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Syllabus

Lecturer: Dr S. Staton

No. of lectures: 9

This course is a prerequisite for all theory courses as well as Probability, Discrete Mathematics II, Algorithms I, Security (Part IB and Part II), Artificial Intelligence (Part IB and Part II), Information Theory and Coding (Part II).

Aims

This course will develop the intuition for discrete mathematics reasoning involving numbers and sets.

Lectures

- **Logic.** Propositional and predicate logic and their relationship to informal reasoning, truth tables, validity.
- **Proof.** Proving propositional and predicate formulas in a structured way. Introduction and elimination rules.
- **Sets.** Basic set theory. Relations, graphs and orders.
- **Induction.** Proof by induction, including proofs about total functional programs over natural numbers and lists.

Objectives

On completing the course, students should be able to

- write a clear statement of a problem as a theorem in mathematical notation;
- prove and disprove assertions using a variety of techniques.

Recommended reading

Biggs, N.L. (1989). *Discrete mathematics*. Oxford University Press.

Bornat, R. (2005). *Proof and Disproof in Formal Logic*. Oxford University Press.

Cullinane, M.J. (2012). *A transition to mathematics with proofs*. Jones & Bartlett.

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Chapman and Hall/CRC Mathematics (3rd ed.).

Mattson, H.F. Jr (1993). *Discrete mathematics*. Wiley.

Nissanke, N. (1999). *Introductory logic and sets for computer scientists*. Addison-Wesley.

Pólya, G. (1980). *How to solve it*. Penguin.

(*) Rosen, K.H. (1999). *Discrete mathematics and its applications* (6th ed.). McGraw-Hill.

(*) Velleman, D. J. (1994). *How to prove it (a structured approach)*. CUP.

For Supervisors (and Students too)

The main aim of the course is to enable students to confidently use the language of propositional and predicate logic, and set theory.

We first introduce the language of propositional logic, discussing the relationship to natural-language argument. We define the meaning of formulae with the truth semantics w.r.t. assumptions on the atomic propositions, and, equivalently, with truth tables. We also introduce equational reasoning, to make instantiation and reasoning-in-context explicit.

We then introduce quantifiers, again emphasising the intuitive reading of formulae and defining the truth semantics. We introduce the notions of free and bound variable (but not alpha equivalence).

We do not develop any metatheory, and we treat propositional assumptions, valuations of variables, and models of atomic predicate symbols all rather informally. There are no turnstiles, but we talk about valid formulae and (briefly) about satisfiable formulae.

We then introduce ‘structured’ proof. This is essentially natural deduction proof, laid out on the page in box-and-line style. The rationale here is to introduce a style of proof for which one can easily define what is (or is not) a legal proof, but where the proof text on the page is reasonably close to the normal mathematical ‘informal but rigorous’ practice that will be used in most of the rest of the Tripos. We emphasise how to prove and how to use each connective, and talk about the pragmatics of finding and writing proofs.

The set theory material introduces the basic notions of set, element, union, intersection, powerset, and product, relating to predicates (e.g. relating predicates and set comprehensions, and the properties of union to those of disjunction), with some more small example proofs. We then define some of the standard properties of relations (reflexive, symmetric, transitive, antisymmetric, acyclic, total) to characterise directed graphs, undirected graphs, equivalence relations, pre-orders, partial orders, and functions). These are illustrated with simple examples to introduce the concepts, but their properties and uses are not explored in any depth (for example, we do not define what it means to be an injection or surjection).

Finally, we recall inductive proof over the naturals, making the induction principle explicit in predicate logic, and over lists, talking about inductive proof of simple pure functional programs (taking examples from the previous SWEng II notes).

I’d suggest 3 supervisions. A possible schedule might be:

1. After the first 2–3 lectures
Example Sheets 1 and 2, covering Propositional and Predicate Logic
2. After the next 3–4 lectures
Example Sheets 3 and the first part of 4, covering Structured Proof and Sets
3. After all 9 lectures
Example Sheet 4 (the remainder) and 5, covering Inductive Proof

These notes are based on notes written by Peter Sewell.

Learning Guide

Notes: These notes include all the slides, but by no means everything that’ll be said in lectures.

Exercises: There are some exercises at the end of the notes. I suggest you do all of them. Most should be rather straightforward; they’re aimed at strengthening your intuition about the concepts and helping you develop quick (but precise) manipulation skills, not to provide deep intellectual challenges. A few may need a bit more thought. Some are taken (or

adapted) from Devlin, Rosen, or Velleman. More exercises and examples can be found in any of those.

Tripos questions: This version of the course was new in 2008.

Feedback: Please do complete the on-line feedback form at the end of the course, and let me know during it if you discover errors in the notes or if the pace is too fast or slow.

Errata: A list of any corrections to the notes will be on the course web page.

1 Introduction

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Introduction

At the start of the Industrial Revolution, we built bridges and steam engines without enough applied maths, physics, materials science, etc.



Fix: understanding based on continuous-mathematics models — calculus, matrices, complex analysis,...

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Introduction

Now, we build computer systems, and sometimes, sadly, ...



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But, computer systems are large and complex, and are largely *discrete*: we can't use approximate continuous models for correctness reasoning. So, need *applied discrete maths* — logic, set theory, graph theory, combinatorics, abstract algebra, ...

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Logic and Set Theory — Pure Mathematics

Origins with the Greeks, 500–350 BC, philosophy and geometry:
Aristotle, Euclid

Formal logic in the 1800s:
De Morgan, Boole, Venn, Peirce, Frege

Set theory, model theory, proof theory; late 1800s onwards:
Cantor, Russell, Hilbert, Zermelo, Frankel, Goedel, Gentzen, Tarski, Kripke, Martin-Lof, Girard

Focus then on the foundations of mathematics — but what was developed then turns out to be unreasonably effective in Computer Science.

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Logic and Set Theory – Applications in Computer Science

- modelling digital circuits (IA Digital Electronics, IB ECAD)
- proofs about particular algorithms (IA/IB Algorithms)
- proofs about what is (or is not!) computable and with what complexity (IB Computation Theory, Complexity Theory)
- foundations and proofs for programming languages (IA Regular Languages and Finite Automata, IB Prolog, IB/II Semantics of Programming Languages, II Types, II Topics in Concurrency)
- proofs about security and cryptography (IB/II Security)
- foundation of databases (IB Databases)
- automated reasoning and model-checking tools (IB Logic & Proof, II Hoare Logic, Temporal Logic and Model Checking)

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Outline

- Propositional Logic
- Predicate Logic
- Sets
- Inductive Proof

Focus on *using* this material, rather than on metatheoretic study.

More (and more metatheory) in Discrete Maths 2 and in Logic & Proof.

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Supervisions

Needs practice to become fluent.

Five example sheets. Many more suitable exercises in the books.

Up to your DoS and supervisor, but I'd suggest 3 supervisions. A possible schedule might be:

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2 Propositional Logic

Propositional Logic

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In this section we cover propositional logic. We give a meaning to propositions using truth tables, and we consider equational reasoning on propositional logic. We also consider properties of propositions such as validity, tautology, and satisfiability.

Students taking 50% Computer Science will have seen Boolean algebra in earlier courses, such as Digital Electronics. You should take note that mathematical logic is different in spirit from logic for electronics. For instance, xor and nand are not very important in mathematical logic, whereas implication is not so useful in electronics.

Propositional Logic

Starting point is informal natural-language argument:

Socrates is a man. All men are mortal. So Socrates is mortal.

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If a person runs barefoot, then his feet hurt. Socrates' feet hurt.

Therefore, Socrates ran barefoot

It will either rain or snow tomorrow. It's too warm for snow.

Therefore, it will rain.

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Either the butler is guilty or the maid is guilty. Either the maid is guilty or the cook is guilty. Therefore, either the butler is guilty or the cook is guilty.

It will either rain or snow tomorrow. It's too warm for snow.

Therefore, it will rain.

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Either the framger widget is misfiring or the wrompal mechanism is out of alignment. I've checked the alignment of the wrompal mechanism, and it's fine. Therefore, the framger widget is misfiring.

Either the framger widget is misfiring or the wrompal mechanism is out of alignment. I've checked the alignment of the wrompal mechanism, and it's fine. Therefore, the framger widget is misfiring.

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Either p or q . Not q . Therefore, p

2.1 The Language of Propositional Logic

Atomic Propositions	
$1 + 1 = 2$	
$10 + 10 = 30$	
Tom is a student	
Is Tom a student?	×
Give Tom food!	×
$x + 7 = 10$	×
$1 + 2 + \dots + n = n(n + 1)/2$	×

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Atomic Propositions
We'll use lowercase letters p, q , for <i>atomic propositions</i> .

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When you use logic to reason about particular things, you will want to have meaningful atomic propositions, like “Tom is a student” or “It is raining”. For studying logic in general we use symbols like p and q .

Some people say “propositional variable” instead of “atomic proposition”.

We do not fix atomic propositions to be true or false. Rather, we investigate how their truth and falsity affects the compound propositions that we build. Atomic propositions are *atomic* because, for the purposes of logic, they are indivisible and their truth does not depend on the truth of other things.

Building Propositions: Truth and Falsity
We'll write T for the constant true proposition, and F for the constant false proposition.

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Compound Propositions
We'll build more complex <i>compound propositions</i> out of the atomic propositions (p, q) and T and F .
We'll use capital letters (P, Q , etc.) to stand for arbitrary propositions. They might stand for atomic propositions or compound propositions.

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Building Compound Propositions: Conjunction
If P and Q are two propositions, $P \wedge Q$ is a proposition.
Pronounce $P \wedge Q$ as ‘ P and Q ’. Sometimes written with $\&$ or $.$
Definition: $P \wedge Q$ is true if (and only if) P is true and Q is true
Examples:
Tom is a student \wedge Tom has red hair
$(1 + 1 = 2) \wedge (7 \leq 10)$
$(1 + 1 = 2) \wedge (2 = 3)$
$((1 + 1 = 2) \wedge (7 \leq 10)) \wedge (5 \leq 5)$
$(p \wedge q) \wedge p$

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Building Compound Propositions: Conjunction

We defined the meaning of $P \wedge Q$ by saying ' $P \wedge Q$ is true if and only if P is true and Q is true'.

We could instead, equivalently, have defined it by enumerating all the cases, in a *truth table*:

P	Q	$P \wedge Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

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According to this definition, is $((1 + 1 = 2) \wedge (7 \leq 10)) \wedge (5 \leq 5)$ true or false?

Building Compound Propositions: Conjunction

We pronounce $P \wedge Q$ as ' P and Q ', but not all uses of the English 'and' can be faithfully translated into \wedge .

Tom and Alice had a dance.

Grouping

Tom went to a lecture and had lunch.

Temporal ordering?

The Federal Reserve relaxed banking regulations, and the markets boomed.

Causality?

When we want to talk about time or causality in CS, we'll do so explicitly; they are not built into this logic.

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Building Compound Propositions: Conjunction

Basic properties:

The order doesn't matter: whatever P and Q are, $P \wedge Q$ means the same thing as $Q \wedge P$.

Check, according to the truth table definition, considering each of the 4 possible cases:

P	Q	$P \wedge Q$	$Q \wedge P$
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
F	T	F	F
F	F	F	F

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In other words, \wedge is *commutative*

Building Compound Propositions: Conjunction

...and:

The grouping doesn't matter: whatever P , Q , and R are, $P \wedge (Q \wedge R)$ means the same thing as $(P \wedge Q) \wedge R$.

(Check, according to the truth table definition, considering each of the 8 possible cases).

In other words, \wedge is *associative*

So we'll happily omit *some* parentheses, e.g. writing $P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge P_3 \wedge P_4$ for $P_1 \wedge (P_2 \wedge (P_3 \wedge P_4))$.

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Building Compound Propositions: Disjunction

If P and Q are two propositions, $P \vee Q$ is a proposition.

Pronounce $P \vee Q$ as ' P or Q '. Sometimes written with $|$ or $+$

Definition: $P \vee Q$ is true if and only if P is true or Q is true

Equivalent truth-table definition:

P	Q	$P \vee Q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

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Building Compound Propositions: Disjunction

You can see from that truth table that \vee is an *inclusive* or: $P \vee Q$ if *at least one* of P and Q .

$(2 + 2 = 4) \vee (3 + 3 = 6)$ is true

$(2 + 2 = 4) \vee (3 + 3 = 7)$ is true

The English 'or' is sometimes an *exclusive* or: $P \text{ xor } Q$ if *exactly one* of P and Q . 'Fluffy is either a rabbit or a cat.'

