

Problem Set 5
Due Monday, Nov. 29.

Formal Logic

Math 430, Fall 2004

1. Which of the following rules are sound (proof or counterexample):

- (a)
$$\frac{\Gamma \varphi_1 \quad \psi_1}{\Gamma (\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) \quad (\psi_1 \vee \psi_2)}$$
- (b)
$$\frac{\Gamma \varphi \frac{y}{x}}{\Gamma \forall x \varphi} \quad \text{if } y \notin \text{fr}(\Gamma \forall x \varphi)$$
- (c)
$$\frac{\Gamma \varphi}{\Gamma \forall x \varphi}$$
- (d)
$$\frac{\Gamma \exists x \varphi}{\Gamma \forall x \varphi}$$

2. Let $S = \{f\}$ where f is a 2-place function symbol. Compute

$$\left((\exists v_2 f v_2 v_2 = v_0) \frac{v_2}{v_0} \right) \frac{f v_0 v_1}{v_2}.$$

3. Let S be a symbol set, let x be a variable, and let t be an S -term. Show that for every S -formula φ :

- (a) $\varphi \frac{x}{x} = \varphi$;
 (b) if $x \notin \text{fr}(\varphi)$, then $\varphi \frac{t}{x} = \varphi$.

(Proceed by induction on the construction of φ .)

4. Using the rules of the sequent calculus, show that the following two rules are derivable. Here as usual “ $\varphi \rightarrow \psi$ ” is shorthand for “ $(\neg \varphi \vee \psi)$ ”.

$$\frac{\Gamma \varphi \quad \psi}{\Gamma \varphi \rightarrow \psi} \quad \frac{\Gamma \quad \varphi \rightarrow \psi}{\Gamma \varphi \quad \psi}$$

(Please turn.)

5. Let $S = \{R\}$ where R is a 2-place relation symbol. Proof or counterexample:

(a) $\forall y \exists x Rxy \vdash \exists x \forall y Rxy$

(b) $\forall y \exists x Rxy \vdash \neg \exists x \forall y Rxy$.

6. (Extra credit.) The rules of the sequent calculus depend on the choice of a symbol set S . Suppose that R is a 1-place relation symbol not in S and let $\Gamma \varphi$ be a sequent over S (i.e., not involving the symbol R). Show: if $\Gamma \varphi$ is derivable in the sequent calculus for $S \cup \{R\}$, then $\Gamma \varphi$ is also derivable in the sequent calculus for S . (Hint: replace every occurrence of R in a derivation of $\Gamma \varphi$ inductively by the equation $x = x$.)