

I211E: Mathematical Logic

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Aim

to learn how to prove formulas having quantifiers and equalities

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- 1 natural deduction I (\forall , \exists)
- 2 eigenvariable conditions

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Evaluation

midterm exam (40) + final exam (60)

Natural Deduction

Informal Definition

- 1 underlying notions (e.g. proof tree) and terminologies are same as before
- 2 **natural deduction** for first-order logic consists of
 - all inference rules for propositional logic
 - introduction/elimination rules for \forall and \exists , and
 - inference rules for \doteq

Definition (introduction and elimination rules for \forall)

$$\frac{\phi[y/x]}{\forall x \phi} \quad \forall I \quad (y \text{ is eigenvariable}) \qquad \frac{\forall x \phi}{\phi[t/x]} \quad \forall E \quad (t \text{ is free for } x \text{ in } \phi)$$

eigenvariable means that y is arbitrary element (to be defined later)

Proposition

$$\vdash (\forall x P(x)) \rightarrow (\forall x P(f(x)))$$

Proof.

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{[\forall x \mathbf{P}(x)]^1}{\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{f}(x))} \quad \forall \mathbf{E}}{\forall x \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{f}(x))} \quad \forall \mathbf{I}}{\frac{(\forall x \mathbf{P}(x)) \rightarrow (\forall x \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{f}(x)))}{\rightarrow \mathbf{I}_1}} \quad \square$$

if $P(x)$ for all x then $P(f(x))$ for all x

Proof.

Assume $P(x)$ for all x . We show $P(f(x))$ for all x .
Let x be an arbitrary element. It is enough to show $P(f(x))$. By assumption $P(f(x))$ holds. \square

Exercise:

$$\vdash ((\forall x P(x)) \wedge (\forall y Q(y))) \rightarrow (\forall z (P(z) \wedge Q(z)))$$

$$\frac{\phi[t/x]}{\exists x \phi} \quad \exists \text{I} \quad (t \text{ is free for } x \text{ in } \phi) \qquad \frac{\begin{array}{c} [\phi[y/x]]^i \\ \vdots \\ \psi \end{array}}{\exists x \phi} \quad \exists \text{E}_i \quad (y \text{ is eigenvariable})$$

Proposition

$$\vdash (\exists x P(f(x))) \rightarrow (\exists x P(x))$$

Proposition

if $P(f(x))$ for some x then $P(x)$ for some x

Proof.

$$\frac{\frac{[\exists x \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{f}(x))]^1}{\exists x \mathbf{P}(x)} \quad \frac{[\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{f}(y))]^2}{\exists x \mathbf{P}(x)} \quad \exists \text{I}}{\exists x \mathbf{P}(x)} \quad \exists \text{E}}{\frac{(\exists x \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{f}(x))) \rightarrow (\exists x \mathbf{P}(x))}{\rightarrow \text{I}_1}} \quad \square$$

Assume $P(f(x))$ for some x . We show that there exists element x such that $P(x)$. By assumption $P(f(y))$ for some y . **Take** $x = f(y)$. We obtain $P(x)$. \square

Exercise:

$$\vdash ((\exists x P(x) \vee \exists y Q(y))) \rightarrow (\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z)))$$

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Proof of $\vdash ((\exists x P(x)) \vee (\exists y Q(y))) \rightarrow (\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z)))$

$$\frac{\frac{[(\exists x P(x)) \vee (\exists y Q(y))]^1}{\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z))} \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{[P(x)]^3}{P(x) \vee Q(x)} \vee I \quad \frac{[Q(y)]^4}{P(y) \vee Q(y)} \vee I}{\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z))} \exists I}{\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z))} \exists E_3 \quad \frac{\frac{[\exists y Q(y)]^2}{\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z))} \exists I \quad \frac{[\exists x P(x)]^2}{\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z))} \exists E_4}{\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z))} \exists E_2}{((\exists x P(x)) \vee (\exists y Q(y))) \rightarrow (\exists z (P(z) \vee Q(z)))} \rightarrow I_1$$

Eigenvariable Conditions Are Essential

Definition (precise version)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \phi[y/x]}{\Gamma \vdash \forall x \phi} \forall I \quad (y \text{ is eigenvariable})$$

y is **eigenvariable** in $\forall I$ if $y \notin FV(\gamma)$ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma \cup \{\forall x \phi\}$ (i.e. y is fresh)

Example

without eigenvariable condition, wrong proposition could be proved:

$$\frac{\frac{[P(x)]^1}{\forall x P(x)} \forall I}{P(x) \rightarrow \forall x P(x)} \rightarrow I_1$$

We show $P(x) \rightarrow \forall x P(x)$. Assume $P(x)$.
Let x be an arbitrary element. **(?!)**
We show $P(x)$.
By assumption, $P(x)$ holds.

Definition (precise version)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \exists x \phi \quad \Gamma \cup \{\phi[y/x]\} \vdash \psi}{\psi} \exists E \quad (y \text{ is eigenvariable})$$

y is **eigenvariable** in $\exists E$ if $y \notin FV(\gamma)$ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma \cup \{\exists x \phi, \psi\}$ (i.e. y is fresh)

Example

without eigenvariable condition, wrong proposition could be proved:

$$\frac{\frac{[\exists x P(x)]^1}{P(x)} \exists E_2 \quad [P(x)]^2}{\exists x P(x) \rightarrow P(x)} \rightarrow I_1$$

We show $\exists x P(x) \rightarrow P(x)$. Assume $\exists x P(x)$.
It is enough to show $P(x)$.
By assumption $P(x)$ holds for some x .
Thus, $P(x)$ is proved. **?!)**

How to Prove General Formulas

Proposition

$\vdash \forall x(\phi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow (\forall x \phi \wedge \forall x \psi)$ holds for all formulas ϕ and ψ

Proof.

Let ϕ and ψ be arbitrary formulas. Validity of $\forall x(\phi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow (\forall x \phi \wedge \forall x \psi)$ is shown as follows:

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{[\forall x(\phi \wedge \psi)]^1}{\phi[y/x] \wedge \psi[y/x]} \forall E \quad \frac{[\forall x(\phi \wedge \psi)]^1}{\phi[z/x] \wedge \psi[z/x]} \forall E}{\frac{\frac{\phi[y/x]}{\forall x \phi} \forall I \quad \frac{\psi[z/x]}{\forall x \psi} \forall I}{\forall x \phi \wedge \forall x \psi} \wedge I} \rightarrow I_1$$

where y and z are eigenvariables. \square

Exercises

1 Prove $\vdash ((\forall x P(x, y)) \wedge Q(y, z)) \rightarrow \forall x (P(x, y) \wedge Q(y, z))$.

2 Prove $\vdash ((\forall x \phi) \wedge \psi) \rightarrow \forall x (\phi \wedge \psi)$ for all formulas ϕ with $x \notin \text{FV}(\psi)$.