

Last class:

1. Intro
2. Propositional Logic

Syntax / semantics

Resolution: proof system for
propositional logic

- soundness
- completeness

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plus supplementary notes on Resolution

Announcements

- Office hours start next week

Monday 5-6 (Toni, via zoom)

Tues 2:45-3:45 (Yasaman, in person 5th floor Mudd)

Last Class (Recap)

- Course syllabus, overview/intro
- Propositional Logic
- Resolution Proof System
 - Soundness
 - Completeness

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Marking Scheme

2 assignments	20 ^{do} each
2 tests (in class)	25 ^{do} each
class participation	10 ^{do}

Dates

Homework 1	Oct 11	11:59 pm
Test 1	Oct 19	in class
Homework 2	Nov 29	11:59 pm
Test 2	Dec 7	in class

PROPOSITIONAL Logic

Inductive Definition of a Propositional Formula

1. Atoms/Propositional variables: $P_1, P_2, \dots, X, Y, Z, \dots$
are formulas
2. IF A is a formula, then so is $\neg A$
3. IF A, B are formulas, so is $(A \wedge B)$
4. " " " " " " $(A \vee B)$

Example: $((X \vee Y) \wedge (\neg X)) \vee (Z \wedge \neg Y)$

Semantics

A **truth assignment** $\tau: \overset{\text{proposition}}{\{\text{atoms}\}} \rightarrow T, F$

Annotations: "true" with an arrow pointing to T, "false" with an arrow pointing to F.

Extending τ to every formula:

$$(1) (\neg A)^\tau = T \quad \text{iff} \quad A^\tau = F$$

$$(2) (A \wedge B)^\tau = T \quad \text{iff} \quad A^\tau = T \wedge B^\tau = T$$

$$(3) (A \vee B)^\tau = T \quad \text{iff} \quad \text{either } A^\tau = T \text{ or } B^\tau = T$$

