

# SYNOPSIS OF PETER SMITH'S *INTRO TO GÖDEL'S THEOREMS*

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## 1. SOME "EASY" INCOMPLETENESS THEOREMS

*Defn* An interpreted language is *sufficiently expressive* iff (i) every decidable two-place relation on numbers is expressible / definable (in the standard model), and (ii) it can form wff's that quantify over numbers.

*Lemma* If  $W$  is an effectively enumerable set (of numbers), then there is a decidable (numerical) relation  $R$  such that  $n \in W$  just in case  $\exists x$  s.t.  $\langle x, n \rangle \in R$ .

Proof:  $R$  is just the enumerating function  $f(0), f(1), \dots$  as a set of ordered pairs.

*Lemma*  $W$  is an effectively enumerable set (of numbers) iff  $W$  is the domain of some (numerical) algorithm  $\Pi$ .

Proof. (only if) Let  $f(0), f(1), \dots$  be an effective enumeration of  $W$ . Construct  $\Pi$  as follows. For any given  $n \in W$ , crank out the enumeration until for some  $m$ ,  $f(m) = n$ . Assign 0 to  $n$ .

(if) Given algorithm  $\Pi$ , spend one step on 0, 2 steps on 0 and 1, respectively, etc., in each case writing down the number if the algorithm completes.

*Theorem* There is an effectively enumerable set (of numbers) whose complement (in the natural numbers) is not effectively enumerable.

Proof. Enumerate the set of effective procedures (numerical algorithms). By the last theorem, this is equivalent to an effective enumeration  $W_0, W_1, \dots$  of all recursively enumerable sets. Let  $K = \{n \mid n \in W_n\}$ .  $K$  is effectively enumerable by computing down the anti-diagonals, putting  $f_e(n) = e$  on the list whenever it is encountered. (Note: this is not the same as Smith's proof, which I'm not sure I get.)  $\bar{K}$  is not effectively enumerable. Otherwise  $\bar{K} = W_n$  for some  $n$ . Then  $n \in W_n$  iff  $n \notin \bar{K}$ , i.e.  $n \in \bar{K}$  iff  $n \notin \bar{K}$ .

*The Semantic Theorem* The set of truths in the intended interpretation of a sufficiently expressive arithmetic language is not effectively enumerable.

Proof. (i) Take  $K$  from the last theorem. By the first lemma, there is an effective relation  $R$  s.t. for some  $x$ ,  $\langle x, n \rangle \in R$  iff  $n \in K$ . (ii) Since the language is sufficiently expressive, there is a formula  $\rho$  such that  $\langle m, n \rangle \in R$  iff  $\rho(\bar{m}, \bar{n})$  is true. (iii) Let  $N$  be a formula that defines the set of natural numbers in the intended model. Then  $n \in K$  iff  $\exists x(N(x) \wedge \rho(x, \bar{n}))$  is true. (iv) Hence  $\neg \exists x(N(x) \wedge \rho(x, \bar{n}))$  defines the set  $\bar{K}$ . (v) Now, for the sake of argument, suppose that the truths of the intended model are effectively enumerable. This yields an

effective procedure for enumerating  $\bar{K}$ , viz., go through the effective enumeration of truths, writing down  $k$  whenever  $\neg\exists x(N(x) \wedge \rho(x, \bar{k}))$  is encountered. But it was already shown that  $\bar{K}$  is not effectively enumerable.

*Corollary* The set of sentences true in the intended model is not axiomatizable.

*Corollary* Any true axiomatizable arithmetic theory is incomplete.

*Definition* An arithmetic theory  $T$  is *sufficiently strong* iff  $T$  represents (captures) all effectively decidable numerical properties.

*The Syntactic Theorem* Any consistent, sufficiently strong arithmetic theory is undecidable. Proof. Effectively enumerate the set of wff's of the language with exactly  $x$  free:  $\varphi_0(x), \varphi_1(x), \dots$ . Define the set  $D$  as follows.  $n \in D$  iff  $T \vdash \neg\varphi_n(\bar{n})$ , where  $T$  is the theory in question. Suppose  $T$  is decidable. Then  $D$  is decidable, and hence representable by some wff  $\delta$  with exactly  $x$  free. So, for some  $n$ ,  $\delta = \varphi_n$ . Now  $n \in D$  iff  $T \vdash \neg\varphi_n(\bar{n})$  iff  $T \vdash \neg\delta(\bar{n})$  iff  $n \notin D$ .

*Corollary* Any consistent, sufficiently strong, axiomatizable arithmetic theory is incomplete. Pf. Effectively enumerate the theory  $T$ . If complete, running through the effective enumeration gives us a decision procedure for membership in  $T$ .

## 2. SOME ARITHMETIC THEORIES

### 2.1. Baby Arithmetic $BA$ , or perhaps Calculator Arithmetic.

- no variables or quantifiers
- Axiom Schemata
  - (1)  $0 \neq S\xi$
  - (2)  $S\xi = S\eta \rightarrow \xi = \eta$
  - (3)  $\xi + 0 = \xi$
  - (4)  $\xi + S\eta = S(\xi + \eta)$
  - (5)  $\xi \cdot 0 = 0$
  - (6)  $\xi \cdot S\eta = \xi \cdot \eta + \xi$
- Lemmata
  - (1) If  $\sigma = \tau$  is true, then  $BA \vdash \sigma = \tau$ .
  - (2) If  $\sigma = \tau$  is false, then  $BA \vdash \sigma \neq \tau$ .
- $BA$  is complete

### 2.2. Robinson's $Q$ .

#### 2.2.1. Axioms.

- (1)  $\forall x 0 \neq Sx$
- (2)  $\forall x \forall y (Sx = Sy \rightarrow x = y)$
- (3)  $\forall x (x \neq 0 \rightarrow \exists y x = Sy)$
- (4)  $\forall x x + 0 = x$

- (5)  $\forall x \forall y x + Sy = S(x + y)$
- (6)  $\forall x x \cdot 0 = 0$
- (7)  $\forall x \forall y x + Sy = x \cdot y + x$

2.2.2. *Incompleteness.* We show that  $Q \not\vdash \forall x 0 + x = x$  by constructing a model that satisfies  $Q$  but not this last sentence. Let  $N^* = N \cup \{a, b\}$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  behave as follows in the extensions of the operations.

$$S^*(a) = a, S^*(b) = b$$

$$a +^* n = a, b +^* n = b, x +^* a = b, x +^* b = a$$

$$a \cdot^* 0 = 0, b \cdot^* 0 = 0$$

$$a \cdot^* x = b, b \cdot^* x = a \text{ if } x \neq 0$$

$$n \cdot^* a = b, n \cdot^* b = a$$

Also, given the intended model,  $Q \not\vdash \neg \forall x 0 + x = x$ . Hence,  $Q$  is incomplete.

2.2.3. *Total ordering.* The formula  $\exists z z + x = y$  defines the total ordering  $\leq$  in the standard model. This formula also represents  $\leq$  in  $Q$ . (Note: the formula  $\exists z x + z = y$  also defines  $\leq$  in the standard model, but a conjecture is that it fails to represent it in  $Q$ .)

Proof. Need to show

- (1)  $m \leq n$  iff  $Q \vdash \exists z z + \bar{m} = \bar{n}$
- (2)  $m \not\leq n$  iff  $Q \vdash \neg \exists z z + \bar{m} = \bar{n}$

For (1), suppose that  $m \leq n$  and specifically that  $p + m = n$ . Use the result that  $BA$  is complete and that  $Q$  extends  $BA$  to get that  $Q \vdash \bar{p} + \bar{m} = \bar{n}$ . Now use existential generalization. For (2), take case  $2 \not\leq 1$  for illustration. Suppose that  $\exists z z + S0 = S0$  and derive a contradiction in  $Q$ . Try to render the argument general by induction.

$Q$  is also *order adequate* in that the following derivability relations hold.

