

The Jacobson Radical of a Propositional Theory^{*†}

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A Contribution to Ninety Years of Glivenko's Theorem

Abstract

Alongside the analogy between maximal ideals and complete theories, the Jacobson radical carries over from ideals of commutative rings to theories of propositional calculi. This prompts a variant of Lindenbaum's Lemma that relates classical validity and intuitionistic provability, and the syntactical counterpart of which is Glivenko's Theorem. As a by-product we obtain a possible interpretation in logic of the axioms-as-rules conservation criterion for a multi-conclusion Scott-style entailment relation over a single-conclusion one.

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1 Introduction

Glivenko's theorem from 1929 says that if a propositional formula φ is provable in classical logic, then its double negation $\neg\neg\varphi$ is provable in intuitionistic logic. In 1933 Gödel extended this to predicate logic, which move required to admit on the intuitionistic side the scheme of double negation shift. With Gödel's and Gentzen's negative translation in place of double negation, both from 1933, one can even get by with minimal logic in place of intuitionistic logic. More than one related proof translation saw the light of the day, e.g. Kolmogorov's (1925) and Kuroda's (1951).

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Glivenko’s theorem thus stood right at the beginning of a fundamental change of perspective: that classical logic can be embedded into intuitionistic or even minimal logic, rather than the latter being a limited version of the former. Together with the revision of Hilbert’s Programme ascribed to Kreisel and Feferman, this has led to the much broader quest for the computational content of classical proofs, today culminating in agile areas such as dynamical algebra, formal topology, program extraction from proofs, proof analysis, proof mining and proof translations. The growing success of these approaches suggests that customary mathematics, with classical logic and set theory, might eventually prove to be much more constructive than widely thought.

In 1930 Tarski ascribed to Lindenbaum the theorem that in classical logic any given theory T equals the intersection of all the complete theories containing T . Its typical use for Gödel’s Completeness Theorem aside, this Lindenbaum Lemma is one of several theorems from that period which describe the intersection of all the ideal objects extending a given concrete object. Those intersection theorems, in their full generality recognised as forms of the Axiom of Choice, are often put by contraposition as extension or separation theorems. Apart from Lindenbaum’s, prominent cases are known by the names of Artin–Schreier, Hahn–Banach, Krull and Szpilrajn.

The case in algebra closest to Lindenbaum’s Lemma, however, gained prominence only in 1945, when Jacobson pointed out the relevance of the intersection of all the maximal ideals of a given ring. In the present note we follow the analogy between maximal (proper) ideals and complete (consistent) theories to carry over the Jacobson radical from ideals of commutative rings to theories of propositional calculi (Section 5.2), where it turns out to coincide with the stable closure of a theory (Proposition 2, Corollary 2). This prompts a variant of Lindenbaum’s Lemma that relates classical validity and intuitionistic provability (Theorem 2), and the syntactical counterpart of which happens to be Glivenko’s Theorem as recalled above (Theorem 3).

As a by-product we obtain a possible interpretation in logic (Theorem 4) of the axioms-as-rules conservation criterion (Theorem 1) for a multi-conclusion Scott-style entailment relation \vdash over a single-conclusion one \triangleright . This criterion has proved to be the common core of many a syntactical counterpart of a semantic conservation theorem corresponding to one of the aforementioned intersection theorems. Typically this kind of conservation means reduction to a special case characterised by additional axioms with (possibly empty) disjunctions in positive position. Applying the criterion means to eliminate the additional axioms for \vdash by way of the corresponding disjunction elimination rules for \triangleright . The latter equally suffice for proof practice, and have proved admissible in all mathematical instances yet considered. Our interpretation of the conservation criterion in propositional logic (Theorem 4) in fact is tantamount to Glivenko’s Theorem (Theorem 3). As for the latter, disjunction elimination plays a central role in the proof of the former, together with some notorious features of (double) negation in intuitionistic logic (Lemma 1).

