

# Relevant Logics:

## Proof Theory and Model Theory

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## Formal Language of Propositional Relevant Logics

### ♣ Alphabet (Symbols)

$\{ \neg, \rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, \leftrightarrow, \Rightarrow, \otimes, \oplus, \Leftrightarrow, L, T, F, (, ), p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n, \dots \}$

### ♣ Propositional constants

$T, F$

### ♣ Propositional variables (proposition symbols)

$p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n, \dots$

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## Formal Language of Predicate Relevant Logics

### ♣ Alphabet (Symbols)

$\{ \neg, \rightarrow, \wedge, \vee, \leftrightarrow, \Rightarrow, \otimes, \oplus, \Leftrightarrow, L, \forall, \exists, T, F, (, ),$   
 $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n, \dots,$   
 $f_1^1, \dots, f_1^n, \dots, f_2^1, \dots, f_2^n, \dots, f_k^1, \dots, f_k^n, \dots,$   
 $p_0^1, \dots, p_0^n, \dots, p_1^1, \dots, p_1^n, \dots, p_2^1, \dots, p_2^n, \dots, p_k^1, \dots, p_k^n, \dots \}$

### ♣ Propositional constants

$T, F$

### ♣ Individual variables (variable symbols)

$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots$

### ♣ (Individual) Constants (Names) (constant symbols, name symbols)

$c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n, \dots$

### ♣ (Individual) Functions (function symbols)

$f_1^1, \dots, f_1^n, \dots, f_2^1, \dots, f_2^n, \dots, f_k^1, \dots, f_k^n, \dots$

### ♣ (Individual) Predicates (Relations) (predicate symbols, relation symbols)

$p_0^1, \dots, p_0^n, \dots, p_1^1, \dots, p_1^n, \dots, p_2^1, \dots, p_2^n, \dots, p_k^1, \dots, p_k^n, \dots$

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## Formal Language of Relevant Logics

### ♣ Primitive logical connectives

$\Rightarrow$  : entailment (**primitive!** And therefore, **intensional!**)  
 $\neg$  : negation  
 $\wedge$  : extensional conjunction

### ♣ Defined logical connectives

$\otimes$  : intensional conjunction (fusion),  $A \otimes B =_{\text{df}} \neg(A \Rightarrow \neg B)$   
 $\oplus$  : intensional disjunction,  $A \oplus B =_{\text{df}} \neg A \Rightarrow B$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$  : intensional equivalence,  $A \Leftrightarrow B =_{\text{df}} (A \Rightarrow B) \otimes (B \Rightarrow A)$   
 $\vee$  : extensional disjunction,  $A \vee B =_{\text{df}} \neg(A \wedge \neg B)$   
 $\rightarrow$  : material implication,  $A \rightarrow B =_{\text{df}} \neg(A \wedge \neg B)$  or  $\neg A \vee B$   
 $\leftrightarrow$  : extensional equivalence,  $A \leftrightarrow B =_{\text{df}} (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow A)$   
 $L$  : necessity operator,  $LA =_{\text{df}} (A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A$

### ♣ Terms and formulas

- ◆ Similar to that of classical propositional/predicate calculus.

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## Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

### ♣ Axiom schemata on entailment

- E1  $A \Rightarrow A$  (Self-Implication)  
E2  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((C \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow (C \Rightarrow B))$  (Prefixing)  
E2'  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$  (Suffixing)  
E3  $(A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)$  (Contraction)  
E3'  $(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$  (Self-Distribution)  
E3''  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$  (Permuted Self-Distribution)  
E4  $A \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow D) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow D))$   
E4'  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow C$  (Restricted Permutation)  
E4''  $((A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B$  (Restricted Assertion)  
E4'''  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow D) \Rightarrow D)$  (Specialized Assertion)  
E5  $(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$  (Permutation)  
E5'  $A \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B)$  (Assertion)  
E5''  $A \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A)$  (Demodalizer)

