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LOGIC for COMPUTER SCIENCE

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LECTURE 3c

Chapter 3

Propositional Semantics: Classical and Many Valued

Many Valued Semantics:
Łukasiewicz, Heyting, Kleene, Bohvar

First Many Valued Logics

The study of **many valued** logics in general and **3-valued** logics in particular has its beginning in the work of a **Polish** mathematician **Jan Leopold Łukasiewicz** in **1920**

Łukasiewicz was the first to **define** a **3 - valued semantics** for the language

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

of classical logic, and called it a **logic** for short

He left the problem of **finding** a proper **axiomatic proof system** for it **open**

First Many Valued Logics

The other **3 - valued semantics** presented here were also first called **logics** and this **terminology** is still widely used

Nevertheless, as these logics were **defined only semantically**, i.e. defined only by providing a **semantics** for their **languages** we call them **semantics** (for logics to be developed), **not logics**

Creating a Logic

Existence of a proper **axiomatic proof system** for a given **semantics** and **proving** its **completeness** is always a next **open question** to be **answered** (when it is possible)

A process of **creating** a **logic** (based on a given language) is **three fold**: we have to **define semantics**, **create axiomatic proof system** and **prove completeness theorem** that establishes a **relationship** between **semantics** and **proof system**

First Many Valued Logics

We present here some of the first **3-valued** extensional **semantics**, historically called **3-valued logics**

They are **named** after their authors: **Łukasiewicz**, **Kleene**, **Heyting**, and **Bochvar**

We assume that the **language** of all **semantics** (logics) considered here except of **Bochvar** semantics is

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

3-Valued Semantics

All **three valued semantics** considered here enlist a **third** logical value which we **denote** by \perp , or *m* in case of **Bochvar** semantics

The **third** logical value **denotes** a notion of **unknown**, **uncertain**, **undefined**, or even the notion of **we don't have a complete information about** depending on the context and **motivation** for the **semantics** (logic)

The symbol \perp is the most frequently used for different concepts of **unknown**

Many Valued Semantics

The **third** value \perp corresponds also to some notion of **incomplete information**, **inconsistent information**, or to a notion of being **undefined** , or **unknown**

Historically all these **semantics**, and many others were and still are called **logics**

We will also use the name **logic** for them, instead saying each time "**logic defined semantically**", or "**semantics for a given logic**"

3 Valued Semantics Assumptions

We **assume** that the third logical value is **intermediate** between truth and falsity, i.e.

the set of **logical values** is **ordered** and we have the following

Assumption 1

$$F < \perp < T, \text{ and } F < m < T$$

Assumption 2

We take T as **designated value**, i.e. T is the value that **defines** the notions of **satisfiability** and **tautology**

Many Valued Extensional Semantics

Formal definition of all **many valued semantics** presented here follows the **definition** of the extensional semantics **M** in general, and the pattern presented in detail for the **classical semantics** in particular

It consists of giving **definitions** of the following main components:

Step 1: given the language \mathcal{L} we **define** a set of logical values and its distinguish value **T** and **define** all extensional logical **connectives** of \mathcal{L}

Step 2: we **define** notions of a **truth assignment** and its **extension**

Step 3: we **define** notions of **satisfaction, model, counter model**

Step 4: we **define** notions **tautology** under the semantics **M**

Łukasiewicz Semantics L

Motivation

Łukasiewicz developed his semantics (called logic) to deal with future **contingent** statements

Contingent statements are not just neither **true** nor **false** but are **indeterminate** in some metaphysical sense

It is not only that we **do not know** their truth value but rather that they **do not possess** one

L Semantics: Language

We define **all the steps** in case of **Łukasiewicz semantics** (logic) to establish a **pattern** and proper **notation** and leave adopting all steps to the case of **other semantics** as an **exercise**

Step 1 The **language** is $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cap, \cup, \Rightarrow\}}$

