

## 2 Prospective Dynamics: Pushing the Heuristics into the Proofs

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## 2.1 Proofs and their Explications



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- (1) specific meaning of the logical symbols in those contexts  
not discussed here
  
- (2) correct proofs classified as correct OK  
proofs classified as correct are correct yes, but . . .





**Actual proofs:** result from goal-directed process

actually produced

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result of  
search process



skip dead ends  
skip detours  
skip obvious steps  
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actually published

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presentation





Neither produced nor published proofs are explicated adequately by **CL**:

**CL** is too permissive, viz. not goal directed

for example

1	$p$	Prem
2	$p \vee q$	1; Add
3	$p \vee r$	1; Add
4	$p \vee s$	1; Add
...	...	

## 2.2 Instructions vs. rules



rule: preserves truth

instruction: permission/obligation to apply a rule  
(depending on stage of the proof)

**official proof:** procedure = rules + universal permission

- not goal-directed
- does not explicate actually produced / published proofs
- is border case of procedure

some **procedures** explicate actual proofs

## 2.3 Prospective dynamics: idea and examples



- idea:
  - if one looks for  $A$
  - and, e.g.,  $B \supset A$  was derived
  - then look for  $B$
- pushing (part of) the heuristics in the proof:
  - if one looks for  $A$
  - and, e.g.,  $B \supset A$  was derived
  - then derive  $[B] A$
  - indicating that one should look for  $B$
  - (given the premises, obtaining  $B$  is sufficient to obtain  $A$ )





$t \vee q, p \supset (q \vee \sim r), r \wedge s, s \supset p \vdash q$

1	$[q] q$	Goal	$R^{14}$
2	$t \vee q$	Prem	
3	$[\sim t] q$	2; $\vee E$	$\sim t $
4	$p \supset (q \vee \sim r)$	Prem	
5	$[p] q \vee \sim r$	4; $\supset E$	$R^{11}$
6	$s \supset p$	Prem	
7	$[s] p$	6; $\supset E$	$R^{10}$
8	$r \wedge s$	Prem	
9	$s$	8; $\wedge E$	
10	$p$	7, 9; Trans	
11	$q \vee \sim r$	5, 10; Trans	
12	$[r] q$	11; $\vee E$	$R^{14}$
13	$r$	8; $\wedge E$	
14	$q$	12, 13; Trans	



Incidentally:

algorithm: prospective proofs  $\Rightarrow$  Fitch-style proofs

1	$p \supset (q \vee \sim r)$	Prem
2	$s \supset p$	Prem
3	$r \wedge s$	Prem
4	$s$	3; Sim
5	$p$	2, 4; MP
6	$q \vee \sim r$	1, 5; MP
7	$r$	3; Sim
8	$q$	6, 7; DS





$\sim p \vee q \vdash p \supset q$

1	$[p \supset q] p \supset q$	Goal	$R^8$
2	$[q] p \supset q$	1; $C\supset E$	$q \mid R^8$
3	$\sim p \vee q$	Prem	
4	$[p] q$	3; $\vee E$	$p \mid$
5	$[\sim p] p \supset q$	1; $C\supset E$	$\sim p \mid R^8$
6	$[\sim q] \sim p$	3; $\vee E$	$\sim q \mid$
7	$[p] p \supset q$	2, 4; Trans	$p \mid R^8$
8	$p \supset q$	5, 7; EM	

obtain the Goal on all non-redundant conditions

## 2.4 Prospective dynamics: characterization

**Rules** (prospective proof for  $\Gamma \vdash G$ )

Goal To introduce  $[G] G$ .

Prem To introduce  $A$  for an  $A \in \Gamma$ .