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### Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

#### ♣ Axiom schemata on conjunction

- C1  $(A \wedge B) \Rightarrow A$  (Conjunction Elimination)  
 C2  $(A \wedge B) \Rightarrow B$  (Conjunction Elimination)  
 C3  $((A \Rightarrow B) \wedge (A \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow (B \wedge C))$  (Conjunction Introduction)  
 C4  $(LA \wedge LB) \Rightarrow L(A \wedge B)$ , where  $LA =_{df} (A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A$  (Distribution of Necessity over Conjunction)

#### ♣ Axiom schemata on disjunction

- D1  $A \Rightarrow (A \vee B)$  (Disjunction Introduction)  
 D2  $B \Rightarrow (A \vee B)$  (Disjunction Introduction)  
 D3  $((A \Rightarrow C) \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow ((A \vee B) \Rightarrow C)$  (Disjunction Elimination)

#### ♣ Distribution axiom schema

- DCD  $(A \wedge (B \vee C)) \Rightarrow ((A \wedge B) \vee C)$   
 (Distribution of Conjunction over Disjunction)

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### Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

#### ♣ Axiom schemata on negation

- N1  $(A \Rightarrow (\neg A)) \Rightarrow (\neg A)$  (Reduction)  
 N2  $(A \Rightarrow (\neg B)) \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (\neg A))$  (Contraposition)  
 N3  $(\neg(\neg A)) \Rightarrow A$  (Double Negation)

#### ♣ Mingle axiom schemata

- EM0  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B))$   
 RM0  $A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow A)$

#### ♣ Axiom schemata on necessity

- L1  $LA \Rightarrow A$   
 L2  $L(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (LA \Rightarrow LB)$   
 L3  $(LA \wedge LB) \Rightarrow L(A \wedge B)$   
 L4  $LA \Rightarrow LLA$   
 L5  $LA \Rightarrow ((LA \Rightarrow LA) \Rightarrow LA)$

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### Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

#### ♣ Axiom schemata on individual quantification

- IQ1  $\forall x(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (\forall x A \Rightarrow \forall x B)$   
 IQ2  $(\forall x A \wedge \forall x B) \Rightarrow \forall x(A \wedge B)$   
 IQ3  $\forall x A x \Rightarrow A y$   
 IQ4  $\forall x(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow \forall x B)$  ( $x$  not free in  $A$ )  
 IQ5  $\forall x(A \vee B) \Rightarrow (A \vee \forall x B)$  ( $x$  not free in  $A$ )  
 IQ6  $\forall x_1 \dots \forall x_n (((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B)$  ( $n \geq 0$ ) (for E and EM)  
 IQ7  $A y \Rightarrow \exists x A x$   
 IQ8  $\forall x(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (\exists x A \Rightarrow B)$  ( $x$  not free in  $B$ )  
 IQ9  $(\exists x A \wedge B) \Rightarrow \exists x(A \wedge B)$  ( $x$  not free in  $B$ )

Axiom clause: if  $A$  is an axiom, so is  $\forall x A$ .

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### Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

#### ♣ Inference rules

- $\Rightarrow E$  : From  $A$  and  $A \Rightarrow B$  to infer  $B$  (Modus Ponens)  
 $\wedge I$  : From  $A$  and  $B$  to infer  $A \wedge B$  (Adjunction)  
 $LI$  : If  $A$  is a theorem, so is  $LA$   
 $\otimes I$  : If  $A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)$  is a theorem, so is  $(A \otimes B) \Rightarrow C$   
 $\otimes E$  : If  $(A \otimes B) \Rightarrow C$  is a theorem, so is  $A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)$   
 $TI$  : If  $A$  is a theorem, so is  $T \Rightarrow A$   
 $TE$  : If  $T \Rightarrow A$  is a theorem, so is  $A$

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### Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

