

## 2.2 Rules II

### $\wedge$ E (Eliminating the ‘and’)

$p \wedge q \vdash p$  and  $p \wedge q \vdash q$  are both valid, so

**If we have a step of the form  $p \wedge q$  in the proof, then we can deduce  $p$  and we can deduce  $q$ .**

### $\wedge$ I (Introducing ‘and’)

$p, q \vdash p \wedge q$  is valid, so

**If we have steps of the form  $p$  and  $q$  in the proof, then we can deduce  $p \wedge q$ .**

### $\vee$ I (Introducing ‘or’)

$p \vdash p \vee q$  and  $p \vdash q \vee p$  are valid, so

**If a step of the form  $p$  occurs, then we can deduce  $p \vee q$ , and we can deduce  $q \vee p$ , for any  $q$ .**

### $\vee$ E (Eliminating ‘or’)

$p \vee q, p \rightarrow r, q \rightarrow r \vdash r$  is valid, so

**If a step of the form  $p \vee q$  occurs and we can deduce  $r$  from  $p$  and we can deduce  $r$  from  $q$ , then we can deduce  $r$ .**

**Notes** (i)  $\vee$ I is important as it is the only rule of inference that allows a proposition to be in the conclusion that isn’t in the premises.

(ii) In  $\vee$ E we require two *sub-proofs*, i.e. add  $p$  to the original premises and deduce  $r$  **then** add  $q$  to the original premises and deduce  $r$ . We then “sum up” by saying that in both cases we deduce  $r$ .

**Example 23** (i)  $A, A \rightarrow D \vdash A \wedge D$

1	$A$	$A$
2	$A \rightarrow D$	$A$
3	$D$	MPP 1,2
4	$A \wedge D$	$\wedge$ I, 1,3

(ii)  $A, (A \vee B) \rightarrow D \vdash D$

1	$A$	$A$
2	$A \vee B$	$\vee$ I,1
2	$(A \vee B) \rightarrow D$	$A$
3	$D$	MPP 1,2

(iii)  $A \wedge C, (A \vee B) \rightarrow D \vdash D \wedge C$

1	$A \wedge C$	A	
2	$A$	$\wedge E$ 1	
3	$A \vee B$	$\vee I$ 2	
4	$(A \vee B) \rightarrow D$	A	
5	$D$	MPP 3,4	
6	$C$	$\wedge E$ 1	
7	$D \wedge C$	$\wedge I$ 5,6	

Therefore the argument is valid.

**Example 24** (i)  $p \vee q, p \rightarrow s, q \rightarrow t \vdash s \vee t$

1	$p \vee q$	A	
2	[ $p$	$A(\vee E)$	
3	$p \rightarrow s$	A	first sub-proof
4	$s$	MPP 2,3	
5	$s \vee t$	$\vee I$ 4	
6	[ $q$	$A(\vee E)$	
7	$q \rightarrow t$	A	second sub-proof
8	$t$	MPP 6,7	
9	$s \vee t$	$\vee I$ 8	
10	$s \vee t$	$\vee E$ 2-9	

Therefore the argument is valid.

(ii)  $p \vee q, s \rightarrow \neg p, s \rightarrow \neg q \vdash \neg s$

1	$p \vee q$	A	
2	[ $p$	$A(\vee E)$	
3	$\neg(\neg p)$	DN 2	first sub-proof
4	$s \rightarrow \neg p$	A	
5	$\neg s$	MTT 3,4	
6	[ $q$	$A(\vee E)$	
7	$\neg(\neg q)$	DN 6	second sub-proof
8	$s \rightarrow \neg q$	MPP 6,7	
9	$\neg s$	MTT 7,8	
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**Examples** (i)  $A \rightarrow B, A \vdash B,$  (ii)  $(p \vee q) \rightarrow B, p \vee q \vdash B,$   
 (iii)  $(p \vee q) \rightarrow (s \wedge t), p \vee q \vdash s \wedge t.$

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So all these five arguments have the same form.

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 (iii)  $(m \rightarrow n) \rightarrow (k \rightarrow \ell), \neg(k \rightarrow \ell) \vdash \neg(m \rightarrow n).$

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Solutions

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	6	$\neg(\neg q)$	DN 5		6	$\neg(\neg(s \vee t))$	DN 5
	7	$\neg r \rightarrow \neg q$	A		7	$(\neg(k \wedge \ell)) \rightarrow (\neg(s \vee t))$	A
	8	$\neg(\neg r)$	MTT 6,7		8	$\neg(\neg(k \wedge \ell))$	MTT 6,7
	9	$r$	DN 8		9	$k \wedge \ell$	DN 8
	10	$r$	$\vee E$ 2-9		10	$k \wedge \ell$	$\vee E$ 2-9

**Examples** (i)  $p, p \rightarrow q, q \rightarrow r \vdash r$

(ii)  $s \vee t, (s \vee t) \rightarrow (m \wedge n), (m \wedge n) \rightarrow (k \rightarrow \ell) \vdash k \rightarrow \ell$

Solutions

	1	$p$	A		1	$s \vee t$	A
	2	$p \rightarrow q$	A		2	$(s \vee t) \rightarrow (m \wedge n)$	A
(i)	3	$q$	MPP 1,2	(ii)	3	$m \wedge n$	MPP 1,2
	4	$q \rightarrow r$	A		4	$(m \wedge n) \rightarrow (k \rightarrow \ell)$	A
	5	$r$	MPP 3,4		5	$k \rightarrow \ell$	MPP 3,4

**Examples** (i)  $p, q \rightarrow \neg p, (\neg r) \rightarrow q \vdash r$

(ii)  $A \rightarrow B, (C \rightarrow D) \rightarrow \neg(A \rightarrow B), (\neg(E \rightarrow F)) \rightarrow (C \rightarrow D) \vdash E \rightarrow F$

Solutions

	1	$p$	A		1	$A \rightarrow B$	A
	2	$q \rightarrow \neg p$	A		2	$(C \rightarrow D) \rightarrow \neg(A \rightarrow B)$	A
	3	$\neg(\neg p)$	DN 1		3	$\neg(\neg(A \rightarrow B))$	DN 1
(i)	4	$\neg q$	MTT 2,3	(ii)	4	$\neg(C \rightarrow D)$	MTT 2,3
	5	$(\neg r) \rightarrow q$	A		5	$(\neg(E \rightarrow F)) \rightarrow (C \rightarrow D)$	A
	6	$\neg(\neg r)$	MTT 4,5		6	$\neg(\neg(E \rightarrow F))$	MTT 4,5
	7	$r$	DN 6		7	$E \rightarrow F$	DN 6