Observe that the language is **the same** as in the **classical** semantics case

The set \mathcal{F} of **formulas** is defined in a standard way

L Semantics: Connectives

Step 1 Connectives

We assumed: $F < \perp < T$ and we define the connectives as follows

Negation \neg is a function

$$\neg : \{T, \perp, F\} \longrightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$$

such that $\neg \perp = \perp$, $\neg T = F$, $\neg F = T$

Conjunction \cap is a function

$$\cap : \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\} \longrightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$$

such that for any $(x, y) \in \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\}$, we put

$$x \cap y = \min\{x, y\}$$

L Semantics: Connectives

Disjunction \cup is a **function**

$$\cup : \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\} \longrightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$$

such that for any $(a, b) \in \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\}$, we put

$$x \cup y = \max\{x, y\}$$

Implication \Rightarrow is a **function**

$$\Rightarrow : \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\} \longrightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$$

such that for any $(x, y) \in \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\}$, we put

$$x \Rightarrow y = \begin{cases} \neg x \cup y & \text{if } x > y \\ T & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

L Connectives Truth Tables

Negation

| | | | |
|--------|---|---------|---|
| \neg | F | \perp | T |
| | T | \perp | F |

Conjunction

| | | | |
|---------|---|---------|---------|
| \cap | F | \perp | T |
| F | F | F | F |
| \perp | F | \perp | \perp |
| T | F | \perp | T |

L Connectives Truth Tables

Disjunction

| \cup | F | \perp | T |
|---------|---------|---------|---|
| F | F | \perp | T |
| \perp | \perp | \perp | T |
| T | T | T | T |

Implication

| \Rightarrow | F | \perp | T |
|---------------|---------|---------|---|
| F | T | T | T |
| \perp | \perp | T | T |
| T | F | \perp | T |

L Semantics: Truth Assignment

Step 2 Truth assignment and its extension

Definition

A **truth assignment** is any function

$$v : VAR \longrightarrow \{F, \perp, T\}$$

Observe that the domain of **truth assignment** is the set of propositional **variables**, i.e. the truth assignment is defined only for **atomic formulas**

Truth Assignment Extension v^*

Definition

Given a truth assignment $v : VAR \rightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$

We define its **extension** $v^* : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$ by the **induction** on the degree of formulas as follows

- (i) for any $a \in VAR$, $v^*(a) = v(a)$;
- (ii) and for any $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$ we put

$$v^*(\neg A) = \neg v^*(A);$$

$$v^*((A \cap B)) = v^*(A) \cap v^*(B);$$

$$v^*((A \cup B)) = v^*(A) \cup v^*(B);$$

$$v^*((A \Rightarrow B)) = v^*(A) \Rightarrow v^*(B)$$

L Semantics: Satisfaction Relation

Step 3 Satisfaction, Model, Counter Model

Definition

Let $v : VAR \rightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$

We say that a truth assignment v **L satisfies** a formula $A \in \mathcal{F}$ if and only if $v^*(A) = T$

Notation: $v \models_L A$

Definition

We say that a truth assignment v **does not L satisfy** a formula $A \in \mathcal{F}$ if and only if $v^*(A) \neq T$

Notation: $v \not\models_L A$

L Semantics: Model, Counter Model

Model

Any truth assignment $v : VAR \rightarrow \{F, \perp, T\}$ such that

$$v \models_L A$$

is called a **L model** for A

Counter Model

Any v such that

$$v \not\models_L A$$

is called a **L counter model** for the formula A

L Semantics: Tautology

Step 4 Tautology

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

A is a **L tautology** if and only if $v^*(A) = T$ for all $v : VAR \rightarrow \{F, \perp, T\}$

We also say that

A is a **L tautology** if and only if all truth assignments $v : VAR \rightarrow \{F, \perp, T\}$ are **L models** for A

Notation

$$\models_L A$$

L Tautologies

We denote the set of all **L tautologies** by

$$\mathbf{LT} = \{A \in \mathcal{F} : \models_L A\}$$

Let **LT**, **T** be the sets of all **L tautologies** and the **classical tautologies**, respectively.

Q1 Is the **L logic** (defined semantically!) really **different** from the **classical logic**?