#### ♣ The pure entailment (relevant implication) fragments of relevant logics

- $T_{\Rightarrow} = \{E1, E2, E2', E3 \mid E3''\} + \Rightarrow E$   
 $E_{\Rightarrow} = \{E1, E2 \mid E2', E3 \mid E3', E4 \mid E4'\} + \Rightarrow E$   
 $E_{\Rightarrow} = \{E2', E3, E4''\} + \Rightarrow E$   
 $E_{\Rightarrow} = \{E1, E3, E4'''\} + \Rightarrow E$   
 $E_{\Rightarrow} = T_{\Rightarrow} + E4$  [E4:  $(A \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow D)) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow D))$ ]  
 $E_{\Rightarrow} = T_{\Rightarrow} + E4'$  [E4':  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow C)$ ]  
 $E_{\Rightarrow} = T_{\Rightarrow} + E4''$  [E4'':  $((A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B$ ]  
 $R_{\Rightarrow} = \{E1, E2 \mid E2', E3 \mid E3', E5 \mid E5'\} + \Rightarrow E$   
 $R_{\Rightarrow} = E_{\Rightarrow} + E5''$  [E5'':  $A \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A) = A \Rightarrow LA$ ]

#### ♣ Note

"A | B" means that one can choose any one of the two axiom schemata A and B.

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### Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

#### ♣ The entailment (relevant implication) with negation fragments of relevant logics

- $T_{\Rightarrow, \neg} = T_{\Rightarrow} + \{N1, N2, N3\}$   
 $E_{\Rightarrow, \neg} = E_{\Rightarrow} + \{N1, N2, N3\}$   
 $R_{\Rightarrow, \neg} = R_{\Rightarrow} + \{N2, N3\}$

#### ♣ The positive (negation-free) fragments of relevant logics

- $T_+ = T_{\Rightarrow} + \{C1 \sim C3, D1 \sim D3, DCD\} + \wedge I$   
 $E_+ = E_{\Rightarrow} + \{C1 \sim C4, D1 \sim D3, DCD\} + \wedge I$   
 $E_+ = T_+ + \{E4 \mid E4' \mid E4'', C4\}$   
 $R_+ = R_{\Rightarrow} + \{C1 \sim C3, D1 \sim D3, DCD\} + \wedge I$   
 $R_+ = E_+ + E5''$

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## Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

### ♣ Propositional relevant logics

$$T = T_{\Rightarrow, \neg} + \{C1\sim C3, D1\sim D3, DCD\} + \wedge I$$

$$E = E_{\Rightarrow, \neg} + \{C1\sim C4, D1\sim D3, DCD\} + \wedge I$$

$$E = T + \{E4 \mid E4' \mid E4'', C4\}$$

$$R = R_{\Rightarrow, \neg} + \{C1\sim C3, D1\sim D3, DCD\} + \wedge I$$

$$R = E + A \Rightarrow LA, LR = R - DCD$$

$$EM = E + EM0 \text{ (semi-relevant logic)}$$

$$RM = R + RM0 \text{ (semi-relevant logic)}$$

$$RM = EM + A \Rightarrow LA \text{ (semi-relevant logic)}$$

$$E^L = E + \{L1\sim L5\} + LI$$

$$R^L = R + \{L1\sim L4\} + LI$$

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## Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

### ♣ Predicate relevant logics

$$S^{\forall\exists} = S + \{IQ1, IQ3, IQ4, IQ7, IQ8\}$$

$$\text{where } S = T_{\neg}, T_{\Rightarrow, \neg}, R_{\neg}, R_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$$

$$S^{\forall\exists} = S + \{IQ1\sim IQ5, IQ7\sim IQ9\}$$

$$\text{where } S = T_{+}, T, R_{+}, R, RM$$

$$S^{\forall\exists} = S + \{IQ1, IQ3, IQ4, IQ6\sim IQ8\}$$

$$\text{where } S = E_{\neg}, E_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$$

$$S^{\forall\exists} = S + \{IQ1\sim IQ9\}$$

$$\text{where } S = E_{+}, E, EM$$

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## Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics

