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Apodeictic Syllogisms: Deductions and Decision Procedures

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One semantic and two syntactic decision procedures are given for determining the validity of Aristotelian assertoric and apodeictic syllogisms. Results are obtained by using the Aristotelian deductions that necessarily have an even number of premises.

1. Background

McCall's 1963 L-X-M calculus generates the two-premised assertoric and apodeictic syllogisms that are clearly valid for Aristotle. But McCall's account of deduction does not match that found in Aristotle's *Prior Analytics*, A25. One of the purposes of the following discussion is to give a recursive definition of deduction for syllogisms with two or more premises that matches Aristotle's. With it we can make sense of the passages in A25 that have puzzled commentators. So, for example, we show that every deduction has an even number of premises and an odd number of members.

In many respects the system developed below is similar to McCall's. For example, all of McCall's 333 "valid L-X-M moods" are deducible in the following system. But the system diverges from McCall's in that L1aa will not be regarded as valid. Thom 1991 gives good reasons for not regarding it in this way.

The syntax for the system is taken from Johnson 1993, which makes use of singular sentences to accommodate proofs by *ecthesis*. So the system is unlike McCall's L-X-M, which excludes singular sentences.

The semantics for the system is similar to that in Johnson 1993. Its set-up commits Aristotle to the truth of certain sentences without making the truth values assigned to sentences a function of assignments that make up the sentence. So, for example, we commit Aristotle to saying that for every predicate term 'a' there is some singular term 'm' such that 'm is a' is true. But we remain neutral on the question of whether by saying this we are committing him to saying that (i) every predicate term denotes a non-empty set or (ii) there is no uninstantiated property.

But the semantics below also differs from that in Johnson 1993, which accommodated Thom's 1991 claim that, for Aristotle, if something is necessarily an x then anything that is an x is necessarily an x. (In personal correspondence Thom recently told me that, for Aristotle, snow is necessarily white but it is not true that everything that is white is necessarily white. I think Thom's recent remark is right, and the semantics below conforms with it. So, in this sense, the semantics is similar to that in Johnson 1989.)

Decision procedures for determining the validity of syllogisms are given by:
 (i) putting a limit on the number of valuations needed to find counterexamples;
 (ii) putting a limit on the size of deductions; and (iii) listing forms of inconsistent sets for the syllogistic language.

2. Preliminaries

Sentences are built from

Names: m_1, m_2, \dots

Terms: a_1, a_2, \dots

Copulas: $\in, \in_n, \notin, \notin_n$

Quantifiers: A, E, I, O

Operators: L, M

Definition 2.1: (1) $m c a$ is a *singular sentence* iff m is a name, c is a copula, and a is a term. (2) Qab is an *assertoric sentence* iff Q is a quantifier and both a and b are terms. (3) Lx and Mx are *apodeictic sentences* iff x is an assertoric sentence. (4) Singular sentences, assertoric sentences, and apodeictic sentences are *sentences* and are the only *sentences*. (Read ' $m_1 \in a_1$ ' as ' m_1 is an a_1 ', ' $m_1 \in_n a_1$ ' as ' m_1 is necessarily an a_1 ', ' $m_1 \notin a_1$ ' as ' m_1 is not an a_1 ', ' $m_1 \notin_n a_1$ ' as ' m_1 is necessarily not an a_1 ', ' LAa_1a_2 ' as 'Necessarily all a_1 are a_2 ', and ' MEa_1a_2 ' as 'Possibly no a_1 are a_2 ', etc.)

Definition 2.2.: A finite set of sentences is a *chain* iff each number of the set is an assertoric or apodeictic sentence and the members of the set can be arranged as a finite sequence such that each term occurs exactly twice and in consecutive members of the sequence, where the first and last members of a sequence are consecutive members. (A set of sentences with one member is a chain iff its member is a sentence in which one term occurs twice.)

Definition 2.3: $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a *syllogism* iff Y, x (that is $Y \cup \{x\}$) is a chain. (So, for example, $\langle \{LAa_1a_2\}, LIa_2a_1 \rangle$ is a syllogism but $\langle \{LAa_1a_2\}, LIa_1a_1 \rangle$ is not. (Set brackets will often be omitted when referring to chains and syllogisms.) A syllogism $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is an *apodeictic syllogism* if one of the members of Y, x is an apodeictic sentence; otherwise, it is an *assertoric syllogism*. (There are 12×24^n syllogisms with exactly n premises.)

Definition 2.4: An ϵ -*evaluation* is a function v that assigns t or f to sentences, which meets the sixteen conditions stated below. In the statement of these conditions, $a, b,$ and c range over terms and m ranges over names. There are countably many terms and countably many names.

- (1) For every a , there is an m such that $v(m \in a) = t$.
- (2) For every m and a , $v(m \in a) = t$ iff $v(m \notin a) = f$.
- (3) For every m and a , if $v(m \in_n a) = t$ then $v(m \in a) = t$.
- (4) For every m and a , if $v(m \notin_n a) = t$ then $v(m \notin a) = t$.
- (5) $v(Aab) = t$ iff, for every m , if $v(m \in a) = t$ then $v(m \in b) = t$.
- (6) $v(Eab) = t$ iff no m is such that $v(m \in a) = t$ and $v(m \in b) = t$.
- (7) $v(Iab) = t$ iff $v(Eab) = f$.
- (8) $v(Oab) = t$ iff $v(Aab) = f$.

- (9) $v(LAab) = t$ iff
 - (i) for every m , if $v(m \in a) = t$ then $v(m \in_n b) = t$, and
 - (ii) for every m and c , if $v(m \notin_n b) = t$ and $v(Aca) = t$ then $v(m \in c) = t$.
- (10) $v(LEab) = t$ iff
 - (i) for every m and c , if $v(m \in a) = t$ and $v(Acb) = t$ then $v(m \in c) = t$, and
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 - (iii) for every c , if, for some m , $v(m \in a) = t$ and $v(m \in c) = t$, then for some n , $v(n \notin_n b) = t$ and $v(n \in_n c) = t$, and
 - (iv) for every c , if, for some m , $v(m \in b) = t$ and $v(m \in c) = t$, then for some n , $v(n \notin_n a) = t$ and $v(n \in_n c) = t$.
- (11) $v(LIab) = t$ iff either
 - (i) for some m , $v(m \in a) = t$ and $v(m \in_n b) = t$, or
 - (ii) for some m , $v(m \in_n a) = t$ and $v(m \in b) = t$.
- (12) $v(LOab) = t$ iff, for some m , $v(m \in_n a) = t$ and $v(m \notin_n b) = t$.
- (13) $v(MAab) = t$ iff $v(LOab) = f$.
- (14) $v(MEab) = t$ iff $v(LIab) = f$.
- (15) $v(MIab) = t$ iff $v(LEab) = f$.
- (16) $v(MOab) = t$ iff $v(LAab) = f$.

Definition 2.5: v is an ϵ^n -*valuation* iff v is an ϵ -valuation (infinite) set of sentences such that v assigns t to each member of Y , then no more than n names occur in the members of Y . Y is ϵ^n -*satisfiable* (iff there is an ϵ -valuation v that assigns t to each member of Y). Y is *inconsistent* iff Y is not ϵ^n -satisfiable. $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is *valid* ($Y \vdash x$) iff Y, x^* is inconsistent, where $LAab^* = LAba$, $LIab^* = MEab$, $LOab^* = MAab$, $Aab^* = Oab$, $Eab^* = Iab$, $Oab^* = Aab$, $MAab^* = LOab$, $MEab^* = LIab$, $MIab^* = LEab$, and $MOab^* = LAab$.

3. V_n -syllogisms

$X/LAab$ refers to Aab or $LAab$. $X/LAa - b$ refers to \emptyset if $a = b$; otherwise, it refers to $\{X/LAb_1b_2, \dots, X/LAb_{n-1}b_n\}$, where $a = b_1, b = b_n$. $X/LAa - c$, LAc , $\{LAa_2a_3, Aa_3a_4, LAa_4a_5\}$ has form $X/LAa - b$ and also form $X/LAa - c$. $\{LAa_2a_3, Aa_3a_4\}$ has form $X/LAa - b$ but not form LAc . $X/LIab$ refers to Iab or $LIab$; and $X/LOab$ refers to Oab or $LOab$.

Definition 3.1: A chain has an I_n -*form* iff it has n members, one of the following I -*forms* (inconsistent-forms):

- 11 $X/LAa - b, X/LOab$
- 12 $LAc - c, MAcd, LAd - b, LOab$
- 13 $X/LAa - c, LAc, MOab$
- 21 $X/LAc - a, X/LAc - b, X/LEab$
- 22 $X/LAc - a, X/LAc - d, MAde, X/LAc - b, LEab$ (or $LEba$)
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 (iii) for every c , if, for some m , $v(m \in a) = t$ and $v(m \in c) = t$ then, for
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 $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is *valid* ($Y \vDash x$) iff Y, x^* is inconsistent, where $LAab^* = MOab$, $LEab^* =$
 $MIab$, $LIab^* = MEab$, $LOab^* = MAab$, $Aab^* = Oab$, $Eab^* = Iab$, $Iab^* = Eab$,
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 it refers to $\{X/LAb_1b_2, \dots, X/LAb_{n-1}b_n\}$, where $a = b_1, b = b_n, n > 1$. $LAa - b$
 refers to \emptyset , if $a = b$; otherwise, it refers to $X/LAa - c, LAc b$. (So, for example,
 $\{LAa_2a_3, Aa_3a_4, LAa_4a_5\}$ has form $X/LAa - b$ and also form $LAa - b$.
 $\{LAa_2a_3, Aa_3a_4\}$ has form $X/LAa - b$ but not form $LAa - b$.) $X/LEab$ refers to
 Eab or $LEab$; $X/LIab$ refers to Iab or $LIab$; and $X/LOab$ refers to Oab or
 $LOab$.

