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LECTURE 5 SHORT

Chapter 5
HILBERT PROOF SYSTEMS: Completeness of Classical
Propositional Logic

PART 1: Hilbert Proof System H_1 , **Deduction Theorem** and examples of **formal proofs**

PART 2: System H_2 and **Completeness Theorem** for Classical Propositional Logic

PART 3: Examples of **Complete Proof Systems** for Classical Propositional Logic

Hilbert Proof Systems

Hilbert proof systems are based on a **language** with **implication** and **contain Modus Ponens** as a rule of inference

Modus Ponens is probably the **oldest** of all known rules of inference as it was already known to the **Stoics** in 3rd century B.C. and is also considered as the **most natural** to our **intuitive thinking**

The proof systems containing **Modus Ponens** as the inference rule play a **special role** in logic.

Hilbert Proof Systems

Hilbert systems put major emphasis on **logical axioms** and keep the number of **rules** of inference at the **minimum**
Hilbert systems often **admit** the **Modus Ponens** as the **sole rule** of inference

There are many proof systems that describe **classical propositional logic**, i.e. that are **complete** with respect to the **classical** semantics

We present a **Hilbert** proof system for the **classical propositional logic** and discuss **two ways** of proving the **Completeness Theorem** for it

Hilbert Proof Systems

The **first proof** is based on the one included in Elliott Mendelson's book *Introduction to Mathematical Logic*

It is a **constructive** proof that shows how one can use the assumption that a formula A is a tautology in order to **construct** its formal **proof**

The **second proof** is **non-constructive**

Its importance lies in a fact that the **methods** it uses can be applied to the proof of **completeness** for classical **predicate** logic (chapter 9)

It also **generalizes** to some **non-classical** logics

Hilbert Proof Systems

We prove **completeness part** of the **Completeness Theorem** by proving the **converse** implication to it

We show how one can **deduce** that a formula **A** is not a **tautology** from the fact that it **does not** have a **proof**

It is hence called a **counter-model** construction proof

Both proofs rely on the **Deduction Theorem** and so this is the first **theorem** we are now going to **prove**

Hilbert Proof System H_1

We consider now a **Hilbert** proof system H_1 **based** on a this is language with **implication** as the **only** connective, with **two** logical **axioms**, and with **Modus Ponens** as a **sole rule** of inference

Hilbert Proof System H_1

We define Hilbert system H_1 as follows

$$H_1 = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\Rightarrow\}}, \mathcal{F}, \{A1, A2\}, MP)$$

A1 (Law of simplification)

$$(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A))$$

A2 (Frege's Law)

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

MP is the **Modus Ponens** rule

$$(MP) \frac{A ; (A \Rightarrow B)}{B}$$

where A, B, C are any formulas from \mathcal{F}

Formal Proofs in H_1

Finding **formal proofs** in this system requires some ingenuity.
The formal proof of $(A \Rightarrow A)$ in H_1 is a sequence

$$B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4, B_5$$

as defined below.

$B_1 : ((A \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A)) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow A)) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow A))),$
axiom A2 for $A = A$, $B = (A \Rightarrow A)$, and $C = A$

$B_2 : (A \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A)),$
axiom A1 for $A = A$, $B = (A \Rightarrow A)$

$B_3 : ((A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow A)) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow A)),$
MP application to B_1 and B_2

$B_4 : (A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow A)),$
axiom A1 for $A = A$, $B = A$

$B_5 : (A \Rightarrow A)$
MP application to B_3 and B_4

Searching for Proofs in a Proof System

A **general procedure** for **automated search** for proofs in a proof system **S** can be stated as follows

Let **B** be an expression of the system **S** that is not an axiom

If **B** has a **proof** in **S**, **B** must be the **conclusion** of one of the inference rules

Let's say it is a rule **r**

We **find** all its premisses, i.e. we evaluate $r^{-1}(B)$

If **all premisses** are **axioms**, the proof is **found**

Otherwise we **repeat** the procedure for any **premiss** that **is not** an **axiom**

Search for Proof by the Means of MP

The **MP** rule says:

given two formulas A and $(A \Rightarrow B)$ we conclude a formula B

Assume now that and want to find a **proof** of a formula B

If B is an **axiom**, we have the **proof**; the formula itself

If B is **not an axiom**, it had to be obtained by the application of the **Modus Ponens** rule to certain two formulas

A and $(A \Rightarrow B)$ and there is **infinitely many** of such formulas!