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P	Q	$P \vee Q$	$P \text{ xor } Q$
T	T	T	F
T	F	T	T
F	T	T	T
F	F	F	F

Although xor is important in electronics, it does not play a primitive role in logic. If you feel that an English sentence ' P or Q ' reads as $(P \text{ xor } Q)$, you should regard it more precisely as 'either P or Q but not both', which can be formalized using negation as $(P \vee Q) \wedge \neg(P \wedge Q)$.

Building Compound Propositions: Disjunction

Basic Properties

\vee is also commutative and associative:

$P \vee Q$ and $Q \vee P$ have the same meaning

$P \vee (Q \vee R)$ and $(P \vee Q) \vee R$ have the same meaning

\wedge distributes over \vee :

$P \wedge (Q \vee R)$ and $(P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R)$ have the same meaning

' P and either Q or R ' 'either (P and Q) or (P and R)'

and the other way round: \vee distributes over \wedge

$P \vee (Q \wedge R)$ and $(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee R)$ have the same meaning

When we mix \wedge and \vee , we take care with the parentheses!

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Building Compound Propositions: Negation

If P is some proposition, $\neg P$ is a proposition.

Pronounce $\neg P$ as 'not P '. Sometimes written as $\sim P$ or \bar{P}

Definition: $\neg P$ is true if and only if P is false

Equivalent truth-table definition:

P	$\neg P$
T	F
F	T

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Building Compound Propositions: Implication

If P and Q are two propositions, $P \Rightarrow Q$ is a proposition.

Pronounce $P \Rightarrow Q$ as ' P implies Q '. Sometimes written with \rightarrow

Definition: $P \Rightarrow Q$ is true if (and only if), whenever P is true, Q is true

Equivalent truth-table definition:

P	Q	$P \Rightarrow Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

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Building Compound Propositions: Implication

That can be confusing. First, the logic is not talking about causation, but just about truth values.

$(1 + 1 = 2) \Rightarrow (3 < 4)$ is true

Second, $P \Rightarrow Q$ is vacuously true if P is false.

'If I'm a giant squid, then I live in the ocean'

For that to be true, either:

(a) I really am a giant squid, in which case I must live in the ocean, or

(b) I'm not a giant squid, in which case we don't care where I live.

$P \Rightarrow Q$ and $(P \wedge Q) \vee \neg P$ and $Q \vee \neg P$ all have the same meaning

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Building Compound Propositions: Implication

Basic properties:

$P \Rightarrow Q$ and $\neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$ have the same meaning

\Rightarrow is not commutative: $P \Rightarrow Q$ and $Q \Rightarrow P$ do not have the same meaning

$P \Rightarrow (Q \wedge R)$ and $(P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (P \Rightarrow R)$ have the same meaning

$(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow R$ and $(P \Rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow R)$ do not

$(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow R$ and $P \Rightarrow (Q \Rightarrow R)$ do

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Building Compound Propositions: Bi-Implication

If P and Q are two propositions, $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ is a proposition.

Pronounce $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ as ' P if and only if Q '. Sometimes written with $P \leftrightarrow Q$ or $P = Q$.

Definition: $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ is true if (and only if) P is true whenever Q is true, and vice versa

Equivalent truth-table definition:

P	Q	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

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The Language of Propositional Logic

Summarising, the propositions of propositional logic are the terms of the grammar

$P, Q ::= p \mid q \mid \dots \mid T \mid F \mid \neg P \mid P \wedge Q \mid P \vee Q \mid P \Rightarrow Q \mid P \Leftrightarrow Q$

We use parentheses (P) as necessary to avoid ambiguity.

For any such proposition P , once the truth value of each atomic proposition p it mentions is fixed (true or false), we've defined whether P is true or false.

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Example Compound Truth Table

Given an arbitrary proposition P , we can calculate the meaning of P for all possible assumptions on its atomic propositions by enumerating the cases in a truth table.

For example, consider $P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ((p \vee \neg q) \Rightarrow (p \wedge q))$. It mentions two atomic propositions, p and q , so we have to consider 2^2 possibilities:

p	q	$\neg q$	$p \vee \neg q$	$p \wedge q$	$(p \vee \neg q) \Rightarrow (p \wedge q)$
T	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	F	F
F	T	F	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	F	F

Notice that this calculation is *compositional* in the structure of P .

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The Binary Boolean Functions of one and two variables

$2^{(2^1)}$ functions of one variable

P	T	P	$\neg P$	F
T	T	T	F	F
F	T	F	T	F

$2^{(2^2)}$ functions of two variables

P	Q	T	\vee	\wedge	\Rightarrow	\Leftrightarrow	\wedge	nand	xor								F
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
T	F	T	T	F	F	F	F	T	T	T	T	F	F	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	T	F	T	F	F	T	T	F	F	T	T	T	F	F	F
F	F	T	F	F	T	F	T	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F

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All boolean functions can be defined in terms of connectives that we have introduced so far (see Ex Sheet 1, Q12).

2.2 Equational reasoning, validity and satisfiability

Equivalences

Identity:

$P \wedge T$ and P have the same meaning

$P \vee F$ and P have the same meaning

Complement:

$P \wedge \neg P$ and F have the same meaning

$P \vee \neg P$ and T have the same meaning

De Morgan:

$\neg(P \wedge Q)$ and $\neg P \vee \neg Q$ have the same meaning

$\neg(P \vee Q)$ and $\neg P \wedge \neg Q$ have the same meaning

Translating away \Leftrightarrow :

$P \Leftrightarrow Q$ and $(P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P)$ have the same meaning

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Equivalences

When we say ' P and Q have the same meaning', we really mean 'whatever assumption we make about the truth values of their atomic propositions, P and Q have the same truth value as each other'. In other words, ' P and Q have the same truth table'.

We write that as $P \equiv Q$

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Equational Reasoning

Equivalences are really useful because they can be used anywhere.

In more detail, this $P \equiv Q$ is a proper notion of equivalence. You can see from its definition that

- it's *reflexive*, i.e., for any proposition P , we have $P \equiv P$
- it's *symmetric*, i.e., if $P \equiv Q$ then $Q \equiv P$
- it's *transitive*, i.e., if $P \equiv Q$ and $Q \equiv R$ then $P \equiv R$

Moreover, if $P \equiv Q$ then we can replace a subformula P by Q in any context, without affecting the meaning of the whole thing. For example, if $P \equiv Q$ then $P \wedge r \equiv Q \wedge r$, $r \wedge P \equiv r \wedge Q$, $\neg P \equiv \neg Q$, etc.

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Equational Reasoning

Now we're in business: we can do equational reasoning, replacing equal subformulae by equal subformulae, just as you do in normal algebraic manipulation (where you'd use $2 + 2 = 4$ without thinking).

This complements direct verification using truth tables — sometimes that's more convenient, and sometimes this is. Later, we'll see a third option — structured proof.

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Some Collected Equivalences, for Reference

For any propositions P , Q , and R

Commutativity:

$$P \wedge Q \equiv Q \wedge P \text{ (and-comm)}$$

$$P \vee Q \equiv Q \vee P \text{ (or-comm)}$$

Unit:

$$P \wedge F \equiv F \text{ (and-unit)}$$

$$P \vee T \equiv T \text{ (or-unit)}$$

Associativity:

$$P \wedge (Q \wedge R) \equiv (P \wedge Q) \wedge R \text{ (and-assoc)}$$

$$P \vee (Q \vee R) \equiv (P \vee Q) \vee R \text{ (or-assoc)}$$

Complement:

$$P \wedge \neg P \equiv F \text{ (and-comp)}$$

$$P \vee \neg P \equiv T \text{ (or-comp)}$$

Distributivity:

$$P \wedge (Q \vee R) \equiv (P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R) \text{ (and-or-dist)}$$

$$P \vee (Q \wedge R) \equiv (P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee R) \text{ (or-and-dist)}$$

De Morgan:

$$\neg(P \wedge Q) \equiv \neg P \vee \neg Q \text{ (and-DM)}$$

$$\neg(P \vee Q) \equiv \neg P \wedge \neg Q \text{ (or-DM)}$$

Identity:

$$P \wedge T \equiv P \text{ (and-id)}$$

$$P \vee F \equiv P \text{ (or-id)}$$

Defn:

$$P \Rightarrow Q \equiv Q \vee \neg P \text{ (imp)}$$

$$P \Leftrightarrow Q \equiv (P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P) \text{ (bi)}$$

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Equational Reasoning – Example

Suppose we wanted to prove a 3-way De Morgan law

$$\neg(P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge P_3) \equiv \neg P_1 \vee \neg P_2 \vee \neg P_3$$

We could do so either by truth tables, checking 2^3 cases, or by equational reasoning:

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge P_3) &\equiv \neg(P_1 \wedge (P_2 \wedge P_3)) && \text{choosing an } \wedge \text{ association} \\ &\equiv \neg P_1 \vee \neg(P_2 \wedge P_3) && \text{by (and-DM)} \end{aligned}$$

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(and-DM) is $\neg(P \wedge Q) \equiv \neg P \vee \neg Q$. Instantiating the metavariables P and Q as

$$\begin{aligned} P &\mapsto P_1 \\ Q &\mapsto P_2 \wedge P_3 \end{aligned}$$

we get exactly the $\neg(P_1 \wedge (P_2 \wedge P_3)) \equiv \neg P_1 \vee \neg(P_2 \wedge P_3)$ needed.

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge P_3) &\equiv \neg(P_1 \wedge (P_2 \wedge P_3)) && \text{choosing an } \wedge \text{ association} \\ &\equiv \neg P_1 \vee \neg(P_2 \wedge P_3) && \text{by (and-DM)} \\ &\equiv \neg P_1 \vee (\neg P_2 \vee \neg P_3) && \text{by (and-DM)} \end{aligned}$$

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(and-DM) is $\neg(P \wedge Q) \equiv \neg P \vee \neg Q$. Instantiating the metavariables P and Q as

$$\begin{aligned} P &\mapsto P_2 \\ Q &\mapsto P_3 \end{aligned}$$

we get $\neg(P_2 \wedge P_3) \equiv \neg P_2 \vee \neg P_3$. Using that in the context $\neg P_1 \vee \dots$ gives us exactly the equality $\neg P_1 \vee \neg(P_2 \wedge P_3) \equiv \neg P_1 \vee (\neg P_2 \vee \neg P_3)$.

$$\equiv \neg P_1 \vee \neg P_2 \vee \neg P_3 \quad \text{forgetting the } \vee \text{ association}$$

So by transitivity of \equiv , we have $\neg(P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge P_3) \equiv \neg P_1 \vee \neg P_2 \vee \neg P_3$

There I unpacked the steps in some detail, so you can see what's really going on. Later, we'd normally just give the brief justification on each line; we wouldn't write down the boxed reasoning (instantiation, context, transitivity) — but it should be clearly in your head when you're doing a proof.

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If it's not clear, write it down — use the written proof as a tool for thinking.

Still later, you'll use equalities like this one as single steps in bigger proofs.

Theorem. Equational reasoning is *sound*: however we instantiate the equations, and chain them together, if we deduce that $P \equiv Q$ then $P \equiv Q$.

Soundness is proved by combining the various facts established in this section so far, but we won't go into detail on the proof of soundness in this course.

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Soundness is pragmatically important: if you've faithfully modelled some real-world situation in propositional logic, then you can do any amount of equational reasoning, and the result will be meaningful.

Theorem. Equational reasoning *complete*: if $P \equiv Q$, then there is an equational proof.

Proving completeness is beyond the scope of DM1.

Completeness is pragmatically important: if $P \equiv Q$, and you systematically explore all possible candidate equational proofs, eventually you'll find one. But there are infinitely many candidates: at any point, there might be several you could try to apply, and sometimes there are infinitely many instantiations (consider $T \equiv P \vee \neg P$).

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...so naive proof search is not a decision procedure (but sometimes you can find short proofs).

In contrast, we had a terminating algorithm for checking truth tables (but that's exponential in the number of atomic propositions).

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Tautology, validity, and satisfiability

Say P is a *tautology*, or is *valid*, if it is always true — i.e., if, whatever assumption we make about the truth values of its atomic propositions, then P is true. In other words, P is a tautology if every row of its truth table is T .

There is a connection with equational reasoning: $(P \equiv Q)$ exactly when $(P \leftrightarrow Q)$ is a tautology.

Say P is a *satisfiable* if, under *some* assumption about the truth values of its atomic propositions, P is true.

$p \vee \neg p$ is a tautology (always true, no matter what assumptions are made about p)

$p \wedge \neg q$ satisfiable (true under the assumption $p \mapsto T, q \mapsto F$)

$p \wedge \neg p$ unsatisfiable (not true under $p \mapsto T$ or $p \mapsto F$)

P is unsatisfiable if and only if $\neg P$ is valid.

