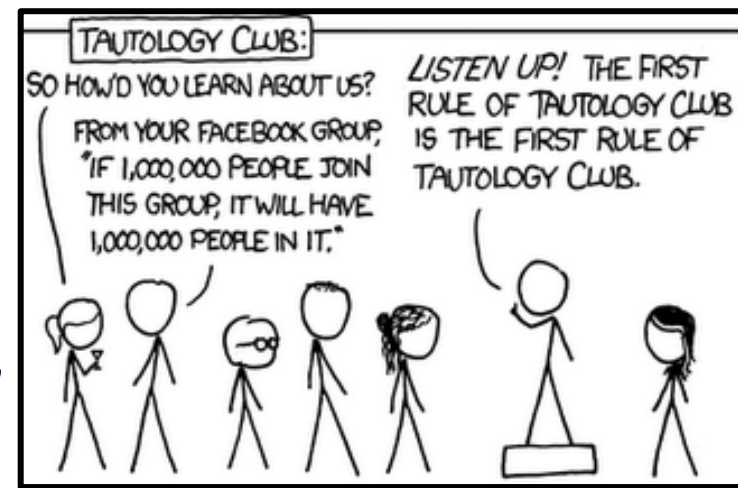


CSE 311



Foundations of Computing I

Fall 2014

Announcements

Homework #2 due today

- Solutions available (paper format) in front
- HW #3 will be posted tonight

Inference Rules

- Each **inference rule** is written as:
...which means that if both A and B are true then you can infer C and you can infer D.

$$\frac{A, B}{\therefore C, D}$$

- For rule to be correct $(A \wedge B) \rightarrow C$ and $(A \wedge B) \rightarrow D$ must be a tautologies
- Sometimes rules don't need anything to start with. These rules are called **axioms**:
 - e.g. *Excluded Middle Axiom*

$$\therefore p \vee \neg p$$

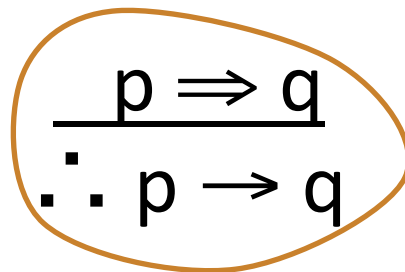
Simple Propositional Inference Rules

Excluded middle plus two inference rules per binary connective, one to eliminate it and one to introduce it

$$\begin{array}{l} \wedge \\ \text{Elim} \\ \frac{p \wedge q}{\therefore p, q} \\ \text{Intro} \\ \frac{p, q}{\therefore p \wedge q} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \vee \\ \frac{p \vee q, \neg p}{\therefore q} \\ \frac{p}{\therefore p \vee q, q \vee p} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{p, p \rightarrow q}{\therefore q}$$


$$\frac{p \Rightarrow q}{\therefore p \rightarrow q}$$

Direct Proof Rule
Not like other rules

Important: Application of Inference Rules

- You can use equivalences to make substitutions of any sub-formula.
- Inference rules only can be applied to whole formulas (not correct otherwise).

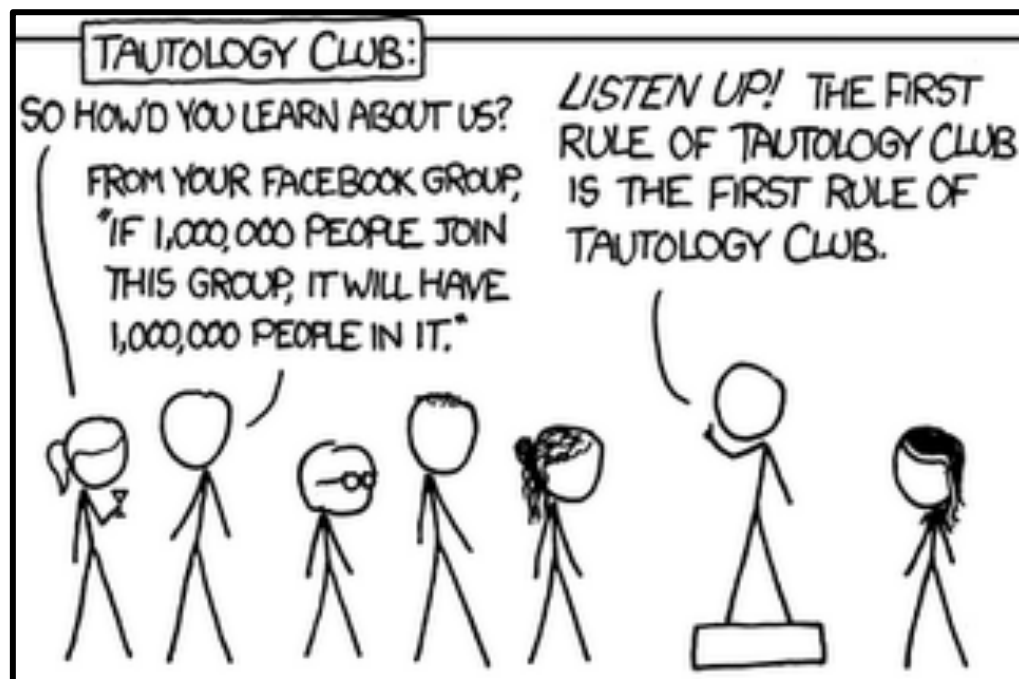
e.g. 1. $p \rightarrow q$ given
~~2. $(p \vee r) \rightarrow q$ intro \vee from 1.~~

Does not follow! e.g. $p=F, q=F, r=T$

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Lecture 7: Proofs



Proofs

Prove or disprove that $\neg r$ follows from $p \wedge s$, $q \rightarrow \neg r$, and $s \vee \neg q$.