Definitions

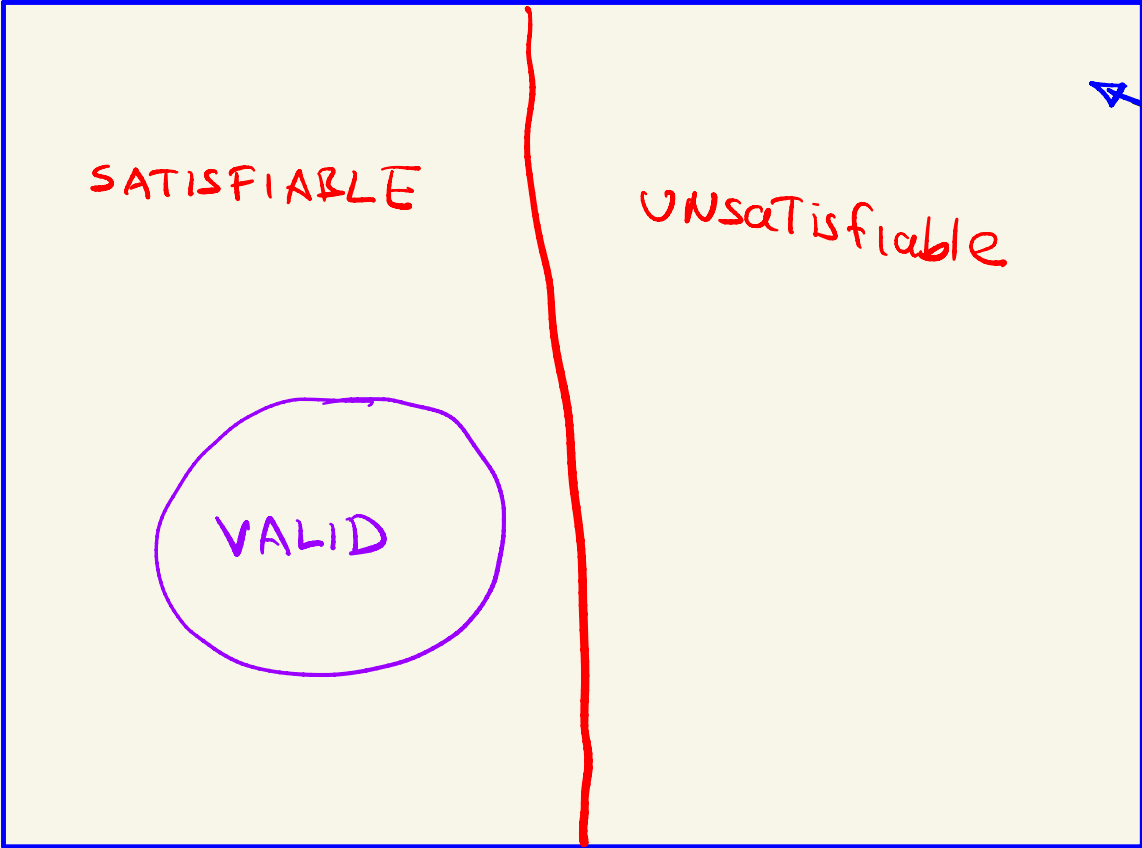
τ satisfies A iff $A^\tau = T$

A is **satisfiable** iff there exists some truth assignment τ such that $A^\tau = T$

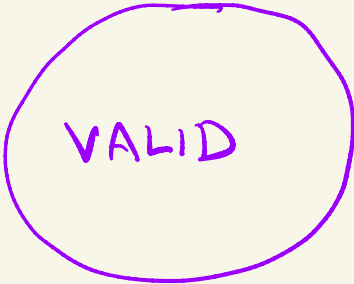
A is **unsatisfiable** iff for every truth assignment τ , $A^\tau = F$

A is a **tautology** (or **valid**) iff for every truth assignment τ , $A^\tau = T$

$\Phi \models A$ $\forall \tau$ (if τ satisfies Φ then τ must satisfy A)



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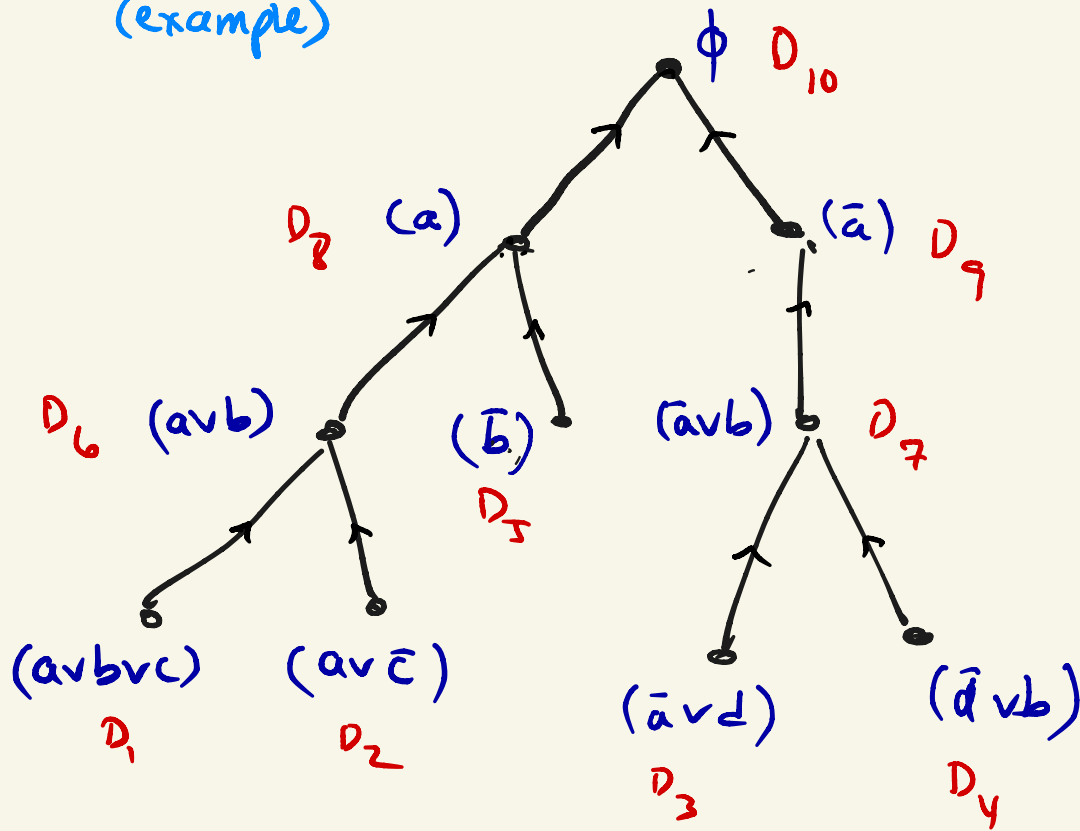
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all propositional formulas