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Object, Meta, Meta-Meta,...

We're taking care to distinguish the connectives of the object language that we're studying (propositional logic), and the informal mathematics and English that we're using to talk about it (our meta-language).

For now, we adopt a simple discipline: the former in symbols, the latter in words.

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Application: Combinational Circuits

Use T and F to represent high and low voltage values on a wire.

Logic gates (AND, OR, NAND, etc.) compute propositional functions of their inputs. Notation: T, F, \wedge, \vee, \neg vs $0, 1, \cdot, +, \bar{\quad}$

SAT solvers: compute satisfiability of propositions with 10 000's of atomic propositions.

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3 Predicate Logic

Predicate Logic

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In this section we extend propositional logic with predicates and quantifiers.

Predicate Logic
(or Predicate Calculus, or First-Order Logic)

Socrates is a man. All men are mortal. So Socrates is mortal.

Can we formalise in propositional logic?

Write p for *Socrates is a man*
Write q for *Socrates is mortal*

$p \quad p \Rightarrow q \quad q$
?

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Predicate Logic

Often, we want to talk about properties of things, not just atomic propositions.

All lions are fierce.
Some lions do not drink coffee.
Therefore, some fierce creatures do not drink coffee.
[Lewis Carroll, 1886]

Let x range over creatures. Write $L(x)$ for ' x is a lion'. Write $C(x)$ for ' x drinks coffee'. Write $F(x)$ for ' x is fierce'.

$\forall x.L(x) \Rightarrow F(x)$
 $\exists x.L(x) \wedge \neg C(x)$
 $\exists x.F(x) \wedge \neg C(x)$

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3.1 The Language of Predicate Logic

Predicate Logic

So, we extend the language.

Variables x, y , etc., ranging over some specified domain.

Atomic predicates $A(x), B(x)$, etc., like the earlier atomic propositions, but with truth values that depend on the values of the variables.

Let $A(x)$ denote $x + 7 = 10$, where x ranges over the natural numbers. $A(x)$ is true if $x = 3$, otherwise false, so $A(3) \wedge \neg A(4)$

Let $B(n)$ denote $1 + 2 + \dots + n = n(n + 1)/2$, where n ranges over the naturals. $B(n)$ is true for any value of n , so $B(27)$.

Add these to the language of formulae:

$P, Q ::= A(x) \mid T \mid F \mid \neg P \mid P \wedge Q \mid P \vee Q \mid P \Rightarrow Q \mid P \Leftrightarrow Q$

where A ranges over atomic predicates A, B , etc.

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Predicate Logic – Universal Quantifiers

If P is a formula, then $\forall x.P$ is a formula

Pronounce $\forall x.P$ as ‘for all x, P ’.

Definition: $\forall x.P$ is true if (and only if) P is true for all values of x (taken from its specified domain).

Sometimes we write $P(x)$ for a formula that might mention x , so that we can write (e.g.) $P(27)$ for the formula with x instantiated to 27.

Then, if x is ranging over the naturals,
 $\forall x.P(x)$ if and only if $P(0)$ and $P(1)$ and $P(2)$ and ...

Or, if x is ranging over {red, green, blue}, then
 $(\forall x.P(x)) \Leftrightarrow P(\text{red}) \wedge P(\text{green}) \wedge P(\text{blue})$.

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Predicate Logic – Existential Quantifiers

If P is a formula, then $\exists x.P$ is a formula

Pronounce $\exists x.P$ as ‘exists x such that P ’.

Definition: $\exists x.P$ is true if (and only if) there is at least one value of x (taken from its specified domain) such that P is true.

So, if x is ranging over {red, green, blue}, then $(\exists x.P(x))$ if and only if $P(\text{red}) \vee P(\text{green}) \vee P(\text{blue})$.

Because the domain might be infinite, we don’t give truth-table definitions for \forall and \exists .

Note also that we don’t allow infinitary formulae — I carefully *didn’t* write $(\forall x.P(x)) \Leftrightarrow P(0) \wedge P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots$ ×

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The Language of Predicate Logic

Summarising, the formulae of predicate logic are the terms of the grammar

$$P, Q ::= A(x) \mid T \mid F \mid \neg P \mid P \wedge Q \mid P \vee Q \mid P \Rightarrow Q \mid \\ P \Leftrightarrow Q \mid \forall x.P \mid \exists x.P$$

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Convention: the scope of a quantifier extends as far to the right as possible, so (e.g.) $\forall x.A(x) \wedge B(x)$ is $\forall x.(A(x) \wedge B(x))$, not $(\forall x.A(x)) \wedge B(x)$.

(other convention — no dot, always parenthesise: $\forall x(P)$)

Predicate Logic — Extensions

n-ary atomic predicates $A(x, y), B(x, y, z), \dots$

(regard our old p, q , etc. as 0-ary atomic predicates)

Equality as a special binary predicate ($e = e'$) where e and e' are some mathematical expressions (that might mention variables such as x), and similarly for $<, >, \leq, \geq$ over numbers.

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$(e \neq e')$ is shorthand for $\neg(e = e')$

$(e \leq e')$ is shorthand for $(e < e') \vee (e = e')$

Predicate Logic — Examples

What do these mean? Are they true or false?

$\exists x.(x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0)$ where x ranges over the integers

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$\forall x.(x < 0) \vee (x = 0) \vee (x \geq 0)$ where x ranges over the reals

$\forall x.(x \geq 0) \Rightarrow (2x > x)$ where x ranges over the reals

Predicate Logic — Examples

Formalise:

If someone learns discrete mathematics, then they will find a good job. (*)

Let x range over all people.

Write $L(x)$ to mean 'x learns discrete mathematics'

Write $J(x)$ to mean 'x will find a good job'

Then $\forall x.L(x) \Rightarrow J(x)$ is a reasonable formalisation of (*).

Is it true? We'd need to know more...

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Predicate Logic — Nested Quantifiers

What do these mean? Are they true?

$\forall x.\forall y.(x + y = y + x)$ where x, y range over the integers

$\forall x.\exists y.(x = y - 10)$ where x, y range over the integers

$\exists x.\forall y.(x \geq y)$ where x, y range over the integers

$\forall y.\exists x.(x \geq y)$ where x, y range over the integers

$\exists x.\exists y.(4x = 2y) \wedge (x + 1 = y)$ where x, y range over the integers

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Predicate Logic — Examples

Formalise:

Every real number except 0 has a multiplicative inverse

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$\forall x.(\neg(x = 0)) \Rightarrow \exists y.(x \cdot y = 1)$ where x ranges over the reals

Predicate Logic — Free and Bound Variables

A slightly odd (but well-formed) formula:

$A(x) \wedge (\forall x.B(x) \Rightarrow \exists x.C(x, x))$

Really there are 3 different x 's here, and it'd be clearer to write

$A(x) \wedge (\forall x'.B(x') \Rightarrow \exists x''.C(x'', x''))$ or

$A(x) \wedge (\forall y.B(y) \Rightarrow \exists z.C(z, z))$

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Say an occurrence of x in a formula P is *free* if it is not inside any $(\forall x\dots)$ or $(\exists x\dots)$

All the other occurrences of x are *bound* by the closest enclosing $(\forall x\dots)$ or $(\exists x\dots)$

The *scope* of a quantifier in a formula $\dots(\forall x.P)\dots$ is all of P (except any subformulae of P of the form $\forall x\dots$ or $\exists x\dots$).

Truth Semantics

Whether a formula P is true or false might depend on

1. an interpretation of the atomic predicate symbols used in P
(generalising the 'assumptions on its atomic propositions' we had before)
2. the values of the free variables of P

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Often 1 is fixed (as it is for $e = e'$)

Predicate Logic — Basic Properties

De Morgan laws for quantifiers:

$(\neg\forall x.P) \equiv \exists x.\neg P$

$(\neg\exists x.P) \equiv \forall x.\neg P$

Distributing quantifiers over \wedge and \vee :

$(\forall x.P \wedge Q) \equiv (\forall x.P) \wedge (\forall x.Q)$

$(\exists x.P \wedge Q) \not\equiv (\exists x.P) \wedge (\exists x.Q)$ \times (left-to-right holds)

$(\forall x.P \vee Q) \not\equiv (\forall x.P) \vee (\forall x.Q)$ \times (right-to-left holds)

$(\exists x.P \vee Q) \equiv (\exists x.P) \vee (\exists x.Q)$

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Predicate Logic — Examples

Formalise:
Everyone has exactly one best friend.

Let x, y, z range over all people.

Write $B(x, y)$ to mean y is a best friend of x

Then $\forall x. \exists y. B(x, y) \wedge \forall z. B(x, z) \Rightarrow z = y$ is one reasonable formalisation.

Equivalently $\forall x. \exists y. B(x, y) \wedge \forall z. (\neg(z = y)) \Rightarrow \neg B(x, z)$.

Um. what about $y = x$?

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Application: Databases

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4 Proof

Proof

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In this section we introduce a structured approach to proof for predicate logic. Proofs are built according to the rules of structure proof, which comprise introduction and elimination rules for each logical connective and the rule of proof by contradiction.

There are some examples of structured proofs in these notes. I will give more examples in the lectures. You can practice using the exercises at the end of the notes, and you can also try writing structured proofs of some of the equivalences for propositional/predicate logic.

Proof

We've now got a rich enough language to express some non-trivial conjectures, e.g.

$$\forall n. (n > 2) \Rightarrow \neg \exists x, y, z. x \neq 0 \wedge y \neq 0 \wedge z \neq 0 \wedge x^n + y^n = z^n$$

(where n ranges over the naturals)

Is that true or false?

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Proof

$$\forall n. (n > 2) \Rightarrow \neg \exists x, y, z. x \neq 0 \wedge y \neq 0 \wedge z \neq 0 \wedge x^n + y^n = z^n$$

We have to be able to reason about this kind of thing, to *prove* that it's true (or to disprove it — to prove its negation...).

This course: 'informal' rigorous proof (normal mathematical practice). A proof is a rigorous argument to convince a very skeptical reader. It should be completely clear, and the individual steps small enough that there's no question about them.

(Later, study 'formal' proofs, as mathematical objects themselves...)

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Non-Proofs

There are *lots*.

'I have discovered a truly remarkable proof which this margin is too small to contain.'

'I'm your lecturer, and I say it's true'

'The world would be a sad place if this wasn't true'

'I can't imagine that it could be false'

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Statements

Theorem 1 [associativity of +] $\forall x, y, z. x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$

Often leave top-level universal quantifiers implicit (but only in these top-level statements):

Theorem 2 $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$

Proposition — a little theorem

Lemma — a little theorem written down as part of a bigger proof

Corollary — an easy consequence of some theorem

any of those should come with a proof attached

Conjecture $x \bmod 2 = 0 \vee x \bmod 3 = 0 \vee x \bmod 5 = 0$

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Structured Proof

The truth-table and equational reasoning from before is still sound, but we need more, to reason about the quantifiers. And truth tables aren't going to help there.

Going to focus instead on the structure of the formulae we're trying to prove (and of those we can use).

Practice on statements about numbers — not that we care about these results particularly, but just to get started.

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Theorem? The sum of two rationals is rational.

Clarify the logical form:

Theorem?

$\forall x. \forall y. (\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \Rightarrow \text{Rational}(x + y)$

and the definitions:

Say $\text{Rational}(x)$ if $\exists n, m. (x = n/m)$

where x and y range over real numbers and n and m range over integers.

Sometimes this clarification is a major intellectual activity (and the subsequent proof might be easy); sometimes it's easy to state the problem (but the proof is very hard).

How *far* we have to clarify the definitions depends on the problem — here I didn't define the reals, integers, addition, or division.

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In the lectures we will carefully study a proof of this statement about sums of rational numbers. Most mathematicians would prove the statement by writing something like the following text.

Theorem $\forall x.\forall y.(\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \Rightarrow \text{Rational}(x + y)$

Proof: Consider arbitrary real numbers x and y . Suppose that they are both rational. We must show that the sum $(x + y)$ is rational too. Since x and y are both rational, by definition, there are integers m_1, n_1, m_2 and n_2 such that $x = \frac{n_1}{m_1}$ and $y = \frac{n_2}{m_2}$. We can now use the laws of arithmetic:

$$x + y = \frac{n_1}{m_1} + \frac{n_2}{m_2} = \frac{n_1}{m_1} \cdot \frac{m_2}{m_2} + \frac{m_1}{m_1} \cdot \frac{n_2}{m_2} = \frac{n_1 m_2}{m_1 m_2} + \frac{m_1 n_2}{m_1 m_2} = \frac{n_1 m_2 + m_1 n_2}{m_1 m_2}.$$

Another basic fact of arithmetic is that $(n_1 m_2 + m_1 n_2)$ and $m_1 m_2$ are both integers, and so $(x + y)$ can be written as a fraction of integers. In other words, $(x + y)$ is rational. \square

What makes this proof correct? Sometimes proofs that are written like this look convincing, but they turn out to be wrong. You need to learn to write correct proofs and to distinguish good arguments from bad ones. To this end, in this course, we will study proofs in the following more formal layout.

