

COMP0009 Logic

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What are we going to do?

- ▶ Languages and decision problems.
- ▶ Revision: the language of all propositional formulas; the first order language $L(C, F, R)$.
- ▶ Revision: the language of all propositional tautologies. Truth Tables.
- ▶ Automated theorem proving.
- ▶ First order structures. Model Checking $S \models \phi$.
- ▶ Validities of $L(C, F, R)$ and theorem proving.
- ▶ Axiomatic Hilbert systems (propositional and predicate)
- ▶ Tableau (propositional and predicate)
- ▶ Main results, first-order logic
 - ▶ Soundness
 - ▶ Completeness
 - ▶ Compactness
 - ▶ Gödel's incompleteness theorem for arithmetic
- ▶ Modal Logic
- ▶ Temporal Logic
- ▶ Epistemic Logic
- ▶ Propositional Dynamic Logic
- ▶ Algebras of Relations

Reading

- ▶ “Logic: an introduction to elementary logic” by W Hodges, Penguin, 1977.
- ▶ Logic and Discrete Mathematics: A Concise Introduction by Willem Conradie and Valentin Goranko, and published by John Wiley, 2015)
- ▶ “A friendly introduction to mathematical logic” by C Leary, Prentice-Hall, 2000.
- ▶ “Logic for Computer Scientists” by S Reeves and M Clarke, Addison-Wesley, 1999.
- ▶ See lecture notes for more reading.

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Formal Logic

Three parts.

- ▶ **Syntax:** A language. Grammar. How you **write** things down.
- ▶ **Semantics:** Interpreting the language. What you have written down **means**.
- ▶ **Inference or proof system:** Deduction. Proofs. A syntactic device for proving true statements. How to **reason** with what you have.

Propositional Logic

$prop ::= p|q|r|\dots$

$fm ::= prop|\neg fm|(fm \circ fm)$, where \circ is \wedge, \vee or \rightarrow

In other words, using negation, conjunction and disjunction we build formulas from propositions such as p, q, r , etc.

Literal: A proposition or its negation (e.g. $p, q, \neg r$, but not $p \wedge r$, nor $\neg\neg p$)

Main Connective

The connective with the largest scope (i.e. one that is not in the scope of any other connective), the connective we would start our evaluation with

$$((p \wedge q) \text{ } \textcolor{red}{\circlearrowleft} \text{ } \neg(q \rightarrow r))$$

Propositional Parser

Given a string $((p \wedge q) \vee \neg(q \rightarrow r))$ your parser has to work out that the main connective (\vee) is the character with index 7, and that the two parts are $(p \wedge q)$ and $\neg(q \rightarrow r)$.

Propositional Logic. Semantics

A valuation v maps propositions to $\{\top, \perp\}$. v extends to a unique truth-function (also called v) satisfying

$$v(\neg\phi) = \top \iff v(\phi) = \perp$$

$$v(\phi \wedge \psi) = \top \iff v(\phi) = v(\psi) = \top$$

$$v(\phi \vee \psi) = \top \iff v(\phi) = \top \text{ or } v(\psi) = \top$$

$$v(\phi \rightarrow \psi) = \top \iff v(\psi) = \top \text{ or } v(\phi) = \perp$$

Validity, Satisfiability, Equivalence

We say that:

- ▶ ϕ is **valid** if $v(\phi) = \top$ for all possible valuations v (i.e. it is **always** true).
- ▶ ϕ is **satisfiable** if $v(\phi) = \top$ for at least one valuation v (i.e. it is **true** at least once).
- ▶ ϕ and ψ are **logically equivalent**, written down as $\phi \equiv \psi$, if and only if for every v , $v(\phi) = v(\psi)$

Every **valid** formula is **satisfiable**, but not the other way around!

Predicate Logic. Syntax, Revision

Language $L(C, F, P)$.

- ▶ C is a set of constant symbols
- ▶ F is a set of function symbols. We may write f^n to indicate that f is an n -ary function symbol.
- ▶ P is a non-empty set of predicate symbols. We may write p^n to indicate an n -ary predicate symbol.

$tm ::= v \in \text{Var} \mid c \in C \mid f^n(tm, tm, \dots, tm) : f^n \in F$

$\text{atom} ::= p^n(tm_0, tm_1, \dots, tm_{n-1}) : p^n \in P$

$\text{fm} ::= \text{atom} \mid \neg \text{fm} \mid (\text{fm}_0 \vee \text{fm}_1) \mid \exists v \text{ fm} : v \in \text{Var}$

Var is a set of variable symbols.

Predicate Logic

Signature $L(C, F, P)$, where C is a set of constants, F is a set of function symbols and P is a set of predicate symbols. Each function and predicate symbol has an arity. Var is a countable set of variables.

► Term

$$\tau ::= c \ (\in C) | v \ (\in \text{Var}) | f(\tau_0, \dots, \tau_{n-1}) \ (f \in F \text{ is } n\text{-ary})$$

e.g. $3 + (x * 2)$, where $2, 3 \in C$, $+, *\in F$ (both binary) and $x \in \text{Var}$.

Predicate Formula

- ▶ Atomic

$$R(\tau_0, \dots, \tau_{n-1})$$

Where τ_i is a term ($i < n$) and $R \in P$ is an n -ary predicate.

E.g. $x + y < 2 * y - 1$, where $<$ is a binary predicate (written infix).

- ▶ Formula

$$\phi ::= \text{Atom} | \neg\phi | (\phi \vee \phi') | \exists x \phi$$

Write $\forall x \phi$ as an abbreviation of $\neg \exists x \neg \phi$.

e.g. $(\neg \exists x R(x) \rightarrow \forall y (S(x, y) \vee S(y, x)))$.

L-structure

(D, I) where D is any non-empty set (the domain) and I interprets constants, functions and predicates

- ▶ $I(c) \in D$ (if $c \in C$)
- ▶ $I(f) : D^n \rightarrow D$ (if $f \in F$ is n -ary)
- ▶ $I(R) \subseteq D^n$ (if $R \in P$ is n -ary).

Variable Assignment

$$A : \text{Var} \rightarrow D$$

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- ▶ Denote this structure as **N**, the structure of ordinary arithmetic.
- ▶ Another L -structure **R** = (\mathbb{R}, I) is similar, but domain is \mathbb{R} , the set of all real numbers.

Another example L -structure

- ▶ $L = L(\emptyset, \emptyset, \{E\})$, where E is a binary predicate symbol.
- ▶ Any directed graph $G = (V, R)$ is an L -structure, the domain is V (set of vertices) and $I(E) = R$.

Evaluating Terms

Let $\mathcal{S} = (D, I)$ be a structure, $A : Var \rightarrow D$ be a variable assignment.

$$[c]^{\mathcal{S}, A} = I(c)$$

$$[x]^{\mathcal{S}, A} = A(x)$$

$$[f(\tau_0, \dots, \tau_{n-1})]^{\mathcal{S}, A} = I(f)([\tau_0]^{\mathcal{S}, A}, \dots, [\tau_{n-1}]^{\mathcal{S}, A})$$

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Formulas

$$\mathcal{S} \models_A R(\tau_0, \dots, \tau_{n-1}) \iff ([\tau_0]^{\mathcal{S}, A}, \dots, [\tau_{n-1}]^{\mathcal{S}, A}) \in I(R)$$

$$\mathcal{S} \models_A \neg\phi \iff \mathcal{S} \not\models_A \phi$$

$$\mathcal{S} \models_A (\phi \vee \phi') \iff \mathcal{S} \models_A \phi \text{ or } \mathcal{S} \models_A \phi'$$

$$\mathcal{S} \models_A \exists x\phi \iff \mathcal{S} \models_{A[x \mapsto d]} \phi \text{ for some } d \in D$$

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- ▶ True

Validity

Let $\mathcal{S} = (D, I)$ be an L -structure, ϕ a formula.

Statement	Def.	Written
ϕ is valid in \mathcal{S}	for all $A : \text{Var} \rightarrow D$ we have $\mathcal{S} \models_A \phi$	$\mathcal{S} \models \phi$
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Similarly, ϕ is satisfiable in \mathcal{S} if there is some $A : \text{Var} \rightarrow D$ such that $\mathcal{S} \models_A \phi$, and ϕ is simply satisfiable if it is satisfiable in some structure.

