

# Mathematical Logic

Natural Deduction and Hilbert style Propositional reasoning. Introduction to decision procedures

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# Deciding logical consequence

## Problem

Is there an algorithm to determine whether a formula  $\phi$  is the logical consequence of a set of formulas  $\Gamma$ ?

## Naïve solution

- Apply directly the definition of logical consequence i.e., **for all possible interpretations**  $\mathcal{I}$  determine if  $\mathcal{I} \models \Gamma$ , if this is the case then check if  $\mathcal{I} \models A$  too.
- This solution can be used when  $\Gamma$  is finite, and there is a **finite number of relevant interpretations**.

# Deciding logical consequence, is not always possible

## Propositional Logics

The **truth table** method enumerates all the possible interpretations of a formula and, for each formula, it computes the relation  $\models$ .

## Other logics

For first order logic and modal logics **There no general algorithm** to compute the logical consequence. There are some algorithms computing the logical consequence for first order logic sub-languages and for sub-classes of structures (as we will see further on).

## Exercise (Logical consequence via truth table)

Determine, Via truth table, if the following statements about logical consequence holds

- $p \models q$
- $p \supset q \models q \supset p$
- $p, \neg q \supset \neg p \models q$
- $\neg q \supset \neg p \models p \supset q$

# Complexity of the logical consequence problem

## The truth table method is Exponential

The problem of determining if a formula  $A$  containing  $n$  primitive propositions, is a logical consequence of the empty set, i.e., the problem of determining if  $A$  is valid, ( $\models A$ ), takes an  $n$ -exponential number of steps. To check if  $A$  is a tautology, we have to consider  $2^n$  interpretations in the truth table, corresponding to  $2^n$  lines.

## More efficient algorithms?

Are there more efficient algorithms? I.e. Is it possible to define an algorithm which takes a polynomial number of steps in  $n$ , to determine the validity of  $A$ ? This is an unsolved problem

$$P \stackrel{?}{=} NP$$

The existence of a polynomial algorithm for checking validity is still an open problem, even if there are a lot of evidences in favor of non-existence

# Propositional reasoning: Proofs and deductions (or derivations)

## proof

A **proof of a formula  $\phi$**  is a sequence of formulas  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n$ , with  $\phi_n = \phi$ , such that each  $\phi_k$  is either

- an axiom or
- it is derived from previous formulas by **reasoning rules**

**$\phi$  is provable**, in symbols  $\vdash \phi$ , if there is a proof for  $\phi$ .

## Deduction of $\phi$ from $\Gamma$

A **deduction of a formula  $\phi$  from a set of formulas  $\Gamma$**  is a sequence of formulas  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n$ , with  $\phi_n = \phi$ , such that  $\phi_k$

- is an axiom or
- it is in  $\Gamma$  (an assumption)
- it is derived from previous formulas by **reasoning rules**

**$\phi$  is derivable from  $\Gamma$** , in symbols  $\Gamma \vdash \phi$ , if there is a proof for  $\phi$  from formulas in  $\Gamma$ .

## Historical notes

Natural deduction (ND) was invented by G. Gentzen in 1934. The idea was to have a system of derivation rules that **as closely as possible reflects the logical steps in an informal rigorous proof.**

# Natural Deduction

## Introduction and elimination rules

For each connective  $\circ$ ,

- there is an **introduction rule** ( $\circ I$ ) which can be seen as a definition of the truth conditions of a formula with  $\circ$  given in terms of the truth values of its component(s);
- there is an **elimination rule** ( $\circ E$ ) that allows to exploit such a definition to derive truth of the components of a formula whose main connective is  $\circ$ .

## Assumptions

In the process of building a deduction one can make new **assumptions** and can **discharge already done assumptions**.

# Natural Deduction

## Natural deduction Derivation

A derivation is a **tree** where the nodes are the rules and the leafs are the assumptions of the derivation. The root of the tree is the conclusion of the derivation.

