

Lecture 12, Sept. 28

V13. How to prove an or statement

V14. $S \cup F \models H$ and $S \cup G \models H \iff S \cup (F \vee G) \models H$

V15. In words, from F we can conclude $F \vee G$

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V17. In words, from $F \vee G$ and $\neg F$ we can conclude G

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V25. In words, to prove $F \iff G$ we suppose F then prove G , and we suppose G and prove F

V26. $(F \iff G) \equiv (F \wedge G) \vee (\neg F \wedge \neg G)$

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V33. $S \models t = t$. In words, we can always conclude that $t = t$ is true under any assumptions.

V34. From $s = t$ we can conclude $t = s$

V35. From $r = s$ and $s = t$ we can conclude $r = t$

V36. If $S \models s = t$ then $(S \models [F]_{x \mapsto t} \iff S \models [F]_{x \mapsto s})$. In words, if $\models s = t$, we can always replace any occurrence of the term s by the term t .

V37. If $S \models [F]_{x \mapsto y}$ and y is not free in $S \cup \{\forall x F\}$ then $S \models \forall x F$

If have not made any assumptions about x (earlier in our proof) then to prove $\forall x F$ we write "let x be arbitrary" then we prove F .

If we have not made any assumptions about y , then to prove $\forall x F$, we write "let y be arbitrary" then prove $[F]_{x \mapsto y}$

(This is related to the equivalence

$$\forall x F \equiv \forall y [F]_{x \mapsto y}$$

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V38. If $S \models \forall x F$, then $S \models [F]_{x \mapsto t}$

V39.

V40. If $S \cup \{[F]_{x \mapsto t}\} \models G$ then $S \models \exists x F$. In words, to prove $\exists x F$ we choose any term t , and prove $[F]_{x \mapsto t}$.

V41. If y is not free in $S \cup \{\exists x F, G\}$ and if $S \cup [F]_{x \mapsto y} \models G$ then $S \cup \exists x F \models G$. In words, to prove that $\exists x F$ implies G , choose a variable y which we have not made assumptions about and which does not occur in G , we write "choose y so that $[F]_{x \mapsto y}$ is true", then prove G .

Note. In standard mathematical language,

$$\forall x \in A \ F$$

means

$$\forall x \ (x \in a \rightarrow F)$$

To prove $\forall x \ (x \in a \rightarrow F)$ we write “let x be arbitrary”, then prove $x \in a \rightarrow F$ which we do by writing “suppose $x \in A$ ” then prove F .

Usually, instead of writing “let x be arbitrary” and “suppose $x \in A$ ” we write “let $x \in A$ be arbitrary” or simply “let $x \in A$ ”.

So to prove $\forall x \in A \ F$ we write “let $x \in A$ ” then prove F . Alternatively, write “let $y \in A$ ” then prove $[F]_{x \rightarrow y}$.

12.1 Example. Prove that

$$\{F \rightarrow (G \wedge H), (F \wedge G) \vee H\} \models H$$

For all assignment $\alpha: \{P, Q, R, \dots\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$, if $\alpha(F \rightarrow (G \wedge H)) = 1$ and $\alpha((F \wedge G) \vee H) = 1$ then $\alpha(H) = 1$

Proof. Let α be an arbitrary assignment. Suppose that $F \rightarrow (G \wedge H)$ is true (under α), and $(F \wedge G) \vee H$ is true (under α).

Suppose, for a contradiction, that H is false.

$$\begin{aligned} (F \wedge G) \vee H, \neg H &\quad \therefore F \wedge G \\ (F \wedge G) &\quad \therefore F \\ F \rightarrow (G \wedge H), F &\quad \therefore G \wedge H \\ G \wedge H &\quad \therefore H \\ \neg H, H &\quad \text{gives the contradiction} \\ \therefore H \end{aligned}$$

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