It means are their **sets of tautologies** different?

Answer: **YES**, they are **different** sets

We know that

$$\models (\neg a \cup a)$$

We will show that

$$\not\models_L (\neg a \cup a)$$

Classical and **L** Tautologies

Consider the formula $(\neg a \cup a)$

Take a truth assignment v such that

$$v(a) = \perp$$

Evaluate

$$v^*(\neg a \cup a) = v^*(\neg a) \cup v^*(a) = \neg v(a) \cup v(a)$$

$$= \neg \perp \cup \perp = \top \cup \perp = \top$$

This proves that v is a **counter-model** for $(\neg a \cup a)$, i.e.

$$\not\models_L (\neg a \cup a)$$

and we proved

$$\mathbf{LT} \neq \mathbf{T}$$

Classical and **L** Tautologies

Q2 Do the **L** and **classical logics** have something more **in common** besides the same language?

YES, they also **share** some tautologies

Q3 Is there **relationship** (if any) between their sets of **tautologies **LT**** and **T**?

YES, their sets of **tautologies **LT**** and **T** do have an **interesting** relationship

Classical and **L** Tautologies

Let's **restrict** the functions defining **L connectives** (Truth Tables for **L connectives**) to the values **T** and **F**

Observe that by doing so we get the Truth Tables for **classical connectives**, i.e. the following holds for any $A \in \mathcal{F}$

If $v^*(A) = T$ for all $v : VAR \rightarrow \{F, \perp, T\}$,
then $v^*(A) = T$ for all $v : VAR \rightarrow \{F, T\}$

We have hence **proved** that

$$\mathbf{LT} \subset \mathbf{T}$$

Exercise

Exercise

Use the fact that $v : VAR \rightarrow \{F, \perp, T\}$ is such that

$$v^*((a \cap b) \Rightarrow \neg b) = \perp$$

under **L** semantics **to evaluate**

$$v^*(\left((b \Rightarrow \neg a) \Rightarrow (a \Rightarrow \neg b) \right) \cup (a \Rightarrow b))$$

Use **shorthand** notation.

Exercise

Solution

Observe that $((a \cap b) \Rightarrow \neg b) = \perp$ in two cases

c1: $(a \cap b) = \perp$ and $\neg b = F$

c12: $(a \cap b) = T$ and $\neg b = \perp$

Consider **c1**

We have $\neg b = F$, i.e. $b = T$

Hence $(a \cap T) = \perp$ if and only if $a = \perp$

We get that v is such that $v(a) = \perp$ and $v(b) = T$

Exercise

We got from analyzing case **c1** that v is such that $v(a) = \perp$
and $v(b) = T$

We evaluate $v^*(((b \Rightarrow \neg a) \Rightarrow (a \Rightarrow \neg b)) \cup (a \Rightarrow b)) =$
 $((T \Rightarrow \neg \perp) \Rightarrow (\perp \Rightarrow \neg T)) \cup (\perp \Rightarrow T) = ((\perp \Rightarrow \perp) \cup T) = T$

Consider **c2**

We have $\neg b = \perp$, i.e. $b = \perp$ and $(a \cap \perp) = T$, what is
impossible

Hence v from case **c1** is the **only one** and

$$v^*(((b \Rightarrow \neg a) \Rightarrow (a \Rightarrow \neg b)) \cup (a \Rightarrow b)) = T$$

Łukasiewicz Life, Works and Logics

Jan Leopold Łukasiewicz was born on 21 December **1878** in Lwow, historically a Polish city, at that time the capital of Austrian Galicia

He died on 13 February **1956** in **Ireland** and is buried in Glasnevin Cemetery in Dublin, "**far from dear Lwow and Poland**", as his gravestone reads

Here is a very good, interesting and extended entry in **Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy** about his life, influences, achievements, and logics

<http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/lukasiewicz/index.html>

Heyting Semantics **H**

Motivation and History

We discuss here the **Heyting semantics H** because of its connection with **intuitionistic logic**

