

# Generalized logics, Vopenka principle and accessible categories

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All of these Properties can be expressed in Second Order Logic

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Examples: free groups, Free\* groups, Metric spaces and more.



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We shall sketch a proof that (2) implies that every logic has an LST property.

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*Given a category  $\mathcal{C}$ . Set a general framework for expressing properties of the objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ . Naturally we are interested only in properties which are invariant under the isomorphisms of  $\mathcal{C}$ .*

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# Vopenka's principle and LST property for logics for accessible categories

## Theorem (Vopenka's principle)

*Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a logic for the category  $\mathcal{C}$ . Assume that the category of assignments of  $\mathcal{L}$  is a small category and that  $\mathcal{C}$  is accessible, then  $\mathcal{L}$  has the LST property.*

## Sketch.

On the board, time permitting. □

# Key Lemma

## Lemma

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a logic for the accessible category  $\mathcal{C}$ , let  $B$  be a predicate "coding"  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$ . Let  $\lambda$  be large enough so that

1.  $\mathcal{C}$  is  $\lambda$  accessible.
  2.  $|\mathcal{D}| < \lambda$  where  $\mathcal{D}$  is a set of  $\lambda$ -presentable objects such that every object in  $\mathcal{C}$  is a  $\lambda$ -directed colimit of members of it.
  3. The category of  $\mathcal{A}$  of assignments of  $\mathcal{L}$  has cardinality less than  $\lambda$ .
  4. The set of formulas of  $\mathcal{L}$  has cardinality less than  $\lambda$ .
- . Then for every  $Y \in \mathcal{C}$  there is a cardinal  $\delta(Y)$  such that if  $j : V \rightarrow M$  is an elementary embedding with critical point  $\geq \lambda$  and  $j(B) \cap \delta(Y) = B \cap \delta(Y)$ . Then in  $M$  there is an object  $Y^*$  isomorphic to  $Y$  and a  $\mathcal{L}$  elementary morphism of  $Y^*$  to  $j(Y)$ .

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Vopenka's principle implies that for every  $B \subseteq \mathcal{O}_n$  there are unboundedly many  $B$ -supercompact cardinals, hence the theorem follows.

Thank you for your attention!