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- The language of **propositional logic** is based on **propositions**, or **declarative sentences** which one can, in principle, argue as being true or false.
- The basic blocks of the language are **atomic** (or **indecomposable**) sentences.
- More complex sentences can be constructed with **connectives**: ¬ (negation/not), ∧ (conjunction/and), V (disjunction/or),  $\Rightarrow$  (implication).
- **Sequent**:  $\phi_1, \phi_2, ..., \phi_n \vdash \psi$ , where  $\phi$  are **premises**, and  $\psi$  is a **conclusion**.
- A sequent is **valid** if a proof (built by the proof rules) can be found.
- For each connective, we have introduction proof rule(s) and also elimination proof rule(s).
  - Double negation introduction  $(\neg \neg i)$ :  $\frac{p}{\neg \neg p} \neg \neg i$
  - Double negation elimination  $(\neg \neg e)$ :  $\frac{\neg \neg p}{p}$
  - Conjunction introduction (Ai):  $\frac{p \cdot q}{p \wedge q}$  Ai
  - Conjunction elimination  $(\Lambda e_1/\Lambda e_2)$ :  $\frac{p \wedge q}{p} \Lambda e_1$  or  $\frac{p \wedge q}{q} \Lambda e_2$
  - **Disjunciton introduction**  $(Vi_1/Vi_2)$ :  $\frac{p}{p\vee q}$   $Vi_1$  or  $\frac{q}{p\vee q}$   $Vi_2$
  - Disjunciton elimination (Ve):  $\frac{p \vee q \boxed{p} \boxed{q}}{2} \times Ve$ Implication introduction (⇒i): \$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \phi \\ \psi \equiv \psi \equiv \equi

  - Implication elimination ( $\Rightarrow$ e) or Modus ponens (MP):  $\frac{\phi \phi \Rightarrow \psi}{\psi} \Rightarrow$ e
  - Modus tollens (MT):  $\frac{\phi \Rightarrow \psi \neg \psi}{\neg \phi}$  MT
- A sentence  $\phi$  such that  $\vdash \phi$  is called a **theorem**.