

Elementary Logic

- **Propositions:**

A **proposition** is any statement that is either **true** or **false**.

- Examples - The following are propositions:

- Julius Caesar was president of the United States.
- $2 + 2 = 4$.
- $2 + 3 = 7$.
- If a set has n elements, then it has 2^n subsets.
- $x + y = y + x$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.
- $2^n = n^2$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- If the world is flat, then $2 + 2 = 4$.

- Examples - The following are not propositions:

- Why is induction important?
- Go directly to jail.
- Either that dog goes or I do.
(truth value not generally known)
- $x - y = y - x$.
(domain of the symbols is not specified)

- Examples - Ambiguous propositions:

- Teachers are overpaid.
- CIS 11 is fun.

Compound Propositions

- Simple propositions can be combined, using standard connective symbols, to obtain compound propositions.

- **Standard Connective Symbols**

- \neg 'not' or negation
- \wedge 'and'
- \vee 'or' (inclusive)
- \rightarrow 'implies' or the conditional implication
- \leftrightarrow 'if and only if' or the biconditional
- \oplus 'xor' or exclusive or

- **Examples:**

- The number 4 is positive and the number 3 is negative.

Let p = the number 4 is positive.

Let q = the number 3 is negative.

The compound proposition can be written as $p \wedge q$.

- If the world is flat, then $2 + 2 = 4$.

Let r = the world is flat.

Let $s = 2 + 2 = 4$.

The compound proposition can be written as $r \rightarrow s$.

- It is not true that 3 is an even number or 7 is a prime.

Let p = 3 is an even number.

Let q = 7 is a prime.

The compound proposition can be written as $\neg(p \vee q)$.

- **Converse:**

The **converse** of $p \rightarrow q$ is $q \rightarrow p$.

(the two do not always have the same truth value)

- **Contrapositive:**

The **contrapositive** of $p \rightarrow q$ is $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$.

(the two always have the same truth value)

- **Example:**

- Proposition:

If it is raining, then there are clouds in the sky.

- Converse:

If there are clouds in the sky, then it is raining.

- Contrapositive:

If there are no clouds in the sky, then it is not raining.

- **Sufficient and Necessary Conditions:**

If $p \rightarrow q$, then p is a **sufficient condition** for q , and q is a **necessary condition** for p .

- To pass this course, it is necessary to work hard.

$p \rightarrow q$; but, q is not sufficient for p .

Note: p is called the **antecedent**, q is called the **consequent**.

Quantifiers

- \forall - **Universal Quantifier** - 'for all':

$\forall x p(x)$ - compound proposition

$\forall x p(x)$ is true if $p(x)$ is true for every x in U ;
otherwise $\forall x p(x)$ is false.

- \exists - **Existential Quantifier** - 'there exists':

$\exists x p(x)$ - compound proposition

$\exists x p(x)$ is true if $p(x)$ is true for at least one x in U ;
otherwise $\exists x p(x)$ is false.

- Example:

- For each n in \mathbb{N} , let $p(n)$ be the proposition $n^2 = n$.

$\forall n p(n)$ is false. (e.g., $n = 3$)

$\exists n p(n)$ is true. ($n = 0$ or $n = 1$)

- Examples - Use of \forall and \exists as abbreviations:

- $x + y = y + x$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$

$$x + y = y + x \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

- $2^n = n^2$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\exists n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } 2^n = n^2.$$

- Examples - omission of understood quantifiers:

$$(x + y) + z = x + (y + z) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall y \in \mathbb{R}, \forall z \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x + y) + z = x + (y + z) \quad \forall x \forall y \forall z \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x + y) + z = x + (y + z) \quad \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x + y) + z = x + (y + z) \quad \text{for all } x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Proving $\forall x p(x)$ is false:

To **disprove** $\forall x p(x)$, it is enough to show that one of its propositions is false. This can be done with a **counterexample**.

- Example:

- All prime numbers are odd.

- The number 2 is a counterexample.