Definition 3.1: A chain has an I_n -*form* iff it has n members, for $n \geq 1$, and has
 one of the following I -forms (inconsistent-forms):

- 11 $X/LAa - b, X/LC ab$
 12 $LAa - c, MAcd, LAd - b, LOab$
 13 $X/LAa - c, LAc b, MOab$
 21 $X/LAc - a, X/LAc - b, X/LEab$
 22 $X/LAc - a, X/LAc - d, MAde, X/LAe - b, LEab$ (or $LEba$)
 23 $X/LAc - a, X/LAc - d, LAd b, MEab$ (or $MEba$)
 31 $X/LAc - a, X/LAd - b, X/LIcd, X/LEab$ (or $X/LEba$)
 32 $X/LAc - a, X/LAd - e, MAef, X/LAf - b, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$), $LEab$ (or
 $LEba$)

- 33 X/LAc - a, X/LAd - b, Mlcd, LEab (or LEba)
 34 LIab, MEab (or MEba)
 35 X/LAc - a, X/LAd - e, LAeb, X/Llcd (or X/LIdc), MEab (or MEba)

So, for example, all of the following sets of sentences have I-form 11: $\{Oa_1a_1\}$, $\{LOa_1a_1\}$, $\{Aa_1a_2, Oa_1a_2\}$, $\{Aa_1a_2, LOa_1a_2\}$, $\{LAa_1a_2, Oa_1a_2\}$, $\{LAa_1a_2, LOa_1a_2\}$, $\{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3, Oa_1a_3\}$, $\{LAa_1a_2, LAa_2a_3, LOa_1a_3\}$, among others. In contrast to sets of sentences with I-form 11, sets with I-form 12 have at least two members and sets with I-form 32 have at least three members.

The I-forms are numbered to reflect their relations to the three Smiley-forms, defined below.

Definition 3.2: $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a *V-syllogism* (valid-syllogism) iff it is a syllogism and Y, x^* has an I-form. $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a *V_n-syllogism* iff $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V-syllogism and Y, x has n members.

Since $\{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3, Aa_1a_3^*$ (that is, $Oa_1a_3\})$ has I-form 11, and since $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3\}, Aa_1a_3 \rangle$ (Barbara-XXX) is a V₃-syllogism. Since $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Oa_2a_3^*$ (that is, $Aa_2a_3\}), Oa_1a_3 \rangle$ has I-form 11, and since $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Oa_1a_3\}, Oa_2a_3 \rangle$ is a syllogism, $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Oa_1a_3\}, Oa_2a_3 \rangle$ (Bocardo-XXX) is a V₃-syllogism.

The following table lists the 333 V₃-syllogisms.

	X/L	L	L	X	L	M	M	X	L	M
	X/L	L	X	L	M	L	X	M	M	L
	X/M	L	L	L	M	M	M	M	X	X
Barbara	11	13	13		12	12				
Celarent	31	33	33		32	35			32	35
Darii	31	35	35		33	32	32	33		
Ferio	31	32	32		33	35	35		33	
Cesare	31	33	33		32	35			32	35
Camestres	31	33		33	35	32			35	32
Festino	31	32	32		33	35	35		33	
Baroco	11	12			13	12			13	
Darapti	21	23	23	23	22	22	22	22		
Felapton	21	22	22		22	23	23		22	
Disamis	31	35		35	32	33	33	32		
Datisi	31	35	35		33	32	32	33		
Bocardo	11	12			12	13	13			
Ferison	31	32	32		33	35	35		33	
Bramantip	21	23		23	22	22	22	22		
Camenes	31	33		33	35	32			35	32
Dimaris	31	35		35	32	33	33	32		
Fresison	31	32	32		33	35	35		33	
Fesapo	21	22	22		22	23	23		22	
Barbari	21	23	23		22	22	22	22		
Celaront	21	22	22		22	23	23		22	23
Cesaro	21	22	22		22	23	23		22	23
Camestrop	21	22		22	23	22			23	22
Camenop	21	22		22	23	22			23	22
Total	192	24	15	8	24	24	16	7	15	8 = 333

Cells marked with a numeral indicate the I-form that generates the syllogism. So, for example, I-form 11 generates Barbara-XXX, Baroco-XXX, Baroco-LLM, among others. I-form 22 generates Camenop-MLX, among others. I-form 22 generates Camenop-MLX: $\langle \{MAa_1a_2, LEa_2a_3\}, Oa_3a_1 \rangle$. The syllogism generated by I-form 22, first form the following special case: $c = a$ and $e = b$: $\{Aad, MAde, LEea\}$. Then replace a by a_2 , forming $\{Aa_3a_1$ (that is, Oa_3, a_1^*), $MAa_1a_2, LEa_2a_3\}$.

The 333 V₃-syllogisms are precisely the syllogisms that Aristotle counts as the 'valid L-X-M moods'. Following McCall, these syllogisms are recognized as valid or would have regarded as valid if Aristotle had worked out his system in more detail. No empty cell on the table indicates a syllogism that Aristotle recognized as valid.

Some features of V_n-syllogisms are obvious. (For example, there are no V_n-syllogisms in which L occurs in the conclusion and L does not occur in the premises. And there is no V_n-syllogism in which I occurs in the conclusion and I does not occur in the premises.) Others are less obvious but are still decidable. (For example, are there moods are there such that some V_n-syllogism has this mood? How many V_n-syllogisms are there?)

One of our goals will be to show that the V_n-syllogisms are decidable. Half of the argument is found in the next theorem. The other half will use the account of deducibility given in the next section.

Theorem 3.1: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism, $Y \cup \{x\}$ has n members. $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V_n-syllogism.

Proof. A chain α has a *Smiley-form* iff α has one of the I-forms provided 'L' does not occur in α . (These forms, listed in Theorem 3.1, are provided in Johnson 1973, provide a decision procedure for determining whether a chain is an assertoric syllogism.) By definition, if α is a chain then α^x results from deleting all occurrences of L and M in α , and α^x results from replacing all occurrences of Qab in α^x with L and M. (So, if $\alpha = MAa_1a_2, LOa_2a_1$, then $\alpha^x = Aa_1a_2, LOa_2a_1$. By inspecting the I-forms we note that if α has I-form 13 then α^x has a Smiley-form. For example, if α has I-form 13 then α^x has I-form r1.)

Theorem 3.1 follows immediately from Lemmas 1 and 2.

Lemma 1: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form and α^x has a Smiley-form then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. Use the following two lemmas.

Lemma 1.1: If α is a chain and α^x does not have a Smiley-form then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. The general strategy is to take advantage of Johnson's account of deducibility involving "ordinary" set-theoretic definitions of satisfiability.

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(or MEba)

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Example, all of the following sets of sentences have I-form 11: $\{Aa_1a_1\}$, $\{Aa_1a_2, Oa_1a_2\}$, $\{Aa_1a_2, LOa_1a_2\}$, $\{LAa_1a_2, Oa_1a_2\}$, $\{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3, Oa_1a_3\}$, $\{LAa_1a_2, LAa_2a_3, LOa_1a_3\}$, among others. Sets with I-form 11, sets with I-form 12 have at least three members.

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$\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a *V-syllogism* (valid-syllogism) iff it is a syllogism and $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a *V_n-syllogism* iff $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V-syllogism and Y, x are numbered to reflect their relations to the three Smiley-forms below.

$\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3, Aa_1a_3\}, \{Oa_1a_3\} \rangle$ has I-form 11, and since $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3\}, Aa_1a_3 \rangle$ is a syllogism, $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3\}, Aa_1a_3 \rangle$ (Barbara-syllogism). Since $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Oa_2a_3\}, Oa_1a_3 \rangle$ has I-form 11, $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Oa_2a_3\}, Oa_1a_3 \rangle$ is a syllogism, $\langle \{Aa_1a_2, Oa_2a_3\}, Oa_1a_3 \rangle$ (Baroco-XXX) is a *V₃-syllogism*.

The following table lists the 333 *V₃-syllogisms*.

X/L	L	L	X	L	M	M	X	L	M
X/L	L	X	L	M	L	X	M	M	L
X/M	L	L	L	M	M	M	M	X	X
11	13	13		12	12				
31	33	33		32	35			32	35
31	35	35		33	32	32	33		
31	32	32		33	35	35		33	
31	33	33		32	35			32	35
31	33		33	35	32			35	32
31	32	32		33	35	35		33	
11	12			13	12			13	
21	23	23	23	22	22	22	22		
21	22	22		22	23	23		22	
31	35		35	32	33	33	32		
31	35	35		33	32	32	33		
11	12			12	13	13			
31	32	32		33	35	35		33	
21	23		23	22	22	22	22		
31	33		33	35	32			35	32
31	35		35	32	33	33	32		
31	32	32		33	35	35		33	
21	22	22		22	23	23		22	
21	23	23		22	22	22	22		
21	22	22		22	23	23		22	23
21	22	22		22	23	23		22	23
21	22		22	23	22			23	22
21	22		22	23	22			23	22
92	24	15	8	24	24	16	7	15	8 = 333

Cells marked with a numeral indicate the I-form that generates the *V₃-syllogism*. So, for example, I-form 11 generates Barbara-XXX, Barbara-XXM, and Bo-cardo-LLM, among others. I-form 22 generates Camenop-MLX. (Consider this example of Camenop-MLX: $\langle \{MAa_1a_2, LEa_2a_3\}, Oa_3a_1 \rangle$. To recognize that it is generated by I-form 22, first form the following special case of I-form 22, where $c = a$ and $e = b$: $\{Aad, MAde, LEea\}$. Then replace a by a_3 , d by a_1 , and e by a_2 , forming $\{Aa_3a_1$ (that is, Oa_3, a_1^*), $MAa_1a_2, LEa_2a_3\}$.)

The 333 *V₃-syllogisms* are precisely the syllogisms that McCall 1963, p. 46, counts as the 'valid L-X-M moods'. Following McCall, these are inferences that Aristotle recognized as valid or would have regarded as valid if he had worked out his system in more detail. No empty cell on the table marks an inference that Aristotle recognized as valid.