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \phi_1 \quad [\phi_2] \quad \phi_3 \quad \phi_4 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n-5} \quad \phi_{n-6} \\ \hline \phi_{n-3} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi_1 \quad [\phi_2] \\ \hline \phi_3 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n-5} \\ \hline \phi_{n-2} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi_3 \quad \phi_4 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n-6} \end{array} \\ \hline \phi_{n-1} \\ \hline \phi_n \end{array}$$

# ND rules for propositional connectives

$\wedge$

$$\frac{\phi \quad \psi}{\phi \wedge \psi} \wedge I$$

$$\frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\phi} \wedge E_1$$

$$\frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\psi} \wedge E_2$$

$\supset$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [\phi] \\ \vdots \\ \psi \end{array}}{\phi \supset \psi} \supset I$$

$$\frac{\phi \quad \phi \supset \psi}{\psi} \supset E$$

$\vee$

$$\frac{\phi}{\phi \vee \psi} \vee I_1$$

$$\frac{\psi}{\phi \vee \psi} \vee I_2$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [\phi] \\ \vdots \\ \theta \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [\psi] \\ \vdots \\ \theta \end{array}}{\theta} \vee E$$

# ND rules for propositional connectives

## The connective $\neg$ for negation

ND does not provide rules for the  $\neg$  connective. Instead, the logical constant  $\perp$  is introduced,

$\perp$  stands for the unsatisfiable formula, i.e., the formula that is false in all interpretations.

$\neg A$  is defined to be a syntactic sugar for  $A \supset \perp$

**(exercise: Verify that  $\neg A \equiv (A \supset \perp)$  is a valid formula).**

$\perp$

$$\frac{[\neg\phi] \dots \perp}{\phi} \perp_c$$

## Definition (Deduction)

A **deduction**  $\Pi$  of  $A$  with undischarged assumption  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ , is a tree with root  $A$ , obtained by applying the ND rules, and every assumption in  $\Pi$ , but  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  is discharged, by the application of one of the ND rules.

## Definition ( $\Gamma \vdash_{ND} A$ )

A formula  $A$  is **derivable** from a set of formulas  $\Gamma$ , if there is a deduction of  $A$  with undischarged assumption contained in  $\Gamma$ . In this case we write

$$\Gamma \vdash_{ND} A$$

If no ambiguity arises we omit the subscript ND and use  $\Gamma \vdash A$

# Examples

For each of the following statements provide a proof in natural deduction.

- 1  $\vdash_{ND} A \supset (B \supset A)$
- 2  $\vdash_{ND} \neg(A \wedge \neg A)$
- 3  $\vdash_{ND} \neg\neg A \leftrightarrow A$
- 4  $\vdash_{ND} (A \vee A) \equiv (A \vee \perp)$
- 5  $(A \wedge B) \wedge C \vdash_{ND} A \wedge (B \wedge C)$
- 6  $\vdash_{ND} A \vee \neg A$ ;
- 7  $\vdash_{ND} (A \supset (B \supset C)) \supset ((A \supset B) \supset (A \supset C))$
- 8  $\vdash_{ND} (A \supset B) \leftrightarrow (\neg A \vee B)$
- 9  $\vdash_{ND} A \vee (A \supset B)$
- 10  $\neg(A \supset \neg B) \vdash_{ND} (A \wedge B)$
- 11  $A \supset (B \supset C), A \vee C, \neg B \supset \neg A \vdash_{ND} C$

1.  $\vdash_{ND} A \supset (B \supset A)$

$$\frac{\frac{A^1}{B \supset A} \supset I}{A \supset (B \supset A)} \supset I_{(1)}$$

2.  $\vdash_{ND} \neg(A \wedge \neg A)$

$$\frac{\frac{A \wedge \neg A^1}{A} \wedge E \quad \frac{A \wedge \neg A^1}{\neg A} \wedge E}{\perp} \supset E$$
$$\frac{\perp}{\neg(A \wedge \neg A)} \perp^{C(1)}$$

## 3. $\vdash_{ND} \neg\neg A \leftrightarrow A$

$$\frac{\frac{\neg\neg A^2 \quad \neg A^1}{\perp} \supset E}{\frac{\perp}{A} \supset I^{(1)}} \supset I^{(2)}$$
$$\frac{\perp}{\neg\neg A} \supset A$$

$$\frac{\frac{A^2 \quad \neg A^1}{\perp} \supset E}{\frac{\perp}{\neg\neg A} \supset I^{(1)}} \supset I^{(2)}$$
$$\frac{\perp}{A} \supset \neg\neg A$$

