

Hybrid Deduction-Refutation Systems for FDE-Based Logics

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Abstract

Hybrid deduction-refutation systems are presented for four first degree entailment based logics. The hybrid systems are shown to deductively and refutationally sound and complete with respect to their logics. The proofs of completeness are presented in a uniform way. This paper builds on work in [7], where Goranko presented a deductively and refutationally sound and complete hybrid system for classical logic.

1 Introduction

Traditional deductive systems employ rules and axioms to generate all the validities of a logic. One may invert the question and ask for a logical calculus which computes not the validities, but rather the nonvalidities of the logic. Such systems are called refutation systems. In [7], Goranko combined the machinery of deductive systems and refutation systems to create so-called hybrid deduction-refutation systems, also called hybrid deductive systems or hybrid systems for short. Applying his system to classical logic, he created a logical calculus that is able to syntactically deduce all the validities and refute all the nonvalidities of classical logic, using only a few simple rules and axioms. His system is deductively and refutationally sound and complete for classical logic, (also called \mathbb{L} -sound and complete, after Łukasiewicz,) which intuitively means that it deduces all and only the valid entailments, and refutes all and only the nonvalid entailments.

In this paper, we extend this approach to the case of first degree entailment and three extensions of first degree entailment - the logic of paradox, Kleene's strong three-valued logic, and classical logic. We present an \mathbb{L} -sound and complete hybrid deductive system for each of the four logics. We prove \mathbb{L} -soundness and completeness for all four logics in one uniform approach. Our proof for classical logic differs from Goranko's in a way to be discussed later.

In Section 2 we outline the historical development of refutation systems and hybrid deduction-refutation systems. In Section 3 we review first degree entailment, and present some basic facts about the four logics in question. In

Section 4 we provide definitions and results related to hybrid systems, mostly coming from Goranko's paper [7]. Our contribution comes in Section 5, where we present hybrid systems for the four FDE based logics and prove L-soundness and completeness for each. We end with some thoughts and conclusions in Section 6.

2 Hybrid deductive systems

2.1 Overview

Consider a logical system L , with corresponding deductive system \vdash_L and semantics \models_L . If our logic is sound and complete (in the traditional sense, hereafter called *deductively sound and complete*), then $\Gamma \vdash_L \phi \Leftrightarrow \Gamma \models_L \phi$. The completeness theorem in particular means that by only using axioms and rules of \vdash_L , one may derive all valid formulas.

The idea of having a syllogism to compute all *nonvalidities* of a logic goes back to Aristotle. He realized that one did not need to produce a counterexample to show that a given expression was not valid. Instead, nonvalidity could be derived in a procedural way through its own system of rules.

Following Aristotle the subject was largely ignored, until it was revived by Lukasiewicz and his followers. In [11], Lukasiewicz considered a logic which treated *acceptance* and *rejection* on par. He showed Aristotle's system was *refutationally incomplete* for syllogisms, in that it did not reject every nonvalid syllogism. He created a system which did reject all nonvalid syllogisms of Aristotle's logic. Lukasiewicz' system itself was refutationally incomplete, though, in that there were meaningful non-syllogistic expressions in the language which were neither accepted nor rejected. His student Słupecki added two rules to the system to make it refutationally complete.

Lukasiewicz' system was perhaps the first *refutation system* in modern logic. A refutation system is a deductive calculus where rules are used to *refute*, or reject, expressions in the language. To refute here means to assert the nonvalidity of an expression. Denoting refutation with the symbol \dashv , refutation systems work analogously to traditional deductive calculi. If \dashv is *refutationally sound* with respect to a logic \models_L , then $\Gamma \dashv \phi \Rightarrow \Gamma \not\models_L \phi$. If \dashv is *refutationally complete* with respect to \models_L , then $\Gamma \not\models_L \phi \Rightarrow \Gamma \dashv \phi$. Lukasiewicz' and Słupecki therefore created a system which is refutationally sound and complete for Aristotle's logic.

Lukasiewicz also created a system that was both refutationally sound and complete, and deductively sound and complete for classical logic. As mentioned in the introduction, such systems are now called L-sound and complete. Denote classical logic with semantics \models_{CL} along with some sound and complete deductive system for it \vdash_{CL} . Denote Lukasiewicz' system with the two operators \vdash, \dashv . Here is his system.

$$\Gamma \vdash \phi \text{ iff } \Gamma \vdash_{CL} \phi$$

$$\frac{\neg \sigma(\phi)}{\neg \phi} \text{ (reverse substitution)}$$

where σ is any uniform substitution, and

$$\frac{\vdash \phi \rightarrow \psi \quad \neg \psi}{\neg \phi} \text{ (Modus Tollens)}.$$

Since then, the study of refutation systems has grown tremendously. Refutation systems have been developed for a number of systems, including intuitionistic logic [15], intermediate logics [17], as well as major modal logics [8].

Refutation systems may be viewed as *pure* or *hybrid*. *Pure refutation systems* employ only the notion of \neg in their rules. They are concerned exclusively with deriving nonvalidities. *Hybrid refutation deduction systems* use both \vdash and \neg , and seek to derive the validities and nonvalidities of a logic. Łukasiewicz's system for classical logic was a hybrid system. Since then, however, much of the research in the literature has focused on pure refutation systems.

One advantage a hybrid system may enjoy over its competitors is that by using purely syntactic means one may deduce the validities and nonvalidities of the logic. One does not have to appeal to model theory once the system is proven \mathbb{L} -sound and complete. In particular, one does not need to produce a countermodel to determine that a sentence is not valid, as one may syntactically derive that fact. From an aesthetic perspective, a hybrid deduction system also enjoys a certain elegance with its symmetric treatment of \vdash and \neg , coinciding with the equal status of accept and reject in the philosophical underpinnings of refutation calculi.

Even among hybrid systems, \vdash , \neg are often treated separately, that is, they do not interact. Moreover, in establishing the rules and axioms for \neg , one often has an underlying logical system in mind. (Consider the trivial refutation calculus for classical logic with axiom schema $\Gamma \neg \phi$ iff $\Gamma \not\vdash_{\text{CL}} \phi$.) In such systems \vdash can, in a sense, be seen as privileged over \neg . Yet, there remains a desire to see accept and reject, as much as is possible, as equal and interacting players. Therefore, there is motivation to produce a calculus which treats them as such.