Propositional Calculus

A formal set of rules for analyzing and manipulating propositions. It provides a mechanical method for calculating the truth value of complicated propositions.

- **Truth Tables:**

Let:

TRUE = T = 1

FALSE = F = 0

- Truth Table for $\neg p$:

<u>p</u>	<u>$\neg p$</u>
0	1
1	0

- Truth Table for $p \vee q$:

<u>p</u>	<u>q</u>	<u>$p \vee q$</u>
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

- Truth Table for $p \wedge q$:

<u>p</u>	<u>q</u>	<u>$p \wedge q$</u>
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

- Truth Table for $p \rightarrow q$:

<u>p</u>	<u>q</u>	<u>$p \rightarrow q$</u>
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

Truth Tables for Compound Propositions

A truth table for a compound proposition built up from propositions p, q, r, \dots is a table giving the truth values of the compound proposition in terms of the truth values of p, q, r, \dots . We call p, q, r, \dots the **variables** of the truth table and of the compound proposition.

- Example: $(p \wedge q) \vee \neg(p \rightarrow q)$

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

One can use a simpler truth table, with the same thought process by writing the truth values under the connectives.

p	q	$(p \wedge q)$	\vee	\neg	$(p \rightarrow q)$
0	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	0	1
step	1 1	2	4	3	2

- Example: $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge [(q \wedge \neg r) \rightarrow (p \vee r)]$

	p	q	r	$(p \rightarrow q)$	\wedge	$[(q \wedge \neg r) \rightarrow (p \vee r)]$			
	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	
	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	
	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	
	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	
	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	
	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	
	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	
step	1	1	1	2	5	3	2	4	2

- Example: $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$

	p	q	$(p \rightarrow q)$	\wedge	$(q \rightarrow p)$
	0	0	1	1	1
	0	1	1	0	0
	1	0	0	0	1
	1	1	1	1	1
#	1	1	2	3	2

- The **Biconditional** $p \leftrightarrow q$:

p	q	$p \leftrightarrow q$
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Tautologies

A compound proposition that is always true is called a **tautology**.

- Example: $p \rightarrow p$ is a tautology

p	p \rightarrow p
0	1
1	1

- Example: $[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q$ is a tautology

p	q	[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)]	\rightarrow	q
0	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1
step	1	1	3	2

- Example: $\neg(p \vee q) \leftrightarrow (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$ is a tautology

p	q	\neg (p \vee q)	\leftrightarrow	(\neg p \wedge \neg q)
0	0	1	0	1 1
0	1	0	1	1 0 0
1	0	0	1	0 0 1
1	1	0	1	0 0 0
step	1	1	3	2 4 2 3 2

Contradictions

A compound proposition that is always false is called a **contradiction**.

- Example: $p \wedge \neg p$ is a contradiction

p	$\neg p$	$p \wedge \neg p$
0	1	0
1	0	0

Logical Equivalence

Two compound propositions, P and Q, are **logically equivalent**, $P \Leftrightarrow Q$, if they have the same truth values for all possible choices of truth values of the variables; i.e.,

$P \Leftrightarrow Q$ iff $P \leftrightarrow Q$ is a tautology.

● Logical Equivalences:

1. $\neg\neg p \Leftrightarrow p$

double negation

2a. $(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow (q \vee p)$

commutative laws

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

c. $(p \leftrightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow (q \leftrightarrow p)$

3a. $[(p \vee q) \vee r] \Leftrightarrow [p \vee (q \vee r)]$

associative laws

b. $[(p \wedge q) \wedge r] \Leftrightarrow [p \wedge (q \wedge r)]$

4a. $[p \vee (q \wedge r)] \Leftrightarrow [(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)]$

distributive laws

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

5a. $(p \vee p) \Leftrightarrow p$

idempotent laws

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

6a. $(p \vee c) \Leftrightarrow p$

identity laws

b. $(p \vee t) \Leftrightarrow t$

(t - tautology)

c. $(p \wedge c) \Leftrightarrow c$

(c - contradiction)

d. $(p \wedge t) \Leftrightarrow p$

7a. $(p \vee \neg p) \Leftrightarrow t$
b. $(p \wedge \neg p) \Leftrightarrow c$

8a. $\neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$
b. $\neg(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p \vee \neg q)$
c. $(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow \neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q)$
d. $(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow \neg(\neg p \vee \neg q)$

