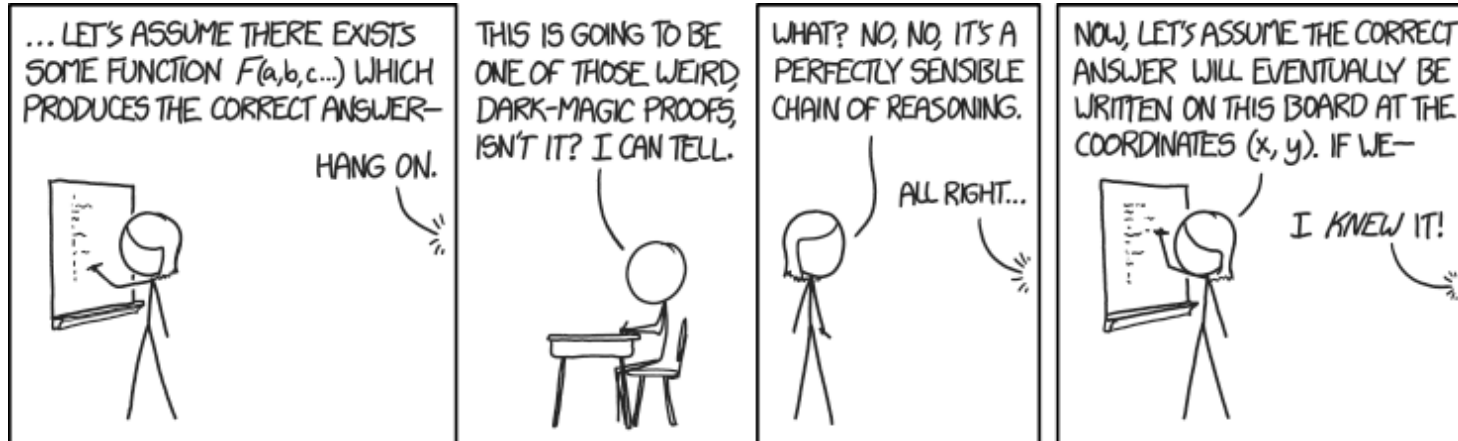


CSE 311: Foundations of Computing

Lecture 8: Predicate Logic Proofs



Last class: Propositional Inference Rules

Two inference rules per binary connective, one to eliminate it and one to introduce it

$$\boxed{\text{Elim } \wedge} \frac{A \wedge B}{\therefore A, B}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Intro } \wedge} \frac{A ; B}{\therefore A \wedge B}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Elim } \vee} \frac{A \vee B ; \neg A}{\therefore B}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Intro } \vee} \frac{A}{\therefore A \vee B, B \vee A}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Modus Ponens}} \frac{A ; A \rightarrow B}{\therefore B}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Direct Proof}} \frac{A \Rightarrow B}{\therefore A \rightarrow B}$$

Proofs

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

How To Start:

We have givens, find the ones that go together and use them. Now, treat new things as givens, and repeat.

$$\frac{A ; A \rightarrow B}{\therefore B}$$

$$\frac{A \wedge B}{\therefore A, B}$$

$$\frac{A ; B}{\therefore A \wedge B}$$

Proofs

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

1. p Given

2. $p \rightarrow q$ Given

3. $p \wedge q \rightarrow r$ Given

$$\frac{A ; A \rightarrow B}{\therefore B}$$

$$\frac{A \wedge B}{\therefore A, B}$$

9. r ??

$$\frac{A ; B}{\therefore A \wedge B}$$

Proofs

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

Two visuals of the same proof.
We will use the top one, but if
the bottom one helps you
think about it, that's great!

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|----|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | p | Given |
| 2. | $p \rightarrow q$ | Given |
| 3. | q | MP: 1, 2 |
| 4. | $p \wedge q$ | Intro \wedge : 1, 3 |
| 5. | $p \wedge q \rightarrow r$ | Given |
| 6. | r | MP: 4, 5 |

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{p \ ; \ p \rightarrow q}{q} \text{MP} \\ \frac{p \ ; \ q}{p \wedge q} \text{Intro } \wedge \\ \frac{p \wedge q \ ; \ p \wedge q \rightarrow r}{r} \text{MP} \end{array}$$

Proofs

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

First: Write down givens
and goal

20. $\neg r$



Idea: Work backwards!