In [7], Goranko explores the use of interacting \vdash , \neg operators in such a way. Treating the two operators on par, he creates a logical system which is \mathbb{L} -sound and complete for classical logic, which does not apriori reference classical logic, as in the trivial example above.

Though Goranko's system is for classical logic, the framework he puts forward is fairly general, and can be applied to a wide class of logics. He lays out a procedure to create a hybrid deductive-refutation system from an underlying purely deductive system. In this paper, we extend the techniques in that paper to a family of logics based on first degree entailment.

2.2 Other studies of hybrid refutation-deduction systems

Previous works that dealt with rejection and assertion on par include the following, presented in chronological order.

López-Escobar in [12] consider a Brouwer-Heyting-Kolmogorov style semantics for a propositional calculus, where $\neg A$ is claimed by demonstrating a *refutation* of A , with refutation being a primitive concept on par with *proof*. Elementary number theory is then studied in this context, with the underlying logic being the one just put forth.

In [2], Bonatti and Varzi define the notion of *complimentary systems*, which are proof systems where that which is derivable in one system is exactly that which cannot be derived in the other.

In [18], Tamminga and Tanaka develop the analogy between accept/reject in Lukasiewicz' systems, and true/false in first degree entailment. They create a natural deduction system for FDE with mixed use of \vdash and \dashv operators, where $\vdash \phi$ is interpreted as ϕ takes true as a truth value, and $\dashv \phi$ is interpreted as ϕ takes false as a truth value. This system, interesting in its own right, may be seen as a precursor of ideas in this paper and in [7]. However, it does not syntactically prove nonvalidity of entailment relations. That is, \vdash is not extended to a relation between sets of formulas and formulas so that $\Gamma \dashv \phi \Leftrightarrow \Gamma \not\vdash \phi$, and thus the natural deduction system here would not be considered a hybrid system in the sense used in this paper.

In [16], Skura considers a logic being essentially characterized by a positive part (valid sentences) and a negative part (nonvalid sentences,) with rules and closure conditions for generating the respective parts.

In [4], Cafreza and Peltier consider a wider notion of entailment than the usual *true to true*. In terms of *assertion* and *rejection*, they analyse the four possible types of entailment that can be described - asserted to asserted, asserted to rejected, rejected to rejected, and rejected to asserted. They then apply their results to practical applications, for example, use in theorem provers.

Brady in [3] puts forth a relevant logic deductive system L_1 , and develops for it a Hilbert-style hybrid system called $L_{1,r}$, with interacting $\vdash_{L_{1,r}}$ and $\dashv_{L_{1,r}}$. Among other things, $L_{1,r}$ proves all the theorems of E_{FDE} and rejects all the non theorems of E_{FDE} . To be more precise, let α be a first degree entailment, that is α is $\beta \rightarrow \gamma$, where β and γ do not contain the symbol \rightarrow . Then $\vdash_{L_{1,r}} \alpha$ iff $\vdash_{E_{FDE}} \alpha$, and $\dashv_{L_{1,r}} \alpha$ iff $\not\vdash_{E_{FDE}} \alpha$. Since E_{FDE} theorems correspond to FDE entailments, Brady's system can be seen as a precursor to the hybrid system for FDE developed in this paper. Brady's system can also be seen as an extension of our system, as $L_{1,r}$ additionally considers formulas which are not first degree entailments. The proof technique used by Brady is rather different than the one used here, though. He uses the concept of *metavaluations* to prove his results. Roughly speaking, a metavaluation is a kind of truth-functional valuation of formulas where the inductive clause defining the truth value of a formula may depend also on the *provability* of some of its subformulas.

One important conceptual difference between Brady's system and Goranko's hybrid systems, however, is that in Goranko, \vdash and \dashv are used, respectively, to represent valid and nonvalid entailments, whereas in Brady, \vdash and \dashv are used to represent the less general concept of theorems and nontheorems. That is, Brady establishes $\dashv_{L_{1,r}} \alpha$ iff $\not\vdash_{L_1} \alpha$, but it is not established that $\Gamma \dashv_{L_{1,r}} \alpha$ iff $\Gamma \not\vdash_{L_1} \alpha$. We suspect the difference between proving and refuting entailments

versus sentences in a hybrid system is closely related to the usage of sequents or a Hilbert-style formulation in the underlying calculus.

In [19], Wansing studies the relations between the speech acts of *assertion* and *denial*, and the corresponding inferential claims of *proof* and *disproof*, as well as their duals. He develops a semantics for bi-intuitionistic logic using proof, disproof, and their duals as primitives.

Goré and Postniece in [10] fruitfully employ a hybrid refutation-derivation system to create, for the first time, a cut-free sequent calculus for bi-intuitionistic logic.

Citkin in [5] creates a metalogical system to uniformly handle *assertions* and *rejections*, as well as multiple conclusion rules.

For more sources and discussion of hybrid systems, see [7]. For a history of refutation systems, see [9] or [5].

3 Four FDE based logics

First degree entailment (FDE) is a logical system first put forward by Belnap in [1] and expounded by Bellnap, Dunn, and others in a number of publications, for example, [6]. It can be considered as a four-valued logic, with truth values *true*, *false*, *both*, *neither*, written, respectively, as *t*, *f*, *b*, *n*. Designated truth values are *t* and *b*. One of the goals of FDE was to develop a reasoning system that does not fail under the existence of contradiction. The example given in [1] is that an inconsistency in baseball World Series data should not lead a computer to mishandle flight information. Yet a computer obeying classical logic would conclude anything and everything about flight information in the presence of one inconsistent datum. To this end, the authors develop a paraconsistent logic – one that does not reduce to triviality in the presence of contradiction.

Belnap considers that for a basic proposition *P*, a computer might be told that *P* is true only, false only, both true and false, or not told anything regarding *P*. The truth values of complex formulas are based on the truth values of their subformulas in a straightforward, reasonable way. Here are the truth tables for the basic connectives. They are due to Smiley, and can be found in [13]. We will refer to them later, during our proof of L-completeness.

