

# A Pedagogically Useful Relevant Implication and Some General Lessons

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- **PCR** (1992, 1978?)
- Ghent lecture by David Makinson

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$$p \vdash_{\mathbf{PC}} q \supset p, \quad p \vdash_{\mathbf{PC}} \neg p \supset q, \quad \neg(p \supset q) \vdash_{\mathbf{PC}} p \wedge \neg q$$

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official relevance tradition (A & B) removes all paradoxes in  
single move

however: derivable given, ... sensible

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propositional level: where paradoxes surface

relevant implication: no obvious approach for formalizing predicative statements

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# Fitch-Style Rules: PC

'structural' rules: PREM, HYP, REIT

deduction rules:

MP  $A, A \supset B / B$

CP From a subproof starting with the hypothesis  $A$  and ending with  $B$ , to infer  $A \supset B$ .

ADJ  $A, B / A \wedge B$

SIM  $A \wedge B / A$  and  $A \wedge B / B$

ADD  $A / A \vee B$  and  $B / A \vee B$

DIL  $A \vee B, A \supset C, B \supset C / C$

EI  $A \supset B, B \supset A / A \equiv B$

EE  $A \equiv B / A \supset B$  and  $A \equiv B / B \supset A$

DN  $\neg\neg A / A$

RAA  $A \supset B, A \supset \neg B / \neg A$

subproof is *closed* iff a formula was derived from it by CP

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2	$(r \supset r) \supset q$	PREM
3	$p$	HYP
4	$r$	HYP
5	$r \supset r$	4, 4; CP
6	$(r \supset r) \supset q$	2; REIT
7	$q$	5, 6; MP
8	$p \supset q$	3, 7; CP
9	$\neg p$	1, 8; RAA

paradox in line 8;  $p \supset \neg q, (r \supset r) \supset q \vdash_{\text{PCR}} \neg p$  not paradoxical

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**Definition** A **PC-proof** of  $A$  from  $\Gamma \dots$

**Definition**  $\Gamma \vdash_{\text{PC}} A$  iff there is a **PC-proof** of  $A$  from  $\Gamma$ .

**Definition**  $\vdash_{\text{PC}} A$  iff  $\emptyset \vdash_{\text{PC}} A$ .

In pedagogical context: derivable rules of inference  
(equilibrium between heuristic facility and set of rules)

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role and status of theorems (and valid formulas) unusual

- if (2), then  $n < 0$ ;  $\emptyset$  **L**-entails nothing (not even theorems)
- **L**-theorems bring one from premises to conclusion (by MP and ADJ)
- (2) is Tarski (refl., mon., trans.)

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to formalize statements from natural languages into  $\mathcal{W}^1$  hardly hindrance

most sentences of form

$$A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)$$

equivalent to sentence of form

$$(A \wedge B) \rightarrow C$$

or to metalinguistic

$$A \vdash B \rightarrow C$$

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the intention:

$\vdots$	$\vdots$	
$i$	$A^*$	RHYP
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$j$	$B^*$	$\dots$
$j+1$	$A \rightarrow B$	$i, j$ ; RCP
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	

*restriction:*

no subproof can be started within a starred subproof

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## Carrying over stars

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One has reasons to reject  $\neg A$  iff one has reasons to accept  $A$ .
- (M $\wedge$ ) One has reasons to accept  $A \wedge B$  iff one has reasons to accept  $A$  as well as reasons to accept  $B$ .  
**If** one has reasons to reject  $A$  or reasons to reject  $B$ , **then** one has reasons to reject  $A \wedge B$ .
- (M $\vee$ ) **If** one has reasons to accept  $A$  or reasons to accept  $B$ , **then** one has reasons to accept  $A \vee B$ .  
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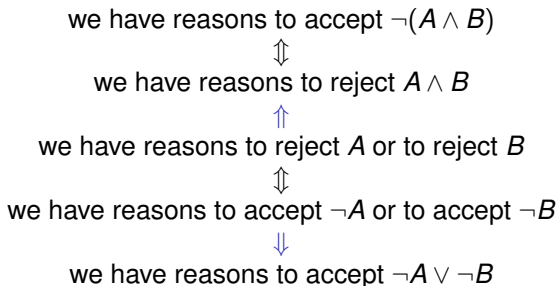
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this gives us:



