

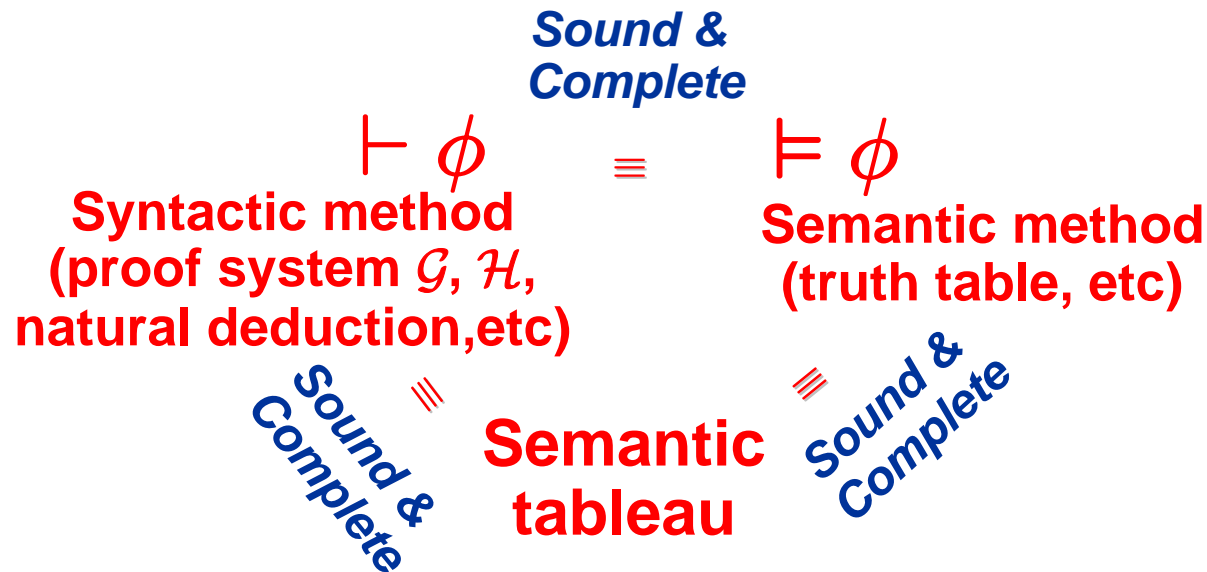
# Propositional Calculus *- Natural deduction*

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# Review

- Goal of logic
  - To check whether given a formula  $\phi$  is valid
  - To prove a given formula  $\phi$



# Natural deduction

- A variant of Gentzen system
- In natural deduction, similar to other deductive proof systems such as  $\mathcal{G}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$ , we have a collection of **proof rules**.
- But natural deduction does **not** have **axioms**.

# Proof rules (1/3)

	<i>introduction</i>	<i>elimination</i>	
$\wedge$	$\frac{\phi \quad \psi}{\phi \wedge \psi} \wedge i$	$\frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\phi} \wedge e_1$	$\frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\psi} \wedge e_2$

- $\wedge i$  says: to prove  $\phi \wedge \psi$ , you must first prove  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  separately and then use the rule  $\wedge i$ .
- $\wedge e_1$  says: to prove  $\phi$ , try proving  $\phi \wedge \psi$  and then use the rule  $\wedge e_1$ . Actually this does not sound like very good advice because probably proving  $\phi \wedge \psi$  will be harder than proving  $\phi$  alone. However, you might find that you already have  $\phi \wedge \psi$  lying around, so that's when this rule is useful.

# Proof rules (1/3)

	introduction	elimination
$\vee$	$\frac{\phi}{\phi \vee \psi} \vee i_1 \quad \frac{\psi}{\phi \vee \psi} \vee i_2$	$\frac{\phi \vee \psi \quad \begin{array}{ c } \hline \phi \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline \chi \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ c } \hline \psi \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline \chi \end{array}}{\chi} \vee e$ <p style="text-align: center;"> <span style="color: red;">assumption 1</span> <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;"><math>\phi</math></span> <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;"><math>\psi</math></span> <span style="color: red;">assumption 2</span> </p>

- $\vee i_1$  says: to prove  $\phi \vee \psi$ , try proving  $\phi$ . Again, in general it is harder to prove  $\phi$  than it is to prove  $\phi \vee \psi$ , so this will usually be useful only if you have already managed to prove  $\phi$ .
- $\vee e$  has an excellent procedural interpretation. It says: if you have  $\phi \vee \psi$ , and you want to prove some  $\chi$ , then try to prove  $\chi$  from  $\phi$  and from  $\psi$  in turn
  - In those subproofs, of course you can use the other prevailing premises as well

