

Classical Math is cool

But I like intuitionistic / constructive
math more

Classical Math discusses Truth

$\vdash \varphi$ means φ is true

$\vdash \varphi \vee \neg \varphi$

either φ is true or $\neg \varphi$ is true

Constructive Math discusses Proof

$\vdash \varphi$ means I can prove φ

$\vdash \varphi \vee \neg \varphi$ is not generally true

It is not the case^v that 'for all φ ,
we have a proof of φ or a proof
of $\neg\varphi$ '

See, Gödel's Incompleteness Thm

Constructive Math is Sound but not Complete

$$\vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \models \varphi$$

$$\models \varphi \not\Rightarrow \vdash \varphi$$

\vdash is complete with respect to a different
semantics using Kripke structures

We will not go into this in further
detail

Constructive Math "includes" Classical math

$$\vdash_i \varphi \Rightarrow \vdash_c \varphi$$

$$\vdash_c \varphi \Rightarrow \vdash_i \neg\neg \varphi$$

- "But how could $\varphi \vee \neg \varphi$ NOT be true???"
- "Don't worry, it's not not true"

$$\Gamma \vdash \varphi \subseteq 2^{\text{Prop}} \times \text{Prop}$$

The right side only has 1 prop

This is really the big change that

differentiates them

$$\frac{}{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \varphi} \text{Axiom} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \quad \Gamma, \varphi \vdash \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \psi} \text{Cut}$$

The rest of the rules follow the pattern of "introduction" forms and "elimination" forms. These forms will show up again and again, from usage in ATP, type inference, and more

Connective

Introduction

Elimination

\wedge

$\Gamma \vdash \varphi$

$\Gamma \vdash \psi$

$\Gamma \vdash \varphi \wedge \psi$

$\Gamma \vdash \varphi \wedge \psi$

	$\Gamma \vdash \varphi \wedge \psi$	$\Gamma \vdash \varphi$ $\Gamma \vdash \psi$
\vee	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \vee \psi}$ $\frac{\Gamma \vdash \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \vee \psi}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \vee \psi \quad \Gamma, \varphi \vdash \delta \quad \Gamma, \psi \vdash \delta}{\Gamma \vdash \delta}$
\rightarrow	$\frac{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi}$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi \quad \Gamma \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \psi}$
\top	$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \top}$	N/A
\perp	N/A	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \perp}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi}$

Note, we've omitted \neg . It is much easier, moving forward, to think of $\neg Q$ as $Q \Rightarrow \perp$.