The proof system H_1 is **not syntactically decidable**

Semantic Links

Semantic Link 1

System H_1 is **sound** under classical semantics and
 H_1 is **not sound** under **K** semantics

Soundness Theorem for H_1

For any $A \in \mathcal{F}$, if $\vdash_{H_1} A$, then $\models A$

Semantic Links

Semantic Link 2

The system H_1 **is not complete** under classical semantics

Not all classical **tautologies** have a proof in H_1

We proved that **can't define negation** in term of implication alone and so for example, a basic **tautology** $(\neg\neg A \Rightarrow A)$ is not provable in H_1 , i.e.

$$\not\vdash_{H_1} (\neg\neg A \Rightarrow A)$$

Proof from Hypothesis

Given a proof system $S = (\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{E}, LA, \mathcal{R})$

While proving expressions we often use **some extra information** available, besides the axioms of the proof system

This extra information is called **hypothesis** in the proof

Let $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{E}$ be any set expressions called **hypothesis**

We write $\Gamma \vdash_S E$ to **denote** that

" E has a proof in S from the set Γ and the logical axioms LA "

Formal Definition

Definition

We say that $E \in \mathcal{E}$ has a **formal proof** in S from the set Γ and the logical axioms LA and denote it as $\Gamma \vdash_S E$ if and only if there is a sequence

$$A_1, \dots, A_n$$

of expressions from \mathcal{E} , such that

$$A_1 \in LA \cup \Gamma, \quad A_n = E$$

and for each $1 < i \leq n$, either $A_i \in LA \cup \Gamma$ or A_i is a **direct consequence** of some of the **preceding** expressions by virtue of **one of the rules** of inference of S

Deduction Theorem for H_1

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For any $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$ and $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{F}$

$\Gamma, A \vdash_{H_1} B$ if and only if $\Gamma \vdash_{H_1} (A \Rightarrow B)$

In particular

$A \vdash_{H_1} B$ if and only if $\vdash_{H_1} (A \Rightarrow B)$

Formal Proofs

The proof of the following **Lemma** provides a good example of multiple **applications** of the **Deduction Theorem**

Lemma

For any $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}$,

(a) $(A \Rightarrow B), (B \Rightarrow C) \vdash_{H_1} (A \Rightarrow C)$,

(b) $(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \vdash_{H_1} (B \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$

Observe that by **Deduction Theorem** we can re-write (a) as

(a') $(A \Rightarrow B), (B \Rightarrow C), A \vdash_{H_1} C$

Formal Proofs

Proof of (a')

We construct a formal proof

B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4, B_5

of $(A \Rightarrow B), (B \Rightarrow C), A \vdash_{H_1} C$ as follows.

$B_1 : (A \Rightarrow B)$

hypothesis

$B_2 : (B \Rightarrow C)$

hypothesis

$B_3 : A$

hypothesis

$B_4 : B$

B_1, B_3 and MP

$B_5 : C$

B_2, B_4 and MP

Formal Proofs

Thus we proved by **Deduction Theorem** that **(a)** holds, i.e.

$$(A \Rightarrow B), (B \Rightarrow C) \vdash_{H_1} (A \Rightarrow C)$$

Proof of **Lemma** part **(b)**

By **Deduction Theorem** we have that

$$(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \vdash_{H_1} (B \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$$

if and only if

$$(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)), B \vdash_{H_1} (A \Rightarrow C)$$

Formal Proof

Here is a simple proof of **Lemma** part **(b)**

We apply the **Deduction Theorem** twice, i.e. we get

$$(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \vdash_{H_1} (B \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$$

if and only if

$$(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)), B \vdash_{H_1} (A \Rightarrow C)$$

if and only if

$$(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)), B, A \vdash_{H_1} C$$

Simple Proof

We now construct a proof of $(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)), B, A \vdash_{H_1} C$ as follows

$B_1 : (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C))$

hypothesis

$B_2 : B$

hypothesis

$B_3 : A$

hypothesis

$B_4 : (B \Rightarrow C)$

B_1, B_3 and (MP)

$B_5 : C$

B_2, B_4 and (MP)

Classical Propositional Proof System H_2

Hilbert System H_2

The proof system H_1 is **sound** and strong enough to prove the **Deduction Theorem**, but it is **not complete**

We **extend** now its **language** and the set of **logical axioms** to a **complete set of axioms**

We define a system H_2 that is **complete** with respect to the classical semantics

The **proof of completeness theorem** is be presented in the next chapter.

