

Solutions 8

Excercise 1: Proofs

- Give formal proofs of the validity of each of the following argument forms by making use of the valid arguments we already gave proofs of (Modus Ponens, Modus Tollens, Disjunctive Syllogism, etc). If a direct proof seems impossible, try a proof by contradiction (*reduction ad absurdum*) in the following way: Add to the premises the additional assumption that the consequence of the proof is wrong (i.e., add the negation of the consequence to the premises). Then show that this leads to a contradiction.
- Note: \perp = contradiction!

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (1) \quad 1. (p \rightarrow q) \\
 \quad \quad 2. (q \rightarrow r) \\
 \quad \quad 3. (\neg r) \\
 \quad \quad 4. (\neg q) \quad \text{MT (2, 3)} \\
 \hline
 \quad \quad \therefore (\neg p) \quad \text{MT (1, 4)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (2) \quad 1. p \\
 \quad \quad 2. (\neg r) \\
 \quad \quad 3. ((p \wedge (\neg r)) \rightarrow q) \\
 \quad \quad 4. (p \wedge (\neg r)) \quad \text{Conj. (1, 2)} \\
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 \quad \quad \therefore q \quad \text{MP (3, 4)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (3) \quad 1. (p \vee q) \\
 \quad \quad 2. (\neg q) \\
 \quad \quad 3. (r \rightarrow (\neg p)) \\
 \quad \quad 4. p \quad \text{Dis.Syll.} \\
 \hline
 \quad \quad \therefore (\neg r) \quad \text{MT (3, 4)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (4) \quad 1. (p \rightarrow (\neg q)) \\
 \quad \quad 2. (r \rightarrow q) \\
 \quad \quad 3. ((\neg r) \rightarrow s) \\
 \quad \quad 4. (q \rightarrow (\neg p)) \quad \text{Cond. (1)} \\
 \quad \quad 5. (r \rightarrow (\neg p)) \quad \text{Hyp.Syll. (2, 4)} \\
 \quad \quad 6. (p \rightarrow (\neg r)) \quad \text{Cond. (5)} \\
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 \quad \quad \therefore (p \rightarrow s) \quad \text{Hyp.Syll. (3, 6)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (5) \quad 1. ((\neg p) \vee q) \\
 \quad \quad 2. ((\neg q) \wedge r) \\
 \quad \quad 3. ((\neg(p \vee q)) \rightarrow s) \\
 \quad \quad 4. ((p \vee q) \vee s) \quad \text{Cond. (3)} \\
 \quad \quad 5. (\neg q) \quad \text{Simpl. (2)} \\
 \quad \quad 6. (\neg p) \quad \text{Dis.Syll. (1, 5)} \\
 \quad \quad 7. (p \vee (q \vee s)) \quad \text{Assoc. (4)} \\
 \quad \quad 8. (q \vee s) \quad \text{Dis.Syll (6, 7)} \\
 \quad \quad 9. s \quad \text{Dis.Syll (5, 8)} \\
 \quad \quad 10. r \quad \text{Simpl. (2)} \\
 \hline
 \quad \quad \therefore (r \wedge s) \quad \text{Conj. (9, 10)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (6) \quad 1. (p \vee (q \wedge r)) \\
 \quad \quad 2. (\neg t) \\
 \quad \quad 3. ((p \vee q) \rightarrow (s \vee t)) \\
 \quad \quad 4. (\neg p) \\
 \quad \quad 5. (\neg(p \vee q) \vee (s \vee t)) \quad \text{Cond. (3)} \\
 \quad \quad 6. ((p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)) \quad \text{Distr. (1)} \\
 \quad \quad 7. (p \vee q) \quad \text{Simpl. (6)} \\
 \quad \quad 8. (s \vee t) \quad \text{Dis.Syll (5, 7)} \\
 \quad \quad 9. s \quad \text{Dis.Syll (2, 8)} \\
 \quad \quad 10. (q \wedge r) \quad \text{Dis.Syll (1, 4)} \\
 \quad \quad 11. r \quad \text{Simpl. (10)} \\
 \hline
 \quad \quad \therefore (r \wedge s) \quad \text{Conj. (9, 11)}
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(7)

1.	$(p \rightarrow q)$	
2.	$(r \rightarrow s)$	
3.	$((\neg q) \vee (\neg s))$	
4.	p	
5.	$((t \wedge u) \rightarrow r)$	
6.	q	MP (1, 4)
7.	$(\neg s)$	Dis.Syll. (3, 6)
8.	$(\neg r)$	MT (2, 7)
9.	$(\neg(t \wedge u))$	MT (5, 8)
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\therefore	$((\neg t) \vee (\neg u))$	DeMorgan (9)

