

$$\vdash \Rightarrow \models$$

Soundness

$$\models \Rightarrow \vdash$$

Completeness

PHIL 50 - Introduction to Logic

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Week 4 — Monday Class - Soundness and Completeness

Derivability: \vdash

$\vdash \psi$ *iff*

there is a derivation of ψ in which all assumptions are canceled.

$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$ *iff*

there is a derivation of ψ from assumptions $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k$

A derivation is a tree-like arrangement of formulas which obeys the derivation rules we studied during Week 3 of the course.

Logical Consequence: \models

$\models \psi$ *iff*

all valuation V 's make ψ true

$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$ *iff*

all valuations V 's that make $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k$ true make also ψ true

We studied the notion of logical consequence during Week 2 of the course

The Equivalence of \vdash and \models in Propositional Logic

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$$

SOUNDNESS



COMPLETENESS

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$$

Two (Logical) Ways to Identify Good Arguments

Check whether the proposed argument **conforms to a derivation**

\vdash

Check whether **all the valuations that make true all the premises make true the conclusion as well**

\models

SOUNDNESS

Syntactic Method

Logical System

Semantic Method

COMPLETENESS

Why Does the **SOUNDNESS** of Propositional Logic Matter?

$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$

SOUNDNESS



$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$

Soundness as “Semantic Check”

How do we know that the derivation rules we have chosen are **good rules**?

*Soundness guarantees that the derivation rules we have chosen are **truth preserving** (i.e. they always bring us from true premises to true conclusions)*

*Derivations
rules*

$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$



$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$

*Truth
preservation*

The Example of Rule RAA

Is RAA a
good derivation
rule to have?

$[\neg\phi]^i$

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\perp

————— RAAⁱ

ϕ

IF $\neg\phi \models \perp$ THEN $\models \phi$

$\neg\phi$	\perp
0	0
1	0

ϕ
1
0

IF $\neg\phi \vdash \perp$ THEN $\vdash \phi$

This provides a "semantic check" on rule RAA

What Happens if We Allow for Three Truth Values?

An Example: Is RAA Still Good?

Is RAA a good derivation rule to have?

$[\neg\phi]^i$

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.

.

\perp

RAAⁱ

ϕ

$\neg\phi \models \perp$

$\neg\phi$	\perp
0	0
1	0
0.5	0

BUT $\neq \phi$

ϕ
1
0
0.5

$\neg\phi \vdash \perp$

BUT $\neq \phi$

In a three valued semantics RAA is no longer good

Upshot: Soundness is not Absolute;
it is Relative to a Given Semantics

Why Does the **COMPLETENESS** of Propositional Logic Matter?

$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$



COMPLETENESS

$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$

The Clever Is Reduced to the Automatic

DIFFICULT
TASK

*Syntactic
method to
identify good
arguments:*

Construct a
derivation

←
COMPLETENESS

*Semantic
method to
identify good
arguments:*

Fill out a **truth
table**
appropriately

AUTOMATIC
TASK

Completeness of propositional logic allows us to reduce a task that requires some cleverness (i.e. constructing derivations) with a task that is completely automatic (i.e. constructing truth-tables)

Is This Formula Derivable?

$$((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \phi$$

$((\phi$	\rightarrow	$\psi)$	\rightarrow	$\phi)$	\rightarrow	ϕ
1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0

By the truth table method we know that

$$\models ((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \phi$$

and by completeness we know that

$$\vdash ((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \phi$$

Easy!

Can You Find the Derivation?

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{[\neg\phi]^1 \quad [\phi]^2}{\perp} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}}{\psi} \rightarrow \mathbf{I}^2}{\phi \rightarrow \psi} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}}{((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi)^3} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}$$
$$\frac{\frac{\phi \quad [\neg\phi]^1}{\perp} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}}{\phi} \rightarrow \mathbf{I}^3}{((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \phi} \rightarrow \mathbf{E}$$

Not So Easy!

The Power of Completeness — if \models then \vdash

How do we know that the derivation rules we have chosen are **ALL the derivations rules we need**? Maybe we need more?

Completeness guarantees that the derivation rules we have chosen are ALL the derivation rules we need

*Finite
number of
derivations
rules*

$$\begin{array}{c} \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi \\ \uparrow\uparrow \\ \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi \end{array}$$

*All possible
logical
consequences*

Summary of Soundness and Completeness

Soundness guarantees that the derivation rules we have chosen are good rules insofar as they are truth-preserving (i.e. they always bring us from true premises to true conclusions)

Completeness guarantees that the derivation rules we have chosen are ALL the derivation rules we need. No extra derivation rules are needed.

Two Equivalent Formulations

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$$

SOUNDNESS



COMPLETENESS

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$$

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\vdash \psi$$

SOUNDNESS



COMPLETENESS

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\models \psi$$

How Do We Prove Soundness and Completeness?

*You will have to take a more advanced logic course (e.g. **PHIL 150** or **PHIL 151**) to see how the proof goes.*

Consistency

A set $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent
iff

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\vdash \perp$$

Completeness, Soundness and Consistency

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$$

SOUNDNESS



COMPLETENESS

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$$

If COMPLETENESS and SOUNDNESS hold, then

the set $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent

iff

there is a valuation V that makes all formulas in Γ true

To Establish an IFF-Claim We
Should Prove Both Directions

If *COMPLETENESS* and *SOUNDNESS* hold, then
the set $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent
 \Rightarrow
there is a valuation V that makes all formulas in Γ true

PROOF:

Suppose $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent, which means that $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\vdash \perp$.

By completeness, it follows that $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\vdash \perp$.

Now, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\vdash \perp$ means that there is a valuation V such that V makes true $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k$ and V does not make true \perp .

So, there is a V that makes true all formulas in Γ .

If *COMPLETENESS* and *SOUNDNESS* hold, then
the set $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent

\Leftarrow

there is a valuation V that makes all formulas in Γ true

PROOF:

Suppose there is a V that makes true all formulas in Γ .

By definition V does not make \perp true.

So, there is a V that makes true all formulas in Γ and does not make \perp true. In other words, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\models \perp$.

By soundness, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\models \perp$, so Γ is consistent.