## § Proposition Logic / 谓词逻辑

A direct approximation is

Proposition  $\approx$  Sentence  $\approx$  Statement

Some sentence (in natural language) can be decomposed into smaller ones: the sentence

If it rains, you have to come to the classroom.

can be decomposed into the pattern If P, then Q. Here we use alphabets for

- Propositions:  $P, Q, P_1, P_2, \dots$
- Connectivities:  $\rightarrow$  (implies),  $\vee$  (or),  $\wedge$  (and),  $\leftrightarrow$  (iff),  $\neg$  (not),  $\bot$  (false).
- Auxiliary: () (brackets).

**Definition** A sequence of alphabets above is a **proposition** iff it is

- Any atomic proposition  $P_1, \perp$ , etc.
- If  $\varphi, \psi$  are propositions, then adding  $\to, \leftarrow, \leftrightarrow, \land, \lor$  between them generates propositions.
- If  $\varphi$  is a proposition, then  $\neg \varphi$  is also one.

Finally, the set of all propositions PROP  $\subset \Sigma^*$  is the smallest one satisfying the definition above.

**Proposition** Given property A, if

- $\forall$  atomic proposition P, A(P) and  $A(\bot)$  holds,
- $\forall \varphi, \psi \in \Sigma^*$ , if  $A(\varphi)$  and  $A(\psi)$  holds, then  $A((\varphi \square \psi))$  also holds for any connectivity  $\square$ .
- $\forall \varphi \in \Sigma^*$ , if  $A(\varphi)$  holds, then  $A(\neg \varphi)$  also holds.

Then  $\forall \varphi \in PROP, A(\varphi)$  holds.

To define some  $F: PROP \to \Omega$ , it suffices to define

- $H_{\mathrm{atomic}}: \{P_1, P_2, ..., \bot\} \rightarrow \Omega,$
- $H_{\sqcap}: \Omega \times \Omega \to \Omega$ ,
- $H_{\neg}:\Omega\to\Omega$ .

If we set  $\Omega = \{0,1\}$ ,  $H_{\wedge} = \min$ ,  $H_{\vee} = \max$ ,  $H_{\neg} : t \mapsto 1 - t$  and so on, then we call this function the **valuation** function  $\nu : \operatorname{PROP} \to \{0,1\}$ . We denote  $[\varphi]_{\nu} := \nu(\varphi)$ .

In this definition we consider the **semantics** / 语义 of the statement, whereas only the **syntax** / 语 法 is considered previously.

In mathematical context we may use logical deduction

$$\varphi_1,...,\varphi_n; : \varphi.$$

Converting it to proposition logic we denote it as

$$\varphi_1,...,\varphi_n \vDash \varphi$$

iff for any valuation  $\nu$  s.t.  $\nu(\varphi_1) = \dots = \nu(\varphi_n) = 1$ , we also have  $\nu(\varphi) = 1$ .

**Definition** If  $[\varphi]_{\nu} = 1$  for all valuation  $\nu$  i.e. for all assignment of  $\nu(P)$ , then we say  $\varphi$  is a **tautology**, denoted as  $\vDash \varphi$ .

**Proposition** If  $\vDash \varphi$ , then  $\vDash \varphi[\psi/p]$  where  $\nu'(P_1) = \nu(\psi)$  if  $P_1 = \psi$  and  $\nu(\varphi)$  otherwise.

## § Natural Deduction

Now we move on to syntactic proofs / 语法证明. Some deduction rules are

$$\frac{\varphi \quad \varphi \to \psi}{\psi}, \quad \frac{\varphi \quad \psi}{\varphi \land \psi}, \quad \frac{\varphi \land \psi}{\varphi}, \quad \frac{\varphi \land \psi}{\psi}, \quad \frac{[\varphi]}{\varphi \to \psi}, \quad \frac{[\neg \varphi]}{\varphi}.$$

An example of proof is proving  $\vdash ((\varphi \land \psi) \rightarrow \varphi)$ :

$$\frac{\frac{[\varphi \wedge \psi]}{\varphi}}{(\varphi \wedge \psi) \to \varphi}.$$

## § System K

Refer to Sequents and Trees, Section 1.2.2.

**Sequents** are ordered pairs  $\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta$  (or  $\varphi_1,...,\varphi_k\Rightarrow\psi_1,...,\psi_n$  with  $k,n\geq0$ ). It should be interpreted as

- For k,n>1, the sequent  $\varphi_1,...,\varphi_k\Rightarrow \psi_1,...,\psi_n$  means  $\varphi_1\wedge...\wedge\varphi_k\to \psi_1\vee...\vee\psi_n$  in terms of usual notations,
- k=0 is denoted as  $\top$ , and n=0 is denoted as  $\bot$  as one may expect.

Given these notations, **System K** consists of the following rules:

$$\begin{split} &(\neg\Rightarrow) \ \frac{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\varphi}{\neg\varphi,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta} & (\Rightarrow\neg) \ \frac{\Gamma,\varphi\Rightarrow\Delta}{\Gamma\Rightarrow\neg\varphi,\Delta} \\ &(\wedge\Rightarrow) \ \frac{\varphi,\psi,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta}{\varphi\wedge\psi,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta} & (\Rightarrow\wedge) \ \frac{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\varphi \quad \Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\psi}{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\varphi\wedge\psi} \\ &(\Rightarrow\vee) \ \frac{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\varphi,\psi}{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\varphi\vee\psi} & (\vee\Rightarrow) \ \frac{\varphi,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta \quad \psi,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta}{\varphi\vee\psi,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta} \\ &(\Rightarrow\to) \frac{\varphi,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\psi}{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\varphi\to\psi} & (\to\Rightarrow) \ \frac{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,\varphi \quad \Gamma,\psi\Rightarrow\Delta}{\varphi\to\psi,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta} \end{split}$$

Note that all rules come in symmetrical pairs.