# Proof rules (3/3)

	introduction	elimination
$\rightarrow$	$\frac{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \phi \\ \vdots \\ \psi \end{array}}}{\phi \rightarrow \psi} \rightarrow\text{i}$	$\frac{\phi \quad \phi \rightarrow \psi}{\psi} \rightarrow\text{e}$
$\neg$	$\frac{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \phi \\ \vdots \\ \perp \end{array}}}{\neg\phi} \neg\text{i}$	$\frac{\phi \quad \neg\phi}{\perp} \neg\text{e}$
$\perp$	(no introduction rule for $\perp$ )	$\frac{\perp}{\phi} \perp\text{e}$
$\neg\neg$		$\frac{\neg\neg\phi}{\phi} \neg\neg\text{e}$

# Some useful derived rules

$$\frac{\phi \rightarrow \psi \quad \neg\psi}{\neg\phi} \text{ MT}$$

$$\frac{\phi}{\neg\neg\phi} \text{ } \neg\neg\text{i}$$

$$\frac{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \neg\phi \\ \vdots \\ \perp \end{array}}}{\phi} \text{ RAA}$$

$$\frac{}{\phi \vee \neg\phi} \text{ LEM}$$

- At any stage of a proof, it is permitted to introduce any formula as assumption, by choosing a proof rule that opens a box. As we saw, natural deduction employs boxes to control the scope of assumptions.
- When an assumption is introduced, a box is opened. Discharging assumptions is achieved by closing a box according to the pattern of its particular proof rule.

# Example 1

$p \wedge \neg q \rightarrow r, \neg r, p \vdash q$

1	$p \wedge \neg q \rightarrow r$	premise
2	$\neg r$	premise
3	$p$	premise
4	$\neg q$	assumption
5	$p \wedge \neg q$	$\wedge$ i 3, 4
6	$r$	$\rightarrow$ e 1, 5
7	$\perp$	$\neg$ e 6, 2
8	$\neg\neg q$	$\neg$ i 4–7
9	$q$	$\neg\neg$ e 8



## Example 2

$$p \rightarrow q \vdash \neg p \vee q$$

1	$p \rightarrow q$	premise
2	$\neg p \vee p$	LEM
3	$\neg p$	assumption
4	$\neg p \vee q$	$\vee i_1$ 3
5	$p$	assumption
6	$q$	$\rightarrow e$ 1, 5
7	$\neg p \vee q$	$\vee i_2$ 6
8	$\neg p \vee q$	$\vee e$ 2, 3–4, 5–7

# Example 3 (Law of Excluded Middle)

$\overline{\phi \vee \neg\phi}$  LEM

1	$\neg(\phi \vee \neg\phi)$	assumption
2	$\phi$	assumption
3	$\phi \vee \neg\phi$	$\vee i_1$ 2
4	$\perp$	$\neg e$ 3, 1
5	$\neg\phi$	$\neg i$ 2–4
6	$\phi \vee \neg\phi$	$\vee i_2$ 5
7	$\perp$	$\neg e$ 6, 1
8	$\neg\neg(\phi \vee \neg\phi)$	$\neg i$ 1–7
9	$\phi \vee \neg\phi$	$\neg\neg e$ 8

# Summary of proof rules

	introduction	elimination		
$\wedge$	$\frac{\phi \quad \psi}{\phi \wedge \psi} \wedge i$	$\frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\phi} \wedge e_1 \quad \frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\psi} \wedge e_2$		
$\vee$	$\frac{\phi}{\phi \vee \psi} \vee i_1 \quad \frac{\psi}{\phi \vee \psi} \vee i_2$	$\frac{\begin{array}{ c } \hline \phi \\ \vdots \\ \chi \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ c } \hline \psi \\ \vdots \\ \chi \\ \hline \end{array}}{\chi} \vee e$		
$\rightarrow$	$\frac{\begin{array}{ c } \hline \phi \\ \vdots \\ \psi \\ \hline \end{array}}{\phi \rightarrow \psi} \rightarrow i$	$\frac{\phi \quad \phi \rightarrow \psi}{\psi} \rightarrow e$	$\frac{\phi \rightarrow \psi \quad \neg \psi}{\neg \phi} \text{MT}$	$\frac{\phi}{\neg \neg \phi} \neg \neg i$
$\neg$	$\frac{\begin{array}{ c } \hline \phi \\ \vdots \\ \perp \\ \hline \end{array}}{\neg \phi} \neg i$	$\frac{\phi \quad \neg \phi}{\perp} \neg e$	$\frac{\begin{array}{ c } \hline \neg \phi \\ \vdots \\ \perp \\ \hline \end{array}}{\phi} \text{RAA}$	$\frac{}{\phi \vee \neg \phi} \text{LEM}$
$\perp$	(no introduction rule for $\perp$ )	$\frac{\perp}{\phi} \perp e$		
$\neg \neg$		$\frac{\neg \neg \phi}{\phi} \neg \neg e$		