Resolution Refutation

(example)

$$F = (a \vee b \vee c) (a \vee \bar{c}) (\bar{b}) (\bar{a} \vee d) (\bar{d} \vee b)$$



Res Rule

$(A \vee x) (B \vee \bar{x})$

$\setminus \quad /$
 $(A \vee B)$

Resolution Soundness

Fact: If C_1, C_2 derive C_3 by Resolution rule,
then $C_1, C_2 \models C_3$

(Exercise: Show $(A \vee x), (B \vee \bar{x}) \models (A \vee B)$)

From above Fact we can prove by induction:

RESOLUTION SOUNDNESS THEOREM

If a CNF formula F has a RES refutation, then F is unsatisfiable

RESOLUTION COMPLETENESS THM

Every unsatisfiable CNF formula F has a
RESOLUTION refutation

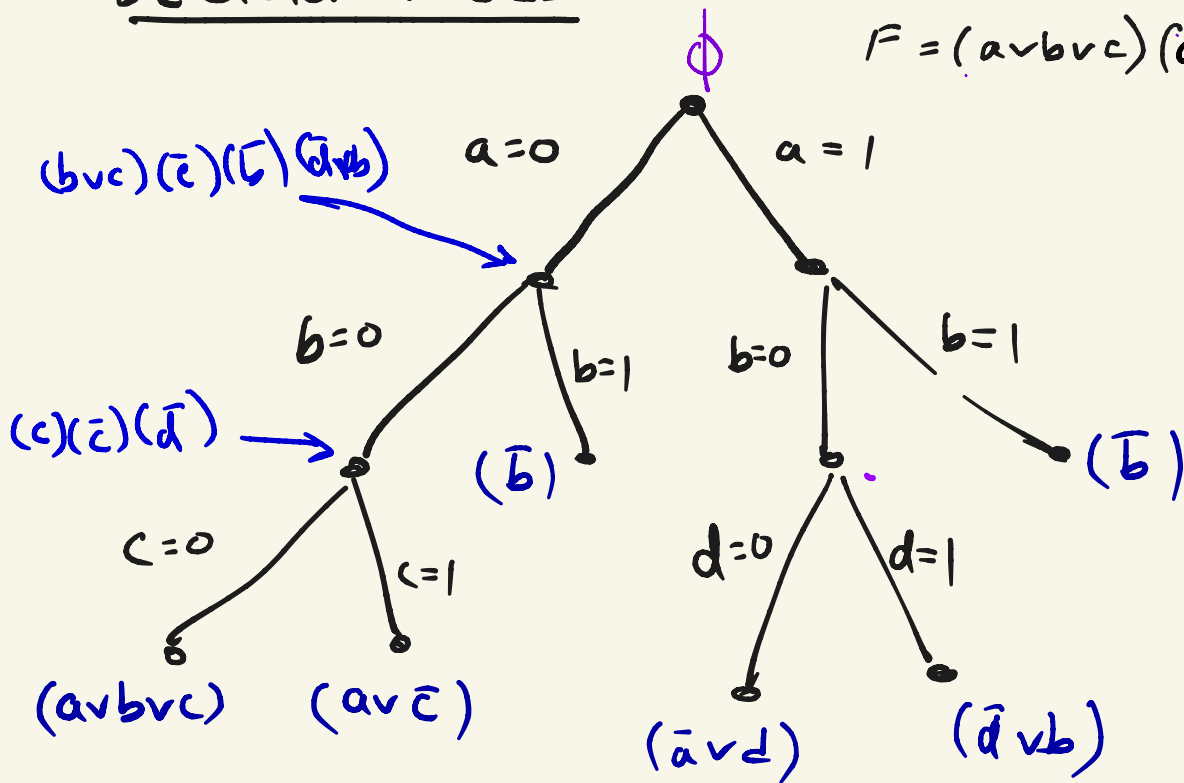
Proof idea

We describe a canonical procedure for
obtaining a RES refutation for F

The procedure exhaustively tries all
truth ass's - **via a decision tree**
then we show that any such decision
tree can be viewed as a RES refutation

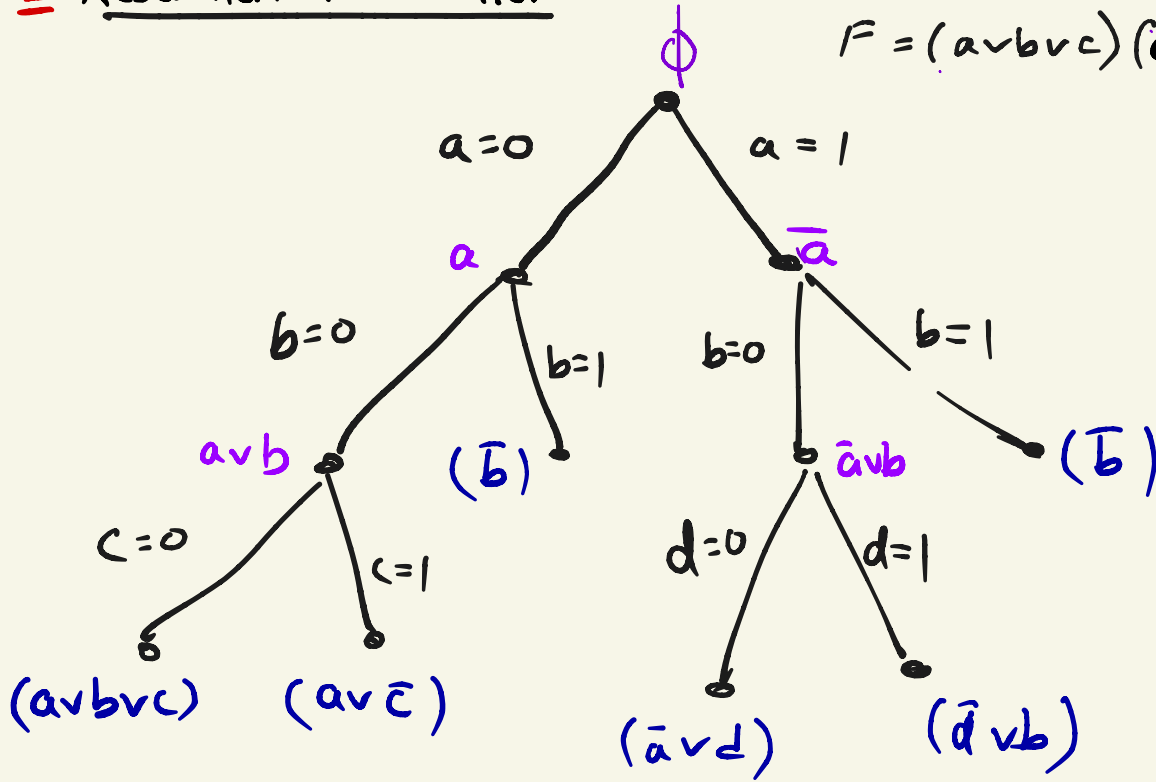
DECISION TREES

$$F = (a \vee b \vee c) (\bar{a} \vee \bar{c}) (\bar{b}) (\bar{a} \vee d) (\bar{d} \vee b)$$