4.  $\vdash_{ND} (A \vee A) \equiv (A \vee \perp)$

$$\frac{A \vee A^2 \quad \frac{A^1}{A \vee \perp} \vee I}{\frac{A \vee \perp}{(A \vee A) \supset (A \vee \perp)} \supset I_{(2)}} \quad \frac{A^1}{A \vee \perp} \vee I \quad \vee E_{(1)}$$

$$\frac{A \vee \perp^2 \quad \frac{A^1}{A \vee A} \vee I}{\frac{A \vee A}{(A \vee \perp) \supset (A \vee A)} \supset I_{(2)}} \quad \frac{\perp^1}{A \vee A} \perp C \quad \vee E_{(1)}$$

5.  $(A \wedge B) \wedge C \vdash_{ND} A \wedge (B \wedge C)$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{(A \wedge B) \wedge C}{A \wedge B} \wedge E \quad \frac{(A \wedge B) \wedge C}{B} \wedge E \quad \frac{(A \wedge B) \wedge C}{C} \wedge E \\
 \frac{A \wedge B}{A} \wedge E \quad \frac{B \wedge C}{B \wedge C} \wedge I \\
 \hline
 A \wedge (B \wedge C) \quad \wedge I
 \end{array}$$

6.  $\vdash_{ND} A \vee \neg A$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{A^1}{A \vee \neg A} \vee I \quad \neg(A \vee \neg A)^2 \\
 \hline
 \supset E \\
 \frac{\perp}{\neg A} \perp_c(1) \\
 \frac{\neg A}{A \vee \neg A} \vee I \quad \neg(A \vee \neg A)^2 \\
 \hline
 \supset E \\
 \frac{\perp}{A \vee \neg A} \perp_c(2)
 \end{array}$$

7.  $\vdash_{ND} (A \supset (B \supset C)) \supset ((A \supset B) \supset (A \supset C))$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{A \supset (B \supset C)^3 \quad A^1}{B \supset C} \supset E \quad \frac{A \supset B^2 \quad A^1}{B \supset E} \supset E \\
 \frac{C}{A \supset C} \supset I_{(1)} \\
 \frac{A \supset C}{(A \supset B) \supset (A \supset C)} \supset I_{(2)} \\
 \frac{(A \supset B) \supset (A \supset C)}{(A \supset (B \supset C)) \supset ((A \supset B) \supset (A \supset C))} \supset I_{(3)}
 \end{array}$$

8.a  $\vdash_{ND} (A \supset B) \supset (\neg A \vee B)$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{A \supset B^3 \quad A^1}{B} \supset E \\
 \frac{\frac{B}{\neg A \vee B} \vee I}{\perp} \supset E \\
 \frac{\frac{\perp}{\neg A} \perp c(1)}{\neg A \vee B} \vee I \\
 \frac{\frac{\frac{\perp}{\neg A \vee B} \perp c(2)}{(A \supset B) \supset (\neg A \vee B)} \supset I_{(3)}}{\perp} \supset E
 \end{array}$$

8.b  $\vdash_{ND} (\neg A \vee B) \supset (A \supset B)$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\neg A^2 \quad A^1}{\perp} \supset E \\
 \frac{\perp}{B} \perp^c \\
 \frac{\neg A \vee B^3 \quad \frac{\perp}{B} \supset I_{(1)}}{A \supset B} \supset I_{(2)} \quad \frac{B^2}{A \supset B} \supset I \\
 \frac{A \supset B}{(\neg A \vee B) \supset (A \supset B)} \supset I_{(3)} \quad \vee E_{(2)}
 \end{array}$$

9.  $\vdash_{ND} A \vee (A \supset B)$

$$\frac{\frac{A^1}{A \vee (A \supset B)} \vee I \quad \neg(A \vee (A \supset B))^2 \supset E}{\frac{\frac{\frac{\perp}{B} \perp c}{A \supset B} \supset I(1)}{A \vee (A \supset B)} \vee I \quad \neg(A \vee (A \supset B))^2 \supset E} \frac{\perp}{A \vee (A \supset B)} \perp c(2) \supset E$$

10.  $\neg(A \supset \neg B) \vdash_{ND} (A \wedge B)$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{A^1 \quad \neg A^2}{\perp} \supset E \\
 \frac{\perp}{\neg B} \perp^c \\
 \frac{\perp}{A \supset \neg B} \supset I_{(1)} \\
 \frac{\perp}{A} \perp^c_{(2)} \\
 \hline
 A \wedge B
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\neg B^3}{A \supset \neg B} \supset I \\
 \frac{\perp}{\neg(A \supset \neg B)} \supset E \\
 \frac{\perp}{B} \perp^c_{(3)} \\
 \hline
 B \\
 \wedge I
 \end{array}$$

