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Recap: Formal components of a proof

- constructing a proof/argument consists of two parts
 - a number of statements, called **premises**: these are just statements that we, for the sake of argument, assume to be True
 - a **conclusion**, whose truth is demonstrated to necessarily follow from the assumed truth of the premises

$$\begin{array}{l} (1) \quad \text{premise 1} \\ \quad \text{premise 2} \\ \quad \dots \\ \hline \therefore \text{ conclusion} \end{array}$$

- a proof is called **valid** iff there is no uniform assignment of truth values to its atomic statements which makes all its premises true and its conclusion false
- a proof is called **invalid** iff there is at least one uniform assignment of truth values to its atomic statements which makes all its premises true and its conclusion false
- premises and conclusion of a proof are related by the conditional $\rightarrow$
(premise 1 $\wedge$ premise 2 $\wedge \dots \rightarrow$ conclusion)

Recap: Proofs

- let us remind ourselves of this based on the proof Modus Tollens

$$\begin{array}{l} (2) \quad \text{If Jack drinks beer, he will get drunk.} \\ \quad \text{Jack doesn't get drunk.} \\ \hline \therefore \text{ Jack doesn't drink beer.} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (3) \quad (p \rightarrow q) \\ \quad (\neg q) \\ \hline \therefore (\neg p) \end{array}$$

- we show the validity of the proof with a truth table (all values are True in the last column)

p	q	$(p \rightarrow q)$	$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (\neg q))$	$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (\neg q)) \rightarrow (\neg p)$
1	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	1
0	1	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1

Recap: Fallacies (invalid proofs)

- example of an invalid proof: **fallacy of affirming the consequent**

$$\begin{array}{l} (5) \quad \text{If Marie eats another pizza, she will get sick.} \\ \quad \text{Marie gets sick.} \\ \hline \therefore \text{ Marie eats another pizza.} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (6) \quad (p \rightarrow q) \\ \quad q \\ \hline \therefore p \end{array}$$

- we can show that the proof is invalid with a truth table (not all values are True in the last column)

p	q	$(p \rightarrow q)$	$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge q)$	$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge q) \rightarrow p$
1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
0	0	1	0	1

Simple proofs

(8) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(9) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(10) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(11) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(12) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(13) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(14) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

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(8) Modus Ponens

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(11) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(12) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(13) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(14) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove t !

(15) *simple proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$
2. $(p \vee s)$
3. $(q \rightarrow r)$
4. $(s \rightarrow t)$
5. $(\neg r)$
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
9. t

Simple proofs

(8) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(9) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(10) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(11) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(12) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(13) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(14) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove t !

(15) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$
2. $(p \vee s)$
3. $(q \rightarrow r)$
4. $(s \rightarrow t)$
5. $(\neg r)$
6. $(\neg q)$ 3,5 MT
7. $(\neg p)$ 1,6 MT
8. s 2,7 DS
9. t 4,8 MP

Simple proofs: Reverse engineering

(16) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(17) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(18) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(19) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(20) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(21) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(22) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

t is part of 4.

With which proof can we move from 4. to t?

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove *t* !

(23) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$
2. $(p \vee s)$
3. $(q \rightarrow r)$
4. $(s \rightarrow t)$
5. $(\neg r)$
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
9. *t*

Simple proofs: Reverse engineering

(16) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(17) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(18) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(19) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(20) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(21) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(22) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

t is part of 4.

With which proof can we move from 4. to t?

With MP, but only if s is true!

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove *t* !

(23) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$
2. $(p \vee s)$
3. $(q \rightarrow r)$
4. $(s \rightarrow t)$
5. $(\neg r)$
- 6.
- 7.
8. *s*
9. *t*

4,8 MP

Simple proofs: Reverse engineering

(24) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(25) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(26) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(27) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(28) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(29) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(30) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

s is part of 2.

With which proof can we move from 2. to s?

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove *t* !