Hilbert System H_2 Definition

Definition

$$H_2 = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\Rightarrow, \neg\}}, \mathcal{F}, \{A1, A2, A3\} (MP))$$

A1 (Law of simplification)

$$(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A))$$

A2 (Frege's Law)

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

A3 $((\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A) \Rightarrow ((\neg B \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow B))$

MP (Rule of inference)

$$(MP) \frac{A ; (A \Rightarrow B)}{B}$$

where A, B, C are any formulas of the propositional language $\mathcal{L}_{\{\Rightarrow, \neg\}}$

Deduction Theorem for System H_2

Observation 1

The proof system H_2 is obtained by adding axiom A_3 to the system H_1

Observation 2

The language of H_2 is obtained by adding the connective \neg to the language of H_1

Observation 3

The use of axioms A_1, A_2 in the proof of **Deduction Theorem** for the system H_1 is independent of the connective \neg added to the language of H_1

Observation 4

Hence the proof of the **Deduction Theorem** for the system H_1 can be repeated **as it is** for the system H_2

Deduction Theorem for System H_2

Observations 1-4 prove that the **Deduction Theorem** holds for system H_2

Deduction Theorem for H_2

For any $\Gamma \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ and $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$

$\Gamma, A \vdash_{H_2} B$ if and only if $\Gamma \vdash_{H_2} (A \Rightarrow B)$

In particular

$A \vdash_{H_2} B$ if and only if $\vdash_{H_2} (A \Rightarrow B)$

Soundness and Completeness Theorems

We get by easy verification

Soundness Theorem H_2

For every formula $A \in \mathcal{F}$

if $\vdash_{H_2} A$ then $\models A$

We prove in the next Lecture, that H_2 is also complete, i.e. we prove

Completeness Theorem for H_2

For every formula $A \in \mathcal{F}$,

$\vdash_{H_2} A$ if and only if $\models A$

Completeness Theorems

The proof of completeness theorem (for a given semantics) is always a **main point** in **creation** of any new **logic**

There are **many techniques** to prove it, depending on the proof system, and on the **semantics** we define for it

We **present** in **Lecture 5a** and **Lecture 5b** two proofs of the **Completeness Theorem** for the system H_2

These proofs use very different **techniques**, hence the **reason** of presenting **both** of them

Hilbert Proof Systems

Completeness of Classical Propositional Logic

PART 3: Some other **Complete Axiomatizations** for
Classical Propositional Logic

Some Other Axiomatizations

We present here some of the most **known**, and **historically important axiomatizations** of classical propositional logic

It means the **Hilbert** proof systems that **are proven** to be **complete** under classical semantics

Lukasiewicz

Lukasiewicz (1929)

The **Lukasiewicz** proof system (axiomatization) is

$$L = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow\}}, \mathcal{F}, A1, A2, A3, MP)$$

where

$$A1 \quad ((\neg A \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A)$$

$$A2 \quad (A \Rightarrow (\neg A \Rightarrow B))$$

$$A3 \quad ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$$

for any formulas $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}$

Hilbert and Ackermann

Hilbert and Ackermann (1928)

$$HA = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cup\}}, \mathcal{F}, A1 - A4, MP)$$

where for any $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}$

$$A1 \quad (\neg(A \cup A) \cup A)$$

$$A2 \quad (\neg A \cup (A \cup B))$$

$$A3 \quad (\neg(A \cup B) \cup (B \cup A))$$

$$A4 \quad (\neg(\neg B \cup C) \cup (\neg(A \cup B) \cup (A \cup C)))$$

The **Modus Ponens** rule in the language $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cup\}}$ has a form

$$MP \quad \frac{A ; (\neg A \cup B)}{B}$$

Hilbert and Ackermann

Observe that also the **Deduction Theorem** is now formulated as follow.

Deduction Theorem for HA

For any subset Γ of the set of formulas \mathcal{F} of HA and for any formulas $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$\Gamma, A \vdash_{HA} B \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \Gamma \vdash_{HA} (\neg A \cup B)$$

In particular,

$$A \vdash_{HA} B \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \vdash_{HA} (\neg A \cup B)$$

