

# Propositional Calculus - *Semantics* (2/3)

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# Overview

- 2.1 Boolean operators
- 2.2 Propositional formulas
- 2.3 Interpretations
- 2.4 Logical equivalence and substitution
- 2.5 Satisfiability, validity, and consequence
- 2.6 Semantic tableaux
- 2.7 Soundness and completeness

# Logical equivalence

- Def 2.13. Let  $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ . If  $\nu(A_1) = \nu(A_2)$  for **all/every** interpretation  $\nu$ , then  $A_1$  is **logically equivalent** to  $A_2$ , denoted  $A_1 \equiv A_2$
- Example 2.14. Is  $p \vee q$  equivalent to  $q \vee p$ ?

$p$	$q$	$\nu(p \vee q)$	$\nu(q \vee p)$
$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
$T$	$F$	$T$	$T$
$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$
$F$	$F$	$F$	$F$

# Logical equivalence

- We can extend the result of example 2.14 from atomic propositions to general formulas
- Theorem 2.15 Let  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  be any formulas. Then  $A_1 \vee A_2 \equiv A_2 \vee A_1$ .
  - Proof
    - Let  $\nu$  be an arbitrary interpretation for  $A_1 \vee A_2$ . Then,  $\nu$  is an interpretation for  $A_2 \vee A_1$ , too.
    - Similarly,  $\nu$  is an interpretation for  $A_1$  and  $A_2$
    - Therefore,  $\nu(A_1 \vee A_2) = T$  iff  $\nu(A_1) = T$  or  $\nu(A_2) = T$  iff  $\nu(A_2 \vee A_1) = T$

# Logical equivalence

Definition 2.22

- The unary operator  $\neg$  is **defined from** a set of operators  $\{o_1, \dots, o_n\}$  iff  $\neg A_1 \equiv A$ , where  $A$  is constructed from occurrences of  $A_1$  and the operators in the set.
- Similarly, a binary operator  $o$  is **defined from** a set of operators  $\{o_1, \dots, o_n\}$  if and only if there is a logical equivalence  $A_1 o A_2 \equiv A$ , where  $A$  is a formula constructed from occurrences of  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  using the operator  $\{o_1, \dots, o_n\}$ .
- Examples
  - $\leftrightarrow$  is defined from  $\{\rightarrow, \wedge\}$  because  $A \leftrightarrow B \equiv (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow A)$
  - $\rightarrow$  is defined from  $\{\neg, \vee\}$  because  $A \rightarrow B \equiv \neg A \vee B$
  - $\wedge$  is defined from  $\{\neg, \vee\}$  because  $A \wedge B \equiv \neg(\neg A \vee \neg B)$

# Object language v.s. metalanguage

- Note that '≡' is **not** a binary operator used in propositional logic (**object language**).
- '≡' (**metalanguage**) is used to explain a relationship between two formulas.
- Theorem 2.16
  - $A_1 \equiv A_2$  if and only if  $A_1 \leftrightarrow A_2$  is true in every interpretation

# Logical substitution

- Logical equivalence justifies **substitution** of one formula for another
- Defn 2.17  $A$  is **subformula** of  $B$  if the formation tree for  $A$  occurs as a subtree of the formation tree for  $B$ .  $A$  is proper subformation of  $B$  if  $A$  is a subformation of  $B$ , but  $A$  is not identical to  $B$ .
- Example 2.18 The formula  $(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow \neg q)$  contains the following proper subformulas:

$p \rightarrow q, \neg p \rightarrow \neg q, \neg p, \neg q, p$  and  $q$

# Logical substitution

- Def. 2.19
  - If  $A$  is a subformula of  $B$  and  $A'$  is any formula,
  - then  $B'$ , the **substitution** of  $A'$  for  $A$  in  $B$ , denoted  $B\{A \leftarrow A'\}$ , is the formula obtained by replacing all occurrences of the subtree for  $A$  in  $B$  by the tree for  $A'$ .
- Theorem 2.21 Let  $A$  be a subformula of  $B$  and let  $A'$  be a formula such that  $A \equiv A'$ . Then  $B \equiv B\{A \leftarrow A'\}$
- One of the most important applications of substitution is **simplification**
  - Ex.  $p \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \equiv (p \wedge \neg p) \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv \text{false} \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p \wedge q$