11.  $A \supset (B \supset C), A \vee C, \neg B \supset \neg A \vdash_{ND} C$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{A \vee C}{A \vee C} \quad \frac{\frac{A \supset (B \supset C) \quad A^2}{B \supset C} \supset E}{C} \supset E \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\neg B \supset \neg A \quad \neg B^1}{\neg A} \supset E \quad A^2}{\supset E} \quad \frac{\perp}{B} \perp_{C(1)} \supset E}{C^2} \vee E_{(2)}}{C} \supset E
 \end{array}$$

# Proof Strategies

**1:**  $\vdash_{ND} \psi \supset \phi$

- assume  $\psi$  and try to deduce  $\phi$  (simplest solution)
- as an alternative, assume  $\neg\phi$  and  $\psi$  and try to deduce  $\perp$

**2:**  $\vdash_{ND} \phi_1 \supset (\phi_2 \supset \phi_3)$

- apply recursively the strategy in 1

**3:**  $\vdash_{ND} \psi \wedge \phi$

- try to deduce  $\psi$  and try to deduce  $\phi$  (separately) and then apply  $\wedge I$

## 4: $\vdash_{ND} \psi \vee \phi$

- try to deduce  $\psi$  or (alternatively)  $\phi$  and then apply  $\vee I$  ... usually it doesn't work.
- assume  $\neg\psi$ , try to derive  $\phi$  and proceed by contradiction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \neg\psi^1 \\
 \vdots \\
 \phi \\
 \hline
 \psi \vee \phi \quad \vee I \quad \neg(\psi \vee \phi)^2 \\
 \hline
 \supset E \\
 \frac{\perp \quad \perp c(1)}{\psi} \\
 \hline
 \psi \vee \phi \quad \vee I \quad \neg(\psi \vee \phi)^2 \\
 \hline
 \frac{\perp}{\psi \vee \phi} \quad \perp c(2) \\
 \hline
 \supset E
 \end{array}$$

alternatively, assume  $\neg\phi$ , try to derive  $\psi$  and proceed by contradiction in the same way

5:  $\vdash_{ND} (\phi_1 \vee \phi_2) \supset \phi_3$

- 1 assume  $\phi_1$  and deduce  $\phi_3$
- 2 assume  $\phi_2$  and deduce  $\phi_3$
- 3 assume  $\phi_1 \vee \phi_2$  and apply  $\vee E$

$$\frac{\phi_1 \vee \phi_2 \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi_1^1 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_3 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi_2^1 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_3 \end{array}}{\phi_3} \vee E_{(1)}$$

# Soundness & Completeness of Natural Deduction

## Theorem

$\Gamma \vdash_{ND} A$  if and only if  $\Gamma \models A$ .

Using the Natural Deduction rules we can prove all and only the logical consequences of Propositional Logic.

We will not prove it for Natural Deduction but for the Hilbert Axiomatization.

# Hilbert axioms for classical propositional logic

## Axioms

$$\mathbf{A1} \quad \phi \supset (\psi \supset \phi)$$

$$\mathbf{A2} \quad (\phi \supset (\psi \supset \theta)) \supset ((\phi \supset \psi) \supset (\phi \supset \theta))$$

$$\mathbf{A3} \quad (\neg\psi \supset \neg\phi) \supset ((\neg\psi \supset \phi) \supset \psi)$$

## Inference rule(s)

$$\mathbf{MP} \quad \frac{\phi \quad \phi \supset \psi}{\psi}$$

## Why there are no axioms for $\wedge$ and $\vee$ and $\equiv$ ?

The connectives  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$  are rewritten into equivalent formulas containing only  $\supset$  and  $\neg$ .

$$A \wedge B \equiv \neg(A \supset \neg B)$$

$$A \vee B \equiv \neg A \supset B$$

$$A \equiv B \equiv \neg((A \supset B) \supset \neg(B \supset A))$$

# Proofs and deductions (or derivations)

## proof

A **proof of a formula  $\phi$**  is a sequence of formulas  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n$ , with  $\phi_n = \phi$ , such that each  $\phi_k$  is either