ϕ is not valid if and only if $\neg\phi$ is satisfiable.

Mentimeter Question

$\mathbf{N}, A \models \forall x \exists y ((x < y) \wedge \forall w \forall v ((y = w \times v) \rightarrow ((y = w) \vee (y = v))))?$

Problem

Let E be a binary relation denoting the edges of a graph, let $=$ denote equality. Write down a first order formula $\phi(x, y)$ with two free variables x, y , meaning

- ▶ There is a path of length 1 from node x to node y ,
- ▶ There is a path of length 2 from x to y
- ▶ There is a path of length 3 from x to y
- ▶ There is a path of length k from x to y , where $k \geq 1$ is fixed.

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Axiomatic Proof Systems

Fix a propositional language with only \rightarrow and \neg , and no double negations $\neg\neg$.

Axiom Schema

- I $(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p))$
- II $((p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)))$
- III $((\neg p \rightarrow \neg q) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)).$

An axiom may be obtained by substituting any formulas in place of p, q, r above.

Inference Rule

Modus Ponens.

$$\frac{\phi \quad (\phi \rightarrow \psi)}{\psi}$$

If you have proved ϕ and you have proved $(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$ then you may deduce ψ .

Proofs

A proof is a sequence of formulas

$$\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$$

such that for $i \leq n$, ϕ_i is either an instance of an axiom or it is obtained by modus ponens from ϕ_j, ϕ_k (some $j, k < i$), e.g., if $\phi_k = (\phi_j \rightarrow \phi_i)$.

If such a proof exists, ϕ_n is called a theorem and we may write

$$\vdash \phi_n$$

Proof Example. $\vdash (p \rightarrow p)$

1. $((p \rightarrow ((p \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p)) \rightarrow ((p \rightarrow (p \rightarrow p)) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow p)))$
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5. $(p \rightarrow p)$ (M.P., 3, 4).

Proofs with other connectives

To include double negations, add axioms

$$\text{IV } (p \rightarrow \neg\neg p) \text{ and } (\neg\neg p \rightarrow p).$$

For disjunction and conjunctions, add axioms

$$\text{V } ((p \vee q) \leftrightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow q)),$$

$$\text{VI } ((p \wedge q) \leftrightarrow \neg(p \rightarrow \neg q)).$$

Proofs with assumptions

Write

$$\Gamma \vdash \phi$$

if there is a proof of ϕ using assumptions from Γ . I.e. there is a sequence

$$\phi_0, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_n$$

where $\phi = \phi_n$ and for each $i \leq n$, ϕ_i is either

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Proof example 2: $\{\perp\} \vdash p$

or, rather $\{\neg(q \rightarrow q)\} \vdash p$.

- 5 $(q \rightarrow q)$ (previous example)
- 6 $((q \rightarrow q) \rightarrow \neg\neg(q \rightarrow q))$ (Ax. IV)
- 7 $\neg\neg(q \rightarrow q)$ (M.P. 5,6)
- 8 $(\neg\neg(q \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow \neg\neg(q \rightarrow q)))$ (Ax. I)
- 9 $(\neg p \rightarrow \neg\neg(q \rightarrow q))$ (M.P. 7,8)
- 10 $(\neg p \rightarrow \neg\neg(q \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow (\neg(q \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p)$ (Ax. III)
- 11 $(\neg(q \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p)$ (M.P. 9, 10)
- 12 $\neg(q \rightarrow q)$ (assumption)
- 13 p (M.P. 11,12).