Theorem $\forall x.\forall y.(\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \Rightarrow \text{Rational}(x + y)$

Proof:

- | |
|---|
| 1. Consider an arbitrary real number x [aim to prove: $\forall y.(\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \Rightarrow \text{Rational}(x + y)$] |
| 2. Consider an arbitrary real number y [aim to prove: $(\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \Rightarrow \text{Rational}(x + y)$] |
| 3. Assume $\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)$ [aim to prove: $\text{Rational}(x + y)$] |
| 4. $\text{Rational}(x)$ from 3 by \wedge -elimination |
| 5. $\text{Rational}(y)$ from 3 by \wedge -elimination |
| 6. $\exists n, m.(x = n/m)$ from 4 by unfolding the definition of Rational |
| 7. $\exists n, m.(y = n/m)$ from 5 by unfolding the definition of Rational |
| 8. Consider actual integers n_1 and m_1 such that $x = n_1/m_1$
[aim to prove: $\exists n, m.(x + y = n/m)$ by eliminating \exists from 6] |
| 9. Consider actual integers n_2 and m_2 such that $y = n_2/m_2$
[aim to prove: $\exists n, m.(x + y = n/m)$ by eliminating \exists from 7] |
| 10. $x + y = (n_1/m_1) + (n_2/m_2)$ from 8 and 9, adding both sides |
| 11. $= \frac{n_1 m_2}{m_1 m_2} + \frac{m_1 n_2}{m_1 m_2}$ from 10, by arithmetic |
| 12. $= \frac{n_1 m_2 + m_1 n_2}{m_1 m_2}$ from 11, by arithmetic |
| 13. $\exists n, m.x + y = n/m$ from 10–12, \exists -introduction,
witness $n = n_1 m_2 + m_1 n_2$
$m = m_1 m_2$ |
| 14. $\exists n, m.x + y = n/m$ from 7, 9–13, \exists -elimination |
| 15. $\exists n, m.x + y = n/m$ from 6, 8–14, \exists -elimination |
| 16. $\text{Rational}(x + y)$ from 15, folding the definition of Rational |
| 17. $(\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \Rightarrow \text{Rational}(x + y)$ by \Rightarrow -introduction, from 3–16 |
| 18. $\forall y.(\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \Rightarrow \text{Rational}(x + y)$ by \forall -introduction, from 2–17 |
| 17. $\forall x.\forall y.(\text{Rational}(x) \wedge \text{Rational}(y)) \Rightarrow \text{Rational}(x + y)$ by \forall -introduction, from 1–16 \square |

What is a Proof (in this stylised form)?

A list of lines, each of which is either:

- a formula of predicate logic, with a justification (' P , from ... by ...')
- an assumption of some formula ('Assume P ')
- an introduction of an arbitrary variable ('Consider an arbitrary x (from the appropriate domain)')
- an introduction of some actual witness variables and a formula ('For some actual n, P ')

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When we make an assumption, we open a box. We have to close it before we can discharge the assumption (by \Rightarrow -introduction at step 17).

What is a Proof (in this stylised form)?

Lines are numbered

Introduced variables must be *fresh* (not free in any preceding formula).

The justifications must not refer to later lines (no circular proofs, please!)

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1. P by ... from 15 \times
 ...
 15. Q by ... from 1

What is a Proof (in this stylised form)?

The justifications must not refer to lines inside any earlier box

1. Assume P
...
15. U from ... by ...
...
27. Q from ... by ...

28. $P \Rightarrow Q$ by \Rightarrow -introduction, from 1–27

29. Assume R
...
1007. ... from 15 by ... \times

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(earlier in an enclosing box is ok)

What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?

Back to the Connectives – And

To use a conjunction: if we know $P \wedge Q$, then we can deduce P , or we can deduce Q (or both, as often as we like)

- ...
- $m.$ $P \wedge Q$ from ...
- ...
- $n.$ P from m by \wedge -elimination
- or
- ...
- $m.$ $P \wedge Q$ from ...
- ...
- $n.$ Q from m by \wedge -elimination

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?

Back to the Connectives – And

To prove a conjunction: we can prove $P \wedge Q$ by proving P and proving Q .

...

$l.$ P from ...

...

$m.$ Q from ...

...

$n.$ $P \wedge Q$ from l and m by \wedge -introduction

(it doesn't matter in what order l and m are in)

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?

Back to the Connectives – Implication

To prove an implication: to prove $P \Rightarrow Q$, assume P , prove Q , and discharge the assumption.

...

$m.$ Assume P

...

$n.$ Q from ... by ...

$n + 1.$ $P \Rightarrow Q$ from m - n , by \Rightarrow -introduction

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?

Back to the Connectives – Implication

To use an implication: if we know $P \Rightarrow Q$, and we know P , we can deduce Q

...

$l.$ $P \Rightarrow Q$ by ...

...

$m.$ P by ...

...

$n.$ Q from l and m by \Rightarrow -elimination

(also known as *modus ponens*)

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?

Back to the Connectives – Or

To prove a disjunction: to prove $P \vee Q$, we could prove P , or we could prove Q . (could even use $\neg Q$ or $\neg P$ resp.)

...

$m.$ P from ...

...

$n.$ $P \vee Q$ from m by \vee -introduction

or

...

$m.$ Q from ...

...

$n.$ $P \vee Q$ from m by \vee -introduction

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?
Back to the Connectives — Or

To use a disjunction: if we know $P \vee Q$, and by assuming P we can prove R , and by assuming Q we can prove R , then we can deduce R (a form of case analysis).

$l.$ $P \vee Q$ from ... by ...

...

$m_1.$ Assume P

...

$m_2.$ R

...

$n_1.$ Assume Q

...

$n_2.$ R

$o.$ R from l, m_1-m_2, n_1-n_2 by \vee -elimination

(it doesn't matter what order l, m_1-m_2 , and n_1-n_2 are in)

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?
Back to the Connectives — Negation

To prove a negation: to prove $\neg P$, assume P , prove F , and discharge the assumption.

...

$m.$ Assume P

...

$n.$ F from ... by ...

$n + 1.$ $\neg P$ from $m-n$, by \neg -introduction

That's a lot like \Rightarrow -introduction (not a surprise, as $\neg P \equiv (P \Rightarrow F)$).

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?
Back to the Connectives — Negation

To use a negation: if we know $\neg P$, and we know P , we can deduce F

...

$l.$ P by ...

...

$m.$ $\neg P$ by ...

...

$n.$ F from l and m by \neg -elimination

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?
Back to the Connectives — Truth

To prove T : nothing to do

...

$n.$ T -introduction.

There's no elimination rule for T .

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?

Falsity

If we can deduce F , then we can deduce any P

...

m . F from ... by ...

...

n . P from m , by F -elimination.

(hopefully this would be under some assumption(s)...)

There is no introduction rule for F .

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?

Contradiction

To prove P by contradiction: if, from assuming $\neg P$, we can prove F , then we can deduce P

...

m . Assume $\neg P$

...

n . F from ... by ...

$n + 1$. P from $m-n$, by contradiction

Note that in the other rules either a premise (for elimination rules) or the conclusion (for introduction rules) had some particular form, but here the conclusion is an arbitrary P .

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Example

Theorem $(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow (P \vee Q)$

Proof:

1. Assume $P \wedge Q$

2. P from 1 by \wedge -elim

3. $P \vee Q$ from 2 by \vee -intro

4. $(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow (P \vee Q)$ from 1-3 by \Rightarrow -intro

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Example

Theorem ? $(P \vee Q) \Rightarrow (P \wedge Q)$

Proof ?:

1. Assume $P \vee Q$

2. ...use \vee -elim somehow? prove by contradiction?

????

$n - 2$. P from ? by ?

$n - 1$. Q from ? by ?

n . $(P \wedge Q)$ from $n - 1, n - 2$ by \wedge -intro

$n + 1$. $(P \vee Q) \Rightarrow (P \wedge Q)$ from 1- n by \Rightarrow -intro

Counterexample? Prove negation?

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?
Back to the Connectives – For all

To use a universally quantified formula: if we know $\forall x.P(x)$, then we can deduce $P(v)$ for any v (of the appropriate domain)

...

$m.$ $\forall x.P(x)$ from ...

...

$n.$ $P(v)$ from m by \forall -elimination

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?
Back to the Connectives – For all

To prove a universally quantified formula $\forall x.P(x)$, consider an arbitrary fresh variable x (ranging over the appropriate domain) and prove $P(x)$, then discharge the assumption.

...

$m.$ Consider an arbitrary x (from domain ...)

...

$n.$ $P(x)$ by ...

$n + 1.$ $\forall x.P(x)$ from $m-n$ by \forall -introduction

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?
Back to the Connectives – Exists

To prove an existentially quantified formula $\exists x.P(x)$, prove $P(v)$ for some witness v (from the appropriate domain).

...

$m.$ $P(v)$

...

$n.$ $\exists x.P(x)$ from m by \exists -introduction with witness $x = v$

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What is a Justification (in this stylised form)?
Back to the Connectives – Exists

To use an existentially quantified formula $\exists x.P(x)$, introduce a fresh variable (ranging over the appropriate domain) x_1 , about which we know only $P(x_1)$. The elimination rule for existential quantifiers is reminiscent of the elimination rule for disjunction.

$l.$ $\exists x.P(x)$

...

$m.$ For some actual $x_1, P(x_1)$

...

$n.$ Q (where x_1 not free in Q)

...

$o.$ Q from $l, m-n$, by \exists -elimination

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Digression on \exists -instantiation: When you eliminate existential quantifiers, there are usually many reasonable places to close the box. Some logicians argue that it doesn't really matter where you actually close the box as long as it can be closed. This has led some authors to describe 'Existential Instantiation':

- $m.$ $\exists x.P(x)$
- ...
- $n.$ For some actual $x_1, P(x_1)$ from m by \exists -instantiation

Proper accounts of \exists -instantiation come with things to check about appearance of variables in completed proofs, which amount to checking that the boxes in \exists -elimination can be closed. For example, the conditions ensure that the statement $(\exists x.P(x)) \Rightarrow P(y)$ is not provable.

Example
<p>Many theorems have a similar top-level structure, e.g.</p> $\forall x, y, z.(P \wedge Q \wedge R) \Rightarrow S$
<p>1. Consider an arbitrary x, y, z.</p>
<p>2. Assume $P \wedge Q \wedge R$.</p>
<p>3. P from 2 by \wedge-elimination</p>
<p>4. Q from 2 by \wedge-elimination</p>
<p>5. R from 2 by \wedge-elimination</p>
<p>...</p>
<p>215. S by ...</p>
<p>216. $(P \wedge Q \wedge R) \Rightarrow S$ from 2–215 by \Rightarrow-introduction</p>
<p>217. $\forall x, y, z.(P \wedge Q \wedge R) \Rightarrow S$ by \forall-introduction, from 1–216</p>

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What is a Proof (in this stylised form)?
<p>NB This particular stylised form is only one way to write down rigorous paper proofs. It's a good place to start, but its not always appropriate. Later, you'll sometimes take bigger steps, and won't draw the boxes.</p>
<p>But however they are written, they <i>have</i> to be written down clearly — a proof is a communication tool, to persuade. Each step needs a justification.</p>
<p>In questions, we'll say specifically “by structured proof”, “by equational reasoning”, “by truth tables”, or, more generally “prove”.</p>

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This notation for ‘natural deduction’ proofs was first used by Jaśacowski in the 1920s and it was developed by Fitch in the 1950s. It is used in various books, including the book by Bornat. If you want, you can try building proofs using the Jape assistant, by following the links on the course materials web page: www.cl.cam.ac.uk/teaching/current/DiscMathI/materials.html. In 1B Logic & Proof you will see a different, tree-like notation for natural deduction proofs.