$\alpha \wedge \beta$	t	b	n	f	$\alpha \vee \beta$	t	b	n	f	α	$\neg\alpha$
t	t	b	n	f	t	t	t	t	t	t	f
b	b	b	f	f	b	t	b	t	b	b	b
n	n	f	n	f	n	t	t	n	n	n	n
f	f	f	f	f	f	t	b	n	f	f	t

Starting with FDE, one can obtain a number of well known logics. Semantically this can be done by removing truth values from the truth tables of FDE. Proof theoretically, this can be done by adding rules to FDE. We will specify a proof theory for FDE in Section 5.

The truth tables for the logic of paradox (LP) can be obtained from the truth tables of FDE by removing the value *n*. Designated truth values are *t* and

b. Here are the truth tables for LP.

$\alpha \wedge \beta$	t	b	f	$\alpha \vee \beta$	t	b	f	α	$\neg\alpha$
t	t	b	f	t	t	t	t	t	f
b	b	b	f	b	t	b	b	b	b
f	f	f	f	f	t	b	f	f	t

Proof theoretically, LP can be obtained by adding to the rules of FDE the axiom scheme representing the law of excluded middle:

$$\emptyset \vdash \phi \vee \neg\phi.$$

Kleene's strong three-valued logic (K_3) can be obtained from FDE semantically by removing the truth value b . t is the only designated truth value. Here are the truth tables for K_3 .

$\alpha \wedge \beta$	t	n	f	$\alpha \vee \beta$	t	n	f	α	$\neg\alpha$
t	t	n	f	t	t	t	t	t	f
n	n	n	f	n	t	n	n	n	n
f	f	f	f	f	t	n	f	f	t

Proof theoretically, K_3 can be obtained by adding to FDE an axiom scheme representing the principal of explosion:

$$\phi \wedge \neg\phi \vdash \psi.$$

Classical logic (CL) can be obtained from FDE by removing the truth values n and b . t is the only designated truth value. Proof theoretically, CL can be obtained by adding to FDE both the law of excluded middle and the principal of explosion.

In some sense, the motivations behind FDE and Łukasiewicz' refutation systems were similar. They sought to develop a system of logic where true/false, accept/reject are treated in equal standing. A major difference, of course, is that for Łukasiewicz, accept and reject are total and mutually exclusive categories. In FDE, true/false are arbitrary on propositional atoms.

For an introduction to FDE, see [13]. For an overview of paraconsistent logics in general, see [14].

4 Hybrid systems, definitions and basic results

4.1 Definitions

Now we will define the technical machinery and terminology needed for our hybrid deduction-refutation systems. We work over a fixed language L , with associated entailment relation \models_L .

A *sequent* is an object of the form $\Gamma \vdash \alpha$ or $\Gamma \dashv \alpha$, where $\Gamma \cup \{\alpha\} \subset \text{Form}(L)$, Γ is finite, $\vdash \notin L$, and $\dashv \notin L$. A sequent of the first kind is called a *deduction sequent*. A sequent of the second kind is called a *refutation sequent*.

A *hybrid rule instance* (or just *rule instance*) is a pair $\langle P, C \rangle$, where P is a (possibly empty) sequence of sequents, and C is a single sequent. The elements of P are called the *premises* of the rule instance, and the sequent C is called the *conclusion* of the rule instance. If the conclusion is a deduction sequent, the rule instance is said to be a *deduction rule instance*. If the conclusion is a refutation sequent, the rule instance is said to be a *refutation rule instance*. A set of hybrid rule instances is called a *hybrid rule* (or just *rule*).

A hybrid rule which contains only empty premises is called an *axiom*. If the conclusions are all deduction sequents, then it is a *deduction axiom*. If the conclusions are all refutation sequents, then it is a *refutation axiom*.

We typically represent a rule by giving one of its rule instances, and when necessary giving closure conditions. We do this in the following graphical way:

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_m \vdash \phi_m, \Delta_1 \dashv \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \dashv \psi_n}{\Omega \vdash \alpha} \quad (1)$$

or

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_m \vdash \phi_m, \Delta_1 \dashv \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \dashv \psi_n}{\Omega \dashv \alpha} \quad (2).$$

When there is no danger in doing so, we will overload the term “rule” to mean both “rule” and “rule instance.” Therefore, the above will also be called simply rules, (1) is a *deductive rule*, and (2) is a *refutation rule*.

The typical closure condition for rules is uniform substitution. When rules are closed under uniform substitution, they are called *structural*. In particular, we typically have non-structural refutation axiom schemes, for example $p \dashv q$, where $p \neq q$ are literals. Such a rule ought not be closed under substitution, lest we erroneously derive $p \dashv p$. In this document, the refutation axiom schemes will be nonstructural, all other rules will be structural.

A deductive rule of the form of (1) above is said to be *sound with respect to* L iff $\Omega \models_L \alpha$ whenever

$$\Gamma_1 \models_L \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_m \models_L \phi_m \text{ and } \Delta_1 \not\models_L \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \not\models_L \psi_n.$$

A refutation rule of the form of (2) above is said to be *sound with respect to* L iff $\Omega \not\models_L \alpha$ whenever

$$\Gamma_1 \models_L \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_m \models_L \phi_m \text{ and } \Delta_1 \not\models_L \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \not\models_L \psi_n.$$

A *hybrid derivation system* is a nonempty set of hybrid rules. Note a hybrid derivation system need not contain any refutation sequents or rules. A *purely deductive system* is a hybrid derivation system that contains no refutation sequents in any of its rules. A *purely refutational system* is a hybrid derivation system that contains no deduction sequents in any of its rules.

A *hybrid derivation* with respect to a hybrid derivation system \mathcal{D} is a finite sequence of sequents $\langle X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}, X_n \rangle$, where for all $i \leq n$, X_i is an instance of an axiom in \mathcal{D} , or else there exist $i_1 < i, \dots, i_j < i$ such that $\langle \langle X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_j} \rangle, X_i \rangle$ is an instance of a rule in \mathcal{D} . If $\langle X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}, X_n \rangle$

is a hybrid derivation with X_n as the final member of the sequence, then we say it is a *hybrid derivation of X_n* , and that X_n is its *conclusion*.

