### Lecture 3

### function

- A function symbol looks like a predicate but instead of computing a truth value it returns an object.
- Function symbols may take zero or more arguments. The special case of a function symbol with zero arguments is called a constant.
- These are represented using the constant 0 and the successor function S, so that we can count 0, S0, SS0, SSS0, and so on.

### equality

• The **equality** predicate =, written x = y, is typically included as a standard part of predicate logic.

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- The interpretation of x = y is that x and y are the same element of the domain.
- Equality satisfies the reflexivity axiom ∀x : x = x and the substitution axiom schema: ∀x∀y : (x = y → (Px ↔ Py)),

where P is any predicate. This immediately gives a **substitution rule** that says x = y, P (x)  $\vdash$  P (y).

- substitution axiom schema:
   ∀x∀y : (x = y → (Px ↔ Py))
- $\forall x \forall y : (x = y \rightarrow y = x)$  from the above axioms (this property is known as **symmetry**).
- Apply substitution to the predicate Pz=z=x to get ∀x∀y:(x=y→(x=x↔y=x)).
- Use reflexivity to rewrite this as
   ∀x∀y : (x = y → (1 ↔ y = x)), which simplifies to
   ∀x∀y : (x = y → y = x).

## Uniqueness

- The abbreviation ∃!x P(x) says "there exists a *unique* x such that P(x)." This is short for ∃x(P(x) ∧ (∀y : P(y) → x = y)),
- There is an x for which P (x) is true, and any y for which P(y) is true is equal to x."

- There are several equivalent ways to expand  $\exists x P(x)$ .
- Applying contraposition to P(y) → x = y gives ∃!xP(x) = ∃x(P(x) ∧ (∀y : x ≠ y → ¬P(y))), which says that any y that is not x doesn't satisfy P.

- De Morgan's laws to turn this into  $\exists x P(x) \equiv \exists x(P(x) \land (\neg \exists y : x \neq y \land P(y))).$
- This says that there is an x with P(x), but there is no y ≠ x with P(y). All of these are just different ways of saying that x is the only object that satisfies P.

### model

- Consider the axiom ¬∃x. This axiom has exactly one model (it's empty).
- Now consider the axiom ∃!x, which we can expand out to ∃x∀y y = x.
   This axiom also has exactly one model (with one element).

### Models

- A structure is a **model** of a particular **theory** (set of statements), if each statement in the theory is true in the model.
- We can enforce exactly k elements with one rather long axiom, e.g. for k=3 do

 $\exists x_1 \exists x_2 \exists x_3 \forall y : y = x_1 \lor y = x_2 \lor y = x_3 \land x_1 \neq x_2 \land x_2 \neq x_3 \land x_3 \neq x_1$ 

• In the absence of any special symbols, a structure of 3 undifferentiated elements is the unique model of this axiom.

- Suppose we add a predicate P and consider the axiom  $\exists x P x$ .
- Let P be true of at least one of its elements.
- If we take a model with two elements a and b, with Pa and ¬Pb, we see that ∃xPx is not enough to prove ∀xPx, since ∃xP x is true in the model but ∀xP x isn't.
- Conversely, an empty model satisfies ∀x Px = ¬∃x¬Px but not ∃xPx.

- A practical example: The family tree of the kings of France is a model of the theory containing the two axioms.
  - $\forall x \forall y \forall z Parent(x, y) \land Parent(y, z) \rightarrow GrandParent(x, z)$
  - $\forall x \forall y Parent(x, y) \rightarrow \neg Parent(y, x)$ .
- But this set of axioms could use some work, since it still allows for the possibility that there are some x and y for which Parent(x, y) and GrandParent(y, x) are both true.

### parent function





### Proofs

- A proof is a way to derive statements from other statements.
- It starts with axioms (statements that are assumed in the current context always to be true), theorems or lemmas (statements that were proved already; the difference between a theorem and a lemma is whether it is intended as a final result or an intermediate tool), and premises P (assumptions we are making for the purpose of seeing what consequences they have), and uses inference rules to derive Q.

- The axioms, theorems, and premises are in a sense the starting position of a game whose rules are given by the inference rules. The goal of the game is to apply the inference rules until Q pops out.
- We refer to anything that isn't proved in the proof itself (i.e., an axiom, theorem, lemma, or premise) as a hypothesis; the result Q is the conclusion.

- When a proof exists of Q from some premises P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>, ..., we say that Q is **deducible** or **provable** from P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>, ..., which is written as P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>,...⊢ Q.
  - If we can prove Q directly from our inference rules without making any assumptions, we may write  $\vdash$ Q

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- The turnstile symbol ⊢ has the specific meaning that we can derive the conclusion Q by applying inference rules to the premises.
- This is not quite the same thing as saying  $P \rightarrow Q$ .
- If our inference rules are particularly weak, it may be that
   P → Q is true but we can't prove Q starting with P.
- Conversely, if our inference rules are too strong (maybe they can prove anything, even things that aren't true) we might have P ⊢ Q but P → Q is false.

