

Computer Science 260

Assignment 4

Due Oct 12, 2016

1. Give a formal derivation of $\exists xP(x) \vee \forall xQ(x)$ given the premise $\forall x(P(x) \vee Q(x))$. State the laws of inference used and the lines involved in your derivation. You may use U.I, U.G. and the deduction theorem as well as the other laws of equivalence or inference.
2. There are two rules of inference regarding the universal quantifier, namely UI, which removes the universal quantifier, and UG, which adds the universal quantifier. There are similarly two rules regarding the existential quantifier, namely EI and EG, which remove, respectively add the existential quantifier. EI always creates a new variable, which we will call existential variable. The rules UI, UG, EI and EG must obey the following restrictions.

Illegal Substitution (IS) U.I. is illegal if a free variable is converted into a bound variable, e.g. $\forall x\exists yP(x, y)$ does not allow one to conclude $\exists yP(y, y)$.

UG over a committed variable (CV) If a variable appears free in any premise, it is *committed*, and one is not allowed to generalize over committed variables. For instance, if $P(x)$ is a premise, x is committed, and one is not allowed to conclude from $Q(x)$ that $\forall xQ(x)$ is true.

UG over a existential variable (EV) One is not allowed to generalize over a variable created by existential instantiation.

Previous use of EI variable (EIV) A variable created by existential instantiation must not have been used as a free variable in any previous statement, or in any premise.

EI in the presence of free variables (EIFV) One must not use EI for any expression containing free variables. For instance, $\exists xQ(x, y)$ does not usually imply $Q(a, y)$.

All of the following derivations violate one of these restrictions. For each indicate the first line where a violation occurs, and state the type of the restriction violated, using the abbreviations IS, CV, EV, EIV or EIFV. Also state whether or not the conclusion follows logically from the premises. If it does, redo the proof.

From premise $\exists x P(x) \wedge \exists x \exists y Q(x, y)$ conclude $\exists x \exists y (P(x) \wedge Q(x, y))$

Statement	Justification
1. $\exists x P(x) \wedge \exists x \exists y Q(x, y)$	premise
2. $\exists x P(x)$	1, specialization
3. $\exists x \exists y Q(x, y)$	1, specialization
4. $P(x)$	2, E.I.
5. $\exists y Q(x, y)$	3, E.I.
6. $Q(x, y)$	5, E.I.
7. $P(x) \wedge Q(x, y)$	4,6 Conjunction
8. $\exists y (P(x) \wedge Q(x, y))$	7, E.G.
9. $\exists x \exists y (P(x) \wedge Q(x, y))$	8, E.G.

From premise $\exists x P(x) \wedge \sim (\exists y (P(y) \wedge Q(y)))$ conclude $\sim \exists x Q(x)$

Statement	Justification
1. $\exists x P(x) \wedge \sim (\exists y (P(y) \wedge Q(y)))$	premise
2. $\exists x P(x)$	1, specialization
3. $\sim (\exists y (P(y) \wedge Q(y)))$	1, specialization
4. $\forall y \sim (P(y) \wedge Q(y))$	3, negation of \exists
5. $\forall y (\sim P(y) \vee \sim Q(y))$	4, De Morgan
6. $P(x)$	2, E.I.
7. $\sim P(x) \vee \sim Q(x)$	5, U.I.
8. $\sim Q(x)$	6,7 elimination
9. $\forall x \sim Q(x)$	8, U.G.
10. $\sim \exists x Q(x)$	9, negation of \exists

From premise $\forall z \exists x Q(x, z)$ conclude $\forall z Q(z, z)$

Statement	Justification
1. $\forall z \exists x Q(x, z)$	premise
2. $\exists x Q(x, x)$	1, U.I.
3. $Q(z, z)$	2, E.I.
4. $\forall z Q(z, z)$	3, U.G.

From premise $\forall yP(y) \wedge \exists xQ(x)$ conclude $\sim\forall z(P(z) \rightarrow \sim Q(z))$

Statement

Justification

1. $\forall yP(y) \wedge \exists xQ(x)$

premise

2. $\forall yP(y)$

1, specialization

3. $\exists xQ(x)$

1, specialization

4. $P(z)$

2, U.I.

5. $Q(z)$

3, E.I.

6. $P(z) \wedge Q(z)$

4,5 conjunction

7. $\sim(\sim P(z) \vee \sim Q(z))$

6, De Morgan, double negation

8. $\exists z \sim(\sim P(z) \vee \sim Q(z))$

7,E.G.

9. $\sim\forall z(\sim P(z) \vee \sim Q(z))$

8, Negation of \forall

10. $\sim\forall z(P(z) \rightarrow \sim Q(z))$

9, introduction of conditional