### ♣ Axiom schemata on conjunction

$$C5 \ (A \wedge A) \Rightarrow A$$

$$C6 \ (A \wedge B) \Rightarrow (B \wedge A)$$

$$C7 \ ((A \Rightarrow B) \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)$$

$$C8 \ (A \wedge (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$$

$$C9: \neg(A \wedge \neg A)$$

$$C10: A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \wedge B))$$

### ♣ Strong relevant logics

$$Tc =_{df} T_{\Rightarrow, \neg} + \{C3, C5\sim C10\} \quad TcQ =_{df} Tc + \{IQ1\sim IQ5\} + \forall I$$

$$Ec =_{df} E_{\Rightarrow, \neg} + \{C3\sim C10\} \quad EcQ =_{df} Ec + \{IQ1\sim IQ5\} + \forall I$$

$$Rc =_{df} R_{\Rightarrow, \neg} + \{C3, C5\sim C10\} \quad RcQ =_{df} Rc + \{IQ1\sim IQ5\} + \forall I$$

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## The Notion of Degree

### ♣ The degree of a formula with implicational connective

- ♦ The *degree* of a formula with implicational connective is the largest number of nesting of implicational connective, e.g.  $\Rightarrow$ , that represents the notion of conditional within it.

### ♣ Zero degree formula

- ♦ A formula is called a *zero degree formula (zdf)* if and only if there is no occurrence of  $\Rightarrow$  in it.

### ♣ First degree conditional (entailment)

- ♦ A formula of the form  $A \Rightarrow B$  is called a *first degree conditional (fdc) (entailment, fde)* if and only if both  $A$  and  $B$  are zero degree formulas.

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## The Notion of Degree

### ♣ First degree formula

- ♦ A formula  $A$  is called a *first degree formula (fdf)* if and only if it satisfies the one of the following conditions:
  - (1)  $A$  is a first degree conditional,
  - (2)  $A$  is in the form  $+ B$  ( $+$  is a one-place connective such as negation and so on) where  $B$  is a first degree formula, and
  - (3)  $A$  is in the form  $B * C$  ( $*$  is a non-implicational two-place connective such as conjunction or disjunction and so on) where both of  $B$  and  $C$  is first degree formulas, or one of  $B$  and  $C$  is a first degree formula and the another is a zero degree formula.

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## The Notion of Degree

### ♣ $k^{\text{th}}$ degree conditional (entailment)

- Let  $k$  be a natural number. A formula of the form  $A \Rightarrow B$  is called a  **$k^{\text{th}}$  degree conditional (kdc) (entailment, kde)** if and only if both  $A$  and  $B$  are  $(k-1)^{\text{th}}$  degree formulas, or one of  $A$  and  $B$  is a  $(k-1)^{\text{th}}$  degree formula and another is a  $j^{\text{th}}$  ( $j < k-1$ ) degree formula.

### ♣ $k^{\text{th}}$ degree formula

- Let  $k$  be a natural number. A formula  $A$  is called a  **$k^{\text{th}}$  degree formula (kdf)** if and only if it satisfies the one of the following conditions:
  - $A$  is a  $k^{\text{th}}$  degree conditional,
  - $A$  is in the form  $+B$  where  $B$  is a  $k^{\text{th}}$  degree formula, and
  - $A$  is in the form  $B * C$  where both of  $B$  and  $C$  is  $k^{\text{th}}$  degree formulas, or one of  $B$  and  $C$  is a  $k^{\text{th}}$  degree formula and another is a  $j^{\text{th}}$  ( $j < k$ ) degree formula.