(8)

1.	$((p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow (r \wedge s)))$	
2.	$((p \wedge q) \wedge u)$	
3.	$(p \wedge q)$	Simpl. (2)
4.	$(p \rightarrow (r \wedge s))$	MP (1, 3)
5.	p	Simpl. (3)
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\therefore	$(r \wedge s)$	MP (4, 5)

(9)

1.	$(p \leftrightarrow q)$	
2.	$(\neg p)$	
3.	$((q \wedge (\neg r)) \vee t)$	
4.	$((s \vee t) \rightarrow r)$	
5.	$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p))$	Bicond. (1)
6.	$(q \rightarrow p)$	Simpl (5)
7.	$(\neg q)$	MT (2, 6)
8.	$((F \wedge (\neg r)) \vee t)$	(3, 7)
9.	$(F \vee t)$	Ident. (8)
10.	t	Ident. (9)
11.	$((s \vee T) \rightarrow r)$	(10, 4)
12.	$(T \rightarrow r)$	Ident. (11)
13.	r	MP (12)
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\therefore	$(r \wedge (\neg q))$	Conj. (12, 13)

(10)

1.	$((\neg p) \rightarrow q)$	
2.	$(r \rightarrow (s \vee t))$	
3.	$(s \rightarrow (\neg r))$	
4.	$(p \rightarrow (\neg t))$	
5.	$\neg(r \rightarrow q)$	Assumption
6.	$\neg((\neg r) \vee q)$	Cond. (5)
7.	$(r \wedge (\neg q))$	DeMorgan (6)
8.	r	Simpl. (7)
9.	$(\neg q)$	Simpl. (7)
10.	p	MT (1, 9)
11.	$(\neg t)$	MP (4, 10)
12.	$(s \vee t)$	MP (2, 8)
13.	s	Dis.Syll. (11, 12)
14.	$(\neg r)$	MP (3, 13)
15.	$(r \wedge (\neg r)) \not\downarrow$	Conj. (8, 14)
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\therefore	$(r \rightarrow q)$	Negation (5)

(11)

1.	$(p \rightarrow (q \wedge r))$	
2.	$(q \rightarrow s)$	
3.	$(r \rightarrow t)$	
4.	$((s \wedge t) \rightarrow (\neg u))$	
5.	u	
6.	p	Assumption
7.	$(q \wedge r)$	MP (1, 6)
8.	q	Simpl. (7)
9.	r	Simpl. (7)
10.	s	MP (2, 8)
11.	t	MP (3, 9)
12.	$(s \wedge t)$	Conj. (10, 11)
13.	$(\neg u)$	MP (4, 12)
14.	$(u \wedge (\neg u)) \not\downarrow$	Conj. (5, 13)
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\therefore	$(\neg p)$	Negation (6)

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(12)	1.	p	
	2.	$((p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r))$	
	3.	$((p \vee q) \rightarrow (\neg r))$	
	4.	$((\neg(p \vee q)) \vee (\neg r))$	Cond. (3)
	5.	$((\neg p) \wedge (\neg q)) \vee (\neg r)$	DeMorgan (4)
	6.	$((F \wedge (\neg q)) \vee (\neg r))$	(1, 5)
	7.	$(F \vee (\neg r))$	Ident. (6)
	8.	$(\neg r)$	Ident. (7)
	9.	$((p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge F))$	(2, 8)
	10.	$((p \wedge q) \vee F)$	Ident. (9)
	11.	$(p \wedge q)$	Ident. (10)
	12.	q	Simpl. (11)
	13.	$(\neg(p \leftrightarrow q))$	Assumption
	14.	$(\neg((p \rightarrow q)) \wedge (q \rightarrow p))$	Bicond. (13)
	15.	$(\neg(p \rightarrow q) \vee (\neg(q \rightarrow p)))$	DeMorgan (14)
	16.	$((\neg((\neg p) \vee q)) \vee (\neg((\neg q) \vee p)))$	Cond. (15)
	17.	$((p \wedge (\neg q)) \vee (q \wedge (\neg p)))$	DeMorgan (16)
	18.	$((p \wedge F) \vee (q \wedge F))$	(1, 12, 17)
	19.	$(F \vee F)$	Ident. (18, 2 \times)
	20.	$F \not\vdash$	Ident. (19)
	\therefore	$(p \leftrightarrow q)$	Negation (13)