Some features of *V_n-syllogisms* are obvious. (For example, there are no *V_n-syllogisms* in which L occurs in the conclusion and L does not occur in the premises. And there is no *V_n-syllogism* in which I occurs more than once in the premises.) Others are less obvious but are still decidable. (For any n how many moods are there such that some *V_n-syllogism* has this mood? For any n how many *V_n-syllogisms* are there?)

One of our goals will be to show that the *V_n-syllogisms* are the valid syllogisms. Half of the argument is found in the next theorem. The remaining half will use the account of deducibility given in the next section.

Theorem 3.1: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism, $Y \cup \{x\}$ has n members, and $Y \models x$, then $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a *V_n-syllogism*.

Proof. A chain α has a *Smiley-form* iff α has one of the I-forms 11, 21, and 31, provided 'L' does not occur in α . (These forms, listed in Theorem 2 on p. 143 of Smiley 1973, provide a decision procedure for determining the validity of assertoric syllogisms.) By definition, if α is a chain then α^x is the chain that results from deleting all occurrences of L and M in α , and α^L is the chain that results from replacing all occurrences of Qab in α^x with LQab, where Q is a quantifier. (So, if $\alpha = MAa_1a_2, LOa_2a_1$, then $\alpha^x = Aa_1a_2, Oa_2a_1$ and $\alpha^L = LAa_1a_2, LOa_2a_1$. By inspecting the I-forms we note that if α has an I-form then α^x has a Smiley-form. For example, if α has I-form 13 then α^x has Smiley-form Aa-b, Oab. If α has I-form rs then α^x has I-form r1.)

Theorem 3.1 follows immediately from Lemmas 1 and 2, below.

Lemma 1: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form and α^x does not have a Smiley-form then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. Use the following two lemmas.

Lemma 1.1: If α is a chain and α^x does not have a Smiley-form then α^x is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. The general strategy is to take advantage of Johnson's 1991 result involving "ordinary" set-theoretic definitions of satisfiability for chains, where it

is shown that any chain that does not have an I-form is satisfiable in a three-membered domain.

As in Johnson 1993, we use matrices of form

	a ₁	a ₂	...	a _n	a _{n+1}	...
m ₁						
m ₂						
m ₃						
m ₄						
⋮						

to indicate ϵ -valuations, where each cell is filled with ϵ , ϵ_n , \notin_n , or the empty symbol, and where ϵ or ϵ_n occurs in each column. So, for example, the matrix

g ₁	a ₁	a ₂	a ₃	a ₄	a ₅	...
m ₁	ϵ	ϵ_n	\notin_n	ϵ	...	
m ₂		ϵ				
m ₃			ϵ			
m ₄						
⋮						

indicates an ϵ -valuation, g_1 , where $g_1(m_1 \in a_1) = t$, $g_1(m_1 \in a_2) = t$, $g_1(m_1 \in_n a_2) = t$, $g_1(m_1 \notin a_1) = t$, $g_1(Aa_1a_4) = t$, $g_1(Aa_1a_5) = t$, $g_1(m_2 \notin a_1) = t$, etc.

To prove Lemma 1.1 we convert Johnson's 1991 matrices for models with three-membered domains that show the satisfiability of chains that do not have Smiley-forms into ϵ^3 -valuations. So, for example, the following matrix on p. 186 of Johnson 1991, shows that the chain $\langle Ea_1a_2, Oa_2a_3, Aa_3a_4, Oa_1a_4 \rangle$ is satisfiable:

$$M_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \emptyset & a_3 & a_4 \\ \emptyset & a_2 & \emptyset & a_4 \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \emptyset & \emptyset \end{bmatrix}$$

Convert this matrix, M_1 , in a natural way, forming matrix

g ₂	a ₁	a ₂	a ₃	a ₄	a ₅	...
m ₁	ϵ		ϵ	ϵ	...	
m ₂		ϵ		ϵ		
m ₃						
⋮						

g_2 is an ϵ^3 -valuation that also satisfies the chain $\langle Ea_1a_2, Oa_2a_3, Aa_3a_4, Oa_1a_4 \rangle$. By following the above procedure we can convert any model with a three-membered domain that shows the satisfiability of a chain of assertoric sentences into an ϵ^3 -valuation that shows the satisfiability of the chain.

Lemma 1.2: If α is a chain and α^x does not have a Smiley-form then α^L is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. Assume the antecedent. By Lemma 1.1 there is a matrix

g ₃	a ₁	a ₂	...	a _n	a _{n+1}	...
m ₁						
m ₂						
m ₃						
m ₄						
⋮						

that indicates an ϵ^3 -valuation that satisfies α^x , where cells are empty and the remaining cells are empty or contain ' ϵ '. Convert matrix M_4 by changing each occurrence of ' ϵ ' to ' ϵ_n ', leaving all other cells unchanged. The ϵ^3 -valuation, g_4 , determined by M_4 satisfies α^x . Consider the four types of sentences that could occur in α : LIa_1a_j , and LOa_1a_j . Note that for a sentence Lx of any type, if $g_4(Lx) = f$ then $g_3(x) = f$, though we assumed that $g_3(x) = t$.

Since any ϵ^3 -valuation that assigns t to $LQab$ assigns t to LQa , Lemma 1 is true, given Lemma 1.2.

Lemma 2: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form and M does not occur in α , then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. The lemma follows directly from the following fact: if M does not occur in α , then consider the number of occurrences of M in α .

Lemma 2.1: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form, α^x is satisfiable, and M does not occur in α , then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. If α^x has a Smiley-form and M does not occur in α , then α^x is of form 11, 21, or 31. So the lemma is vacuously true.

Lemma 2.2: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form, α^x is satisfiable, and M occurs exactly once in α , then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. Assume the antecedent. For each of the forms α mentioned above, construct a matrix M such that v_M is an ϵ^3 -valuation that assigns t to M and f to all other sentences in α . The column to the right of the last labeled column has the same number of rows as the first column. For the following matrices Condition 1 is satisfied, since in each of the matrices either ϵ or ϵ_n occurs in each cell.

We let ' XQ occurs in α ' be short for ' Q , but neither LQ nor LQa occurs in α ', where Q is a quantifier.

Case 1: α^x has I-form 11. There are three subcases to consider.

Subcase 1.1: XO occurs in α . Then α has form (1M1) $X/LAd - b, Oab$. Use

v_{1M1}	a	...	c	d	...	b
m ₁	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n			
m ₂				ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n
m ₃						
⋮						

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	a_1	a_2	\dots	a_n	a_{n+1}	\dots
m_1						
m_2						
m_3						
m_4						
\vdots						

valuations, where each cell is filled with ϵ , ϵ_n , \notin_n , or the empty
where ϵ or ϵ_n occurs in each column. So, for example, the matrix

g_1	a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_5	\dots
m_1	ϵ	ϵ_n	\notin_n	ϵ	\dots	
m_2		ϵ				
m_3			ϵ			
m_4						
\vdots						

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 t , $g_1(m_1 \in a_2) = t$, $g_1(Aa_1a_4) = t$, $g_1(Aa_1a_5) = t$, $g_1(m_2 \notin a_1) = t$,

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matrix, M_1 , in a natural way, forming matrix

g_2	a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_5	\dots
m_1	ϵ		ϵ	ϵ	\dots	
m_2		ϵ		ϵ		
m_3						
\vdots						

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α is a chain and α^x does not have a Smiley-form then α^L is

Proof. Assume the antecedent. By Lemma 1.1 there is a matrix, M_3 , of form

g_3	a_1	a_2	\dots	a_n	a_{n+1}	\dots
m_1						
m_2						
m_3						
m_4						
\vdots						

that indicates an ϵ^3 -valuation that satisfies α^x , where cells in row m_i ($i > 3$) are
empty and the remaining cells are empty or contain ' ϵ '. Convert matrix M_3 into
matrix M_4 by changing each occurrence of ' ϵ ' to ' ϵ_n ', leaving the other cells
unchanged. The ϵ^3 -valuation, g_4 , determined by M_4 satisfies α^L . To show this,
consider the four types of sentences that could occur in α^L : $L A a_i a_j$, $L E a_i a_j$,
 $L I a_i a_j$, and $L O a_i a_j$. Note that for a sentence Lx of any of these types if
 $g_4(Lx) = f$ then $g_3(x) = f$, though we assumed that $g_3(x) = t$.

Since any ϵ^3 -valuation that assigns t to $LQab$ assigns t to Qab and $MQab$,
Lemma 1 is true, given Lemma 1.2.

Lemma 2: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form and α^x has a Smiley-form
then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. The lemma follows directly from the following four lemmas, which
consider the number of occurrences of M in α .

Lemma 2.1: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form, α^x has a Smiley-form,
and M does not occur in α , then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. If α^x has a Smiley-form and M does not occur in α then α has I-form
11, 21, or 31. So the lemma is vacuously true.

Lemma 2.2: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form, α^x has a Smiley-form,
and M occurs exactly once in α , then α is ϵ^3 -satisfiable.

Proof. Assume the antecedent. For each of the forms α may have we specify a
matrix M such that v_M is an ϵ^3 -valuation that assigns t to each member of the
chain. The column to the right of the last labeled column has the same entries as
the first column. For the following matrices Condition 1 for an ϵ -valuation is
met, since in each of the matrices either ϵ or ϵ_n occurs in each column.

We let ' XQ occurs in α ' be short for ' Q , but neither LQ nor MQ , occurs in
 α ', where Q is a quantifier.

Case 1: α^x has I-form 11. There are three subcases to consider.