2 Preliminaries

Unless specified otherwise, we work in a suitable fragment of Aczel’s *Constructive Zermelo–Fraenkel Set Theory (CZF)* [1–5] based on intuitionistic first-order predicate logic. While in general the concepts of this paper are elementary and the proofs are direct, we still pin down **CZF** as metatheory if only rather for convenience’s sake; in fact much less might suffice. Likewise,

when we occasionally need to invoke a fragment of the principle of Excluded Middle or even a form of the Axiom of Choice (AC), and thus go beyond **CZF**, we simply switch to **ZF** and **ZFC**, respectively, and indicate this accordingly.

For example, the *Restricted Law of Excluded Middle* (REM) is not a principle of **CZF**. This REM means $\varphi \vee \neg\varphi$ for every set-theoretic formula φ that is *bounded* in the sense that only set-bounded quantifiers of the types $\forall x \in y$ and $\exists x \in y$ occur in φ .

By a *finite* set we understand a set that can be written as $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ for some $n \geq 0$. Given any set S , let $\text{Pow}(S)$ (respectively, $\text{Fin}(S)$) consist of the (finite) subsets of S . We refer to [81] for further provisos to carry over to the present note.¹

We write \triangleright to denote (deducibility in) any intermediate logic in a propositional language S . The following intuitionistic properties of (double) negation are due to Brouwer [11, 12, 41, 96, 97]:

Lemma 1. *For any given intermediate logic \triangleright ,*

$$\frac{}{\neg\neg\neg\psi \triangleright \neg\psi} \quad \frac{\Gamma, \varphi \triangleright \neg\psi}{\Gamma, \neg\neg\varphi \triangleright \neg\psi} \quad \frac{}{\triangleright\neg\neg(\psi \vee \neg\psi)}$$

for every $\Gamma \in \text{Fin}(S)$ and all $\varphi, \psi \in S$.

As is common in this context, negation is a defined connective: $\neg\varphi \equiv \varphi \rightarrow \perp$.

A *theory* of an intermediate logic \triangleright is a subset of the given propositional language S that is deductively closed with respect to \triangleright . As usual, a theory T of \triangleright is *consistent* if $\perp \notin T$, which is to say that $T \neq S$; and a theory T of \triangleright is *complete* if

$$\forall \varphi \in S (T \ni \varphi \vee \neg T \ni \varphi).$$

We say that a theory T of \triangleright is *stable* if

$$\forall \varphi \in S (T \ni \neg\neg\varphi \Rightarrow T \ni \varphi).$$

Lemma 2. *The following are equivalent for every theory T of an intermediate logic \triangleright :*

1. *T is deductively closed for classical logic.*
2. *T is stable.*
3. *T contains all instances of excluded middle $\varphi \vee \neg\varphi$ with $\varphi \in S$.*

Corollary 1. *If a theory of an intermediate logic \triangleright is complete, then it is stable.*

For a deeper discussion with earlier references we refer to [50] and [69, p. 27].

¹ For example, we deviate from the terminology prevalent in constructive mathematics and set theory [4, 5, 8, 9, 58, 63]: to reserve the term ‘finite’ to sets which are in *bijection* with $\{1, \dots, n\}$ for a necessarily unique $n \geq 0$. Those exactly are the sets which are finite in our sense and are *discrete* too, i.e. have decidable equality [63].

3 Entailment Relations

Entailment relations, both in their single- and multi-conclusion variant, are at the heart of this note. We briefly recall the basic notions, to which end we closely follow [80, 81].

3.1 Consequence

Let S be a set and $\triangleright \subseteq \text{Pow}(S) \times S$. Once abstracted from the context of logical formulas, all but one of Tarski's axioms of *consequence* [95] can be put as

$$\frac{U \ni a}{U \triangleright a} \text{ (R)} \quad \frac{\forall b \in U (V \triangleright b) \quad U \triangleright a}{V \triangleright a} \text{ (T)} \quad \frac{U \triangleright a}{\exists U_0 \in \text{Fin}(U) (U_0 \triangleright a)} \text{ (A)}$$

where $U, V \subseteq S$ and $a \in S$. These axioms also characterise a finitary covering or Stone covering in formal topology [84];² see further [17, 19, 66, 67, 86, 87]. The notion of consequence has allegedly been described first by Hertz [44–46]; see also [7, 54].