DeMorgan's laws

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

contrapositive

10a. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p \vee q)$
b. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow \neg(p \wedge \neg q)$

implication

11a. $(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow q)$
b. $(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow \neg(p \rightarrow \neg q)$

12a. $[(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \Leftrightarrow [(p \vee q) \rightarrow r]$
b. $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)] \Leftrightarrow [p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)]$

13. $(p \leftrightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow [(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)]$

equivalence

14. $[(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r] \Leftrightarrow [p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]$

exportation law

15. $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow [(p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow c]$

reductio ad absurdum

Logical Implications

Given two compound propositions P and Q, we say that P **logically implies** Q, $P \Rightarrow Q$, in case Q has truth value true whenever P has truth value true; i.e.,

$P \Rightarrow Q$ iff $P \rightarrow Q$ is a tautology.

● Logical Implications:

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|---|--|
| 16. $p \Rightarrow (p \vee q)$ | addition |
| 17. $(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow p$ | simplification |
| 18. $(p \rightarrow c) \Rightarrow \neg p$ | absurdity |
| 19. $[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \Rightarrow q$ | modus ponens |
| 20. $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge \neg q] \Rightarrow \neg p$ | modus tollens |
| 21. $[(p \vee q) \wedge \neg p] \Rightarrow q$ | disjunctive syllogism |
| 22. $p \Rightarrow [q \rightarrow (p \wedge q)]$ | |
| 23. $[(p \leftrightarrow q) \wedge (q \leftrightarrow r)] \Rightarrow (p \leftrightarrow r)$ | transitivity of \leftrightarrow |
| 24. $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \Rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$ | transitivity of \rightarrow
or hypothetical syllogism |
| 25a. $(p \rightarrow q) \Rightarrow [(p \vee r) \rightarrow (q \vee r)]$ | |
| b. $(p \rightarrow q) \Rightarrow [(p \wedge r) \rightarrow (q \wedge r)]$ | |
| c. $(p \rightarrow q) \Rightarrow [(q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)]$ | |
| 26a. $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (r \rightarrow s)] \Rightarrow [(p \vee r) \rightarrow (q \vee s)]$ | constructive |
| b. $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (r \rightarrow s)] \Rightarrow [(p \wedge r) \rightarrow (q \wedge s)]$ | dilemmas |
| 27a. $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (r \rightarrow s)] \Rightarrow [(\neg q \vee \neg s) \rightarrow (\neg p \vee \neg r)]$ | destructive |
| b. $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (r \rightarrow s)] \Rightarrow [(\neg q \wedge \neg s) \rightarrow (\neg p \wedge \neg r)]$ | dilemmas |

Methods of Proof

Given a set of hypotheses H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n , we wish to infer the conclusion C .

- **Direct Proof:**

Show $H_1 \wedge H_2 \wedge \dots \wedge H_n \Rightarrow C$

- **Indirect Proof - Proof of the Contrapositive:**

Show $\neg C \Rightarrow \neg(H_1 \wedge H_2 \wedge \dots \wedge H_n)$

- **Example:**

Given: $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$

Prove:

If $m + n \geq 73$, then $m \geq 37$ or $n \geq 37$.

Contrapositive:

If $m \leq 36$ and $n \leq 36$, then $m + n \leq 72$

which is true by a general property of inequalities.

($a \leq c$ and $b \leq d$ implies $a + b \leq c + d$.)

- **Indirect Proof - Proof by Contradiction:**

Show $H_1 \wedge H_2 \wedge \dots \wedge H_n \wedge \neg C \Rightarrow$ a contradiction

● Example:

Prove: the product of two odd integers is odd.