If $p = T$, $q = F$, $s = T$, then r can be True or False.

Prove that $\neg r$ follows from $p \wedge s$, $q \rightarrow \neg r$, and $\neg s \vee q$.

1. $p \wedge s$ Given
2. $q \rightarrow \neg r$ Given
3. $\neg s \vee q$ Given
4. s Elim \wedge : 1
5. q Elim \vee : 3, 4
6. $\neg r$ MP: 2, 5

Direct Proof of an Implication

- $p \Rightarrow q$ denotes a proof of q given p as an assumption
- **The direct proof rule:**
If you have such a proof then you can conclude that $p \rightarrow q$ is true

proof subroutine

Example:

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|----|------------|-------------------------|
| 1. | p | assumption |
| 2. | $p \vee q$ | intro for \vee from 1 |
3. $p \rightarrow (p \vee q)$ direct proof rule

Proofs using the direct proof rule

Show that $p \rightarrow r$ follows from q and $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$

1. q Given
2. $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$ Given
3. p Assumption
4. $p \wedge q$ Intro \wedge : 1, 3
5. r MP: 2, 4
6. $p \rightarrow r$ Direct Proof Rule

Example

Prove: $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$

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|----|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | $p \wedge q$ | Assumption |
| 2. | p | Elim \wedge : 1 |
| 3. | $p \vee q$ | Intro \vee : 2 |
| 4. | $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$ | Direct Proof Rule |

Example

Prove: $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$

1. $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$

Assumption

2. p

Assumption

3. $p \rightarrow q$

Elim \wedge : 1

4. q

MP: 2, 3

5. $q \rightarrow r$

Elim \wedge : 1

6. r

MP: 4, 5

7. $p \rightarrow r$

Direct Proof Rule

8. $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$

Direct Proof Rule

One General Proof Strategy

- 1. Look at the rules for introducing connectives to see how you would build up the formula you want to prove from pieces of what is given**
- 2. Use the rules for eliminating connectives to break down the given formulas so that you get the pieces you need to do 1.**
- 3. Write the proof beginning with what you figured out for 2 followed by 1.**

Inference rules for quantifiers

$P(c)$ for some c

$\therefore \exists x P(x)$

$\forall x P(x)$

$\therefore P(a)$ for any a

“Let a be anything^{*}” ... $P(a)$

$\therefore \forall x P(x)$

$\exists x P(x)$

$\therefore P(c)$ for some *special*^{**} c

* in the domain of P

** By special, we mean that c is a name for a value where $P(c)$ is true. We can't use anything else about that value, so c has to be a NEW variable!

Proofs using Quantifiers

“There exists an even prime number”

First, we translate into predicate logic:

$$\exists x \text{ Even}(x) \wedge \text{Prime}(x)$$

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| 1. Even(2) | Fact (math) |
| 2. Prime(2) | Fact (math) |
| 3. Even(2) \wedge Prime(2) | Intro \wedge: 1, 2 |
| 4. $\exists x \text{ Even}(x) \wedge \text{Prime}(x)$ | Intro \exists: 3 |

Proofs using Quantifiers

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Those first two lines are sort of cheating; we should prove those “facts”.

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|--|------------------------------|
| 1. $2 = 2 * 1$ | Definition of Multiplication |
| 2. Even(2) | Intro \exists : 1 |
| 3. There are no integers between 1 and 2 | Definition of Integers |
| 4. 2 is an integer | Definition of 2 |
| 5. Prime(2) | Intro \wedge : 3, 4 |

Prime(x): x is an integer > 1 and x is not a multiple of any integer strictly between 1 and x

Even(x) $\equiv \exists y (x=2y)$

Proofs using Quantifiers

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| 5. | $\text{Prime}(2)$ | Intro \wedge : 3, 4 |
| 6. | $\text{Even}(2) \wedge \text{Prime}(2)$ | Intro \wedge : 2, 5 |
| 7. | $\exists x \text{ Even}(x) \wedge \text{Prime}(x)$ | Intro \exists : 7 |

Note that $2 = 2 * 1$ by definition of multiplication. It follows that there is a y such that $2 = 2y$; so, two is even. Furthermore, two is an integer, and there are no integers between one and two; so, by definition of a prime number, two is prime. Since two is both even and prime, $\exists x \text{ Even}(x) \wedge \text{Prime}(x)$.

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