Metalogic for Sentential Logic

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- Logic studies logical consequence and logical truth.
- "Logic is the science of correct argument" (Vann McGee)

- Historical figures: Frege, Russell, Tarski, Gentzen,...
- Sometimes "logic" is used in restricted sense to refer only to proof procedure, but I will use the term in broad sense, including semantic system.
- Also, "logic" has had various meanings in different context. But basically the term should be used in relevant sense to formal or deductive logic.
- Inductive logic is also a part of logic but usually a subject of philosophy of science.

- Metalogic deals with questions *about* formal system: Is the system sound or complete? Is this formula derivable from the system? and so on.
- In elementary course, we learn how to use formal system. In metalogic, we learn something about the formal system.
- ► KEEP IN MIND: USE AND MENTION DISTINCTION

- To return to the concept of "logical consequence" and "logical truth"
- There are two well-established characterization of the concepts: semantic and proof-theoretic
- "Semantic" suggests a relation between words and worlds. So semantic characterization of the concepts contains truth and falsity.
- "φ is logically true." means "φ is valid"
 "φ is logical consequence of Γ" means "φ is semantic consequence of Γ"

- By contrast, "proof-theoretic" rather suggests syntactic characterization. It only deals with the form of the given formulas.
- "φ is logically true." means "φ is a theorem"
 "φ is logical consequence of Γ" means "φ is derivable from Γ"
- At the final step, we will see how two characterizations can coincide.

Syntax for L

- ► We will build up a very simple language.
- It contains some non-logical symbols that represent propositions, logical connectives, and parentheses.

Vocabulary of formal language L

(1)	Sentential symbols	" <i>A</i> ", " <i>B</i> ", " <i>C</i> ",
(2)	Logical connectives	" \vee ", " \sim ", " \wedge ", " \rightarrow ", " \equiv "
(3)	Parentheses	"(""")"

Syntax for L

- Next, as ordinary languages, grammar should be set out. The following is the rules for generating grammatical sentences, called "well-formed formulas(wffs)."
- NOTE: "φ" and "ψ" are metalogical symbols, playing the role of variable for well-formed formulas. They are not part of this formal language.

Well-formed formulas of L

- (1) All sentential symbols are well-formed formulas.
- (2) If ϕ and ψ are well-formed formulas, then $\sim \phi$, $(\phi \wedge \psi)$,
- $(\phi \lor \psi)$, $(\phi \to \psi)$, $(\phi \equiv \psi)$ are also well-formed formulas.

(3) Nothing except generated by above rules are well-formed formulas.

Semantics for L

- In sentential logic, to build semantic system is to assign truth-value to wffs. This is essentially same job when we make up truth table of formulas.
- What different from truth table method is that it is usually represented by *function*.
- We have two sort of functions.

(1) On the one hand, there is *truth assignment function f* which assigns either 1 or 0 to each sentential symbols.

(2) On the other hand, there is valuation function with respect to f, V_f which assigns 1 or 0 to each wffs by following rules:

Semantics for L

For any sentential symbol α and any wffs ϕ and ψ , $V_f(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$, $V_f(\sim \phi) = 1$ iff $V_f(\phi) = 0$, $V_f(\phi \lor \psi) = 1$ iff $V_f(\phi) = 1$ or $V_f(\psi) = 1$, $V_f(\phi \to \psi) = 1$ iff $V_f(\phi) = 0$ or $V_f(\psi) = 1$, ...

- Notice that there can be many different truth assignment functions(or *interpretation*). It is possible that under one interpretation "A" is assigned to 1, but under other interpretation it is assinged to 0.
- In truth table, each rows are possible interpretations and corresponding valuations.

Semantics for L

Now we can define validity of wff.

 ϕ is valid($\models \phi$) if and only if for any interpretation f, $V_{f}(\phi) = 1.$

And semantic consequence.

 ϕ is semantic consequence from the set of wff $\Gamma(\Gamma \vDash \phi)$ if and only if for any interpretation *f*, if $V_f(\gamma) = 1$ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$, then $V_f(\phi) = 1$.

Proof Theory for L

- Proof does not care about truth-value of formulas. It only has to do with *forms of formulas* and its derivation by the inference rule.
- Eventually, the proof of a formula can be represented as a sequence of formulas in which the proved formula is placed at the last line.
- Two well-known proof systems: axiomatic proof, natural deduction.
- We will see the system of natural deduction presented by Irving Copi.

Proof Theory for L

전건긍정법(MP)	후건부정법(MT)	가정적 삼단논법(HS)
$p \rightarrow q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$p \rightarrow q$
р	$\sim q$	$q \rightarrow r$
$\therefore q$	$\therefore \sim p$	$\therefore p \rightarrow r$
선언적 삼단논법(DS)	연언지 단순화(Simp)	연언지 결합(Conj)
$p \lor q$	$p \wedge q$	р
$\sim p$	$\therefore p$	q
$\therefore q$		$\therefore p \land q$
선언지 추가(Add)	딜레마(CD)	흡수규칙(Abs)
р	$(p \rightarrow q) \land (r \rightarrow s)$	$p \rightarrow q$
$\therefore p \lor q$	$p \lor r$	$\therefore p \rightarrow (p \land q)$
	$\therefore q \lor s$	

