

Announcements & Such

- Administrative Stuff
 - Take-Home Mid-Term re-submissions are due today.
 - ☞ When you turn in resubmissions, make sure that you staple them to your original homework submission.
 - We will be discussing the grade curve for the course as soon as all of the mid-term grades are in (both take-home and in-class).
 - Branden will not be holding office hours this week.
 - **HW #4 posted — but, not due (1st sub) until after spring break.**
- Today: Chapter 4 — Natural Deduction Proofs for LSL
 - Today: *lots of proofs* using the basic natural-deduction rules.
 - After spring break: finishing-up Chapter 4 & moving on to Chap. 5.
 - **MacLogic** — a useful computer program for natural deduction.
 - * See <http://fitelson.org/maclogic.htm>.
- ☞ **Make sure you do lots of proofs — practice is the key here.**

The Introduction and Elimination Rules for \vee

Rule of \vee -Introduction: For any formula p , if p has been inferred at line j , then, for any formula q , *either* ' $p \vee q$ ' *or* ' $q \vee p$ ' may be inferred at line k , labeling the line ' $j \vee I$ ' and writing on its left the same premise and assumption numbers as appear on the left of j .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 a_1, \dots, a_n & (j) & p \\
 & \vdots & \\
 a_1, \dots, a_n & (k) & p \vee q \quad j \vee I
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \text{OR}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 a_1, \dots, a_n & (j) & q \\
 & \vdots & \\
 a_1, \dots, a_n & (k) & p \vee q \quad j \vee I
 \end{array}$$

- The $\vee I$ rule is very simple and intuitive. Basically, it says that you may infer a disjunction from *either* of its disjuncts.
- The *elimination* rule ($\vee E$) for \vee , on the other hand, is considerably more complex to state and apply. It's the hardest of our rules.

Rule of \vee -Elimination: If a disjunction ' $p \vee q$ ' occurs at line g of a proof, p is assumed at line h, r is derived at line i, q is assumed at line j, and r is derived at line k, then at line m we may infer r , labeling the line 'g, h, i, j, k \vee E' and writing on its left every number on the left at line g, and at line i (except h), and at line k (except j).

a_1, \dots, a_n	(g)	$p \vee q$	
	\vdots		
h	(h)	p	Assumption
	\vdots		
b_1, \dots, b_u	(i)	r	
	\vdots		
j	(j)	q	Assumption
	\vdots		
c_1, \dots, c_w	(k)	r	
	\vdots		
\mathcal{A}	(m)	r	g, h, i, j, k \vee E

where \mathcal{A} is the set: $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \cup \{b_1, \dots, b_u\}/h \cup \{c_1, \dots, c_w\}/j$.

General Tips on Proof Strategy and Planning

- As a first line of attack, always try to prove your conclusion by using the introduction rule for its main connective as the main strategy.
- This will indicate what assumptions, if any, need to be made and what other formulae will need to be derived. This is “working backward”.
- If these other formulae also contain connectives, then try to prove them by introducing their main connectives. Work backward, as far as possible.
- When this technique can no longer be applied, inspect your current stock of premises and assumptions to see if they have any *obvious* consequences.
- If your current premises and assumption contain a disjunction ' $r \vee s$ ', see if you can prove your current goal formula p from *each* of its disjuncts r and s (using your current premises and assumptions). If you think you can, then try using $\vee E$ to prove p . If no disjunction appears anywhere in your current of premises/assumptions, then $\vee E$ is probably not a good strategy.
- If you have tried everything you can think of to prove your current goal p , try assuming ' $\sim p$ ' and aim for ' $\sim \sim p$ ' by $\sim E$, $\sim I$; then use DN.

When to Make Assumptions, and When *Not* to

- In constructing a proof, any assumptions you make must eventually be discharged, so you should only make assumptions in connection with the three rules which discharge assumptions.
- In other words, if you make an assumption p in a proof, you *must* be able to give one of the following three reasons:
 1. p is the antecedent of a conditional ' $p \rightarrow q$ ' you are trying to derive using the \rightarrow I rule (then, try to prove q).
 2. You are trying to derive ' $\sim p$ ', so you assume p with an eye toward using the \sim I rule (then, try to prove \bot).
 3. p is one of the disjuncts of a disjunction ' $p \vee q$ ' (*somewhere in your current stock of premises and assumptions!*) to which you will be applying \vee E (then, try to prove some r from each).
- Remember, only the three rules \rightarrow I, \sim I, and \vee E involve making assumptions. *No other rules can discharge assumptions.*

