

Homework 2

Question 1. [30 marks] Solve the following exercises, from **Week 3(a)** of the notes:

- Exercise 2.3.4
- Exercise 2.4.19
- Exercise 1.5.5

In the following two exercises, you are asked to show that a proof system is *sound* but *incomplete*. This time we will be working with formulas that involve the logical connectives \rightarrow, \vee and \neg .

The axioms of this new system K are the following:

- (A1) $(\phi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \phi))$
- (A2) $((\phi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow ((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\phi \rightarrow \chi)))$
- (K3) $\phi \rightarrow (\phi \vee \psi)$
- (K4) $\phi \rightarrow (\psi \vee \phi)$
- (K5) $(\phi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow ((\psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow (\phi \vee \psi) \rightarrow \chi)$
- (K6) $(\phi \rightarrow \neg\psi) \rightarrow ((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \neg\phi)$
- (K7) $\neg\phi \rightarrow (\phi \rightarrow \psi)$

The only deduction rule of this system is still MP.

Let Γ be a set of formulas. A **formal proof in K** of formula ϕ , from Γ is a finite sequence:

$$(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)$$

of formulas such that $\phi_n = \phi$ and for each $i \leq n$, one of the following holds:

- $\phi_i \in \Gamma$;
- Or ϕ_i is an instance of (A1),(A2),(K3)-(K7);
- Or ϕ_i can be deduced from an instance of (MP) for some $j, k < i$.

If there is a formal proof in K of ϕ from Γ , we write $\Gamma \vdash_K \phi$. If $\Gamma = \emptyset$ we write $\vdash_K \phi$ and call ϕ a **theorem of K** .

Question 2. [30 marks] Prove the soundness theorem for this proof system (i.e. prove that if $\Gamma \vdash \phi$ then $\Gamma \models_K \phi$). [You don't need to show that (A1) and (A2) are instances of tautologies again.]

Question 3. [40 marks] We will use a method based on invariants to show that K is not complete. For a minute, we will change our semantics, and allow the logical connectives as functions from $\{F, M, T\}$ (to some power) to $\{F, M, T\}$ with the following “truth tables”:

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|-----|---------------|-----|-----|--------------------|-----|-----|------------------|-----|-----|-------------------------|
| x | $f_{\neg}(x)$ | x | y | $f_{\wedge}(x, y)$ | x | y | $f_{\vee}(x, y)$ | x | y | $f_{\rightarrow}(x, y)$ |
| F | T | F | F | F | F | F | F | F | F | T |
| M | M | F | M | F | F | M | M | F | M | T |
| T | F | F | T | F | F | T | T | F | T | T |
| | | M | F | F | M | F | M | M | F | M |
| | | M | M | M | M | M | M | M | M | T |
| | | M | T | M | M | T | T | M | T | T |
| | | T | F | F | T | F | T | T | F | F |
| | | T | M | M | T | M | T | T | M | M |
| | | T | T | T | T | T | T | T | T | T |

You can intuitively think of M as “*Maybe*”. For this new semantics, we will consider assignments $\mathbf{Var} \rightarrow \{F, M, T\}$. Given an assignment $\mathcal{A} : \mathbf{Var} \rightarrow \{F, M, T\}$ and a formula ϕ we define $\mathbf{val}_{\mathcal{A}}(\phi)$ as in Definition 2.2.2. We write $\mathcal{A} \models \phi$ if $\mathbf{val}_{\mathcal{A}}(\phi) = T$.

Definition. We say that ϕ is a *strong tautology* if for all assignments $\mathcal{A} : \mathbf{Var} \rightarrow \{F, M, T\}$ we have that $\mathcal{A} \models \phi$.

- (1) Show that axioms (A1), (A2), (K3)-(K7) are strong tautologies.
- (2) Prove that if ϕ and $\phi \rightarrow \psi$ are strong tautologies, then so is ψ .
- (3) Prove that $A \vee \neg A$ is not a strong tautology.
- (4) Deduce that the proof system K is not complete.

[*Hint.* You must find a formula ϕ such that $\models \phi$ but $\not\vdash_K \phi$ (i.e. it is not the case that $\vdash_K \phi$).]