- (1)  $Q \vdash \forall x 0 \leq x$
- (2) For each  $n$ ,  $Q \vdash \forall x (x = 0 \vee x = 1 \vee \dots \vee x = \bar{n} \rightarrow x \leq \bar{n})$
- (3) For each  $n$ ,  $Q \vdash \forall x (x \leq \bar{n} \rightarrow x = 0 \vee x = 1 \vee \dots \vee x = \bar{n})$
- (4) For each  $n$ , if  $Q \vdash \varphi(0)$ ,  $Q \vdash \varphi(1)$ ,  $\dots$ , and  $Q \vdash \varphi(\bar{n})$ , then  $Q \vdash (\forall x \leq \bar{n})\varphi(x)$
- (5) For each  $n$ , if  $Q \vdash \varphi(0)$ , or  $Q \vdash \varphi(1)$ , or  $\dots$ , or  $Q \vdash \varphi(\bar{n})$ , then  $Q \vdash (\exists x \leq \bar{n})\varphi(x)$ .
- (6) For each  $n$ ,  $Q \vdash \forall x (\bar{n} \leq x \rightarrow \bar{n} \leq Sx)$
- (7) For each  $n$ ,  $Q \vdash \forall x (\bar{n} \leq x \rightarrow \bar{n} = x \vee S\bar{n} \leq x)$
- (8) For each  $n$ ,  $Q \vdash \forall x (x \leq \bar{n} \vee \bar{n} \leq x)$  (Conjecture  $Q \not\vdash \forall x \forall y (x \leq y \vee y \leq x)$ )
- (9) For each  $n > 0$ , if  $Q \vdash (\forall x \leq \bar{n} - 1)\varphi(x)$ , then  $Q \vdash (\forall x \leq \bar{n})(x \neq \bar{n} \rightarrow \varphi(x))$

The proofs are exercises.

### 2.2.4. $\Delta_0$ , $\Sigma_1$ , and $\Pi_1$ Formulae.

*Defn* A wff is  $\Delta_0$  atomic iff it has the form  $\tau = \rho$  or  $\tau \leq \rho$  for terms  $\tau$  and  $\rho$ .

*Defn* The set of  $\Delta_0$  formulas is given as follows.

- (1) Any  $\Delta_0$  atomic wff is  $\Delta_0$ .
- (2) If  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are  $\Delta_0$ , then so are  $\neg\varphi$ ,  $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ , etc.
- (3) If  $\varphi$  is  $\Delta_0$ , then so are  $(\forall x \leq \kappa)\varphi$  and  $(\exists x \leq \kappa)\varphi$ , where  $x$  is any variable free in  $\varphi$  and  $\kappa$  is a numeral or else a variable distinct from  $x$ .

*Defn* A wff is strictly  $\Sigma_1$  iff it has the form  $\exists x_0 \dots \exists x_n \varphi$  where  $\varphi$  is  $\Delta_0$  and  $x_0, \dots, x_n$  are free in  $\varphi$ .

*Defn* A wff is  $\Sigma_1$  iff it is logically equivalent to a strictly  $\Sigma_1$  wff.

*Defn* A wff is strictly  $\Pi_1$  iff it has the form  $\forall x_0 \dots \forall x_n \varphi$  where  $\varphi$  is  $\Delta_0$  and  $x_0, \dots, x_n$  are free in  $\varphi$ .

*Defn* A wff is  $\Pi_1$  iff it is logically equivalent to a strictly  $\Pi_1$  wff.

#### Observations

- (1) The negation of a  $\Delta_0$  wff is  $\Delta_0$ . (trivial)
- (2) The negation of a  $\Sigma_1$  is  $\Pi_1$  and vice-versa. (trivial)
- (3) Every  $\Delta_0$  wff is both  $\Sigma_1$  and  $\Pi_1$ . (Let  $\varphi$  be  $\Delta_0$ . Take  $\varphi \wedge x = x$ . Both the universal and existential generalizations of this are equivalent to  $\varphi$ .)
- (4) The set of true  $\Delta_0$  sentences is decidable. (Use induction on the definition of  $\Delta_0$ .)

*Defn* Theory  $T$  is  $\Gamma$ -sound iff, for any  $\Gamma$ -sentence  $\sigma$ , if  $T \vdash \sigma$ , then  $\sigma$  is true.

*Defn* Theory  $T$  is  $\Gamma$ -complete iff, for any  $\Gamma$ -sentence  $\sigma$ , if  $\sigma$  is true, then  $T \vdash \sigma$ .

*Lemma.*  $Q$  correctly decides every  $\Delta_0$  atomic sentence. I.e., if  $\delta$  is true, then  $Q \vdash \delta$ , and if  $\delta$  is false, then  $Q \vdash \neg\delta$ .

*Proof.* For the case of equations, we are done (since  $BA \subseteq Q$ ). Hence, suppose we have an inequality  $\tau_1 \leq \tau_2$ . Let  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  be the denotata of these, respectively. The equations  $\tau_1 = \bar{n}_1$  and  $\tau_2 = \bar{n}_2$  are derivable in  $Q$ . Since  $\leq$  is representable in  $Q$ ,  $\bar{n}_1 \leq \bar{n}_2$  is correctly decided.

*Lemma.*  $Q$  correctly decides every  $\Delta_0$  sentence.

*Proof.* By induction on the defn of  $\Delta_0$ . The preceding lemma handles the basis case. The case of wffs formed by connectives is trivial. That leaves us with bounded quantification. Suppose  $(\forall x \leq n)\varphi$  is true. Then, by this and the inductive hypothesis  $Q \vdash \varphi(\bar{m})$  for all  $m \leq n$ . Since  $Q$  is order adequate, it follows that  $Q \vdash (\forall x \leq n)\varphi$ . So, suppose  $(\forall x \leq n)\varphi$

is false. Then  $\varphi(\bar{m})$  is false for some  $m \leq n$ , and hence, by the inductive hypothesis,  $Q \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{m})$ . From this it follows that  $Q \vdash \neg(\forall x \leq n)\varphi$ . The case of bounded existential quantification is similar.

*Theorem.*  $Q$  is  $\Sigma_1$  complete.

Proof. We need to show only that if  $\exists x_0 \dots \exists x_n \varphi$  is true, then  $Q \vdash \exists x_0 \dots \exists x_n \varphi$ . So, suppose this sentence true. Then there exist  $m_1, \dots, m_n$  such that  $\varphi(\bar{m}_1, \dots, \bar{m}_n)$  is a true  $\Delta_0$  sentence. Hence  $Q \vdash \varphi(\bar{m}_1, \dots, \bar{m}_n)$ , and by existential generalization  $Q \vdash \exists x_0 \dots \exists x_n \varphi$ . This shows that  $Q$  proves all true *strictly*  $\Sigma_1$  sentences. But, if  $\sigma$  is  $\Sigma_1$ , it is equivalent to a strictly  $\Sigma_1$  sentence of the above form.

N.B. We need to be very careful with the next two results. Smith states the first of them as follows.

*Theorem.* A  $\Pi_1$  sentence  $\varphi$  is true iff  $Q \not\vdash \neg\varphi$ , i.e., iff  $\varphi$  is consistent with  $Q$ .

Proof. Equivalently,  $\varphi$  is false iff  $\neg\varphi$  is true iff  $Q \vdash \neg\varphi$ , i.e., iff  $\varphi$  is inconsistent with  $Q$ .

But what if  $Q$  is inconsistent? Then  $Q \vdash \neg\varphi$  since  $Q$  proves everything. Which, by the theorem, entails that the  $\Pi_1$  sentence  $\phi$  is false, no matter what  $\sigma$  says. We have only the following.

*Theorem.* For any  $\Pi_1$  sentence  $\varphi$ , if  $Q \not\vdash \neg\varphi$ , then  $\varphi$  is true.

Proof. Contrapositively: Suppose  $\varphi$  false. Then  $\neg\varphi$  is a true  $\Sigma_1$  sentence. Since  $Q$  is  $\Sigma_1$  complete,  $Q \vdash \neg\varphi$ .

Note that we cannot work backward and infer from  $Q \vdash \neg\varphi$  that  $\neg\varphi$  is true. For if  $Q$  is inconsistent, it proves *all*  $\Sigma_1$  formulas, and not just those that are true.

*Theorem.* Let  $T$  be an extension of  $Q$ . Then  $T$  is consistent iff  $T$  is  $\Pi_1$ -sound.

Proof. Suppose that  $T$  is *inconsistent*. Then for any *false*  $\Pi_1$  sentence  $\varphi$ ,  $T \vdash \varphi$ , and hence  $T$  is  $\Pi_1$  *unsound*. For the other direction, suppose that  $T$  is consistent. Suppose also that it is not  $\Pi_1$  sound. Thus, for some  $\Pi_1$  sentence  $\varphi$ ,  $T \vdash \varphi$  but  $\varphi$  is false. Hence  $\neg\varphi$ , which is  $\Sigma_1$ , is true. Now note that since  $Q$  is  $\Sigma_1$  complete and  $T$  extends  $Q$ ,  $T$  is also  $\Sigma_1$  complete. Thus,  $T \vdash \neg\varphi$ , rendering  $T$  inconsistent.

*Note* that  $PA$  extends  $Q$ , so that  $PA$  is consistent iff it is  $\Pi_1$ -sound. Now, it seems an easy route to consistency to say that, since the Peano axioms are all true in the standard model, that  $PA$  is  $\Pi_1$  sound, and ergo consistent. But note on the other hand, that without any of the subtleties of the theorem, we don't know that  $PA$  is sound without knowing that it is consistent.

