

$\vdash \Rightarrow \vDash$ $\vDash \Rightarrow \vdash$

Soundness

Completeness

PHIL 50 - Introduction to Logic

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Week 4 – Monday Class - Soundness and Completeness

Derivability: \vdash

$\vdash \psi$ *iff*

there is a derivation of ψ in which all assumptions are canceled.

$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$ *iff*

there is a derivation of ψ from assumptions $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k$

A derivation is a tree-like arrangement of formulas which obeys the derivation rules we studied during Week 3 of the course.

Logical Consequence: \models

$\models \psi$ *iff*

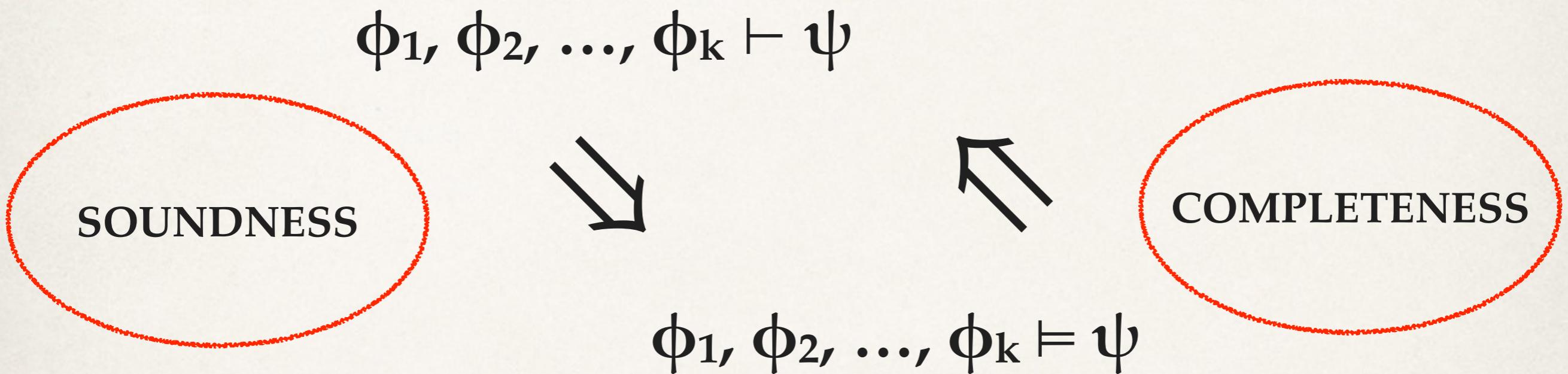
all valuation V 's make ψ true