Proof by contradiction:

- Assume $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, but that $m \cdot n$ is even.
- $\exists j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that $m = 2j + 1$ and $n = 2k + 1$.
- $m \cdot n = 4jk + 2j + 2k + 1 =$ an odd number.
- This is a contradiction.

Direct proof:

- Consider odd integers $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- $\exists j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that $m = 2j + 1$ and $n = 2k + 1$.
- $m \cdot n = 4jk + 2j + 2k + 1 =$ an odd number.

● **Proof by Cases:**

An implication of the form $H_1 \vee H_2 \vee \dots \vee H_n \Rightarrow C$ is equivalent to $H_1 \Rightarrow C$ and $H_2 \Rightarrow C$ and \dots and $H_n \Rightarrow C$ and can be proven by proving each $H_i \Rightarrow C$ for all i .

● Example:

Prove: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n^3 + n$ is even.

Note: $n^3 + n = n(n^2 + 1)$

Case 1: n is even

- $n(n^2 + 1)$ must be even

Case 2: n is odd

- n^2 is odd; $n^2 + 1$ must be even; $n(n^2 + 1)$ is even

- **Vacuous Proof:**

An implication $P \Rightarrow Q$ is said to be **vacuously true** or **true by default** if P is false.

- **Trivial Proof:**

An implication $P \Rightarrow Q$ is said to be **trivially true** if Q is true.

- **Constructive and Nonconstructive Proofs:**

Proofs for the existence of mathematical objects satisfying certain properties can be either **constructive** or **nonconstructive**.

- **Constructive Proof:**

Specifies the object or indicates how it can be determined by some explicit procedure or algorithm.

- **Nonconstructive Proof:**

Establishes the existence of objects by some indirect means, such as a proof by contradiction, without giving directions for how to find them.

More Propositional Calculus

- **Substitution Rule (a):**

If a compound proposition P is a tautology and if all occurrences of some variable of P , say p , are replaced by the same proposition E , then the resulting compound proposition P^* is also a tautology.

- **Example:**

Given:

$$P = [p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q \quad (\text{modus ponens - tautology})$$

Let:

$$E = q \rightarrow r$$

Replacing p by E in P gives:

$$P^* = [(q \rightarrow r) \wedge ((q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q \text{ which must be a tautology}$$

q	r	$[(q \rightarrow r) \wedge ((q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow q)]$	\rightarrow	q
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

Replacing q by E in P gives:

$$P^{**} = [p \wedge (p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r))] \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \text{ which is also a tautology}$$

- **Substitution Rule (b):**

If a compound proposition P contains a proposition Q and if Q is replaced by a logically equivalent proposition Q*, then the resulting compound proposition P* is logically equivalent to P.

- **Example:**

Given:

$$P = \neg[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow [q \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)] \quad (\text{not a tautology})$$

Let:

$$Q = p \rightarrow q \text{ and } Q^* = (\neg p \vee q) \quad (\text{logically equivalent})$$

Replacing Q by Q* in P gives:

$$\neg[(\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow [q \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)] \quad (\text{logically equiv. to P})$$

- **Example - Using Rules (a) and (b) to build equivalence chains:**

Equivalence Proposition

Explanations

$$(p \vee q) \vee (p \vee r)$$

Given

$$[(p \vee q) \vee p] \vee r$$

Associative Law 3a

$$[p \vee (q \vee p)] \vee r$$

Associative Law 3a

$$[p \vee (p \vee q)] \vee r$$

Commutative Law 2a

$$[(p \vee p) \vee q] \vee r$$

Associative Law 3a

$$[p \vee q] \vee r$$

Idempotent Law 5a

Formal Proofs

- Given a set of **hypotheses** and some **conclusion C**, a **formal proof** of C from the hypotheses consists of a **chain of propositions** P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n, C , ending with C in which each P_i is either:
 - a hypothesis or
 - a tautology or
 - a consequence of previous members of the chain by using the allowable rules of inference.
- A **theorem** is a statement of the form 'If H then C', where H is a set of hypotheses and C is a conclusion.
- **Rules of Inference:**
 - Substitution Rules (a) and (b)
 - Rules based on logical implications of the form:
$$P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge \dots \wedge P_m \Rightarrow Q.$$

(If P_1, P_2, \dots, P_m have already appeared in the chain and $P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge \dots \wedge P_m \Rightarrow Q$ is true, then we are allowed to add Q to the chain.)