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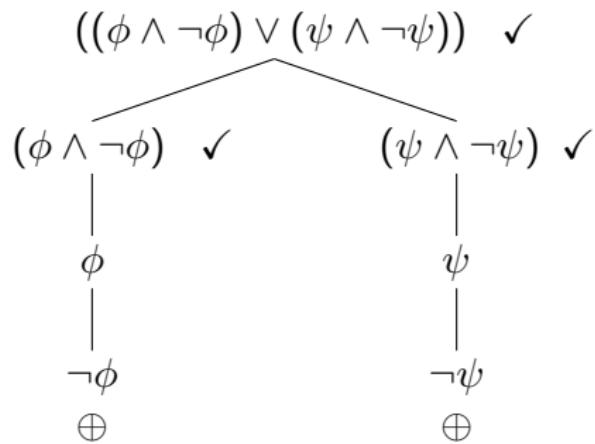
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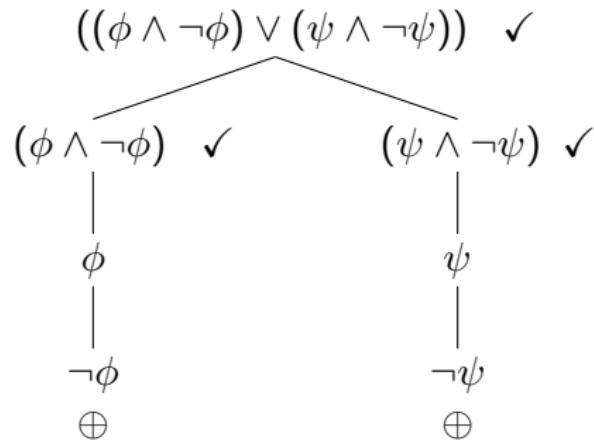
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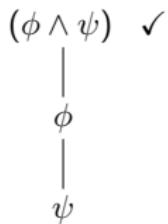
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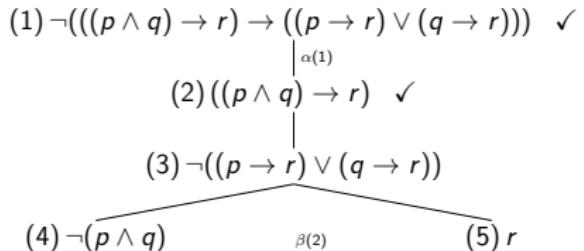
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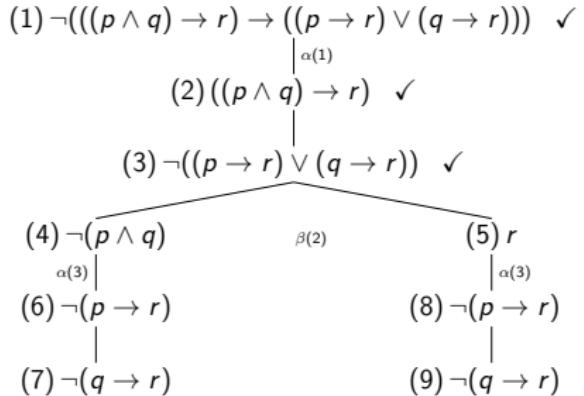
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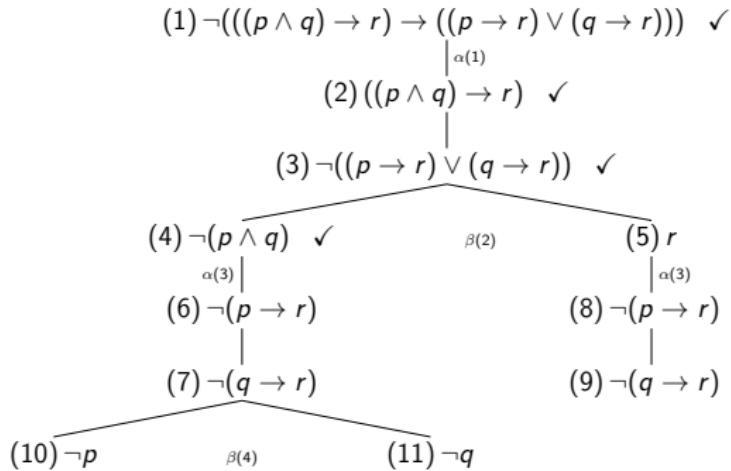