We do not employ the one of Tarski's axioms by which he required that S be countable. This aside, Tarski has rather characterised the set of consequences of a set of propositions, which corresponds to the *algebraic closure operator* $U \mapsto U^\triangleright$ on $\text{Pow}(S)$ of a relation \triangleright as above where

$$U^\triangleright \equiv \{a \in S : U \triangleright a\}.$$

3.2 Single-Conclusion Entailment

Rather than with Tarski's notion, we henceforth work with its restriction to finite subsets, that is, a *single-conclusion entailment relation*. This is a relation $\triangleright \subseteq \text{Fin}(S) \times S$ which satisfies

$$\frac{U \ni a}{U \triangleright a} \text{ (R)} \quad \frac{V \triangleright b \quad V', b \triangleright a}{V, V' \triangleright a} \text{ (T)} \quad \frac{U \triangleright a}{U, U' \triangleright a} \text{ (M)}$$

for all finite $U, U', V, V' \subseteq S$ and $a, b \in S$, where as usual $U, V \equiv U \cup V$ and $V, b \equiv V \cup \{b\}$. Our focus thus is on *finite* subsets of S , for which we henceforth reserve the letters U, V, W, \dots ; we also sometimes write a_1, \dots, a_n in place of $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ even if $n = 0$. Redefining

$$T^\triangleright \equiv \{a \in S : \exists U \in \text{Fin}(T) (U \triangleright a)\} \tag{1}$$

for *arbitrary* subsets T of S gives back an algebraic closure operator on $\text{Pow}(S)$; we occasionally write $T \triangleright a$ to mean $a \in T^\triangleright$. The single-conclusion entailment relations thus correspond exactly to the relations satisfying Tarski's axioms above.

²This is from where we have taken the symbol \triangleright , used also [16, 98] to denote a 'consecution' [77].

3.3 Multi-Conclusion Entailment

Let S be a set and $\vdash \subseteq \text{Fin}(S) \times \text{Fin}(S)$. Scott’s [91] axioms of entailment can be put as

$$\frac{U \checkmark W}{U \vdash W} \text{ (R)} \qquad \frac{V \vdash W, b \quad V', b \vdash W'}{V, V' \vdash W, W'} \text{ (T)} \qquad \frac{U \vdash W}{U, U' \vdash W, W'} \text{ (M)}$$

for finite $U, U', V, V', W, W' \subseteq S$ and $b \in S$, where $U \checkmark W$ means that U and W have an element in common [86]. To be precise, any such \vdash is a *multi-conclusion entailment relation*, where ‘multi’ includes ‘empty’.

This fairly general notion of entailment has been introduced by Scott [90–92], building on Hertz’s and Tarski’s work (see above), and of course on Gentzen’s sequent calculus [39, 40]. Shoesmith and Smiley [93] trace multi-conclusion entailment relations back to Carnap [13]. Before Scott, Lorenzen has developed analogous concepts formally [59–62]; he has even listed [60, pp. 84–5] counterparts of the axioms (R), (T) and (M) for single- and multi-conclusion entailment [27, 28].³ As compared with Gentzen’s and Lorenzen’s approaches, Scott’s entailment relation follow the contexts-as-sets paradigm, which has caused reservations [70, 71]. The relevance of the notion of entailment relation to point-free topology and constructive algebra has been pointed out in [14], and has been used very widely, e.g. in [20–22, 24, 25, 30, 33, 72, 78, 83, 89, 99, 102]. Consequence and entailment have further caught interest from various other angles [6, 35, 38, 47–49, 74, 88, 93, 103].

In practice, \triangleright and \vdash are *inductively generated* by the axioms of the intended models, which procedure we here take for granted [14, 32]; see also [3, 76, 81, 82].

4 Conservation

Again following [80, 81], we sketch the concept of conservative extension of a multi-conclusion entailment relation \vdash over a single-conclusion entailment relation \triangleright on the same set S . After that we extract from [79]—based on [18]—possible interpretations limited to classical logic.