- an axiom or
- it is derived from previous formulas by MP

**$\phi$  is provable**, in symbols  $\vdash \phi$ , if there is a proof for  $\phi$ .

## Deduction of $\phi$ from $\Gamma$

A **deduction of a formula  $\phi$  from a set of formulas  $\Gamma$**  is a sequence of formulas  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n$ , with  $\phi_n = \phi$ , such that  $\phi_k$

- is an axiom or
- it is in  $\Gamma$  (an assumption)
- it is derived from previous formulas by MP

**$\phi$  is derivable from  $\Gamma$**  in symbols  $\Gamma \vdash \phi$  if there is a proof for  $\phi$ .

# Deduction and proof - example

## Example (Proof of $A \supset A$ )

1.  $A1$        $A \supset ((A \supset A) \supset A)$
2.  $A2$        $(A \supset ((A \supset A) \supset A)) \supset ((A \supset (A \supset A)) \supset (A \supset A))$
3.  $MP(1,2)$     $(A \supset (A \supset A)) \supset (A \supset A)$
4.  $A1$        $(A \supset (A \supset A))$
5.  $MP(4,3)$     $A \supset A$

# Deduction and proof - other examples

## Example (proof of $\neg A \supset (A \supset B)$ )

We prove that  $A, \neg A \vdash B$  and by deduction theorem we have that  $\neg A \vdash A \supset B$  and that  $\vdash \neg A \supset (A \supset B)$

We label with **Hypothesis** the formula on the left of the  $\vdash$  sign.

1. *hypothesis*  $A$
2.  $A1$   $A \supset (\neg B \supset A)$
3.  $MP(1, 2)$   $\neg B \supset A$
4. *hypothesis*  $\neg A$
5.  $A1$   $\neg A \supset (\neg B \supset \neg A)$
6.  $MP(4, 5)$   $\neg B \supset \neg A$
7.  $A3$   $(\neg B \supset \neg A) \supset ((\neg B \supset A) \supset B)$
8.  $MP(6, 7)$   $(\neg B \supset A) \supset B$
9.  $MP(3, 8)$   $B$

# Hilbert axiomatization

## Minimality

The main objective of Hilbert was to find the smallest set of axioms and inference rules from which it was possible to derive all the tautologies.

## Unnatural

Proofs and deductions in Hilbert axiomatization are awkward and unnatural. Other proof styles, such as Natural Deductions, are more intuitive. As a matter of fact, nobody is practically using Hilbert calculus for deduction.

## Why it is so important

Providing an Hilbert style axiomatization of a logic describes with simple axioms the entire properties of the logic. Hilbert axiomatization is the “**identity card**” of the logic.

# The deduction theorem

## Theorem

$\Gamma, A \vdash B$  if and only if  $\Gamma \vdash A \supset B$

## Proof.

If  $A$  and  $B$  are equal, then we know that  $\vdash A \supset B$  (see previous example), and by monotonicity  $\Gamma \vdash A \supset B$ .

Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are distinct formulas. Let  $\pi = (A_1, \dots, A_n = B)$  be a deduction of  $\Gamma, A \vdash B$ , we proceed by induction on the length of  $\pi$ .

**Base case  $n = 1$**  If  $\pi = (B)$ , then either  $B \in \Gamma$  or  $B$  is an axiom. If  $B \in \Gamma$ , then

Axiom <b>A1</b>	$B \supset (A \supset B)$
$B \in \Gamma$ or $B$ is an axiom	$B$
by <b>MP</b>	$A \supset B$

is a deduction of  $A \supset B$  from  $\Gamma$  or from the empty set, and therefore  $\Gamma \vdash A \supset B$ .



