

Homework 2. Propositional Logic. Tableau Proof.

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1. (3) (Attendance and grading issues). Navya is our grader.

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Ans:

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2. (8) Study the proof of $\Sigma \subseteq Cn(\Sigma)$ in Section 2.3 of L04 and the note after the proof to learn how to work backwards step by step. A key in the one-step backwards is the application of the definition of a concept to a use of the concept.

- (a) Based on the working backwards method, write a final proof for the following statement: for any proposition α , α is a consequence of $\{\alpha\}$.

Proof:

- (1) α is a proposition. By the definition of proposition.
- (2) $\{\alpha\}$ is a set of propositions. By (1)
- (3) $\alpha \in \{\alpha\}$ from (1) and (2)
- (4) $\sigma \in \Sigma$ where $\sigma = \alpha$ and $\Sigma = \{\alpha\}$
- (5) \forall valuation v
- (6) $\forall \tau \in \Sigma, v(\tau) = T$. By the definition of consequence relation between σ and Σ
- (7) $v(\sigma) = T$ (From 6)
- (8) If valuation $v(\sigma) = T$ then $\Sigma \models \sigma$ which represents σ is a consequence of Σ .
 $\sigma = \alpha$ and $\Sigma = \{\alpha\}$. By 7 and definition of consequence relation between σ and Σ
- (9) α is a consequence of $\{\alpha\}$ (From 8).

- (b) Let Σ_1 and Σ_2 be sets of propositions. Using the working backwards method, prove $\Sigma_1 \subseteq \Sigma_2$ implies $C_n(\Sigma_1) \subseteq C_n(\Sigma_2)$.

Remember to write the reason for each statement in your proof. Your proof should be in the final form.

Ans : Let (P1) Σ be a set of propositions and (p2) $C_n(\Sigma)$ be the set of consequences of Σ

Proof:

- (1) $\forall x$
- (2) Assume $x \in \sigma$
- (3) for any valuation \mathcal{V} ,
- (4) Assume \mathcal{V} is a model of Σ
- (5) for any $\sigma \in \Sigma, \mathcal{V}(\sigma) = T$. By (4)
- (6) $\mathcal{V}(x) = T$. By (2), (5) and \forall
- (7) for any valuation \mathcal{V} , if \mathcal{V} is a model of Σ then $\mathcal{V}(x) = T$
- (8) $\Sigma \models x$ from (7) (9) $x \in C_n(\Sigma)$ from (8)
- (10) $x \in \Sigma \Rightarrow x \in C_n(\Sigma)$
- (11) $\forall x x \in \Sigma \Rightarrow x \in C_n(\Sigma)$
- (12) $\Sigma \subseteq C_n(\Sigma)$

3. (5) Find the definition of a *model of a set of propositions* and definition of a *proposition is a consequence of a set of propositions* from the textbook. Rewrite each of the definitions using the concept of a *valuation makes a proposition true* (Definition 3.2) where appropriate. In your new definition, you are NOT allowed to directly apply a valuation \mathcal{V} to a proposition σ in the form $\mathcal{V}(\sigma)$. You are NOT allowed to use T directly in your definitions.

Answer :

Definition: Model of a set of propositions:

A model of proposition logic with respect to a set of propositions $A = A_1, \dots, A_n$ it is simply a truth assignments to the propositions in A .

For instance valuation \mathcal{V} is a model of Σ if valuation of σ is marked as true. for every σ belongs to Σ

Where as, Σ is a set of propositions and the σ is the elements in the set Σ .

Definition: A proposition is a consequence set of propositions:

Let Σ be a set of propositions. Here, we can say that σ is a consequence of Σ . If for any valuation \mathcal{V}

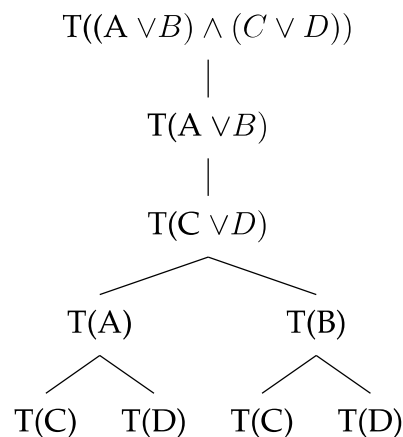
$(\mathcal{V} = T \text{ for all } \tau \in \Sigma) \Rightarrow \mathcal{V} = T$

4. **Quiz 1: (15)** [Done already]

5. **Quiz 2: (35)** [Done already]

6. (10) Draw the CST of $T((A \vee B) \wedge (C \vee D))$.