Hilbert

Hilbert (1928)

$$H = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cup, \cap, \Rightarrow\}}, \mathcal{F}, A1 - A15, MP)$$

where for any $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}$

$$A1 \quad (A \Rightarrow A)$$

$$A2 \quad (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A))$$

$$A3 \quad ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$$

$$A4 \quad ((A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B))$$

$$A5 \quad ((A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$$

$$A6 \quad ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$$

$$A7 \quad ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow A)$$

$$A8 \quad ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow B)$$

Hilbert

$$\text{A9 } ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow (B \cap C))))$$

$$\text{A10 } (A \Rightarrow (A \cup B))$$

$$\text{A11 } (B \Rightarrow (A \cup B))$$

$$\text{A12 } (((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((A \cup B) \Rightarrow C))))$$

$$\text{A13 } (((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow \neg B) \Rightarrow \neg A)))$$

$$\text{A14 } (\neg A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B))$$

A1 - A14 are the axioms **Hilbert proposed** and were **accepted** as axioms defining **Intuitionistic** logic

They were later **proved** to be **complete** when the **intuitionistic semantics** was discovered

Hilbert obtained his **classical axiomatization** by adding as the last axiom the **excluded middle** law **rejected** by intuitionists

$$\text{A15 } (A \cup \neg A)$$

Kleene

Kleene (1952)

$$K = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cup, \cap, \Rightarrow\}}, \mathcal{F}, A1 - A10, MP)$$

where for any $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}$

$$A1 \quad (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A))$$

$$A2 \quad ((A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$$

$$A3 \quad ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow A)$$

$$A4 \quad ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow B)$$

$$A5 \quad (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \cap B)))$$

Kleene

$$A6 \quad (A \Rightarrow (A \cup B))$$

$$A7 \quad (B \Rightarrow (A \cup B))$$

$$A8 \quad ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((A \cup B) \Rightarrow C)))$$

$$A9 \quad ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow \neg B) \Rightarrow \neg A))$$

$$A10 \quad (\neg\neg A \Rightarrow A)$$

Kleene proved that when **A10** is **replaced** by

$$A10' \quad (\neg A \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B))$$

the **resulting** system is a **complete** axiomatization of **Intuitionistic Logic**

Rasiowa-Sikorski

Rasiowa-Sikorski (1950)

$$RS = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cup, \cap, \Rightarrow\}}, \mathcal{F}, A1 - A12, MP)$$

where for any $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}$

$$A1 \quad ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$$

$$A2 \quad (A \Rightarrow (A \cup B))$$

$$A3 \quad (B \Rightarrow (A \cup B))$$

$$A4 \quad ((A \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((B \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow ((A \cup B) \Rightarrow C)))$$

Rasiowa-Sikorski

$$A5 \quad ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow A)$$

$$A6 \quad ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow B)$$

$$A7 \quad ((C \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow ((C \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (C \Rightarrow (A \cap B))))$$

$$A8 \quad ((A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C))$$

$$A9 \quad (((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)))$$

$$A10 \quad (A \cap \neg A) \Rightarrow B$$

$$A11 \quad ((A \Rightarrow (A \cap \neg A)) \Rightarrow \neg A)$$

$$A12 \quad (A \cup \neg A)$$

Rasiowa-Sikorski

Rasiowa - Sikorski proved **A1 - A11** to be a **complete** axiomatization for the **Intuitionistic Logic**

They obtained the **classical** axiomatization by adding **A12**, the **excluded middle** law **rejected** by intuitionists, as **Hilbert** did

Both **classical** and **intuitionistic completeness** proofs were carried under respective **Boolean** and **Pseudo-Boolean algebras** semantics what is reflected in the **choice** of axioms **A1 - A12**

Shortest Axiomatizations

Here is the shortest axiomatization for the language

$$\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow\}}$$

It contains just one axiom

Meredith (1953)

$$M = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow\}}, \mathcal{F}, A1 \text{ MP})$$

where

$$A1 \quad ((((((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (\neg C \Rightarrow \neg D)) \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow E)) \Rightarrow ((E \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow (D \Rightarrow A)))$$

Shortest Axiomatizations

Here is another axiomatization that uses only one axiom

Jean Nicod (1917)

$$N = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\uparrow\}}, \mathcal{F}, A1, (r))$$

where

$$A1 \quad (((A \uparrow (B \uparrow C)) \uparrow ((D \uparrow (D \uparrow D)) \uparrow ((E \uparrow B) \uparrow ((A \uparrow E) \uparrow (A \uparrow E))))))$$

and

$$(r) \frac{A \uparrow (B \uparrow C)}{A}$$

Reminder

We have proved in **chapter 3** that

$$\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cup, \cap, \Rightarrow\}} \equiv \mathcal{L}_{\{\uparrow\}}$$