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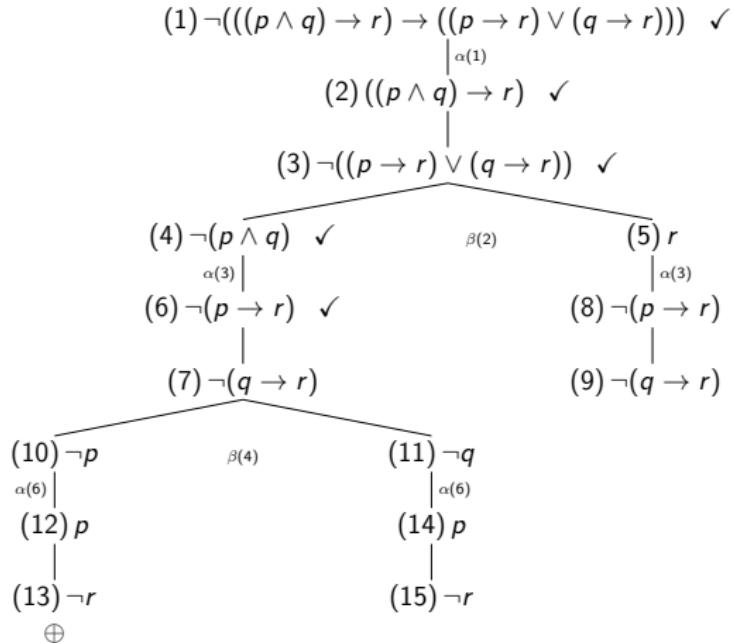
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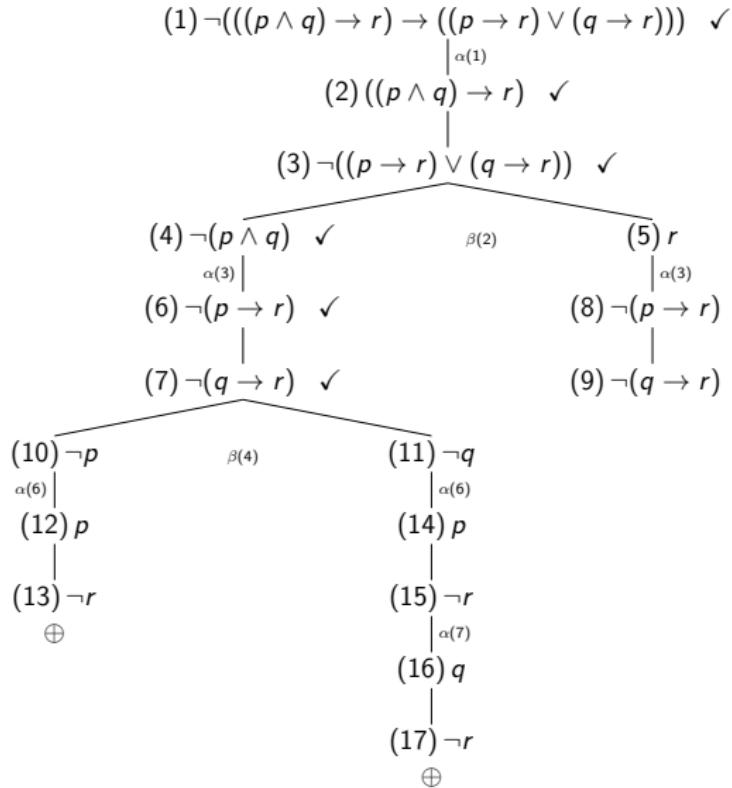
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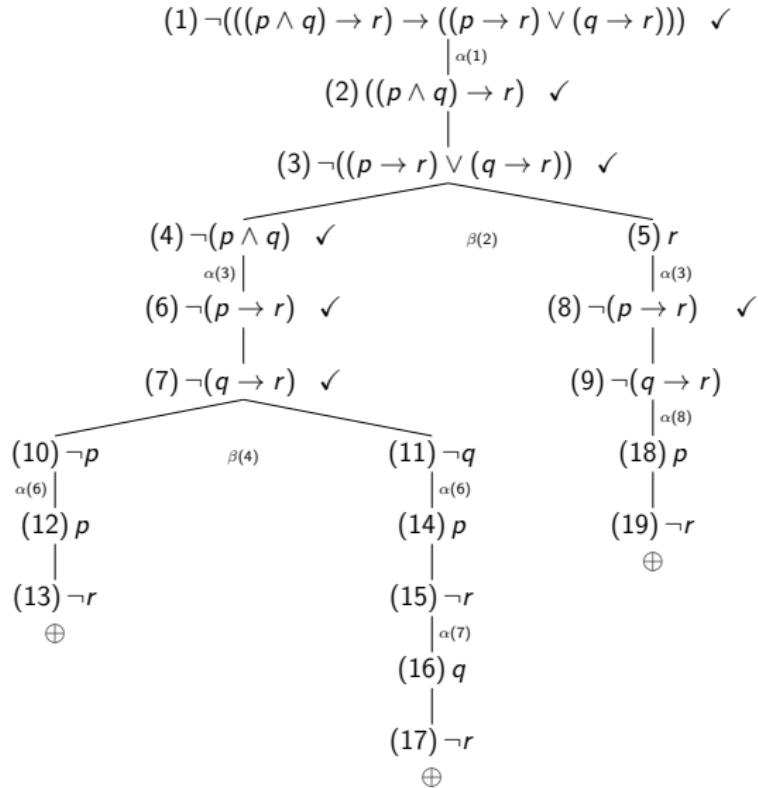
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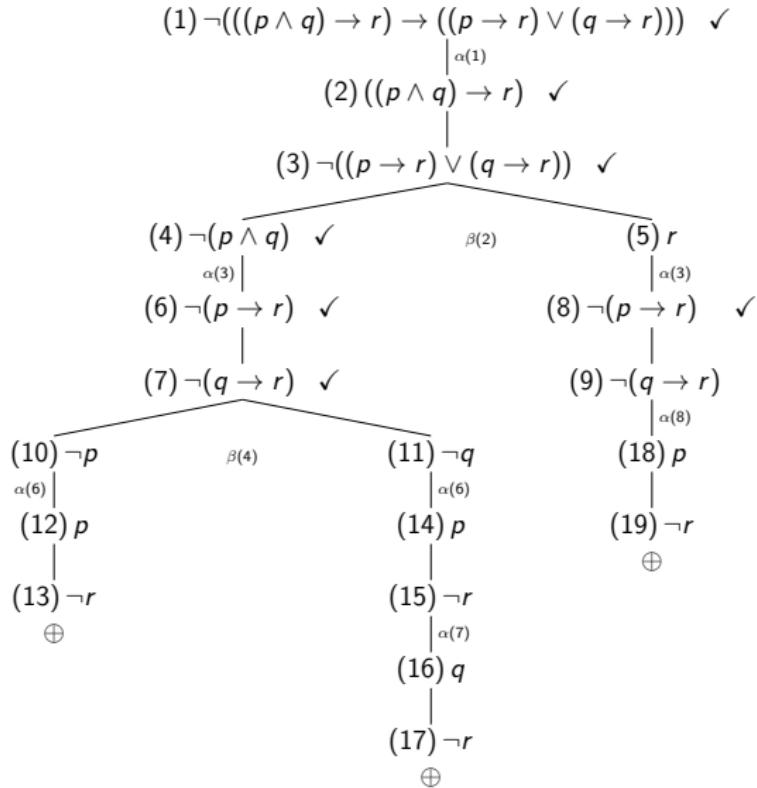
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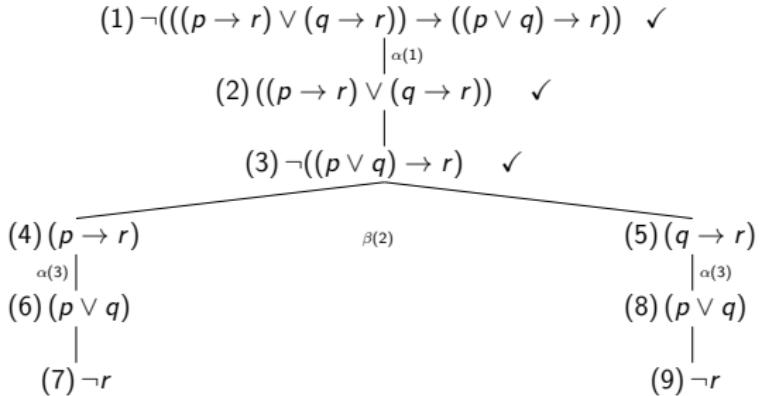
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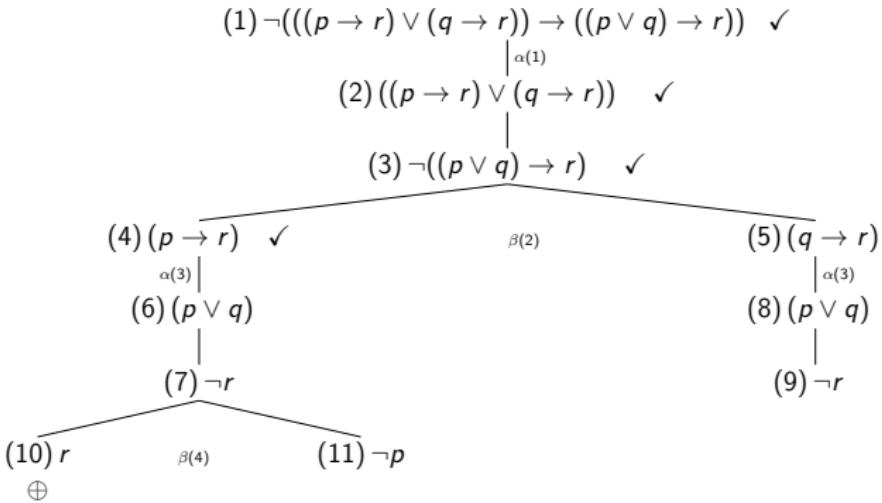