Trans 
$$\frac{[\Delta \cup \{B\}] A \quad [\Delta'] B}{[\Delta \cup \Delta'] A}$$

EM 
$$\frac{[\Delta \cup \{B\}] A \quad [\Delta' \cup \{\sim B\}] A}{[\Delta \cup \Delta'] A}$$



Note: the complement of a formula:



if  $A$  has the form  $\sim B$ , then  $*A = B$

otherwise  $*A = \sim A$

$$*p = \sim p$$

$$*\sim p = p$$

$$*\sim\sim p = \sim p$$

$$**p = p$$

$$**\sim p = \sim p$$

$$**\sim\sim p = p$$





$\alpha$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$		$\beta$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$
$A \wedge B$	$A$	$B$		$\sim(A \wedge B)$	$*A$	$*B$
$A \equiv B$	$A \supset B$	$B \supset A$		$\sim(A \equiv B)$	$\sim(A \supset B)$	$\sim(B \supset A)$
$\sim(A \vee B)$	$*A$	$*B$		$A \vee B$	$A$	$B$
$\sim(A \supset B)$	$A$	$*B$		$A \supset B$	$*A$	$B$
$\sim\sim A$	$A$	$A$				

Formula analysing rules:

$$\frac{[\Delta] \alpha}{[\Delta] \alpha_1 \quad [\Delta] \alpha_2} \qquad \frac{[\Delta] \beta}{[\Delta \cup \{*\beta_2\}] \beta_1 \quad [\Delta \cup \{*\beta_1\}] \beta_2}$$

Example:

$$\frac{[\Delta] p \wedge q}{[\Delta] p \quad [\Delta] q} \qquad \frac{[\Delta] p \vee q}{[\Delta \cup \{\sim q\}] p \quad [\Delta \cup \{\sim p\}] q}$$





$\alpha$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$		$\beta$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$
$A \wedge B$	$A$	$B$		$\sim(A \wedge B)$	$*A$	$*B$
$A \equiv B$	$A \supset B$	$B \supset A$		$\sim(A \equiv B)$	$\sim(A \supset B)$	$\sim(B \supset A)$
$\sim(A \vee B)$	$*A$	$*B$		$A \vee B$	$A$	$B$
$\sim(A \supset B)$	$A$	$*B$		$A \supset B$	$*A$	$B$
$\sim\sim A$	$A$	$A$				

Condition analysing rules:

$$\frac{[\Delta \cup \{\alpha\}] A}{[\Delta \cup \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}] A} \qquad \frac{[\Delta \cup \{\beta\}] A}{[\Delta \cup \{\beta_1\}] A \quad [\Delta \cup \{\beta_2\}] A}$$

Example:

$$\frac{[\Delta \cup \{q \wedge r\}] p}{[\Delta \cup \{q, r\}] p} \qquad \frac{[\Delta \cup \{q \vee r\}] p}{[\Delta \cup \{q\}] p \quad [\Delta \cup \{r\}] p}$$



## The permissions and obligations



positive part:

1.  $pp(A, A)$ .
2.  $pp(A, \alpha)$  if  $pp(A, \alpha_1)$  or  $pp(A, \alpha_2)$ .
3.  $pp(A, \beta)$  if  $pp(A, \beta_1)$  or  $pp(A, \beta_2)$ .

A line with second element  $[\Delta] A$  is marked as a **dead end** iff an element of  $\Delta$  is not a pp of any premise.

A line with second element  $[\Delta] A$  is marked as a **redundant** iff

- (i)  $A \in \Delta$  (not the Goal line) or
- (ii) a line with second element  $[\Delta'] A$  occurs and  $\Delta' \subset \Delta$ .

more marks possible (e.g., inconsistent paths)

The **target** is the first formula in the condition of the last unmarked line. (alternatives possible)



## Phase 1:

- start with Goal rule
- apply FAR only to formula of line that has Prem-line in its path
- derive  $[B_1, \dots, B_n] A$  by FAR only if target is pp of  $A$
- next, introduce a new premise  $A$  iff target is pp of  $A$
- apply CAR only to target  $A$  after Prem and FAR are exhausted
- apply Trans only if  $\Delta'$  is empty

## Phase 2:

- only: new  $[\Delta] G$  by EM, Trans or CAR from R-unmarked lines
- next return to phase 1

## 2.5 Where went Ex Falso Quodlibet?



Let the logic defined by the procedure be  $\text{pCL}^-$

$$p, \sim p \not\vdash_{\text{pCL}^-} q$$

EFQ requires, for example:

EFQ      To introduce  $[\sim A] G$  for an  $A \in \Gamma$ .