(31) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$
2. $(p \vee s)$
3. $(q \rightarrow r)$
4. $(s \rightarrow t)$
5. $(\neg r)$
- 6.
- 7.
8. *s*
9. *t*

4,8 MP

Simple proofs: Reverse engineering

(24) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(25) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(26) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(27) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(28) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(29) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(30) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

s is part of 2.

With which proof can we move from 2. to s?

With DS, but only if $(\neg p)$ is true!

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove *t* !

(31) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$

2. $(p \vee s)$

3. $(q \rightarrow r)$

4. $(s \rightarrow t)$

5. $(\neg r)$

6.

7. $(\neg p)$

8. *s* 2,7 DS

9. *t* 4,8 MP

Simple proofs: Reverse engineering

(32) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(33) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(34) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(35) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(36) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(37) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(38) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

p is part of 1. and 2.

With which proof can we move from either 2. or 1. to $(\neg p)$?

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove *t* !

(39) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$

2. $(p \vee s)$

3. $(q \rightarrow r)$

4. $(s \rightarrow t)$

5. $(\neg r)$

6.

7. $(\neg p)$

8. *s* 2,7 DS

9. *t* 4,8 MP

Simple proofs: Reverse engineering

(32) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(33) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(34) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(35) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(36) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(37) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(38) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

p is part of 1. and 2.

With which proof can we move from either 2. or 1. to $(\neg p)$?

With MT, but only if $(\neg q)$ is true!

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove *t* !

(39) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$
2. $(p \vee s)$
3. $(q \rightarrow r)$
4. $(s \rightarrow t)$
5. $(\neg r)$
6. $(\neg q)$
7. $(\neg p)$ 1,6 MT
8. *s* 2,7 DS
9. *t* 4,8 MP

Simple proofs: Reverse engineering

(40) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(41) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(42) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(43) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(44) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(45) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(46) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

Does $(\neg q)$ follow from any of the premises 1.-5.?

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove t !

(47) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$
2. $(p \vee s)$
3. $(q \rightarrow r)$
4. $(s \rightarrow t)$
5. $(\neg r)$
6. $(\neg q)$
7. $(\neg p)$ 1,6 MT
8. s 2,7 DS
9. t 4,8 MP

Simple proofs: Reverse engineering

(40) Modus Ponens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(41) Modus Tollens

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(42) Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(43) Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(44) Simplification

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(45) Conjunction

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(46) Addition

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

Does $(\neg q)$ follow from any of the premises 1.-5.?

Yes, with MT, we can conclude $(\neg q)$ from 3. and 5.!

Given the premises 1.-5. we can prove t !

(47) simple proof:

1. $(p \rightarrow q)$
2. $(p \vee s)$
3. $(q \rightarrow r)$
4. $(s \rightarrow t)$
5. $(\neg r)$
6. $(\neg q)$ 3,5 MT
7. $(\neg p)$ 1,6 MT
8. s 2,7 DS
9. t 4,8 MP

Complex proofs

(48) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(49) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(50) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(51) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(52) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(53) **Identity Laws:**

- a. $x \vee \text{False} \Leftrightarrow x$
- b. $x \wedge \text{False} \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$
- c. $x \vee \text{True} \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$
- d. $x \wedge \text{True} \Leftrightarrow x$

(54) **Conditional Laws:**

- a. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg p) \vee q)$
- b. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg q) \rightarrow (\neg p))$

(55) **Commutative Laws:**

- a. $x \vee y \Leftrightarrow y \vee x$
- b. $x \wedge y \Leftrightarrow y \wedge x$

(56) **Associative Laws:**

- a. $(x \vee y) \vee z \Leftrightarrow x \vee (y \vee z)$
- b. $(x \wedge y) \wedge z \Leftrightarrow x \wedge (y \wedge z)$

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(57) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$
2. $(\neg r)$
3. $((\neg p) \vee (q \vee r))$ 1 Cond
4. $((\neg p) \vee q) \vee r$ 3 Ass
5. $((\neg p) \vee q) \vee F$ 4 Neg
6. $((\neg p) \vee q)$ 5 Ident
7. $(p \rightarrow q)$ 6 Cond

Complex proofs: Reverse engineering

(58) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ p \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(63) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \\ q \end{array}}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(59) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (\neg q) \end{array}}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(64) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

(60) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (q \rightarrow r) \end{array}}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

Is there a proof such that we can conclude $(p \rightarrow q)$ given our premises?