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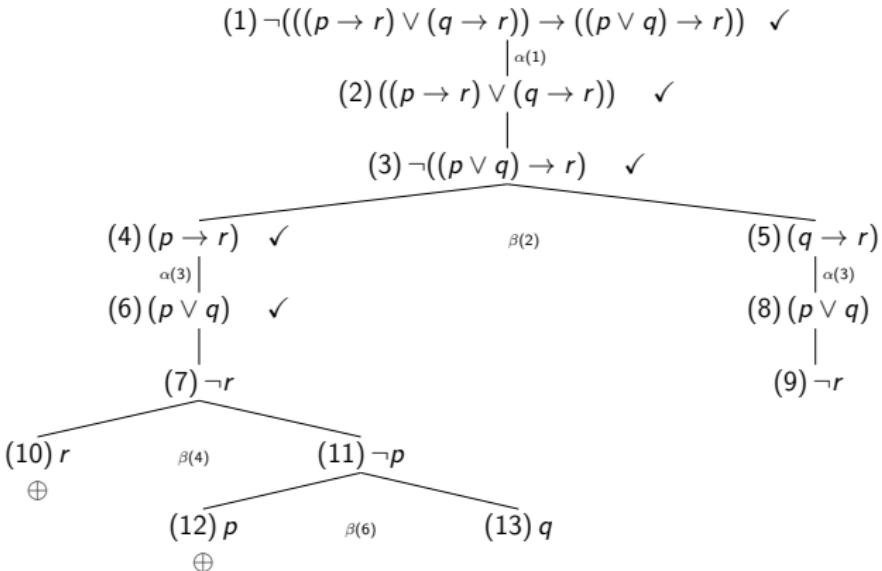
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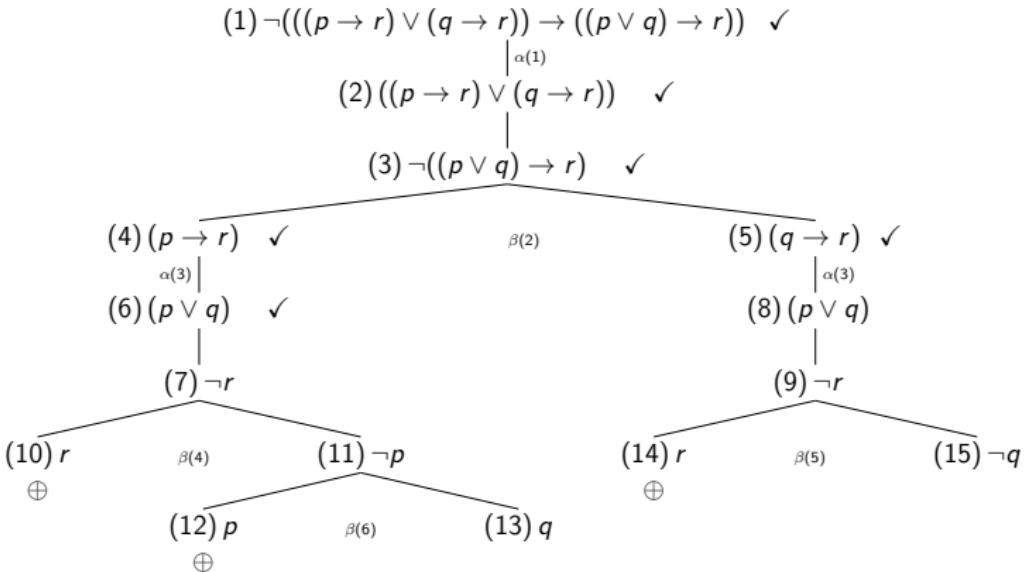
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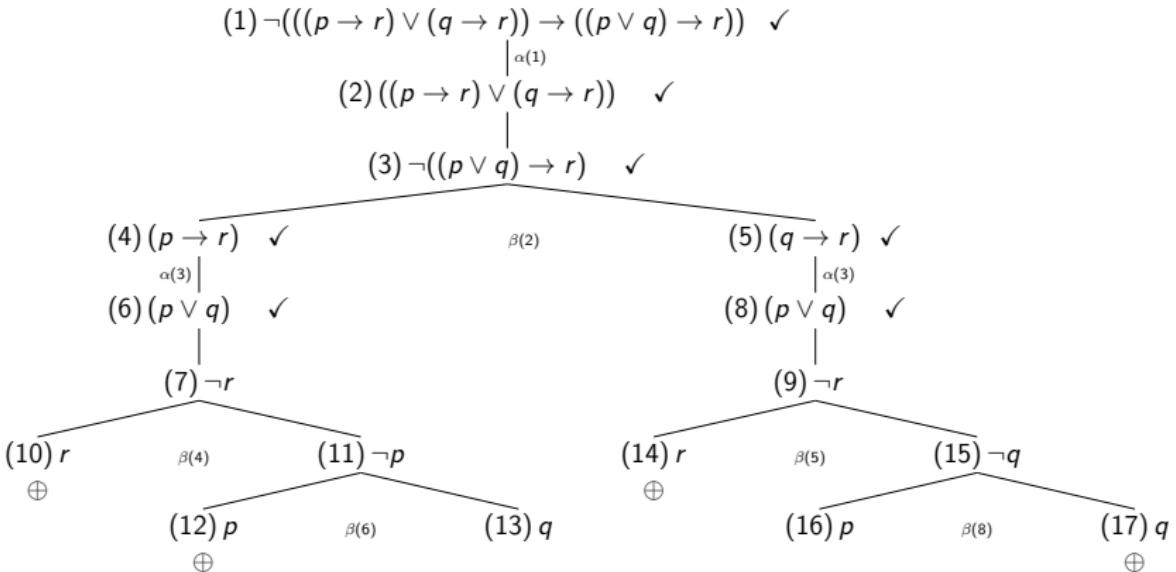
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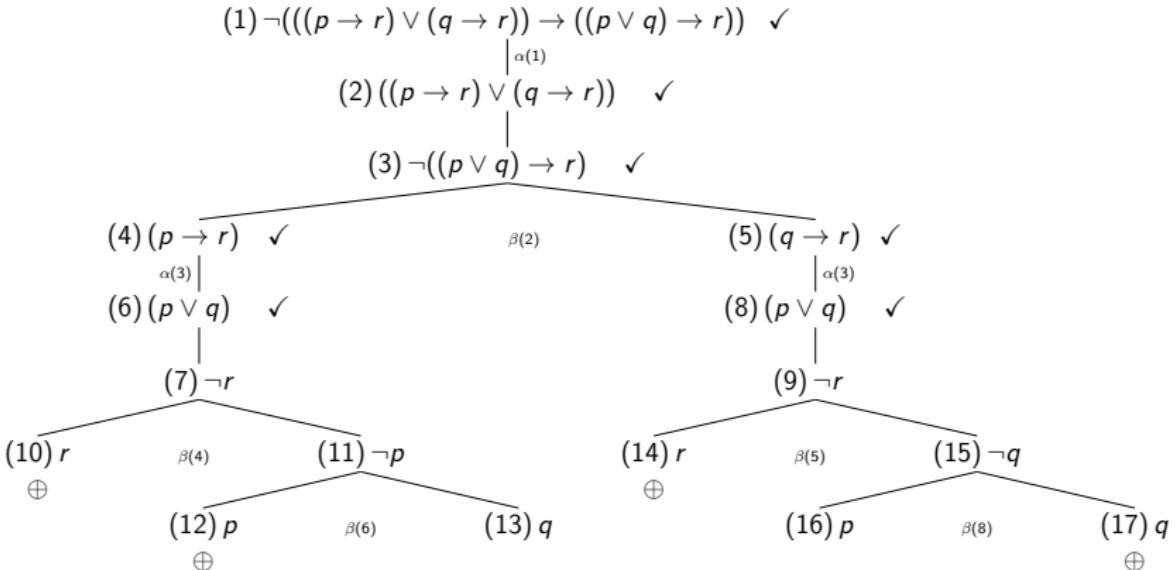
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$$(p \wedge \neg q \wedge r) \vee (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q \wedge \neg r))$$

