

Homework #3: Proof

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INSTRUCTIONS: before completing your homework, make sure you have considered the following:

- You are allowed to use only primitive inference rules.
- Remember to include vertical lines to represent the scope any assumptions.
- Remember that all assumptions in your proofs must be discharged.
- Double-check that your line references are correct when applying inference rules.

I. Proof: Propositional Logic

In this section *use only the primitive inference rules* of propositional calculus.

1. Provide derivations for each of the following, using natural deduction:

a. $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \vdash p \wedge (q \wedge r)$

b. $p \wedge q, p \Rightarrow s, q \Rightarrow t \vdash s \wedge t$

c. $q \Rightarrow \neg p, p \wedge q \vdash r$

1. $q \Rightarrow \neg p$ premise
2. $p \wedge q$ premise
3. q $\wedge -elim, 2$
4. $\neg p$ modus ponens, 1
5. p $\wedge -elim, 2$
6. $\neg r$ assumption 1
7. $\neg p$ Copy from 4 1
8. p Copy from 5 1
4. r $\neg -elim, 6-8$

d. $p \wedge q \vdash p \Rightarrow q$

1. $p \wedge q$ premise
2. p $\wedge -elim, 1$
3. q $\wedge -elim, 1$
4. $p \Rightarrow q$ $\Rightarrow -intro, 2, 3$

e. $\neg \neg q \vdash q \vee r$

1. $\neg \neg q$ premise
2. $\neg q$ $\neg -elim, 1$
3. q $\neg -elim, 2$
4. $q \vee r$ $\vee -intro, 3$

f. $p \Rightarrow (q \wedge r), \neg p \Rightarrow r, p \vee \neg p \vdash r$

II. Proof: Predicate Logic

In this section *use only the primitive inference rules* of predicate calculus.

2. Show using natural deduction:

a. $\forall x : T \bullet P(x) \wedge Q(x) \dashv\vdash (\forall x : T \bullet P(x)) \wedge (\forall y : T \bullet Q(y))$

b. $\exists x : T \bullet P(x) \vee Q(x) \dashv\vdash (\exists x : T \bullet P(x)) \vee (\exists x : T \bullet Q(x))$

(NOTE: $p \dashv\vdash q$ is a shorthand for “ $p \vdash q$ and $q \vdash p$.” That is, for $p \dashv\vdash q$ you need to show two separate derivations: one for $p \vdash q$ and another for $q \vdash p$.)