Soundness and Completeness?
<p>Are these proof rules <i>sound</i>? (i.e., are all the provable formulae valid?)</p>
<p>Are these proof rules <i>complete</i>? (i.e., are all valid formulae provable?)</p>
<p>Think about <i>proof search</i></p>

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Aside: Writing Discrete Maths
<p>By hand</p>
<p>In ASCII</p>
<p>$P ::= T \mid F \mid p \mid A(x) \mid P \wedge Q \mid P \vee Q$ $\mid P \Rightarrow Q \mid P \Leftrightarrow Q \mid !x.P \mid ?x.P$</p>
<p>In LaTeX (but don't forget that typesetting is <i>not</i> real work)</p>

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Pragmatics

Given some conjecture:

1. Ensure the statement is well-defined, and that you know the definitions of whatever it uses.
2. Understand intuitive what it's saying. Verbalize it.
3. Intuitively, why is it true? (or false?)
4. What are the hard (or easy) cases likely to be?
5. Choose a strategy — truth tables, equational reasoning, structured proof, induction, ...
6. Try it! (but be prepared to backtrack)
7. Expand definitions and make abbreviations as you need them.
8. Writing — to communicate, and to help you think.

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9. Choose variable names carefully; take care with parentheses
10. Use enough words and use enough symbols, but keep them properly nested. Don't use random squiggles (" \Rightarrow " or " \therefore ") for meta-reasoning.
11. If it hasn't worked yet... either
 - (a) you've make some local mistake (mis-instantiated, re-used a variable name, not expanded definitions enough, forgotten a useful assumption). Fix it and continue.
 - (b) you've found that the conjecture is false. Construct a simple counterexample and check it.
 - (c) you need to try a different strategy (different induction principle, strengthened induction hypothesis, proof by contradictions,...)
 - (d) you didn't really understand intuitively what the conjecture is saying, or what the definitions it uses mean. Go back to them again.

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12. If it has worked: read through it, skeptically. Maybe *re-write* it.
13. Finally, give it to someone else, as skeptical and careful as you can find, to see if they believe it — to see if they believe that *what you've written down is a proof*, not that they believe that *the conjecture is true*.

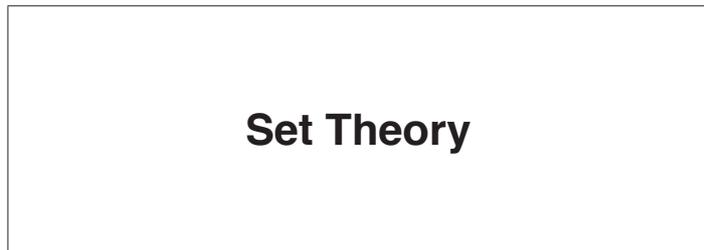
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...more fallacies

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	Introduction rules	Elimination rules
\wedge	<p>...</p> <p>$l.$ P from ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>$m.$ Q from ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ $P \wedge Q$ from l and m by \wedge-introduction (it doesn't matter in what order l and m are in)</p>	<p>...</p> <p>$m.$ $P \wedge Q$ from ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ P from m by \wedge-elimination</p> <p>or</p> <p>...</p> <p>$m.$ $P \wedge Q$ from ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ Q from m by \wedge-elimination</p>
\vee	<p>...</p> <p>$m.$ P from ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ $P \vee Q$ from m by \vee-introduction</p> <p>or</p> <p>...</p> <p>$m.$ Q from ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ $P \vee Q$ from m by \vee-introduction</p>	<p>$l.$ $P \vee Q$ from ... by ...</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <p>$m_1.$ Assume P</p> <p>...</p> <p>$m_2.$ R</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <p>$n_1.$ Assume Q</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n_2.$ R</p> </div> <p>$o.$ R from l, m_1-m_2, n_1-n_2 by \vee-elimination (it doesn't matter what order $l, m_1-m_2,$ and n_1-n_2 are in)</p>
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T	<p>...</p> <p>$n.$ T</p>	No elimination rule for True.
F	No introduction rule for False.	<p>...</p> <p>$m.$ F from ... by ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ P from $m,$ by F-elimination</p>
\forall	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <p>$m.$ Consider an arbitrary x (from domain ...)</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ $P(x)$ by ...</p> </div> <p>$n + 1.$ $\forall x.P(x)$ from $m-n$ by \forall-introduction</p>	<p>...</p> <p>$m.$ $\forall x.P(x)$ from ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ $P(v)$ from m by \forall-elimination</p>
\exists	<p>...</p> <p>$m.$ $P(v)$</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ $\exists x.P(x)$ from m by \exists-introduction with witness $x = v$</p>	<p>$l.$ $\exists x.P(x)$</p> <p>...</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <p>$m.$ For some actual $x_1, P(x_1)$</p> <p>...</p> <p>$n.$ Q (where x_1 not free in Q)</p> </div> <p>...</p> <p>$o.$ Q from $l, m-n,$ by \exists-elimination</p>
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5 Set Theory



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In this section we will discuss sets. We will discuss how to describe sets and how to reason about sets. We will study relations and graphs by considering sets of pairs.

Set Theory

Now we've got some reasoning techniques, but not much to reason *about*.
Let's add *sets* to our language.

What is a set? An unordered collection of *elements*:

$$\{0, 3, 7\} = \{3, 0, 7\}$$

might be empty:

$$\{\} = \emptyset = \varnothing$$

might be infinite:

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$
$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$$
$$\mathbb{R} = \dots \text{all the real numbers}$$

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Some more interesting sets

- the set of nodes in a network (encode with \mathbb{N} ?)
- the set of paths between such nodes (encode ??)
- the set of polynomial-time computable functions from naturals to naturals
- the set of well-typed programs in some programming language (encode???)
- the set of executions of such programs
- the set of formulae of predicate logic
- the set of valid proofs of such formulae
- the set of all students in this room (?)
- the set of all sets \times

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Basic relationships

membership $x \in A$

$$3 \in \{1, 3, 5\}$$

$$2 \notin \{1, 3, 5\}$$

(of course $(2 \notin \{1, 3, 5\}) \text{ iff } \neg(2 \in \{3, 5, 1\})$)

equality between sets $A = B$ means $\forall x. x \in A \Leftrightarrow x \in B$

$$\{1, 2\} = \{2, 1\} = \{2, 1, 2, 2\} \quad \{\} \neq \{\{\}\}$$

inclusion or subset $A \subseteq B$ means $\forall x. x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$

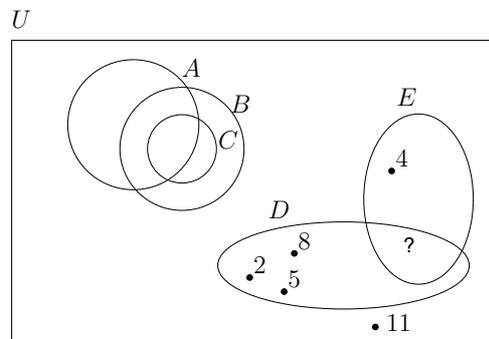
Properties: \subseteq is reflexive, transitive,

and antisymmetric $((A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A) \Rightarrow A = B)$

but not total: $\{1, 2\} \not\subseteq \{1, 3\} \not\subseteq \{1, 2\}$

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Venn Diagrams



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Bounded Quantifiers

Write

$$\forall x \in A. P \text{ for } \forall x. x \in A \Rightarrow P$$

$$\exists x \in A. P \text{ for } \exists x. x \in A \wedge P$$

where A is a subset of the domain that x ranges over.

Define Even to be the set of all even naturals

Then can write $\forall n \in \text{Even}. \exists m \in \mathbb{N}. n = 2m$

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Building interesting subsets with set comprehension

$$\text{Even} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{n \mid \exists m \in \mathbb{N}. n = 2m\}$$

$$\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{N} \wedge \neg \exists y, z \in \mathbb{N}. y > 1 \wedge z > 1 \wedge yz = x\}$$

$$\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{N} \wedge \forall y \in \mathbb{N}. y > x\}$$

$$\{2x \mid x \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

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From sets to predicates, and back again

From sets to predicates: given a set A , can define a predicate

$$P(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} x \in A$$

From predicates to sets: given $P(x)$ and some set U , can build a set

$$A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \mid x \in U \wedge P(x)\}$$

(in some logics we'd really identify the two concepts – but not here)

Property of comprehensions: $x \in \{y \mid P(y)\} \Leftrightarrow P(x)$

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Building new sets from old ones: union, intersection, and difference

$$A \cup B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \mid x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

$$A \cap B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$$

$$A - B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \notin B\}$$

A and B are *disjoint* when $A \cap B = \{\}$ (symm, not refl or tran)

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Building new sets from old ones: union, intersection, and difference

$$\{1, 2\} \cup \{2, 3\} = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$\{1, 2\} \cap \{2, 3\} = \{2\}$$

$$\{1, 2\} - \{2, 3\} = \{1\}$$

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Properties of union, intersection, and difference

Recall \vee is associative: $P \vee (Q \vee R) \equiv (P \vee Q) \vee R$

Theorem $A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$

Proof

$$A \cup (B \cup C)$$

$$1. = \{x \mid x \in A \vee x \in (B \cup C)\} \text{ unfold defn of union}$$

$$2. = \{x \mid x \in A \vee x \in \{y \mid y \in B \vee y \in C\}\} \text{ unfold defn of union}$$

$$3. = \{x \mid x \in A \vee (x \in B \vee x \in C)\} \text{ comprehension property}$$

$$4. = \{x \mid (x \in A \vee x \in B) \vee x \in C\} \text{ by } \vee \text{ assoc}$$

$$5. = (A \cup B) \cup C \text{ by the comprehension property and folding defn of union twice} \quad \square$$

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Some Collected Set Equalities, for Reference

For any sets $A, B,$ and $C,$ all subsets of U

Commutativity:

$$A \cap B = B \cap A \text{ (\cap-comm)}$$

$$A \cup B = B \cup A \text{ (\cup-comm)}$$

Associativity:

$$A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C \text{ (\cap-assoc)}$$

$$A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C \text{ (\cup-assoc)}$$

Distributivity:

$$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \text{ (\cap-\cup-dist)}$$

$$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \text{ (\cup-\cap-dist)}$$

Identity:

$$A \cap U = A \text{ (\cap-id)}$$

$$A \cup \{\} = A \text{ (\cup-id)}$$

Unit:

$$A \cap \{\} = \{\} \text{ (\cap-unit)}$$

$$A \cup U = U \text{ (\cup-unit)}$$

Complement:

$$A \cap (U - A) = \{\} \text{ (\cap-comp)}$$

$$A \cup (U - A) = U \text{ (\cup-comp)}$$

De Morgan:

$$U - (A \cap B) = (U - A) \cup (U - B) \text{ (\cap-DM)}$$

$$U - (A \cup B) = (U - A) \cap (U - B) \text{ (\cup-DM)}$$

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Example Proof

Theorem $\{\} \subseteq A$

Proof

$$\{\} \subseteq A$$

1. $\equiv \forall x. x \in \{\} \Rightarrow x \in A$ unfolding defn of \subseteq

2. $\equiv \forall x. F \Rightarrow x \in A$ use defn of \in

3. $\equiv \forall x. T$ equational reasoning with $(F \Rightarrow P) \equiv T$

4. $\equiv T$ using defn of \forall □

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Another Proof of the Same Theorem

Theorem $\{\} \subseteq A$

Another Proof (using the structured rules more explicitly)

1. Note that $\{\} \subseteq A$ means $\forall x. x \in \{\} \Rightarrow x \in A$ (unfolding defn of \subseteq)

We prove the r.h.s.:

2. Consider an arbitrary x

3. Assume $x \in \{\}$

4. F by defn of \in

5. $x \in A$ from 4, by F -elimination

6. $x \in \{\} \Rightarrow x \in A$ from 3–5, by \Rightarrow -introduction

7. $\forall x. x \in \{\} \Rightarrow x \in A$ from 2–6, by \forall -introduction □

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Building new sets from old ones: powerset

Write $\mathcal{P}(A)$ for the set of all subsets of a set A .

$$\mathcal{P}\{\} = \{\{\}\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}\{7\} = \{\{\}, \{7\}\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}\{1, 2\} = \{\{\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$$

$$A \in \mathcal{P}(A)$$

(why 'power' set?)

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Building new sets from old ones: product

Write (a, b) (or sometimes $\langle a, b \rangle$) for an ordered pair of a and b

$$A \times B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$$

Similarly for triples $(a, b, c) \in A \times B \times C$ etc.

Pairing is *non-commutative*: $(a, b) \neq (b, a)$ unless $a = b$

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Pairing is *non-associative* and distinct from 3-tupling etc:

$$(a, (b, c)) \neq (a, b, c) \neq ((a, b), c) \text{ and}$$

$$A \times (B \times C) \neq A \times B \times C \neq (A \times B) \times C$$

Why 'product'?

$$\{1, 2\} \times \{\text{red}, \text{green}\} = \{(1, \text{red}), (2, \text{red}), (1, \text{green}), (2, \text{green})\}$$

We know $(a, b) = (b, a) \Rightarrow a = b$ for pairs

so why not lift the result to set product?