This rule may be applied to every  $A \in \Gamma$ .

EFQ is an isolated, unnatural and *ad hoc* rule.



Where  $\text{pCL}$  is (propositional)  $\text{pCL}^- + \text{EFQ}$ :



$\Gamma \vdash_{\text{pCL}} A$  iff  $\Gamma \vdash_{\text{CL}} A$

That is:

If  $\Gamma \vdash_{\text{CL}} A$ , the procedure will lead to a proof of  $A$  from  $\Gamma$ .

If  $\Gamma \not\vdash_{\text{CL}} A$ , the procedure will stop without  $A$  being derived.

## 2.6 Some properties of $CL^-$



- natural explication of all sensible classical proofs
- EFQ is absent, whence isolated, and unnatural
- assigns same consequences as  $CL$  to consistent  $\Gamma$   
(the intended domain of application of  $CL$ )
- derives a contradiction from all inconsistent  $\Gamma$ ,  
but not triviality (except in border cases)  
⇒ assigns sensible consequence set to inconsistent  $\Gamma$
- resulting consequence relation:
  - ★ *characterized* by a semantics (and tableau method)
  - ★ reflexive and monotonic
  - ★ not transitive (even weak cut does not hold)  
but transitive if restricted to consistent premise sets
  - ★ in an interesting (specific) sense relevant
  - ★ exactly the same theorems as  $CL$
  - ★ adequate w.r.t.  $CL$ -semantics if restricted to consistent  $\Gamma$



Sensible



$$p \vee q, \sim p, \sim q \vdash p \wedge \sim p$$

$$p \vee q, \sim p, \sim q \vdash q \wedge \sim q$$

To derive Russell's paradox from Frege's set theory.

not sensible

$$p \vee q, \sim p, \sim q \vdash r \wedge \sim r$$

To derive from Frege's set theory that the moon is and is not a blue cheese (or that  $\wp(\emptyset) = \emptyset \wedge \wp(\emptyset) \neq \emptyset$ ).

In problem-solving processes,  $\mathbf{CL}^-$  need to be applied.



## A semantics (Suszko: every logic has a 2-valued semantics)

$v : \mathcal{W} \mapsto \{0, 1\}$  is a partial function

1. if  $v(A) \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $\text{sub}(B, A)$ , then  $v(B), v(*B) \in \{0, 1\}$
2. if  $v(A \wedge B) = 1$  then  $v(A) = 1$  and  $v(B) = 1$ .
3. if  $v(A \wedge B) = 0$  then  $v(A) = 0$  or  $v(B) = 0$ .
4. if  $v(A \equiv B) = 1$  then  $v(A \supset B) = 1$  and  $v(B \supset A) = 1$ .
5. if  $v(A \equiv B) = 0$  then  $v(A \supset B) = 0$  or  $v(B \supset A) = 0$ .
6. if  $v(\sim(A \vee B)) = 1$  then  $v(*A) = 1$  and  $v(*B) = 1$ .
7. if  $v(\sim(A \vee B)) = 0$  then  $v(*A) = 0$  or  $v(*B) = 0$ .
8. if  $v(\sim(A \supset B)) = 1$  then  $v(A) = 1$  and  $v(*B) = 1$ .
9. if  $v(\sim(A \supset B)) = 0$  then  $v(A) = 0$  or  $v(*B) = 0$ .
10. if  $v(\sim\sim A) = 1$  then  $v(A) = 1$ .
11. if  $v(\sim\sim A) = 0$  then  $v(A) = 0$ .
12. if  $v(A \vee B) = 1$  then  $v(*A) = 0$  or  $v(B) = 1$ .
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16. if  $v(A \supset B) = 1$  then  $v(*A) = 1$  or  $v(*B) = 0$ .
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19. if  $v(\sim(A \wedge B)) = 1$  then  $v(*A) = 1$  or  $v(B) = 0$ .
20. if  $v(\sim(A \wedge B)) = 0$  then  $v(*A) = 0$  and  $v(*B) = 0$ .
21. if  $v(\sim(A \equiv B)) = 1$  then  $v((A \supset B)) = 0$  or  $v(\sim(B \supset A)) = 1$ .
22. if  $v(\sim(A \equiv B)) = 1$  then  $v(\sim(A \supset B)) = 1$  or  $v((B \supset A)) = 0$ .
23. if  $v(\sim(A \equiv B)) = 0$  then  $v(\sim(A \supset B)) = v(\sim(B \supset A)) = 0$ .
24. if  $v(A) = 0$  then  $v(*A) = 1$ .