Proofs

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

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3. $\neg s \vee q$ Given

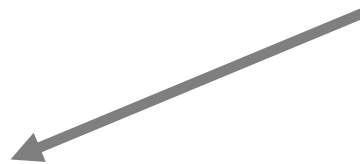
Idea: Work backwards!

We want to eventually get $\neg r$. How?

- We can use $q \rightarrow \neg r$ to get there.
- The justification between 2 and 20 looks like “elim \rightarrow ” which is MP.

20. $\neg r$

MP: 2,



Proofs

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

Idea: Work backwards!

We want to eventually get $\neg r$. How?

- Now, we have a new “hole”
- We need to prove q ...
 - Notice that at this point, if we prove q , we’ve proven $\neg r$...

19. q



20. $\neg r$

MP: 2, 19

Proofs

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

This looks like or-elimination.

19. q



20. $\neg r$


MP: 2, 19

$$\text{Elim } \vee \frac{A \vee B ; \neg A}{\therefore B}$$

Proofs

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

- 18. $\neg\neg s$  $\neg\neg s$ doesn't show up in the givens but s does and we can use equivalences
- 19. q \vee Elim: 3, 18
- 20. $\neg r$ MP: 2, 19

Proofs

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

17. s



18. $\neg \neg s$ Double Negation: 17

19. q \vee Elim: 3, 18

20. $\neg r$ MP: 2, 19

Proofs

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

17. s \wedge Elim: 1

18. $\neg \neg s$ Double Negation: 17

19. q \vee Elim: 3, 18

20. $\neg r$ MP: 2, 19

No holes left! We just
need to clean up a bit.

Proofs

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

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|----|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. | $p \wedge s$ | Given |
| 2. | $q \rightarrow \neg r$ | Given |
| 3. | $\neg s \vee q$ | Given |
| 4. | s | \wedge Elim: 1 |
| 5. | $\neg \neg s$ | Double Negation: 4 |
| 6. | q | \vee Elim: 3, 5 |
| 7. | $\neg r$ | MP: 2, 6 |

Important: Applications of Inference Rules

- You can use **equivalences** to make substitutions of **any sub-formula**.

e.g. $(p \rightarrow r) \vee q \equiv (\neg p \vee r) \vee q$

- Inference rules only** can be applied to **whole formulas** (not correct otherwise).

e.g. 1. $p \rightarrow r$ given

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

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

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Not like other rules

Last class: New Perspective

Rather than comparing **A** and **B** as columns, zooming in on just the rows where **A** is true:

<i>p</i>	<i>q</i>	A	B
T	T	T	T
T	F	T	T
F	T	F	
F	F	F	

Given that **A** is true, we see that **B** is also true.

$$A \Rightarrow B$$

Last class: New Perspective

Rather than comparing **A** and **B** as columns, zooming in on just the rows where **B** is true:

<i>p</i>	<i>q</i>	A	B	A \rightarrow B
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	T
F	F	F	F	T

When we zoom out, what have we proven?

$$(A \rightarrow B) \equiv \mathbf{T}$$

To Prove An Implication: $A \rightarrow B$

$$\frac{A \Rightarrow B}{\therefore A \rightarrow B}$$

- We use the direct proof rule
- The “pre-requisite” $A \Rightarrow B$ for the direct proof rule is a proof that “Given A , we can prove B .”
- **The direct proof rule:**

If you have such a proof then you can conclude that $A \rightarrow B$ is true

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

This is a
proof
of $p \rightarrow r$

3.1. p Assumption

3.2.

3.3. r ??

If we know p is true...
Then, we've shown
 r is true

3. $p \rightarrow r$ Direct Proof

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
 - 3.1. p Assumption
 - 3.2. $p \wedge q$ Intro \wedge : 1, 3.1
 - 3.3. r MP: 2, 3.2
3. $p \rightarrow r$ Direct Proof

Example

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

There MUST be an application of the Direct Proof Rule (or an equivalence) to prove this implication.

Where do we start? We have no givens...