We say $\Gamma \vdash \theta$, $(\Gamma \dashv \theta)$ is *derivable in \mathcal{D}* iff there exists a hybrid derivation with respect to \mathcal{D} of $\Gamma \vdash \theta$, $(\Gamma \dashv \theta)$. We may use $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}}$ to denote provability of sequents in \mathcal{D} . That is, we may write $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \vdash \theta$ or $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \dashv \theta$. This is often useful in contexts where there may be confusion as to whether $\Gamma \vdash \theta$ is to be understood as a sequent – i.e. a construction proved in a hybrid system, or as a metalogical assertion that in L , θ deductively follows from assumptions in Γ .

When \mathcal{D} is understood, and there is no danger in doing so, however, we will typically write just $\Gamma \vdash \theta$ and $\Gamma \dashv \theta$ instead of $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \vdash \theta$ and $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \dashv \theta$.

4.2 Types of soundness and completeness

Now that we have \vdash and \dashv , there are more concepts available besides traditional “soundness” and “completeness.” Below we give some definitions. The definitions depend on sets of formulas Γ and formulas θ which are in the language L . For each definition, we should quantify over all such Γ and θ . But to save space, we only write that explicitly for the first line. Assume the same quantification style for the other relevant lines.

Definitions: Given a language L with entailment relation \models_L and given a hybrid system \mathcal{D} , \mathcal{D} is :

- *deductively sound for L (D-sound)* iff: $\forall \Gamma \subset Form(L), \forall \theta \in Form(L)[\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \vdash \theta \Rightarrow \Gamma \models_L \theta]$,
- *refutationally sound for L (R-sound)* iff: $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \dashv \theta \Rightarrow \Gamma \not\models_L \theta$,
- *deductively complete for L (D-complete)* iff: $\Gamma \models_L \theta \Rightarrow \Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \vdash \theta$,
- *refutationally complete for L (R-complete)* iff: $\Gamma \not\models_L \theta \Rightarrow \Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \dashv \theta$,
- *Lukasiewicz sound for L (L-sound)* iff it is D-sound and R-sound,
- *Lukasiewicz complete for L (L-complete)* iff it is D-complete and R-complete.

We also may add the qualifer “finitely” to any of these categorizations, by requiring that the condition holds only for all finite Γ . For example, \mathcal{D} is finitely refutationally complete iff, for all $\Gamma \subset L$, if Γ is finite then $(\Gamma \not\models_L \theta \Rightarrow \Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \dashv \theta)$.

4.3 Derivative rules

The following important definitions and propositions are given and proved in [7].

Given a deductive rule R , we may form *derivative rules* in the following way: swap places between the conclusion and one of the premises, and then “flip” the direction of the turnstile in both of those sequents.

More formally, given a deduction rule:

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_m \vdash \phi_m, \Delta_1 \dashv \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \dashv \psi_n}{\Omega \vdash \alpha}$$

we may define, for $i \leq m$, derivative rules of the form

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_{i-1} \vdash \phi_{i-1}, \Omega \dashv \alpha, \Gamma_{i+1} \vdash \phi_{i+1} \dots \Gamma_m \vdash \phi_m, \Delta_1 \dashv \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \dashv \psi_n}{\Gamma_i \dashv \phi_i}$$

and for $i \leq n$, derivative rules of the form

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_m \vdash \phi_m, \Delta_1 \dashv \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_{i-1} \dashv \psi_{i-1}, \Omega \dashv \alpha, \Delta_{i+1} \dashv \psi_{i+1}, \dots, \Delta_n \dashv \psi_n}{\Delta_i \vdash \psi_i}.$$

The situation corresponding to derivative rules of refutation rules is analogous, so we omit it here.

Note, derivative rules as defined above require a nonempty set of premises in the original rules. Therefore, derivative rules of axioms are not defined. In the following, if we “take the derivative rules of a given rule R ,” it may be assumed that R is not an axiom. If we “take the derivative rules of a set of rules \mathcal{D} ,” we mean to take the derivative rules of all rules in \mathcal{D} which are not axioms.

Theorem 4.1. *Let L be a logical system, and R a hybrid rule in the language of L which is sound for L , then every derivative rule of R is sound for L .*

Proof. We consider the case for a deduction rule. The situation is analogous for a refutation rule. Suppose the following rule is sound for L .

$$\frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_m \vdash \phi_m, \Delta_1 \dashv \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \dashv \psi_n}{\Omega \vdash \alpha}$$

Then by the definition of soundness of a hybrid rule,

$$(\Gamma_1 \models_L \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_m \models_L \phi_m \text{ and } \Delta_1 \not\models_L \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \not\models_L \psi_n) \Rightarrow \Omega \models \alpha.$$

Applying some classical logic in the meta-theory, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &(\Gamma_1 \models_L \phi_1, \dots, \Gamma_{i-1} \models_L \phi_{i-1}, \Omega \not\models_L \alpha, \Gamma_{i+1} \models_L \phi_{i+1} \Gamma_m \models_L \phi_m \\ &\text{and } \Delta_1 \not\models_L \psi_1, \dots, \Delta_n \not\models_L \psi_n) \\ &\Rightarrow \Gamma_i \not\models \phi_i. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the corresponding derivative rule is sound. \square

Given a hybrid deductive system \mathcal{D} , its *canonical extension* $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is obtained by adding to \mathcal{D} all the derivative rules of \mathcal{D} .