(61) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \vee q) \\ (\neg p) \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(62) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(65) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$

2. $(\neg r)$

3.

4.

5.

6.

7. $(p \rightarrow q)$

Complex proofs: Reverse engineering

(58) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ p \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(63) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \\ q \end{array}}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(59) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (\neg q) \end{array}}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(64) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

(60) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (q \rightarrow r) \end{array}}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

Is there a proof such that we can conclude $(p \rightarrow q)$ given our premises?

Not really ... we have to make use of equivalence laws to substitute our conclusion into a formula we can work with.

(61) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \vee q) \\ (\neg p) \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(62) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(65) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$

2. $(\neg r)$

3.

4.

5.

6.

7. $(p \rightarrow q)$

Complex proofs: Reverse engineering

(66) Idempotent Laws:

a. $(x \vee x) \Leftrightarrow x$

b. $(x \wedge x) \Leftrightarrow x$

(67) Complement Laws:

a. $p \vee (\neg p) \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$

b. $\neg(\neg p) \Leftrightarrow p$

c. $p \wedge (\neg p) \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$

(68) Identity Laws:

a. $x \vee \text{False} \Leftrightarrow x$

b. $x \wedge \text{False} \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$

c. $x \vee \text{True} \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$

d. $x \wedge \text{True} \Leftrightarrow x$

(69) Commutative Laws:

a. $x \vee y \Leftrightarrow y \vee x$

b. $x \wedge y \Leftrightarrow y \wedge x$

(70) Distributive Laws:

a. $p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$

b. $p \wedge (q \vee r) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

(71) DeMorgan's Laws:

a. $\neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p) \wedge (\neg q)$

b. $\neg(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p) \vee (\neg q)$

(72) Conditional Laws:

a. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg p) \vee q)$

b. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg q) \rightarrow (\neg p))$

(73) Associative Laws:

a. $(x \vee y) \vee z \Leftrightarrow x \vee (y \vee z)$

b. $(x \wedge y) \wedge z \Leftrightarrow x \wedge (y \wedge z)$

Which laws can we apply to $(p \rightarrow q)$?

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(74) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$

2. $(\neg r)$

3.

4.

5.

6.

7. $(p \rightarrow q)$

Complex proofs: Reverse engineering

(66) Idempotent Laws:

a. $(x \vee x) \Leftrightarrow x$

b. $(x \wedge x) \Leftrightarrow x$

(67) Complement Laws:

a. $p \vee (\neg p) \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$

b. $\neg(\neg p) \Leftrightarrow p$

c. $p \wedge (\neg p) \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$

(68) Identity Laws:

a. $x \vee \text{False} \Leftrightarrow x$

b. $x \wedge \text{False} \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$

c. $x \vee \text{True} \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$

d. $x \wedge \text{True} \Leftrightarrow x$

(69) Commutative Laws:

a. $x \vee y \Leftrightarrow y \vee x$

b. $x \wedge y \Leftrightarrow y \wedge x$

(70) Distributive Laws:

a. $p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$

b. $p \wedge (q \vee r) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

(71) DeMorgan's Laws:

a. $\neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p) \wedge (\neg q)$

b. $\neg(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p) \vee (\neg q)$

(72) Conditional Laws:

a. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg p) \vee q)$

b. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg q) \rightarrow (\neg p))$

(73) Associative Laws:

a. $(x \vee y) \vee z \Leftrightarrow x \vee (y \vee z)$

b. $(x \wedge y) \wedge z \Leftrightarrow x \wedge (y \wedge z)$

Which laws can we apply to

$(p \rightarrow q)$?

Conditional laws! The first one seems more promising...

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(74) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$

2. $(\neg r)$

3.

4.

5.