The **H** connectives are defined as operations on the set $\{F, \perp, T\}$ in such a way that they form a **3-element pseudo-Boolean algebra**

Pseudo-Boolean algebras were created by **McKinsey** and **Tarski** in **1948** to provide **semantics** for the **intuitionistic logic**

Pseudo-Boolean algebras are often called **Heyting algebras**

Motivation and History

The **intuitionistic logic**, was defined by its inventor **Brouwer** and his school in **1900s** as a proof system only

Heyting provided provided its **first axiomatization** which everybody accepted

McKinsey and **Tarski** proved in **1942** the **completeness** of the **Heyting axiomatization** with respect to their **pseudo Boolean** algebras semantics

The **pseudo boolean** algebras are **also** called **Heyting algebras** in his honor and so is our semantics **H**

Motivation and History

A formula A is an **intuitionistic** tautology if and only if it is true in all **pseudo boolean** algebras

We prove that the operations defined by **H** connectives form a 3-element **pseudo boolean** algebra

Hence, if A is an **intuitionistic** tautology, it is also a tautology under the 3-valued **Heyting** semantics

If A **is not** a 3-valued **Heyting** tautology, then it **is not** an **intuitionistic** tautology

It means that the 3-valued **Heyting** semantics is a good candidate for a **counter model** for the formulas that **might not** be **intuitionistic** tautologies

H Logic and Intuitionistic Logic

Denote by **IT**, **HT** the sets of all **tautologies** of the **intuitionistic** logic and **Heyting** 3-valued logic (semantics), respectively .

We have that

$$\mathbf{IT} \subset \mathbf{HT}$$

We conclude that for any formula A ,

$$\text{If } \not\models_{\mathbf{H}} A \text{ then } \not\models_{\mathbf{I}} A$$

It means that if we show that a formula A has an **H counter model**, then we have proved that A **is not** an **intuitionistic** tautology

Kripke Models

The other type of **semantics** for the **intuitionistic** logic were defined by **Kripke** in **1964**

They are called **Kripke models**

The **Kripke models** were later proved to be **equivalent** to the **pseudo boolean** algebras models in case of the **intuitionistic** logic

Kripke models also provide a **general method** of defining **semantics** for many classes of logics

That includes **semantics** for various **modal** logics and new logics developed and being developed by **computer scientists**

H Semantics

Language

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

Connectives

\cup and \cap are the same as in the case of \perp semantics, i.e. for any $(x, y) \in \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\}$ we put

$$x \cup y = \max\{x, y\}, \quad x \cap y = \min\{x, y\}$$

where $F < \perp < T$

H Semantics

Implication

$$\Rightarrow: \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\} \longrightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$$

such that for any $(x, y) \in \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\}$ we put

$$x \Rightarrow y = \begin{cases} T & \text{if } x \leq y \\ y & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Negation

$$\neg x = x \Rightarrow F$$

H Truth Tables

Implication

| | | | |
|---------------|---|---------|---|
| \Rightarrow | F | \perp | T |
| F | T | T | T |
| \perp | F | T | T |
| T | F | \perp | T |

Negation

| | | | |
|--------|---|---------|---|
| \neg | F | \perp | T |
| | T | F | F |

Sets of Tautologies Relationships

HT, **T**, **LT** denote the set of all tautologies of the **H**, classical, and **L** semantics, respectively

Relationships

$$\mathbf{HT} \neq \mathbf{T} \neq \mathbf{LT}$$

$$\mathbf{HT} \subset \mathbf{T}$$

Proof of $\mathbf{HT} \neq \mathbf{T}$

For the formula $(\neg a \cup a)$ we have:

$$\models (\neg a \cup a) \quad \text{and} \quad \not\models_{\mathbf{H}} (\neg a \cup a)$$

as for any v , such that $v(a) = \perp$, we get $v^*((\neg a \cup a)) = \perp$

Sets of Tautologies Relationships

Proof of $\mathbf{HT} \neq \mathbf{LT}$

For any truth assignment v such that $v(a) = \perp$ we get that

$$\not\models_{\mathbf{H}} (\neg\neg a \Rightarrow a)$$

We verify that

$$\models_{\mathbf{L}} (\neg\neg a \Rightarrow a)$$

Sets of Tautologies Relationships

Proof of $\mathbf{HT} \subset \mathbf{T}$

Observe that if we **restrict** the truth tables for **H** connectives to logical values **T** and **F** only we get the truth tables for the **classical** connectives, i.e. and the following holds for any formula **A**

