

# CS172: COMPUTER SYSTEMS II

## Lecture 18

# Natural Deduction

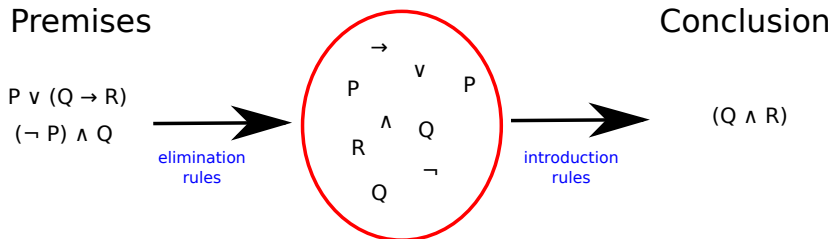
- *rules for forall/exists*

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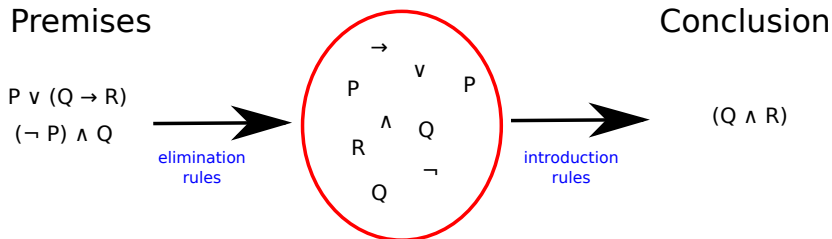
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- Example #2:

if we had a **conclusion** like  $(\forall x \cdot Px \wedge Qx)$  then we'd need to:

- First show  $Px \wedge Qx$  using the ordinary rules for propositional logic (presumably  $\wedge_{\mathcal{I}}$ )
- Then “put back” the quantifier to get the conclusion we want.

## Be careful with the use of variables

- The introduction and elimination rules for predicate logic allow us to “remove” and “put back” the quantifiers.
- This will have the side-effect of introducing *unquantified variables* into our proof.
- The introduction and elimination rules have **strict conditions** on what you can do with the variables: these conditions are essential to make sure that the system works correctly.

It's all about the variables.

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## Notes:

- Introduction rule: to *generalise* a statement, the variable must not be constrained through involvement in any undischarged assumptions.
- Elimination rule: Here, the  $\forall$  statement is acting like a *template*, allowing you to deduce new facts for all your existing variables.



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| ④ | Suppose $Si$ :                        |                             |
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## Notes:

- Introduction rule: easy to use, there are essentially no conditions.
- Elimination rule: A little like  $\forall_E$  in shape.

If we know  $(\exists x \cdot Px)$ , then we know there is something for which  $P$  holds: the rule says “let’s call it  $i$ , and proceed with the proof”.

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