Ans: (Complete Systematic Tableaux)



7. (8) (Write definition) Recall the *language* of propositional logic in L02. We now expand it with a new connective *majority*. While most of the original connectives in the language such as \wedge are used in an *infix form* to form a proposition. For example, if α and β are propositions, then $(\alpha \wedge \beta)$ is a proposition. With the expanded language, we can write new propositions. For the new connective *majority*, it allows exactly three parameters, and a prefix form has to be used for it to form a new proposition. For example, for propositional letters A_1, A_2, A_3 , $\text{majority}(A_1, A_2, A_3)$ is a proposition. In fact, we can nest these connectives. For example, $\text{majority}(\text{majority}(A_1, A_2, A_3), (A_1 \wedge A_2), (A_3 \vee B))$ is a new *propositions*, and so is $(\text{majority}(A_1, A_2, A_3) \wedge A_1)$

Write a definition of the new *proposition*. You can refer to the definition of original proposition from the book/L02. Clearly, an inductive (recursive) definition is needed here.

Ans: Given that the new proposition is $\text{majority}(\text{majority}(A_1, A_2, A_3), (A_1 \wedge A_2), (A_3 \vee B))$

Here we have to prove that $(\text{majority}(A_1, A_2, A_3) \wedge A_1)$ is a proposition.

Definition:

- (1) A is a proposition letter. By the definition of proposition letter.
 - (2) A_1, A_2, A_3 are the proposition letters. By the definition of proposition letter.
 - (3) A_1, A_2, A_3 are the propositions. By the definition of proposition.
 - (4) $\text{majority}(A_1, A_2, A_3)$ is a proposition. By (3) and definition of the proposition.
 - (5) A_1 is a proposition. By both definition of proposition and the definition of proposition letter.
 - (6) $(\text{majority}(A_1, A_2, A_3) \wedge A_1)$ is a proposition by (4), (5) and definition of proposition.
8. (8) Study carefully the proofs in L06. Prove the completeness result of the tableaux proof, i.e., Theorem 5.3. Follow the proof of soundness result in L06. Do not skip steps in your proof. Your proof should be in the final form (e.g., all labels for statements will be without prefix b or F). You may use lemma 5.4 directly.

Ans:

- If α is a tableau provable, then α is valid.
- Here we can also prove it as a contra-positive.
- Let us assume that α is not valid. By the definition there is a valuation \mathcal{V} agrees with a signed proposition E in two situations
- if E is $T\alpha$ and $\mathcal{V}(\alpha)=T$ or if E is $F\alpha$ and $\mathcal{V}(\alpha)=F$.
- Here as per lemma \mathcal{V} agrees with each and every entry on path P.

- Let P be a non-contradictory path of a finished tableau τ
- If α is a propositional letter and $T(\alpha)$ occurs on P , Then $\mathcal{V}(\alpha)=T$ by definition.
- If $F\alpha$ occurs on P , then P is a non-contradictory, $\mathcal{V}(\alpha)=F$
- suppose $T(\alpha \wedge \beta)$ occurs on the non-contradictory path P both $T(\alpha)$ and $T(\beta)$ occurs on P . By hypothesis $\mathcal{V}(\alpha) = T = \mathcal{V}(\beta)$ and so $\mathcal{V}(\alpha \wedge \beta) = T$.
- suppose $F(\alpha \wedge \beta)$ occurs on the non-contradictory path P .
- $\mathcal{V}(\alpha)=F$ or $\mathcal{V}(\beta)=F$. $\mathcal{V}(\alpha \wedge \beta)=T$.

9. (8) Study carefully the proofs in L06. Prove lemma 5.2. You have to follow the methods we studied in L06.