$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$ *iff*

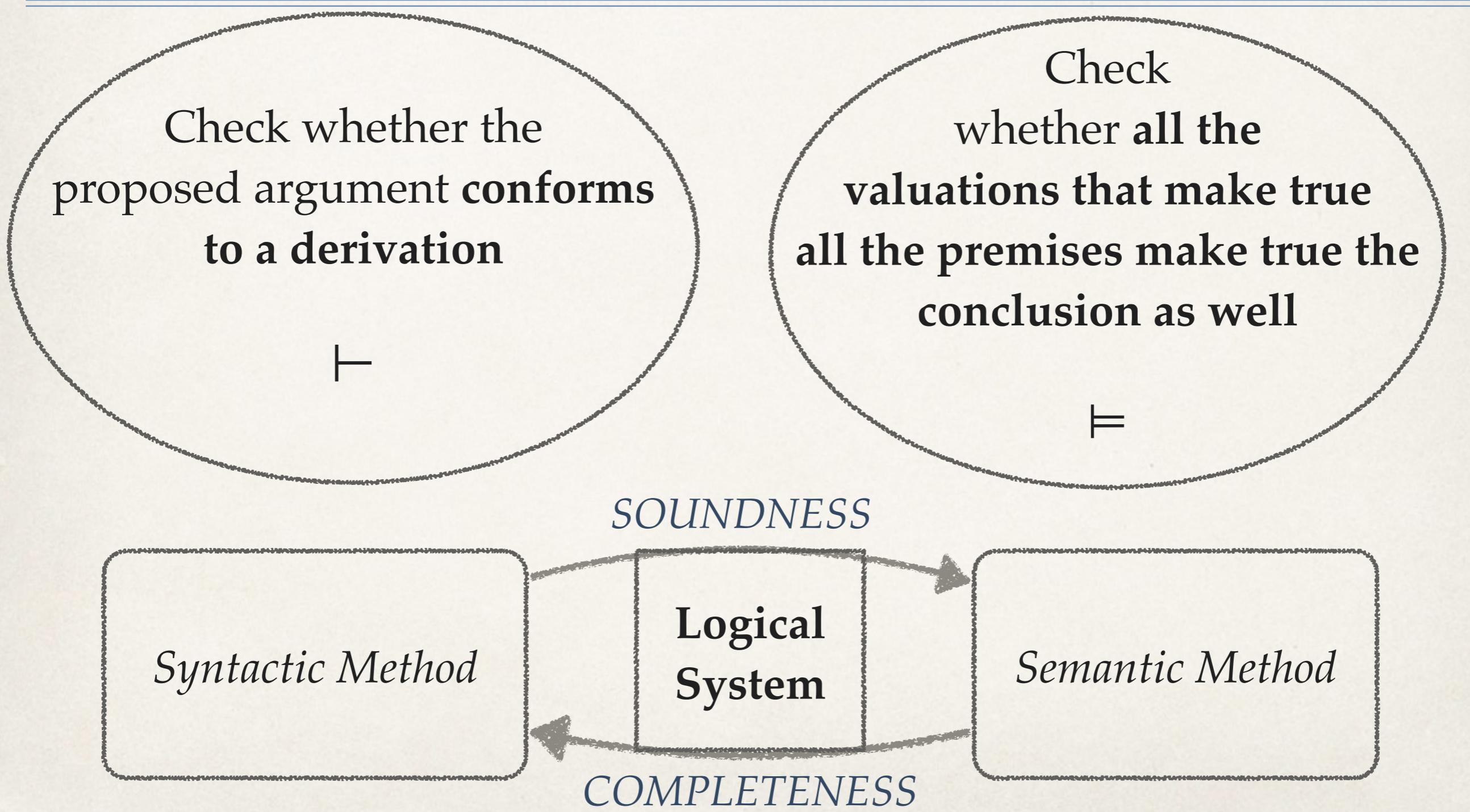
all valuations V 's that make $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k$ true make also ψ true

We studied the notion of logical consequence during Week 2 of the course

The Equivalence of \vdash and \vDash in Propositional Logic



Two (Logical) Ways to Identify Good Arguments



Why Does the **SOUNDNESS** of Propositional Logic Matter?

SOUNDNESS

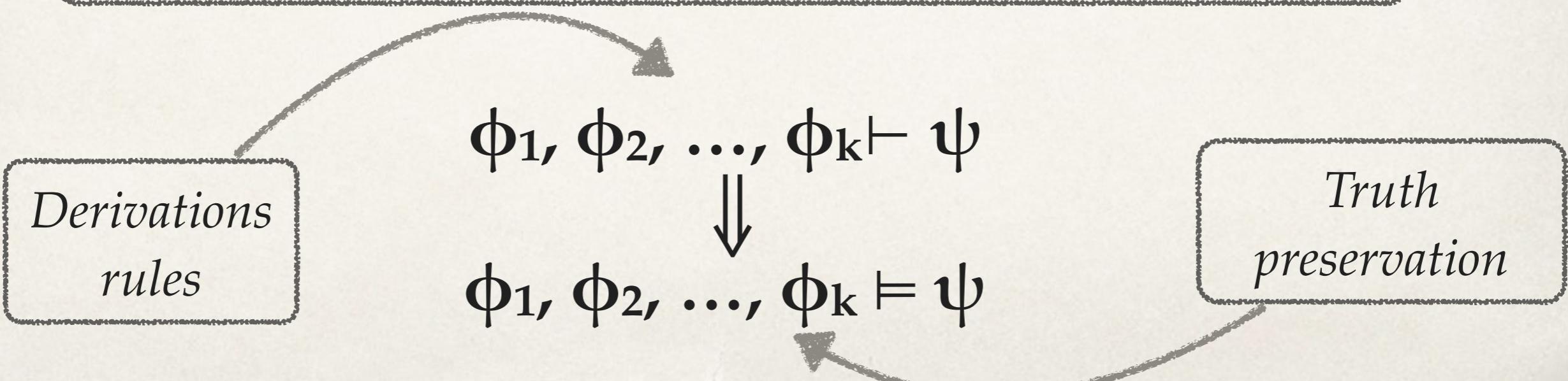
$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$$

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vDash \psi$$

Soundness as “Semantic Check”

How do we know that the derivation rules we have chosen are **good rules**?