### 3. PEANO ARITHMETIC ( $PA$ )

**3.1. Some Boring Details.** Notational Tidbit: Add to  $Q$  the induction scheme for only  $\Delta_0$  wffs. The resulting system is called  $I\Delta_0$ .

Sometimes  $\Sigma_1$  wffs are defined as a *single* existential quantifier followed by a  $\Delta_0$  wff. This is because of the following.

*Lemma.* In any theory which extends  $Q$  and has induction for  $\Delta_0$  wffs, a  $\Sigma_1$  wff starting with  $n > 1$  unbounded existential quantifiers is provably equivalent to a  $\Sigma_1$  wff starting with a single unbounded existential quantifier.

*Proof.* The trick is this. Let  $n = 2$  and consider (i)  $\exists x \exists y \varphi(x, y)$ . Under the hypothesis we replace it with (ii)  $\exists z (\exists x \leq z) (\exists y \leq z) \varphi(x, y)$ . To derive (ii) from (i), first existentially instantiate to  $\varphi(a, b)$ . Then, since  $I\Delta_0 \vdash \forall x \forall y (x \leq y \vee y \leq x)$ , we have by universal instantiation  $a \leq b \vee b \leq a$ . Using separation of cases, assume  $a \leq b$ . Then we have  $a \leq b \wedge b \leq b \wedge \varphi(a, b)$ . Existentially generalize to  $\exists x \exists y (x \leq b \wedge y \leq b \wedge \varphi(x, y))$ . Now existentially generalize on the remaining occurrences of  $b$  to  $\exists z \exists x \exists y (x \leq z \wedge y \leq z \wedge \varphi(x, y))$ . Using notational abbreviation, this is just (ii). To derive (i) from (ii), take (ii) in the expanded form just given and distribute the existential quantifiers over the conjunctions, dropping the idle quantifier on the last conjunct.

Note: the key is the availability of the dichotomy proposition for  $\leq$ . So why not make the claim for  $Q + \text{Dichotomy}$ ?

### 3.2. Axiomatization of $PA$ .

**Axiom 1:**  $\forall x (Sx \neq 0)$

**Axiom 2:**  $\forall x \forall y (Sx = Sy \rightarrow x = y)$

**Axiom 3:**  $\forall x (x + 0 = x)$

**Axiom 4:**  $\forall x \forall y (x + Sy = S(x + y))$

**Axiom 5:**  $\forall x (x \cdot 0 = 0)$

**Axiom 6:**  $\forall x \forall y (x \cdot Sy = x \cdot y + x)$

**Induction Schema:** For every wff  $\varphi(x)$  with  $x$  or any other variables free, any universal generalization of

$$\{\varphi(0) \wedge \forall x (\varphi(x) \rightarrow \varphi(Sx))\} \rightarrow \forall x \varphi(x)$$

is an axiom.

## 4. PRIMITIVE RECURSIVE (P.R.) FUNCTIONS

### 4.1. Definition.

- (1) The successor function  $S$  is p.r.
- (2) The zero function  $Z(n) = 0$  is p.r.
- (3) For each  $n$  and  $i \leq n$ , the  $i$ -th projection function  $I_i^n(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n) = x_i$  is p.r.
- (4) if  $h(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n)$  and  $g(\vec{y})$  are p.r., then  $h(x_1, \dots, g(\vec{y}), \dots, x_n)$  is p.r.
- (5) if  $g(\vec{x})$  and  $h(\vec{x}, n, z)$  are p.r., then

- $f(\vec{x}, 0) = g(\vec{x})$
- $f(\vec{x}, S(n)) = h(\vec{x}, n, f(\vec{x}, n))$

is p.r.

**4.2. Primitive Recursive Functions, Programming and Computability.** Quite obviously any p.r. function is computable. Less obvious is that any p.r. function can be programmed using previously programmed p.r. functions and nested *for* loops.

We can argue that there are computable functions that are not p.r. as follows. Effectively enumerate the p.r. functions  $f_0, f_1, \dots$ . Now define  $F(n) = S(f_n(n))$ . It's computable, yet  $F \neq f_n$  for any  $n$ .

### 4.3. Some Rudimentary Examples.

4.3.1. *predecessor*.

$$\begin{aligned} P(0) &= 0 \\ P(Sn) &= n \end{aligned}$$

4.3.2. *truncated subtraction*.

$$\begin{aligned} x \dot{-} 0 &= x \\ x \dot{-} Sy &= P(x \dot{-} y) \end{aligned}$$

4.3.3. *absolute value*.

$$|x - y| = (x \dot{-} y) + (y \dot{-} x)$$

### 4.4. Basic Tools for Further Development.

*Defn.* A property or relation is p.r. iff it's characteristic function is p.r.

N.B. Smith reverses 1 and 0 in the definition of characteristic function.

*Defn.*  $f(n) = (\mu x \leq n)P(x)$  is the function whose value at  $n$  is the least  $x \leq n$  s.t.  $P(x)$  if such an  $x$  exists or else returns  $n$ .

*Defn.* A function  $f$  is said to be defined by cases if for  $k + 1$  other functions

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f_1(x) \text{ if } P_1(x) \\ &\vdots \\ f(x) &= f_k(x) \text{ if } P_k(x) \\ f(x) &= a \text{ otherwise.} \end{aligned}$$

If the  $P_i$ 's and  $f_i$ 's are p.r., then  $f$  is said to be defined by cases from p.r. functions.

*Defn.*  $sg$  is the p.r. function defined

$$\begin{aligned} sg(0) &= 0 \\ sg(Sn) &= SZ(sg(n)) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\overline{sg}$  is the p.r. function defined

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{sg}(0) &= S(0) \\ \overline{sg}(Sn) &= Z(\overline{sg}(n)).\end{aligned}$$

*Lemma A.* If  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is p.r., then the relation  $\{(x_1, \dots, x_n, y) \mid y = f(x_1, \dots, x_n)\}$  is p.r.

Proof. Let  $c$  be the characteristic function of  $f$ .

$$c(x_1, \dots, x_n, y) = \overline{sg}(|y - f(x_1, \dots, x_n)|)$$

and is thus p.r.

*Lemma B.* Any truth functional combination of p.r. properties and relations is p.r.

Proof: For  $\neg$  use  $\overline{sg}$ . For  $\vee$  use  $sg(c_1 + c_2)$ , where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are the characteristic values of the disjunct properties.

*Lemma C.* Any property or relation defined from a p.r. property or relation by bounded quantifications is also p.r.

Proof. This has the form

$$P(n) =_{df} (\forall x \leq n)Q(x)$$

or

$$P(n) =_{df} (\exists x \leq n)Q(x).$$

Let  $q$  be the characteristic function of  $Q(x)$  and  $p$  that of  $P(x)$ . Then

$$p(n) = sg(\Pi_0^n q(x))$$

or

$$p(n) = sg(\Sigma_0^n q(x)).$$

(The cases  $P(n) =_{df} (\forall x \leq f(n))Q(x)$  and  $P(n) =_{df} (\exists x \leq f(n))Q(x)$  are obvious from this.) We still have to put these in a form that is manifestly p.r. For the first we have

$$\begin{aligned}p(0) &= q(0) \\ p(Sn) &= h(n, p(n)),\end{aligned}$$

where  $h(n, y) = q(Sn) \cdot y$  is the composition of p.r. functions. For the second we have first the preliminary function

$$\begin{aligned}p'(0) &= q(0) \\ p'(Sn) &= h(n, p'(n)),\end{aligned}$$

where  $h(x, y) = Sx + y$ . Then  $p$  is the composition  $p(n) = sg(p'(n))$ .

*Lemma D.* If  $P$  is a p.r. property, then the function  $(\mu x \leq n)P(x)$  is p.r.

Proof. Let  $f(n)$  be the function. One way of describing it is as follows.

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} m & \text{if } Q(m) \text{ and } (\forall x < m)\neg Q(x) \\ n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The “flip-flop” of the clause for  $m$  is captured by the function

$$g(m) = \overline{sg}\{q(m) \cdot \Pi_0^{m-1} \overline{sg}(q(x))\}.$$

This we know is p.r. Now let

$$f(n) = g(0) + g(1) + \cdots + g(n-1).$$

We know from the last lemma that this is also p.r., and  $f$  is the function sought.

*Lemma E.* Any function defined by cases from other p.r. functions is also p.r.