Also

$$p \vee \neg q \vee (p \wedge q)$$

Every propositional formula has an equivalent formula in DNF. A **CNF** formula is a conjunction of clauses where each clause is disjunction of literals. E.g.

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Converting a formula to DNF

1. By tableau
2. By truth table
3. By logical equivalences (De Morgan's laws, distribution laws etc., later)

Using tableau to find DNF equivalent

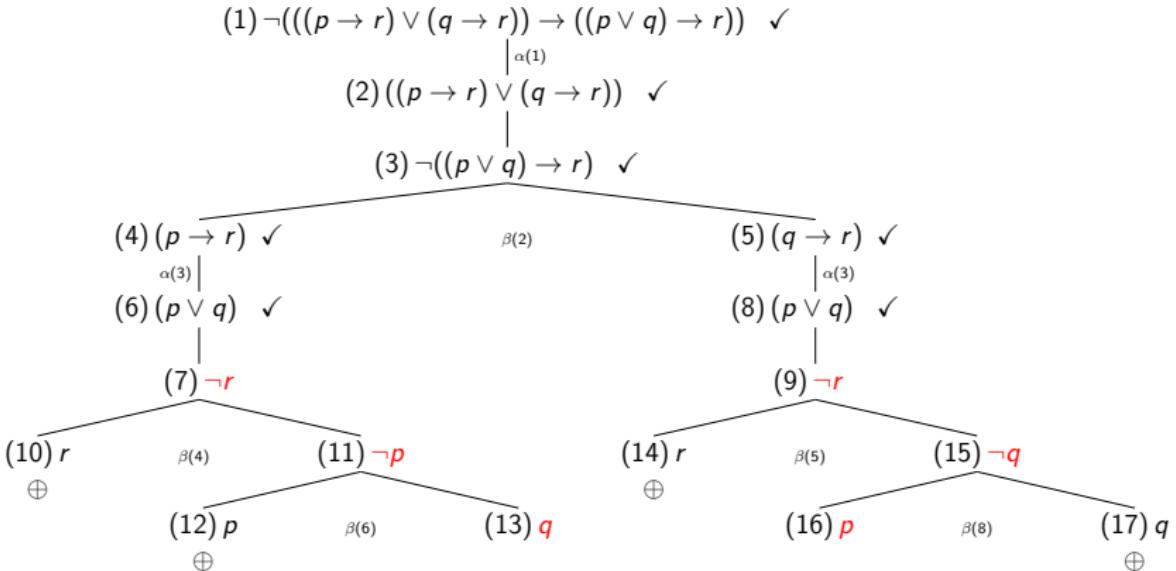
- ▶ Place ϕ at root of new tableau.
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$$C_\Theta = \bigwedge \{\text{literals in } \Theta\}$$

- ▶ Then

$$\phi \equiv \bigvee_{\text{open branches } \Theta} C_\Theta$$

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The DNF for $\neg(((p \rightarrow r) \vee (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow ((p \vee q) \rightarrow r))$ is $(\neg r \wedge \neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg r \wedge \neg q \wedge p)$

DNF by truth table

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0	0	0	0	
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Problem

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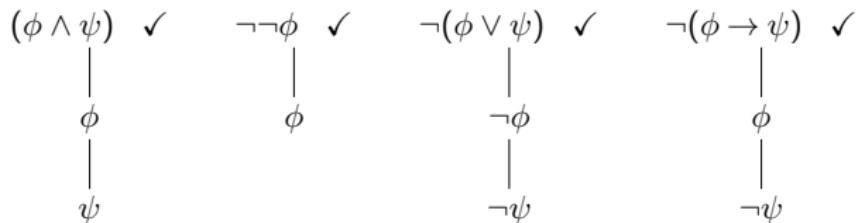
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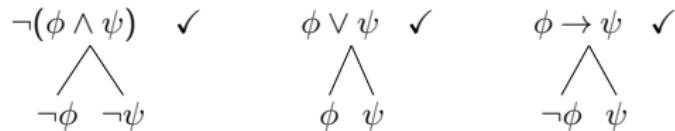
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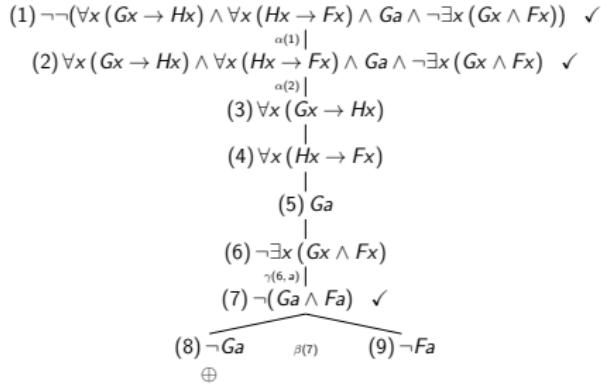
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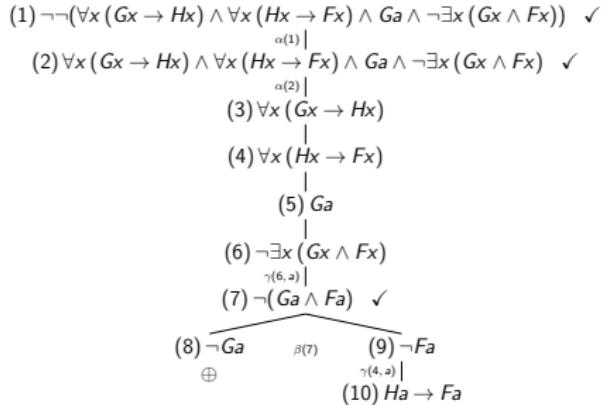
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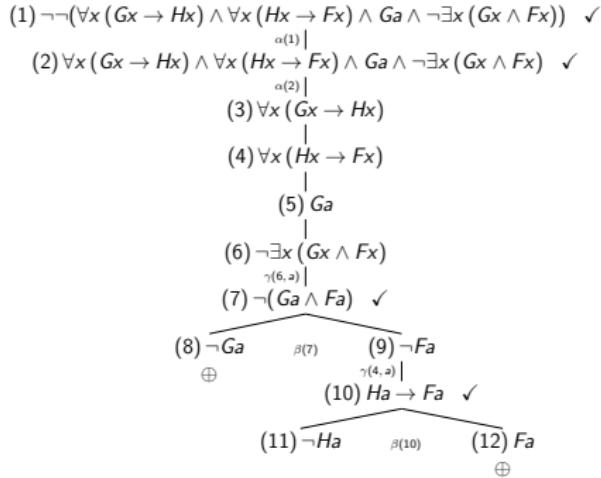
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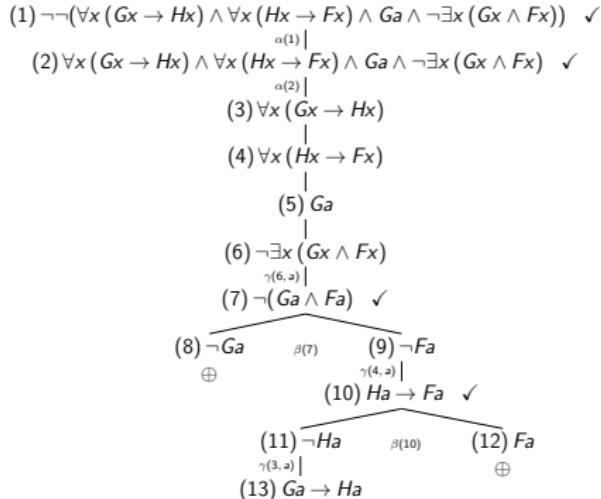
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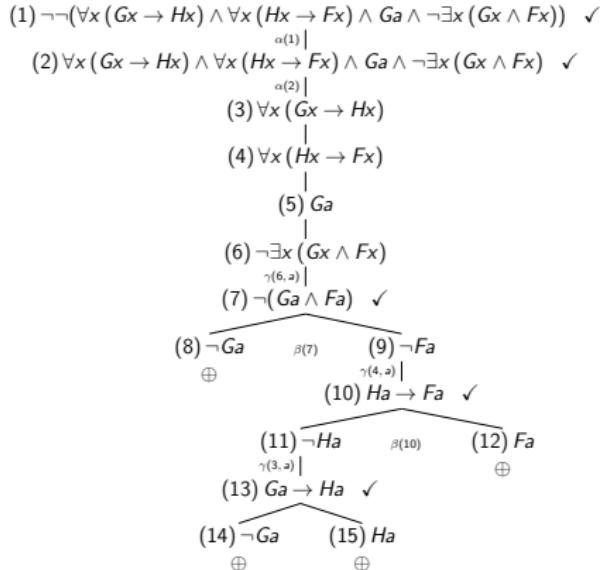
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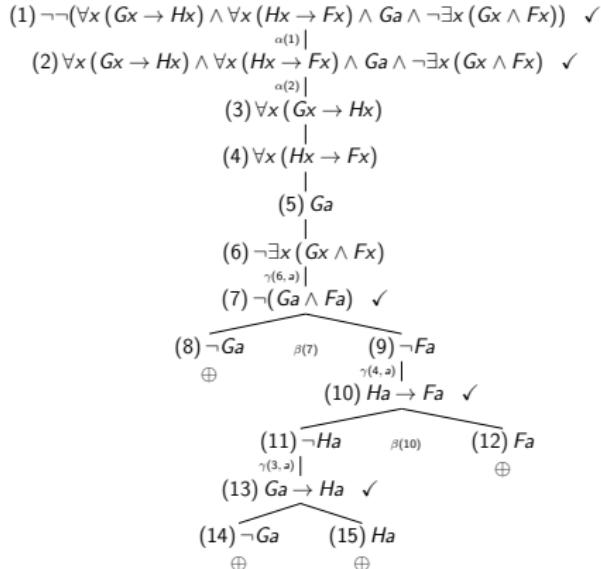
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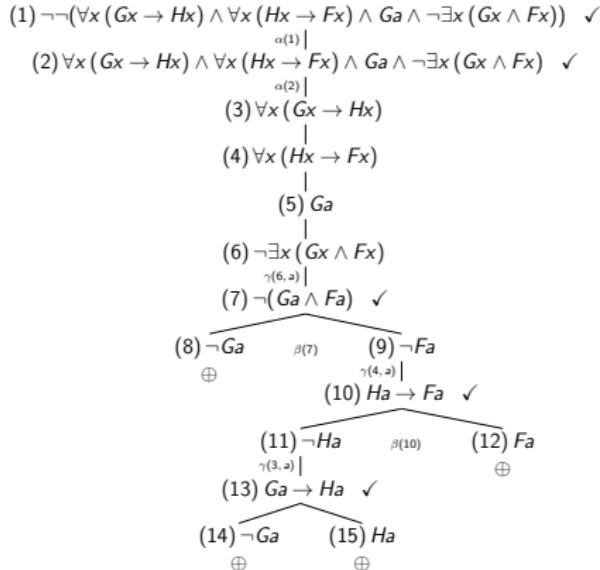
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(7) $\neg \neg(c < d)$	✓
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(11) $(d < e)$	
	...

