

PROOF CALCULUS

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Logical symbols are explained by (1) how to prove it (introduction) and (2) how to use it (elimination). We use the capital Greek letter Γ to denote a list of hypotheses. A hypothesis is just a formula. The order and the number of occurrence of a given formula does not matter. For example,

$$\varphi, \psi, \chi \qquad \psi, \varphi, \chi \qquad \varphi, \varphi, \psi, \chi$$

are considered to be the set of hypotheses.

We write

$$\Gamma \vdash \varphi$$

to mean “the hypotheses in Γ entail φ ”.

1.1. Rules. The simplest rule is the *identity rule*. It says that we can conclude φ if it is already part of the set of hypotheses.

$$\text{ID} \\ \hline \Gamma, \varphi \vdash \varphi$$

1.1.1. *Top*.

$$\text{T-INTRO} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \top$$

1.1.2. *Conjunction*.

$$\begin{array}{c} \wedge\text{-INTRO} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \varphi \quad \Gamma \vdash \psi \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \varphi \wedge \psi \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \wedge\text{-ELIM-L} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \varphi \wedge \psi \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \varphi \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \wedge\text{-ELIM-R} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \varphi \wedge \psi \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \psi \end{array}$$

1.1.3. *Implication*.

$$\begin{array}{c} \Rightarrow\text{-INTRO} \\ \hline \Gamma, \varphi \vdash \psi \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \psi \Rightarrow \varphi \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \Rightarrow\text{-ELIM} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \varphi \Rightarrow \psi \quad \Gamma \vdash \varphi \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \psi \end{array}$$

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1.1.4. *Universal Quantification.*

$$\frac{\forall\text{-INTRO}}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \forall x.\varphi}} (x \notin \Gamma)$$

$$\frac{\forall\text{-ELIM}}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall x.\varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi[t/x]}}$$

1.1.5. *Bottom.*

$$\frac{\perp\text{-ELIM}}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash \perp}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi}}$$

1.1.6. *Disjunction.*

$$\frac{\vee\text{-INTRO-L}}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \vee \psi}} \quad \frac{\vee\text{-INTRO-R}}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash \psi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \vee \psi}}$$

$$\frac{\vee\text{-ELIM}}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \vee \psi \quad \Gamma, \varphi \vdash \chi \quad \Gamma, \psi \vdash \chi}{\Gamma \vdash \chi}}$$

1.1.7. *Existential Quantification.*

$$\frac{\exists\text{-INTRO}}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi[t/x]}{\Gamma \vdash \exists x.\varphi}}$$

$$\frac{\exists\text{-ELIM}}{\frac{\Gamma \vdash \exists x.\varphi}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi[y/x]}} (y \notin \Gamma)$$