10 More Examples Involving \vee I and \vee E

1. $(A \& B) \vee (A \& C) \vdash A$ [p. 111, ex. 2]
2. $(A \rightarrow \bot) \vee (B \rightarrow \bot), B \vdash \sim A$ [p. 116, §4.5, ex. 11]
3. $(A \vee B) \vee C \vdash A \vee (B \vee C)$ [p. 116, ex. 19]
4. $A \vee B \vdash (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B$ [p. 116, ex. 10]
5. $A \& B \vdash \sim(\sim A \vee \sim B)$ [p. 116, ex. 14 (\vdash)]
6. $A \vee B \vdash \sim(\sim A \& \sim B)$ [p. 116, ex. 13]
7. $\sim(A \& B) \vdash \sim A \vee \sim B$ [p. 116, ex. 16 (\neg)]
8. $\sim C \vee (A \rightarrow B) \vdash (C \& A) \rightarrow B$ [not in text]
9. $\vdash (A \rightarrow B) \vee (B \rightarrow A)$ [not in text]
10. $\sim(A \vee B) \vdash \sim A \& \sim B$ [not in text]

Proof of Example #1

Problem is: $(A \& B) \vee (A \& C) \vdash A$

1	(1)	$(A \& B) \vee (A \& C)$	Premise
2	(2)	$A \& B$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
2	(3)	A	2 &E
4	(4)	$A \& C$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
4	(5)	A	4 &E
1	(6)	A	1,2,3,4,5 $\vee E$

Proof of Example #2

Problem is: $(A \rightarrow \Lambda) \vee (B \rightarrow \Lambda), B \vdash \sim A$

1	(1)	$(A \rightarrow \Lambda) \vee (B \rightarrow \Lambda)$	Premise
2	(2)	B	Premise
3	(3)	A	Assumption ($\sim I$)
4	(4)	$A \rightarrow \Lambda$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
3,4	(5)	Λ	4,3 $\rightarrow E$
6	(6)	$B \rightarrow \Lambda$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
2,6	(7)	Λ	6,2 $\rightarrow E$
1,2,3	(8)	Λ	1,4,5,6,7 $\vee E$
1,2	(9)	$\sim A$	3,8 $\sim I$

Proof of Example #3

Problem is: $(A \vee B) \vee C \vdash A \vee (B \vee C)$

1	(1)	$(A \vee B) \vee C$	Premise
2	(2)	$A \vee B$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
3	(3)	A	Assumption ($\vee E$)
3	(4)	$A \vee (B \vee C)$	3 $\vee I$
5	(5)	B	Assumption ($\vee E$)
5	(6)	$B \vee C$	5 $\vee I$
5	(7)	$A \vee (B \vee C)$	6 $\vee I$
2	(8)	$A \vee (B \vee C)$	2,3,4,5,7 $\vee E$
9	(9)	C	Assumption ($\vee E$)
9	(10)	$B \vee C$	9 $\vee I$
9	(11)	$A \vee (B \vee C)$	10 $\vee I$
1	(12)	$A \vee (B \vee C)$	1,2,8,9,11 $\vee E$

Proof of Example #4

Problem is : $A \vee B \vdash (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B$

1	(1) $A \vee B$	Premise
2	(2) $A \rightarrow B$	Ass (\rightarrow I)
3	(3) A	Ass (\vee E)
2,3	(4) B	2,3 \rightarrow E
5	(5) B	Ass (\vee E)
1,2	(6) B	1,3,4,5,5 \vee E
1	(7) $(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B$	2,6 \rightarrow I

Proof of Example #5

Problem is: $A \& B \vdash \sim(\sim A \vee \sim B)$

1	(1)	$A \& B$	Premise
2	(2)	$\sim A \vee \sim B$	Assumption ($\sim I$)
3	(3)	$\sim A$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
1	(4)	A	1 &E
1,3	(5)	Δ	3,4 $\sim E$
6	(6)	$\sim B$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
1	(7)	B	1 &E
1,6	(8)	Δ	6,7 $\sim E$
1,2	(9)	Δ	2,3,5,6,8 $\vee E$
1	(10)	$\sim(\sim A \vee \sim B)$	2,9 $\sim I$