# The deduction theorem

## Proof.

**Step case** If  $A_n = B$  is either an axiom or an element of  $\Gamma$ , then we can reason as the previous case.

If  $B$  is derived by **MP** form  $A_i$  and  $A_j = A_i \supset B$ . Then,  $A_i$  and  $A_j = A_i \supset B$ , are provable in less than  $n$  steps and, by induction hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash A \supset A_i$  and  $\Gamma \vdash A \supset (A_i \supset B)$ . Starting from the deductions of these two formulas from  $\Gamma$ , we can build a deduction of  $A \supset B$  form  $\Gamma$  as follows:

By induction  $\vdots$  deduction of  $A \supset (A_i \supset B)$  form  $\Gamma$   
 $A \supset (A_i \supset B)$

By induction  $\vdots$  deduction of  $A \supset A_i$  form  $\Gamma$   
 $A \supset A_i$

**A2**  $(A \supset (A_i \supset B)) \supset ((A \supset A_i) \supset (A \supset B))$

**MP**  $(A \supset A_i) \supset (A \supset B)$

**MP**  $A \supset B$



# Soundness of Hilbert axiomatization

## Theorem

*Soundness of Hilbert axiomatization* If  $\Gamma \vdash A$  then  $\Gamma \models A$ .

## Proof.

Let  $\pi = (A_1, \dots, A_n = A)$  be a proof of  $A$  from  $\Gamma$ . We prove by induction on  $n$  that  $\Gamma \models A$

**Base case  $n = 1$**  If  $\pi$  is  $(A_1)$ , then either  $A_1 \in \Gamma$  or  $A_1$  is an instance of **(A1)**, **(A2)**, or **(A3)**. In the first case, by reflexivity we have  $A \models A$ , and by monotonicity  $A \in \Gamma$  implies  $\Gamma \models A$ . If  $A_1$  is an instance of an axiom, then it is enough to prove that  $\models \mathbf{A1}$ ,  $\models \mathbf{A2}$  and  $\models \mathbf{A3}$  (by exercise)

**Step case** Suppose that  $A_n$  is derived by the application of **MP** to  $A_i$  and  $A_j$  with  $i, j < n$ . Then  $A_j$  is of the form  $A_i \supset A_n$ . By induction we have  $\Gamma \models A_i$  and  $\Gamma \models A_i \supset A_n$ . which implies (prove it by exercise) that  $\Gamma \models A_n$ .



# Completeness of Hilbert axiomatization

## Theorem

*If  $\Gamma \models A$  then  $\Gamma \vdash A$ .*

## Definition

- a set of formulas  $\Gamma$  is **inconsistent** if  $\Gamma \vdash \phi$  for every  $\phi$
- $\Gamma$  is **consistent** if it is not inconsistent;
- $\Gamma$  is **maximally consistent** if it is consistent and any other consistent set  $\Sigma \supseteq \Gamma$  is equal to  $\Gamma$ .

## Proposition

- 1 if  $\Gamma$  is consistent and  $\Sigma = \{\phi \mid \Gamma \vdash \phi\}$  then  $\Sigma$  is consistent.
- 2 if  $\Gamma$  is maximally consistent, then  $\Gamma \vdash \phi$  implies that  $\phi \in \Gamma$
- 3  $\Gamma$  is inconsistent if  $\Gamma \vdash \phi$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \neg\phi$

## Theorem (Lindenbaum's Theorem)

*Any consistent set of formulas  $\Sigma$  can be extended to a maximally consistent set of formulas  $\Gamma$ .*

## Proof.

- Let  $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots$  an enumeration of all the formulas of the language
- Let  $\Sigma = \Sigma_0 \subseteq \Sigma_1 \subseteq \Sigma_2 \subseteq \dots$ , with

$$\Sigma_{n+1} = \begin{cases} \Sigma_n \cup \{\phi_n\} & \text{If } \Sigma_n \cup \{\phi_n\} \text{ is consistent} \\ \Sigma_n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $\Gamma = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \Sigma_n$

- $\Gamma$  is consistent!
- $\Gamma$  is maximally consistent!



# Completeness proof - 3/5

## Lemma

If  $\Gamma$  is maximally consistent then for every formula  $\phi$  and  $\psi$ ;

- 1  $\phi \in \Gamma$  if and only if  $\neg\phi \notin \Gamma$ ;
- 2  $\phi \supset \psi \in \Gamma$  if and only if  $\phi \in \Gamma$  implies that  $\psi \in \Gamma$