Resolution Refutation

$$F = (a \vee b \vee c) (\bar{a} \vee \bar{c}) (\bar{b}) (\bar{a} \vee d) (\bar{d} \vee b)$$



Today

- Another proof system for propositional logic: PK
 - Soundness of PK
 - Completeness of PK
- Derivational Soundness / Completeness of PK
- Propositional Compactness Theorem

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THE (PROPOSITIONAL) SEQUENT CALCULUS


- A second sound + complete system for propositional logic
- More natural for proving theorems
(but more difficult as basis for automated theorem proving / SAT solving)

Why I love the sequent calculus

- Rules are very natural - 2 for each boolean connective
- Cut Rule (Modus Ponens) not needed for completeness. (This formulation requires meta-symbol " \rightarrow ")

This greatly simplifies / clarifies completeness proofs for propositional and first order logic

Sequent Calculus goes viral on Twitter



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Follow

Please help settle a marital dispute between me and [@rubengmartins](#). If you have a CS degree, did you learn sequent calculus in college?

14% Yes

15% No, but I know what it is

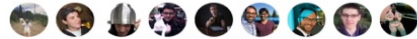
60% What is sequent calculus?

11% I don't have a CS degree

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Also tell me where you went to school in the comments if you are so inclined

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Home Moments



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Pierce Darragh 🍴 🍴 @pdarragh · 7 Sep 2018

Pretty sure it's the calculus of how to put shiny plastic things on clothing

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John Regehr @johnregehr · 7 Sep 2018

YES!!!

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kat 猫 ✨ 🧜‍♀️ ✨ @wirehead2501 · 7 Sep 2018

Replying to @justinesherry @rubengmartins

@chrisamaphone no; i have a CS BS and comp eng MS and only had to take Calc I and II. don't think i've ever heard the term "sequent"

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Chris Martens @chrisamaphone · 8 Sep 2018

But surely you have heard its plural, as in, "a sequents of events" 🤔

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jason reed @jcreed · 8 Sep 2018

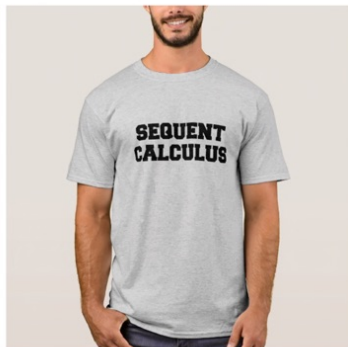
if you are against bedazzling: sequin't

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jason reed @jcreed · 8 Sep 2018

oh wait I have confused sequins with rhinestones, my bad

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Sequent Calculus Standard Shirt

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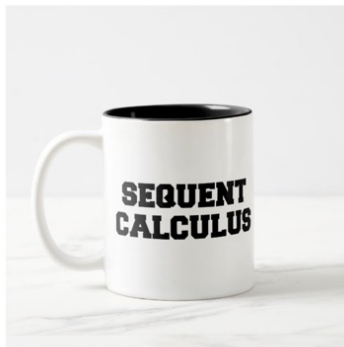
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Sequent Calculus Tote Bag

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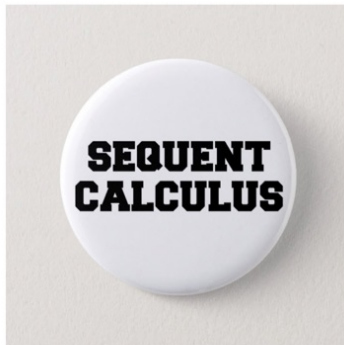
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German Sequent Calculus Shirt

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Sequent Calculus Pin

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Gentzen's PK proof system

Lines in a PK proof are **sequents**

$$\underbrace{A_1, \dots, A_k}_{\text{antecedent}} \rightarrow \underbrace{B_1, \dots, B_r}_{\text{succedent}}$$

