

Could there be nothing?

1.	$a=a$	=Intro
2.	$\exists x (x=x)$	\exists Intro: 1

1.	...	
...		
m.	$\forall x (Train(x) \vee \neg Train(x))$...
n.	$Train(a) \vee \neg Train(a)$	\forall Elim: m
o.	$a=a$	=Intro
p.	$\exists x (x=x)$	\exists Intro: 1

1.	$\neg(a=a)$	
2.	$a=a$	=Intro
3.	\perp	\perp Intro: 1,3
4.	$\neg\neg(a=a)$	\neg Intro: 1-3
5.	$a=a$	\neg Elim: 5
6.	$\exists x (x=x)$	\exists Intro: 5

"Every time I go to the dentist, somebody dies."

$\forall t ((Time(t) \wedge ToDentist(a,t)) \rightarrow \exists x (Person(x) \wedge DiesAt(x,t)))$

Quantifier equivalences (ctd)

Hybrid example

Every object is either non-square or broken
 $\forall x (\neg Square(x) \vee Broken(x))$

$\neg\neg P \vdash P$

$\vdash \neg\neg \forall x (\neg Square(x) \vee Broken(x))$

$\neg\forall x F(x) \vdash \exists x \neg F(x)$

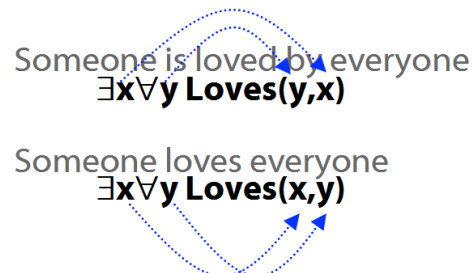
$\vdash \neg\exists x \neg(\neg Square(x) \vee Broken(x))$

$\neg(P \vee Q) \vdash \neg P \wedge \neg Q$

$\vdash \neg\exists x (\neg Square(x) \wedge \neg Broken(x))$

$\neg\neg P \vdash P$

$\vdash \neg\exists x (Square(x) \wedge \neg Broken(x))$
Nothing is square and non-broken



The Soundness Theorem

Notation:

$A \vdash B$ means there is a proof of B using premises A

$\vdash B$ means there is a proof of B using no premises

$A \vdash$ means the same as $A \vdash \perp$

$A \models B$ means B is a logical consequence of A

$\models B$ means B is a tautology

$A \models$ means the same as $A \models \perp$

$A \models_{TT} B$ means B is a logical consequence of A just in virtue of the meanings of truth-functions (the textbook LPL calls this 'tautological consequence')

Soundness Theorem If $A \vdash B$ then $A \models B$
I.e. if you can prove it in Fitch, it's valid

Completeness Theorem If $A \models_{TT} B$ then $A \vdash B$
I.e. if it's valid just in virtue of the meanings of truth functions, you can prove it in Fitch

Illustration of soundness proof: \vee Intro

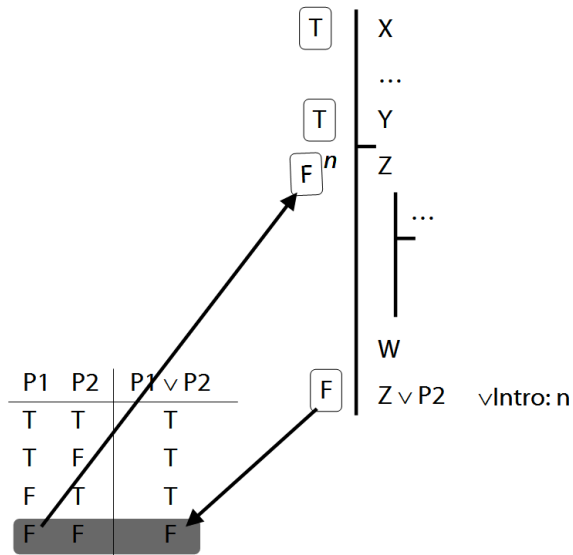
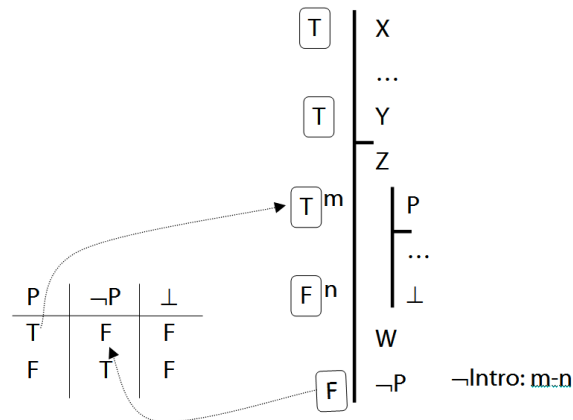


Illustration of soundness proof: \neg Intro



Proof of Soundness (If $A \vdash B$ then $A \models B$)

Useful Observation about any argument that ends with \vee Intro. Suppose this argument is not valid, i.e. the premises are true and the conclusion false. Then Z must be false. So the argument from the premises to Z (line n) is not a valid argument. So **there is a shorter proof which is not valid.**

Stipulation: when I say that ‘a proof is not valid’, I mean that the last step of the proof is not a logical consequence of the premises (including premises of any open subproofs).

