

# CS172: COMPUTER SYSTEMS II

## Lecture 16

# Natural Deduction

- *rules for and, iff*

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to mean: we can construct a natural deduction proof starting with the premises  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$  and finishing with the conclusion  $\psi$ .

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⑥	$P \rightarrow R$	local assumption now discharged by: $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{I}}$ lines 3-5



- I use **indentation** in lines 4 and 5 to show the *scope* of the local assumption  $P$ .

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- This proof shows that implies is a *transitive* relation.

# Proofs using 'and'

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- Introduction: To prove  $A \wedge B$ :  
you must prove  $A$  and you must also prove  $B$ .
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- There are *two* elimination rules, so use whichever one suits your proof. You can use both of them if you like.

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This proof shows that 'and' is a *commutative* operator.

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## Proofs using equivalence ('iff')

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