$A_1, \dots, A_k, B_1, \dots, B_r$ are propositional formulas
 \rightarrow is a new symbol (NOT part of language of propositional logic)

Gentzen's PK proof system

Lines in a PK proof are **sequents**

$$A_1, \dots, A_k \rightarrow B_1, \dots, B_r$$

Semantics:

$$A_1 \wedge A_2 \wedge \dots \wedge A_k \supset B_1 \vee \dots \vee B_r$$

the conjunction of the A_i 's implies
the disjunction of the B_i 's

Gentzen's PK proof system

Lines in a PK proof are **sequents**

$$A_1, \dots, A_k \rightarrow B_1, \dots, B_r \quad \stackrel{d}{=} S$$

Semantics:

$$A_1 \wedge A_2 \wedge \dots \wedge A_k \supset B_1 \vee \dots \vee B_r \quad \stackrel{d}{=} A_s$$

the conjunction of the A_i 's implies
the disjunction of the B_i 's

$$S \stackrel{d}{=} A_1, \dots, A_k \rightarrow B_1, \dots, B_j$$

← sequent

$$A_s : \rightarrow (A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_k) \vee (B_1 \vee \dots \vee B_j)$$

← associated propositional formula

Gentzen's PK proof system

Lines in a PK proof are **sequents**

$$S \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A_1, \dots, A_k \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ 0 \text{ or False} \end{matrix} \quad \leftarrow A_s \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \neg(A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_k)$$

$$1 \text{ or True} \nearrow \rightarrow B_1, \dots, B_g$$

Convention Empty conjunction (antecedent empty) $\rightarrow 1$
Empty disjunction (succedent empty) $\rightarrow 0$

PK Rules

Intuitively: Structural Rules (cedents are sets)

Logical Rules (define the boolean connectives \wedge, \vee, \neg)

Cut Rule

STRUCTURAL RULES

Left

Right

Weakening

$$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}{A, \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A}$$

Exchange

$$\frac{\Gamma_1, A, B, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma_1, B, A, \Gamma_2 \rightarrow \Delta}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta_1, A, B, \Delta_2}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta_1, B, A, \Delta_2}$$

Contraction

$$\frac{\Gamma, A, A \rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma, A \rightarrow \Delta}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A, A}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A}$$

LOGICAL RULES

	Left	Right
\neg Intro	$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A}{\neg A, \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}$	$\frac{A, \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, \neg A}$
\wedge Intro	$\frac{A, B, \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}{(A \wedge B), \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}$	$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A \quad \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, B}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, (A \wedge B)}$
\vee Intro	$\frac{A, \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, \quad B, \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}{(A \vee B), \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}$	$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A, B}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, (A \vee B)}$

So we can think of

$$A_1, \dots, A_k \rightarrow B_1, \dots, B_j$$

as $\rightarrow \neg A_1 \vee \neg A_2 \vee \neg A_3 \vee \dots \vee \neg A_k \vee B_1 \vee \dots \vee B_j$

CUT RULE

$$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A \quad \Gamma, A \rightarrow \Delta}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}$$

Axiom

$$A \rightarrow A \quad \equiv \quad \underbrace{\neg A \vee A}_{\text{law of excluded middle}}$$

Example: A PK proof of a formula A is
 a PK proof of $\rightarrow A$

$P \rightarrow P$

$Q \rightarrow Q$

weakening

$P \rightarrow Q, P$

$Q \rightarrow P, Q$

\rightarrow left

$P, \neg Q \rightarrow P$

$Q, \neg P \rightarrow Q$

\neg -Left

$P, \neg P, \neg Q \rightarrow$

$Q, \neg P, \neg Q \rightarrow$

OR LEFT

$(P \vee Q), \neg P, \neg Q \rightarrow$

AND-Left

$(P \vee Q), \neg P \wedge \neg Q \rightarrow$

\neg Right

$(\neg P \wedge \neg Q) \rightarrow \neg(P \vee Q)$

PK SOUNDNESS : Every sequent provable in PK is VALID

As in the propositional case, we first verify the soundness of all rules + then prove PK soundness by induction