*Soundness guarantees that the **derivation rules** we have chosen are **truth preserving** (i.e. they always bring us from true premises to true conclusions)*



The Example of Rule RAA

Is RAA a
good derivation
rule to have?

$[\neg\phi]^i$

.

.

.

\perp

RAAⁱ

ϕ

IF $\neg\phi \models \perp$ THEN $\models \phi$

$\neg\phi$	\perp	ϕ
0	0	1
1	0	0

IF $\neg\phi \vdash \perp$ THEN $\vdash \phi$

This provides a “semantic check” on rule RAA

What Happens if We Allow for Three Truth Values?

An Example: Is RAA Still Good?

Is RAA a
good derivation
rule to have?

$[\neg\phi]^i$

.

.

.

\perp

RAA^i

ϕ

$\neg\phi \vDash \perp$

$\neg\phi$	\perp
0	0
1	0
0.5	0

BUT $\not\vDash \phi$

ϕ

1
0

0.5

$\neg\phi \vdash \perp$

BUT $\not\vdash \phi$

In a three valued semantics RAA is no longer good

Upshot: Soundness is not Absolute;
it is Relative to a Given Semantics

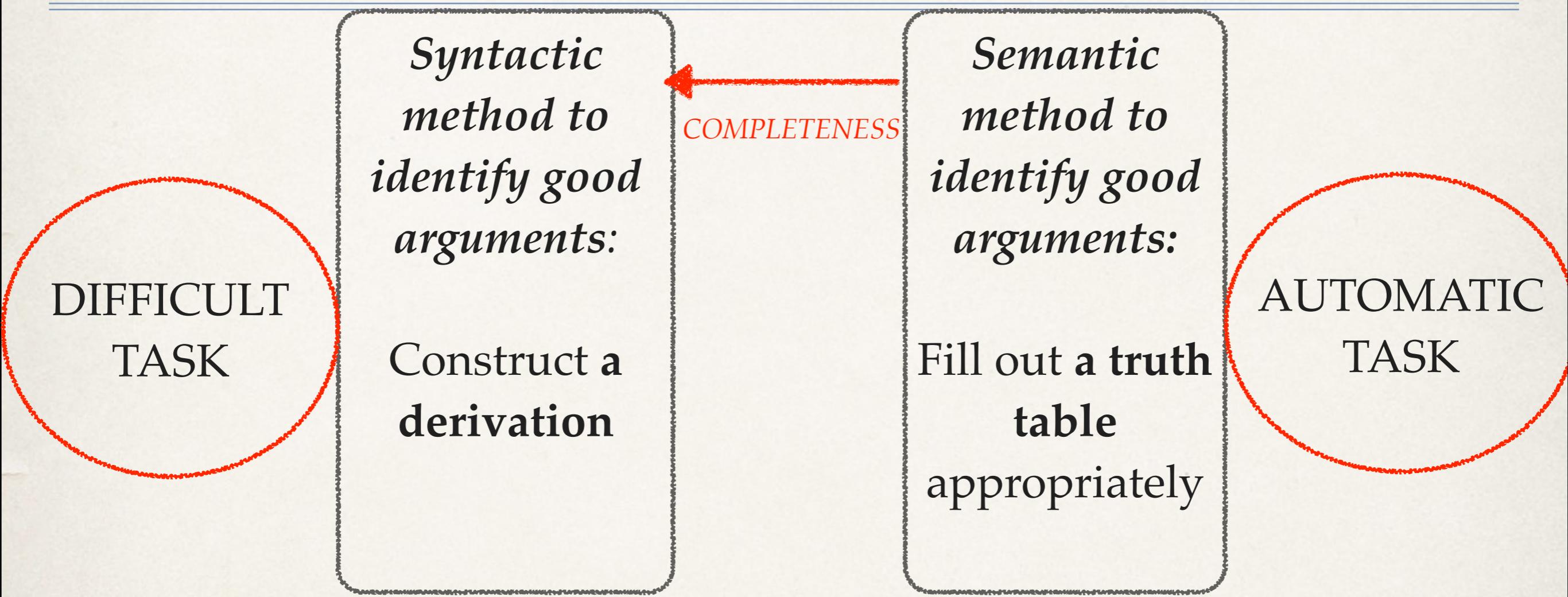
Why Does the **COMPLETENESS** of Propositional Logic Matter?