## Proof.

- 1  $(\Rightarrow)$  If  $\phi \in \Gamma$ , then  $\neg\phi \notin \Gamma$  since  $\Gamma$  is consistent
- 1  $(\Leftarrow)$  if  $\neg\phi \notin \Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma \cup \phi$  is consistent. Indeed suppose that  $\Gamma \cup \phi$  is inconsistent, then  $\Gamma \cup \phi \vdash \neg\phi$ . By the deduction theorem  $\Gamma \vdash \phi \supset \neg\phi$ , and since  $(\phi \supset \neg\phi) \supset \phi$  is provable, then  $\Gamma \vdash \neg\phi$  (by **MP**). By maximality of  $\Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash \neg\phi$  implies that  $\neg\phi \in \Gamma$ , This contradicts the hypothesis that  $\neg\phi \notin \Gamma$ . The fact that  $\Gamma \cup \{\phi\}$  is consistent and the maximality of  $\Gamma$  implies that  $\phi \in \Gamma$ .
- 2  $(\Rightarrow)$  If  $\phi \supset \psi \in \Gamma$  and  $\phi \in \Gamma$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash \psi$ , which implies that  $\psi \in \Gamma$ .
- 2  $(\Leftarrow)$  If  $\phi \supset \psi \notin \Gamma$ . Then by property 1,  $\neg(\phi \supset \psi) \in \Gamma$ . Since  $\neg(\phi \supset \psi) \supset \phi$  and  $\neg(\phi \supset \psi) \supset \neg\psi$ , can be proved by the Hilbert axiomatic system, then  $\phi \in \Gamma$  and  $\neg\psi \in \Gamma$ , which implies  $\psi \notin \Gamma$ . This implies that it is not true that if  $\phi \in \Gamma$  then  $\psi \in \Gamma$ .

□

## Theorem (Extended Completeness)

*If set of formulas  $\Sigma$  is consistent then it is satisfiable.*

### Proof.

We have to prove that there is an interpretation that satisfies all the formulas of  $\Sigma$ .

- By Lindenbaum's Theorem, there is maximally consistent set of formulas  $\Gamma \supseteq \Sigma$
- Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be the interpretation such that

$$\mathcal{I}(p) = \text{True if and only if } p \in \Gamma$$

- By induction  $\mathcal{I}(\phi) = \text{True if and only if } \phi \in \Gamma$
- Since  $\Sigma \subseteq \Gamma$ , then  $\mathcal{I} \models \Sigma$ .



## Theorem (Completeness)

If  $\Gamma \models \phi$  then  $\Gamma \vdash \phi$

## Proof.

By contradiction:

- If  $\Gamma \not\models \phi$ , then  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\phi\}$  is consistent
- By extended completeness theorem  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\phi\}$  is satisfiable
- there is an interpretation  $\mathcal{I} \models \Gamma$  and  $\mathcal{I} \not\models \phi$
- contradiction with the hypothesis that  $\Gamma \models \phi$ .



# Observation about the completeness proof

- The **underlying methodology** for the proof of the completeness theorem, is to prove that a consistent set of formulas  $\Gamma$  has a model,
- The model for  $\Gamma$  is build by **saturating**  $\Gamma$  with formulas
- during the saturation, we have to be careful not to make  $\Gamma$  inconsistent, i.e., every time we add a formula we have to **check if a pair of contradicting formulas are derivable** via the set of inference rules, if it is not, we can safely add the formula.
- When  $\Gamma$  is saturated, (but still consistent) it defines a single model for  $\Gamma$  (up to isomorphism) and we have to provide a way to **extract such a model form  $\Gamma$**

# More efficient reasoning systems

## Hilbert style is not easy implementable

Checking if  $\Gamma \models \phi$  by searching for a Hilbert-style deduction of  $\phi$  from  $\Gamma$  is not an easy task for computers. Indeed, in trying to generate a deduction of  $\phi$  from  $\Gamma$ , there are too many possible actions a computer could take:

- adding an instance of one of the three axioms (infinite number of possibilities)
- applying **MP** to already deduced formulas,
- adding a formula in  $\Gamma$

## More efficient methods

**Resolution** to check if a formula is *not satisfiable*

**SAT** DP, DPLL to *search for an interpretation that satisfies a formula*

**Tableaux** *search for a model of a formula* guided by its structure

## Four types of questions

- Model Checking:  $\mathcal{I} \stackrel{?}{\models} \phi$
- Satisfiability: Is there an  $\mathcal{I}$  such that  $\mathcal{I} \models \phi$ ?
- Validity:  $\stackrel{?}{\models} \phi$  (for any model  $\mathcal{I}$ , is it the case that  $\mathcal{I} \models \phi$ ?)
- Logical consequence:  $\Gamma \stackrel{?}{\models} \phi$  (for any model  $\mathcal{I}$  that satisfies  $\Gamma$ , is it the case that  $\mathcal{I} \models \phi$ ?)