● Example:

Given:

$$(B \vee S) \rightarrow P$$

$$B \wedge S$$

Conclusion:

$$P$$

Proof

1. $(B \vee S) \rightarrow P$

2. $B \wedge S$

3. B

4. $B \vee S$

5. P

Reason

hypothesis

hypothesis

2; simplification rule 17

3; addition rule 16

1,4; modus ponens rule 19

Rules of Inference

28. **addition**

$$\frac{P}{\therefore P \vee Q}$$

29. **simplification**

$$\frac{P \wedge Q}{\therefore P}$$

30. **modus ponens**

$$\frac{P \quad P \rightarrow Q}{\therefore Q}$$

31. **modus tollens**

$$\frac{P \rightarrow Q \quad \neg Q}{\therefore \neg P}$$

32. **disjunctive syllogism**

$$\frac{P \vee Q \quad \neg P}{\therefore Q}$$

33. **hypothetical syllogism**

$$\frac{P \rightarrow Q \quad Q \rightarrow R}{\therefore P \rightarrow R}$$

34. **conjunction**

$$\frac{P \quad Q}{\therefore P \wedge Q}$$

● Example:

Conclude $s \rightarrow r$ from $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$; $p \vee \neg s$; and q .

1. $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$	hypothesis
2. $p \vee \neg s$	hypothesis
3. q	hypothesis
4. $\neg s \vee p$	2; commutative law 2a
5. $s \rightarrow p$	4; implication rule 10a
6. $s \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$	1,5; hypothetical syllogism rule 33
7. $(s \wedge q) \rightarrow r$	6; exportation rule 14
8. $(q \wedge s) \rightarrow r$	7; commutative law 2b
9. $q \rightarrow (s \rightarrow r)$	8; exportation rule 14
10. $s \rightarrow r$	3,9; modus ponens rule 30

● Example:

Conclude $\neg p$ by contradiction from $p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$; $r \rightarrow s$; and $\neg(q \wedge s)$.

1. $p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$	hypothesis
2. $r \rightarrow s$	hypothesis
3. $\neg(q \wedge s)$	hypothesis
4. $\neg(\neg p)$	negation of the conclusion
5. p	4; double negation rule 1
6. $q \wedge r$	1,5; modus ponens rule 30
7. q	6; simplification rule 29
8. $r \wedge q$	6; commutative law 2b
9. r	8; simplification rule 29
10. s	2,9; modus ponens rule 30
11. $q \wedge s$	7,10; conjunction rule 34
12. $(q \wedge s) \wedge \neg(q \wedge s)$	3,11; conjunction rule 34
13. contradiction	12; rule 7b

● Direct Proof:

4. $\neg(s \wedge q)$	3; commutative law 2b
5. $s \rightarrow \neg q$	4; implication 10b
6. $r \rightarrow \neg q$	2,5; hypothetical syllogism rule 33
7. $\neg(r \wedge q)$	6; implication 10b
8. $\neg(q \wedge r)$	7; commutative law 2b
9. $\neg p$	1,8; modus tollens rule 31

Analysis of Arguments

- **Valid Inferences and Valid Proofs:**

Formal rules of inference are sometimes called **valid inferences**, and formal proofs are called **valid proofs**.

- **Fallacies:**

A sequence of propositions that fails to meet the requirements for being a formal proof is called a **fallacy**.

- Example - analyze the following:

"If I study or if I am a genius, then I will pass the course. If I pass the course, then I will be allowed to take the next course. Therefore, if I am not allowed to take the next course, then I am not a genius."