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$$


COMPLETENESS

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vDash \psi$$

The Clever Is Reduced to the Automatic



Completeness of propositional logic allows us to reduce a task that requires some cleverness (i.e. constructing derivations) with a task that is completely automatic (i.e. constructing truth-tables)

Is This Formula Derivable?

$$((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \phi$$

$(\phi$	\rightarrow	$\psi)$	\rightarrow	$\phi)$	\rightarrow	ϕ
1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0

By the truth table method we know that

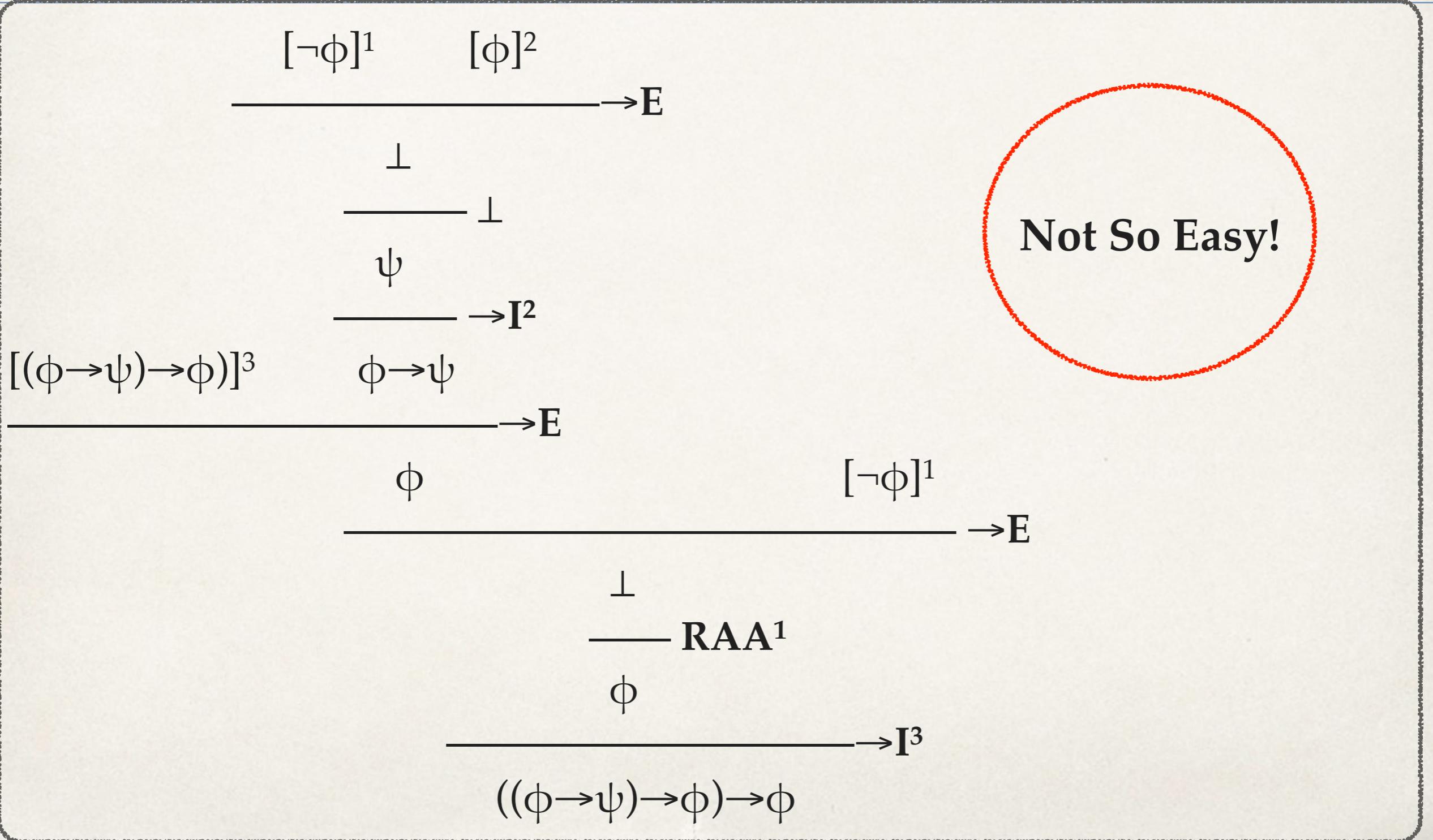
$$\models ((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \phi$$

and by completeness we know that

$$\vdash ((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \phi$$

Easy!

