

Modal Logic, Winter 2019

Homework 5

due Tuesday, February 12

Note In this homework, and in all work in this class: unless otherwise stated, you may use the soundness or completeness of a proof system. But whenever you do, you need to say which one you are using.

1 de Morgan's Laws

1. Give a derivation that shows $\vdash \neg(\varphi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow (\neg\varphi) \vee (\neg\psi)$.

1.	$\neg(\varphi \wedge \psi)$	Assume
2.	φ	Assume
3.	ψ	Assume
4.	$\varphi \wedge \psi$	$\wedge_i, 2-4$
5.	F	$\text{F}_i, 1, 4$
6.	$\neg\psi$	$\neg_i, 3-5$
7.	$\neg\varphi \vee \neg\psi$	$\vee_i, 6$
8.	$\varphi \rightarrow \neg\varphi \vee \neg\psi$	$\rightarrow_i, 2-7$
9.	$\varphi \vee \neg\varphi$	pem
10.	φ	Assume
11.	$\neg\varphi \vee \neg\psi$	$\rightarrow_e, 8, 10$
12.	$\neg\varphi$	Assume
13.	$\neg\varphi \vee \neg\psi$	$\text{or}_i, 12$
14.	$\neg\varphi \vee \neg\psi$	$\vee_e, 9, 10-11, 12-13$
15.	$\neg(\varphi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow \neg\varphi \vee \neg\psi$	$\rightarrow_i, 1-7$

2. Give a derivation that shows $\vdash (\neg\varphi) \vee (\neg\psi) \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \wedge \psi)$.

1.	$(\neg\varphi) \vee (\neg\psi)$	Assume
2.	$\neg\varphi$	Assume
3.	$\varphi \wedge \psi$	Assume
4.	φ	$\wedge_e, 3$
5.	$\neg\varphi$	R, 2
6.	F	$F_i, 4, 5$
7.	$\neg(\varphi \wedge \psi)$	$\neg_i, 3-6$
8.	$\neg\psi$	Assume
9.	$\varphi \wedge \psi$	Assume
10.	ψ	$\wedge_e, 9$
11.	$\neg\psi$	R, 8
12.	F	$F_i, 10, 11$
13.	$\neg(\varphi \wedge \psi)$	$\neg_i, 9-12$
14.	$(\neg\varphi) \vee (\neg\psi) \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \wedge \psi)$	$\rightarrow_i, 1-13$

In one of the two parts, you will need to use the Law of the Excluded Middle.

2 Satisfiability in propositional logic

Recall that a propositional logic sentence φ is *satisfiable* if there is some valuation v such that $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v = \text{T}$.

For each of the following sentences, tell whether true or false. For the true ones, give a short proof. For the false ones, give a counterexample.

1. Every sentence φ or its negation $\neg\varphi$ is satisfiable.

Fix φ . We know that $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v = \text{T}$ or $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v = \text{F}$. If $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v = \text{T}$ then we're done. Otherwise, if $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v = \text{F}$, then $\llbracket \neg\varphi \rrbracket_v = \neg\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v = \neg\text{F} = \text{T}$. Hence $\neg\varphi$ is also satisfiable.

2. Both φ and $\neg\varphi$ are satisfiable. Let $\varphi = p \wedge \neg p$. This sentence and its negation are not satisfiable.

3. If $\varphi \wedge \psi$ is satisfiable, then both φ and ψ are satisfiable.

Fix φ and ψ .

Assume $\llbracket \varphi \wedge \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$. Then $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \wedge \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$, where the \wedge is based on truth-tables. Hence $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \text{T}$ and $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$. Therefore both φ and ψ are satisfiable.

4. If both φ and ψ are satisfiable, then $\varphi \wedge \psi$ is satisfiable.

Fix φ and ψ . Assume $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \text{T}$ and $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$. Then

$$\llbracket \varphi \wedge \psi \rrbracket = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \wedge \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T} \wedge \text{T} = \text{T}$$

Hence $\varphi \wedge \psi$ is satisfiable.

5. If $\varphi \vee \psi$ is satisfiable, then either φ or ψ (or both) are satisfiable.

Fix φ and ψ . Assume $\varphi \vee \psi$ is satisfiable. This means $\llbracket \varphi \vee \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$.

Then $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \vee \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$, where the \vee is based on truth-tables.

In the case that $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \text{T}$, we see that φ is satisfiable. So either φ or ψ are satisfiable. Now consider if $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \text{F}$, then $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \vee \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{F} \vee \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$. So $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$, and either φ or ψ are satisfiable. The case where both are satisfiable is trivial, since we need not consider $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \text{F}$ and one of the cases for $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \vee \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$ must have $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{T}$ again, so both are satisfiable.