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## Zero Degree Fragments of Relevant Logics: CPC

### ♣ Classical Propositional Calculus (CPC) is contained in $E(R, T)$ [A&B-E1-75]

- Theorem: All tautologies (theorems) of CPC are provable in  $E(R, T)$ , i.e.,  $E(R, T)$  is complete with respect to CPC.
- Theorem: Only tautologies (theorems) of CPC among the zero degree formulas of  $E(R, T)$  are provable in  $E(R, T)$ , i.e.,  $E(R, T)$  is conservative with respect to CPC.

### ♣ Classical Propositional Calculus (CPC) is the zero degree fragment of $E(R, T)$ [A&B-E1-75]

- CPC is in exactly the right sense contained in  $E(R, T)$ , i.e., it is exactly the zero degree (extensional) fragment of  $E(R, T)$ .

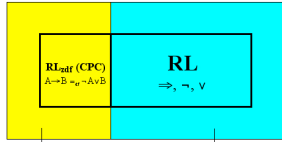
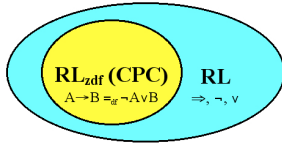
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## Zero Degree Fragments of Relevant Logics: CPC



Zero degree formulas  
Extensional formulas

High degree formulas  
Intensional formulas

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## Primitive Entailments

### ♣ Atom

- An **atom** is a propositional variable or the negate of such, i.e., an atom has either the form  $p$  or the form  $\neg p$ .

### ♣ Primitive conjunction and disjunction

- A **primitive conjunction** is a conjunction  $A_1 \wedge A_2 \wedge \dots \wedge A_m$  ( $m \geq 1$ ) where each  $A_i$  is an atom.
- A **primitive disjunction** is a disjunction  $B_1 \vee B_2 \vee \dots \vee B_n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) where each  $B_i$  is an atom.

### ♣ Primitive entailment

- $A \Rightarrow B$  is a **primitive entailment** if  $A$  is a primitive conjunction and  $B$  is a primitive disjunction, i.e.,  $A \Rightarrow B = A_1 \wedge A_2 \wedge \dots \wedge A_m \Rightarrow B_1 \vee B_2 \vee \dots \vee B_n$ .

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## Explicitly Tautological Entailments

### ♣ Explicitly tautological entailments

- A primitive entailment  $A \Rightarrow B$  is said to be **explicitly tautological** if some (conjoined) atom of  $A$  is identical with some (disjoined) atom of  $B$ , i.e.,  $A_i = B_j$  for some  $i$  and  $j$ .
- Explicitly tautological is both necessary and sufficient for the (**weak-relevant!**) validity of a primitive entailment.

### ♣ Note

- Explicitly tautological entailments satisfy the von Wright-Geach-Smiley criterion for entailment: every explicitly tautological entailment answers to a material "implication" which is a substitution instance of a tautologous material "implication" with non-contradictory antecedent and non-tautologous consequent; and evidently we may ascertain the truth of the entailment without coming to know the truth of the consequent or the falsity of the antecedent.

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## Explicitly Tautological Entailments in Normal Form

### ♣ Entailments in normal form

- An entailment  $A \Rightarrow B$  is said to be **in normal form** if it has the form  $A_1 \vee A_2 \vee \dots \vee A_m \Rightarrow B_1 \wedge B_2 \wedge \dots \wedge B_n$  ( $m \geq 1, n \geq 1$ ) where each  $A_i$  is a primitive conjunction and each  $B_j$  is a primitive disjunction.
- An entailment  $A \Rightarrow B$  in normal form is (**weak-relevantly!**) valid just in case each  $A_i \Rightarrow B_j$  ( $m \geq i \geq 1, n \geq j \geq 1$ ) is explicitly tautological.