Lemma (Soundness of Rules)

For every rule of PK, if all top sequents are valid, then the bottom sequent is valid
also the axiom is valid

PK soundness If S has a PK proof, then A_S is valid

Example

$$\frac{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A \quad \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, B}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, (A \wedge B)}$$

AND- \rightarrow rule

Let $\Gamma = C_1, \dots, C_k$
 $\Delta = D_1, \dots, D_\ell$

Show:

Let τ be any truth ass to atoms in $\Gamma, \Delta, (A \wedge B)$

If τ satisfies $\neg(C_1 \wedge \dots \wedge C_k) \vee (D_1 \vee \dots \vee D_\ell) \vee A$] formula corresponding to $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, A$
and τ satisfies $\neg(C_1 \wedge \dots \wedge C_k) \vee (D_1 \vee \dots \vee D_\ell) \vee B$] formula for $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta, B$
Then τ satisfies $\neg(C_1 \wedge \dots \wedge C_k) \vee (D_1 \vee \dots \vee D_\ell) \vee (A \wedge B)$

PK COMPLETENESS : Every valid propositional sequent has a PK proof

- How to prove completeness?

One idea is to bootstrap off of fact that Resolution is complete.

Show: any Resolution refutation can be simulated in PK.

Then since RES is complete (for refuting UNSAT CNFs), so is PK.

- We'll give a more direct proof, via an algorithm that constructs a PK proof of any \perp that is a tautology

PK COMPLETENESS : Every valid propositional sequent has a PK proof

Main idea: again we will give an algorithm that will produce a PK proof for any valid sequent

Algorithm: write sequent at bottom (of proof)

- ① Repeatedly: pick an outermost connective in a formula in a leaf sequent of current proof + apply the rule for that connective (in reverse)
- ② Continue until all leaf sequents consist of just atoms
- ③ For each leaf sequent, ~~if~~ try to apply weakening in reverse to get $p \rightarrow p$

Show: If we run algorithm on a valid sequent $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$, then at end, all leaf sequents must contain an atom occurring both on left + right — ie $A, B, C \rightarrow A, D$

Then can finish proof by applying weakening (in reverse)

ie.

$$\frac{A \rightarrow A}{A, B, C \rightarrow A, D}$$

PK completeness (cont'd)

Key property is the INVERSION PRINCIPLE:

each PK rule except weakening has the property that \forall truth assignments τ , if τ satisfies bottom sequent, then τ satisfies both upper sequents

* called inversion since it is the reverse direction of what we needed to prove soundness: $\forall \tau$ if τ satisfies both upper sequents, then τ satisfies lower sequent

PK completeness

- If $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$ is valid, by Inversion Property, all leaf sequents generated in step ① of Algorithm are VALID, and have one less connective than sequent below
- Thus eventually step ① halts, where each leaf sequent involves only atoms and each leaf sequent is valid
 \therefore each leaf sequent looks like $A, \Gamma \rightarrow A, \Delta$
ie has an atom A on both
Left + Rt sides

PK completeness

Claim Let Π be the output of PK algorithm on input $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$.

If $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$ is valid then every leaf sequent of Π contains only atomic formulas (propositional variables) on left/right of " \rightarrow " and furthermore, there exists some atomic formula occurring on both the left & right

PF Suppose for sake of contradiction that some leaf sequent of Π is: $x_1, \dots, x_k \rightarrow y_1, \dots, y_l$ where $\{x_1, \dots, x_k\} \cap \{y_1, \dots, y_l\} = \emptyset$. Then the truth assignment τ that sets $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_k = 1$, $y_1 = y_2 = \dots = y_l = 0$ falsifies the sequent which contradicts fact that all leaf sequents of Π are valid (since $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$ assumed to be valid)

Cut - Elimination Theorem for PK

If $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$ has a PK proof, then
it has a proof with no use of
the cut rule.