Theorem ? $(A \times B = B \times A) \Rightarrow A = B$

Proof?

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The first components of the pairs in $A \times B$ are from A .

The first components of the pairs in $B \times A$ are from B .

If $A \times B = B \times A$ then these must be the same, so $A = B$.

Theorem ? $(A \times B = B \times A) \Rightarrow A = B$

Proof?

1. Assume $A \times B = B \times A$

We prove $A = B$, i.e. $\forall x. x \in A \Leftrightarrow x \in B$

2. Consider an arbitrary x .

We first prove the \Rightarrow implication.

3. Assume $x \in A$.

4. Consider an arbitrary $y \in B$.

5. $(x, y) \in A \times B$ by defn \times

6. $(x, y) \in B \times A$ by 1

7. $x \in B$ by defn \times

8. $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$ from 3-7 by \Rightarrow -introduction

9. The proof of the \Leftarrow implication is symmetric

10. $\forall x. x \in A \Leftrightarrow x \in B$ from 2-9 by \forall -introduction

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Theorem

$$(A \times B = B \times A) \wedge (\exists x. x \in A) \wedge (\exists y. y \in B) \Rightarrow A = B$$

Proof

1. Assume $A \times B = B \times A \wedge (\exists x. x \in A) \wedge (\exists y. y \in B)$

1a. $A \times B = B \times A$ from 1 by \wedge -elimination

1b. $(\exists x. x \in A)$ from 1 by \wedge -elimination

1c. $(\exists y. y \in B)$ from 1 by \wedge -elimination

We prove $A = B$, i.e. $\forall x. x \in A \Leftrightarrow x \in B$

2. Consider an arbitrary x .

We first prove the \Rightarrow implication.

3. Assume $x \in A$.

4. Consider some actual $y \in B$

5. $(x, y) \in A \times B$ by defn \times

6. $(x, y) \in B \times A$ by 1a

7. $x \in B$ by defn \times

8. $x \in B$ from 1c, 4-7 by \exists -elimination

9. $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$ from 3-8 by \Rightarrow -introduction

10. The proof of the \Leftarrow implication is symmetric

11. $\forall x. x \in A \Leftrightarrow x \in B$ from 2-10 by \forall -introduction □

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Theorem

$$(A \times B = B \times A) \wedge (\exists x.x \in A) \wedge (\exists y.y \in B) \Rightarrow A = B$$

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Aside

Let $A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{n \mid n = n + 1\}$

Is $\forall x \in A.x = 7$ true?

Or $\forall x \in A.x = x + 1$? Or $\forall x \in A.1 = 2$?

Is $\exists x \in A.1 + 1 = 2$ true?

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5.1 Relations, Graphs, and Orders**Relations, Graphs, and Orders**

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Using Products: Relations

Say a (binary) *relation* R between two sets A and B is a subset of all the (a, b) pairs (where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$)

$$R \subseteq A \times B \quad (\text{or, or course, } R \in \mathcal{P}(A \times B))$$

Extremes: \emptyset and $A \times B$ are both relations between A and B

$1_A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(a, a) \mid a \in A\}$ is the *identity relation* on A

$$\emptyset \subseteq 1_A \subseteq A \times A$$

Sometimes write infix: $a R b \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (a, b) \in R$

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Relational Composition

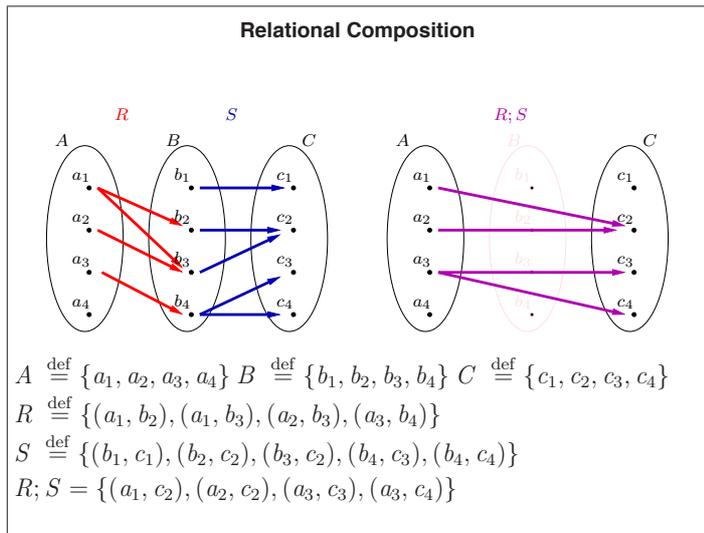
Given $R \subseteq A \times B$ and $S \subseteq B \times C$, their *relational composition* is

$$R; S \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(a, c) \mid \exists b.(a, b) \in R \wedge (b, c) \in S\}$$

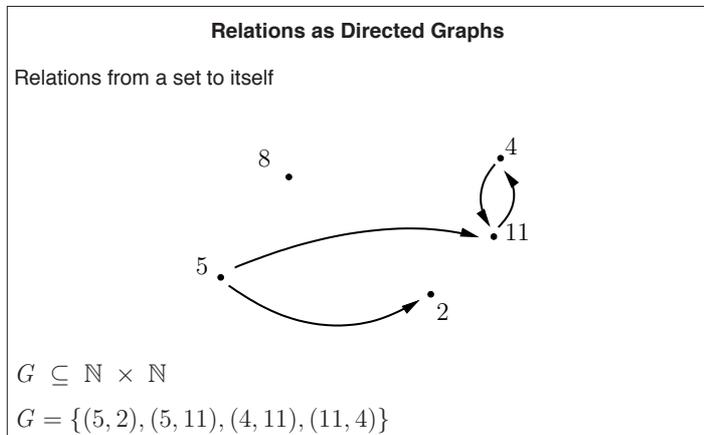
$$R; S \subseteq A \times C$$

Sometimes write that the other way round: $S \circ R \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} R; S$
(to match function composition)

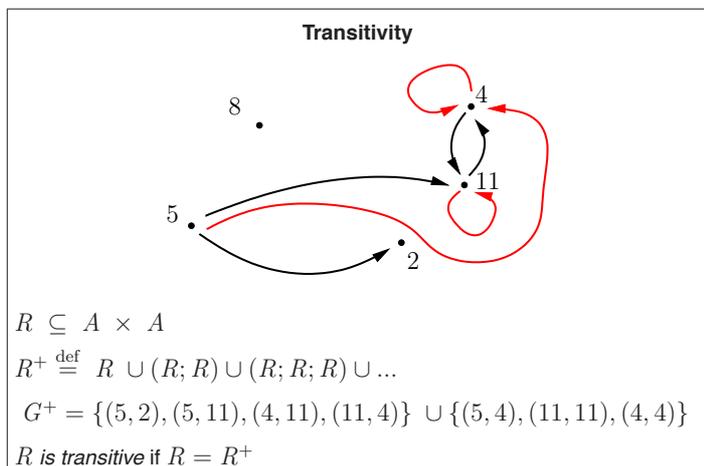
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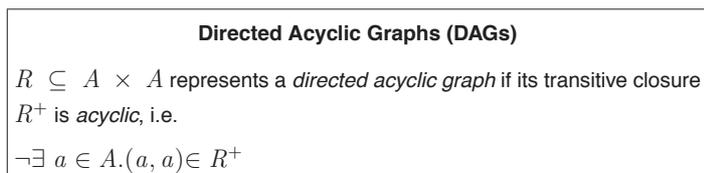
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Reflexivity

$A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{2, 4, 5, 8, 11\}$
 $G \cup 1_A =$
 $\{(5, 2), (5, 11), (4, 11), (11, 4), (2, 2), (4, 4), (5, 5), (8, 8), (11, 11)\}$
 $R \subseteq A \times A$ is reflexive (over A) if $\forall a \in A. (a, a) \in R$

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This is an *undirected* graph
 $J_0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(A, B), (A, C), (B, C), (B, E), (C, F), (E, D), (D, F), (E, G), (G, H), (H, F)\}$
 $J \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} J_0 \cup J_0^{-1}$
 where the inverse of R is
 $R^{-1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(y, x) | (x, y) \in R\}$
 so J is *symmetric*, i.e.
 $J = J^{-1}$

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Equivalence Relations

$R \subseteq A \times A$ is an *equivalence relation* (over A) if:

- R is reflexive, i.e. $\forall a \in A. (a, a) \in R$
- R is transitive, i.e. $\forall a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A. ((a_1, a_2) \in R \wedge (a_2, a_3) \in R) \Rightarrow (a_1, a_3) \in R$
- R is symmetric, i.e. $\forall a_1, a_2 \in A. (a_1, a_2) \in R \Rightarrow (a_2, a_1) \in R$

 e.g. $\{(m, n) | m \bmod 3 = n \bmod 3\}$ (over \mathbb{N})
 The *equivalence class* of $a \in A$ is all the things related to it, i.e. $\{a' | (a, a') \in R\}$

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Equivalence Relations

An equivalence relation over $\{1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 9\}$
 $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (4, 4), (2, 4), (4, 2), (7, 7), (8, 8), (9, 9), (7, 8), (8, 7), (8, 9), (9, 8), (9, 7), (7, 9)\}$
 with three equivalence classes: $\{1\}$, $\{2, 4\}$, and $\{7, 8, 9\}$

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Pre-Orders

Reflexive transitive relations are known as *pre-orders*.

Suppose $(\leq) \subseteq A \times A$ is a pre-order over A .

By the definition, $a \leq a$, and if $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3$ then $a_1 \leq a_3$.

But we can have $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_1$ for $a_1 \neq a_2$.

(Note that we drew pairs (a_1, a_2) as $a_1 \rightarrow a_2$, but write $(a_1, a_2) \in \leq$ or $a_1 \leq a_2$)

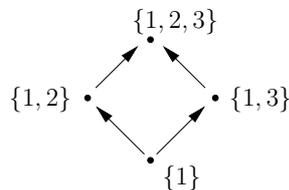
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Partial Orders

A *partial order* \leq over A is a reflexive transitive relation (so a pre-order) that is also *antisymmetric*,

$$\forall a_1, a_2 \in A. (a_1 \leq a_2 \wedge a_2 \leq a_1) \Rightarrow (a_1 = a_2)$$

For example, here's part of the \subseteq relation over sets:



(when we draw a partial order, we usually omit the refl and tran edges — these are *Hasse diagrams*)

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Total Orders

A *total order* (or *linear order*) \leq over A is a reflexive, transitive, antisymmetric relation (so a partial order) that is also *total*,

$$\forall a_1, a_2 \in A. (a_1 \leq a_2 \vee a_2 \leq a_1)$$

(in fact the reflexivity condition is redundant)

For example, here's a Hasse diagram of part of the usual \leq relation over \mathbb{N} :



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Special Relations — Summary

A relation $R \subseteq A \times A$ is a directed graph. Properties:

- transitive $\forall a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A. (a_1 R a_2 \wedge a_2 R a_3) \Rightarrow a_1 R a_3$
- reflexive $\forall a \in A. (a R a)$
- symmetric $\forall a_1, a_2 \in A. (a_1 R a_2 \Rightarrow a_2 R a_1)$
- acyclic $\forall a \in A. \neg (a R^+ a)$
- antisymmetric $\forall a_1, a_2 \in A. (a_1 R a_2 \wedge a_2 R a_1) \Rightarrow a_1 = a_2$
- total $\forall a_1, a_2 \in A. (a_1 R a_2 \vee a_2 R a_1)$

Combinations of properties: R is a ...

- directed acyclic graph if the transitive closure is acyclic
- undirected graph if symmetric
- equivalence relation if reflexive, transitive, and symmetric
- pre-order if reflexive and transitive,
- partial order if reflexive, transitive, and antisymmetric
- total order if reflexive, transitive, antisymmetric, and total

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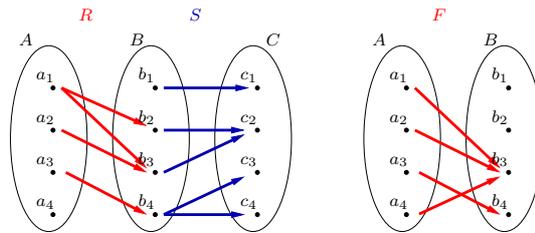
Functions

A *function* from A to B is just a relation which identifies exactly one element of B for each element of A .