*Proof.*

$$f(n) = p_1(n) \cdot f_1(n) + \cdots + p_k(n) \cdot f_k(n) + \overline{sg}(p_1(n)) \cdot \cdots \cdot \overline{sg}(p_k(n)) \cdot a.$$

**4.5. Further Developments.** All the following are p.r.

**R1:**  $m = n$ ,  $m < n$   $m \leq n$

**R2:**  $m \mid n$  ( $m$  divides  $n$ )

**R3:**  $Prime(n)$

**R4:**  $\pi(n)$  (the function which gives the  $n$ -th prime)

**R5:**  $exp(n, i)$ , i.e., the exponent (which may be zero) of the  $i$ -th prime in the prime factorization of  $n$

**R6:**  $len(n)$ , i.e., the number of distinct prime factors of  $n$  (with  $len(0) = len(1) = 0$ ).

Proofs of the various items.

*R1.*  $m = n$  is p.r. since it is the identity function viewed as a relation (Lemma A). Specifically, its characteristic function is given by  $\overline{sg}(|m - n|)$ .

$m < n$  is p.r. since it is given by the relation  $(\exists v < n)(v + m = n)$ . Alternatively, its characteristic function is  $sg(n - m)$ .

$m \leq n$  is a boolean combination of the preceding two relations.

*R2.*  $m \mid n$  is given by  $\exists x \leq n(0 < x \wedge 0 < m \cdot x = n)$ . (We need the  $< 0$  clauses to rule out  $0 \mid 0$ )

*R3.*  $Prime(n)$  is given by  $n \neq 1 \wedge (\forall x \leq n)(1 < x \wedge x < n \rightarrow x \nmid n)$ .

*R4.*

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(0) &= 2 \\ \pi(Sn) &= (\mu x \leq n^n + 2)(\pi(n) < x \wedge Prime(x)) \end{aligned}$$

*R5.*  $exp(n, i) = (\mu x \leq n)(\pi(i)^x \mid n \wedge \pi(i)^{x+1} \nmid n)$

*R6.* Just to be clear, this is *not* the length of the prime expansion, including zero exponents, up through the last non-zero exponent. It is the number of non-zero exponents in the prime expansion of  $n$ . Towards this end, note that  $(Prime(x) \wedge x \mid n)$  defines the primes that divide  $n$ . However, since later, no symbol will have the Gödel number 0,  $len(n)$  does give us the length of the expression whose Gödel number is  $n$ . It is clearly p.r., so let  $p$  be its p.r. characteristic function. Now  $len(n) = p(0, n) + p(1, n) + p(2, n) + \cdots + p(n, n)$ .

In order to express this manifestly as a p.r. function, let

$$\begin{aligned} l(x, 0) &= p(0, x) \\ l(x, Sy) &= p(Sy, x) + l(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Then set  $len(n) = l(n, n)$

## 5. CAPTURING P.R. FUNCTIONS

Capturing/representing a function  $f$  as a relation requires there exists a  $\varphi(x, y)$  such that

- if  $f(n) = m$ , then  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ , and
- if  $f(n) \neq m$ , then  $T \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

You might want that  $T$  also captures that  $f$  is a function, i.e.,

- (1) for each  $n$ ,  $T \vdash \exists!y\varphi(\bar{n}, y)$
- (2) if  $f(n) = m$ , then  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ , and
- (3) if  $f(n) \neq m$ , then  $T \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

*Observation* If

- (1) for each  $n$ ,  $Q \vdash \exists!y\varphi(\bar{n}, y)$ , and
- (2) if  $f(n) = m$ , then  $Q \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$

then (3) if  $f(n) \neq m$ , then  $Q \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

Proof. Suppose (1) and (2) and that  $f(n) \neq m$ . Obviously we have  $Q \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \overline{f(n)})$ . (1) unpacks as  $Q \vdash \exists y(\varphi(\bar{n}, y) \wedge \forall x(\varphi(\bar{n}, x) \rightarrow x = y))$ . By existential instantiation,  $Q \vdash (\varphi(\bar{n}, a) \wedge \forall x(\varphi(\bar{n}, x) \rightarrow x = a))$ . By simplification,  $Q \vdash \forall x(\varphi(\bar{n}, x) \rightarrow x = a)$ . By universal instantiation,  $Q \vdash (\varphi(\bar{n}, \overline{f(n)}) \rightarrow \overline{f(n)} = a)$ . By modus ponens,  $Q \vdash \overline{f(n)} = a$ . By substitution of identicals,  $Q \vdash \forall x(\varphi(\bar{n}, x) \rightarrow x = \overline{f(n)})$ . By universal instantiation,  $Q \vdash (\varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m}) \rightarrow \bar{m} = \overline{f(n)})$ . Now, since  $Q$  includes  $BA$ , which decides all quantifier free sentences,  $Q \vdash \bar{m} \neq \overline{f(n)}$ . By modus tollens, we have  $Q \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

Hence, if  $T$  includes  $BA$ , sometimes only (1) and (2) are used in the defn of capturing/representing as a function.

*Observation* If  $T$  includes  $BA$ , the following condition is necessary and sufficient to show that  $\varphi(x, y)$  captures  $f(x) = y$  in  $T$  as a function.

$$\text{if } f(n) = m, \text{ then } T \vdash \forall x(\varphi(\bar{n}, x) \leftrightarrow x = \bar{m}).$$

(Simpler still would be  $T \vdash \forall x(\varphi(\bar{n}, x) \leftrightarrow x = \overline{f(n)})$ .)

Proof. Sufficiency is an easy exercise. Techniques from the above proof can be used to show necessity.

Yet a stronger notion is this.

*Defn.*  $T$  fully captures (represents) the function  $f$  with  $\varphi$  iff

- $T \vdash \forall x \exists! y \varphi(x, y)$
- if  $f(n) = m$ , then  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$
- if  $f(n) \neq m$ , then  $T \vdash \neg \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

If  $T$  is at least as strong as  $Q$ , it suffices to show that  $f$  is representable in  $T$  as a relation, in order to show that  $f$  is representable in  $T$  as a function and even that  $f$  is *fully* representable in  $T$ . This is because of the following two lemmata.

*Lemma.* Suppose  $T$  is at least as strong as  $Q$ . Then if  $\varphi(x, y)$  represents  $f$  as a relation in  $T$ , then  $\tilde{\varphi}(x, y) =_{df} \varphi(x, y) \wedge (\forall z \leq y)(\varphi(x, z) \rightarrow z = y)$  represents  $f$  as a function in  $T$ .

Proof. We need to show two things, viz.:

- (1) for all  $n$ ,  $T \vdash \exists! y \tilde{\varphi}(\bar{n}, y)$ , and
- (2) if  $f(n) = m$ , then  $T \vdash \tilde{\varphi}(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

We first show (2). Suppose that  $f(m) = n$ . Then (a)  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ . Furthermore, (b) for all  $k < m$ ,  $T \vdash \neg \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{k})$ . Hence, from (a) and (b), follows (c) for all  $k \leq m$ ,  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{k}) \rightarrow \bar{k} = \bar{m}$ . Since  $Q$  is order adequate, (c) entails (d)  $T \vdash (\forall z \leq m)(\varphi(\bar{n}, z) \rightarrow z = \bar{m})$ . Putting this together with (a) yields  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m}) \wedge (\forall z \leq m)(\varphi(\bar{n}, z) \rightarrow z = \bar{m})$ , which is just the statement that  $T \vdash \tilde{\varphi}(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

This leaves (1) to be shown. Explicitly, we need to show that, for all  $n$ ,

$$T \vdash \exists y (\tilde{\varphi}(\bar{n}, y) \wedge \forall z (\tilde{\varphi}(\bar{n}, z) \rightarrow z = y)).$$

Fix  $n$ . Since  $T \vdash \tilde{\varphi}(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ , it suffices to show for arbitrary  $a$  that  $T \vdash (\tilde{\varphi}(\bar{n}, a) \rightarrow a = \bar{m})$ . Working within  $T$ , suppose  $\tilde{\varphi}(\bar{n}, a)$ , i.e.,  $\varphi(\bar{n}, a) \wedge (\forall z \leq a)(\varphi(\bar{n}, z) \rightarrow z = a)$ . Now, since  $T$  is order adequate,  $T \vdash a \leq \bar{m} \vee \bar{m} \leq a$ . On the one hand, suppose that  $a \leq \bar{m}$ . By (d) above,  $a = \bar{m}$ , the desired consequence. So, on the other hand, suppose that  $\bar{m} \leq a$ . Then, by the second conjunct of our supposition,  $\bar{m} = a$ . So, in either case, we are done.

The second lemma we need is this.

*Lemma.* Suppose that  $T$  is just as strong as  $Q$ . If  $\varphi(x, y)$  represents  $f$  as a function in  $T$ , then

$$\hat{\varphi}(x, y) =_{df} \{\varphi(x, y) \wedge \exists! y \varphi(x, y)\} \vee \{y = 0 \wedge \neg \exists! y \varphi(x, y)\}$$

fully represents  $f$  in  $T$ .