(a) Implication Rules

드모르간 법칙	(1)(1)		N
	$\sim (p \lor q)$	11	$\sim p \land \sim q$
(DM)	$\sim (p \land q)$	- 22	$\sim p \lor \sim q$
교환 법칙	$p \lor q$	- 11	$q \lor p$
(Com)	$p \wedge q$	- 22	$q \wedge p$
배분 법칙	$p \land (q \lor r)$		$(p \land q) \lor (p \land r)$
(Dist)	$p \lor (q \land r)$	- 22	$(p \lor q) \land (p \lor r)$
결합 법칙	$p \lor (q \lor r)$	- 11	$(p \lor q) \lor r$
(Assoc)	$p \land (q \land r)$	- 22	$(p \land q) \land r$
이중 부정 (DN)	p	11	~~p
대우 (Trans)	$p \rightarrow q$	11	$\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$
단순 함축 (Impl)	$p \rightarrow q$	11	$\sim p \lor q$
단순 동치	$p \leftrightarrow q$	11	$(p \rightarrow q) \land (q \rightarrow p)$
(Equiv)	$p \leftrightarrow q$		$(p \land q) \lor (\sim p \land \sim q)$
수출입 규칙 (Exp)	$(p \land q) \rightarrow r$	- 22	$p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$
동어반복	p	- 22	$p \lor p$
(Taut)	p	::	$p \wedge p$

(b) Substitution Rules

Proof Theory for L

- There is no axiom in this proof system. Given some premises, you can derive a conclusion by applying above rules.
- I have said that "φ is logically true." means "φ is a theorem," but I think that's not appropriate concept for this system. It is for axiomatic system.
- There are some proof techniques, called "Conditional Proof" and "Indirect Proof" which makes proof procedures easier but considering simplicity, they are just useful tools but not essential.
- Many on the list may turn out to be redundant by the corollary of completeness theorem.

- Here, "is sound" and "is complete" are predicates that have a logical system as its subject.
- Simply the soundness theorem states that all derivable formulas are valid.
- The completeness theorem states that all valid formulas are derivable.

- Each has two senses, 'weak' and 'strong' but we will going to deal only with 'strong' one.
- Indeed, soundness theorem is quite trivial. Because our natural deduction rules are designed to produce valid formulas.
- Of course the theorem itself is not trivial normally. But even in that case, it is much easier to prove rather than to prove completeness theorem.

Now let's prove that our sytem is complete.
 Our goal is to prove:
 If (P₁ ∧ P₂ ∧ P₃ ∧ ... ∧ P_n) → Q is a tautology, then Q is

derivable from $P_1, P_2, P_3, ..., P_n$.

In advance, following is taken to be granted T1. For any sentential schema S which is a tautology, there is a conjunctive normal form of it.

- Conjuntive normal form is such that every conjunct is a disjunction that contains some sentential variables together with its negation.
- We can obtain a conjunctive normal form of S, say CNF(S), by applying several substitution rules.

T2. $\phi \lor \sim \phi$ is derivable from any non-empty premise set. Let $P_1, P_2, ..., P_n (n > 0)$ be given premises. 1. P_1 Assumption 2. ... Assumption n. P_n Assumption n+1. $P_1 \lor \sim \phi$ n, Add. $n+2. \phi \rightarrow P_1$ n+1, Comm, Impl. n+3. $\phi \rightarrow (\phi \land P_1)$ n+2, Abs. n+4. $\sim \phi \lor (\phi \land P_1)$ n+3, Impl. n+5. $(\sim \phi \lor \phi) \land (\sim \phi \lor P_1)$ n+4. Dist. n+6. $\phi \lor \sim \phi$ n+5, Simp, Comm. \square

- ► T3. Let Q = (Q₁ ∨ Q₂ ∨ ... ∨ φ∨ ~ φ∨ ... ∨ Q_m) be any sentential schemata, then from a sequence P₁, P₂, P₃, ..., P_n, Q is derivable.
 Since φ∨ ~ φ is derivable from P₁, P₂, P₃, ..., P_n(by T2), one can derive Q from it by iteratively applying Add. and Comm. rules.
- ▶ T4. Let S be any tautology. Then CNF(S) is derivable from *P*₁, *P*₂, *P*₃, ..., *P*_n.

By T3, any form of Q is derivable from $P_1, P_2, P_3, ..., P_n$, every conjunct of CNF(S) is derivable. And then by applying Conj rule repeatedly, CNF(S) can be derived from $P_1, P_2, P_3, ..., P_n$.

▶ **T5.** Let S be any tautology. Then S is derivable from $P_1, P_2, P_3, ..., P_n$.

By T4, CNF(S) for any tautology S is derivable from $P_1, P_2, P_3, ..., P_n$. And by T1, from CNF(S) S can be derived, so consequently S is derivable from $P_1, P_2, P_3, ..., P_n$.

Completeness: If (P₁ ∧ P₂ ∧ P₃ ∧ ... ∧ P_n) → Q is a tautology, then Q is derivable from P₁, P₂, P₃, ..., P_n

Suppose that $(P_1 \land P_2 \land P_3 \land ... \land P_n) \rightarrow Q$ is a tautology. Then by T5, it is derivable from $P_1, P_2, P_3, ..., P_n$. And by repeating Conj rule, $(P_1 \land P_2 \land P_3 \land ... \land P_n)$ is also derivable from the very same set. By *Modus Ponens*, Q is derivable from $P_1, P_2, P_3, ..., P_n$. \Box

- There are some rules we didn't use in proving the theorem. From the fact, it follows that the unused rules are redundant to the completeness of our system.
- The significance of both theorems are important for mathematicians or who studies logical systems.
 If two theorems hold for a system, it means that if the system found that a formula is logically true, then it would be able to prove it, and vice versa.

Thank you!