

Proofs with \wedge

Rules of proof are given near the end of the textbook.

example

1.	$P \wedge Q$	
2.	$Q \wedge R$	
3.	P	$\wedge\text{Elim: 1}$
4.	R	$\wedge\text{Elim: 2}$
5.	$P \wedge R$	$\wedge\text{Intro: 3,4}$

Proofs with identity

example (with missing justification)

1. LeftOf(a,b)
2. $b=c$
- 3.
- 4.
5. LeftOf(a,c)

Truth-functional connectives

A *connective* joins one or more sentences to make a new sentence. E.g. \wedge , \neg , because

A sentence joined by a connective is a *constituent sentence*. E.g. P in “ P because Q ”

A *truth functional* connective produces a new sentence whose truth value depends only on the truth values of its constituent sentences.

When P and Q are both true, “ P because Q ” is sometimes true and sometimes false. Therefore, ‘because’ is not a truth-functional connective.

Complex truth table example

P	Q	R	$(P \wedge Q) \vee R$
T	T	T	
T	T	F	
T	F	T	
T	F	F	
F	T	T	
F	T	F	
F	F	T	
F	F	F	

How to order reference columns

P	Q	R
T	T	T
T	T	F
T	F	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	T	F
F	F	T
F	F	F

Always start with T

Sentence letters are ordered alphabetically

Right-most column alternates every row

Always end with F

Next right-most column alternates half as often as previous column

Next right-most column alternates half as often

Logical Validity

Argument 3

1. $(P \wedge Q) \vee R$
2. $P \vee \neg P$

Argument 3b

- 1.
2. $P \vee \neg P$

Argument 4

1. $P \wedge \neg P$
2. $(P \wedge Q) \vee R$

$P \vee \neg P$ is a *logical truth* (see p. 568)

$P \wedge \neg P$ is a *contradiction* (see p. 564)

Exercises 01

For your second seminar. Not for fast groups

A. From the textbook:

- 2.5–6 (informal proofs with identity)
- 2.8, 2.10, 2.12, 2.21 (counterexamples)
- 3.1–2 (negation)
- 3.5, 3.7 (conjunction)
- 4.1–2 (truth tables)

B. Explicate each of the following in one or two sentences.

- logical consequence
- logically sound argument
- FOL
- Fitch format