Proof. Suppose  $\varphi$  represents  $f$  in  $T$ . We need to show two things:

- (1)  $T \vdash \forall x \exists! y \hat{\varphi}(x, y)$
- (2) if  $f(n) = m$ , then  $T \vdash \hat{\varphi}(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

Take the latter first.

Suppose  $f(n) = m$ . Then we have  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$  as well as  $T \vdash \exists! y \varphi(\bar{n}, y)$ . Conjoined, this is the instantiations of the first disjunct of  $\hat{\varphi}$ . By addition we get the instantiation of  $\hat{\varphi}$ . Thus,  $T \vdash \hat{\varphi}(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ .

For the first claim, it suffices to show  $T \vdash \exists! y \hat{\varphi}(a, y)$  for an arbitrary individual  $a$ . Now, reasoning within  $T$ , either  $\exists! y \varphi(a, y)$  or  $\neg \exists! y \varphi(a, y)$ . Proceed by separation of cases.

Taking the first case, it follows that  $\exists y \hat{\varphi}(x, y)$ . It remains to show uniqueness, which again follows from the supposition. Taking the second case, conjoin the supposition with  $0 = 0$ . Existentially generalize to  $\exists y \{y = 0 \wedge \neg \exists! y \varphi(a, y)\}$ . Then  $\exists y \hat{\varphi}(a, y)$  follows. Uniqueness follows since  $\hat{\varphi}(a, b)$  entails  $b = 0$ .

## 6. P.R. ADEQUACY OF $Q$

### 6.1. Preliminaries.

*Defn.* A theory  $T$  is (weakly) p.r. adequate just in case every p.r. function is representable in  $T$  as a function (as a relation).

If  $T$  is p.r. adequate, then all p.r. relations are representable in  $T$ , since their characteristic functions are representable in  $T$ .

$PRA_0$  is primitive recursive arithmetic w/o quantifiers. It is like  $BA$ , but with a new function symbol and axiom schemata added for each p.r. function. This is possible since the p.r. functions are effectively enumerable. Since it is quantifier free,  $PRA_0$  is complete via an argument similar to the argument for the completeness of  $BA$ .

$PRA$  is primitive recursive arithmetic, constructed like  $PRA_0$  only with quantifiers. Some treatments use this as a replacement for  $Q$ . The disadvantage is that you don't get the strong results for the language of  $Q$ .

*Defn.*

- $f$  is a  $\Delta_0$  function iff  $f$  can be defined by a  $\Delta_0$  wff.
- $f$  is a  $\Sigma_1$  function iff  $f$  can be defined by a  $\Sigma_1$  wff.
- $f$  is a  $\Pi_1$  function iff  $f$  can be defined by a  $\Pi_1$  wff.

*Lemma.* Any  $\Sigma_1$  function is also  $\Pi_1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f$  be  $\Sigma_1$  and let  $\varphi(x, y)$  be a  $\Sigma_1$  wff that defines it. For the sake of argument we can take  $\varphi$  to be strictly  $\Sigma_1$ . Hence  $\varphi$  has the form  $\exists v_1 \cdots \exists v_n \delta(x, y)$ , where  $\delta(x, y)$  is  $\Delta_0$ . Now note that, that since  $f$  is a function,  $\forall z (\varphi(x, z) \rightarrow z = y)$  also defines  $f$ , i.e.  $\forall z (\exists v_1 \cdots \exists v_n \delta(x, y) \rightarrow z = y)$  also defines  $f$ . This is equivalent to  $\forall z \forall v_1 \cdots \forall v_n (\delta(x, y) \rightarrow z = y)$ , which is  $\Pi_1$ .

*Lemma.* Any  $\Delta_0$  function is representable in  $Q$  as a function by a  $\Delta_0$  wff.

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  is  $\Delta_0$  function expressed by the  $\Delta_0$  wff  $\varphi(x, y)$ . Since  $Q$  correctly decides every  $\Delta_0$  sentence, for every  $m, n$ , if  $f(n) = m$ , then  $Q \vdash \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ , and if  $f(n) \neq m$ , then  $Q \vdash \neg \varphi(\bar{n}, \bar{m})$ . Hence  $\varphi$  represents  $f$  as a relation in  $Q$ . By an earlier result,  $\tilde{\varphi}(x, y) =_{df} \varphi(x, y) \wedge (\forall z \leq y)(\varphi(x, z) \rightarrow z = y)$  represents  $f$  in  $Q$  as a function. Since the universal quantification is bounded, this is still a  $\Delta_0$  wff.

## 6.2. Every $\Sigma_1$ Function Is Representable in $Q$ .

*Lemma.* Any  $\Sigma_1$  function is equivalent to the composition of two  $\Delta_0$  functions.

*Proof.* Let  $f(x) = y$  be a  $\Sigma_1$  function. Hence, there is a  $\Delta_0$  wff  $\rho(x, y, z)$  such that  $\exists z\rho(x, y, z)$  defines  $f(x) = y$ . Let  $R$  be the relation defined by  $\rho$ . Now define two other functions as follows.

$$g(x) = (\mu n)(\exists y \leq n)(\exists z \leq n)Rxyz$$

Given  $x$ ,  $g(x)$  finds the minimum cap  $n$  under which we need to look to find a  $y$  and a  $z$  such that  $\langle x, y, x \rangle \in R$ . Next

$$h(x, u) = (\mu y \leq u)(\exists z \leq u)Rxyz \text{ if such an } y \text{ exists, or else } 0.$$

As a result, plugging in  $g(x)$  for  $u$ ,  $h(x, n)$  returns the least  $y$  under the ceiling  $n$  such that there exists a  $z$  such that  $\langle x, y, x \rangle \in R$ . This means that

$$f(x) = h(x, g(x)).$$

And the point of this redefinition of  $f(x)$  is that both  $g$  and  $h$  are  $\Delta_0$  functions, defined respectively by the wffs

$$\gamma(x, u) =_{df} (\exists y \leq u)(\exists z \leq u)\rho(x, y, z) \wedge (\forall v \leq u)[v \neq u \rightarrow (\exists y' \leq v)(\exists z' \leq v)\rho(x, y', z')]$$

and

$$\eta(x, u, v) =_{df} [(\exists z \leq u)\rho(x, v, z) \wedge \neg(\exists y \leq v)(\exists y \leq u)(y \neq v \wedge \rho(x, y, z))] \vee [\neg(\exists z \leq u)Rxyz \wedge v = 0]$$

*Lemma.* The composition of two  $\Delta_0$  functions is representable in  $Q$  as a function.

*Proof.* Suppose  $f(x) = h(x, g(x))$  and  $g$  and  $h$  are  $\Delta_0$  wffs defined by  $\gamma(x, y)$  and  $\eta(x, u, y)$ , respectively. Then, by the lemma before last,  $\tilde{\gamma}$  and  $\tilde{\eta}$  represent  $g$  and  $h$ , respectively, in  $Q$  as functions. The claim now is that  $\Sigma_1$  wff

$$\varphi(x, y) =_{df} \exists u(\tilde{\gamma}(x, u) \wedge \tilde{\eta}(x, u, y))$$

represents  $f$  in  $Q$  as a function. By an observation from the last section, it suffices to show that if  $f(n) = m$ , then  $Q \vdash \forall z(\varphi(\bar{n}, z) \leftrightarrow z = \bar{m})$ . So, suppose  $f(n) = m$ . Then for some  $k$ ,  $g(n) = k$  and  $h(n, k) = m$ . Since  $\tilde{\gamma}$  and  $\tilde{\eta}$  represent  $g$  and  $h$ , respectively as functions, we have both

$$Q \vdash \forall z(\tilde{\gamma}(\bar{n}, z) \leftrightarrow z = \bar{k})$$

and

$$Q \vdash \forall z(\tilde{\eta}(\bar{n}, \bar{k}, z) \leftrightarrow z = \bar{m}).$$

It is an exercise to show that these entail that

$$Q \vdash \forall z(\varphi(\bar{n}, z) \leftrightarrow z = \bar{m}).$$

Hence the  $\Sigma_1$  wff  $\varphi$  represents  $f$  in  $Q$  as a function.

*Theorem.* Any  $\Sigma_1$  function is representable in  $Q$  as a function.

Proof. From the last two lemmata. I.e., Any  $\Sigma_1$  function can be defined as the composition of two  $\Delta_0$  functions, and the composition of any two  $\Delta_0$  functions is representable as a function in  $Q$  by a  $\Sigma_1$  wff.

### 6.3. All P.R. Functions Are Definable (in the standard model).

6.3.1. *All initial p.r. functions are definable.*

- Successor function:  $Sx = y$
- Zero function: For  $Z(x) = y$  use  $(x = x \wedge y = 0)$
- Projection functions: e.g., for  $I_2^3(x, y, z) = w$  use  $x = x \wedge y = w \wedge z = z$

N.B. These are all  $\Delta_0$ .