If $v^*(A) = T$ for all $v : VAR \rightarrow \{F, \perp, T\}$,
then $v^*(A) = T$ for all $v : VAR \rightarrow \{F, T\}$

All together we have **proved** that the **classical** semantics **extends** both **L** and **H** semantics, i.e.

$$\mathbf{LT} \subset \mathbf{T} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{HT} \subset \mathbf{T}$$

Kleene Semantics **K**

Motivation

Kleene's semantics was originally conceived to accommodate **undecided** mathematical statements

It models a situation where the third logical value \perp intuitively represents the notion of "undecided", or "state of partial ignorance"

A sentence is **assigned** a value \perp just in case it is **not known** to be either **true** or **false**

Kleene Semantics **K**

For **example** imagine a **detective** trying to solve a **murder**

He may **conjecture** that **Jones** killed the **victim**

He cannot, at present, **assign** a truth value **T** or **F** to his conjecture, so we **assign** the value \perp

But it is certainly either **true** or **false** and hence \perp represents our **ignorance** rather than total **unknown**

Kleene Semantics **K**

Language

We adopt the same language as in a case of classical, Łukasiewicz's **L**, and Heyting **H** semantics, i.e.

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

Connectives

We assume, as before, that $F < \perp < T$

The connectives \neg, \cup, \cap of **K** are defined as in **L, H** semantics, i.e.

$$\neg \perp = \perp, \neg F = T, \neg T = F$$

and for any $(x, y) \in \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\}$ we put

$$x \cup y = \max\{x, y\}$$

$$x \cap y = \min\{x, y\}$$

K Semantics: Connectives

K Implication

Kleene's implication **differ** from **L** and **H** semantics

The **K** implication is defined by the same formula as the **classical**, i.e. for any $(x, y) \in \{T, \perp, F\} \times \{T, \perp, F\}$

$$x \Rightarrow y = \neg x \cup b$$

The connectives **truth tables** for the **K negation**, **disjunction** and **conjunction** are the same as the tables for **L, H**

K implication table is

| \Rightarrow | F | \perp | T |
|---------------|---------|---------|---|
| F | T | T | T |
| \perp | \perp | \perp | T |
| T | F | \perp | T |

K Semantics: Tautologies

Set of all **K** tautologies is

$$\mathbf{KT} = \{A \in \mathcal{F} : \models_{\mathbf{K}} A\}$$

Relationship between **L**, **H**, **K**, and **classical** semantics is

$$\mathbf{LT} \neq \mathbf{KT}, \quad \mathbf{HT} \neq \mathbf{KT}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{KT} \subset \mathbf{T}$$

Proof Obviously $\models_{\mathbf{L}} (a \Rightarrow a)$ and $\models (a \Rightarrow a)$ We take v such that $v(a) = \perp$ and evaluate in **K** semantics

$$v^*(a \Rightarrow a) = (v(a) \Rightarrow v(a)) = (\perp \Rightarrow \perp) = \perp$$

This **proves** that $\not\models_{\mathbf{K}} (a \Rightarrow a)$ and hence

$$\mathbf{LT} \neq \mathbf{KT} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{HT} \neq \mathbf{KT}$$

K Tautologies

The third property

$$KT \subset T$$

follows directly from the the fact that, as in the **L** , **H** case, if we **restrict** the **K** connectives definitions functions to the values **T** and **F** only we get the functions defining the **classical** connectives

All together we have **proved** that the **classical** semantics **extends** all three **L** , **H** and **K** semantics, i.e.

