

A Logic Similar to Propositional Logic

Consider the following logic:

Syntax: A wff can be defined using following BNF rules.

$\phi ::= p \mid (\phi + \phi) \mid (\neg \phi)$

– p is propositional symbol representing a proposition from the set of propositions $\{p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots\}$

Semantics:

– A proposition can map to “true” or “false”.

– “ \neg ” is interpreted as “negation” ($\neg \text{true} = \text{false}$; $\neg \text{false} = \text{true}$).

– “ $+$ ” is interpreted as “exclusive or”

$\text{true} + \text{true} = \text{false}$; $\text{false} + \text{false} = \text{false}$

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Syntax Questions-1: $\phi ::= p \mid (\phi + \phi) \mid (\neg \phi)$

Which strings are wffs in this logic?

1. $p1$ - Yes
2. $(p1+(\neg p2))$ - Yes
3. $+p1$ - No: needs two arguments
4. $(\neg \phi)$ - No: phi cannot be in a wff
5. $p1+p2$ - No: needs parenthesis
6. $\neg (p1)$ - No: negation needs to be inside parentheses
7. $(\neg p1$ - No: missing closing parentheses
8. $(p1+(p2+p3))$ - Yes

Syntax Questions-2: $\phi ::= p \mid (\phi + \phi) \mid (\neg \phi)$

- Let us assume that unary operator \neg has higher precedence than $+$ operator, and $+$ is a left associative operator.

- What are fully parenthesized versions of the following wffs?

1. $\neg p1 + \neg p2$
2. $\neg \neg p1 + \neg p2 + p3$
3. $\neg p1 + p2 + \neg p3$

1. $((\neg p1) + (\neg p2))$
2. $((((\neg(\neg p1)) + (\neg p2)) + p3)$
3. $((((\neg p1) + p2) + (\neg p3))$

Proofs

Schema: Generic versions of formulas; instantiating symbols yields formulas.

Axioms: Formulas assumed to be true in the logic.

Inference Rules: Schema pairs saying what can be proved from what.

- If preconditions of an inference rule have been already proved, then the post-condition of that inference rule can be derived using that inference rule.

Proof: A sequence of applications of inference rules to axioms and premises

- Premises (wwfs that are assumed to be true for a specific proof)
- wffs (derived from and previously deducted wffs using inference rules)
- Conclusion (a wff that we want to derive from premises)

Proofs - Proving Results

- Notation: $LHS \vdash RHS$, if there is a proof from LHS to RHS.
 - Wffs in LHS are assumed to be true.
 - We say that RHS is derived (deducted/proved) from LHS
- $p \wedge r, p \rightarrow q \vdash q$
 - We say that q is derived (deducted/proved) from $p \wedge r$ and $p \rightarrow q$
- Theorems: Formulas that can be proved, using inference rules applied to axioms, and theorems already proved.
 - $\vdash \phi$ where ϕ is a theorem

Proof Questions-1: $\phi ::= p \mid (\phi + \phi) \mid (\neg \phi)$ Axioms

- Axioms are the formulas that are assumed to be true in the logic.
- Can you give some axioms in this logic? (using schemas - generic versions of formulas)

1. $(\phi + \neg \phi)$
2. $(\neg \phi + \phi)$
3. $\neg(\phi + \phi)$
4. $\neg(\neg \phi + \neg \phi)$

Proof Questions-2: $\phi ::= p \mid (\phi + \phi) \mid (\neg \phi)$ Inference Rules

- Can you give some inference rules in this logic? (using schemas – generic versions of formulas)

$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \phi + \psi \\ \phi \end{array}}{\neg \psi} \text{ rule1}$	$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \phi + \psi \\ \psi \end{array}}{} \text{ rule2}$	$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \phi + \psi \\ \neg \phi \end{array}}{\psi} \text{ rule3}$
$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \phi \\ \neg \psi \end{array}}{(\phi + \psi)} \text{ rule4}$	$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \neg \phi \\ \psi \end{array}}{(\phi + \psi)} \text{ rule5}$	$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \phi + \psi \\ \neg \psi \end{array}}{(\phi)} \text{ rule6}$
$\frac{\neg \neg \phi}{(\phi)} \text{ rule7}$		

Proof Questions-3: $\phi ::= p \mid (\phi + \phi) \mid (\neg \phi)$

- Can you give a proof p_3 from p_1, p_1+p_2, p_2+p_3 ?

$p_1, p_1+p_2, p_2+p_3 \vdash p_3$???

1. p_1 premise
2. $p_1 + p_2$ premise
3. $p_2 + p_3$ premise
4. $\neg p_2$ from 1 and 2 via rule 1
5. p_3 from 3 and 4 via rule 3
6. $p_1, p_1+p_2, p_2+p_3 \vdash p_3$

Semantics

Logical Consequence Relation

$LHS \models RHS$

(read “LHS implies (logically implies) RHS”)

if RHS is mapped to True under the conditions described by LHS.

Example:

- $p \wedge r, p \rightarrow q \models q$
- This means that $p \wedge r, p \rightarrow q$ logically implies q .
- Whenever $p \wedge r$ and $p \rightarrow q$ are True under the conditions, q is also True under those conditions.

Semantics Questions-1: $\phi ::= p \mid (\phi + \phi) \mid (\neg \phi)$ Logical Consequence

- Is $\neg p_2$ a logical consequence of p_1, p_1+p_2 ?

$p_1, p_1+p_2 \models \neg p_2$???

1. p_1 and p_1+p_2 are given as premises and are both assumed True
2. For p_1+p_2 to be True, one proposition must be True and the other False
3. Because p_1 is already assumed True, p_2 must be False
4. Therefore, $\neg p_2$ is a logical consequence of p_1, p_1+p_2
5. $p_1, p_1+p_2 \models \neg p_2$