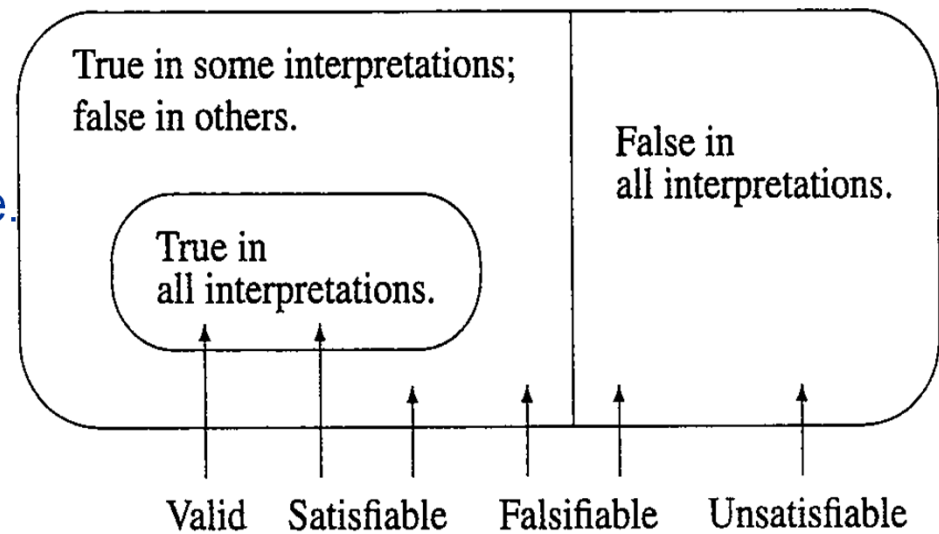
# Satisfiability v.s. validity

## ■ Definition 2.24

- A propositional formula  $A$  is **satisfiable** iff  $\nu(A)=T$  for **some** interpretation  $\nu$ .
  - A satisfying interpretation is called a **model** for  $A$ .
- $A$  is **valid**, denoted  $\models A$ , iff  $\nu(A) = T$  for **all** interpretation  $\nu$ .
  - A valid propositional formula is also called a **tautology**.

## ■ Theorem 2.25

- $A$  is valid iff  $\neg A$  is unsatisfiable.
- $A$  is satisfiable iff  $\neg A$  is falsifiable.



# Satisfiability v.s. validity

Definition 2.26

- Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a set of formulas. An algorithm is a **decision procedure** for  $\mathcal{V}$  if given an arbitrary formula  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , it terminates and return the answer 'yes' if  $A \in \mathcal{V}$  and the answer 'no' if  $A \notin \mathcal{V}$
- By theorem 2.25, a decision procedure for satisfiability can be used as a decision procedure for validity.
  - Suppose  $\mathcal{V}$  is a set of all satisfiable formulas
  - To decide if  $A$  is valid, apply the decision procedure for satisfiability to  $\neg A$ 
    - This decision procedure is called a **refutation procedure**

# Satisfiability v.s. validity

- Example 2.27 Is  $(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$  valid?

$p$	$q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$	$(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$
$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
$T$	$F$	$F$	$F$	$T$
$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
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- Example 2.28  $p \vee q$  is satisfiable but not valid

# Logical consequence

- Definition 2.30 (extension of satisfiability from a single formula to a set of formulas)
  - A set of formulas  $U = \{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$  is **(simultaneously) satisfiable** iff there exists **an** interpretation  $\nu$  such that  $\nu(A_1) = \dots = \nu(A_n) = T$ .
  - The satisfying interpretation is called a **model** of  $U$ .
  - $U$  is **unsatisfiable** iff for every interpretation  $\nu$ , there exists an  $i$  such that  $\nu(A_i) = F$ .

# Logical consequence

- Let  $U$  be a set of formulas and  $A$  a formula. If  $A$  is true in every model of  $U$ , then  $A$  is a **logical consequence** of  $U$ .
  - Notation:  $U \models A$
  - If  $U$  is empty, logical consequence is the same as validity
- Theorem 2.38
  - $U \models A$  iff  $\models A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n \rightarrow A$  where  $U = \{A_1 \dots A_n\}$
  - Note Theorem 2.16
    - $A_1 \equiv A_2$  if and only if  $A_1 \leftrightarrow A_2$  is true in every interpretation

# Theories

- **Logical consequence** is the central concept in the foundations of mathematics
  - Valid formulas such as  $p \vee q \leftrightarrow q \vee p$  are trivial and not interesting
  - Ex. Euclid assumed five formulas about geometry and deduced an extensive set of logical consequences.
- Definition 2.41
  - A set of formulas  $\mathcal{T}$  is a **theory** if and only if it is **closed under logical consequence**.
    - $\mathcal{T}$  is closed under logical consequence if and only if for all formula  $A$ , if  $\mathcal{T} \models A$  then  $A \in \mathcal{T}$ .
  - The elements of  $\mathcal{T}$  are called **theorems**
- Let  $U$  be a set of formulas.  $\mathcal{T}(U) = \{A \mid U \models A\}$  is called the theory of  $U$ . The formulas of  $U$  are called **axioms** and the theory  $\mathcal{T}(U)$  is **axiomatizable**.
  - Is  $\mathcal{T}(U)$  theory?