Subcase 1.1: XO occurs in α . Then α has form $(1M1) X/LAa - c, MAcd,$
 $X/LAd - b, Oab$. Use

v_{1M1}	a	\dots	c	d	\dots	b	\dots
m_1	ϵ_n	\dots	ϵ_n				$\epsilon_n \dots$
m_2				ϵ_n	\dots	ϵ_n	
m_3							
\vdots							

(If $a \neq c$ and 'e' occurred in cell m_1/c then v_{1M1} would assign f to LAac, given condition 10.i.) *Subcase 1.2:* LO occurs in α and α has more than two members. (If α has exactly two members then α has I-form 12.) If α has form (1M2) X/LAa - c, MAcd, X/LAd - e, Aeb, LOab, use

v_{1M2}	a	...	c	d	...	e	b	...
m_1	\in	...	\in_n				\notin_n	\in_n ...
m_2				\in_n	...	\in_n	\in	
m_3								
\vdots								

If α has the form (1M3) X/LAa - e, Aec, MAcd, X/LAd - b, LOab, use

v_{1M3}	a	...	e	c	d	...	b	...
m_1	\in_n	...	\in_n	\in	\notin_n	...	\notin_n	\in_n ...
m_2					\in_n	...	\in_n	
m_3								
\vdots								

(If $d \neq b$ and if no symbol occurred in cell m_1/d then v_{1M3} would assign f to LAdb, given condition 10.ii.) *Subcase 1.3:* MO occurs in α . If α has exactly one member, then α has form (1M4) MOaa. Use

v_{1M4}	a	...
m_1	\in	\in ...
m_2		
m_3		
\vdots		

If α has more than one member, then α has form (1M5) X/LAa - c, Acb, MOab. Use

v_{1M5}	a	...	c	b	...
m_1	\in_n	...	\in_n	\in	\in_n ...
m_2					
m_3					
\vdots					

Case 2: α^x has I-form 21. *Subcase 2.1:* XE occurs in α . Then α has form (2M1) X/LAc - d, MAde, X/LAe - a, X/LAc - b, Eab (or Eba). Use

v_{2M1}	a	...	e	d	...	c	...	b	...
m_1				\in_n	...	\in_n	...	\in_n	
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n						\in_n ...
m_3									
\vdots									

Subcase 2.2: LE occurs in α . Vacuous, since α has I-form 21. *Subcase 2.3:* ME occurs in α . *Subcase 2.3.1:* α has exactly one member. Then α has form (2M2)

MEaa. Use

v_{2M2}	a	...
m_1	\in	\in ...
m_2		
m_3		
\vdots		

Subcase 2.3.2: α has more than one member. Define condition i: some a and b X/LAa - b occurs in α and if X/LAc - d \subseteq X/LAa - b.

Subcase 2.3.2.1: Condition i is met. Then α has form (2M3) MEab (or MEba). Use

v_{2M3}	a	...	d	b	...
m_1	\in	...	\in_n	\in	\in ...
m_2					
m_3					
\vdots					

Subcase 2.3.2.2: Condition i is not met. Then α has form (2M4) Ada, X/LAc - e, Aeb, MEab. Use

v_{2M4}	a	d	...	c	...	e	b
m_1	\in	\in_n		\in_n	...	\in_n	\in
m_2							
m_3							
\vdots							

Case 3: α^x has I-form 31. *Subcase 3.1:* XE occurs in α . Then α has form (3M1) X/LAc - e, X/LAd - b, X/LIdc (or X/LIdc), Eab (or Eba). Use

v_{3M1}	a	...	f	e	...	c	d	...	b
m_1						\in_n	...	\in_n	\in_n ...
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n						
m_3									
\vdots									

Subcase 3.1.2: MI occurs in α . Then α has the form (3M2) X/LAd - b, MIcd, Eab (or Eba). Use

v_{3M2}	a	...	c	d	...	b
m_1	\in_n	...	\in_n			
m_2				\in_n	...	\in_n
m_3						
\vdots						

Subcase 3.2: LE occurs in α . Vacuous, since α has I-form 31.

' ϵ ' occurred in cell m_1/c then v_{1M1} would assign f to $LAac$, given
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 exactly two members then α has I-form 12.) If α has form (1M2)
 $MAcd, X/LAd - e, Aeb, LOab$, use

v_{1M2}	a	...	c	d	...	e	b	...
m_1	ϵ	...	ϵ_n				\notin_n	ϵ_n ...
m_2				ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	ϵ	
m_3								
\vdots								

form (1M3) $X/LAa - e, Aec, MAcd, X/LAd - b, LOab$, use

v_{1M3}	a	...	e	c	d	...	b	...
m_1	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	ϵ	\notin_n	...	\notin_n	ϵ_n ...
m_2					ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	
m_3								
\vdots								

if no symbol occurred in cell m_1/d then v_{1M3} would assign f to
 condition 10.ii.) *Subcase 1.3:* MO occurs in α . If α has exactly one
 α has form (1M4) $MOaa$. Use

v_{1M4}	a	...
m_1	ϵ	ϵ ...
m_2		
m_3		
\vdots		

more than one member, then α has form (1M5) $X/LAa - c, Acb$,

v_{1M5}	a	...	c	b	...
m_1	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	ϵ	ϵ_n ...
m_2					
m_3					
\vdots					

I-form 21. *Subcase 2.1:* XE occurs in α . Then α has form (2M1)
 $Ade, X/LAe - a, X/LAc - b, Eab$ (or Eba). Use

a	...	e	d	...	c	...	b	...
ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n ...

XE occurs in α . Vacuous, since α has I-form 21. *Subcase 2.3:* ME
Subcase 2.3.1: α has exactly one member. Then α has form (2M2)

MEaa. Use

v_{2M2}	a	...
m_1	ϵ	ϵ ...
m_2		
m_3		
\vdots		

Subcase 2.3.2: α has more than one member. Define *condition i* as follows. For
 some a and b $X/LAa - b$ occurs in α and if $X/LAc - d$ occurs in α then
 $X/LAc - d \subseteq X/LAa - b$.

Subcase 2.3.2.1: Condition *i* is met. Then α has form (2M3) $X/LAa - d, Adb$,
 $MEab$ (or $MEba$). Use

v_{2M3}	a	...	d	b	...
m_1	ϵ	...	ϵ_n	ϵ	ϵ ...
m_2					
m_3					
\vdots					

Subcase 2.3.2.2: Condition *i* is not met. Then α has form (2M4) $X/LAc - d$,
 $Ada, X/LAc - e, Aeb, MEab$. Use

v_{2M4}	a	d	...	c	...	e	b	...
m_1	ϵ	ϵ_n		ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	ϵ	ϵ ...
m_2								
m_3								
\vdots								

Case 3: α^x has I-form 31. *Subcase 3.1:* XE occurs in α . *Subcase 3.1.1:* MA
 occurs in α . Then α has form (3M1) $X/LAc - e, MAef, X/LAf - a$,
 $X/LAd - b, X/LIdc$ (or $X/LIdc$), Eab (or Eba). Use

v_{3M1}	a	...	f	e	...	c	d	...	b	...
m_1				ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	
m_2	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n							ϵ_n ...
m_3										
\vdots										

Subcase 3.1.2: MI occurs in α . Then α has the form (3M2) $X/LAc - a$,
 $X/LAd - b, MIcd, Eab$ (or Eba). Use

v_{3M2}	a	...	c	d	...	b	...
m_1	ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n			ϵ_n	...
m_2				ϵ_n	...	ϵ_n	
m_3							
\vdots							

Subcase 3.2: LE occurs in α . Vacuous, since α has I-form 32 or 33.

Subcase 3.3: ME occurs in α . If α has exactly two members then α has form (3M3) Iab, MEab (or MEba). Use

v_{3M3}	a	b	...
m_1	\in	\in	\in ...
m_2			
m_3			
\vdots			

If α has more than two members and Condition i is met then α has form (3M4) X/LAc - d, Adb, X/LIac (or X/LIca), MEab (or MEba). Use

v_{3M4}	a	c	...	d	b	...
m_1	\in	\in_n	...	\in_n	\in	\in ...
m_2						
m_3						
\vdots						

If α has more than two members and Condition i is not met then α has form (3M5) X/LAc - e, Aea, X/LAd - f, Afb, X/LIcd, MEab (or MEba). Use

v_{3M5}	a	e	...	c	d	...	f	b	...
m_1	\in	\in_n	...	\in_n	\in_n	...	\in_n	\in	\in ...
m_2									
m_3									
\vdots									

Lemma 2.3: If α is a chain that does not have an I-form, α^x has a Smiley-form, and M occurs exactly twice in α , then α is \in^3 -satisfiable.

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v_{1MM1}	a	...	c	d	...	e	f	...	b	...
m_1	\in_n	...	\in_n				\notin_n		\notin_n	\in_n ...
m_2							\in_n	...	\in_n	
m_3				\in_n	...	\in_n				
\vdots										

(If $f \neq b$ and no symbol occurred in cell m_1/f then v_{1MM1} would give condition 10.ii.)

Case 2: α^x has I-form 21. Subcase 2.1: XE or ME occurs in α . Then chain has form 2M1. Subcase 2.1: LE occurs in α . Subcase (2MM1) X/LAc - d, MAde, X/LAe - f, MAfg, X/LAg - b (or LEba). Use

v_{2MM1}	a	...	g	f	...	e	d	...	c	...
m_1	\notin_n	...	\notin_n				\in_n	...	\in_n	...
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n				\notin_n	...	\notin_n	...
m_3				\in_n	...	\in_n				
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(Given condition 11.i, since $v_{2MM1}(m_2 \in a) = t$ and $v_{2MM1}(m_2 \in d) = t$ occur in cell m_2/d . Otherwise, v_{2MM1} would assign f to LE. 11.ii, since $v_{2MM1}(m_2 \in a) = t$ and $v_{2MM1}(m_2 \in g) = t$, it must be true for some i ($1 \leq i \leq 3$) $v_{2MM1}(m_i \notin b)$ and $v_{2MM1}(m_i \notin g) = t$ (true for $i = 2$.) Otherwise, v_{2MM1} would assign f to LEab.)