Corollary 4.1.1. *If \mathcal{D} is L -sound for L , then $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is L -sound for L .*

Proof. This follows from the fact that if a rule is sound, its derivative rules are sound, combined with the fact that if \mathcal{D} is L -sound, then $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \vdash \phi$ implies $\Gamma \models_L \phi$, $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Delta \dashv \psi$ implies $\Delta \not\models_L \psi$. We need to be assured that when we have a derivation involving a derivative rule, if $\Gamma \vdash \phi$ is one of its premises, then $\Gamma \models_L \phi$, and if $\Delta \dashv \psi$ is one of its premises, then $\Delta \not\models_L \psi$. This is guaranteed if \mathcal{D} is L -sound. \square

Corollary 4.1.2. *If \mathcal{D} is L-sound and D-complete for L, then $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is L-sound and D-complete. If \mathcal{D} is L-sound and R-complete for L, then $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is L-sound and R-complete.*

Proof. If \mathcal{D} is L-sound then since $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is also L-sound, we have that $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is a conservative extension of \mathcal{D} with respect to both \vdash and \dashv , and therefore is also L-sound. If \mathcal{D} is then D-complete, since we cannot add any deduction sequents, $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is also D-complete. Similarly, if \mathcal{D} is L-sound and R-complete, since we cannot add any refutation sequents, $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is R-complete. \square

Corollary 4.1.3. *If \mathcal{D} is a purely deductive system, and \mathcal{D} is D-sound and D-complete with respect to L, then $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is L-sound and D-complete with respect to L. If \mathcal{D} is a purely refutational system, and \mathcal{D} is R-sound and R-complete with respect to L, then $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is L-sound and R-complete with respect to L.*

Proof. If \mathcal{D} is a purely deductive system, since it has no refutation sequents, \mathcal{D} is trivially R-sound with respect to L. Therefore, if \mathcal{D} is also D-sound, then it is L-sound. If \mathcal{D} is also D-complete, then by Corollary 4.1.2 $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is L-sound and D-complete. The case is analogous for purely refutational systems. \square

Lemma 4.2. *If a recursive set of rules and axioms \mathcal{D} is L-sound and L-complete, then the set of validities of \mathcal{D} and the set of nonvalidities of \mathcal{D} are both decidable.*

Proof. If \mathcal{D} is L-sound and L-complete, and if the set of rules and axioms of \mathcal{D} is recursive, then we have a decision procedure for the determining the validities and nonvalidities of \mathcal{D} .

To decide if $\Gamma \models \phi$ or $\Gamma \not\models \phi$, enumerate all the proofs of $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \vdash \alpha$ and $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \dashv \alpha$, varying α over all formulas, which we may do since \mathcal{D} is recursive. In the enumeration sequence alternate between proofs of deduction sequents and refutation sequents. Due to D-soundness and D-completeness of \mathcal{D} , $\Gamma \models \phi$ if and only if $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \vdash \phi$. Due to R-soundness R-completeness of \mathcal{D} , $\Gamma \not\models \phi$ if and only if $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \dashv \phi$. If $\Gamma \models \phi$, the algorithm will eventually produce $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \vdash \phi$ in the enumeration. If $\Gamma \not\models \phi$, then $\Vdash_{\mathcal{D}} \Gamma \dashv \phi$ will appear in the enumeration. Either way, we have a procedure to decide if $\Gamma \models \phi$ or $\Gamma \not\models \phi$. \square

Corollary 4.2.1. *If the set of validities of \mathcal{D} is not decidable, or the set of nonvalidities of \mathcal{D} is not decidable, then there is no L-sound and L-complete extension of \mathcal{D} .*

As noted in Goranko's paper, $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ is too weak to be R-complete if \mathcal{D} is a purely deductive system. This is because, having no refutation axioms, $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D})$ will not prove any refutations.

A more general question is: given a hybrid system \mathcal{D} , is there an algorithm by which we may establish an L-sound and L-complete hybrid system \mathcal{E} which is an extension of \mathcal{D} , for those logics \mathcal{D} which admit an L-sound and L-complete extension? Would the canonical extension play a role here?

5 Hybrid deduction systems for four FDE based logics

5.1 Defining the hybrid deductive systems

The goal of this paper is to work out a uniform treatment for FDE based systems, so let us specify a natural deduction system which is D-sound and D-complete with respect to FDE. The following is due to Font, taken from [13]. We will call the following deductive system FDE_D .

$$\begin{array}{c}
A \vdash A \text{ (Reflexivity Axiom)} \\
\\
\frac{\Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma, B \vdash A} \text{ (Monotonicity (Mon))} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash B} \text{ (Cut)} \\
\\
\frac{\Gamma, A, B \vdash C}{\Gamma A \wedge B \vdash C} (\wedge \vdash) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \wedge B} (\vdash \wedge) \\
\\
\frac{\Gamma, A \vdash C \quad \Gamma, B \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \vee B \vdash C} (\vee \vdash) \\
\\
\frac{\Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma \vdash A \vee B} (\vdash \vee) \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \vee B} (\vdash \vee) \\
\\
\frac{\Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma, \neg\neg A \vdash B} (\neg\neg \vdash) \quad \frac{\Gamma, \neg\neg A \vdash B}{\Gamma, A \vdash B} (\vdash \neg\neg) \\
\\
\frac{A \vdash B}{\neg B \vdash \neg A} (\neg).
\end{array}$$

For LP, K_3 , and CL we will need available the following axioms.

$$\Gamma \vdash A \vee \neg A \text{ (Excluded Middle (EM))} \quad A \wedge \neg A \vdash B \text{ (Explosion (Exp))}$$

Let $LP_D = FDE_D + EM$, $K_{3D} = FDE_D + Exp$, $CL_D = FDE_D + EM + Exp$.

Lemma 5.1. *LP_D is D-sound and D-complete with respect to LP. K_{3D} is D-sound and D-complete with respect to K_3 . CL_D is D-sound and D-complete with respect to CL.*

Proof. See, for example, [14]. □

Now let us take the canonical extensions of our logics. Note that since FDE_D differs from the other three logics only by inclusion of various axioms, and since derivative rules are not defined on axioms, all four will have the same set of derivative rules. Each rule with one premise will produce one derivative rule. Each rule with two premises will produce two derivative rules. Here are the derivative rules.