6. If either φ or ψ is satisfiable, then $\varphi \vee \psi$ is satisfiable.

Fix φ and ψ . Assume either φ or ψ is satisfiable. First, consider φ is satisfiable. Then $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \top$. And

$$\llbracket \varphi \vee \psi \rrbracket = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \vee \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \top \vee \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \top$$

so $\varphi \vee \psi$ is satisfiable.

Next, consider φ is not satisfiable but ψ is satisfiable. So $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \text{F}$ and $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \top$.

$$\llbracket \varphi \vee \psi \rrbracket = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \vee \llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \text{F} \vee \top = \top$$

So $\varphi \vee \psi$ is satisfiable.

7. If φ and $\varphi \rightarrow \psi$ are satisfiable, then ψ is satisfiable. Fix φ and ψ . Assume φ is satisfiable and $\varphi \rightarrow \psi$ is satisfiable. We show ψ is satisfiable. Our assumptions mean that $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = \top$ and $\llbracket \varphi \rightarrow \psi \rrbracket = \top$. Unfolding the valuation,

$$\begin{aligned}\llbracket \varphi \rightarrow \psi \rrbracket &= \top \\ \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket \psi \rrbracket &= \top \\ \top \rightarrow \llbracket \psi \rrbracket &= \top\end{aligned}$$

Since \rightarrow here is based on truth-tables, we must have that $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket = \top$. Hence ψ is satisfiable.

8. Every sentence φ or its negation $\neg\varphi$ is a tautology.

This is not true because we can take φ to be an atomic sentence p , and it is not true that for any valuation v , $\llbracket p \rrbracket_v = \top$ or $\llbracket \neg p \rrbracket = \top$.

9. If $\varphi \wedge \psi$ is a tautology, then both φ and ψ are tautologies.

Fix φ and ψ . Assume for any valuation v , $\llbracket \varphi \wedge \psi \rrbracket_v = \top$. We prove for all valuations w_1, w_2 that $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_{w_1} = \top$ and $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket_{w_2} = \top$. So $\llbracket \varphi \wedge \psi \rrbracket_v = \top = \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v \wedge \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_v$ where \wedge is based on truth tables. So both are true and both are tautologies since we chose a random valuation v .

10. If $\varphi \vee \psi$ is a tautology, then either φ or ψ (or both) are tautologies.

This is not true. We can take φ to be p and ψ to be $\neg p$, where $\varphi \vee \psi$ is a tautology, but neither p or $\neg p$ is a tautology.

11. If φ and $\varphi \rightarrow \psi$ are tautologies, then ψ is a tautology. Fix φ and ψ . Assume for any valuation v , $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v = \top$ and for any valuation v' , $\llbracket \varphi \rightarrow \psi \rrbracket_{v'} = \top$. It is our job to prove that for any valuation w , $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket_w = \top$.

3 Avoiding confusion

It is easy to confuse the following two assertions:

(i) $\nvdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi$

(ii) $\vdash \varphi \rightarrow \neg\psi$.

(i) says that there is *no* derivation in our system that has no premises and ends with $\varphi \rightarrow \psi$. (ii) says that there *is* a derivation in our system that has no premises and ends with $\varphi \rightarrow \neg\psi$.

1. Give an example of two sentences φ and ψ in propositional logic with the property that $\nvdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi$ but $\vdash \varphi \rightarrow \neg\psi$. This shows that (i) does not in general imply (ii).

Fix two atomic sentences p and q such that $\varphi = p$ and $\psi = q$. Then we see that both $\nvdash p \rightarrow q$ and $\vdash p \rightarrow \neg q$.

2. Give an example of two sentences φ and ψ in propositional logic with the property that $\vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi$ and also $\vdash \varphi \rightarrow \neg\psi$. This shows that (ii) does not in general imply (i).

Fix an atomic sentence p . Let $\varphi = \mathbf{F}$ and $\psi = p \vee \neg p$. Then we see that $\vdash \mathbf{F} \rightarrow (p \vee \neg p)$ and $\vdash \mathbf{F} \rightarrow \neg(p \vee \neg p)$

4 A step in the lemma on state descriptions

Recall from class the main lemma on state descriptions. It says: For all sentences φ , and all state descriptions α , if $occ(\varphi) \subseteq occ(\alpha)$, then either $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \varphi$, or else $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg\varphi$.

The proof was by induction on φ . In the lecture slides, you can find the induction steps for \wedge and for \neg . Your task: prove the induction step for \rightarrow . Be sure to use the relation between the sets $occ(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$, $occ(\varphi)$, and $occ(\psi)$.