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## Tautological Entailments

### ♣ Tautological entailments

- ♦ An entailment  $A_1 \vee A_2 \vee \dots \vee A_m \Rightarrow B_1 \wedge B_2 \wedge \dots \wedge B_n$  ( $m \geq 1, n \geq 1$ ) in normal form is called a **tautological entailment** if and only if it is explicitly tautological, i.e., for every  $A_i$  and  $B_j$ ,  $A_i \Rightarrow B_j$  ( $m \geq i \geq 1, n \geq j \geq 1$ ) is explicitly tautological.
- ♦ Explicitly tautological is both necessary and sufficient for the (**weak-relevant!**) validity of a first degree entailment.

### ♣ Fundamental question

- ♦ Can we construct a formal calculus of tautological entailments?
- ♦ Answer: YES

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## Tautological Entailment Fragments of Relevant Logics

### ♣ $E_{fde}$ ( $R_{fde}, T_{fde}$ ): First degree entailment fragment of E (R, T)

- ♦ Entailment:  
Inference rule: from  $A \Rightarrow B$  and  $B \Rightarrow C$  to infer  $A \Rightarrow C$
- ♦ Conjunction:  
Axiom schemata:  $(A \wedge B) \Rightarrow A$  (C1),  $(A \wedge B) \Rightarrow B$  (C2)  
Inference rule: from  $A \Rightarrow B$  and  $A \Rightarrow C$  to infer  $A \Rightarrow (B \wedge C)$
- ♦ Disjunction:  
Axiom schemata:  $A \Rightarrow (A \vee B)$  (D1),  $B \Rightarrow (A \vee B)$  (D2)  
Inference rule: from  $A \Rightarrow C$  and  $B \Rightarrow C$  to infer  $(A \vee B) \Rightarrow C$
- ♦ Distribution:  
Axiom schema:  $(A \wedge (B \vee C)) \Rightarrow ((A \wedge B) \vee C)$  (DCD)
- ♦ Negation:  
Axiom schema:  $A \Rightarrow (\neg(\neg A))$ ,  $(\neg(\neg A)) \Rightarrow A$  (N3)  
Inference rule: from  $A \Rightarrow B$  to infer  $\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A$

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## First Degree Formula Fragments of Relevant Logics

### ♣ $E_{fdr}$ and tautological entailments

- ♦ All logical theorems of  $E_{fdr}$  are first degree entailments.
  - ♦ Every tautological entailment is provable in  $E_{fdr}$ .
  - ♦ Only tautological entailments are provable in  $E_{fdr}$ .
  - ♦ Therefore,  $E_{fdr}$  is a formalization of tautological entailments.
- ♣ Perfect interpolation theorem
- ♦ If  $A \Rightarrow C$  is provable in  $E_{fdr}$ , then there is an “interpolation formula”  $B$  such that (1)  $A \Rightarrow B$  is provable in  $E_{fdr}$ , (2)  $B \Rightarrow C$  is provable in  $E_{fdr}$ , and (3)  $B$  has no variables not in both  $A$  and  $C$ .

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## Antecedent and Consequent Parts of Formulas

- ♦  $A$  is a consequent part of  $A$
- ♦ If  $\neg B$  is a **consequent** {**antecedent**} **part** of  $A$ , then  $B$  is an antecedent part {consequent part} of  $A$
- ♦ If  $B \Rightarrow C$  is a consequent {antecedent} part of  $A$ , then  $B$  is an antecedent {consequent} part of  $A$ , and  $C$  is a consequent {antecedent} part of  $A$
- ♦ If either  $B \wedge C$  or  $B \vee C$  is a consequent {antecedent} part of  $A$ , then both  $B$  and  $C$  are consequent {antecedent} parts of  $A$

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## Theorems of Variable-Sharing in Relevant Logics

### ♣ Variable-Sharing in $E_{\Rightarrow}$ ( $R_{\Rightarrow}, T_{\Rightarrow}$ ) [A&B-E1-75]

- ♦ If  $A \Rightarrow B$  is provable in  $E_{\Rightarrow}$  ( $R_{\Rightarrow}, T_{\Rightarrow}$ ), then  $A$  and  $B$  share a sentential variable.
- ♦ If  $A$  is a theorem of  $E_{\Rightarrow}$  ( $R_{\Rightarrow}, T_{\Rightarrow}$ ), then every sentential variable occurring in  $A$  occurs at least once as an antecedent part and at least once as a consequent part of  $A$ .