## Definition

$A_1, \dots, A_n \models B$  ( $B$  is a semantic consequence of  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ )

iff

all valuations that verify  $A_1, \dots, A_n$

and for which  $B$  is determined,

verify  $B$ .

That is:

## Definition

$A_1, \dots, A_n \models B$  ( $B$  is a semantic consequence of  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ )

iff no valuation that verifies  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  falsifies  $B$ .

PM: three valued truth-functional semantics



## Theorem

If  $[A_1, \dots, A_n]B$  is derived in a  $\text{pCL}^-$ -proof for  $\Gamma \vdash G$ ,  
then  $v(B) = 1$   
whenever  $v(A_1) = \dots = v(A_n) = 1$  and  $v(B) \in \{0, 1\}$ .

## Corollary

If  $G$  is derived in a  $\text{pCL}^-$ -proof for  $\Gamma \vdash G$ ,  
then  $\Gamma \vDash_{\text{CL}^-} G$ . (Soundness)

## Theorem

If a prospective proof for  $\Gamma \vdash G$  halts without  $G$  begin derived,  
then  $\Gamma \not\vDash_{\text{CL}^-} G$ . (Completeness)



Note: Tableau method

$$\frac{TA \wedge B}{\begin{array}{c} TA \\ TB \end{array}} \qquad \frac{TA \vee B}{\begin{array}{c|c|c} F*A & TA & F*B \\ \hline & TB & \end{array}}$$

etc. (read off from semantic clauses)



Non-logicians sometimes apply **CL** to inconsistent premises.



They consider EFQ (explosion) as a logicians trick.

Logicians know: **EFQ cannot be isolated in CL**

avoiding EFQ requires avoiding:

- Addition or Disjunctive Syllogism
- $A / B \supset A$  or  $\sim A \supset (B \wedge \sim B) / A$
- $A / B \supset A$  or  $A \supset (B \wedge \sim B) / \sim A$  or  $\sim\sim A / A$
- etc.

However:

**That EFQ cannot be isolated in CL**

**depends on our view on logic (mere rules vs. procedures).**



The upgrade to predicate logic (minus EFQ):

is straightforward

if the procedure stops (not for all  $\Gamma$  and  $A$ ),

with  $A$  derived: then  $\Gamma \vdash_{\text{CL-}} A$

with  $A$  not derived: then  $\Gamma \not\vdash_{\text{CL-}} A$

## 2.7 Afterthought



Hintikka:

distinction between rules and heuristics

comparison with game of chess

This is a mistake:

- heuristic reasoning leads to sensible proofs
- part of this reasoning can be pushed into the (object-language) proofs



Moreover: truth-in-a-model is a touchy matter:



- given **CL**-models one can distinguish valid consequences from sensible consequences

**BUT:**

- there is a semantics that is adequate for *sensible* reasoning in **CL**

**A** is a **CL**<sup>-</sup>-consequence of  $\Gamma$  (no **CL**<sup>-</sup>-model of  $\Gamma$  falsifies **A**)  
iff

**A** is a *sensible* **CL**-consequence of  $\Gamma$

in other words:

sensibility can be incorporated into truth