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Foundations of proof systems 1 Gilles Dowek

Exercise 1 Consider a language with three sorts of terms: point, line and scalar, two predicate symbols = with arity $\langle \text{scalar}, \text{scalar} \rangle$ and \in with arity $\langle \text{point}, \text{line} \rangle$ and two function symbols d, distance, with arity $\langle \text{point}, \text{point}, \text{scalar} \rangle$ and b, bisector, with arity $\langle \text{point}, \text{point}, \text{line} \rangle$. Let Γ be the set containing the propositions

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z \ (x \in b(y, z) \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = d(x, z))$$
$$\forall x \forall y \forall z \ ((x = y \land y = z) \Rightarrow x = z)$$

and A a proposition stating that if two bisectors of the triangle xyz intersect at a point w, then the three bisectors intersect at this point:

$$\forall w \forall x \forall y \forall z \; ((w \in b(x,y) \land w \in b(y,z)) \Rightarrow w \in b(x,z))$$

Write a proof of the sequent $\Gamma \vdash A$.

Exercise 2 1. Prove that if the sequents $\Gamma \vdash B$ is provable in Natural Deduction, then so is the sequent $\Gamma, A \vdash B$.

- 2. Prove that if the sequents Γ , $A \vdash B$ and $\Gamma \vdash A$ are provable in Natural Deduction, then so is the sequent $\Gamma \vdash B$.
- 3. Prove that if the sequent Γ , A, $B \vdash C$ is provable, then the sequent Γ , $A \land B \vdash C$ is provable.

Exercise 3 Eliminate the cuts in the proof

$$\frac{\exists x \ (P(x) \Rightarrow P(x)) \vdash \exists x \ (P(x) \Rightarrow P(x))}{\vdash \exists x \ (P(x) \Rightarrow P(x)) \Rightarrow \exists x \ (P(x) \Rightarrow P(x))} \text{ axiom} \qquad \frac{P(c) \vdash P(c) \text{ axiom}}{\vdash P(c) \Rightarrow P(c) \Rightarrow \text{-intro}} \\ \frac{\vdash \exists x \ (P(x) \Rightarrow P(x)) \Rightarrow \exists x \ (P(x) \Rightarrow P(x))}{\vdash \exists x \ (P(x) \Rightarrow P(x))} \Rightarrow \text{-elim}$$

Exercise 4 Find a proof π that contains a single cut but such that eliminating this cut in π creates other cuts.

Exercise 5 1. Prove that a proof that is constructive, cut-free and without any axioms, ends with an introduction rule.

2. Show that each hypothesis is necessary.

Exercise 6 Consider a set E and the set $R = \{x \in E \mid \neg x \in x\}$. Consider the rule

$$x \in R \longrightarrow x \in E \land \neg x \in x$$

1. Prove the sequent $R \in R \vdash \bot$,

- 2. prove the sequent $\vdash \neg R \in R$,
- 3. prove the sequent $R \in E \vdash R \in R$,
- 4. prove the sequent $R \in E \vdash \bot$,
- 5. prove the sequent $\vdash \neg R \in E$.
- 6. Eliminate the cuts in this proof.

Exercise 7 1. Find a model where the proposition P(a) is not valid.

- 2. Is the proposition P(a) provable?
- 3. Find a model where the proposition $\neg P(a)$ is not valid.
- *4. Is the proposition* $\neg P(a)$ *provable?*
- 5. Find a model valued in a Boolean algebra, where the proposition neither P(a) nor $\neg P(a)$ are valid.

Exercise 8 Find a model valued in a Heyting algebra, where the proposition $P(a) \lor \neg P(a)$ is not valid.