$$LT \subset T, HT \subset T, \text{ and } K \subset T$$

L, H, K Decidability

Verification and Decidability

The following theorem justifies the **correctness** of the **truth table** method of **tautology verification** for for **L, H, K** semantics

Theorem 1

For any formula A of $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow, \cup, \cap\}}$, for any $\mathbf{M} \in \{\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{K}\}$

$$\models_{\mathbf{M}} A \text{ if and only if } v_A \models_{\mathbf{M}} A$$

$$\text{for all } v_A : \text{VAR}_A \rightarrow \{T, \perp, F\}$$

We also say that

$\models_{\mathbf{M}} A$ if and only if all v_A are **restricted M** models for A ,
and $\mathbf{M} \in \{\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{K}\}$

L, H, K Decidability

The following theorem proves the **decidability** of the tautology **verification** procedure for **L, H, K** semantics

Theorem 2

For any formula A of $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow, \cup, \cap\}}$, one has to **examine** at most 3^{VAR_A} truth assignments $v_A : VAR_A \rightarrow \{F, \perp, T\}$ in order to **decide** whether

$$\models_M A \quad \text{or} \quad \not\models_M A$$

i.e. the notion of **M** tautology is **decidable**
for any semantics $M \in \{L, H, K\}$

Proofs of **Theorems 1, 2** are carried in the same way as in case of **classical semantics** and are left as an exercise

K Tautologies Revisited

Exercise

We know that formulas

$$((a \cap b) \Rightarrow a), (a \Rightarrow (a \cup b)), (a \Rightarrow (b \Rightarrow a))$$

are **classical** tautologies

Show that **none** of them is **K** tautology

Solution

Consider any v such that $v(a) = v(b) = \perp$

We evaluate (in short hand notation)

$$v^*(((a \cap b) \Rightarrow a) = (\perp \cap \perp) \Rightarrow \perp = \perp \Rightarrow \perp = \perp$$

K Tautologies Revisited

$$v^*((a \Rightarrow (a \cup b))) = \perp \Rightarrow (\perp \cup \perp) = \perp \Rightarrow \perp = \perp \quad \text{and}$$

$$v^*((a \Rightarrow (b \Rightarrow a))) = (\perp \Rightarrow (\perp \Rightarrow \perp)) = \perp \Rightarrow \perp = \perp$$

This proves that any v such that

$$v(a) = v(b) = \perp$$

is a **counter model** for all of them

We **generalize** this example and **prove** (by induction over the degree of a formula) that a truth assignment v such that

$$v(a) = \perp \quad \text{for all } a \in \text{VAR}$$

is a **counter model** for **any formula** A of $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow, \cup, \cap\}}$

K Tautologies Revisited

We proved the following

Theorem

For any formula A of $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow, \cup, \cap\}}$, $\not\models_K A$

In particular, the set of all **K tautologies** is empty, i.e.

$$KT = \emptyset$$

Observe that the **Theorem** does not invalidate relationships

$$LT \neq KT, \quad HT \neq KT, \quad \text{and} \quad KT \subset T$$

between **L**, **H**, **K**, and **classical** semantics

They become now perfectly true statements

$$LT \neq \emptyset, \quad T \neq \emptyset, \quad \text{and} \quad \emptyset \subset T$$

K Tautologies Revisited

When we develop a **new logic** by defining its **semantics** we must **make sure** for the semantics to be such that it has a **non empty** set of its **tautologies**

This is why we adopted (**Set 2**) the following definition

Definition

Given a language \mathcal{L}_{CON} and its semantics **M**

We say that the semantics **M** is **well defined** if and only if its set **MT** of all tautologies is non empty, i.e. when

$$MT \neq \emptyset$$

K Tautologies Revisited

The semantics **K** is an example of a **correctly** and **carefully** defined semantics that **is not well defined** in terms of the above definition

Obviously the semantics **L** and **H** are **well defined**

We write is as a following separate fact

K Tautologies Revisited

Fact

The semantics **L** and **H** are **well defined**, but the Kleene semantics **K is not**

K semantics also provides a justification for a need of introducing a **distinction** between **correctly** and **well defined** semantics

This is the main **reason**, beside its **historical value**, why it is included here

Bochvar Semantics **B**

Motivation

Consider a **semantic paradox** given by a sentence:

this sentence is false.