$R \subseteq A \times B$ is defined to be *functional* when

$\forall a \in A. \exists b \in B. (a, b) \in R$ and

$\forall a \in A. \forall b, b' \in B. ((a, b) \in R \wedge (a, b') \in R) \Rightarrow b = b'$



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Application — Relaxed Memory: One Intel/AMD Example

Initial shared memory values: $x = 0$ $y = 0$

Per-processor registers: r_A r_B

Processor A	Processor B	Processor A	Processor B
store $x := 1$	store $y := 1$	MOV $[x] \leftarrow \$1$	MOV $[y] \leftarrow \$1$
load $r_A := y$	load $r_B := x$	MOV EAX $\leftarrow [y]$	MOV EBX $\leftarrow [x]$

Final register values: $r_A = ?$ $r_B = ?$

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Per-processor registers: r_A r_B

Processor A	Processor B	Processor A	Processor B
store $x := 1$	store $y := 1$	MOV $[x] \leftarrow \$1$	MOV $[y] \leftarrow \$1$
load $r_A := y$	load $r_B := x$	MOV EAX $\leftarrow [y]$	MOV EBX $\leftarrow [x]$

Final register values: $r_A = ?$ $r_B = ?$

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Each processor can do its own store action before the store of the other processor.

Makes it hard to understand what your programs are doing!

Already a real problem for OS, compiler, and library authors.

Application — Relaxed Memory: part of the formalisation

preserved_program_order E =
{(e₁, e₂) | (e₁, e₂) ∈ (po_strict E) ∧
((∃ p r.(loc e₁ = loc e₂) ∧
(loc e₁ = Some (Location_reg p r))) ∨
(mem_load e₁ ∧ mem_load e₂) ∨
(mem_store e₁ ∧ mem_store e₂) ∨
(mem_load e₁ ∧ mem_store e₂) ∨
(mem_store e₁ ∧ mem_load e₂ ∧ (loc e₁ = loc e₂)) ∨
((mem_load e₁ ∨ mem_store e₁) ∧ locked E e₂) ∨
(locked E e₁ ∧ (mem_load e₂ ∨ mem_store e₂)))}

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6 Induction

Induction

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In this section we will discuss different forms of proof by induction, both for natural numbers and for lists.

Example

Theorem $\sum_{i=1}^n i = n * (n + 1) / 2$

Proof By induction on n .

Base case (0): $\sum_{i=1}^0 i = 0 = 0 * 1 / 2$

Inductive case ($n + 1$): Assume $\sum_{i=1}^n i = n * (n + 1) / 2$ as the inductive hypothesis, then we have to prove

$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i = (n + 1) * ((n + 1) + 1) / 2$.

But $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i = \sum_{i=1}^n i + (n + 1) = n * (n + 1) / 2 + (n + 1) = (n + 1) * (n + 1 + 1) / 2$ □

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What's really going on?

Using a fact about \mathbb{N} , the *induction principle*

$$(P(0) \wedge (\forall n. P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1))) \Rightarrow \forall n. P(n)$$

(really a schema — that's true for any predicate P)

We think of an induction hypothesis, here taking

$$P(n) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n i = n * (n+1)/2$$

and instantiate the schema with it:

$$\begin{aligned} & ((\sum_{i=1}^0 i = 0 * (0+1)/2) \wedge \\ & (\forall n. (\sum_{i=1}^n i = n * (n+1)/2)) \\ & \Rightarrow \\ & (\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i = (n+1) * ((n+1)+1)/2) \\ & \Rightarrow \\ & \forall n. \sum_{i=1}^n i = n * (n+1)/2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & ((\sum_{i=1}^0 i = 0 * (0+1)/2) \wedge \\ & (\forall n. (\sum_{i=1}^n i = n * (n+1)/2)) \\ & \Rightarrow \\ & (\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i = (n+1) * ((n+1)+1)/2) \\ & \Rightarrow \\ & \forall n. \sum_{i=1}^n i = n * (n+1)/2 \end{aligned}$$

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Then we prove the antecedents of the top-level implication (with our normal proof techniques), and use modus ponens to conclude the consequent.

Induction on lists

An ML function to append two lists:

```
fun app ([], ys) = ys
  | app (x::xs, ys) = x :: app(xs, ys)
```

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This is *terminating* and *pure* (no mutable state, no IO, no exceptions). So we can regard it as a mathematical function `app`.

It operates on *lists*. Suppose they are lists of elements of a set A .

Is `app` associative?

Induction on lists

Theorem

$$\forall xs, ys, zs. \text{app}(\text{app}(xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$$

Proof We use the *induction schema for lists*

$$(P([]) \wedge (\forall xs. P(xs) \Rightarrow \forall x. P(x :: xs))) \Rightarrow \forall xs. P(xs)$$

with the induction hypothesis

$$P(xs) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall ys, zs. \text{app}(\text{app}(xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$$

Base case: we have to prove $P([])$,

$$\text{i.e. } \forall ys, zs. \text{app}(\text{app}([], ys), zs) = \text{app}([], \text{app}(ys, zs))$$

a. Consider arbitrary ys and zs .

b. $\text{app}(\text{app}([], ys), zs) = \text{app}(ys, zs)$ by the first clause of the defn of `app`

c. $\dots = \text{app}([], \text{app}(ys, zs))$ by the first clause of the defn of `app` (backwards)

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Inductive step: we have to prove $(\forall xs.P(xs) \Rightarrow \forall x.P(x :: xs))$

1. Consider an arbitrary xs .

2. Assume $P(xs)$

3. $\forall ys, zs. \text{app}(\text{app}(xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$ from 2, unfolding defn of P

4. Consider an arbitrary x

(now we have to prove $P(x :: xs)$, i.e.

$\forall ys, zs. \text{app}(\text{app}(x :: xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(x :: xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$)

5. Consider arbitrary ys and zs

6. $\text{app}(\text{app}(x :: xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(x :: \text{app}(xs, ys), zs)$ by the second clause of app

7. $\dots = x :: \text{app}(\text{app}(xs, ys), zs)$ by the second clause of app

8. $\dots = x :: \text{app}(xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$ instantiating 3 with $ys = ys, zs = zs$ under $x :: \dots$

9. $\dots = \text{app}(x :: xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$ by the second clause of app (backwards)

10. $P(x :: xs)$ from 5–9, by \forall -introduction and folding the defn of P

11. $\forall x.P(x :: xs)$ from 4–10 by \forall -introduction

12. $P(xs) \Rightarrow \forall x.P(x :: xs)$ from 2–11 by \Rightarrow -introduction

13. $\forall xs.P(xs) \Rightarrow \forall x.P(x :: xs)$ from 1–12 by \forall -introduction

Now from the induction scheme, (c), and (13), we have $\forall xs.P(xs)$, which (unfolding the defn of P) is exactly the theorem statement.

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Simpler proof structure: first rearrange the quantifiers

$\forall xs, ys, zs. \text{app}(\text{app}(xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$

iff

$\forall ys, zs. \forall xs. \text{app}(\text{app}(xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$

Then consider arbitrary ys and zs , and inside that do induction on lists, with induction hypothesis

$P(xs) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{app}(\text{app}(xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$

(instead of $P(xs) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall ys, zs. \text{app}(\text{app}(xs, ys), zs) = \text{app}(xs, \text{app}(ys, zs))$)

OK, as we don't need to instantiate P at different ys and zs

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Generalizing an Induction Hypothesis

ML functions for the length of a list:

```
fun nlength [] = 0
  | nlength (x::xs) = 1 + nlength xs
fun addlen (k, []) = k
  | addlen (k, x::xs) = addlen (k+1, xs)
```

(compiler optimization?) Both are terminating and pure.

Theorem ? $\text{addlen}(0, \ell) = \text{nlength}(\ell)$

Induction on ℓ – but which induction hypothesis?

$P''(\ell) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{addlen}(0, \ell) = \text{nlength}(\ell)$ too weak

$P'(\ell) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{addlen}(k, \ell) = k + \text{nlength}(\ell)$ too rigid: need to vary k

$P(\ell) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall k. \text{addlen}(k, \ell) = k + \text{nlength}(\ell)$ just right

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Base case: we need to show $P([])$, i.e. $\forall k. \text{addlen}(k, []) = k + \text{nlength}([])$

1. Consider an arbitrary k .
2. $\text{addlen}(k, []) = k = k + 0 = k + \text{nlength}(0)$ by the defn `addlen` and `nlength`

Inductive step: we need to show $(\forall \ell. P(\ell) \Rightarrow \forall x. P(x :: \ell))$

3. Consider an arbitrary ℓ

4. Assume the induction hypothesis $P(\ell)$, i.e. $\forall k. \text{addlen}(k, \ell) = k + \text{nlength}(\ell)$

5. Consider an arbitrary x
(now we have to show $P(x :: \ell)$, i.e. $\forall k. \text{addlen}(k, x :: \ell) = k + \text{nlength}(x :: \ell)$)
6. Consider an arbitrary k
7. $\text{addlen}(k, x :: \ell) = \text{addlen}(k + 1, \ell)$ by defn `addlen`
8. $\dots = (k + 1) + \text{nlength}(\ell)$ by 4, instantiating k with $k + 1$
9. $\dots = k + \text{nlength}(x :: \ell)$ by defn `nlength`
11. $\forall k. \text{addlen}(k, x :: \ell) = k + \text{nlength}(x :: \ell)$ from 6–9 by \forall -introduction
12. $P(x :: \ell)$ from 11 by folding defn P
13. $\forall x. P(x :: \ell)$ from 5–12 by \forall -introduction
14. $P(\ell) \Rightarrow \forall x. P(x :: \ell)$ from 4–13 by \Rightarrow -introduction
15. $\forall \ell. P(\ell) \Rightarrow \forall x. P(x :: \ell)$ from 3–14 by \forall -introduction

The theorem follows by instantiating P with $k = 0$ □

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...rewriting that semi-structured proof more idiomatically:

Theorem $\text{addlen}(0, \ell) = \text{nlength}(\ell)$

Proof Induction on ℓ , with I.H. $P(\ell) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall k. \text{addlen}(k, \ell) = k + \text{nlength}(\ell)$
in induction schema $(P([]) \wedge (\forall xs. P(xs) \Rightarrow \forall x. P(x :: xs))) \Rightarrow \forall xs. P(xs)$

Base case: we need to show $P([])$
Consider an arbitrary k , then $\text{addlen}(k, []) = k = k + 0 = k + \text{nlength}(0)$ by defn `addlen` and `nlength`

Inductive step: consider an arbitrary ℓ , assume $P(\ell)$, and consider an arbitrary x . We have to show $P(x :: \ell)$.

Consider an arbitrary k .
 $\text{addlen}(k, x :: \ell) = \text{addlen}(k + 1, \ell)$ by defn `addlen`
 $\dots = (k + 1) + \text{nlength}(\ell)$ by $P(\ell)$, instantiating k with $k + 1$
 $\dots = k + \text{nlength}(x :: \ell)$ by defn `nlength`

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7 Conclusion

Conclusion

We've introduced a good part of the language of discrete mathematics
(vocabulary, grammar, pragmatics...)

Fluency comes with use; you'll see that this is a remarkably flexible tool
for formulating and analysing computational problems.

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The End

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A Exercises

Exercise Sheet 1: Propositional Logic

- Let p stand for the proposition “I bought a lottery ticket” and q for “I won the jackpot”. Express the following as natural English sentences:
 - $\neg p$
 - $p \vee q$
 - $p \wedge q$
 - $p \Rightarrow q$
 - $\neg p \Rightarrow \neg q$
 - $\neg p \vee (p \wedge q)$
- Formalise the following in terms of atomic propositions r , b , and w , first making clear how they correspond to the English text.
 - Berries are ripe along the path, but rabbits have not been seen in the area.
 - Rabbits have not been seen in the area, and walking on the path is safe, but berries are ripe along the path.
 - If berries are ripe along the path, then walking is safe if and only if rabbits have not been seen in the area.
 - It is not safe to walk along the path, but rabbits have not been seen in the area and the berries along the path are ripe.
 - For walking on the path to be safe, it is necessary but not sufficient that berries not be ripe along the path and for rabbits not to have been seen in the area.
 - Walking is not safe on the path whenever rabbits have been seen in the area and berries are ripe along the path.
- Formalise these statements and determine (with truth tables or otherwise) whether they are consistent (i.e. if there are some assumptions on the atomic propositions that make it true): “The system is in a multiuser state if and only if it is operating normally. If the system is operating normally, the kernel is functioning. Either the kernel is not functioning or the system is in interrupt mode. If the system is not in multiuser state, then it is in interrupt mode. The system is not in interrupt mode.”
- When is a propositional formula P *valid*? When is P *satisfiable*?
- For each of the following propositions, construct a truth table and state whether the proposition is valid or satisfiable. (For brevity, you can just write one truth table with many columns.)
 - $p \wedge \neg p$
 - $p \vee \neg p$
 - $(p \vee \neg q) \Rightarrow q$
 - $(p \vee q) \Rightarrow (p \wedge q)$
 - $(p \Rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p)$
 - $(p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow (q \Rightarrow p)$
- For each of the following propositions, construct a truth table and state whether the proposition is valid or satisfiable.