Subcase 2.1.2: α has form (2MM2) X/LAc - d, MAde, X/LAe - f, MAfg, X/LAg - b, LEab. Use

v_{2MM2}	a	...	e	d	...	c	...	f	g	...
m_1				\in_n	...	\in_n	...	\in_n		
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n						\notin_n	...
m_3	\notin_n	...	\notin_n						\in_n	...
\vdots										

Case 3: α^x has I-form 31. Subcase 3.1: XE or ME occurs in α . Then chain has form 3M1 or 3M2. Subcase 3.2: LE occurs in α . Subcase (3MM1) X/LAc - e, MAef, X/LAf - g, MAgh, X/LAa - c, X/LIcd (or X/LIdc), LEab (or LEba), use

v_{3MM1}	a	...	h	g	...	f	e	...	c	d	...
m_1	\notin_n	...	\notin_n				\in_n	...	\in_n	\in_n	...
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n				\notin_n	...	\notin_n	\notin_n	...
m_3				\in_n	...	\in_n					
\vdots											

If α has form (3MM2) X/LAc - e, MAef, X/LAf - a, LAh - b, X/LIcd, LEab (or LEba), use

v_{3MM2}	a	...	f	e	...	c	d	...	g	h	...
m_1				\in_n	...	\in_n	\in_n	...	\in_n		
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n							\notin_n	...
m_3	\notin_n	...	\notin_n							\in_n	...
\vdots											

And if α has form (3MM3) X/LAc - e, MAef, X/LAf - a, LAh - b, X/LIcd, LEab (or LEba), use

ME occurs in α . If α has exactly two members then α has form MEab (or MEba). Use

v_{3M3}	a	b	...
m_1	\in	\in	\in ...
m_2			
m_3			
\vdots			

more than two members and Condition i is met then α has form (3M4) Adb, X/LIac (or X/LIca), MEab (or MEba). Use

v_{3M4}	a	c	...	d	b	...
m_1	\in	\in_n	...	\in_n	\in	\in ...
m_2						
m_3						
\vdots						

more than two members and Condition i is not met then α has form Aae, Aea, X/LAd - f, Afb, X/LIcd, MEab (or MEba). Use

	a	e	...	c	d	...	f	b	...
	\in	\in_n	...	\in_n	\in_n	...	\in_n	\in	\in ...

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	...	c	d	...	e	f	...	b	...
	\in_n					\notin_n		\notin_n	\in_n ...
						\in_n	...	\in_n	

(If $f \neq b$ and no symbol occurred in cell m_1/f then v_{1MM1} would assign f to LAfb, given condition 10.ii.)

Case 2: α^x has I-form 21. Subcase 2.1: XE or ME occurs in α . Then an α^{1M} chain has form 2M1. Subcase 2.1.1: LE occurs in α . Subcase 2.1.1.1: α has form (2MM1) X/LAc - d, MAde, X/LAe - f, MAfg, X/LAg - a, X/LAc - b, LEab (or LEba). Use

v_{2MM1}	a	...	g	f	...	e	d	...	c	...	b	...
m_1	\notin_n	...	\notin_n				\in_n	...	\in_n	...	\in_n	\notin_n ...
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n				\notin_n	...	\notin_n	...	\notin_n	\in_n ...
m_3				\in_n	...	\in_n						
\vdots												

(Given condition 11.i, since $v_{2MM1}(m_2 \in a) = t$ and $v_{2MM1}(Adb) = t$, ' \notin_n ' must occur in cell m_2/d . Otherwise, v_{2MM1} would assign f to LEab. Given condition 11.ii, since $v_{2MM1}(m_2 \in a) = t$ and $v_{2MM1}(m_2 \in g) = t$, it must be the case that for some i ($1 \leq i \leq 3$) $v_{2MM1}(m_i \notin_n b)$ and $v_{2MM1}(m_i \notin_n g) = t$. (The consequent is true for $i = 2$.) Otherwise, v_{2MM1} would assign f to LEab.)

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v_{2MM2}	a	...	e	d	...	c	...	f	g	...	b	...
m_1				\in_n	...	\in_n	...	\in_n				
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n						\notin_n	...	\notin_n	\in_n ...
m_3	\notin_n	...	\notin_n						\in_n	...	\in_n	\notin_n ...
\vdots												

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v_{3MM1}	a	...	h	g	...	f	e	...	c	d	...	b	...
m_1	\notin_n	...	\notin_n				\in_n	...	\in_n	\in_n	...	\in_n	\notin_n ...
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n				\notin_n	...	\notin_n	\notin_n	...	\notin_n	\in_n ...
m_3				\in_n	...	\in_n							
\vdots													

If α has form (3MM2) X/LAc - e, MAef, X/LAf - a, X/LAd - g, MAgh, X/LAh - b, X/LIcd, LEab (or LEba), use

v_{3MM2}	a	...	f	e	...	c	d	...	g	h	...	b	...
m_1				\in_n	...	\in_n	\in_n	...	\in_n				
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n							\notin_n	...	\notin_n	\in_n ...
m_3	\notin_n	...	\notin_n							\in_n	...	\in_n	\notin_n ...
\vdots													

And if α has form (3MM3) X/LAc - e, MAef, X/LAf - a, X/LAd - b, MIcd (or MIdc), LEab (or LEba), use

v_{3MM3}	a	...	f	e	...	c	d	...	b	...
m_1				\in_n	...	\in_n				
m_2	\in_n	...	\in_n				\notin_n	...	\notin_n	\in_n ...
m_3	\notin_n	...	\notin_n				\in_n		\in_n	\notin_n ...
\vdots										

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Proof. Assume the antecedent. If α is a chain with more than two occurrences of M let α^{2M} be any chain that results from deleting all but two occurrences of M from α . So either an α^M or an α^{2M} chain has one of the forms mentioned in Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3. (For example, if α^x has I-form 11 and LO occurs in α then a chain α^{2M} has form 1MM1.) So α is \in^3 -satisfiable, since $Qab \models MQab$, as noted in the proof of Lemma 2.3.

4. Deductions

The following account of deduction is motivated by Aristotle's discussion of deductions in *Pr. An.* A25. So, for example, we attempt to accommodate the following claim, using Smith's 1989, pp. 39–41, translations here and below:

Counting deductions by their main premises ... every deduction will be from an even number of premises and an odd number of terms [sentences] (for the terms [sentences] are more in number by one than the number of premises). (*Pr. An.* 42b1-4)

I think Aristotle used two types of deducibility relationships—those of one type generate the valid two-premised syllogisms, and those of the other type generate the valid polysyllogisms from the valid two-premised syllogisms. For the latter type of deducibility relationship the even-premised feature, mentioned above, holds, though it does not hold for the former.

Definition 4.1: $\{x, y\} \vdash_3 z$ iff $\langle \{x, y\}, z \rangle$ is a V_3 -syllogism.

Definition 4.2: 1) If $\{y_1, y_2\} \vdash_3 y_3$ then $\langle y_1, y_2, y_3 \rangle$ is a *deduction* of y_3 from $\{y_1, y_2\}$; 2) If $\langle y_1, \dots, y_n, \dots, x \rangle$ is a deduction of x from Y , if $\{x, w\} \vdash_3 z$, and if some term in w does not occur in a member of $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$, then $\langle y_1, \dots, y_n, \dots, x, w, z \rangle$ is a *deduction of z from Y, w* ; 3) If $\langle y_1, \dots, y_n, \dots, x \rangle$ is a deduction of x from Y , if $\{w, z\} \vdash_3 y_i$, and if a term in w and z occurs in no member of Y then $\langle y_1, \dots, w, z, y_i, \dots, y_n, \dots, x \rangle$ is a *deduction of x from $Y \cup \{w, z\} - y_i$* ; 4) δ is a *deduction of x from Y only* if δ is a deduction of x from Y in virtue of the conditions 1 to 3.

So, for example, $\langle Aab, Abc, Aac \rangle$ is a deduction of Aac from $\{Aab, Abc\}$ (by 1). So $\langle Aab, Abc, Aac, Acd, Aad \rangle$ is a deduction of Aad from $\{Aab, Abc, Acd\}$ (by 2), since $\{Aac, Acd\} \vdash_3 Aad$ and 'd' does not occur in $\{Aab, Abc\}$. So $\langle Aab, Abe, Aec, Abc, Aac, Acd, Aad \rangle$ is a deduction of Aad from $\{Aab, Abe, Aec, Acd\}$ (by 3), since $\{Abe, Aec\} \vdash_3 Abc$ and 'e' does not occur

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Aristotle also counts conclusions:

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	...	f	e	...	c	d	...	b	...	
			\in_n	...	\in_n					
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Ede} ⊢ Oae, where conclusions are put in square brackets: ⟨Iba, Abc, [Iac or Ica], Acd, [Iad or Ida], Ede, [Oae]⟩; ⟨Abc, Acd, [Abd], Ede, [Ebe or Eeb], Iab, [Oae]⟩; and ⟨Acd, Ede, [Ece or Eec], Abc, [Ebe or Eeb], Iba, [Oae]⟩. Note that in each of these 10 deductions 'conclusions added will be one fewer in number than the terms [sentences] which were already present' (*Pr. An. 42b18*). Note, for example, that for the first of the 10 deductions mentioned above, the four sentences present are Iba, Abc, Acd, and Ede, and the three conclusions added are Iac, Iad, and Oae.

According to the interpretations by Ross 1949, p. 381, and Smith 1989, p. 147, of the last paragraph of A25, the number of conclusions should be 6 instead of 12 for the example cited. I think that Ross and Smith are mistakenly treating Aristotle's reference to conclusions as a reference to term pairs (intervals) that may appear in various deductions. (For the example cited there are 6 intervals—ac, ad, ae, bc, be, ce—represented in the 12 conclusions added.). Certainly our interpretation fits more comfortably with Aristotle's claim that conclusions will be *much greater in number* than the premises.

But the last paragraph of A25 suggests that, for Aristotle, if there is a deduction of y from Y then there is a deduction in which each term interval not represented in a premise occurs in a conclusion. This is false, given the above account of deduction. For example, ⟨LAcA, Abc, [LAbA], LObd, LOad⟩ is a deduction of LOad from {LAcA, Abc, LObd}. But there is no deduction in which a conclusion occurs which represents a cd interval. So, for example, the following attempt at such a deduction is blocked: ⟨Abc, LObd, [Ocd], LAcA, xxx⟩. Though Oad may be entered after LAcA, LOad may not be, since Bocardo-XLL is not a V_3 -syllogism. (For Aristotle, Bocardo-XLL is clearly invalid.)

