Exercises for the Course

Logic

Obligatory Exercises 1



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Exercise O1.1

(Validity and Proof Calculi)

Consider the following formulae.

$$F_1: ((p \to q) \land (q \to r)) \to (p \to r)$$
 ("Transitivity")

$$F_2: \forall x \exists y (p(x) \land (p(y) \to q(x))) \to \forall z q(z)$$
 ("A modus ponens")

$$F_3: ((p \to r) \land (q \to r)) \to (p \to q)$$
 ("Permuted transitivity")

- a) Prove the validity of formulae F_1 and F_2 in the sequent calculus (make sure you respect the Eigenvariable condition when proving F_2).
- b) Prove the validity of formulae F_1 and F_2 in the resolution calculus. First, translate the negated formula into clausal form.
- c) Show that formula F_3 is invalid by specifying a counter model using the sequent calculus.

Exercise O1.2

(Adding a Logical Operator)

The logical operator \uparrow is defined as follows: $A \uparrow B \equiv \neg (A \land B)$.

Extend the LK calculus by rules for the \uparrow operator, such that the operator is supported "natively", i.e. the premises/assumptions of the new rules should only contain A, B, and $A \uparrow B$ (and no additional logical operators, such as \neg or \land should be used or introduced).

- a) Specify the two new rules \uparrow -left and \uparrow -right that have to be added to the rules of the *sequent calculus LK* as defined in Lecture 2 (slides 35 and 36).
- b) There is a central part of the soundness proof for propositional LK, where a property is shown separately for each of the rules of the calculus.
 - What is this property? Show that it holds for your two rules.
- c) Resolution works on formulae in clause form. For a resolution-based theorem proving programme to work with full 1st-order or propositional formulae, these are tramsformed to clause form before starting resolution. What would have to be changed in such a theorem prover to make it accept formulae with a \(\gamma\) operator?