6. $((\neg p) \vee q)$

7. $(p \rightarrow q)$

6 Cond

Complex proofs: Reverse engineering

(75) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ p \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(80) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \\ q \end{array}}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(76) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (\neg q) \end{array}}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(81) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

(77) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (q \rightarrow r) \end{array}}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

*The next proof is difficult to see.
We will derive 6. by applying DS
with the help of premise 2. What
would be the other statement we
have to create?*

(78) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \vee q) \\ (\neg p) \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(79) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(82) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$

2. $(\neg r)$

3.

4.

5.

6. $((\neg p) \vee q)$

7. $(p \rightarrow q)$

6 Cond

Complex proofs: Reverse engineering

(75) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} (p \rightarrow q) \\ p \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(80) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} p \\ q \end{array}}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(76) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (\neg q) \end{array}}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(81) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

(77) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (q \rightarrow r) \end{array}}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

*The next proof is difficult to see.
We will derive 6. by applying DS
with the help of premise 2. What
would be the other statement we
have to create?*

(78) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} (p \vee q) \\ (\neg p) \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

*We have to create the disjunction
which is the first premise of DS!*

(79) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(82) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$

2. $(\neg r)$

3.

4.

5. $(r \vee ((\neg p) \vee q))$

6. $((\neg p) \vee q)$ 2,5 DS

7. $(p \rightarrow q)$ 6 Cond

Complex proofs: Reverse engineering

(83) Idempotent Laws:

a. $(x \vee x) \Leftrightarrow x$

b. $(x \wedge x) \Leftrightarrow x$

(84) Complement Laws:

a. $p \vee (\neg p) \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$

b. $\neg(\neg p) \Leftrightarrow p$

c. $p \wedge (\neg p) \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$

(85) Identity Laws:

a. $x \vee \text{False} \Leftrightarrow x$

b. $x \wedge \text{False} \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$

c. $x \vee \text{True} \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$

d. $x \wedge \text{True} \Leftrightarrow x$

(86) Commutative Laws:

a. $x \vee y \Leftrightarrow y \vee x$

b. $x \wedge y \Leftrightarrow y \wedge x$

(87) Distributive Laws:

a. $p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$

b. $p \wedge (q \vee r) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

(88) DeMorgan's Laws:

a. $\neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p) \wedge (\neg q)$

b. $\neg(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p) \vee (\neg q)$

(89) Conditional Laws:

a. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg p) \vee q)$

b. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg q) \rightarrow (\neg p))$

(90) Associative Laws:

a. $(x \vee y) \vee z \Leftrightarrow x \vee (y \vee z)$

b. $(x \wedge y) \wedge z \Leftrightarrow x \wedge (y \wedge z)$

How does that help us?

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q) !$

(91) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$

2. $(\neg r)$

3.

4.

5. $(r \vee ((\neg p) \vee q))$

6. $((\neg p) \vee q)$ 2,5 DS

7. $(p \rightarrow q)$ 6 Cond

Complex proofs: Reverse engineering

(83) Idempotent Laws:

a. $(x \vee x) \Leftrightarrow x$

b. $(x \wedge x) \Leftrightarrow x$

(84) Complement Laws:

a. $p \vee (\neg p) \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$

b. $\neg(\neg p) \Leftrightarrow p$

c. $p \wedge (\neg p) \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$

(85) Identity Laws:

a. $x \vee \text{False} \Leftrightarrow x$

b. $x \wedge \text{False} \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$

c. $x \vee \text{True} \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$

d. $x \wedge \text{True} \Leftrightarrow x$

(86) Commutative Laws:

a. $x \vee y \Leftrightarrow y \vee x$

b. $x \wedge y \Leftrightarrow y \wedge x$

(87) Distributive Laws:

a. $p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$

b. $p \wedge (q \vee r) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

(88) DeMorgan's Laws:

a. $\neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p) \wedge (\neg q)$

b. $\neg(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p) \vee (\neg q)$

(89) Conditional Laws:

a. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg p) \vee q)$

b. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow ((\neg q) \rightarrow (\neg p))$

(90) Associative Laws:

a. $(x \vee y) \vee z \Leftrightarrow x \vee (y \vee z)$

b. $(x \wedge y) \wedge z \Leftrightarrow x \wedge (y \wedge z)$

How does that help us?