## Model checking decision procedure

A model checking decision procedure, MCDP is an algorithm that checks if a formula  $\phi$  is satisfied by an interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$ . Namely

$\text{MCDP}(\phi, \mathcal{I}) = \text{true}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{I} \models \phi$

$\text{MCDP}(\phi, \mathcal{I}) = \text{false}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{I} \not\models \phi$

# A simple recursive MCDP

**MCDP( $\mathcal{I} \models \phi$ )** applies one of the following cases:

MCDP( $\mathcal{I} \models p$ )

if  $I(p) = \text{true}$

then return YES

else return NO

MCDP( $\mathcal{I} \models A \supset B$ )

if MCDP( $I \models A$ )

then return MCDP( $I \models B$ )

else return YES

MCDP( $\mathcal{I} \models A \wedge B$ )

if MCDP( $I \models A$ )

then return MCDP( $I \models B$ )

else return NO

MCDP( $\mathcal{I} \models A \equiv B$ )

if MCDP( $I \models A$ )

then return MCDP( $I \models B$ )

else return not(MCDP( $I \models B$ ))

MCDP( $\mathcal{I} \models A \vee B$ )

if MCDP( $I \models A$ )

then return YES

else return MCDP( $I \models B$ )

## Satisfiability decision procedure

A satisfiability decision procedure SDP is an algorithm that takes in input a formula  $\phi$  and checks if  $\phi$  is (un)satisfiable. Namely

$\text{SDP}(\phi) = \text{true}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{I} \models \phi$  for some  $\mathcal{I}$

$\text{SDP}(\phi) = \text{false}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{I} \not\models \phi$  for all  $\mathcal{I}$

When  $\text{SDP}(\phi) = \text{true}$ , SDP sometimes returns the interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$ , i.e., a model of  $\phi$ . Notice that this might not be the only one.

## Validity decision procedure

A decision procedure for Validity, is an algorithm that checks whether a formula is valid. SDP can be used as a satisfiability decision procedure by exploiting the equivalence

$\phi$  is satisfiable if and only if  $\neg\phi$  is not Valid

$\text{SDP}(\neg\phi) = \text{true}$  if and only if  $\not\models \phi$

$\text{SDP}(\neg\phi) = \text{false}$  if and only if  $\models \phi$

When  $\text{SDP}(\neg\phi)$  returns an interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$ , this interpretation is a **counter-model** for  $\phi$ .

# Logical consequence

## Logical consequence decision procedure

A decision procedure for logical consequence is an algorithm that checks whether a formula  $\phi$  is a logical consequence of a finite set of formulas  $\Gamma = \{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n\}$ . SDP can be used as a satisfiability decision procedure by exploiting the property

$\Gamma \models \phi$  if and only if  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\phi\}$  is unsatisfiable

$\text{SDP}(\gamma_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \gamma_n \wedge \neg\phi) = \text{true}$  if and only if  $\Gamma \not\models \phi$

$\text{SDP}(\gamma_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \gamma_n \wedge \neg\phi) = \text{false}$  if and only if  $\Gamma \models \phi$

When  $\text{SDP}(\gamma_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \gamma_n \wedge \neg\phi)$  returns an interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$ , this interpretation is a **model for  $\Gamma$  and a counter-model for  $\phi$** .

# Proof of the previous property

## Theorem

$\Gamma \models \phi$  if and only if  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\phi\}$  is unsatisfiable

## Proof.

- $\Rightarrow$  Suppose that  $\Gamma \models \phi$ , this means that every interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  that satisfies  $\Gamma$ , it does satisfy  $\phi$ , and therefore  $\mathcal{I} \not\models \neg\phi$ . This implies that there is no interpretations that satisfies together  $\Gamma$  and  $\neg\phi$ .
- $\Leftarrow$  Suppose that  $\mathcal{I} \models \Gamma$ , let us prove that  $\mathcal{I} \models \phi$ . Since  $\Gamma \cup \{\neg\phi\}$  is not satisfiable, then  $\mathcal{I} \not\models \neg\phi$  and therefore  $\mathcal{I} \models \phi$ .