6.3.2. *The composition of definable functions is definable.* Let  $f(x) = h(g(x))$  and let  $\gamma(x, y)$  and  $\eta(x, y)$  define  $g$  and  $h$ , respectively. Then  $\exists u(\gamma(x, u) \wedge \eta(u, y))$  defines  $f$ .

6.3.3.  *$\beta$  functions.* We want a way of coding up finite sequences  $k_0, k_1, \dots, k_n$ . One way of doing this is to use a single number  $b$  to code the sequence via it's prime factorization of the first  $n$  primes, i.e.,

$$b = \pi_0^{k_0} \cdot \pi_1^{k_1} \cdot \dots \cdot \pi_n^{k_n}.$$

*Defn.* A two-place  $\beta$ -function is a numerical function  $\beta(c, i)$  such that for any sequence of numbers  $k_0, k_1, \dots, k_n$  there is a code number  $c$  such that for every  $i \leq n$ ,  $\beta(c, i) = k_i$ .

Since we don't have exponentiation as a primitive, we can't use a two-place code function and prime factorization. But we can use a three-place function.

*Defn.* A three-place  $\beta$ -function is a function of the form  $\beta(c, d, i)$  such that for any finite sequence of natural numbers  $k_0, k_1, \dots, k_n$  there is a pair of code numbers  $c, d$  such that for every  $i \leq n$ ,  $\beta(c, d, i) = k_i$ .

Let  $rm(c, d)$  be the remainder of dividing  $c$  by  $d$ . Let  $D$  be a sequence of  $n + 1$  relatively prime numbers  $d_0, d_1, \dots, d_n$ . Let  $Rm(c, D)$  be the sequence of remainders

$$rm(c, d_0), rm(c, d_1), \dots, rm(c, d_n).$$

And let  $\pi_D = d_0 \cdot d_1 \cdot \dots \cdot d_n$ .

*Lemma: Chinese Remainder Theorem.* For any sequence  $D$  of relatively prime numbers, the sequences  $Rm(c, D)$  as  $c$  runs from 0 to  $\pi_D - 1$  are all distinct from one another.

Proof. Suppose otherwise. Then there are numbers  $0 \leq c_1 < c_2 < \pi_D$  such that  $Rm(c_1, D) = Rm(c_2, D)$ . Let  $c = c_2 - c_1$ . Trivially  $c < \pi_D$ . And trivially, if  $rm(c_1, d) = rm(c_2, d)$ , then  $d \mid c$ . Thus, since  $Rm(c_1, D) = Rm(c_2, D)$ ,  $d_i \mid c$  for each  $i$ . And since the  $d_i$  are relatively prime, it must be that  $\pi_D \mid c$ , contradicting the fact that  $c < \pi_D$ .

*Defn. Gödel's  $\beta$ -function.*

$$\beta(c, d, i) = rm(c, d(i + 1) + 1)$$

*Lemma.* For any sequence  $k_0, k_1, \dots, k_n$  there exists  $c, d$  such that  $\beta(c, d, i) = k_i$ .

*Proof.* Set  $s$  to the greatest of  $n, k_0, k_1, \dots, k_n$ , and set  $d = s!$ . We claim first that for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ , the numbers  $d_i = d(i + 1) + 1$  are relatively prime. Suppose otherwise, i.e., for some  $1 \leq j < k \leq n + 1$ , that  $d_j + 1$  and  $d_k + 1$  have a common prime factor  $p$ . Since any number up to  $s$  leaves a remainder of 1 when dividing  $s!j + 1$ , we have  $s < p$ . But also, since  $p \mid (dj + 1)$  and  $p \mid (dk + 1)$ ,  $p \mid d(k - j)$ . Now  $p \nmid j$  else  $p \mid (dj + 1)$ . So  $p \mid (k - j) < n < s$ . Hence,  $p < s$ , giving us a contradiction.

Hence the  $d_i$  are relatively prime. So by the Chinese Remainder Theorem, we get every possible sequence of remainders as we run through  $Rm(c, D)$  for  $c = 0$  to  $\pi_D - 1$ . And one of these sequences must be  $k_0, k_1, \dots, k_n$ , since each  $k_i < s$  and hence a potential remainder on division by the corresponding  $d_i$ .

Now the  $\Delta_0$  wff

$$\beta(c, d, i, y) =_{df} (\exists u \leq c)[c = \{S(d \cdot Si) \cdot u\} + y \wedge y \leq (d \cdot Si)]$$

defines the Gödel  $\beta$ -function.

### 6.3.4. *Functions defined from definable functions by recursion are definable.*

We'll take as a warm up exercise the case of factorial. Recall the definition.

$$0! = 1; \quad (Sx)! = x! \cdot Sx$$

So, to find  $x!$  we construct the sequence

$$0!, 1!, 2!, \dots, x!$$

where we move from the  $u$ -th member of the sequence to the  $(u + 1)$ -th by multiplying the  $u$ -th by  $Su$ . Putting  $x! = y$ , the p.r. definition says

There exists a sequence  $k_0, k_1, \dots, k_x$  such that  $k_0 = 1$  and, if  $u < x$ , then  $k_{Su} = k_u \cdot Su$ , and  $k_x = y$ .

Given the  $\beta$ -function, we can re-express this as follows.

There exists  $c$  and  $d$  such that  $\beta(c, d, 0) = 1$  and, if  $u < x$ , then  $\beta(c, d, Su) = \beta(c, d, u) \cdot Su$ , and  $\beta(c, d, x) = y$ .

Now, expressing this in the language of arithmetic:

$$\exists c \exists d (\beta(c, d, 0, 1) \wedge (\forall u \leq x)(u \neq x \rightarrow \exists v \exists w (\beta(c, d, Su, v) \wedge \beta(c, d, u, w) \wedge v = w \cdot Su)) \wedge \beta(c, d, x, y)).$$

Now we give the general case. Let

- (1)  $f(x, 0) = g(x)$
- (2)  $f(x, Sy) = h(x, y, f(x)).$

Going step by step, as with the factorial function, this says

There exists a sequence  $k_0, k_1, \dots, k_y$  such that  $k_0 = g(x)$  and, if  $u < y$ , then  $k_{Su} = h(x, y, k_u)$ , and  $k_y = z$ .

Using the  $\beta$ -function,

There exist  $c$  and  $d$  such that  $\beta(c, d, 0) = g(x)$  and, if  $u < y$ , then  $\beta(c, d, Su) = h(x, y, \beta(c, d, u))$ , and  $\beta(c, d, y) = z$ .

And finally in the formal language, where  $\gamma(x, y)$  defines  $g$  and  $\eta(x, y, z, w)$  defines  $h$ :

$$\exists c \exists d ((\exists k \beta(c, d, 0, k) \wedge \gamma(0, k)) \wedge (\forall u \leq y)(u \neq y \rightarrow \exists v \exists w (\beta(c, d, Su, v) \wedge \beta(c, d, u, w) \wedge \gamma(x, u, v, w)))) \wedge \beta(c, d, x,$$

*Theorem* Every p.r. function is  $\Sigma_1$ .

*Proof.* Need to argue that existential quantifiers can be moved out across bounded quantification.

## 7. ARITHMETIZATION OF SYNTAX

**7.1. Gödel Numbering.** The Gödel numbers  $g(s)$  for each symbol  $s$  is as given in the table. N.B. We would do well at this point to reduce the number of primitive logical symbols, treating the remainder as meta-linguistic abbreviations.

$\neg$	$\wedge$	$\vee$	$\rightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\forall$	$\exists$	$=$	$($	$)$	$0$	$S$	$+$	$\cdot$	$x$	$y$	$z$	$\dots$
1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	2	4	6	$\dots$

For any string  $s_0 s_1 \dots s_n$  the Gödel number is  $\pi_0^{g(s_0)} \pi_1^{g(s_1)} \dots \pi_n^{g(s_n)}$ . For any sequence of strings,  $e_0, \dots, e_k$ , the super Gödel number is  $\pi_0^{g(e_0)} \dots \pi_n^{g(e_n)}$ .

### 7.2. More p.r. functions.

**R7. Concatenation:**  $\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner \star \ulcorner \psi \urcorner$  is the Gödel number of the concatenation of  $\varphi$  with  $\psi$  i.e.,  $\ulcorner \varphi \psi \urcorner$ . It is p.r. as follows. For any  $m$  and  $n$

$$m \star n = (\mu x \leq B_{m,n})(\forall i \leq \text{len}(m))(exp(x, i) = exp(m, i)) \wedge \forall j \leq \text{len}(j)(exp(x, \text{len}(m) + j) = exp(n, j)),$$

where  $B_{m,n}$  is large enough, say  $\pi_{m+n}^{m+n}$ .