Definition 4.5: x is *deducible from Y* ($Y ⊢ x$) iff there is a deduction of x from Y.

Decision procedure 4.1 (corollary of Theorem 4.1): A decision procedure for determining whether $Y ⊢ x$ is obtained by considering the $(2n - 1)$ -membered sequences that contain no terms other than those in $Y ∪ \{x\}$, where n is the number of terms in Y.

Theorem 4.3 (Completeness): If ⟨Y, x⟩ is a V_n -syllogism, for $n ≥ 3$, then $Y ⊢ x$.

Proof. The following two lemmas will be used:

Lemma 1: If $Y, X/LAab ⊢ x$ then $Y, X/LAa - c, X/LAcB ⊢ x$.

Lemma 2: If $Y, LAab ⊢ x$ then $Y, X/LAa - c, LAcB ⊢ x$.

Prove these lemmas by using induction on the number n ($n ≥ 0$) of members of $X/LAa - c$ and by using the relevant Barbaras.

To prove the theorem we use the I-forms to show how a deduction can be constructed for each V_n -syllogism generated by that I-form. We categorize I-forms by categorizing x^* in a set of sentences with an I-form. x^* may or may not be "indicated by an expression $X/LAx - y$ or $LAx - y$." So, for example, given the set of sentences $\{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3, Oa_1a_3\}$ with I-form 11, if x^* is Aa_1a_2

or Aa_2a_3 then x^* is indicated by $X/LAa - b$, but if x^* is Oa_1a_3 then x^* is indicated by an expression $X/LAx - y$ or $LAx - y$.

If x^* is indicated by $X/LAx - y$ or $LAx - y$, we shall say that x^* is in category X/L or category L, respectively, otherwise, x^* is in category 'basic'. So, given the set of sentences $\{LAA_1a_2, LAA_2a_3, MOA_1a_3\}$ 13, if x^* is LAA_1a_2 then x^* is in category X/L, and if x^* is LAA_2a_3 then x^* is in category B.

If x^* is in category L, indicated by $LAx - y$, then x^* is either in category L_1 ('r' for 'right,' and 'l' for 'left') depending upon what is obtained by substituting a term for y. So, for example, given the set of sentences $\{LAA_2a_3, MAa_3a_4, LAA_4a_5, LAA_5a_6, LOA_1a_6\}$ with I-form 12, if x^* is LAA_4a_5 then x^* is in category L_1 , and if x^* is LAA_2a_3 or LAA_5a_6 then x^* is in category L_r .

When considering the I-forms we assume that, for each expression $X/LAx - y$ and $LAx - y$ used to express I-forms, $x ≠ y$. Arguments for the similar case in which $x = y$ will be omitted.

When constructing the required deductions it is useful to recognize that if $Y ⊢ x$ and $\{x, y\} ⊢ z$ then $Y, y ⊢ z$, provided a term in y does not occur in Y; and ii) if $Y, x ⊢ y$ and $\{w, z\} ⊢ x$, then $Y, w, z ⊢ y$, provided a term in w and z does not occur in Y.

In the discussion of the following I-forms the category of x^* is mentioned for each case.

I-form 11. *Case 1:* x^* has form $X/LOab$ (B). $X/LAac, X/LAcB ⊢ x^*$ (Barbara). So $X/LAa - b ⊢ X/MAab$ (Lemma 1). *Case 2:* x^* has form X/L (part of $X/LAa - b$). Since $X/Ladb, X/LOab ⊢ Oad$ (Baroco), $X/LAac ⊢ X/MOcd$ (Bocardo), it follows that $X/LAac, X/Ladb, X/MOcd ⊢ x^*$. So $X/LAa - c, X/LAd - b, X/LOab ⊢ X/MOcd$ (Lemma 1).

I-form 12. *Case 1:* x^* has form $MAcd$ (B). $LAac, Ladb, LOab ⊢ LOcd$ (Baroco, Bocardo). So $LAA - c, LAd - b, LOab ⊢ LOcd$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $LOab$ (B). $LAac, MAcd, Ladb ⊢ MAab$ (Baroco). So $LAA - c, MAcd, LAd - b ⊢ MAab$ (Lemma 2). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $(L_r, part of LAa - c)$. $X/LAae, MAcd, Ladb, LOab ⊢ MOec$. So $MAcd, LAd - b, LOab ⊢ MOec$ (Lemmas 1 and 2). *Case 3.2:* x^* has form $(L_r, part of LAd - b)$. $LAac, MAcd, X/LAdf, LOab ⊢ MOfb$. So $MAcd, X/LAd - f, LOab ⊢ MOfb$ (Lemmas 1 and 2). *Case 4.1:* x^* has form $X/LAef$ ($L_1, part of LAa - c$). $X/LAae, LAfc, MAcd, Ladb, LOab ⊢ X/MOef$ (Lemma 1). So $X/LAa - e, LAf - c, MAcd, LAd - b, LOab ⊢ X/MOef$ (Lemma 1). *Case 4.2:* x^* has form $X/LAgh$ ($L_1, part of LAd - b$). $LAac, MAcd, LAhb, LOab ⊢ X/MOgh$. So $LAA - c, MAcd, X/LAd - g, LAh - g ⊢ X/MOgh$ (Lemmas 1 and 2).

To complete the arguments for the cases listed for the following I-forms a step that uses Lemma 1. So, for example, for case 1 of I-form 11, the step is $X/LAa - c, MOab ⊢ MOcb$.

I-form 13. *Case 1:* x^* has form $LAcB$ (B). $X/LAac, MOab ⊢ MOcb$ (Baroco). So $X/LAa - c, MOab ⊢ MOcb$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $MOab$ (B). $X/LAac, LAcB ⊢ LAab$. *Case 3:* x^* has form X/L (part of $X/LAa - c$). $X/LAad, X/LAec, LAcB, MOab ⊢ X/MOcb$.

where conclusions are put in square brackets: $\langle Iba, Abc, [Iac \text{ or } Id] \text{ or } Ida \rangle$, $\langle Ede, [Oae] \rangle$; $\langle Abc, Acd, [Abd], Ede, [Ebe \text{ or } Eeb] \rangle$, and $\langle Acd, Ede, [Ece \text{ or } Eec], Abc, [Ebe \text{ or } Eeb], Iba, [Oae] \rangle$. Note that for the first of the 10 deductions mentioned above, the terms [sentences] which were already present' (*Pr. An. 42b18*). For example, that for the first of the 10 deductions mentioned above, the terms present are Iba, Abc, Acd, and Ede, and the three conclusions are Iad, and Oae.

to the interpretations by Ross 1949, p. 381, and Smith 1989, the last paragraph of A25, the number of conclusions should be 6 for the example cited. I think that Ross and Smith are mistakenly Aristotle's reference to conclusions as a reference to term pairs that may appear in various deductions. (For the example cited there are $ls-ac$, ad , ae , bc , be , ce —represented in the 12 conclusions mainly our interpretation fits more comfortably with Aristotle's claim that there will be *much greater in number* than the premises.

the last paragraph of A25 suggests that, for Aristotle, if there is a deduction from Y then there is a deduction in which each term interval not in Y and a premise occurs in a conclusion. This is false, given the above example. For example, $\langle LAca, Abc, [LAb], LObd, LOad \rangle$ is a deduction from $\{LAca, Abc, LObd\}$. But there is no deduction in which a conclusion occurs which represents a cd interval. So, for example, the deduction is empty at such a deduction is blocked: $\langle Abc, LObd, [Ocd] \rangle$, although Oad may be entered after LAca, LOad may not be, since the deduction is not a V_3 -syllogism. (For Aristotle, Bocardo-XLL is clearly

x is *deducible from* Y ($Y \vdash x$) iff there is a deduction of x

Procedure 4.1 (corollary of Theorem 4.1): A decision procedure for whether $Y \vdash x$ is obtained by considering the $(2n - 1)$ -membered set of deductions that contain no terms other than those in $Y \cup \{x\}$, where n is the number of terms in Y .

Completeness): If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V_n -syllogism, for $n \geq 3$, then $Y \vdash x$.

The following two lemmas will be used:

If $Y \vdash x$, $X/LAab \vdash x$ then $Y, X/LAa - c, X/LAc \vdash x$.

If $Y \vdash x$, $LAab \vdash x$ then $Y, X/LAa - c, LAc \vdash x$.

The lemmas are proved by using induction on the number n ($n \geq 0$) of members in Y and by using the relevant Barbaras.

In the theorem we use the I-forms to show how a deduction can be obtained for each V_n -syllogism generated by that I-form. We categorize deductions by categorizing x^* in a set of sentences with an I-form. x^* may or may not be indicated by an expression $X/LAx - y$ or $LAx - y$. So, for example, for a set of sentences $\{Aa_1a_2, Aa_2a_3, Oa_1a_3\}$ with I-form 11, if x^* is Aa_1a_2

or Aa_2a_3 then x^* is indicated by $X/LAa - b$, but if x^* is Oa_1a_3 then x^* is not indicated by an expression $X/LAx - y$ or $LAx - y$.

If x^* is indicated by $X/LAx - y$ or $LAx - y$, we shall say that x^* is in category X/L or category L, respectively, otherwise, x^* is in category B ('B' for 'basic'). So, given the set of sentences $\{LAa_1a_2, LAa_2a_3, MOa_1a_3\}$ with I-form 13, if x^* is LAa_1a_2 then x^* is in category X/L, and if x^* is LAa_2a_3 or MOa_1a_3 then x^* is in category B.

If x^* is in category L, indicated by $LAx - y$, then x^* is either in category L_r or category L_l ('r' for 'right,' and 'l' for 'left') depending upon whether x^* is obtained by substituting a term for y . So, for example, given the set $\{Aa_1a_2, LAa_2a_3, MAa_3a_4, LAa_4a_5, LAa_5a_6, LOa_1a_6\}$ with I-form 12, if x^* is Aa_1a_2 or LAa_4a_5 then x^* is in category L_l , and if x^* is LAa_2a_3 or LAa_5a_6 then x^* is in category L_r .