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\Gamma, B \dashv A}{\Gamma \dashv A} \text{ (antimonotonicity (antimon))} \\
\frac{\Gamma \dashv B \quad \Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma \dashv A} \text{ (anticut}_1\text{)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \dashv B \quad \Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma, A \dashv B} \text{ (anticut}_2\text{)} \\
\frac{\Gamma, A \wedge B \dashv C}{\Gamma, A, B \dashv C} (\wedge \dashv) \\
\frac{\Gamma \dashv A \wedge B \quad \Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \dashv A} (\dashv \wedge) \quad \frac{\Gamma \dashv A \wedge B \quad \Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma \dashv B} (\dashv \wedge) \\
\frac{\Gamma, A \vee B \dashv C \quad \Gamma, B \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \dashv C} (\vee \dashv) \quad \frac{\Gamma, A \vee B \dashv C \quad \Gamma, A \vdash C}{\Gamma, B \dashv C} (\vee \dashv) \\
\frac{\Gamma \dashv A \vee B}{\Gamma \dashv A} (\dashv \vee) \quad \frac{\Gamma \dashv A \vee B}{\Gamma \dashv B} (\dashv \vee) \\
\frac{\Gamma, \neg\neg A \dashv B}{\Gamma, A \dashv B} (\neg\neg \dashv) \quad \frac{\Gamma, A \dashv B}{\Gamma, \neg\neg A \dashv B} (\dashv \neg\neg) \\
\frac{A \dashv B}{\neg B \dashv \neg A} \text{ (anti}\neg\text{)}
\end{array}$$

It is possible some of these rules are redundant. Finding the most economical expression for an L-sound and L-complete hybrid deduction system is not the goal here.

In order to capture FDE, LP, K₃, CL in one uniform treatment, we introduce a special shorthand. Let $\Gamma = \{\gamma_0, \dots, \gamma_{n-1}\}$, $\Delta = \{\delta_0, \dots, \delta_{m-1}\}$ be finite sets of formulas. Γ may be empty, but Δ is nonempty. Let $\bowtie \in \{\vdash, \dashv\}$. Then

$$\Gamma \bowtie \Delta := \{\gamma_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \gamma_{n-1}\} \bowtie (\delta_0 \vee \dots \vee \delta_{m-1}).$$

Essentially, take the conjunction of the formulas on the left, and the disjunction of the formulas on the right. This is one reason why we require Γ, Δ to be finite. Note, $\Gamma \bowtie \Delta$ is a sequent.

We are going to specify conditions for $\Gamma \dashv \Delta$ which will count as our non-structural refutation axiom schemes. In the left column we give the name and in the right column we give the condition on Γ and Δ .

Property	Condition
literals	For all $\psi \in \Gamma \cup \Delta$, ψ is a literal.
disjoint	$\Gamma \cap \Delta = \emptyset$
noncomplementary antecedent	For no $i \neq j \leq n$ does $\gamma_i = \neg\gamma_j$.
noncomplementary consequent	For no $i \neq j \leq m$ does $\delta_i = \neg\delta_j$.

Here are the refutation axiom schemes (RefAx) for the logics.

$$\text{RefAx(FDE)} = \{ \Gamma \dashv \Delta \mid \Gamma, \Delta \text{ are finite sets of formulas that satisfy the} \\ \text{literals and disjoint properties.} \}$$

$$\text{RefAx(LP)} = \{ \Gamma \dashv \Delta \mid \Gamma, \Delta \text{ are finite sets of formulas that satisfy the} \\ \text{literals, disjoint, and} \\ \text{noncomplementary consequent properties.} \}$$

$$\text{RefAx(K}_3\text{)} = \{ \Gamma \dashv \Delta \mid \Gamma, \Delta \text{ are finite sets of formulas that satisfy the} \\ \text{literals, disjoint, and} \\ \text{noncomplementary antecedent properties.} \}$$

$$\text{RefAx(CL)} = \{ \Gamma \dashv \Delta \mid \Gamma, \Delta \text{ are finite sets of formulas that satisfy the} \\ \text{literals, disjoint,} \\ \text{noncomplementary antecedent, and} \\ \text{noncomplementary consequent properties.} \}$$

Theorem 5.2. *For $L \in \{FDE, LP, K_3, CL\}$, $\text{RefAx}(L)$ is R-sound with respect to L .*

Proof. Let L be a logic among FDE, LP, K_3 , CL. Let $\Gamma \dashv \Delta$ be an instance of $\text{RefAx}(L)$. We wish to show $\Gamma \not\models_L \Delta$. We will argue by cases for each logic. For each L we demonstrate a model $*$ which satisfies Γ and does not satisfy Δ .

- *Case: $L=FDE$:*
 - Let $\gamma^* = b$ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and let $\delta^* = n$ for all $\delta \in \Delta$. This is possible to do since Γ, Δ are disjoint sets of literals.
- *Case $L=LP$:*
 - Let $\gamma^* = b$ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$. If $q = \delta \in \Delta$ for some propositional variable q , then let $q^* = f$. If $\delta = \neg q$, let $q^* = t$. This is possible to do since Γ, Δ are disjoint sets of literals, and because Δ contains no complementary literals.
- *Case $L= K_3$:*
 - Let $\delta^* = n$ for all $\delta \in \Delta$. If $p = \gamma \in \Gamma$ for some propositional variable p , then let $p^* = t$. If $\gamma = \neg p$, let $p^* = f$. This is possible to do since Γ, Δ are disjoint sets of literals, and because Γ contains no complementary literals.
- *Case $L=CL$:*

- If $p = \gamma \in \Gamma$ for some propositional variable p , then let $p^* = t$. If $\gamma = \neg p$, let $p^* = f$. If $q = \delta \in \Delta$ for some propositional variable q , then let $q^* = f$. If $\delta = \neg q$, let $q^* = t$. This is possible to do since Γ, Δ are disjoint sets of literals, and neither Γ nor Δ contains complementary literals.

□

We now define the hybrid derivation systems for our logics. In the next section we will prove their L-soundness and L-completeness for finite antecedent.

- $\text{FDE}_H = \mathcal{H}(\text{FDE}_D) + \text{RefAx}(\text{FDE})$.
- $\text{LP}_H = \mathcal{H}(\text{LP}_D) + \text{RefAx}(\text{LP})$.
- $\text{K}_3H = \mathcal{H}(\text{K}_3D) + \text{RefAx}(\text{K}_3)$.
- $\text{CL}_H = \mathcal{H}(\text{CL}_D) + \text{RefAx}(\text{CL})$.

In [7], Goranko also defined a hybrid derivation system which is L-sound and complete for classical logic. He took the canonical extension of a cut-free formulation for classical logic to produce his system. The advantages of his system are that it is cut-free, and it does not rely on the anticut rules. One advantage of our system is that though it does use cut and anticut, it is fairly general. One proof technique will prove L-soundness and completeness for all four logics involved. Due to the uniformity of our approach, the major differences between the calculi appear at the level of their axiom and refutation axiom schemes.