Let:

s = I study

g = I am a genius

p = I will pass the course

n = I will be allowed to take the next course

Hypotheses:

$(s \vee g) \rightarrow p$

$p \rightarrow n$

Conclusion:

$\neg n \rightarrow \neg g$

<u>Proof</u>	<u>Explanations</u>
1. $(s \vee g) \rightarrow p$	hypothesis
2. $p \rightarrow n$	hypothesis
3. $g \rightarrow (g \vee s)$	addition (rule 16) - tautology
4. $g \rightarrow (s \vee g)$	3; commutative law 2a
5. $g \rightarrow p$	4,1; hypothetical syllogism (rule 33)
6. $g \rightarrow n$	5,2; hypothetical syllogism (rule 33)
7. $\neg n \rightarrow \neg g$	6; contrapositive (rule 9)

● Alternate Proof:

Hypotheses:

$$(s \vee g) \rightarrow p$$

$$p \rightarrow n$$

Conclusion:

$$\neg n \rightarrow \neg g$$

<u>Proof</u>	<u>Explanations</u>
1. $(s \vee g) \rightarrow p$	hypothesis
2. $p \rightarrow n$	hypothesis
3. $(s \vee g) \rightarrow n$	1,2; hypothetical syllogism (rule 33)
4. $(s \rightarrow n) \wedge (g \rightarrow n)$	3; implication (rule 12a)
5. $g \rightarrow n$	4; simplification (rule 29)
6. $\neg n \rightarrow \neg g$	5; contrapositive (rule 9)

- Example - analyze the following:

"If I study or if I am a genius, then I will pass the course. I will not be allowed to take the next course. If I pass the course, then I will be allowed to take the next course. Therefore, I did not study."

Let:

s = I study

g = I am a genius

p = I will pass the course

n = I will be allowed to take the next course

Hypotheses:

$(s \vee g) \rightarrow p$

$\neg n$

$p \rightarrow n$

Conclusion:

$\neg s$

<u>Proof</u>	<u>Explanations</u>
1. $(s \vee g) \rightarrow p$	hypothesis
2. $s \rightarrow (s \vee g)$	addition (rule 16) - tautology
3. $s \rightarrow p$	2,1; hypothetical syllogism (rule 33)
4. $p \rightarrow n$	hypothesis
5. $s \rightarrow n$	3,4; hypothetical syllogism (rule 33)
6. $\neg n$	hypothesis
7. $\neg s$	5,6; modus tollens (rule 31)

● Alternate Proof:

Hypotheses:

$$(s \vee g) \rightarrow p$$

$$\neg n$$

$$p \rightarrow n$$

Conclusion:

$$\neg s$$

Proof

1. $(s \vee g) \rightarrow p$

2. $\neg n$

3. $p \rightarrow n$

4. $(s \vee g) \rightarrow n$

5. $\neg(s \vee g)$

6. $\neg s \wedge \neg g$

7. $\neg s$

Explanations

hypothesis

hypothesis

hypothesis

1,3; hypothetical syllogism (rule 33)

2,4; modus tollens (rule 31)

5; DeMorgan's law

6; simplification

- Example - analyze the following:

We are given that if a program does not fail, then it begins and terminates. We know that our program began and failed. We conclude that our program did not terminate.

Let:

B = the program begins

T = the program terminates

F = the program fails

Hypotheses:

$\neg F \rightarrow (B \wedge T)$

$B \wedge F$

Conclusion:

$\neg T$

<u>Proof</u>	<u>Explanations</u>
1. $\neg F \rightarrow (B \wedge T)$	hypothesis
2. $B \wedge F$	hypothesis
3. $(\neg F \rightarrow B) \wedge (\neg F \rightarrow T)$	1; implication (rule 12b)
4. $\neg F \rightarrow T$	3; simplification (rule 29)
5. F	2; simplification (rule 29)
6. $\neg T$	4,5; ???

- The above proof is a fallacy!
- Note: $[(\neg F \rightarrow (B \wedge T)) \wedge (B \wedge F)] \rightarrow \neg T$ is not a tautology.