It turns out that we can simplify 1. to 5.!

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(91) *complex proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$

2. $(\neg r)$

3. $((\neg p) \vee (q \vee r))$ 1 Cond

4. $((\neg p) \vee q) \vee r$ 3 Ass

5. $(r \vee ((\neg p) \vee q))$ 4 Comm

6. $((\neg p) \vee q)$ 2,5 DS

7. $(p \rightarrow q)$ 6 Cond

Direct conditional proofs

- complex proofs such as the one we just went through are tricky
- fortunately, there is a simpler method for such a proof, i.e. a proof where the conclusion is a conditional
- if the conclusion of a proof contains a conditional as the main connective, we can use a method of argumentation called **conditional proof**
 - suppose a proof has premises: $p_1, p_2, \dots p_n$ and $(q \rightarrow r)$ as the conclusion
 - in the conditional proof, we add the antecedent q of the conclusion as an additional **auxiliary premise**
 - we then derive r from the premises $p_1, p_2, \dots p_n$ and the auxiliary premise q
- the validity of the conditional proof is based on the following logical equivalence:

$$(92) \quad (p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \Leftrightarrow (p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n \wedge q) \rightarrow r$$

Direct conditional proofs

- a conditional proof begins with the assumption that the antecedent is true, then logical reasoning is used to show that the consequent must also be true (given other premises)
- a conditional proof shows that the antecedent implies the consequent

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q) !$

(93) *complex proof:*

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3. $((\neg p) \vee (q \vee r))$ 1 Cond
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Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q) !$

(94) *conditional proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$
2. $(\neg r)$
3. p Aux
4. $|$
5. $|$
6. q
7. $(p \rightarrow q)$ 3-6 CP

Direct conditional proofs

(95) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ p \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(100) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \\ q \end{array}}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(96) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (\neg q) \end{array}}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(101) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

(97) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (q \rightarrow r) \end{array}}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

What are the next steps?

(98) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \vee q) \\ (\neg p) \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(99) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q) !$

(102) *conditional proof:*

1. $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$
2. $(\neg r)$
3. $\quad p$ Aux
4. $\quad |$
5. $\quad |$
6. $\quad q$
7. $(p \rightarrow q)$ 3-6 CP

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|----|------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$ | |
| 2. | $(\neg r)$ | |
| 3. | p | Aux |
| 4. | $(q \vee r)$ | 1,3 MP |
| 5. | | |
| 6. | q | |
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| 2. | $(\neg r)$ | |
| 3. | p | Aux |
| 4. | $(q \vee r)$ | 1,3 MP |
| 5. | $(r \vee q)$ | 4 Comm |
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| 5. | $(r \vee q)$ | 4 Comm |
| 6. | q | 2,5 DS |
| 7. | $(p \rightarrow q)$ | 3-6 CP |

Direct conditional proofs

- conditional proofs are called conditional because they rely on an additional premise
- the conclusion is true under the condition that the auxiliary premise is true

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q) !$

(103) *complex proof:*

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|----|------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$ | |
| 2. | $(\neg r)$ | |
| 3. | $((\neg p) \vee (q \vee r))$ | 1 Cond |
| 4. | $((\neg p) \vee q) \vee r$ | 3 Ass |
| 5. | $(r \vee ((\neg p) \vee q))$ | 4 Comm |
| 6. | $((\neg p) \vee q)$ | 2,5 DS |
| 7. | $(p \rightarrow q)$ | 6 Cond |

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q) !$

(104) *conditional proof:*

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|----|------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | $(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$ | |
| 2. | $(\neg r)$ | |
| 3. | p | Aux |
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| 6. | q | 2,5 DS |
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Direct conditional proofs

- conditional proofs are called conditional because they rely on additional premise
- the conclusion is true under the condition that the auxiliary assumption is true
- we indicate with a vertical bar every line of the proof which is based on the auxiliary premise
- this is to remind ourselves that we are working with an additional special assumption
- it is very important to always cancel that auxiliary premise by the rule of Conditional Proof before ending the entire proof (means going back to original position)
- under the assumption that p is true, the conditional $(p \rightarrow q)$ holds
- $(p \rightarrow q)$ does not follow directly from premises 1. and 2.

