Exercises to the lecture Logics Sheet 1

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Exercise 1.1 [Structural Induction]

The depth t(A) of a formula A is defined as follows.

- If A is atomic, then t(A) = 0.
- If $A \equiv (B * C)$ for a binary connective *, then

$$t(A) = \max\{t(B), t(C)\} + 1.$$

• If $A \equiv \neg(B)$, then t(A) = t(B) + 1.

Furthermore, let |A| be the length of the formula A, i.e., the number of symbols in A, counting parentheses.

Prove by structural induction that in every correctly bracketed formula

- a) the number of opening and the number of closing parentheses coincide.
- b) $|A| \leq 5k + 1$, where k is the number of occurrences of connectives in A.
- c) $|A| \leq 4 \cdot 2^{t(A)} 3.$

Exercise 1.2 [Semantics of formulae]

a) Let φ be a valuation with $\varphi(p) = 1$ and $\varphi(q) = \varphi(r) = 0$. Calculate

 $\varphi((r \lor (\neg (p \land q))))$

step-by-step using the definition of the evaluation of valuations.

- b) Prove or disprove that $p \to (q \to (p \lor r))$ is a tautology.
- c) Prove or disprove $p \to q \models q \to p$.
- d) Prove or disprove $p \lor q \models \neg (\neg p \land \neg q)$.

Exercise 1.3 [Deduction theorem]

- a) Let A_1, \ldots, A_n, B be formulae in propositional logic. Show that $A_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge A_n \models B$ provided that $(A_1 \rightarrow (A_2 \rightarrow (\cdots (A_{n-1} \rightarrow A_n) \cdots) \models B)$.
- b) Let Σ be a set of formulae and B a formula in propositional logic. Show that $\Sigma \models B$ if and only if $\Sigma \cup \{\neg B\}$ is unsatisfiable.

Exercise 1.4 [Paths in rooted trees]

A rooted tree is a tree in which one node is chosen as the root and the edges are directed such that their source is closer to the root than their target. A rooted path is a path that starts in the root. For each rooted path P, we write \hat{P} for the set of nodes it meets. A subset of nodes is called rooted path set if it is of the form \hat{P} for some rooted path P.

Let $V = \{a_1, \ldots, a_n\}$ be the nodes of a rooted tree and let p_1, \ldots, p_n be atomic formulae. The subsets of V and the valuations on p_1, \ldots, p_n are in one-to-one correspondence, where the set $S \subseteq V$ corresponds to the valuation φ for which

$$\varphi(p_i) = 1$$
 if and only if $a_i \in S$

for each $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$.

- a) For the rooted tree on the right, present a formula A for which $\varphi(A) = 1$ if and only if φ corresponds to a rooted path set.
- b) Devise a general method that, given a rooted tree T, constructs a formula A such that $\varphi(A) = 1$ if and only if φ corresponds to a rooted path set in T.



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