4.1 Conservation in Syntax and Semantics

Let S be a set, and let a, b, c, \dots and U, V, W, \dots range over the elements of S and $\text{Fin}(S)$, respectively. Given a multi-conclusion entailment relation \vdash and a single-conclusion entailment relation \triangleright on the same set S , we throughout assume *Extension*:

$$\text{Ext} \quad \frac{U \triangleright a}{U \vdash a}$$

Of major interest to us is the converse, alias *Conservation*:

$$\text{Con} \quad \frac{U \vdash a}{U \triangleright a}$$

³Stefan Neuwirth has kindly pointed this out to us.

The *trace* of any given \vdash is the single-conclusion entailment relation \triangleright_{\vdash} defined by

$$U \triangleright_{\vdash} a \equiv U \vdash a,$$

for which Ext and Con are tantamount to $\triangleright \subseteq \triangleright_{\vdash}$ and $\triangleright \supseteq \triangleright_{\vdash}$, respectively.

An arbitrary subset P of S is a *model of \vdash* if

$$P \supseteq U \implies V \notin P \quad \text{whenever } U \vdash V.$$

The notion of model carries over to single-conclusion \triangleright in the apparent manner, such that the *models of \triangleright* are exactly the $P \in \text{Pow}(S)$ which are *closed* under \triangleright , i.e. for which $P^{\triangleright} = P$. Let $\text{Mod}(\vdash)$ and $\text{Mod}(\triangleright)$ consist of the models of \vdash and \triangleright , respectively. By Extension, $\text{Mod}(\vdash) \subseteq \text{Mod}(\triangleright)$, which in **ZFC** is equivalent to Extension [81, Lemma 9].

Now Con follows from the *Generalised Krull–Lindenbaum Lemma*, viz.

$$\text{GKL} \quad \forall P \in \text{Mod}(\vdash)(P \supseteq U \implies a \in P) \implies U \triangleright a,$$

the converse of which holds by Extension. Again by Extension, GKL implies the *Trace Completeness Theorem*, viz.

$$\text{TCT} \quad \forall P \in \text{Mod}(\vdash)(P \supseteq U \implies a \in P) \implies U \vdash a,$$

the converse of which holds by the definition of a model of \vdash . This TCT is a fragment of AC that implies REM [81, Corollary 5].⁴

In **ZFC**, GKL and Con are equivalent [81, Theorem 6]. In **CZF** we can make this more precise:

Remark 1. *In the presence of Ext, GKL is equivalent to the conjunction of Con and TCT.*

In all, GKL is semantic conservation, and Con is its syntactical counterpart.

4.2 Conservation in Proof Practice

In proof practice, GKL is useful for reductions to special cases, by making possible to use \vdash in proofs about \triangleright , but GKL is of semantic nature, entails REM and requires some AC. In comparison, Con is equally sufficient for that kind of reduction, is syntactical and has elementary proofs. Many such cases are known in point-free topology such as locale theory and formal topology [14, 15, 20, 23, 64, 65]; in constructive algebra, especially with dynamical methods [26, 34, 55–58, 101, 104, 105]; and in the proof theory of order relations [70, 72]. Most of those cases concern algebra at large. But what about logic? One may think of Gentzen’s classical multi-succedent sequent calculus as extending his intuitionistic single-succedent variant [39, 40, 69, 94]. As we will see, this thought goes in the right direction.

⁴The proof of [81, Proposition 4] goes equally through with TCT in place of full CT.

A typical situation is as follows: Let the single-conclusion entailment relation \triangleright on a set S be generated by axioms. Then the multi-conclusion entailment relation \vdash on the same set S is generated by the axioms of \triangleright , of course with \vdash in place of \triangleright , and by *additional axioms*

$$a_1, \dots, a_k \vdash b_1, \dots, b_\ell \quad (2)$$

where $k, \ell \geq 0$. In any such situation we say that \vdash *extends* \triangleright , and list the additional axioms if needed. This is legitimate inasmuch as if \vdash extends \triangleright , then Ext is satisfied. What about Con?

The following most versatile *conservation criterion* [80, 81], which in fact gathers together many of the cases of Con mentioned before, will also help to understand Con for logic:

Theorem 1. *Let \vdash extend \triangleright with certain additional axioms of the form (2). Then \vdash and \triangleright satisfy Con if and only if*

$$\frac{W, b_1 \triangleright c \quad \dots \quad W, b_\ell \triangleright c}{W, a_1, \dots, a_k \triangleright c}$$

for any such additional axiom, all $c \in S$ and every $W \in \text{Fin}(S)$.