Open tableau — the tableau will never close, hence the **root formula is satisfiable and the original formula is not valid.**

Alternative: tableaux as lists

Recall

literal $p, \neg p$

α $(\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2), \neg(\phi_1 \vee \phi_2), \neg(\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2), \neg\neg\phi$

β $(\phi_1 \vee \phi_2), (\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2), \neg(\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2)$

Formula expansions

α	α_1	α_2
$(A \wedge B)$	A	B
$\neg(A \vee B)$	$\neg A$	$\neg B$
$\neg(A \rightarrow B)$	A	$\neg B$
$\neg\neg A$	A	—

β	β_1	β_2
$(A \vee B)$	A	B
$(A \rightarrow B)$	$\neg A$	B
$\neg(A \wedge B)$	$\neg A$	$\neg B$

Propositional Tableaux

- ▶ A **theory** Σ is a set of propositional formulas.
- ▶ If $p, \neg p \in \Sigma$ theory is **contradictory**, write $C(\Sigma)$
- ▶ If each formula in Σ is a literal, theory is fully expanded, write $Exp(\Sigma)$
- ▶ A **tableau** is a list of theories. Think of these as alternative theories.

Tableau(ϕ)

```
Initialise  $Tab = [\{\phi\}]$ 
while Not empty  $Tab$  do
     $\Sigma = Dequeue(Tab)$ 
    if  $Exp(\Sigma)$  and NOT  $C(\Sigma)$  then
        Output SATISFIABLE
    else
        Pick non-literal  $\psi \in \Sigma$ 
        switch ( $\psi$ )
            case  $\alpha$ :
                 $\Sigma = \Sigma[\alpha/\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}]$ , if NOT  $C(\Sigma)$  and  $\Sigma \notin Tab$  then enqueue  $\Sigma$ 
            case  $\beta$ :
                 $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma[\beta/\beta_1]$ , if  $\Sigma_1 \notin Tab$  and NOT  $C(\Sigma_1)$  then enqueue  $\Sigma_1$ 
                 $\Sigma_2 = \Sigma[\beta/\beta_2]$ , if  $\Sigma_2 \notin Tab$  and NOT  $C(\Sigma_2)$  then enqueue  $\Sigma_2$ 
            end switch
        end if
    end while
(Empty  $Tab$ ) Output UNSATISFIABLE
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Predicate Tableaux

Under switch statement add cases δ and γ .

switch (ψ)

case $\delta = \exists x\theta(x)$:

$\Sigma = \Sigma[\exists x\theta(x)/\theta(c)]$ (new const c),

case $\delta = \neg\forall x\theta(x)$:

fill in

case $\gamma = \forall x\theta(x)$:

pick closed term t occurring in Σ , $\Sigma = \Sigma \cup \{\theta(t)\}$.

case $\gamma = \neg\exists x\theta(x)$:

fill in

end switch

If $\Sigma \notin Tab$ and NOT $C(\Sigma)$ enqueue Σ .

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If ϕ is satisfiable then tableau for ϕ cannot close, so algorithm outputs SATISFIABLE eventually.

Proof.

Assume $v(\phi) = \top$. Prove by induction on number n of iterations of while statement that there is $\Sigma \in Tab$ where $\theta \in \Sigma \rightarrow v(\theta) = \top$.

True for $n = 0$ by initialisation and assumption.

Assume after n iterations that there is $\Sigma \in Tab$ such that $\theta \in \Sigma \rightarrow v(\theta) = \top$.

If Σ is dequeued and $\psi \in \Sigma$ is picked we have $v(\psi) = \top$ (by IH).

If ψ is an α then $v(\alpha_1) = v(\alpha_2) = \top$ so $\theta \in \Sigma[\alpha/\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}] \rightarrow v(\theta) = \top$ still true.

If ψ is a β then either $v(\beta_1) = \top$ or $v(\beta_2) = \top$, so either $\theta \in \Sigma_1 \rightarrow v(\theta) = \top$ or $\theta \in \Sigma_2 \rightarrow v(\theta) = \top$.

Result follows by induction over n .



Soundness of Predicate Tableau Algorithm

Assume ϕ has a model.

Prove by induction on number of iterations of while loop that there is $\Sigma \in Tab$ and $S \models_A \Sigma$ (some S, A).

True for $n = 0$ by assumption.

Assume $\Sigma \in Tab$ and $S \models_A \Sigma$.

When Σ is dequeued and ψ is picked, cases where ψ is α or β are same as propositional case, no change to S, A needed.

If ψ is δ , say $\psi = \exists x\theta(x)$ then $S \models_A \exists x\theta(x)$ (by IH).

So there is $s \in S$ such that $S_{A[x \rightarrow s]} \models \theta(x)$.

$\exists x\theta(x)$ gets replaced by $\theta(c)$ in Σ (new constant c).

Let S' be same as S except $I(c) = s$. Then $S' \models_A \Sigma[\exists x\theta(x)/\theta(c)]$.

If ψ is a γ , say $\psi = \forall x\theta(x)$ then $S \models_A \forall x\theta(x)$ (I.H.)

Follows that $S \models_A \theta(t)$ for any closed term t .

$S \models_A \Sigma[\forall x\theta(x)/\theta(t)]$ still true (no need to change S, A in this case).

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If Γ is a finite set, say $\{\gamma_0, \gamma_1 \dots, \gamma_{n-1}\}$ you may as well just start with $\neg\phi, \gamma_0, \dots, \gamma_{n-1}$ in a single branch of new tableau and try to close it.

Ancestors

If $\Sigma \in Tab$ is dequeued and Σ_1 (Σ_2) are enqueue, then Σ is parent of Σ_1 (Σ_2)

$$P(\Sigma) = \Sigma' \text{ if } \Sigma' \text{ is the parent of } \Sigma$$

$$P^0(\Sigma) = \Sigma$$

$$P^{n+1}(\Sigma) = P(P^n(\Sigma))$$

Say Σ is ancestor of Σ' if there is $n \geq 0$ and $P^n(\Sigma') = \Sigma$.

Initial tableau $[\{\phi\}]$ and $\{\phi\}$ is ancestor of every theory in the tableau.

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Completeness of Propositional Tableau Algorithm

Start tableau with ϕ . If algorithm outputs SATISFIABLE then there is $v : \text{Props} \rightarrow \{\top, \perp\}$ such that $v(\phi) = \top$, so ϕ is satisfiable.

Proof.

Output SATISFIABLE $\Rightarrow \Sigma \in \text{Tab}$ dequeued $\wedge \text{Exp}(\Sigma) \wedge \neg C(\Sigma)$

Define v by $v(p) = \top \iff p \in \Sigma$.

We have $\phi \in \Sigma \Rightarrow v(\phi) = \top$

We prove, if $(\phi \in \Sigma' \Rightarrow v(\phi) = \top)$ then $(\phi \in P(\Sigma') \Rightarrow v(\phi) = \top)$.

For this, one formula is replaced in $P(\Sigma')$ by expansion formula(s) in Σ' .

If it is an α , then $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \Sigma'$, so $v(\alpha_1) = v(\alpha_2) = \top$, hence $v(\alpha) = \top$

If it is a β , then either $\beta_1 \in \Sigma'$ or $\beta_2 \in \Sigma'$, so either $v(\beta_1) = \top$ or $v(\beta_2) = \top$, either way $v(\beta) = \top$.

Other formulas in $P(\Sigma')$ don't change in Σ' .

It follows (by induction) that all formulas in the original ancestor theory are true under v .

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Herbrand Structures

A closed term t is built up from constants and function symbols only — no variables.

A Herbrand structure $H = (D, I)$ has

Domain

$$D = \{\text{closed terms}\}$$

Interpretation $I = (I_c, I_f, I_p)$.

$$\begin{aligned} I_c(c) &= c \\ I_f(f^n) : (d_1, \dots, d_n) &\mapsto f^n(d_1, \dots, d_n) \end{aligned}$$

I_p can be chosen freely.

It follows, for any closed term t , that

$$[t]^{H,A} = t$$

Herbrand Theorem

Let L be a language with ∞ many constant symbols (and no equality predicate in this version of the theorem).

If ϕ is satisfiable (i.e. $S \models_A \phi$, some S some A) then ϕ is satisfiable in a Herbrand model H , i.e. $H \models_A \phi$ (some A).

Fairness

Suppose you have several (countably many) processes $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k, \dots$ and each of them is waiting for some input. It might be that when you give P_i some input, it creates a new process P_{k+1} , so the list can grow, but it will always be countable. In what order should you supply inputs to the various processes?

You could simply supply input to P_1 again and again, but that would be unfair to all the other processes. In a fair schedule, if any process P_i is waiting for input at time t then eventually (at some time $t' > t$) P_i will get some input. If a process is always waiting for input, then it will get input infinitely often. Since the total number of requests for input is countable, it is possible to find a fair schedule.

Rank

$$Rk(P(t_0, \dots, t_{k-1})) = 1$$

$$Rk(\neg\phi) = 1 + Rk(\phi)$$

$$Rk((\phi \circ \psi)) = 1 + Rk(\phi) + Rk(\psi)$$

$$Rk(\exists x\phi) = 1 + Rk(\phi)$$

$$Rk(\forall x\phi) = 1 + Rk(\phi)$$

So $Rk(\phi)$ is number of nodes in parse tree.

Formula Induction

Base case Prove $Rk(\phi) \leq 2 \Rightarrow \pi(\phi)$

Induction Hypothesis Assume (for some $k \geq 2$) that

$$Rk(\phi) \leq k \Rightarrow \pi(\phi)$$

Induction Step Prove that $Rk(\phi) \leq k + 1 \Rightarrow \pi(\phi)$.

If you prove the base case, and prove the induction step using induction hypothesis, then you can conclude

$$\pi(\phi)$$

for all FO formulas ϕ .

Completeness of algorithm for predicate tableau

If tableau for ϕ never closes and expanded by a fair schedule then ϕ is satisfiable.

Proof: If tableau never closes, by König's tree lemma there is a sequence $\Sigma_0, \Sigma_1, \Sigma_2, \dots \in Tab$ where $\Sigma_n = P(\Sigma_{n+1})$. Let $\Sigma = \bigcup_{n < \infty} \Sigma_n$. Since fair schedule was used,

$$\alpha \in \Sigma \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \in \Sigma \text{ and } \alpha_2 \in \Sigma$$

$$\beta \in \Sigma \Rightarrow \beta_1 \in \Sigma \text{ or } \beta_2 \in \Sigma$$

$$\exists x\theta(x) \in \Sigma \Rightarrow \theta(c) \in \Sigma \text{ (some } c)$$

$$\neg\forall x\theta(x) \in \Sigma \Rightarrow \neg\theta(c) \in \Sigma \text{ (some } c)$$

$$\forall x\theta(x) \in \Sigma \Rightarrow \theta(t) \in \Sigma \text{ (all closed terms } t)$$

$$\neg\exists x\theta(x) \Rightarrow$$

Completeness, continued

Let H be Herbrandt structure, base $\{\text{closed terms of } \Sigma\}$, $I(t) = t$ (closed term t) and

$$(t_0, t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}) \in I(R^n) \iff R^n(t_0, \dots, t_{n-1}) \in \Sigma.$$

Note that rank of expansion formulas is strictly less than rank of formula.