Can You Find the Derivation?



The Power of Completeness – if \models then \vdash

How do we know that the derivation rules we have chosen are **ALL the derivations rules we need**? Maybe we need more?

*Completeness guarantees that the derivation rules we have chosen are **ALL the derivation rules we need***

Finite
number of
derivations
rules

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \psi$$

All possible
logical
consequences

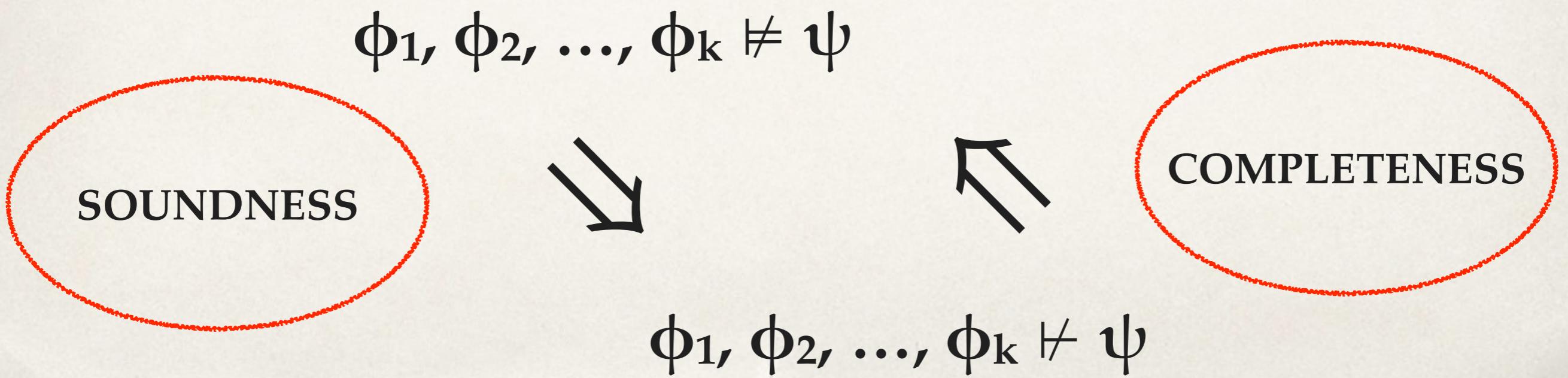
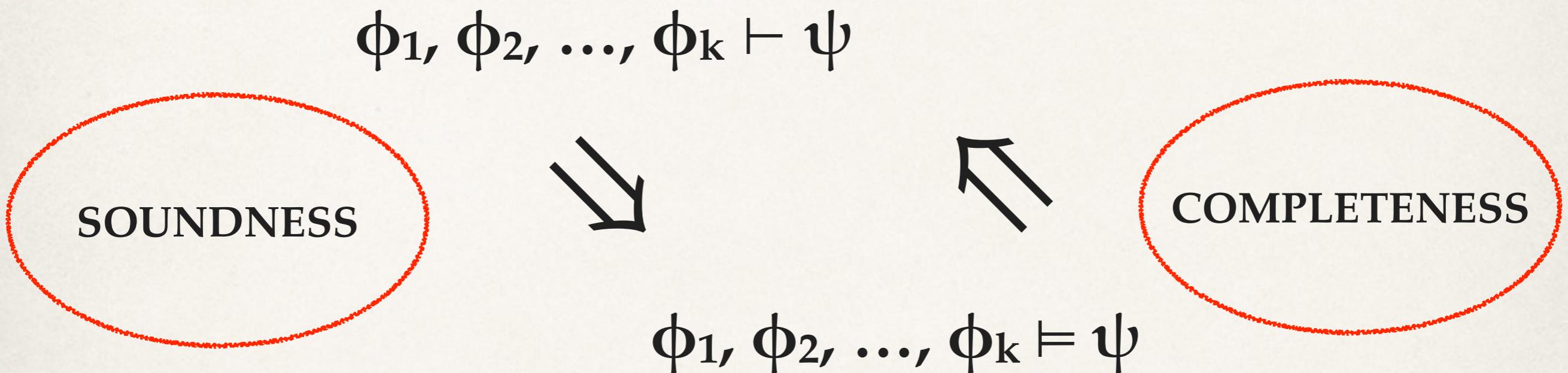
$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \models \psi$$