Appendix. A proof (see latex source for the latex code for this proof).

Proof. In this proof, the *number of connectives* of an entry of a path in a tableau, is defined as the number of connectives of the proposition of this entry.

We prove this claim by induction on the number of connectives of the entries on P .

- Base case (the entries with 0 connectives). We will prove \mathcal{V} agrees with all entries, with 0 connectives, of P .

For every such entry E , with 0 connectives, of P ,

since it has 0 connectives, it must be of the form TA or FA .

Case 1. $E = TA$. By the definition of

\mathcal{A} , $\mathcal{V}(A) = T$ and thus

\mathcal{V} agrees with E .

Case 2. $E = FA$. By the definition of \mathcal{A} ,

$\mathcal{V}(A) = F$, hence,

\mathcal{V} agrees with E .

Therefore, \mathcal{V} agrees with E , by case 1 and 2.

\mathcal{V} agrees with E .

- Inductive hypothesis (IH) (on number of connectives not more than n). We *assume* \mathcal{V} agrees with all entries, *with at most* n ($n \geq 0$) *connectives*, of P .
- Prove the case of entries with $n + 1$ connectives, i.e., \mathcal{V} agrees with all entries, *with* $n + 1$ *connectives*, of P .

For every such entry E , with $n + 1$ connectives, of P ,

since it has $n + 1$ connectives, it must be of one of the forms:

$T(\alpha_1 \vee \alpha_2), T(\alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2), T(\alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2), T(\alpha_1 \leftrightarrow \alpha_2), T(\neg \alpha_1),$
 $F(\alpha_1 \vee \alpha_2), F(\alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2), F(\alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2), F(\alpha_1 \leftrightarrow \alpha_2),$ or $F(\neg \alpha_1)$

where α_1 (and α_2 respectively) has *at most* n connectives.

We prove by cases.

Case 1. $E = T(\alpha_1 \vee \alpha_2)$.

Since τ is finished, P is finished and thus E is reduced.

By definition of *reduced*, $T(\alpha_1)$ or $T(\alpha_2)$ must occur on P .

Case 1.1 $T(\alpha_1)$ occurs on P . By IH, \mathcal{V} agrees with $T(\alpha_1)$,
and thus $\mathcal{V}(\alpha_1) = T$. Therefore,
 $\mathcal{V}(\alpha_1 \vee \alpha_2) = T$, hence,
 \mathcal{V} agrees with E .

Case 1.2 $T(\alpha_2)$ occurs on P .

We can prove, similarly to case 1.1, that
 \mathcal{V} agrees with E .

\mathcal{V} agrees with E , by cases 1.1 to 1.2.

Case 2 to 10. We can prove similarly,

\mathcal{V} agrees with E .

Therefore, \mathcal{V} agrees with E , by cases 1 to 10.

\mathcal{V} agrees with E .

Proof:

We prove by induction that there is a sequence (P_n) such that, for every n , (P_n) is contained in P_{n+l} and P_n is a path through T_n such that \mathcal{V} agrees with every entry on P_n . The desired path P through τ will then simply be the union of the P_n .

The base case of the induction is easily seen to be true by the assumption Soundness and Completeness of Tableau Proofs.

that \mathcal{V} agrees with the root of T . As an example, consider with root entry $T(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)$. If $\mathcal{V}(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) = T$, then either $\mathcal{V}(\alpha) = T$ and $\mathcal{V}(\beta) = T$ or $\mathcal{V}(\alpha) = F$ and $\mathcal{V}(\beta) = F$ by the truth table definition for \rightarrow . For the induction step, suppose that we have constructed a path P_n in T_n every entry of which agrees with \mathcal{V} . If T_{n+l} is gotten from T_n without extending P_n , then we let $(P_{n+1}) = P_n$. If P_n is extended in T_{n+1} , then it is extended by adding on to its end an atomic tableau with root E for some entry E appearing on P_n . As we know by induction that \mathcal{V} agrees with E , the same analysis as used in the base case shows that \mathcal{V} agrees with one of the extensions of P_n to a path P_{n+1} in T_{n+1} .

QED