### ♣ Variable-Sharing in $E_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$ ( $R_{\Rightarrow, \neg}, T_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$ ) [A&B-E1-75]

- ♦ If  $A \Rightarrow B$  is provable in  $E_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$  ( $R_{\Rightarrow, \neg}, T_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$ ), then  $A$  and  $B$  share a sentential variable.
- ♦ If  $A$  is a theorem of  $E_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$  ( $R_{\Rightarrow, \neg}, T_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$ ), then every sentential variable occurring in  $A$  occurs at least once as an antecedent part and at least once as a consequent part of  $A$  (Note: This is NOT true for E (or for R, or for T).

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## Theorems of Variable-Sharing in Relevant Logics

### ♣ Variable-Sharing in E (R, T) [A&B-E1-75]

- ♦ If  $A \Rightarrow B$  is provable in E (R, T), then  $A$  and  $B$  share a sentential variable.
- ♦ If  $A \Rightarrow B$  is a theorem of E, then some sentential variable occurs as an antecedent part of both  $A$  and  $B$ , or else as a consequent part of both  $A$  and  $B$ .
- ♦ If  $A$  is a theorem of E containing no conjunctions as antecedent parts and no disjunctions as consequent parts, then every sentential variable in  $A$  occurs at least once as an antecedent part and at least once as a consequent part [Maksimova, 1967].

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## Theorems of Variable-Sharing in Relevant Logics

### ♣ Variable-Sharing in CPC [A&B-E1-75]

- ♦ If  $A \rightarrow B$  is provable in CPC, then either (1)  $A$  and  $B$  share a sentential variable or (2) either  $\neg A$  or  $B$  is provable in CPC.

### ♣ Variable-Sharing in RM [A&B-E1-75]

- ♦ If  $A \rightarrow B$  is provable in RM, then either (1)  $A$  and  $B$  share a sentential variable or (2) both  $\neg A$  and  $B$  are provable in RM.

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## Facts in Relevant Logics

### ♣ Why the inference rule of adjunction?

- ♦  $A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \wedge B))$  is not a logical theorem of E (R, T).
- ♦  $A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \wedge B))$  is a familiar axiom for intuitionistic and classical logic, but it is only a hair's breadth away from positive paradox  $A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A)$ , and indeed yields it given  $(A \wedge B) \Rightarrow A$  and  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((C \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow (C \Rightarrow B))$ .

### ♣ The disjunctive syllogism and the inference rule $\gamma$

- ♦  $A \wedge (\neg A \vee B) \Rightarrow B$  ( $\neg A \wedge (A \vee B) \Rightarrow B$ ) is not a logical theorem of either E (R, T). This is the most notorious feature of relevant logic.
- ♦ The inference rule  $\gamma$ , i.e., suppose  $\vdash A$  and  $\vdash \neg A \vee B$ , then  $\vdash B$ , is admissible in E, R, and many others.

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## Facts in Relevant Logics

### ♣ The relationship between relevant logics and other logics

$S5 \rightarrow S4 \rightarrow S3 \rightarrow EM$   
 $CML \rightarrow \quad \quad \quad \rightarrow E \rightarrow T$   
 $RM \rightarrow \quad \quad \quad \rightarrow R$   
 (S3, S4, S5: Lewis's modal systems)

### ♣ The relationship between relevant logics and their first degree entailment fragments

- ♦ If  $A \Rightarrow B$  is provable in  $E_{fde}$  ( $R_{fde}$ ,  $T_{fde}$ ), then it is also provable in E (R, T) [A&B-E1-75].

