

Practicing Inference Rules

1. Each of the following little derivation has a mistake. What is it?

- (a) 1. p $\vdash q$ A

The datum and succedent cannot differ when using \wedge

- (b) 1. Γ $\vdash p \vee q$ premise
2. Γ $\vdash q$ 1, $\vee E$

$\vee E$ cannot be used in that way.

- (c) 1. p $\vdash p$ A
2. q $\vdash q$ A
3. $p \wedge q$ $\vdash p \wedge q$ 1, 2, $\wedge I$

$\wedge I$ does not result in that datum.

- (d) 1. Γ, s $\vdash r$ premise
2. Γ, q $\vdash p$ premise
3. Γ, s, q $\vdash r \supset p$ 1, 2, $\supset I$

$\supset I$ results in a succedent with \supset as main connective.

- (e) 1. s $\vdash s$ A
2. $s \vee w$ $\vdash s$ 1, $\vee I$

$\vee I$ does not change datum.

- (f) 1. $p \wedge q$ $\vdash p \wedge q$ A
2. p $\vdash p \wedge q$ 1, $\wedge E$

Cannot eliminate a conjunct from a conjunction in datum using $\wedge E$.

- (g) 1. r $\vdash s \vee w$ premise
2. r $\vdash s \vee (w \vee q)$ 1, $\vee I$

Cannot introduce a disjunct in that way using \vee I.

- (h)
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| 1. Γ, q | $\vdash p$ | premise |
| 2. Δ | $\vdash \neg p$ | premise |
| 3. Γ, Δ | $\vdash \neg q$ | 1,2, \neg I |

q is not in the datum of line 2.

- (i)
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| 1. Γ | $\vdash w$ | premise |
| 2. Γ | $\vdash \neg\neg w$ | 1, \neg I |

Cannot introduce double negation using \neg I.

- (j)
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| 1. Δ | $\vdash \neg\neg p \vee r$ | premise |
| 2. Δ | $\vdash p \vee r$ | 1, \neg E |

Can't eliminate the double negation in this way.

- (k)
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| 1. $p \supset q$ | $\vdash p \supset q$ | A |
| 2. q | $\vdash q$ | A |
| 3. $p \supset q, q$ | $\vdash p$ | 1,2, \supset E |

Not how \supset E works.

- (l)
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| 1. $p \supset q$ | $\vdash p \supset q$ | A |
| 2. $p \supset q$ | $\vdash p$ | 1, \supset E |

Not how \supset E works

- (m)
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| 1. Γ | $\vdash a$ | premise |
| 2. Δ | $\vdash b$ | premise |
| 3. Γ, Δ | $\vdash a \supset b$ | 1,2, \supset I |

Not how \supset I works.

2. Fill in missing items.

- (i) 1. $\frac{p \supset q}{p \supset q}$ $\vdash \frac{p \supset q}{p \supset q}$ A
 2. $p \supset q, r$ $\vdash p \supset q$ 1
- (ii) 1. $\frac{r \wedge s}{r \wedge s}$ $\vdash \frac{r \wedge s}{r \wedge s}$ A
 2. $\Gamma, r \wedge s$ $\vdash r \wedge s$ 1
- (iii) 1. $\frac{\neg q \vee r}{\neg q \vee r}$ $\vdash \frac{\neg q \vee r}{\neg q \vee r}$ A
 2. $\neg q \vee r, \neg \neg p$ $\vdash \neg q \vee r$ 1
- (iv) 1. Γ $\vdash s \vee w$ premise
 2. $\underline{\Delta}$ $\vdash \frac{p \supset q}{p \supset q}$ premise
 3. Γ, Δ $\vdash (s \vee w) \wedge (p \supset q)$ 1,2, \wedge I
- (v) 1. Γ $\vdash p$ premise
 2. $\underline{\Gamma}$ $\vdash \frac{p \vee q}{p \vee q}$ 1, \vee I
 3. $\underline{\Delta}$ $\vdash \frac{\neg s}{\neg s}$ premise
 4. Γ, Δ $\vdash (p \vee q) \wedge \neg s$ 2,3, \wedge I
- (vi) 1. Γ $\vdash q \wedge r$ premise
 2. $\underline{\Gamma}$ $\vdash \underline{q}$ 1, \wedge E
 3. Γ $\vdash s \vee q$ 2, \vee I
- (vii) 1. Γ $\vdash s$ premise
 2. Δ $\vdash r$ premise
 3. Γ $\vdash \frac{s \vee w}{s \vee w}$ 1, \vee I
 4. Γ, Δ $\vdash (s \vee w) \wedge r$ 2,3, \wedge I

(viii)	1. Γ	$\vdash s$	.....premise
	2. Δ	$\vdash r$	.....premise
	3. $\underline{\Gamma}$	$\vdash \underline{s \vee w}$	.....1, \vee I
	4. $\underline{\Delta}$	$\vdash \underline{\neg p \vee r}$	.....2, \vee I
	5. Γ, Δ	$\vdash (s \vee w) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)$	.....3,4, \wedge I
(ix)	1. Γ	$\vdash \neg p$	.....premise
	2. Γ, s	$\vdash \neg p$	.....1
	3. $\underline{\Gamma}$	$\vdash \underline{s \supset \neg p}$	.....2, \supset I
(x)	1. Γ	$\vdash u \wedge w$	.....premise
	2. $\underline{\Gamma}$	$\vdash \underline{u}$	.....1, \wedge E
	3. $\underline{\Gamma, s}$	$\vdash \underline{u}$	.....2
	4. Γ	$\vdash s \supset u$	.....3, \supset I
(xi)	1. Γ	$\vdash a \supset b$	.....premise
	2. Δ	$\vdash a$	.....premise
	3. $\underline{\Gamma, \Delta}$	$\vdash \underline{b}$	.....1,2, \supset E
(xii)	1. Γ	$\vdash \underline{x \supset y}$	.....premise
	2. $\underline{\Delta}$	$\vdash x$	.....premise
	3. Γ, Δ	$\vdash y$	.....1,2, \supset E
(xiii)	1. Γ	$\vdash \neg \neg p$	.....premise
	2. $\underline{\Gamma}$	$\vdash \underline{p}$	.....1, \neg E
(xiv)	1. Δ	$\vdash \underline{\neg \neg s}$	.....premise
	2. $\underline{\Delta}$	$\vdash s$	.....1, \neg E