5.2 L-soundness and L-completeness

Theorem 5.3. *For $L \in \{\text{FDE}, \text{LP}, \text{K}_3, \text{CL}\}$, L_H is L-sound and finitely L-complete with respect to L .*

Proof. Let L be among FDE, KP, K₃, CL. We will show that L_H is L-sound and finitely L-complete. It is enough to show that L_H is D-sound, D-complete, R-sound, and finitely R-complete.

To see that L_H is D-complete, note that L_H is an extension of L_D, which is D-complete. Therefore, since L_D proves all valid entailments, so too does L_H. Thus L_H is D-complete.

To see that L_H is D-sound, note that if a rule of L_H has as its conclusion a deduction sequent, then that rule was already in L_D. Therefore, since L_D is D-sound, so is L_H.

To see that L_H is R-sound, note that if a rule of L_H has as its conclusion a refutation sequent, then that rule is either a refutation axiom of RefAx(L), or it is a derivative rule of some rule in L_D. In the former case, we have shown that RefAx(L) is R-sound with respect to L (Theorem 5.2). In the latter case, since L_D is a purely deductive system, then by Corollary 4.1.3 the set of derivative

rules of L_D is R-sound with respect to L. In either case, if $\Vdash_{L_H} \Gamma \dashv \alpha$ then $\Gamma \not\vdash_L \alpha$, so L_H is R-sound.

We will now prove R-completeness for finite Γ .

Suppose for some finite Γ that $\Gamma \not\vdash_L \alpha$. We wish to show $\Gamma \dashv_L \alpha$. We will omit the L subscript on \dashv moving forward. This is an adaptation of Goranko's proof in [7]. His proof did not use anticut. Our's does, and thus allows us to prove the same results, without the intermediary lemmas he uses. The problem is, his lemmas are not true for some of our logics, so we cannot follow his proof directly.

First assume Γ and α are in conjunctive normal form. That is

$$\Gamma = \bigwedge_{i=1}^m A^i \quad A^i = \bigvee_{j=1}^{m_i} B_j^i \quad \alpha = \bigwedge_{k=1}^n C^k \quad C^k = \bigvee_{l=1}^{n_k} D_l^k$$

where B_j^i and D_l^k are all literals.

Let $D(L)$ be the set of designated values of the logic L. Since $\Gamma \not\vdash \alpha$, there is a model $*$ such that for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$, $\gamma^* \in D(L)$, yet $\alpha^* \notin D(L)$. Fix one such model $*$.

For a literal p , define p° as $p^\circ = p$ if $p^* \in D(L)$, and $p^\circ = \neg p$ if $p^* \notin D(L)$. For a set of formulas X , define $Lit(X) = \{p \mid p \text{ is a literal in } X\}$. Then define $\Gamma^\circ = \{p^\circ \mid p \in Lit(\Gamma)\}$. It is clear that Γ° satisfies $*$, therefore $\Gamma^\circ \not\vdash_L \alpha$. Then $\Gamma^\circ \not\vdash_L C^k$ for some $k \leq n$. That is, $\Gamma^\circ \not\vdash_L \bigvee_{l=1}^{n_k} D_l^k$. Since $D_1^k, \dots, D_{n_k}^k$ are all literals, if we let $\Delta_k = Lit(\{\bigvee_{l=1}^{n_k} D_l^k\})$ we have $\Gamma^\circ \cap \Delta_k = \emptyset$.

Depending on our logic, we may have some more conditions on Γ° and Δ_k . Since Γ° is satisfiable, this means that if we are working in CL or K_3 , Γ° contains no complimentary literals. Since $\bigvee_{k=1}^{n_k} D_l^k$ is falsifiable, this means that if we are working in CL or LP, Δ_k contains no complimentary literals. We see that in all four cases, $\Gamma^\circ \dashv \Delta_k$ is an instance of a refutation axiom for L.

We pause this train of thought for a moment and turn to Γ . We want to show $\Gamma^\circ \vdash \Gamma$. Since Γ is satisfied by $*$, A^i is satisfied by $*$ for each $i \leq m$. Then, for each i , there exists a $r_i \leq m_i$ such that $B_{r_i}^i$ is satisfied by $*$. Thus $(B_{r_i}^i)^\circ = B_{r_i}^i$, so $B_{r_i}^i \in \Gamma^\circ$. Thus for each $i \leq m$, $\Gamma^\circ \vdash B_{r_i}^i$, so $\Gamma^\circ \vdash A^i$. Applying some standard FDE logic, we get $\Gamma^\circ \vdash \Gamma$.

Here, now, is the proof of $\Gamma \dashv \alpha$. (Some lines in the proof merely rename terms in the preceding line. They are included only to aid readability of the proof.)

$$\frac{\Gamma^\circ \dashv \Delta_k \quad (\text{RefAx(L)})}{\Gamma^\circ \dashv \bigvee_{l=1}^{n_k} D_l^k} \quad \frac{\Gamma^\circ \dashv C^k \quad \Gamma^\circ, \bigwedge_{j=1}^n C^j \vdash C^k}{\Gamma^\circ \dashv \bigwedge_{j=1}^n C^j} \quad (\text{anticut}_1)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma^\circ \dashv \bigwedge_{j=1}^n C^j \quad \Gamma^\circ \vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma^\circ \dashv \alpha} \quad \frac{\Gamma^\circ \dashv \alpha \quad \Gamma^\circ \vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma \dashv \alpha} \quad (\text{anticut}_2)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma^\circ \dashv \alpha \quad \Gamma^\circ \vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma \dashv \alpha} \quad (\text{antimon})$$

Now if Γ is not a single formula in normal form, or if α is not in normal form, we will show the result still holds.