**R8. Numeral:** The function  $Num(n)$  whose value is the Gödel number of the standard numeral for  $n$  [i.e.,  $S^n 0$ ]. Use recursion:

$$\begin{aligned} Num(0) &= \ulcorner 0 \urcorner = 2^{21} \\ Num(Sn) &= \ulcorner S \urcorner \star Num(n) = 2^{23} \star Num(n). \end{aligned}$$

**R9. The function  $diag(n)$ :** Here we have to make up some ground. For any wff  $\varphi(y)$ ,  $\varphi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$  gives what intuitively is the diagonal of  $\varphi(y)$ . For technical reasons, though, we define it to be  $\exists y(y = \ulcorner \varphi \urcorner \wedge \varphi(y))$ . This is equivalent to  $\varphi(\ulcorner \varphi \urcorner)$ .

Now, we have the function  $diag(n)$  whose value is the g.n. of the diagonalization of the wff whose g.n is  $n$ . Thus,

$$diag(n) = \ulcorner \exists y(y = \ulcorner \star Num(n) \star \ulcorner \wedge \urcorner \star n \star \ulcorner \urcorner) \urcorner.$$

**R10. Variables:** The property  $Var(n)$  that holds when  $n$  is the g.n. of a variable is p.r. Note we treat the variable here as a string of length one. We have  $Var(n)$  iff  $(\exists m \leq n)(2^{2 \cdot m} = n)$ .

**R11 Term Building Sequence:** We say that a sequence is a term building sequence just in case each expression in the sequence is a variable, is 0, or follows from preceding members by  $S$ ,  $+$ , or  $\cdot$  constructions. The relation  $Termseq(m, n)$  holds between the g.n.  $m$  of a term building sequence and the g.n.  $n$  of the last term in the sequence.

We have  $Termseq(m, n)$  iff  $n = exp(m, len(m) - 1) \wedge (\forall i \leq len(m) - 1)\varphi(i, m)$  where  $\varphi(i, m)$  is the disjunction

$$\begin{aligned} exp(m, i) = \ulcorner 0 \urcorner & \vee Var(exp(m, i)) \\ & \vee (\exists j < i)(exp(m, i) = \ulcorner S \urcorner \star exp(m, j)) \\ & \vee (\exists j < i)(\exists k < i)(exp(m, i) = \ulcorner \cdot \urcorner \star exp(m, j) \star \ulcorner + \urcorner \star exp(m, k) \star \ulcorner \cdot \urcorner) \\ & \vee (\exists j < i)(\exists k < i)(exp(m, i) = \ulcorner \cdot \urcorner \star exp(m, j) \star \ulcorner \cdot \urcorner \star exp(m, k) \star \ulcorner \cdot \urcorner) \end{aligned}$$

**R12 Term:**

$$Term(n) =_{df} (\exists m \leq B_n)Termseq(m, n),$$

where  $B_n$  is suitably large, e.g.,  $(\pi_l^n)^l$ , where  $l = len(n)$ . Why so? The term contains at most  $l$  symbols, and so the term sequence is bounded by  $l$ .

**R13 Atom:**

$$Atom(n) =_{df} (\exists j, k \leq n)(Term(j) \wedge Term(k) \wedge n = j \star \ulcorner = \urcorner \star k)$$

**R14 Formula Building Sequence:**

**R15 Wff:**

**R16 Free Vble:**

**R17 Sentence:**

**R18 Universal Generalization:**

**R19 Axiom Type 1:**

**Rn Axiom:**

**Modus Ponens:**

**Proof:**

## 8. SEMANTIC INCOMPLETENESS ARGUMENT

Let  $Gdl(m, n)$  be the relation that holds when  $m$  is the super g.n. for a PA proof of the diagonalization of wff with g.n.  $n$ . This is primitive recursive since  $Gdl(m, n)$  iff  $Prf(m, diag(n))$ . (Its characteristic function is the composition of characteristic functions.) Hence it's expressible by some wff  $Gdl(x, y)$ . Now define the wff

$$U(y) =_{df} \forall x \neg Gdl(x, y)$$

Take the diagonal, of which is not quite

$$U(\ulcorner U \urcorner) = \forall x \neg Gdl(x, \ulcorner \forall x \neg Gdl(x, y) \urcorner),$$

but rather equivalently

$$\exists y(y = \ulcorner U \urcorner \wedge U(y)),$$

or in other words,

$$G =_{df} \exists y(y = \ulcorner \forall x \neg \text{Gdl}(x, y) \urcorner \wedge \forall x \neg \text{Gdl}(x, y)).$$

Manifestly,  $G$  is true iff  $PA \not\vdash G$ . Manifestly, by inspection:  $G$  is true iff there is no  $x$  s.t.  $x$  is a proof of  $G$ .

*Theorem.* If  $PA$  is sound (satisfied by the standard model), then  $PA$  is incomplete.

Proof. Suppose  $PA$  is sound (satisfied by the standard model). If  $PA \vdash \neg G$ , then, since  $PA$  is sound,  $\neg G$  is true. Since  $G$  says that there is no proof of  $G$ , it follows that there is a proof of  $G$ . So,  $PA \vdash G$ . I.e.,  $PA$  is inconsistent and hence unsound. Alternatively, if  $PA \vdash G$ , then  $G$  is true. And, since  $G$  iff there is no proof of  $G$ , it follows that  $PA \not\vdash G$ .

Generalizing,

*Theorem.* Let  $T$  be any theory whose language includes zero, successor, addition, and multiplication (and a predicate for natural number if its intended domain is larger). If  $T$  is pr axiomatizable, can express all primitive recursive functions, and is true in the standard model, then  $T$  is incomplete.

## 9. GOLDBACH TYPE

9.1. **Preliminaries.** Results we need from before.

- Any  $\Sigma_1$  function is also  $\Pi_1$ .
- $Q$  can capture any  $\Delta_0$  function as a function.
- Any  $\Sigma_1$  function is equivalent to the composition of two  $\Delta_0$  functions. (Proved from a long trick.)
- $Q$  can capture any composition of  $\Delta_0$  functions.
- Hence,  $Q$  can capture any  $\Sigma_1$  function em as a function.
- Primitive recursive functions are  $\Sigma_1$ . (Proved from the form of their expressibility.)
- Hence  $Q$  can capture any primitive recursive function *as a function*.

*Defn.* A sentence  $\sigma$  is of Goldbach type iff  $\sigma$  is equivalent to a universal generalization about a primitive recursive property or relation.

*Claim:*  $G$  is of Goldbach type.

Proof.:  $\text{Gdl}(x, y)$  expresses a p.r. relation and thus is  $\Sigma_1$ .  $\text{Gdl}(x, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$  is then also  $\Sigma_1$ .  $\neg \text{Gdl}(x, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$  is the negation of a  $\Sigma_1$ , and hence a  $\Pi_1$  wff. Thus so is  $\forall y \neg \text{Gdl}(x, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$ , which is logically equivalent to  $G$ .

*Theorem.* Any sentence of Goldbach type is  $\Pi_1$ .

Proof: Any p.r. function is  $\Sigma_1$ , but any  $\Sigma_1$  function is also  $\Pi_1$ . So, adding more universal quantifiers keeps it equivalent to the universal generalization of a  $\Delta_0$  wff.

## 10. SYNTACTIC ARGUMENT FOR INCOMPLETENESS

**10.1. An easy result.** *Observation.* If  $PA$  is consistent, then  $PA \not\vdash G$ .

Proof: Suppose  $PA \vdash G$ .  $Gdl(x, y)$  is primitive recursive, and hence there is a wff  $Gdl(x, y)$  that represents it in  $PA$ . Since  $G$  is the diagonalization of  $U(y)$ , there is some  $m$  such that  $Gdl(m, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$ . Hence  $PA \vdash Gdl(\bar{m}, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$ . This is inconsistent with  $\forall y \neg Gdl(x, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$ , which is just  $G$ . Q.E.D.

### 10.2. $\omega$ -completeness, consistency.

*Defn.* An arithmetic theory  $T$  is  $\omega$ -incomplete iff for some wff  $\varphi(x)$ ,  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{m})$  for each  $m$  but  $T \not\vdash \forall x \varphi(x)$ .

*Illustration.* If  $PA$  is consistent, then  $PA$  is  $\omega$ -incomplete.

Proof.  $PA \vdash \neg Gdl(\bar{m}, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$  for each  $m$  but  $PA$  doesn't prove the universal generalization  $\forall y \neg Gdl(x, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$ , which is just  $G$ , (i.e.,  $PA \not\vdash G$ ).