Example

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

1.1. $p \wedge q$

Assumption

1.9. $p \vee q$

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

Direct Proof

Example

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

1.1. $p \wedge q$

Assumption

1.2. p

Elim \wedge : 1.1

1.3. $p \vee q$

Intro \vee : 1.2

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

Direct Proof

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.**

Example

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

Example

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

1.1. $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$ Assumption

1.? $p \rightarrow r$

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

Example

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

1.1. $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$ Assumption

1.2. $p \rightarrow q$ \wedge Elim: 1.1

1.3. $q \rightarrow r$ \wedge Elim: 1.1

1.? $p \rightarrow r$

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

Example

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

1.1. $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$ Assumption

1.2. $p \rightarrow q$ \wedge Elim: 1.1

1.3. $q \rightarrow r$ \wedge Elim: 1.1

1.4.1. p Assumption

1.4.? r

1.4. $p \rightarrow r$ Direct Proof

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

Example

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

1.1. $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$ Assumption

1.2. $p \rightarrow q$ \wedge Elim: 1.1

1.3. $q \rightarrow r$ \wedge Elim: 1.1

1.4.1. p Assumption

1.4.2. q MP: 1.2, 1.4.1

1.4.3. r MP: 1.3, 1.4.2

1.4. $p \rightarrow r$ Direct Proof

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

Inference Rules for Quantifiers: First look

$$\boxed{\text{Intro } \exists} \frac{P(c) \text{ for some } c}{\therefore \exists x P(x)}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Elim } \forall} \frac{\forall x P(x)}{\therefore P(a) \text{ (for any } a)}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Elim } \exists} \frac{\exists x P(x)}{\therefore P(c) \text{ for some } \textit{special}^{**} c}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Intro } \forall}$$

****** 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 name!

My First Predicate Logic Proof

Domain of Discourse
Integers

Prove $(\forall x P(x)) \rightarrow (\exists x P(x))$

Intro \exists	$P(c)$ for some c
	$\therefore \exists x P(x)$

Elim \forall	$\forall x P(x)$
	$\therefore P(a)$ for any a

5. $(\forall x P(x)) \rightarrow (\exists x P(x))$



The main connective is implication
so Direct Proof seems good

My First Predicate Logic Proof

Domain of Discourse
Integers

Prove $\forall x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$

Intro \exists	$\frac{P(c) \text{ for some } c}{\therefore \exists x P(x)}$
Elim \forall	$\frac{\forall x P(x)}{\therefore P(a) \text{ for any } a}$

1.1. $\forall x P(x)$ Assumption

We need an \exists we don't have
so "intro \exists " rule makes sense

1.5. $\exists x P(x)$



1. $\forall x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$ Direct Proof

My First Predicate Logic Proof

Domain of Discourse
Integers

Prove $\forall x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$


Intro \exists	$P(c)$ for some c $\therefore \exists x P(x)$
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Elim \forall	$\forall x P(x)$ $\therefore P(a)$ for any a
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1.1. $\forall x P(x)$ Assumption

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so "intro \exists " rule makes sense

1.5. $\exists x P(x)$

Intro \exists : 

That requires $P(c)$
for some c .

1. $\forall x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$ Direct Proof

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1.1. $\forall x P(x)$

Assumption

1.4. $P(5)$

1.5. $\exists x P(x)$



Intro \exists : 1.4

1. $\forall x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$

Direct Proof

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1.1. $\forall x P(x)$

Assumption

1.4. $P(5)$

Elim \forall : 1.1

1.5. $\exists x P(x)$

Intro \exists : 1.4

1. $\forall x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$

Direct Proof

My First Predicate Logic Proof

Domain of Discourse
Integers

Prove $\forall x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$

Intro \exists	$P(c)$ for some c $\therefore \exists x P(x)$
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Elim \forall	$\forall x P(x)$ $\therefore P(a)$ for any a
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1.1. $\forall x P(x)$

Assumption

1.2. $P(5)$

Elim \forall : 1.1

1.3. $\exists x P(x)$

Intro \exists : 1.2

1. $\forall x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$

Direct Proof

Working forwards as well as backwards:

In applying “Intro \exists ” rule we didn’t know what expression we might be able to prove $P(c)$ for, so we worked forwards to figure out what might work.

Predicate Logic Proofs

- **Can use**
 - **Predicate logic inference rules**
whole formulas only
 - **Predicate logic equivalences (De Morgan's)**
even on subformulas
 - **Propositional logic inference rules**
whole formulas only
 - **Propositional logic equivalences**
even on subformulas

Predicate Logic Proofs with more content

- In propositional logic we could just write down other propositional logic statements as “givens”
- Here, we also want to be able to use domain knowledge so proofs are about something specific

- Example:

Domain of Discourse
Integers

- Given the basic properties of arithmetic on integers, define:

Predicate Definitions
$\text{Even}(x) := \exists y (x = 2 \cdot y)$
$\text{Odd}(x) := \exists y (x = 2 \cdot y + 1)$