How to prove soundness? Outline

Step 1: show that each rule has this property:

Where the last step in a proof involves that rule, if proof is not valid then there is a shorter proof which is not valid.

Step 2: Suppose (for a contradiction) that some Fitch proofs are not valid. Select one of the shortest invalid proofs. The last step must involve one of the Fitch rules. Whichever rule it involves, we know that there must be a shorter proof which is not valid. This contradicts the fact that the selected proof is a shortest invalid proof.

Exercises 08

For your eighth seminar
Only for fast groups

13.51–2

14.4–5

14.13 [proofs]

14.26, 14.28

Despite what book says, DON'T even THINK about using TAUT CON.

Proofs about proofs

1. If $A \vdash B$ then $\vdash A \rightarrow B$

Proof Given a proof for $A \vdash B$...

1		A
		...
n		B

... we can turn it into a proof for $\vdash A \rightarrow B$:

1		A
		...
n		B
		$A \rightarrow B \rightarrow \text{Intro: } 1-n$

2. If $\vdash A \rightarrow B$ then $A \vdash B$

3. If $A \vdash B$ then $A \vdash \neg\neg B$

Proof:

This is the original proof of $A \vdash B$	{	1		A
		2		...
		n		B
Adding this turns it into a proof of $A \vdash \neg\neg B$	{	p		$\neg B$
		q		\perp
				$\neg\neg B \rightarrow \text{Intro: } p-q$

4. If $A \vdash C$ then $A \vdash B \rightarrow C$

5. If $A \vdash B$ and $A \vdash \neg C$ then $A \vdash \neg(B \rightarrow C)$

Lemma for Completeness Theorem

If for every sentence letter, P, either $A \vdash P$ or $A \vdash \neg P$, then for every formula, X, either $A \vdash X$ or $A \vdash \neg X$.

Proof

Step a. Suppose (for a contradiction) that there are formulae, X, such that $A \vdash X$ and $A \vdash \neg X$. Take a shortest such formula, call it Y.

Step b. This formula, Y, must have one of the following forms: $\neg P$, $P \vee Q$, $P \wedge Q$, $P \rightarrow Q$, $P \Box Q$, \perp

Step c. We can show that whichever form X has, either $A \vdash Y$ and $A \vdash \neg Y$.

Case 1: X is $P \rightarrow Q$. Then since P and Q are shorter than X, either:

(i) $A \vdash P$ and $A \vdash \neg Q$

or

(ii) $A \vdash \neg P$

or

(iii) $A \vdash Q$

If (i), $A \vdash \neg(P \rightarrow Q)$, that is, $A \vdash \neg X$.

If (ii), $A \vdash P \rightarrow Q$, that is, $A \vdash X$.

If (iii), $A \vdash P \rightarrow Q$, that is, $A \vdash X$.

(Here we use (4) and (5) from *Proofs about Proofs* above)

Case 2: X is $\neg P$. Then since P is shorter, $A \vdash P$ or $A \vdash \neg P$.

If $A \vdash P$ then $A \vdash \neg\neg P$ so $A \vdash \neg X$ which would contradict our assumption. This is shown in (3) above.

If $A \vdash \neg P$ then $A \vdash X$ (because X is $\neg P$), which would contradict our assumption.

Case 3: ...

Step d. The demonstration in Step c contradicts our assumption, so we can conclude that it is false. That is, either $A \vdash X$ and $A \vdash \neg X$ for every formula X.

Completeness (if $A \models_{\mathcal{T}} B$ then $A \vdash B$)

We prove only: If $A \not\vdash \perp$ then $A \not\models \perp$

(See Lemma 2 p. 471 for how to generalise this result.)

Suppose $A \not\vdash \perp$. Define A^* as every formula in A plus the following:

For every sentence letter, P,

if $A \vdash P$, add P to A^*

if $A \vdash \neg P$, add $\neg P$ to A^*

otherwise add P to A^*

Now $A^* \not\vdash \perp$ and A^* contains every sentence letter or its negation

Claim: for any formula X, $A^* \vdash X$ or $A^* \vdash \neg X$

Define a structure, h , so that:

$h(P) = T$ when P is in A^*

$h(P) = F$ when $\neg P$ is in A^*

Claim: $h(X) = T$ for every X that is a logical consequence of A^* (see Prop. 4, p. 475).

Thus $A \not\models \perp$