*Defn.* An arithmetic theory  $T$  is  $\omega$ -inconsistent iff  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{m})$  for each  $m$  yet  $T \vdash \exists x \neg \varphi(x)$ .

N.B.  $T$  is  $\omega$ -consistent iff not  $\omega$ -inconsistent. More positively:  $T$  is  $\omega$ -consistent iff, if  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{m})$  for each  $m$ , then  $T \not\vdash \neg \forall x \varphi(x)$ . Or contra-positively,  $T \not\vdash \varphi(\bar{m})$  for some  $m$  if  $T \vdash \neg \forall x \varphi(x)$ .

*Observation.* If  $T$  is  $\omega$ -inconsistent, then  $T$  is not satisfied by the standard model.

Proof. Convert the syntactic definition into a semantic argument.

*Theorem.* There is a sentence  $G$  of Goldbach type such that if  $PA$  is consistent, then  $PA \not\vdash G$ , and, if  $PA$  is  $\omega$ -consistent, then  $PA \not\vdash \neg G$ .

Proof. We've done the first part before. So pick up on the second claim. Suppose  $PA \vdash \exists x Gdl(x, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$ . (This is just  $\neg G$ .) Yet for all  $m$ ,  $PA \vdash \neg Gdl(\bar{m}, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$ .<sup>1</sup> That makes  $PA$   $\omega$ -inconsistent.

**Gödel's 1st incompleteness theorem:** Assume that  $T$  is p.r. axiomatized and can represent every p.r. function. Then there is a Goldbach type sentence unprovable if  $T$  consistent and it's negation unprovable if  $T$  is  $\omega$ -consistent.

<sup>1</sup>This may be a little quick. The reasoning is this. Recall that  $G$  is true iff  $PA \not\vdash G$ . Now, if  $PA$  is  $\omega$ -consistent, then it's consistent. Hence  $PA \not\vdash G$ . So,  $G$  is true. Thus, for every  $m$ ,  $Gdl(m, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$  is false. Since  $Gdl(x, y)$  represents  $Gdl(x, y)$ ,  $PA \vdash \neg Gdl(\bar{m}, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$  for each  $m$ .

## 11. MODEST EXTENSIONS OF GÖDEL'S 1ST THEOREM

*Local Definition.* A *nice* theory is consistent, p.r. axiomatized, and extends  $Q$ .

*Observation.* Craig's Theorem shows that any any effectively enumerable, theory is p.r. axiomatizable (by any argument of bounded for-loops). Thus, the p.r. axiomatized condition can be weakened accordingly.

*Theorem.* The theory of the intended model of arithmetic is not axiomatizable.

Proof: Suppose it is axiomatizable. Then it is nice and sound, and hence incomplete.

*Rosser's Trick.* Construct a sentence  $R_T$  that indirectly says, if I am provably in  $T$ , then my negation is already provable in  $T$  (i.e., with a smaller Gödel number). We have the usual semantic result that if  $T$  is nice and sound, then neither  $R_T$  nor  $\neg R_T$  is provable from  $T$ . For assume  $T$  nice and sound, and that  $R_T$  is provable. Then, according to what  $R_T$  indirectly asserts, if  $R_T$  is provable, then so is it's negation. Having assume the antecedent, we get the consequent, which leads to a contraction. Hence  $R_T$  is not provable. This renders the conditional true in virtue of a false antecedent. Hence  $R_T$  is true and it's negation false. Since  $T$  is sound,  $T \not\vdash \neg R_T$ , either.

*Definitions.*

- (1)  $T$  is  $\omega$ -consistent iff there is n wff  $\varphi(x)$  such that  $T \vdash \exists x\varphi(x)$  while, for each  $m$ ,  $T \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{m})$ .
- (2)  $T$  is 1-consistent iff there is no  $\Delta_0$  formula  $\varphi(x)$  such that  $T \vdash \exists \bar{x}\varphi(\bar{x})$  while, for each  $\bar{m}$ ,  $T \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{m})$
- (3)  $T$  is  $\Sigma_1$  sound iff for every  $\Sigma_1$  sentence  $\sigma$  such that  $T \vdash \sigma$ ,  $\sigma$  is true.

*Kreisel's Observation.* You need to assume only that  $PA$  is 1-consistent in order to show that  $PA \vdash \neg G$ .

Proof. Suppose (1)  $PA \vdash \neg G$ . Note that  $\neg G$  is equivalent to  $\exists x \text{Gdl}(x, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$ , where  $\text{Gdl}(x, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$  is  $\Sigma_1$ . Hence it is equivalent to some  $\exists \bar{z}\psi(x, \bar{z})$ , where  $\psi(x, \bar{z})$  is  $\Delta_0$ . Now (2)  $PA \vdash \neg \text{Gdl}(\bar{m}, \ulcorner U \urcorner)$  for each and every  $m$ . Conditions (1) and (2) are thus

- (1)  $PA \vdash \exists x \exists \bar{z} \psi(x, \bar{z})$
- (2)  $PA \vdash \neg \exists \bar{z} \psi(\bar{m}, \bar{z})$  for each and every  $m$ .

Now (2) implies (by logic alone)  $PA \vdash \neg \psi(\bar{m}, \bar{n})$  for any sequence of numbers. Invoke now the hypothesis that (3)  $PA$  is 1-consistent. (1) and (3) entail that  $PA$  is 1-inconsistent. Hence you can't have (1) and (3). So you can't have (1) and (2) either. Hence  $PA \not\vdash \neg G$ .

*Observation.*  $\Sigma_1$  soundness entails consistency.

Proof. Suppose  $T$  is inconsistent. Then anything follows, including a  $\Sigma_1$  and its negation, which both can't be true.

*Observation.* Let  $T$  be nice. Then  $T$  is 1-consistent iff  $\Sigma_1$  sound.

*Proof.* Suppose  $T$  is 1-consistent but not  $\Sigma_1$  sound. Then for some  $\Delta_0$  wff  $\varphi(x)$  the  $\Sigma_1$  wff  $\exists x\varphi(x)$  is false even though  $T \vdash \exists x\varphi(x)$ . Since  $\exists x\varphi(x)$  is false,  $\neg\varphi(\bar{m})$  is true for some  $m$ . Since  $T$  is nice, it extends  $Q$  and hence proves every true  $\Delta_0$  wff. Hence  $T \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{m})$ , contradicting the assumption that  $T$  is 1-consistent.

Conversely, suppose  $T$  is  $\Sigma_1$  sound but not 1-consistent. Then for some  $\Delta_0$  wff  $\varphi(x)$ ,  $T \vdash \exists x\varphi(x)$  but  $T \vdash \neg\varphi(\bar{m})$  for each  $m$ . Since  $\exists x\varphi(x)$  is  $\Sigma_1$  and  $T$  is  $\Sigma_1$  sound,  $\exists x\varphi(x)$  is true. Hence, in the standard model  $\varphi(\bar{m})$  is true for some  $m$ . But since  $T$  is nice, it extends  $Q$ , which correctly decides each  $\Delta_0$  sentence. Thus  $T \vdash \varphi(\bar{m})$ , rendering  $T$  inconsistent. But nice theories are consistent.

## 12. PROVABILITY PREDICATES

*Result.* Let  $T$  be a nice theory. Then if  $T \vdash \varphi$ , then  $T \vdash \text{Prov}_T(\ulcorner\varphi\urcorner)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $T \vdash \varphi$ . Then for some  $m$ ,  $\text{Prf}(m, \ulcorner\varphi\urcorner)$ . Thus, since  $T$  is nice (in particular, extends  $Q$ ),  $\text{Prf}(x, y)$  represents  $\text{Prf}(j, k)$  in  $T$ , and so  $T \vdash \text{Prf}(\bar{m}, \ulcorner\varphi\urcorner)$ . Hence  $T \vdash \text{Prov}_T(\ulcorner\varphi\urcorner)$ .

*Result.* Conversely, if  $T$  is nice and  $\omega$ -consistent, then  $T \vdash \varphi$  if  $T \vdash \text{Prov}_T(\ulcorner\varphi\urcorner)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $T \vdash \text{Prov}_T(\ulcorner\varphi\urcorner)$ , i.e.,  $T \vdash \exists x\text{Prf}(x, \ulcorner\varphi\urcorner)$ . Now, since  $T$  is  $\omega$ -consistent, this existential claim must have a witness,  $m$ . So  $\text{Prf}(m, \ulcorner\varphi\urcorner)$ , and hence  $T \vdash \varphi$ .

## 13. TARSKI'S THEOREM

*Defn* An open  $L'$  wff  $\text{T}(x)$  is a *formal truth-predicate for  $L$*  iff for every  $L$  sentence  $\sigma$ ,  $T \vdash \text{T}(\ulcorner\sigma\urcorner) \leftrightarrow \sigma$ .