Fix φ and ψ . Assume if $occ(\varphi) \subseteq occ(\alpha)$ then either $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \varphi$ or $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg\varphi$.

Also assume that if $occ(\psi) \subseteq occ(\alpha)$ then either $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \psi$ or $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg\psi$.

We prove if $occ(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \subseteq occ(\alpha)$ then either $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ or $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$. Suppose $occ(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \subseteq occ(\alpha)$. We show that $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ or $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$.

Note that $occ(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) = occ(\varphi) \cup occ(\psi)$. So $occ(\varphi) \subseteq occ(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ and $occ(\psi) \subseteq occ(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$.

Then by our assumption $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \varphi$ or $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg\varphi$. By our other assumption $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \psi$ or $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg\psi$

We must prove 4 different cases:

$$\alpha \rightarrow \varphi, \alpha \rightarrow \psi \vdash \alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$$

1.	$\alpha \rightarrow \varphi$	Premise
2.	$\alpha \rightarrow \psi$	Premise
3.	α	Assume
4.	φ	Assume
5.	ψ	$\rightarrow_e, 2, 3$
6.	$\varphi \rightarrow \psi$	$\rightarrow_i, 4, 5$
7.	$\alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$	$\rightarrow_i, 3-6$

$$\alpha \rightarrow \neg\varphi, \alpha \rightarrow \psi \vdash \alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$$

1.	$\alpha \rightarrow \neg\varphi$	Premise
2.	$\alpha \rightarrow \psi$	Premise
3.	α	Assume
4.	φ	Assume
5.	ψ	$\rightarrow_e, 2, 3$
6.	$\varphi \rightarrow \psi$	$\rightarrow_i, 4, 5$
7.	$\alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$	$\rightarrow_i, 3-6$

$$\alpha \rightarrow \varphi, \alpha \rightarrow \neg\psi \vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$$

1.	$\alpha \rightarrow \varphi$	Premise
2.	$\alpha \rightarrow \neg\psi$	Premise
3.	α	Assume
4.	$\varphi \rightarrow \psi$	Assume
5.	φ	$\rightarrow_e, 1, 3$
6.	ψ	$\rightarrow_e, 3, 4$
7.	$\neg\psi$	$\rightarrow_e, 2, 3$
8.	F	$F_i, 5, 6$
9.	$\neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$	$\rightarrow_i, 4, 5$
10.	$\alpha \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$	$\rightarrow_i, 3-6$

$$\alpha \rightarrow \neg\varphi, \alpha \rightarrow \neg\psi \vdash \alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$$

1.	$\alpha \rightarrow \neg\varphi$	Premise
2.	$\alpha \rightarrow \neg\psi$	Premise
3.	α	Assume
4.	$\neg\psi$	Assume
5.	$\neg\varphi$	$\rightarrow_e, 1, 3$
6.	$\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi$	$\rightarrow_i, 4-5$
7.	$\varphi \rightarrow \psi$	Contrapositive
8.	$\alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$	$\rightarrow_i, 3-7$

By showing all the possible cases we conclude that $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$ or $\vdash \alpha \rightarrow \neg(\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$. This concludes the induction step for \rightarrow .

Below is the necessary proof of contrapositive used in the previous result.

$$\vdash (\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \psi)$$

1.	$\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi$	Assume
2.	φ	Assume
3.	$\neg\psi$	Assume
4.	$\neg\varphi$	$\rightarrow_e, 1, 3$
5.	F	$F_i, 2, 4$
6.	$\neg\neg\psi$	$\neg_i, 3-5$
7.	ψ	$\neg\neg_e$
8.	$\varphi \rightarrow \psi$	$\rightarrow_i, 2-7$

5 Consistent and satisfiable

A sentence φ in propositional logic is *consistent* if $\not\vdash \neg\varphi$. That is, $\neg\varphi$ is *not* provable.

1. Prove that if φ is consistent, then φ is satisfiable.

Fix φ . We prove the contrapositive. Assume φ is not satisfiable and we show φ is not consistent. φ not satisfiable means for all valuations v , $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_v = F$. Then $\llbracket \neg\varphi \rrbracket_v = T$, so $\models \neg\varphi$. By completeness, $\vdash \neg\varphi$ and therefore φ is inconsistent.

2. Prove that if φ is satisfiable, then φ is consistent.

Fix φ . We prove the contrapositive. Assume φ is inconsistent. We have to show φ is not satisfiable. This means $\vdash \neg\varphi$. Then by soundness, $\models \neg\varphi$. So there are no valuations such that $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket = T$, therefore $\not\models \varphi$ and φ is not satisfiable.

You will need to use either the soundness or completeness of our logic, or both. Please be sure to write down exactly where you used these results.