If it is **true** it must be **false**,

if it is **false** it must be **true**.

According to **Bochvar**, such sentences are neither true or false but rather **paradoxical** or **meaningless**

B Semantics

Bochvar's semantics follows the principle that the third logical value, denoted now by **m** (for meaningless) is in some sense "infectious";

if **one** component of the formula is **assigned** the value **m** then the **formula** is also **assigned** the value **m**

Bochvar also adds an one **assertion** operator **S** that **asserts** the logical value of **T** and **F** , i.e.

$$SF = F, \quad ST = T$$

S also **asserts** that meaningfulness **m** is false, i.e

$$Sm = F$$

B Semantics: Language

Language: we add a new **one argument** connective **S** and get

$$\mathcal{L}_B = \mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, S, \Rightarrow, \cup, \cap\}}$$

We denote by \mathcal{F}_B the set of all formulas of the language \mathcal{L}_B and by \mathcal{F} the set of formulas of the language $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow, \cup, \cap\}}$ common to the classical and all 3 valued logics considered till now.

Observe that directly from the definition we have that

$$\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{F}_B$$

The formula **SA** reads "assert A"

B Semantics: Connectives

Negation

| | | | |
|--------|---|----------|---|
| \neg | F | <i>m</i> | T |
| | T | <i>m</i> | F |

Conjunction

| | | | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| \cap | F | <i>m</i> | T |
| F | F | <i>m</i> | F |
| <i>m</i> | <i>m</i> | <i>m</i> | <i>m</i> |
| T | F | <i>m</i> | T |

B Semantics: Connectives

Disjunction

| | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|
| \cup | F | m | T |
| F | F | m | T |
| m | m | m | m |
| T | T | m | T |

Implication

| | | | |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|
| \Rightarrow | F | m | T |
| F | T | m | T |
| m | m | m | m |
| T | F | m | T |

B Semantics: Connectives, Tautology

Assertion

| | | | |
|----------|---|----------|---|
| <i>S</i> | F | <i>m</i> | T |
| | F | F | T |

For all **other steps** of **definition** of **B** semantics we follow the standard established for the **M** semantics, as we did in all **previous** cases

In particular the set of all **B tautologies** is

$$\mathbf{BT} = \{A \in \mathcal{F} : \models_{\mathbf{B}} A\}$$

B Semantics: Tautology

We get by easy evaluation that

$$\models_{\mathbf{B}} (Sa \cup \neg Sa)$$

This proves that $\mathbf{BT} \neq \emptyset$, what means that

B semantics is **well defined**

B Semantics: Tautology

Observe that **not all** formulas **containing** the connective **S** are **B tautologies**, for example we have that

$$\not\models_{\mathbf{B}} (a \cup \neg Sa), \not\models_{\mathbf{B}} (Sa \cup \neg a), \not\models_{\mathbf{B}} (Sa \cup S\neg a)$$

as any truth assignment v such that

$$v(a) = m$$

is a **counter model** for all of them, because

$$m \cup x = m \text{ for all } x \in \{F, m, T\} \text{ and}$$

$$Sm \cup S\neg m = F \cup Sm = F \cup F = F$$

B Semantics: Tautology

Let A be a formula that **do not** contain the **assertion** operator S , i.e. the formula $A \in \mathcal{F}$ of the language $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \Rightarrow, \cup, \cap\}}$

Any v , such that $v(a) = m$ for at least **one variable** in the formula $A \in \mathcal{F}$ is a **counter-model** for that formula, i.e.

$$\mathbf{T} \cap \mathbf{BT} = \emptyset$$

Observation

A formula $A \in \mathcal{F}_B$ to be **considered** to be a **B** tautology must contain the connective S in front of **each** variable appearing in A