Given the premises 1.-2. we can prove $(p \rightarrow q)$!

(105) *conditional proof*:

1.	$(p \rightarrow (q \vee r))$	
2.	$(\neg r)$	
3.	p	Aux
4.	$(q \vee r)$	1,3 MP
5.	$(r \vee q)$	4 Comm
6.	q	2,5 DS
7.	$(p \rightarrow q)$	3-6 CP

Nested conditional proofs

- a conditional proof can be more complicated with two levels of embedding
 - two auxiliary premises = two vertical bars, one inside the other where the inner bar depends on the outer bar
 - we can always use a statement from a higher level in a lower level
 - but we may not use a statement from a lower level in a higher level
 - under the assumption that p is true, the conditional $(p \rightarrow s)$ holds
 - under the assumption that $(q \rightarrow s)$ is true, the conditional $((q \rightarrow s) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow s))$ holds

Given the premise 1. we can prove $((q \rightarrow s) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow s))!$

(106) *conditional proof:*

1.	$(p \rightarrow (q \wedge r))$	
2.	$(q \rightarrow s)$	Aux
3.	p	Aux
4.		
5.		
6.	s	
7.	$(p \rightarrow s)$	3-6 CP
8.	$((q \rightarrow s) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow s))$	2-7 CP

Nested conditional proofs

(107) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ p \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \\ q \end{array}}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(108) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (\neg q) \end{array}}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(113) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

What are the next steps?

(109) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (q \rightarrow r) \end{array}}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

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(111) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

Given the premise 1. we can prove
 $((q \rightarrow s) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow s))$!

(114) *conditional proof:*

1.	$(p \rightarrow (q \wedge r))$	
2.	$(q \rightarrow s)$	Aux
3.	p	Aux
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Nested conditional proofs

(107) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(112) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(108) **Modus Tollens**

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Direct conditional proofs: Exercise

(115) **Modus Ponens**

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(121) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

What is the auxiliary assumption?

Given the premises 1.-3. we can prove $(s \rightarrow (t \rightarrow u))$!

(122) *conditional proof:*

$$1. \quad (p \vee (t \rightarrow u))$$

$$2. \quad (p \rightarrow q)$$

$$3. \quad ((\neg s) \vee (\neg q))$$

$$4. \quad \text{Aux}$$

$$5.$$

$$6.$$

$$7.$$

$$8. \quad (s \rightarrow (t \rightarrow u)) \quad 4-7 \text{ CP}$$

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- 6.
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| 2. | $(p \rightarrow q)$ | |
| 3. | $((\neg s) \vee (\neg q))$ | |
| 4. | s | Aux |
| 5. | $(\neg q)$ | 3,4 DS |
| 6. | | |
| 7. | $(t \rightarrow u)$ | |
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| 7. | $(t \rightarrow u)$ | 1,6 DS |
| 8. | $(s \rightarrow (t \rightarrow u))$ | 4-7 CP |

Indirect conditional proofs

- the types of proofs we have seen are all direct proofs and direct conditional proofs
- that means the goal of the proof has been to prove q from a premise p , where we have started with p and ended with q
- indirect proofs aim at contradictions
- this form of argumentation uses the logic of **reductio ad absurdum**, which we have seen earlier
 - we still start with premise p , but we introduce the **negation of the conclusion**, i.e. $(\neg q)$ **as an auxiliary premise**
 - then we try to derive a contradiction
 - if we derive a contradiction, then we have indirectly shown that q does follow from p by showing that $(\neg q)$ is not compatible with p
 - if we don't derive a contradiction, then we have indirectly shown that the proof is not valid after all and that q does not follow from p
- an indirect proof is a type of conditional proof since it uses an auxiliary premise
- unlike in the conditional proofs seen earlier, the auxiliary premise here is not a part of the conclusion: rather, it is the negation of the conclusion
- also: the conclusion itself doesn't need to be in a conditional form, it could even be an atomic statement

Indirect conditional proofs

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(128) **Conjunction**

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(124) **Modus Tollens**

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(129) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

(125) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \rightarrow q) \\ (q \rightarrow r) \end{array}}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

What is the auxiliary assumption?