When considering the I-forms we assume that, for each expression $L/Ax - y$ and $LAx - y$ used to express I-forms, $x \neq y$. Arguments for the simpler I-forms in which $x = y$ will be omitted.

When constructing the required deductions it is useful to recognize that: i) if $Y \vdash x$ and $\{x, y\} \vdash z$ then $Y, y \vdash z$, provided a term in y does not occur in a member of Y ; and ii) if $Y, x \vdash y$ and $\{w, z\} \vdash x$, then $Y, w, z \vdash y$, provided a term in w and z does not occur in Y .

In the discussion of the following I-forms the category of x^* is mentioned for each case.

I-form 11. *Case 1:* x^* has form X/LOab (B). $X/LAac, X/LAc \vdash X/MAab$ (Barbara). So $X/LAa - b \vdash X/MAab$ (Lemma 1). *Case 2:* x^* has form X/LAc (X/L, part of X/LAa - b). Since $X/LAd, X/LOab \vdash Oad$ (Baroco) and $Oad, X/LAac \vdash X/MOcd$ (Bocardo), it follows that $X/LAac, X/LAd, X/LOab \vdash X/MOcd$. So $X/LAa - c, X/LAd - b, X/LOab \vdash X/MOcd$ (Lemma 1).

I-form 12. *Case 1:* x^* has form MAcd (B). $LAac, LAd, LOab \vdash LOcd$ (Baroco, Bocardo). So $LAa - c, LAd - b, LOab \vdash LOcd$ (Lemma 2). *Case 2:* x^* has form LOab (B). $LAac, MAcd, LAd \vdash MAab$ (Barbara). So $LAa - c, MAcd, LAd - b \vdash MAab$ (Lemma 2). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form LAec (L_r , part of LAa - c). $X/LAae, MAcd, LAd, LOab \vdash MOec$. So $X/LAa - c, MAcd, LAd - b, LOab \vdash MOec$ (Lemmas 1 and 2). *Case 3.2:* x^* has form LAfb (L_r , part of LAd - b). $LAac, MAcd, X/LAdf, LOab \vdash MOfb$. So $LAa - c, MAcd, X/LAd - f, LOab \vdash MOfb$ (Lemmas 1 and 2). *Case 4.1:* x^* has form X/LAef (L_l , part of LAa - c). $X/LAae, LAfc, MAcd, LAd, LOab \vdash X/MOef$. So $X/LAa - c, LAf - c, MAcd, LAd - b, LOab \vdash X/MOef$ (Lemmas 1 and 2). *Case 4.2:* x^* has form X/LAgh (L_l , part of LAd - b). $LAac, MAcd, X/LAdg, LAhb, LOab \vdash X/MOgh$. So $LAa - c, MAcd, X/LAd - g, LAh - b, LOab \vdash X/MOgh$ (Lemmas 1 and 2).

To complete the arguments for the cases listed for the following I-forms, add a step that uses Lemma 1. So, for example, for case 1 of I-form 13, the final step is $X/LAa - c, MOab \vdash MOcb$.

I-form 13. *Case 1:* x^* has form LAc (B). $X/LAac, MOab \vdash MOcb$. *Case 2:* x^* has form MOab (B). $X/LAac, LAc \vdash LAab$. *Case 3:* x^* has form X/LAde (X/L, part of X/LAa - c). $X/LAad, X/LAec, LAc, MOab \vdash X/MOde$.

I-form 21. *Case 1:* x^* has form $X/LEab$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcb \vdash X/MIab$.
Case 2.1: x^* has form $X/LAde$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAcd, X/LAea, X/LAcb, X/LEab \vdash X/MOde$. *Case 2.2:* x^* has form $X/LAfg$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAcf, X/LAgb, X/LEab \vdash X/MOfg$.

I-form 22. *Case 1:* x^* has form $MAde$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, X/LAeb, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash LOde$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $LEab$ (or $LEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, MAde, X/LAeb \vdash MIab$ (and $MIba$). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $X/LAfg$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAcf, X/LAga, X/LAcd, MAde, C/LAeb, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOfg$. *Case 3.2:* x^* has form $X/LAhi$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - d$). $X/LAca, X/LAch, X/LAid, MAde, X/LAeb, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOhi$. *Case 3.3:* x^* has form $X/LAjk$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, MAde, X/LAej, X/LAk, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOjk$.

I-form 23. *Case 1:* x^* has form $LAdb$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash MOdb$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $MEab$ (or $MEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, LAdb \vdash LIab$ (and $LIba$). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $X/LAef$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAce, X/LAfa, X/LAcd, LAdb, MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MOef$. *Case 3.2:* x^* has form $X/LAgh$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - d$). $X/LAca, X/LAcf, X/LAhd, LAdb, MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MOgh$.

I-form 31. *Case 1:* x^* has form $X/LIcd$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, X/LEab$ (or $X/LEba$) $\vdash X/MEcd$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $X/LEab$ (or $X/LEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, X/LIcd \vdash X/MIab$ (and $X/MIba$). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $X/LAef$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAce, X/LAfa, X/LAdb, X/LIcd, X/LEab$ (or $X/LEba$) $\vdash X/MOef$. *Case 3.2:* x^* has form $X/LAgh$ (X/L, part of $X/LAd - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAdg, X/LAhb, X/LIcd, X/LEab$ (or $X/LEba$) $\vdash X/MOgh$.

I-form 32. *Case 1:* x^* has form $MAef$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, X/LAfb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$), $LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash LOef$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, MAef, X/LAfb, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MEcd$ (and $X/MEdc$). *Case 3:* x^* has form $LEab$ (or $LEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, MAef, X/LAfb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$) $\vdash MIab$ (and $MIba$). *Case 4.1:* x^* has form $X/LAgh$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAcf, X/LAha, X/LAde, MAef, X/LAfb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$), $LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOgh$. *Case 4.2:* x^* has form $X/LAij$ (X/L, part of $X/LAd - e$). $X/LAca, X/LAdi, X/LAje, MAef, X/LAfb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$), $LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOij$. *Case 4.3:* x^* has form $X/LAkl$ (X/L, part of $X/LAf - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAde, MAef, X/LAfk, X/LAlb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$), $LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash MOkl$.

I-form 33. *Case 1:* x^* has form $MIcd$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash LEcd$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $LEab$ (or $LEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, MIcd \vdash MIab$ (and $MIba$). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $X/LAef$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAce, X/LAfa, X/LAdb, MIcd, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOef$. *Case 3.2:* x^* has form $X/LAgh$ (X/L, part of $X/LAd - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAdg, X/LAhb, MIcd, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOgh$.

I-form 34. Nothing to consider, since our discussion is limited to V-syllogisms with at least two premises.

I-form 35. *Case 1:* x^* has form $LAeb$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcb, X/LIcd, MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash MOeb$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $X/LAde$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, LAeb, MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MEcd$. *Case 3:* x^* has form $MEab$ (or $MEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde$ (or $X/LIdc$) $\vdash LIab$ (and $LIba$). *Case 4.1:* x^* has form $X/LAfg$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAcf, X/LAga, X/LAde, LAeb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$) $\vdash X/MOfg$. *Case 4.2:* x^* has form $X/LAhi$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - d$). $X/LAca, X/LAdh, X/LAie, LAeb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIdc$), $MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MOhi$.

Theorem 4.4 (Soundness): If $Y \vdash x$ then $Y \vDash z$.

Proof. Basis step: Note that each of the I_3 -forms is inconsistent. *steps:* If $Y \vDash x$ and $\{x, y\} \vDash z$ then $Y, y \vDash z$. And if $Y, x \vDash y$ and $\{y, z\} \vDash w$, $z \vDash w$.

Theorem 4.5: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism and Y has two or more members, $Y \vdash x$ iff $Y \vDash x$.

Proof. Immediate consequence of Theorems 3.1, 4.3 and 4.4.

Decision procedure 4.2 (corollary of Theorem 4.5): If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism and Y has two or more members, a decision procedure for determining whether $Y \vDash x$ is an immediate consequence of decision procedure 4.1 and Theorem 4.5.

5. Decision procedures for V_n -syllogisms ($n \geq 1$)

There are exactly 4 V_1 -syllogisms: $\langle \emptyset, Aaa \rangle$, $\langle \emptyset, Iaa \rangle$, $\langle \emptyset, Miaa \rangle$. (These syllogisms are deducible in McCall's L-X-M.) The fourth is $\langle \emptyset, LIaa \rangle$. It should be noticed, that McCall 1963, p. 50, assumes an axiom "for convenience", not because he has any reasons for it. Aristotle regarded it as valid.)

Theorem 5.1: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V_1 -syllogism then $Y \vDash x$.

Proof. Straightforward.

There are exactly 60 V_2 -syllogisms. We list the number of V_2 -syllogisms generated by each I-form, where no V_2 -syllogism generated by one I-form is generated by another: 11: (8), 12: (2), 13: (2), 21: (16), 22: (16), 32: (0), 33: (4), 34: (4), 35: (0). So, for example, I-form 11 generates $\langle \{LAab\}, Aab \rangle$ and $\langle \{Oab\}, MOab \rangle$. (All V_2 -syllogisms are deducible in McCall's L-X-M.)

Theorem 5.2: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V_2 -syllogism then $Y \vDash x$.

Proof: Straightforward. Note that each I_2 -form is inconsistent.

Theorem 5.3: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism, then $Y \vDash x$ iff $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V_2 -syllogism.

Case 1: x^* has form $X/LEab$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAc b \vdash X/MIab$. x^* has form $X/LAde$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAcd, X/LAea, X/LEab \vdash X/MOde$. *Case 2.2:* x^* has form $X/LAfg$ (X/L, part of $X/LAca, X/LAcf, X/LAgb, X/LEab \vdash X/MOfg$).