- (xv) 1. Γ, q $\vdash \neg(p \vee s)$ premise
 2. Δ, q $\vdash p \vee s$ premise
 3. $\underline{\Gamma, \Delta}$ $\vdash \underline{\neg q}$ 1,2, \neg I
- (xvi) 1. Γ, p $\vdash q \supset r$ premise
 2. Δ, p $\vdash \underline{\neg(q \supset r)}$ premise
 3. Γ, Δ $\vdash \neg p$ 1,2, \neg I
- (xvii) 1. $\Gamma, \underline{s \wedge w}$ $\vdash q \vee \neg r$ premise
 2. $\Delta, \underline{s \wedge w}$ $\vdash \underline{\neg(q \vee \neg r)}$ premise
 3. Γ, Δ $\vdash \neg(s \wedge w)$ 1,2, \neg I
- (xviii) 1. Γ $\vdash q \vee r$ premise
 2. Δ, q $\vdash p \supset s$ premise
 3. Θ, r $\vdash p \supset s$ premise
 4. $\underline{\Gamma, \Delta, \Theta}$ $\vdash \underline{p \supset s}$ 1,2,3, \vee E
- (xix) 1. Γ, p $\vdash w \wedge (p \supset q)$ premise
 2. Δ $\vdash p \vee q$ premise
 3. Θ, q $\vdash w \wedge (p \supset q)$ premise
 4. $\underline{\Gamma, \Delta, \Theta}$ $\vdash \underline{w \wedge (p \supset q)}$ 1,2, 3, \vee E
- (xx) 1. Γ $\vdash \underline{x \vee y}$ premise
 2. Δ, x $\vdash w$ premise
 3. Θ, y $\vdash w$ premise
 4. Γ, Δ, Θ $\vdash w$ 1,2,3, \vee E
- (xxi) 1. Γ $\vdash r \vee s$ premise
 2. Δ, \underline{r} $\vdash \underline{\neg(p \wedge q)}$ premise
 3. Θ, s $\vdash \underline{\neg(p \wedge q)}$ premise
 4. Γ, Δ, Θ $\vdash \neg(p \wedge q)$ 1,2,3, \vee E

3. The following have blanks that are impossible to fill in in accordance with our inference rules if we stick to the annotations. Explain why.

- (a) 1. $\underline{\quad}$ $\vdash r$ A
 2. p, q $\vdash p$ 1

The blank would have to be an r given the annotation of line 1, but you can't get line 2 from that in the way indicated.

- (b) 1. r $\vdash r$ A
 2. $\underline{\quad}$ $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ 1
 3. r $\vdash p \supset q$ 2, $\supset I$

Given the annotation of line 3, line 2 must have a q in succedent, but you can't get that given line 2 is said to be a rewrite of line 1.

- (c) 1. Γ $\vdash r$ premise
 2. s $\vdash s$ A
 3. s $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ 2, $\vee I$
 4. Γ, s $\vdash r \wedge (s \wedge q)$ 1, 3, $\wedge I$

Given the annotation of line 4, the succedent of line 3 must be $s \wedge q$, but you can't get that since the annotation of line 3 requires that the succedent be a disjunction.

- (d) 1. Γ $\vdash \neg\neg p$ premise
 2. $\underline{\quad}$ $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ 1, $\neg E$
 3. Δ $\vdash p \supset q$ premise
 4. Δ $\vdash q$ 2, 3, $\supset E$

Given the annotation of line 4, the datum of line 2 must either be empty or Δ . But the annotation of 2 requires that the datum be Γ .

- (e)
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| 1. Θ | $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ | premise |
| 2. Γ, p | $\vdash r$ | premise |
| 3. Δ, q | $\vdash r$ | premise |
| 4. Γ, Δ, Θ | $\vdash r$ | 1,2,3, $\vee E$ |
| 5. Θ | $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ | 1, $\wedge E$ |

According to the annotation of line 5, line 1's succedent must be a conjunction, but the annotation of line 4 requires it to be a conjunction.

- (f)
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| 1. Γ | $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ | premise |
| 2. Δ | $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ | premise |
| 3. Θ, p | $\vdash q$ | premise |
| 4. Γ, Δ, Θ | $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ | 1,2, $\wedge I$ |
| 5. $\Gamma, \Delta, \Theta, p$ | $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ | 4 |
| 6. Γ, Δ, Θ | $\vdash \neg p$ | 3,5, $\neg I$ |

Given the annotation of line 6, the succedents of lines 4 and 5 must be $\neg q$. But given the annotation of line 4, the succedent must be a conjunction.

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| 1. Γ | $\vdash \neg \neg p$ | premise |
| 2. Γ | $\vdash \underline{\quad}$ | 1, $\vee I$ |
| 3. Γ | $\vdash p \vee q$ | 2, $\neg E$ |

Given the annotation of line 2, the main connective of its succedent must be \vee , but then you cannot use $\neg E$ to infer line 3 from line 2.