

Logic and Computability SS24, Assignment 2

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SOLUTION

1 Natural Deduction for Propositional Logic

For each of the following sequents, either provide a natural deduction proof, or a counterexample 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.

1. [2 points] $x \wedge (y \wedge z) \vdash (x \wedge y) \wedge z$

Solution

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|----|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. | $x \wedge (y \wedge z)$ | premise |
| 2. | x | $\wedge_e 11$ |
| 3. | $y \wedge z$ | $\wedge_e 21$ |
| 4. | y | $\wedge_e 13$ |
| 5. | z | $\wedge_e 23$ |
| 6. | $x \wedge y$ | $\wedge_i 2, 4$ |
| 7. | $(x \wedge y) \wedge z$ | $\wedge_i 5, 6$ |

2. [3 points] $p \wedge q \vee r \vdash (p \vee r) \wedge (q \vee r)$

Solution

This sequent is provable.

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| 1. | $(p \wedge q) \vee r$ | premise |
| 2. | $p \wedge q$ | assumption |
| 3. | p | $\wedge_e 2$ |
| 4. | $p \vee r$ | $\vee_i 3$ |
| 5. | q | $\wedge_e 2$ |
| 6. | $q \vee r$ | $\vee_i 5$ |
| 7. | $(p \vee r) \wedge (q \vee r)$ | $\wedge_i 4, 6$ |
| 8. | r | assumption |
| 9. | $p \vee r$ | $\vee_i 8$ |
| 10. | $q \vee r$ | $\vee_i 8$ |
| 11. | $(p \vee r) \wedge (q \vee r)$ | $\wedge_i 9, 10$ |
| 12. | $(p \vee r) \wedge (q \vee r)$ | $\vee_e 1, 2 - 7, 8 - 11$ |

3. [3 points]

- (a) $\vdash \neg(\neg p \vee q) \vee p$
(b) $\vdash \neg p \vee (\neg q \vee p)$

Solution

(a) This sequent is not provable.

$\mathcal{M} : p = F, q = T$
 $\mathcal{M} \models \mathbf{T}$
 $\mathcal{M} \not\models \neg(\neg p \vee q) \vee p$

(b)

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|----|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. | $p \vee \neg p$ | LEM |
| 2. | $\neg p$ | assumption |
| 3. | $\neg p \vee (\neg q \vee p)$ | $\vee_i 1, 2$ |
| 4. | p | assumption |
| 5. | $\neg q \vee p$ | $\vee_i 3, 4$ |
| 6. | $\neg p \vee (\neg q \vee p)$ | $\vee_i 1, 5$ |
| 7. | $\neg p \vee (\neg q \vee p)$ | $\wedge_e 1, 2-3, 4-6$ |

4. [3 points] $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vdash \neg\neg r \wedge \neg p$

Solution

This sequent is not provable, counter example:

$\mathcal{M} : p = T, q = T, r = T$

$\mathcal{M} \models (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p$

$\mathcal{M} \not\models \neg\neg r \wedge \neg p$

5. [4 points] $\neg(q \wedge p) \vdash \neg q \vee \neg p$

Solution

This sequent is provable.

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| 1. | $\neg(q \wedge p)$ | premise |
| 2. | $q \vee \neg q$ | LEM |
| 3. | $p \vee \neg p$ | LEM |
| 4. | q | assumption |
| 5. | p | assumption |
| 6. | $q \wedge p$ | $\wedge_i 4, 5$ |
| 7. | \perp | $\neg_e 1, 6$ |
| 8. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\perp_e 7$ |
| 9. | $\neg p$ | assumption |
| 10. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_i 2, 9$ |
| 11. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_e 3, 5 - 8, 9 - 10$ |
| 12. | $\neg q$ | assumption |
| 13. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_i 12$ |
| 14. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_e 2, 4 - 11, 12 - 13$ |

Solution

Alternative Solution:

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| 1. | $\neg(q \wedge p)$ | premise |
| 2. | $\neg(\neg q \vee \neg p)$ | assumption |
| 3. | $\neg q$ | assumption |
| 4. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_i 13$ |
| 5. | \perp | $\neg_e 2, 4$ |
| 6. | q | PBC 3 – 5 |
| 7. | $\neg p$ | assumption |
| 8. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_i 27$ |
| 9. | \perp | $\neg_e 2, 8$ |
| 10. | p | PBC 7 – 9 |
| 11. | $q \wedge p$ | $\wedge_i 6, 10$ |
| 12. | \perp | $\neg_e 1, 11$ |
| 13. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | PBC 2 – 12 |

Alternative solution:

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|-----|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. | $\neg(q \wedge p)$ | premise |
| 2. | $\neg q \vee q$ | LEM |
| 3. | $\neg q$ | assumption |
| 4. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_i 13$ |
| 5. | q | assumption |
| 6. | p | assumption |
| 7. | $q \wedge p$ | $\wedge_i 5, 6$ |
| 8. | \perp | $\neg_e 1, 7$ |
| 9. | $\neg p$ | $\neg_i 6 – 8$ |
| 10. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_i 29$ |
| 11. | $\neg q \vee \neg p$ | $\vee_e 2, 3 – 4, 5 – 10$ |