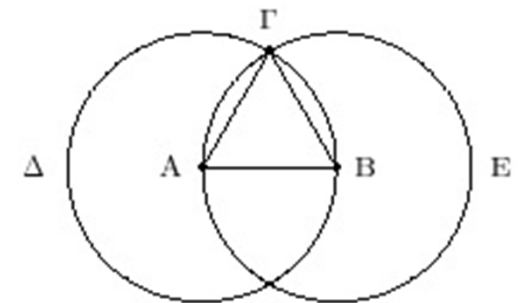
# Examples of theory

- $U = \{ p \vee q \vee r, q \rightarrow r, r \rightarrow p \}$
- Interpretation  $v_1, v_3$  and  $v_4$  are models of  $U$
- Which of the followings are true?
  - $U \models p$
  - $U \models q \rightarrow r$
  - $U \models r \vee \neg q$
  - $U \models p \wedge \neg q$
- Theory of  $U$ , i.e.,  $\mathcal{T}(U)$ 
  - $U \subseteq \mathcal{T}(U)$ 
    - because for all formula  $A \in U, A \models A$
  - $p \in \mathcal{T}(U)$ 
    - because  $U \models p$
  - $q \rightarrow r \in \mathcal{T}(U)$ 
    - because  $U \models q \rightarrow r$
  - $p \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \in \mathcal{T}(U)$ 
    - because  $U \models p \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$ 
      - since  $U \models p$  and  $U \models q \rightarrow r$  .:

	p	q	r	$p \vee q \vee r$	$q \rightarrow r$	$r \rightarrow p$
$v_1$	T	T	T	T	T	T
$v_2$	T	T	F	T	F	T
$v_3$	T	F	T	T	T	T
$v_4$	T	F	F	T	T	T
$v_5$	F	T	T	T	T	F
$v_6$	F	T	F	T	F	T
$v_7$	F	F	T	T	T	F
$v_8$	F	F	F	F	T	T

# Ex. Theory of Euclidean geometry

- A set of 5 axioms  $U = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5\}$  such that
  - $A_1$ : Any two points can be joined by a unique straight line.
  - $A_2$ : Any straight line segment can be extended indefinitely in a straight line.
  - $A_3$ : Given any straight line segment, a circle can be drawn having the segment as radius and one endpoint as center.
  - $A_4$ : All right angles are congruent.
  - $A_5$ : For every line  $l$  and for every point  $P$  that does not lie on  $l$  there exists a unique line  $m$  through  $P$  that is parallel to  $l$ .
- Euclidean theory  $\mathcal{T}_{\text{Euclid}} = \mathcal{T}(U) = \{A \mid U \models A\}$ 
  - I.e.,  $\mathcal{T}_{\text{euclid}}$  is axiomatizable by the above 5 axioms
  - Ex. one logical consequence of the axioms
    - given a line segment  $AB$ , an equilateral triangle exists that includes the segment as one of its sides.





# Ex2. Model checking (formal verification)

- A file system  $M$  can be specified by the following 7 formulas (i.e., a file system model  $M = \{ A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, A_6, A_7 \}$ )
  - $A_1$ : A file system object has one or no parent.
    - sig FSOBJect { parent: lone Dir }
  - $A_2$ : A directory has a set of file system objects
    - sig Dir extends FSOBJect { contents: set FSOBJect }
  - $A_3$ : A directory is the parent of its contents
    - fact defineContents { all d: Dir, o: d.contents | o.parent = d }
  - $A_4$ : A file in the file system is a file system object
    - sig File extends FSOBJect { }
  - $A_5$ : All file system objects are either files or directories
    - fact fileDirPartition { File + Dir = FSOBJect }
  - $A_6$ : There exists only one root
    - one sig Root extends Dir { } { no parent }
  - $A_7$ : File system is connected
    - fact fileSystemConnected { FSOBJect in Root.\*contents }
- We can prove that this file system does not have a cyclic path
  - $A$ : No cyclic path exists
    - assert acyclic { no d: Dir | d in d.^contents }
  - $M \models A$  (i.e., this file system  $M$  does not have cyclic path)