Derivational Soundness + Completeness of PK

Definition Let $\bar{\Phi}$ be a set of sequents, S a sequent
A PK- $\bar{\Phi}$ proof of S is a PK-proof of S
from $\bar{\Phi}$ and axioms of PK.
(also written as $\bar{\Phi} \vdash S$)

Theorem. Let $\bar{\Phi}$ be a set of (possibly infinite)
sequents. Then $\bar{\Phi} \models S$ iff
 S has a (finite) PK- $\bar{\Phi}$ proof

$$\bar{\Phi} \models S \text{ iff } \bar{\Phi} \vdash S$$

Propositional Compactness

Theorem (Form 2, see notes for 2 other equivalent forms)

Let Φ be a set of (possibly infinite) formulas

$\Phi \models A$ iff A is a logical consequence of a finite subset of Φ

↯

We'll assume this for now and prove it after

Proof of 3 equivalent forms of Compactness as homework

Proof (Derivational Soundness/completeness)

By compactness, it suffices to prove the case where Φ is finite

- Let $\Phi = \{S_1, \dots, S_k\}$, and suppose $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$ is a logical consequence of $\{S_1, \dots, S_k\}$. Thus

(*) $\Gamma, A_{S_1}, \dots, A_{S_k} \rightarrow \Delta$ is valid

- Thus by PK completeness, (*) has a PK proof

- Derive $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$ from (*) and $\rightarrow A_{S_1}, \dots, A_{S_k}$

Derive $\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta$ from $\{ \rightarrow A_{s_1}, \rightarrow A_{s_2}, \rightarrow A_{s_3}, (*) \}$



$$\Gamma, A_{s_1}, A_{s_2}, A_{s_3} \rightarrow \Delta \xrightarrow{\rightarrow A_{s_1}} \Gamma, A_{s_2}, A_{s_3} \rightarrow \Delta, A_{s_1} \quad (\text{weakening})$$

$$\Gamma, A_{s_2}, A_{s_3} \rightarrow \Delta \quad (\text{cut}) \quad \Gamma, A_{s_3} \rightarrow \Delta, A_{s_2} \xrightarrow{\rightarrow A_{s_2}} \Gamma, A_{s_3} \rightarrow \Delta, A_{s_2} \quad (\text{weakening})$$

$$\Gamma, A_{s_3} \rightarrow \Delta \quad (\text{cut}) \quad \Gamma \rightarrow A_{s_3}, \Delta \xrightarrow{\rightarrow A_{s_3}} \Gamma \rightarrow A_{s_3}, \Delta \quad (\text{weakening})$$

$$\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta \quad \Gamma \rightarrow \Delta \quad (\text{cut})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \rightarrow \hat{\Gamma} \quad \hat{\Gamma} \rightarrow A, \hat{\Delta}}{\Gamma \rightarrow \Delta}$$

Proof (Propositional Compactness)

Suppose $\Phi \models A$. Then $\underbrace{\Phi, \neg A}_{\Psi}$ is unsatisfiable

show: If Ψ is UNSAT, then some finite subset of Ψ is UNSAT (Form 1)

Pf sketch Assume the set of underlying atoms in Ψ is countable: P_1, P_2, \dots

- Make decision tree \mathbb{I} that queries P_1 at layer 1, then P_2 at layer 2, etc.

- Each path in T corresponds to a complete truth assignment
- Prune T to T' :
For every node v of T , remove subtree rooted below v if partial truth assignment from root to v falsifies some formula $f \in \Psi$. Label v by f
- Every path in T' is finite (since Ψ unsat, so \forall truth ass to all vars, some $f \in \Psi$ is falsified, and each $f \in \Psi$ is finite)
- By König's Lemma, T' is finite

König's Lemma If T' is a rooted binary tree, where every branch/path of T' is finite, then T' is finite.

- Thus, the formulas $\psi' \in \Psi$ labelling the leaves of T' form a finite subset of Ψ , and thus ψ' is UNSAT + finite subset of Ψ .