This swiftly follows [81, Theorem 2] from a sandwich criterion for conservation given by Scott [91], and also is a corollary of cut elimination for entailment relations [82] as related to cut elimination in the presence of axioms [68].

Quite a few instances of GKL can be classified by the two cases named *Universal Krull* (UK) and *Universal Lindenbaum* (UL) in [81], for which S is a set with

UK : a distinguished element e of S and a binary operation $*$ on S

UL : a unary operation \sim on S

The additional axioms for \vdash extending \triangleright are

UK : $e \vdash \quad a * b \vdash a, b$

UL : $a, \sim a \vdash \quad \vdash a, \sim a$

where $a, b \in S$. The corresponding conservation criteria (Theorem 1) read

$$\text{UK : } \frac{}{W, e \triangleright c} \quad \frac{W, a \triangleright c \quad W, b \triangleright c}{W, a * b \triangleright c}$$

$$\text{UL : } \frac{}{W, a, \sim a \triangleright c} \quad \frac{W, a \triangleright c \quad W, \sim a \triangleright c}{W \triangleright c}$$

where $W \in \text{Fin}(S)$ and $a, b, c \in S$.⁵ We refer to [80, 81] for details and references.

⁵The criteria for UK have occurred [79] as ‘ e is *convincing* for \triangleright ’ and ‘ \triangleright satisfies *Encoding*’.

4.3 The Case of Classical Logic

Building upon [18], in [79] the instances of GKL in the cases UK and UL have been considered for the following data: S consists of the sentences of a logical language, \triangleright stands for deducibility with *classical* logic, e is absurdity \perp , the operator $*$ is disjunction \vee , and \sim is negation \neg . While the models of \triangleright are the (classical) theories of \triangleright , the models of \vdash are the complete consistent theories of S . Hence GKL is Lindenbaum's Lemma [95], and Con is provable but little interesting, simply because \triangleright is classical logic already. Let's try to get more by relativising \triangleright .

Now let \triangleright denote (deducibility in) an intermediate logic in a propositional language S ; whence the models of \triangleright are the theories of \triangleright .⁶ Let \vdash extend \triangleright with the following additional axioms:

$$\perp \vdash \quad \vdash \varphi, \neg\varphi \quad (\varphi \in S)$$

The models of \vdash are the complete consistent theories of \triangleright , and the corresponding conservation criteria (Theorem 1) read

$$\frac{}{\Gamma, \perp \triangleright \psi} \quad \frac{\Gamma, \varphi \triangleright \psi \quad \Gamma, \neg\varphi \triangleright \psi}{\Gamma \triangleright \psi}$$

with $\Gamma \in \text{Fin}(S)$ and $\varphi, \psi \in S$. While the first criterion is provable, for any given intermediate logic \triangleright , the second one amounts to \triangleright satisfying $\triangleright\varphi \vee \neg\varphi$, which is to say that \triangleright be classical. Hence Con in this case simply means that adding $\vdash \varphi, \neg\varphi$ is equivalent to adding $\triangleright\varphi \vee \neg\varphi$. This of course is well known and of little interest either. Can't we do better?

5 Jacobson Radicals

5.1 The Jacobson Radical in Algebra

Let $S = R$ be a commutative ring with 1, and let \triangleright stand for generation in R , i.e. $U \triangleright a$ means that a is a linear combination with coefficients from R of the elements of U . A model of \triangleright is nothing but an *ideal* of R , i.e. a subset closed under linear combination. An ideal J of R is *proper* if $1 \notin J$, which is to say that $J \neq R$. A (proper) ideal J of R is a *maximal ideal* if

$$\forall r \in R (J \ni r \vee J, r \triangleright 1). \quad (3)$$

With this notation in place, the *Jacobson radical of an ideal J* can be defined as

$$\text{Jac}(J) = \{a \in R : \forall b \in R (a, b \triangleright 1 \Rightarrow J, b \triangleright 1)\}. \quad (4)$$