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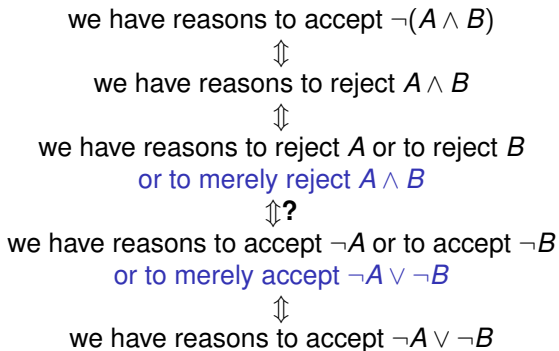
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modifying the ‘implications’ to ‘equivalences’ creates problem:



answer depends on the *merely* parts

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these justify a further meaning postulate:

- ( $M \wedge \vee$ ) One has reasons to merely reject  $\neg A \wedge \neg B$  iff one has reasons to merely accept  $A \vee B$ .  
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RMT  $\neg B^*, A \rightarrow B / \neg A^*$

RCP From a subproof  $\langle A^*, \dots, B^* \rangle$ , to infer  $A \rightarrow B$ .

also OK without stars

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some properties:

- (1) **PCR** is a conservative extension of **PC**: if  $A \in \mathcal{W}$ , then  $\vdash_{\text{PCR}} A$  iff  $\vdash_{\text{PC}} A$ .
  - (2) For all  $A \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $\vdash_{\text{PCR}} A$  iff  $\vdash_{\text{PCR}} \neg A \rightarrow A$ .
  - (3)  $A \rightarrow B$  is a **PCR**-theorem iff it is a tautological entailment.
  - (4) If  $\vdash_{\text{PCR}} A \leftrightarrow B$  and  $D$  is obtained by replacing the subformula  $A$  in  $C$  by  $B$ , then  $\vdash_{\text{PCR}} C \leftrightarrow D$ . (Replacement of Relevant Equivalents)
  - (5) Replacement of (Material) Equivalents does not hold in **PCR**. Example  $\not\vdash_{\text{PCR}} (p \rightarrow q) \equiv ((p \vee (r \wedge \neg r)) \rightarrow q)$ .
  - (6) Derivable rules:  $A \rightarrow (B \wedge C) \parallel (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (A \rightarrow C)$   
 $(A \vee B) \rightarrow C \parallel (A \rightarrow C) \wedge (B \rightarrow C)$
  - (7) Negative results:  
 $B \not\vdash_{\text{PCR}} A \rightarrow B$                        $\neg A \not\vdash_{\text{PCR}} A \rightarrow B$   
 $\neg(A \rightarrow B) \not\vdash_{\text{PCR}} A$                      $\neg(A \rightarrow B) \not\vdash_{\text{PCR}} \neg B$
- In general no *implication* paradox for arrow.

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that REIT need to be restricted:

1	$\neg p$	PREM	
2	$\neg p \vee (p \rightarrow q)$	1; ADD	
3	$p^*$	RHYP	
4	$\neg p \vee (p \rightarrow q)$	2; REIT	!
5	$p \rightarrow q$	3, 4; DS	
6	$q^*$	3, 5; RMP	
7	$p \rightarrow q$	3, 6; RCP	

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independent arguments for relevance of the arrow in **PCR**

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(ii) the valid statements

$\Gamma \vdash_{\text{PCR}} A \rightarrow B$  iff  $\Gamma \vdash_{\text{PCR}} (A_1 \rightarrow B_1) \wedge \dots \wedge (A_n \rightarrow B_n)$   
are identical to those for first degree entailments

so blame on inference relation, not on implication

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## R-M semantics

remember:

- $A_1, \dots, A_n$  **L**-entail  $B$  iff, for all  $M$ ,  $B$  is verified by every world that verifies  $A_1, \dots, A_n$
- $M$  verifies  $A$  iff  $v(A, 0) = 1$
- every model verifies every **L**-theorem

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