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4 Natural Deduction for Propositional Logic

For each of the following sequents, either provide a natural deduction proof, or a counter-example that proves the sequent invalid.

For proofs, clearly indicate which rule, and what assumptions/premises/ intermediate results you are using in each step. Also clearly indicate the scope of any boxes you use.

For counterexamples, give a complete model. Show that the model satisfies the premise(s) of the sequent in question, but does not satisfy the respective conclusion. For each of the following sequents, either provide a natural deduction proof, or a counter-example that proves the sequent invalid.

4.1 Rules for Natural Deduction

4.1.1 Give the definition of a sequent. Give an example of a sequent and name the parts the sequent consists of.

4.1.2 Look at the following statements and tick them if they are true.

- $\Box\,$ In a sequent, premises entail a conclusion.
- \Box In a sequent, conclusions entail a premise.
- \Box A sequent is valid, independent on whether a proof can be found.
- $\Box\,$ A sequent is valid, if a proof for it can be found.

4.1.3 Explain the concept of boxes in deduction rules and why they are needed. What does it mean if you make an *assumption* within a box? Where is this assumption valid?

4.1.4 Explain the *OR-elimination* $(\lor -e)$ rule of the natural deduction calculus. In particular, why does it rule require two boxes?

4.1.5 Why are there two rules for the \lor -introduction rule. Explain, why you are able to connect any formula to a certain formula φ using the connective \lor .

4.1.15 Solve this task without using the Modus Tollens.

$$\neg p \rightarrow \neg q, q \vdash p$$

 $\begin{array}{rrl} 4.1.16 & \vdash & ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p \\ \\ 4.1.17 & \neg q \lor \neg p & \vdash & \neg (q \land p) \end{array}$

4.1.24 Provide a natural deduction proof for the following sequent without using the *Modus Tollens* rule:

$$\varphi \to \psi, \neg \psi \ \vdash \ \neg \varphi$$

4.1.33 Translate the following reasoning into a sequent. If the sequent is valid, proof it using the rules of natural deduction. If the sequent is not valid, provide a counter example.

If I press the button, the window opens. The window is not open. Therefore, I didn't press the button.

4.1.39 Translate the following reasoning into a sequent. If the sequent is valid, proof it using the rules of natural deduction. If the sequent is not valid, provide a counter example.

If I press the button, the window opens. I pressed the button. Therefore, the window is open.

 $\begin{array}{rrr} 4.1.40 & (p \to (q \to r)) \land (q \to (r \to s)) & \vdash & p \to (q \to s) \\ \\ 4.1.41 & \vdash & (p \to (q \land r)) \to ((p \to q) \land (p \to r)) \\ \\ 4.1.42 & (p \to (q \to r)) \lor (q \to (r \to s)) & \vdash & p \to (q \to s) \end{array}$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 4.1.43 & \vdash & (p \land q) \rightarrow \neg (\neg p \lor \neg q) \\ 4.1.44 & \neg (p \land q) \lor \neg (r \land s) & \vdash & (\neg p \land \neg r) \lor (\neg q \land \neg s) \\ 4.1.45 & p \rightarrow q \land \neg r, r \rightarrow s \lor \neg q \vdash & p \rightarrow \neg s \\ 4.1.45 & p \rightarrow q \lor r, r q \vdash & p \rightarrow r \\ 4.1.47 & \neg (p \land q) \rightarrow r, p \rightarrow \neg q \vdash & r \\ 4.1.48 & (p \land q) \lor (p \land r) \vdash & p \land (q \lor r) \\ 4.1.49 & p \land q \rightarrow r, p \rightarrow \neg q \vdash & \neg r \\ 4.1.50 & \vdash & (p \rightarrow q) \lor \neg q \\ 4.1.51 & \vdash & (p \rightarrow q) \land \neg q \\ 4.1.52 & (p \rightarrow q) \land (q \rightarrow r), \neg r \lor q \vdash & \neg p \lor r \\ 4.1.53 & (p \land q) \rightarrow (p \land r), q \vdash & \neg p \lor r \\ 4.1.54 & p \rightarrow q, q \rightarrow r, \neg (p \land r) \vdash & q \rightarrow p \\ 4.1.55 & (p \land q) \rightarrow (r \lor s), (r \land p \land q) \vdash & (q \rightarrow r) \land (s \rightarrow q) \\ 4.1.56 & (p \land r) \vdash & (q \rightarrow p) \land (s \rightarrow r) \\ 4.1.58 & \neg (p \lor \neg q) \vdash p \\ 4.1.59 & p \rightarrow q \vdash ((p \lor q) \rightarrow p) \land (p \rightarrow (p \lor q)) \\ 4.1.60 & p \lor q, \neg q \lor r \vdash r \\ 4.1.61 & (p \land q) \rightarrow (\neg r \land \neg s), \neg r \land \neg s \vdash p \\ 4.1.62 & (a) \qquad \text{If I am ill, I go to the doctor.} \\ I \ \text{I mill.} \\ \text{Therefore, I go to the doctor.} \end{array}$$

- (b) If I am ill, I go to the doctor. I go to the doctor. Therefore, I am ill.
- (c) (Solve without using the Modus Tollens) If I am ill, I go to the doctor. I did not go to the doctor. Therefore, I am not ill.

4.1.68 Translate the following reasoning into a sequent. If the sequent is valid, proof it using the rules of natural deduction. If the sequent is not valid, provide a counter example.

If I press the button, the window opens. The window is open. Therefore, I pressed the button.

4.2 Soundness and Completeness of Natural Deduction

4.2.1 "Natural deduction for propositional logic is *sound* and *complete*." Explain in your own words what this means.

4.2.2 How can you show that a sequent is not valid? Is this a consequence of soundness or completeness. Explain your answer.

4.2.3 Explain what it means that natural deduction for propositional logic is *sound*. What is the difference to *completeness*?

4.2.4 Look at the following statements and tick them if they are true.

- \Box Any sequent that is a correct semantic entailment can be proven.
- $\hfill\square$ Any sequent that can be proven is a correct semantic entailment.
- \Box If a sequent is not provable, the semantic entailment relation does hold.
- $\hfill\square$ If for a sequent the semantic entailment relation does not hold, it cannot be proven with natural deduction.
- 4.2.5 Given an invalid sequent, how do you show its invalidity?