Incidentally, we thus follow the first-order definition of the Jacobson radical for distributive lattices [10, 29, 53] rather than the more common one for commutative rings as given e.g. in [58],

$$\text{Jac}(J) = \{a \in R : \forall b \in R \exists c \in R (1 - (1 - ab)c \in J)\}, \quad (5)$$

according to which any given $a \in R$ belongs to $\text{Jac}(R)$ precisely when $1 - ab$ is invertible modulo J for every $b \in R$. In **ZFC**, the first-order definition we use (4) is anyway equivalent to the more customary second-order definition of the Jacobson radical [52]:

⁶For the related covering of formulas [31, 85], the saturated sets rather are the *complements* of the theories.

Proposition 1 (ZFC). For every ideal J of R ,

$$\bigcap \text{Max}_J(R) = \text{Jac}(J)$$

where $\text{Max}_J(R)$ consists of the maximal (proper) ideals \mathfrak{m} in R with $J \subseteq \mathfrak{m}$.

Proof. Let $a \in \text{Jac}(J)$, and let \mathfrak{m} be a maximal ideal such that $\mathfrak{m} \supseteq J$. Either $\mathfrak{m} \ni a$ or $\mathfrak{m}, a \triangleright 1$. In the former case we are done. In the latter case there is $b \in R$ such that $\mathfrak{m} \triangleright b$ (in particular, $b \in \mathfrak{m}$) and $a, b \triangleright 1$. Since $a \in \text{Jac}(J)$, we get $J, b \triangleright 1$. As $b \in \mathfrak{m}$, this implies $J, \mathfrak{m} \triangleright 1$ and thus $\mathfrak{m} \triangleright 1$. Hence $\mathfrak{m} = R$, by which $\mathfrak{m} \ni a$. Conversely, if $a \notin \text{Jac}(J)$, then there exists $b \in R$ for which $a, b \triangleright 1$ but $J, b \triangleright 1$ fails, and thus $(J, b)^\triangleright$ lacks a . Zorn's Lemma yields a maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} that contains $(J, b)^\triangleright$ yet misses a . \square

It obviously is irrelevant whether the intersection ranges over the only improper ideal R as well. Although the proof above is necessarily similar to the one with (5) in place of (4), see e.g. [58], we have have given this one in detail because it will carry over to logic (Proposition 2).

5.2 The Jacobson Radical in Logic

Let again \triangleright be an intermediate logic in a propositional language S . That a (consistent) theory T of \triangleright be *complete* can equivalently be put as

$$\forall \varphi \in S (T \ni \varphi \vee T, \varphi \triangleright \perp). \quad (6)$$

Alongside the analogy between (3) and (6), we define the *Jacobson radical of a theory T* :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Jac}(T) &= \{ \alpha \in S : \forall \beta \in S (\alpha, \beta \triangleright \perp \Rightarrow T, \beta \triangleright \perp) \} \\ &= \{ \alpha \in S : \forall \beta \in S (\alpha \triangleright \neg \beta \Rightarrow T \triangleright \neg \beta) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Mutatis mutandis the proof of Proposition 1 proves the *Intermediate Lindenbaum Lemma*:

Theorem 2 (ZFC). For every theory T of \triangleright ,

$$\text{ILL} \quad \bigcap \text{Com}_T(S) = \text{Jac}(T)$$

where $\text{Com}_T(S)$ consists of the complete (consistent) theories C in S with $T \subseteq C$.

As for Proposition 1, it is irrelevant whether the intersection includes the only inconsistent theory S .

5.3 From Lindenbaum's Lemma to Glivenko's Theorem

We still consider theories T of an intermediate logic \triangleright in a propositional language S .

The left-hand side of ILL is as for the original Lindenbaum Lemma [95], and thus equals in ZFC the classical deductive closure of T . What about the right-hand side of ILL?