Summary of Soundness and Completeness

Soundness guarantees that the derivation rules we have chosen are good rules insofar as they are truth-preserving (i.e. they always bring us from true premises to true conclusions)

Completeness guarantees that the derivation rules we have chosen are ALL the derivation rules we need. No extra derivation rules are needed.

Two Equivalent Formulations



How Do We Prove Soundness and Completeness?

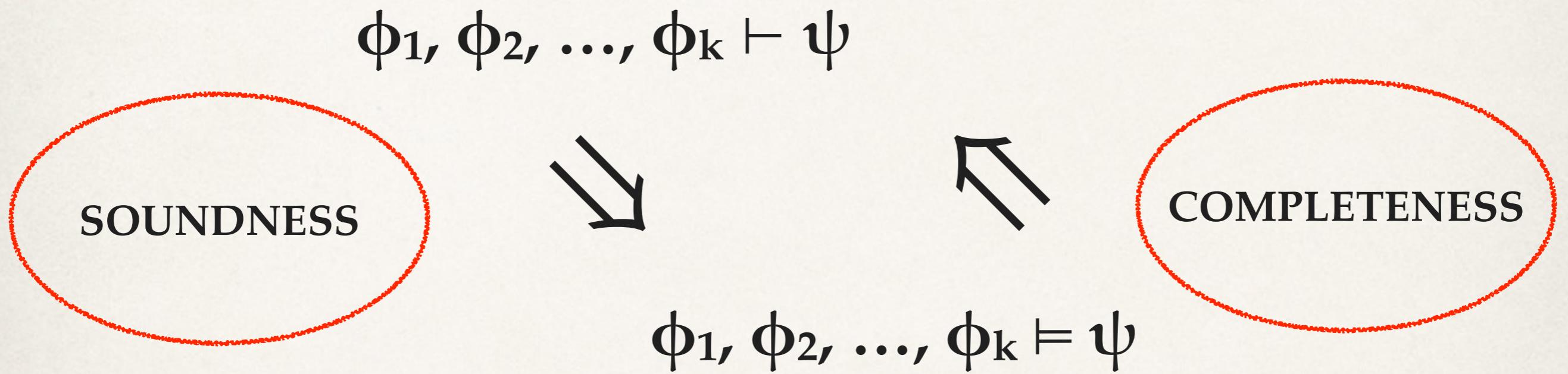
*You will have to take a more advanced logic course
(e.g. PHIL 150 or PHIL 151) to see how the proof goes.*

Consistency

A set $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent
iff

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\vdash \perp$$

Completeness, Soundness and Consistency



If COMPLETENESS and SOUNDNESS hold, then

the set $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent
iff

there is a valuation V that makes all formulas in Γ true

To Establish an IFF-Claim We
Should Prove Both Directions

If COMPLETENESS and SOUNDNESS hold, then
the set $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent
 \Rightarrow
there is a valuation V that makes all formulas in Γ true

PROOF:

Suppose $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent, which means that $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\vdash \perp$.

By completeness, it follows that $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\models \perp$.

Now, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\models \perp$ means that there is a valuation V such that V makes true $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k$ and V does not make true \perp .

So, there is a V that makes true all formulas in Γ .

If *COMPLETENESS* and *SOUNDNESS* hold, then
the set $\Gamma = \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k\}$ is consistent
 \Leftarrow
there is a valuation V that makes all formulas in Γ true

PROOF:

Suppose there is a V that makes true all formulas in Γ .

By definition V does not make \perp true.

So, there is a V that makes true all formulas in Γ and does not
make \perp true. In other words, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \not\models \perp$.

By soundness, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_k \vdash \perp$, so Γ is consistent.