Case 1: x^* has form $MAde$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, X/LAeb, LEab \vdash LOde$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $LEab$ (or $LEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, X/LAeb \vdash MIab$ (and $MIba$). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $X/LAfg$ (X/L, part of $X/LAca, X/LAcf, X/LAga, X/LAcd, MAde, C/LAeb, LEab$ (or $LEba$)). *Case 3.2:* x^* has form $X/LAhi$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - d$). $X/LAca, X/LAid, MAde, X/LAeb, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOhi$. *Case 3.3:* x^* has form $X/LAjk$ (X/L, part of $X/LAe - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, MAde, X/LAej, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOjk$.

Case 1: x^* has form $LAdb$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, MEab$ (or $MOdb$). *Case 2:* x^* has form $MEab$ (or $MEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, X/LAeb$ (and $LIba$). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $X/LAef$ (X/L, part of $X/LAca, X/LAfa, X/LAcd, LAdb, MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MOef$). x^* has form $X/LAgh$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - d$). $X/LAca, X/LAcd, X/LAeb, MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MOgh$.

Case 1: x^* has form $X/LIcd$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, X/LEab$ (or $X/MEcd$). *Case 2:* x^* has form $X/LEab$ (or $X/LEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LIcd \vdash X/MIab$ (and $X/MIba$). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $X/LAef$ (X/L, part of $X/LAca, X/LAfa, X/LAdb, X/LIcd, X/LEab$ (or $X/MEcd$)). *Case 3.2:* x^* has form $X/LAgh$ (X/L, part of $X/LAd - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, X/LIcd, X/LEab$ (or $X/LEba$) $\vdash X/MOgh$.

Case 1: x^* has form $MAef$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, X/LAfb, X/LIcd \vdash LOef$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIde$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, MAef, X/LAfb, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MEcd$ (and $X/MEdc$). *Case 3:* x^* has form $LEab$ (or $LEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIde$) $\vdash MIab$ (and $MIba$). *Case 4.1:* x^* has form $X/LAgh$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAca, X/LAha, X/LAde, MAef, X/LAfb, X/LIcd \vdash X/MEcd$ (or $X/MEdc$). *Case 4.2:* x^* has form $X/LAij$ (X/L, part of $X/LAd - e$). $X/LAca, X/LAid, X/LAje, MAef, X/LAfb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LEab$) $\vdash X/MOij$. *Case 4.3:* x^* has form $X/LAkl$ (X/L, part of $X/LAd - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAde, MAef, X/LAfk, X/LAlb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LEab$) $\vdash MOkl$.

Case 1: x^* has form $MIcd$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, LEab$ (or $MOdb$). *Case 2:* x^* has form $LEab$ (or $LEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, X/LAeb$ (and $MIba$). *Case 3.1:* x^* has form $X/LAef$ (X/L, part of $X/LAca, X/LAfa, X/LAdb, MIcd, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOef$). x^* has form $X/LAgh$ (X/L, part of $X/LAd - b$). $X/LAca, X/LAdb, X/LAde, LEab$ (or $LEba$) $\vdash X/MOgh$.

Nothing to consider, since our discussion is limited to V-syllogisms with two premises.

I-form 35. *Case 1:* x^* has form $LAeb$ (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIde$), $MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash MOeb$. *Case 2:* x^* has form $X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIde$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, LAeb, MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MEcd$ (and $X/MEdc$). *Case 3:* x^* has form $MEab$ (or $MEba$) (B). $X/LAca, X/LAde, LAeb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIde$) $\vdash LIab$ (and $LIba$). *Case 4.1:* x^* has form $X/LAfg$ (X/L, part of $X/LAc - a$). $X/LAca, X/LAcf, X/LAga, X/LAde, LAeb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIde$), $MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MOfg$. *Case 4.2:* x^* has form $X/LAhi$ (X/L, part of $X/LAd - e$). $X/LAca, X/LAde, X/LAie, LAeb, X/LIcd$ (or $X/LIde$), $MEab$ (or $MEba$) $\vdash X/MOhi$.

Theorem 4.4 (Soundness): If $Y \vdash x$ then $Y \vDash z$.

Proof. Basis step: Note that each of the I_3 -forms is inconsistent. *Recursion steps:* If $Y \vDash x$ and $\{x, y\} \vDash z$ then $Y, y \vDash z$. And if $Y, x \vDash y$ and $\{w, z\} \vDash x$ then $Y, w, z \vDash y$.

Theorem 4.5: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism and Y has two or more members then $Y \vdash x$ iff $Y \vDash x$.

Proof. Immediate consequence of Theorems 3.1, 4.3 and 4.4.

Decision procedure 4.2 (corollary of Theorem 4.5): If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism and Y has two or more members, a decision procedure for determining whether $X \vDash y$ is an immediate consequence of decision procedure 4.1 and Theorem 4.5.

5. Decision procedures for V_n -syllogisms ($n \geq 1$)

There are exactly 4 V_1 -syllogisms: $\langle \emptyset, Aaa \rangle$, $\langle \emptyset, Iaa \rangle$, $\langle \emptyset, MAaa \rangle$, and $\langle \emptyset, MIaa \rangle$. (These syllogisms are deducible in McCall's L-X-M calculus, but so is $\langle \emptyset, LIaa \rangle$. It should be noticed, that McCall 1963, p. 50, assumes $LIaa$ as an axiom "for convenience", not because he has any reasons for thinking that Aristotle regarded it as valid.)

Theorem 5.1: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V_1 -syllogism then $Y \vDash x$.

Proof. Straightforward.

There are exactly 60 V_2 -syllogisms. We list the number of V_2 -syllogisms generated by each I-form, where no V_2 -syllogism generated by one I-form is also generated by another: 11: (8), 12: (2), 13: (2), 21: (16), 22: (4), 23: (4), 31: (16), 32: (0), 33: (4), 34: (4), 35: (0). So, for example, I-form 11 generates $\langle \{LAab\}, Aab \rangle$ and $\langle \{Oab\}, MOab \rangle$. (All V_2 -syllogisms are deducible in McCall's L-X-M.)

Theorem 5.2: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V_2 -syllogism then $Y \vDash x$.

Proof: Straightforward. Note that each I_2 -form is inconsistent.

Theorem 5.3: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism, then $Y \vDash x$ iff $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V-syllogism.

Proof. Immediate consequence of Theorems 3.1, 4.5, 5.1, and 5.2.

Decision procedure 5.1 (corollary of Theorem 5.3): If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism, to decide whether $Y \vDash x$, ask whether $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a V-syllogism.

Theorem 5.4: If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism, then $Y \vDash x$ iff there is no ϵ_3 -valuation that assigns t to all members of Y and assigns f to x.

Proof. Immediate consequence of the proof of Theorem 3.1.

Decision procedure 5.2 (corollary of Theorem 5.4): If $\langle Y, x \rangle$ is a syllogism, to decide whether $Y \vDash x$ examine all of the $4^{(3 \times n)}$ matrices of form

	a_1	a_2	\dots	a_n	a_{n+1}	\dots
m_1					ϵ	\dots
m_2						
m_3						

where a_1 to a_n are all and the only terms that occur in the sentences in $Y \cup \{x\}$, and each m_i/a_j cell (for $1 \leq i \leq 3$ and $1 \leq j \leq n$) is either empty or contains one of the following three expressions: ' ϵ ', ' ϵ_n ', or ' \notin_n '. Ask whether any of these matrices indicates an ϵ -valuation that assigns t to all members of Y and assigns f to x.

6. Final remark

The simplest of the above three decision procedures for determining the validity of syllogisms is given by decision procedure 5.1. This decision procedure generalizes Smiley's 1973 simple decision procedure for determining the validity of assertoric syllogisms.

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C. I. Lewis's Calculus of Predicates

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In 1951 C. I. Lewis published a logic of general terms (or properties) that he called *predicates*. Although this system is of less significance than Lewis's earlier work on modal logic, it has considerable historical interest and does not deserve the almost total neglect it has received. My aim here is to situate this system in the context of Lewis's earlier work on several of its central features. After sketching the historical background, I present Lewis's system, discuss his reasons for preferring it to quantified modal logic, and give the semantics for it that is suggested by Lewis's informal discussion of his system's general views on meaning. I then discuss Lewis's sketchy extension of his system to include quantifiers and examine his claim that it can serve as a foundation for logic in general, noting two minor changes in CP that, from today's vantage point, would count as improvements.

In a series of works, from the year of his first published paper to the appearance of *Symbolic logic* in 1932, C. I. Lewis developed several systems of modal logics that laid the groundwork for modern propositional modal logic. In his well-known paper, 'Notes on the Logic of Intension', published in 1918, and for his colleague Henry Sheffer in 1951, Lewis presented a logic of general terms and functions that he called the *calculus of predicates*. He believed that this system could provide a foundation for logic in general; in particular, it would afford a way of combining modality and propositional functions that was superior to quantified modal logic. History has not vindicated Lewis's hopes about the importance of his system, and its intrinsic interest is not as great as that of his earlier work. Still, Lewis's calculus of predicates goes beyond the attempts of earlier thinkers to devise an intensional logic of general terms; it shows how the architect of modern propositional modal logic might have developed an alternative to quantified modal logic, and it presents several recent logics of properties. Hence, Lewis's calculus of predicates has sufficient historical interest to deserve better than the almost total neglect it has received. My aim here is to situate this system in the context of Lewis's earlier work on propositional modal logic and to examine several of its central features.

In §1 I sketch the historical background of Lewis's calculus of predicates (CP, for short) and give an informal account of its central features. In §2 I present the syntax of CP and in §3 consider why Lewis preferred his system to quantified modal logic. Although the purely syntactical features of Lewis's system are of great interest, since they so closely parallel those of one of Lewis's earlier modal logics, S2, the sorts of interpretations he envisioned for his system are interesting and fundamental ways from those he had in mind for his earlier propositional modal logics. Accordingly, in §4 I supply CP with a semantics that is suggested by Lewis's informal discussion of his system (together with his general views on meaning). In §5 I discuss Lewis's sketchy extension of his system to include quantifiers and in §6 I examine his claim that CP can serve as a foundation for logic in general. In the final section I note two minor changes in Lewis's system that, from today's vantage point, would count as improvements.