- (a) $p \Rightarrow (\neg q \vee r)$
 (b) $\neg p \Rightarrow (q \Rightarrow r)$
 (c) $(p \Rightarrow q) \vee (\neg p \Rightarrow r)$
 (d) $(p \Rightarrow q) \wedge (\neg p \Rightarrow r)$
 (e) $(p \Leftrightarrow q) \vee (\neg q \Leftrightarrow r)$
 (f) $(\neg p \Leftrightarrow \neg q) \Leftrightarrow (q \Leftrightarrow r)$
7. Formalise the following and, by writing truth tables for the premises and conclusion, determine whether the arguments are valid.
- Either John isn't stupid and he is lazy, or he's stupid.
- (a) John is stupid.
 Therefore, John isn't lazy.
- The butler and the cook are not both innocent
- (b) Either the butler is lying or the cook is innocent
 Therefore, the butler is either lying or guilty
8. Use truth tables to determine which of the following are equivalent to each other:
- (a) P
 (b) $\neg P$
 (c) $P \Rightarrow F$
 (d) $P \Rightarrow T$
 (e) $F \Rightarrow P$
 (f) $T \Rightarrow P$
 (g) $\neg\neg P$
9. Use truth tables to determine which of the following are equivalent to each other:
- (a) $(P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge \neg Q)$
 (b) $\neg P \vee Q$
 (c) $(P \vee \neg Q) \wedge (Q \vee \neg P)$
 (d) $\neg(P \vee Q)$
 (e) $(Q \wedge P) \vee \neg P$
10. Imagine that a logician puts four cards on the table in front of you. Each card has a number on one side and a letter on the other. On the uppermost faces, you can see E, K, 4, and 7. He claims that if a card has a vowel on one side, then it has an even number on the other. How many cards do you have to turn over to check this?
11. Give a truth-table definition of the ternary boolean operation **if P then Q else R** .
12. Given the truth table for an arbitrary n -ary function $f(p_1, \dots, p_n)$ (from n atomic propositions p_1, \dots, p_n to $\{T, F\}$), describe how one can build a proposition, using only p_1, \dots, p_n and the connectives \wedge , \vee , and \neg , that has the same truth table as f . (Hint: first consider each *line* of the truth table separately, and then how to combine them.)
13. Show, by equational reasoning from the axioms in the notes, that $\neg(P \wedge (Q \vee R \vee S))$ iff $\neg P \vee (\neg Q \wedge \neg R \wedge \neg S)$

Exercise Sheet 2: Predicate Logic

1. Formalise the following statements in predicate logic, making clear what your atomic predicate symbols stand for and what the domains of any variables are.
 - (a) Anyone who has forgiven at least one person is a saint.
 - (b) Nobody in the calculus class is smarter than everybody in the discrete maths class.
 - (c) Anyone who has bought a Rolls Royce with cash must have a rich uncle.
 - (d) If anyone in the college has the measles, then everyone who has a friend in the college will have to be quarantined.
 - (e) Everyone likes Mary, except Mary herself.
 - (f) Jane saw a bear, and Roger saw one too.
 - (g) Jane saw a bear, and Roger saw it too.
 - (h) If anyone can do it, Jones can.
 - (i) If Jones can do it, anyone can.
2. Translate the following into idiomatic English.
 - (a) $\forall x.(H(x) \wedge \forall y.\neg M(x, y)) \Rightarrow U(x)$ where $H(x)$ means x is a man, $M(x, y)$ means x is married to y , $U(x)$ means x is unhappy, and x and y range over people.
 - (b) $\exists z.P(z, x) \wedge S(z, y) \wedge W(y)$ where $P(z, x)$ means z is a parent of x , $S(z, y)$ means z and y are siblings, $W(y)$ means y is a woman, and x , y , and z range over people.
3. State whether the following are true or false, where x , y and z range over the integers.
 - (a) $\forall x.\exists y.(2x - y = 0)$
 - (b) $\exists y.\forall x.(2x - y = 0)$
 - (c) $\forall x.\exists y.(x - 2y = 0)$
 - (d) $\forall x.x < 10 \Rightarrow \forall y.(y < x \Rightarrow y < 9)$
 - (e) $\exists y.\exists z.y + z = 100$
 - (f) $\forall x.\exists y.(y > x \wedge \exists z.y + z = 100)$
4. What changes above if x , y and z range over the reals?
5. Formalise the following (over the real numbers):
 - (a) Negative numbers don't have square roots
 - (b) Every positive number has exactly two square roots

Exercise Sheet 3: Structured Proof

- Give structured proofs of
 - $(P \Rightarrow Q) \Rightarrow ((Q \Rightarrow R) \Rightarrow (P \Rightarrow R))$
 - $(P \Rightarrow Q) \Rightarrow ((R \Rightarrow \neg Q) \Rightarrow (P \Rightarrow \neg R))$
 - $(P \Rightarrow (Q \Rightarrow R)) \Rightarrow (\neg R \Rightarrow (P \Rightarrow \neg Q))$(For more practice with structured proofs, try proving some of the standard logical equivalences.)
- Consider the following non-Theorem. What's wrong with the claimed proof?

Non-Theorem Suppose x and y are reals, and $x + y = 10$. Then $x \neq 3$ and $y \neq 8$.

Proof Suppose the conclusion of the Theorem is false. Then $x = 3$ and $y = 8$. But then $x + y = 11$, which contradicts the assumption that $x + y = 10$. Hence the conclusion must be true.
- Give a structured proof of $((\forall x.L(x) \Rightarrow F(x)) \wedge (\exists x.L(x) \wedge \neg C(x))) \Rightarrow \exists x.F(x) \wedge \neg C(x)$
- Give a structured proof of $(\exists x.(P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))) \Rightarrow ((\forall x.P(x)) \Rightarrow \exists x.Q(x))$
- Prove that, for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, n is even iff n^3 is even (hint: first define what 'even' means).
- Prove that the following are equivalent:
 - $\exists x.P(x) \wedge \forall y.(P(y) \Rightarrow y = x)$
 - $\exists x.\forall y.P(y) \Leftrightarrow y = x$

Exercise Sheet 4: Sets

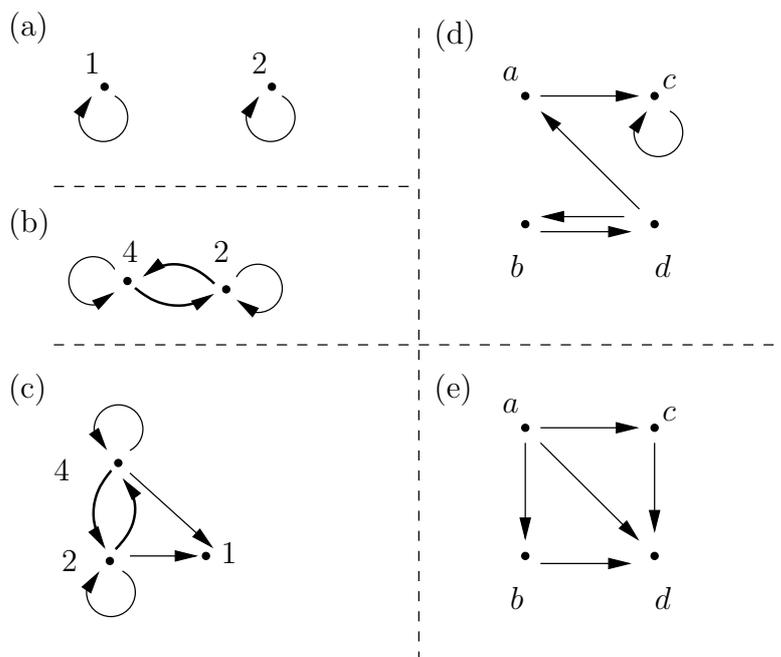
- Consider the set $A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\{\}, \{\{\}\}, \{\{\{\}\}\}\}$. If $x \in A$, how many elements might x have?
- Prove that if $A \subseteq B$ then $A \cup B = B$
- Prove that if $A \subseteq A'$ and $B \subseteq B'$ then $A \times B \subseteq A' \times B'$
- What can you say about sets A and B if you know that
 - $A \cup B = A$
 - $A \cap B = A$
 - $A - B = A$
 - $A \cap B = B \cap A$
 - $A - B = B - A$
- Draw the Hasse diagram for the subset relation \subseteq among the sets $A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{2, 4, 6\}$, $B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{2, 6\}$, $C \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{4, 6\}$, and $D \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{4, 6, 8\}$.
- Is $\mathcal{P}(A \cap B) = \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$ true for all sets A and B ? Either prove it or give a counterexample.
- Is $\mathcal{P}(A \cup B) = \mathcal{P}(A) \cup \mathcal{P}(B)$ true for all sets A and B ? Either prove it or give a counterexample.
- Draw pictures illustrating the following subsets of \mathbb{R}^2 .
 - $\{(x, y) \mid y = x^2 - x - 2\}$
 - $\{(x, y) \mid y < x\}$

$$(c) \{(x, y) \mid (y > 0 \wedge y = x)\} \cup \{(2, y) \mid y > 1\} \cup \{(0, 0)\}$$

9. Let S be a set of students, R a set of college rooms, P a set of professors, and C a set of courses. Let $L \subseteq S \times R$ be the relation containing (s, r) if student s lives in room r . Let $E \subseteq S \times C$ be the relation containing (s, c) if student s is enrolled for course c . Let $T \subseteq C \times P$ be the relation containing (c, p) if course c is lectured by professor p . Describe the following relations.

- (a) E^{-1}
- (b) $L^{-1}; E$
- (c) $E; E^{-1}$
- (d) $(L^{-1}; E); T$
- (e) $L^{-1}; (E; T)$
- (f) $(L^{-1}; L)^+$

10. For each of the following 5 relations, list its ordered pairs. Give a table showing for each whether it is reflexive, symmetric, transitive, acyclic, antisymmetric, and/or total.



11. Give a table showing, for each of the following relations over \mathbb{N} , whether it is reflexive, symmetric, transitive, or functional.

- (a) $n R m \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} n = 2m$
- (b) $n R m \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 2n = m$
- (c) $n R m \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \exists k. k \geq 2 \wedge k \text{ divides } n \wedge k \text{ divides } m$

12. (a) If R and S are directed acyclic graphs over a set A , is $R; S$? Either prove it or give a counterexample.
- (b) If R and S are directed acyclic graphs over a set A , is $R \cup S$? Either prove it or give a counterexample.
- (c) If R and S are directed acyclic graphs over a set A , is $R \cap S$? Either prove it or give a counterexample.

- (d) If R is a relation over a set A , can it be both symmetric and antisymmetric? Either give an example or prove it cannot.

Exercise Sheet 5: Inductive Proof

In all of the following, please state your induction hypothesis explicitly as a predicate.

1. Prove that, for all natural numbers n , $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = n(n+1)(2n+1)/6$.
2. Prove that, for all natural numbers x , m , and n , $x^{m+n} = x^m x^n$.
3. Prove that for all $n \geq 3$, if n distinct points on a circle are joined by consecutive order by straight lines, then the interior angles of the resulting polygon add up to $180(n-2)$ degrees.
4. Prove that, for any positive integer n , a $2^n \times 2^n$ square grid with any one square removed can be tiled with L-shaped pieces consisting of 3 squares.
5. Consider the following pair of ML function declarations:

```
fun takew p [] = []  
  | takew p (x::xs) = if p x then x :: takew p xs else []  
fun dropw p [] = []  
  | dropw p (x::xs) = if p x then dropw p xs else x::xs
```

Prove $(\text{takew } p \text{ xs}) @ (\text{dropw } p \text{ xs}) = \text{xs}$ using induction. (Assume that function p always terminates.) [Software Engineering II, 2001, p.2, q.9b]

6. Consider the following two ML functions:

```
fun sumfiv [] = 0  
  | sumfiv (x::xs) = 5*x + sumfiv xs  
fun summing z [] = z  
  | summing z (x::xs) = summing (z + x) xs
```

Prove that sumfiv xs is equal to $5 * \text{summing } 0 \text{ xs}$. [Software Engineering II, 1999, p.2, q.9c]