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (p \vee q) \\ (\neg p) \end{array}}{\therefore q}$$

(127) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

Given the premises 1.-3. we can prove p !

(130) *indirect proof:*

1. $(p \vee q)$

2. $(q \rightarrow r)$

3. $(\neg r)$

4. Aux

5.

6.

7.

8. p 4-7 IP

Indirect conditional proofs

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*What is the auxiliary assumption?
What are the next steps?*

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| 1. | $(p \vee q)$ | |
| 2. | $(q \rightarrow r)$ | |
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What are the next steps?*

Given the premises 1.-3. we can prove p !

(130) *indirect proof:*

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|----|---------------------|--------|
| 1. | $(p \vee q)$ | |
| 2. | $(q \rightarrow r)$ | |
| 3. | $(\neg r)$ | |
| 4. | $(\neg p)$ | Aux |
| 5. | q | 1,4 DS |
| 6. | | |
| 7. | | |
| 8. | p | 4-7 IP |

Indirect conditional proofs

(123) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(124) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(125) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(126) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(127) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(128) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(129) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

*What is the auxiliary assumption?
What are the next steps?*

Given the premises 1.-3. we can prove p !

(130) *indirect proof:*

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|----|---------------------|--------|
| 1. | $(p \vee q)$ | |
| 2. | $(q \rightarrow r)$ | |
| 3. | $(\neg r)$ | |
| 4. | $(\neg p)$ | Aux |
| 5. | q | 1,4 DS |
| 6. | r | 2,5 MP |
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Indirect conditional proofs

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(124) **Modus Tollens**

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(125) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(126) **Dis. Syll.**

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(127) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

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|----|-----------------------|----------|
| 1. | $(p \vee q)$ | |
| 2. | $(q \rightarrow r)$ | |
| 3. | $(\neg r)$ | |
| 4. | $(\neg p)$ | Aux |
| 5. | q | 1,4 DS |
| 6. | r | 2,5 MP |
| 7. | $(r \wedge (\neg r))$ | 3,6 Conj |
| 8. | p | 4-7 IP |

Indirect conditional proofs: Exercise

(131) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(132) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(133) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(134) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(135) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(136) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(137) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

*What is the auxiliary assumption?
What are the next steps?*

Given the premises 1.-3. we can prove m !

(138) *indirect proof:*

1. $(\neg m) \rightarrow (n \wedge o)$

2. $(n \rightarrow p)$

3. $(o \rightarrow (\neg p))$

4. Aux

5.

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7.

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10.

11. m 4-10 IP

Indirect conditional proofs

(139) **Modus Ponens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad p}{\therefore q}$$

(140) **Modus Tollens**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (\neg q)}{\therefore (\neg p)}$$

(141) **Hyp. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \quad (q \rightarrow r)}{\therefore (p \rightarrow r)}$$

(142) **Dis. Syll.**

$$\frac{(p \vee q) \quad (\neg p)}{\therefore q}$$

(143) **Simplification**

$$\frac{(p \wedge q)}{\therefore p}$$

(144) **Conjunction**

$$\frac{p \quad q}{\therefore (p \wedge q)}$$

(145) **Addition**

$$\frac{p}{\therefore (p \vee q)}$$

What is the auxiliary assumption?

Given the premises 1.-3. we can prove m !

(146) *indirect proof:*

$$1. \quad (\neg m) \rightarrow (n \wedge o)$$

$$2. \quad (n \rightarrow p)$$

$$3. \quad (o \rightarrow (\neg p))$$

$$4. \quad \quad \quad \text{Aux}$$

$$5.$$

$$6.$$

$$7.$$

$$8.$$

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$$10.$$

$$11. \quad m \quad \quad \quad 4-10 \text{ IP}$$

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