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## Facts in Relevant Logics

### ♣ Conservative extensions

- ♦ Let  $S'$  is an extension of  $S$  in the sense that  $S'$  has some new language components, e.g., connectives, or axioms, or inference rules.  $S'$  is called to be a *conservative extension* of  $S$  if for any formula  $A$  in the notation of  $S$ , if  $A$  is provable in  $S'$  then  $A$  is also provable in  $S$ .

### ♣ Conservative extensions in relevant logics

- ♦ Both E and  $E_{\rightarrow, \neg}$  are conservative extensions of  $E_{\rightarrow}$
- ♦ Both R and  $R_{\rightarrow, \neg}$  are conservative extensions of  $R_{\rightarrow}$

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## Facts in Relevant Logics

### ♣ Conservative extensions in relevant logics

- ♦ RM is not a conservative extension of  $RM0_{\rightarrow}$  ( $RM0_{\rightarrow} = R_{\rightarrow} + RM0$ )
- ♦  $RM0_{\rightarrow}$  is not the pure implicational fragment of RM
- ♦ RM does not satisfy the relevance principle but it does satisfy the weaker relevance principle that  $A \rightarrow B$  is a theorem of RM only if either  $A$  and  $B$  share a sentential variable or both  $\neg A$  and  $B$  are theorems.

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## Facts in Relevant Logics

### ♣ Necessity

- ♦ In E, the necessity operator  $L$  can be defined as  $LA =_{df} (A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A$ , but this is impossible in R because R has  $A \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B)$  as an axiom scheme.
- ♦ E is both a relevant logic and a modal logic but R is only a relevant logic.
- ♦ The rule of necessity (if  $A$  is provable in E, then  $LA$  is also provable in E) is naturally holds in E, and therefore no new logical primitives need be introduced to get the desired effect.

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## Why R Is Interesting?

### ♣ Major reason 1: Age

- ♦ The pure implicational fragment  $R \Rightarrow$  of R, first considered by Moh Shaw-Kwei in 1950 and by A. Church in 1951, was regarded to be the oldest of the relevant logics [A&B-E1-75].
- ♦ The implication-negation fragment  $R_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$  of R, given by I. E. Orlov in 1928, is the oldest of the relevant logics [Dosen, 1990].

### ♣ Major reason 2: Isolating relevance

- ♦ In R one has an even clearer view of relevance than in E, just because of the absence of modal complications.

### ♣ Other reasons

- ♦ Stability, Richness, Easy proof theory, Fragments, Applicability, Extensibility.

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## Decision Problems in Relevant Logic

- ♦ Both  $E_{\Rightarrow}$  and  $R_{\Rightarrow}$  are decidable [Kripke, 1959].
- ♦ LR is decidable [Mayer, 1966].
- ♦  $E_{fde}$  ( $R_{fde}$ ,  $T_{fde}$ ) is decidable [Anderson and Belnap, 1975].
- ♦  $E_{fdr}$  is decidable [Anderson and Belnap, 1975].
- ♦ Both  $E_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$  and  $R_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$  are decidable [Anderson and Belnap, 1975].
- ♦ RM is decidable [Anderson and Belnap, 1975].
- ♦  $E_+$ ,  $R_+$ , and  $T_+$  are undecidable [Urquhart, 1982].
- ♦ E, R, and T are undecidable [Urquhart, 1982].
- ♦ The decision problem of  $T_{\Rightarrow}$  (or of  $T_{\Rightarrow, \neg}$ ) is open.

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## Relevant Logics: Proof Theory and Model Theory

- ♦ Formal Language of Relevant Logics
- ♦ Hilbert Style Axiomatic Systems of Relevant Logics
- ♦ Various Properties of Relevant Logics
- ♦ Model Theory for Relevant Logics
- ♦ Natural Deduction Systems of Relevant Logics
- ♦ Sequent Calculus Systems of Relevant Logics
- ♦ Semantic Tableau Systems of Relevant Logics
- ♦ Bibliography

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