Let θ be any sentence. Prove by induction on $Rk(\theta)$ that

$$\theta \in \Sigma \Rightarrow H \models \theta.$$

Hence $H \models \phi$.

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Tableau Summary

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- ▶ If ϕ is satisfiable its tableau will never close (soundness).
- ▶ But a tableau construction may never terminate.

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Q: Why don't we need $((x = y) \wedge (y = z)) \rightarrow (x = z)$?

Inference Rules

Modus Ponens

$$\frac{A, (A \rightarrow B)}{B}$$

Universal Generalisation

$$\frac{A(x)}{\forall x A(x)}$$

(N.B. $A(x) \rightarrow \forall x A(x)$ is not an axiom, as it is not valid. Universal generalisation says that if $A(x)$ is valid then $\forall x A(x)$ is also valid. This rule is sound.)

Proofs

A proof of ϕ is a finite sequence

$$\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n = \phi$$

such that, for each $i \leq n$, either

- ▶ ϕ_i is an instance of one of the axioms or
- ▶ ϕ_i is obtained from ϕ_j (and maybe ϕ_k) where $j, k < i$, by an inference rule.

Write

$$\vdash \phi$$

in this case.

Proving from hypotheses

So far, this is all to do with validity over arbitrary models. If you want to find validities in a particular model, or a particularly type of model, then you can add hypotheses.

These hypotheses are formulas which are valid in the type of formula you want, and they define it.

E.g. Linearly Ordered Models

Hypotheses:

$$\forall x \forall y (x < y \vee y < x \vee x = y)$$

$$\forall x \neg(x < x)$$

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z ((x < y \wedge y < z) \rightarrow x < z)$$

Proofs with hypotheses

Let Γ be a set of hypotheses. Write

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Deduction Theorem

Let A be a sentence.

If $\Sigma \cup \{A\} \vdash B$ then $\Sigma \vdash (A \rightarrow B)$.

Entailment

Let Γ be a set of sentences and let S be an \mathcal{L} -structure. Write

$$S \models \Gamma$$

if $S \models \phi$ for each $\phi \in \Gamma$ (say “ S is a model of Γ ”).

Write

$$\Gamma \models \phi$$

if every model of Γ is a model of ϕ (i.e. $S \models \Gamma \Rightarrow S \models \phi$).

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Strong Completeness

$$\Gamma \vdash \phi \Rightarrow \Gamma \models \phi \quad (\text{Soundness})$$

$$\Gamma \models \phi \Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \phi \quad (\text{Strong Completeness})$$

Corollary

There is an enumeration of the valid formulas.

Recursive Languages

A language L is just a set of strings over some finite alphabet Σ .
 L is recursive if there is a computer program that takes an arbitrary string $s \in \Sigma^*$ as an input and outputs

$$\begin{cases} \text{"yes"} & \text{if } s \in L \\ \text{"no"} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The program must be guaranteed to terminate, for any $s \in \Sigma^*$.
The set of all formulas of first order logic is a recursive set (a parsing program decides if a string is a well formed formula).
The valid statements of first order logic form a language, but this language is not recursive (not decidable).

Recursively Enumerable Languages

A language L is recursively enumerable (r.e.) if there is a computer program that outputs strings from L , only strings from L , and will eventually output any given string from L .

The valid statements of first-order logic form a recursively enumerable language.

First Order Logic is r.e.

Let ϕ_0, ϕ_1, \dots be an enumeration of all formulas.

For ($i = 0, i++, \text{forever}$)

{ Start new tableau T_i with $\neg\phi_i$ at root;

For each $j < i$

{ expand T_j once, using a fair schedule;

If T_j becomes closed, output " ϕ_j is valid";

}

}

Note: for any formula ϕ_k , If ϕ_k is not valid then T_k will never close (by soundness). if ϕ_k is valid then eventually T_k will close and the program will output " ϕ_k is valid" (this follows by completeness, though you do not know how long this will take).

So the program only outputs valid formulas, and any given valid formula will eventually get output.

Recursive and r.e. languages

- The set of formulas of first-order logic is a recursive set.
- The set of valid formulas of FOL is not recursive, but it is r.e.
- The set of true statements of arithmetic is not even r.e.
- This last statement is Gödel's incompleteness theorem.

Proving from Assumptions

Suppose you want to prove that ϕ is valid in a particular model, or type of model (e. g. linear order).

Write down assumptions Σ that define this type of model. E.g.

$$\Sigma = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall x \forall y (x = y \vee x < y \vee y < x), \\ \forall x \forall y \forall z ((x < y \wedge y < z) \rightarrow x < z), \\ \forall x \neg(x < x) \end{array} \right\}$$

New rule: you can add any assumption in Σ at leaf of tableau at any time. A proof of ϕ using Σ is a closed tableau for $\neg\phi$, but you can use assumptions to help you close the tableau. Write

$$\Sigma \vdash \phi$$

Tableau with assumptions example (TAE)

$$\Sigma = \{\forall x \neg(x < x), \forall x \forall y (x < y \vee y < x \vee x = y), \forall x \forall y \forall z ((x < y \wedge y < z) \rightarrow x < z)\}$$

$$\Sigma \vdash \forall x \forall y \neg(x < y \wedge y < x)$$

$\exists \vdash \forall x \forall y \vdash (x < y \vee y < x)$

① $\forall x \forall y (x < y \vee x = y \vee y < x) \quad H$

② $\forall x \forall y \forall z ((x < y \wedge y < z) \rightarrow x < z) \quad H$

③ $\forall z \vdash x < x \quad H$

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| s, 4, a

⑤ $\vdash \forall y \vdash (\neg x = y \wedge y < x)$

| s, 5, b

⑥ $\vdash \neg \neg (\neg x = y \wedge y < x)$

| a,

⑦ $\vdash \neg x = y \wedge y < x$

| 6, 7

$\neg x = y$

$y < x$

| y, z, a, b, n (3 steps in one)

⑧ $(\neg x = y \wedge y < x) \rightarrow \neg x = y$

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Compactness

If

$$\Sigma \vdash \phi$$

then

$$\Sigma_0 \vdash \phi$$

for some finite subset Σ_0 of Σ .

Inconsistency, Compactness, Completeness.

Σ is inconsistent if

$$\Sigma \vdash (p \wedge \neg p)$$

If Σ is inconsistent then, by compactness, Σ_0 is inconsistent, for some finite subset Σ_0 of Σ .

By strong completeness theorem, every consistent set has a model. Hence, compactness says that if every finite subset of Σ has a model then there is a model for the whole of Σ .

Problem

Let E be a binary relation denoting the edges of a graph, let $=$ denote equality. Write down a first order formula $\phi(x, y)$ with two free variables x, y , meaning

- ▶ There is a path of length 1 from node x to node y ,
- ▶ There is a path of length 2 from x to y
- ▶ There is a path of length 3 from x to y
- ▶ There is a path of length k from x to y , where $k \geq 1$ is fixed.

First Order Logic Cannot Define Connectedness

Language

$$C = \{c, d\}$$

$$F = \emptyset$$

$$P = \{=, E\} \text{ (both binary)}$$

Suppose, for contradiction, that

$$G \models \Sigma \iff G \text{ is connected}$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_1(x, y) &= E(x, y) \\ \phi_{n+1}(x, y) &= \exists z(\phi_n(x, z) \wedge E(z, y))\end{aligned}$$

"there is a path of length $n + 1$ from x to y ".

Consider

$$\Sigma \cup \{\neg\phi_1(c, d), \neg\phi_2(c, d), \dots\}$$

Every finite subset has a model (what model?). By compactness, the whole set has a model, say G ,

$$G \models \Sigma \cup \{\neg\phi_n(c, d) : n = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

G is therefore connected (since a model of Σ), but there is no path from c to d — a contradiction.

Compactness theorem and non-standard analysis

Let

$$\Sigma = \{\text{all valid statements about } \mathbb{N}\}$$

in a language with constants $0, 1, 2, \dots$ functions $+, \times$ and predicate $=$.

E.g. $2 + 2 = 4 \in \Sigma$.

Also $\forall x \forall y (x \times y = y \times x) \in \Sigma$.

Let c be another constant symbol.

Every finite subset of

$$\Sigma^+ = \Sigma \cup \{c \neq 0, c \neq 1, c \neq 2, \dots, c \neq n, \dots\}$$

has a model (what model?).

Therefore Σ^+ has a model.

Non-standard real analysis

Let L be similar but with a constant for every real number. Let

$$\Sigma = \{\text{all valid statements about } \mathbb{R}\}$$

and

$$\Sigma^+ = \Sigma \cup \{\alpha > r : r \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Every finite subset of Σ^+ has a model (just interpret α as a sufficiently big real number), therefore Σ^+ has a model M . Then $[\alpha]^M$ is an “infinitely big” real number and $[\frac{1}{\alpha}]^M$ is an “infinitesimally small” positive real number.

Can do calculus perfectly rigorously in this way. Can show that

$$\forall x((|x| < r) \rightarrow (x = St(x) + Inf(x)))$$

where r is a constant for any positive real, $St(x)$ is a “standard real” and $Inf(x)$ is an “infinitesimal real”. Then let

$$f'(x) = St \left(\frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right)$$

where x is any standard real and δx is any infinitesimal, provided this does not depend on the choice of δx .

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Therefore no such theory F exists.

Summary

- ▶ Σ is consistent iff Σ has a model (soundness and strong completeness)
- ▶ $\Sigma \vdash \phi \iff \exists \Sigma_0 \subseteq_f \Sigma, \Sigma_0 \vdash \phi$ (compactness)
- ▶ Σ has a model iff for all $\forall \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 \subseteq_f \Sigma \Rightarrow \Sigma_0 \text{ has a model})$
- ▶ No first order theory defines connected graphs
- ▶ \mathbb{N} has a non-standard model.