Proposition 2. For every theory T of \triangleright ,

$$\text{Jac}(T) = \{\alpha \in S : T \ni \neg\neg\alpha\}.$$

Proof. Let $\alpha \in \text{Jac}(T)$. Since $\alpha \triangleright \neg\neg\alpha$, we have $T \triangleright \neg\neg\alpha$. Conversely, let $\alpha \in S$ such that $T \ni \neg\neg\alpha$. If $\beta \in S$ is such that $\alpha \triangleright \neg\beta$, then $\neg\neg\alpha \triangleright \neg\beta$ and thus $T \triangleright \neg\beta$. \square

Corollary 2. $\text{Jac}(T)$ is the least stable theory in S which contains the given theory T of \triangleright .

In particular, if \triangleright is classical logic, then ILL is just the original Lindenbaum Lemma [95].

Now let \triangleright be intuitionistic logic \triangleright_i , and write \triangleright_c for classical logic. In this case and by the above, ILL is the semantics of *Glivenko's Theorem* [42], well known as purely syntactical:

Theorem 3 (Glivenko 1929). For all $\Gamma \in \text{Fin}(S)$ and $\varphi \in S$,

$$\Gamma \triangleright_c \varphi \implies \Gamma \triangleright_i \neg\neg\varphi.$$

Recent literature about Glivenko's Theorem proper includes [36, 43, 51, 73, 75].

5.4 Glivenko's Theorem as Syntactical Conservation

Let again \triangleright_i and \triangleright_c stand for intuitionistic and classical logic, respectively, in a propositional language S . For $\Gamma, \Delta \in \text{Fin}(S)$ and $\varphi \in S$, define

$$\Gamma \triangleright_g \varphi \equiv \Gamma \triangleright_i \neg\neg\varphi \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma \vdash_c \Delta \equiv \Gamma \triangleright_c \bigvee \Delta,$$

which are a single- and a multi-conclusion entailment relation, respectively. By Glivenko's Theorem, \triangleright_g is nothing but \triangleright_c , which equals the trace of \vdash_c . Hence \vdash_c is a conservative extension of \triangleright_g , but let's forget this for the sake of the subsequent argument.

Clearly, \vdash_c extends \triangleright_g with the following additional axioms:

$$\perp \vdash_c \quad \vdash_c \varphi, \neg\varphi \quad (\varphi \in S) \tag{7}$$

The corresponding conservation criteria (Theorem 1) read

$$\frac{}{\Gamma, \perp \triangleright_g \psi} \quad \frac{\Gamma, \varphi \triangleright_g \psi \quad \Gamma, \neg\varphi \triangleright_g \psi}{\Gamma \triangleright_g \psi} \tag{8}$$

with $\Gamma \in \text{Fin}(S)$ and $\varphi, \psi \in S$. The following assertion is actually equivalent to Glivenko's Theorem (Theorem 3); we still recall the proof if only to exhibit the role of disjunction elimination.

Theorem 4. The extension \vdash_c of \triangleright_g is conservative, that is,

$$\text{Gli} \quad \Gamma \vdash_c \varphi \implies \Gamma \triangleright_g \varphi$$

for all $\Gamma \in \text{Fin}(S)$ and $\varphi \in S$.

Proof. Clearly, $\Gamma, \perp \triangleright_i \neg\neg\psi$. If $\Gamma, \varphi \triangleright_i \neg\neg\psi$ and $\Gamma, \neg\varphi \triangleright_i \neg\neg\psi$, then $\Gamma, \varphi \vee \neg\varphi \triangleright_i \neg\neg\psi$ by disjunction elimination. By Lemma 1 we get $\Gamma, \neg\neg(\varphi \vee \neg\varphi) \triangleright_i \neg\neg\psi$ and thus $\Gamma \triangleright_i \neg\neg\psi$. \square

As the models of \vdash_c are exactly the complete consistent theories, ILL for $T \equiv \Gamma^{\triangleright_i}$ with $\Gamma \in \text{Fin}(S)$ is to Gli just as GKL is to Con for $\vdash \equiv \vdash_c$ and $\triangleright \equiv \triangleright_g$. Although \vdash_c equally extends \triangleright_i with the same additional axioms (7), and the first conservation criterion of (8) also holds for \triangleright_i in place of \triangleright_g , this of course is not the case in general for the second one, e.g. if $\psi \equiv \varphi \vee \neg\varphi$.

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