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'Conservativism, rule-circularity, and implicit definition'

Abstract

After some stage setting, I argue that rule-circular arguments are subject to a particular sort of failure of warrant transmission in Crispin Wright's epistemic framework and thus cannot be used to *upgrade* initial 'mere entitlements' for the validity of the respective rules to what I call 'full internalistic warrant'. I then suggest changing the proposed structure of justification: instead of endorsing rule-circular arguments in justificatory projects for basic logic, one should (re)consider the possibility that knowledge of validity can be obtained by means of an implicit definition step suitably supported by entitlements.