Proof of Example #6

Problem is : $A \vee B \vdash \sim(\sim A \& \sim B)$

1	(1) $A \vee B$	Premise
2	(2) $\sim A \& \sim B$	Ass ($\sim I$)
3	(3) A	Ass ($\vee E$)
2	(4) $\sim A$	2 &E
2,3	(5) Δ	4,3 $\sim E$
6	(6) B	Ass ($\vee E$)
2	(7) $\sim B$	2 &E
2,6	(8) Δ	7,6 $\sim E$
1,2	(9) Δ	1,3,5,6,8 $\vee E$
1	(10) $\sim(\sim A \& \sim B)$	2,9 $\sim I$

Proof of Example #7

Problem is: $\sim(A \& B) \vdash \sim A \vee \sim B$

1	(1)	$\sim(A \& B)$	Premise
2	(2)	$\sim(\sim A \vee \sim B)$	Assumption ($\sim I$)
3	(3)	$\sim A$	Assumption ($\sim I$)
3	(4)	$\sim A \vee \sim B$	3 $\vee I$
2,3	(5)	Δ	2,4 $\sim E$
2	(6)	$\sim \sim A$	3,5 $\sim I$
2	(7)	A	6 DN
8	(8)	$\sim B$	Assumption ($\sim I$)
8	(9)	$\sim A \vee \sim B$	8 $\vee I$
2,8	(10)	Δ	2,9 $\sim E$
2	(11)	$\sim \sim B$	8,10 $\sim I$
2	(12)	B	11 DN
2	(13)	$A \& B$	7,12 $\& I$
1,2	(14)	Δ	1,13 $\sim E$
1	(15)	$\sim \sim(\sim A \vee \sim B)$	2,14 $\sim I$
1	(16)	$\sim A \vee \sim B$	15 DN

Proof of Example #8

Problem is: $\sim C \vee (A \rightarrow B) \vdash (C \& A) \rightarrow B$

1	(1)	$\sim C \vee (A \rightarrow B)$	Premise
2	(2)	$C \& A$	Assumption ($\rightarrow I$)
3	(3)	$\sim B$	Assumption ($\sim I$)
4	(4)	$\sim C$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
2	(5)	C	2 &E
2,4	(6)	Δ	4,5 $\sim E$
7	(7)	$A \rightarrow B$	Assumption ($\vee E$)
2	(8)	A	2 &E
2,7	(9)	B	7,8 $\rightarrow E$
2,3,7	(10)	Δ	3,9 $\sim E$
1,2,3	(11)	Δ	1,4,6,7,10 $\vee E$
1,2	(12)	$\sim \sim B$	3,11 $\sim I$
1,2	(13)	B	12 DN
1	(14)	$(C \& A) \rightarrow B$	2,13 $\rightarrow I$

Proof of Example #9

Problem is: $\vdash (A \rightarrow B) \vee (B \rightarrow A)$

1	(1)	$\sim((A \rightarrow B) \vee (B \rightarrow A))$	Assumption (\sim I)
2	(2)	B	Assumption (\rightarrow I)
3	(3)	$\sim A$	Assumption (\sim I)
4	(4)	A	Assumption (\rightarrow I)
2	(5)	$A \rightarrow B$	4,2 \rightarrow I
2	(6)	$(A \rightarrow B) \vee (B \rightarrow A)$	5 \vee I
1,2	(7)	Δ	1,6 \sim E
1,2	(8)	$\sim \sim A$	3,7 \sim I
1,2	(9)	A	8 DN
1	(10)	$B \rightarrow A$	2,9 \rightarrow I
1	(11)	$(A \rightarrow B) \vee (B \rightarrow A)$	10 \vee I
1	(12)	Δ	1,11 \sim E
	(13)	$\sim \sim((A \rightarrow B) \vee (B \rightarrow A))$	1,12 \sim I
	(14)	$(A \rightarrow B) \vee (B \rightarrow A)$	13 DN

Proof of Example #10

Problem is : $\sim(A \vee B) \vdash \sim A \& \sim B$

1	(1) $\sim(A \vee B)$	Premise
2	(2) A	Ass ($\sim I$)
2	(3) $A \vee B$	2 $\vee I$
1,2	(4) Δ	1,3 $\sim E$
1	(5) $\sim A$	2,4 $\sim I$
6	(6) B	Ass ($\sim I$)
6	(7) $A \vee B$	6 $\vee I$
1,6	(8) Δ	1,7 $\sim E$
1	(9) $\sim B$	6,8 $\sim I$
1	(10) $\sim A \& \sim B$	5,9 $\&I$