

- THOMAS PIECHA, PETER SCHROEDER-HEISTER, *Intuitionistic logic is not complete for standard proof-theoretic semantics.*

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Prawitz conjectured that intuitionistic first-order logic is complete with respect to a notion of proof-theoretic validity [1, 2, 3]. We show that this conjecture is false. The notion of validity obeys the following standard conditions, where  $S$  refers to atomic bases (systems of production rules):

1.  $\vDash_S A \wedge B \iff \vDash_S A$  and  $\vDash_S B$ .
2.  $\vDash_S A \vee B \iff \vDash_S A$  or  $\vDash_S B$ .
3.  $\vDash_S A \rightarrow B \iff A \vDash_S B$ .
4.  $\Gamma \vDash A \iff$  For all  $S$ :  $(\vDash_S \Gamma \implies \vDash_S A)$ .
5. If  $\Gamma \vDash A$  and  $\Gamma, A \vDash_S B$ , then  $\Gamma \vDash_S B$ .

Any semantics obeying these conditions satisfies the generalized disjunction property:

For every  $S$ : if  $\Gamma \vDash_S A \vee B$ , where  $\vee$  does not occur positively in  $\Gamma$ , then either  $\Gamma \vDash_S A$  or  $\Gamma \vDash_S B$ .

This implies the validity ( $\vDash$ ) of Harrop's rule  $\neg A \rightarrow (B \vee C) / (\neg A \rightarrow B) \vee (\neg A \rightarrow C)$ , which is admissible but not derivable in intuitionistic logic.

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