^2 z_1 z_2$ as name form and $f^2 f^2 z_1 z_2 u$ as substituend yields $\text{Sub } B(fz^2/f^2 f^2 z_1 z_2 u)C$ where $C = (\forall x(P^2 f^2 f^2 x g^1 y u f^2 f^2 x g^1 y u \rightarrow (\exists z P^2 f^2 f^2 x z u f^2 f^2 x z u)))$.

Predicate variable substitution in B with $P^2 z_1 z_2$ as name form and $(\forall u P^2 z_1 u)$ as substituend leads to $\text{Sub } B(Pz^2/(\forall u P^2 z_1 u))D$ where $D = (\forall x((\forall u P^2 f^2 x g^1 y u) \rightarrow (\exists z(\forall u P^2 f^2 x z u))))$.

Observe that in this last substitution the substituend did not contain the name variable z_2 . Now A is a valid formula and hence it follows from the rules of substitution for predicate variables and functional variables that B , C , and D are also valid formulas.

Note that the predicate variable substitution $Pz^2/(\forall u P^2 z_1 u)$ which was

applied to formula B to obtain D , is not applicable to the formula C since such a substitution in C would bind the free occurrence of u in C . Again, the functional variable substitution $fz^2/f^2f^2z_1z_2u$ which was applied to B to obtain C , is not applicable to the formula D since such a substitution would bind the parameter u in the substituend $f^2f^2z_1z_2u$.

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