Let $\Gamma = \{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n\}$ be a finite set of formulas. Let $\tilde{\Gamma}$ be the conjunctive normal form of the conjunction of all formulas in Γ . Let $\tilde{\alpha}$ be the conjunctive normal form of α . We have the following proof of $\Gamma \dashv \alpha$, given $\tilde{\Gamma} \dashv \tilde{\alpha}$.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\tilde{\Gamma} \dashv \tilde{\alpha} \quad \tilde{\Gamma} \vdash \gamma_1}{\tilde{\Gamma}, \gamma_1 \dashv \tilde{\alpha}} \text{ (anticut}_2\text{)} \\
 \vdots \\
 \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}, \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{n-1} \dashv \tilde{\alpha} \quad \tilde{\Gamma} \vdash \gamma_n}{\tilde{\Gamma}, \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n \dashv \tilde{\alpha}} \text{ (anticut}_2\text{)} \\
 \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}, \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n \dashv \tilde{\alpha}}{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n \dashv \tilde{\alpha}} \text{ (antimon)} \\
 \frac{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n \dashv \tilde{\alpha} \quad \Gamma, \alpha \vdash \tilde{\alpha}}{\Gamma \dashv \alpha} \text{ (anticut}_1\text{)}
 \end{array}$$

□

5.3 Admissibility of rules

Given a hybrid derivation system \mathcal{D} , a rule R is *admissible* with respect to \mathcal{D} if no new sequents are proved in the expanded system $\mathcal{D} \cup \{R\}$. A set of rules $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{D}$ is *redundant* in \mathcal{D} if each rule in \mathcal{E} is admissible in $\mathcal{D} \setminus \mathcal{E}$.

Corollary 5.3.1. *The set of rules $\{\wedge \dashv, \vee \dashv, \dashv \vee, \dashv \wedge, \dashv \neg, \neg \dashv, \text{anti}\neg\}$ are redundant in $FDE_H, LP_H, K_{3H}, CL_H$.*

Proof. In the proofs of R-completeness above, the only rules used were refutation axioms, anticut₁, anticut₂, antimonotonicity, and $\dashv \wedge$. □

6 Final thoughts

Hybrid refutation deduction systems, though not new, are a relatively unexplored area of proof theory. We believe that they warrant further attention, and are of interest to the logic community for at least three reasons.

First, they are a novel kind of deductive system, and thus intrinsically worthwhile to the curious logician. It would be philosophically interesting and likely fruitful to follow Łukasiewicz and consider the consequences of treating “accept” and “reject” on par.

Second, they offer the logician a new tool, namely the ability to prove validities and nonvalidities syntactically in the same framework. While for a given logic we may already have access to countermodels to prove nonvalidity of a sequent, having a syntactic method to do so provides the logician or automated theorem prover an additional option. Moreover, for some logics constructing

countermodels may be difficult or computationally expensive. In such cases a syntactic approach may be preferable.

Third, being able to prove both deduction and refutation sequents, hybrid systems offer the possibility of shorter proof lengths and increased computational efficiency. Though we do not touch on computational matters in this paper, future studies should seek to quantify the trade-offs and benefits of using hybrid systems for formal proof writing and proof search.

In this paper, we offer original L-sound and complete hybrid systems for four FDE-based logics, namely FDE, LP, K_3 , and CL. As far as we know, these are the first L-sound and complete systems for LP and K_3 . The main technique used is a continuation of a key idea in [7] – to create an L-sound and complete hybrid system from the canonical extension of a purely deductive system, along with appropriate refutation axiom schemes. One main contribution of this work is to demonstrate the creation of multiple L-sound and complete hybrid extensions at the same time, using a uniform procedure.

The generality of this technique suggests that it may have fairly wide application. Further studies should apply it to more purely deductive systems – extensions of FDE would be a good place to start. We believe this work is an early step towards developing a general theory of L-sound and complete hybrid extensions of pure systems. The ultimate goal here would be an algorithm to create an L-sound and complete hybrid extension whenever possible.

Now if a logic is not decidable, then as discussed earlier no recursively axiomatized hybrid system will be L-sound and L-complete for it. But for those purely deductive systems which are decidable, it would be prudent to explore in greater depth their canonical extensions. A natural question to ask is, if \mathcal{D} is a purely deductive system, and is D-sound and complete with respect to a logic \models_L , is there a (finite, recursively enumerable) set of refutation axioms $\text{RefAx}(L)$ such that $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D}) + \text{RefAx}(L)$ is L-sound and complete with respect to \models_L ? If yes, can we constructively produce such a set of refutation axioms? If yes again, we have essentially achieved the goal of giving a mechanical procedure to turn a D-sound and complete purely deductive system into an L-sound and complete hybrid system. That goal in the general case may be too ambitious. Yet, perhaps there are classes of deductive systems for which it is attainable.

Towards the task of specifying refutation axioms, it is interesting to note a duality between the refutation and deduction axioms of LP and K_3 .

- $\Gamma \vdash \Delta$ is a deduction axiom of LP only if Δ contains a complementary pair.
- $\Gamma \dashv \Delta$ is a refutation axiom of LP only if Γ contains no noncomplementary pairs.
- $\Gamma \vdash \Delta$ is a deduction axiom of K_3 only if Γ contains a complementary pair.
- $\Gamma \dashv \Delta$ is a refutation axiom of K_3 only if Δ contains no noncomplementary pairs.

Does the close symmetry between deduction axioms and refutation axioms seen here give us a clue as to how to produce refutation axiom schemes for L-sound and complete hybrid extensions in the general case?

Finally, to be a tool with practical applications in automated theorem proving, hybrid systems should allow elimination of cut and anticut rules. We could of course obtain anitcut free formulations automatically by taking the canonical extension of a cut-free system. The anticut rules are the derivative rules of cut, so if there is no cut, there are no anticut rules in the canonical extension. This is the approach taken in [7]. However, proving L-soundness and completeness in such cases appears to be rather idiosyncratic to the logic at hand. Much of the uniformity of our proofs arose through liberal use of anticut, and it is not immediately clear how to eliminate anticut from our proofs. Still, future work should try to develop a uniform procedure to prove L-soundness and completeness in such hybrid systems. Alternatively, for a given class of hybrid systems which do contain cut and anticut, develop a uniform procedure to eliminate cut and anticut in them.

This line of research opens the door to exploring the relationship between cut and anticut rules in general. For example, if \vdash admits cut elimination, does \dashv admit elimination of the anticut rules? Can a cut-elimination procedure be adapted to produce an anticut-elimination procedure?

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