- For propositions, most of the time we will use inference rules that are just right, meaning that P ⊢ Q implies that P → Q is a tautology, (soundness) and P → Q being a tautology implies that P ⊢ Q (completeness).
- Here the distinction between ⊢ and → is whether we want to talk about the existence of a proof (the first case) or about the logical relation between two statements (the second).

### Inference Rules

 Inference rules let us construct valid arguments, which have the useful property that if their premises are true, their conclusions are also true.

- The main source of inference rules is tautologies of the form P<sub>1</sub> ∧ P<sub>2</sub>... → Q; given such a tautology, there is a corresponding inference rule that allows us to assert Q once we have P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>, ....
- Given an inference rule of this form and a goal Q, we can then look for ways to show P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>, . . . all hold, either because each P<sub>1</sub> is an axiom/theorem/premise or because we can prove it from other axioms, theorems, or premises.

- The most important inference rule is modus ponens, ,
   based on the tautology (p ∧ (p → q)) → q; this lets us, for example, write the following famous argument:<sub>9</sub>
- 1. If it doesn't fit, you must acquit. [Axiom]
  2. It doesn't fit. [Premise]
  3. You must acquit. [Modus ponens applied to 1+2]

 The "addition" rule below is just the result of applying modus ponens to p and the tautology p → (p ∨ q)  Premises are listed on the left-hand side separated by commas, and the conclusion is placed on the right. We can then write

Addition  $p \vdash p \lor q$ .  $p \wedge q \vdash p$ . Simplification  $p,q \vdash p \land q.$ Conjunction  $p, p \rightarrow q \vdash q$ . Modus ponens Modus tollens  $\neg q, p \rightarrow q \vdash \neg p.$  $p \to q, q \to r \vdash p \to r.$ Hypothetical syllogism Disjunctive syllogism  $p \lor q, \neg p \vdash q.$  $p \lor q, \neg p \lor r \vdash q \lor r.$ Resolution  Modus ponens "the method of affirming" (and its reversed cousin modus tollens "the method of denying")

- It does not necessarily follow that the conclusion is true; it could be that one or more of the hypotheses is false:
  - 1. If you give a mouse a cookie, he's going to ask for a glass of milk. [Axiom]
  - 2. If he asks for a glass of milk, he will want a straw. [Axiom]
  - 3. You gave a mouse a cookie. [Premise]
  - 4. He asks for a glass of milk. [Modus ponens applied to 1 and 3.]
  - 5. He will want a straw. [Modus ponens applied to 2 and 4.]

Will the mouse want a straw? No: Mice can't ask for glasses of milk, so Axiom 1 is false.

- Recall that P ⊢ Q means there is a proof of Q by applying inference rules to P , while P → Q says that Q holds whenever P does.
- These are not the same thing: provability (⊢) is outside the theory (it's a statement about whether a proof exists or not) while implication (→) is inside (it's a logical connective for making compound propositions). But most of the time they mean almost the same thing.

**Theorem 2.4.1** (Deduction Theorem). If there is a proof of Q from premises  $\Gamma, P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_n$ , then there is a proof of  $P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge \ldots \wedge P_n \rightarrow Q$  from  $\Gamma$  alone.

 $\Gamma, P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_n \vdash Q$ 

 $\Gamma \vdash (P_1 \land P_2 \land \ldots \land P_n) \to Q.$ 

- This style of inference rule, where we explicitly track what assumptions go into a particular result, is known as **natural deduction**.
- The natural deduction approach was invented by Gentzen [Gen35a, Gen35b] as a way to make inference rules more closely match actual mathematical proof-writing practice than the modus-ponens-only approach that modern logicians had been using up to that point.<sup>10</sup>

# Natural deduction $\Gamma, P \vdash Q$ $\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow Q$ $(\rightarrow I)$

- if we can prove Q using assumptions  $\Gamma$  and P, then we can prove P  $\rightarrow$  Q using just  $\Gamma$
- · introducing implication
- Note that the horizontal line acts like a higher-order version of ⊢; it lets us combine one or more proofs into a new, bigger proof.

 eliminating implication that is essentially just modus ponens:

 $(\rightarrow E)$ 

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \to Q \quad \Gamma \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash Q}$$

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### substitution rule

$$x = y, P(x) \vdash P(y).$$

• an axiom schema:  $\forall x : \forall y : ((x = y \land P(x)) \rightarrow P(y)).$ 

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## Natural deduction: introduction and elimination rules



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 $\Gamma \vdash Q$  $(\vee I_2)$  $\overline{\Gamma \vdash P \lor Q}$  $\Gamma \vdash P \lor Q \quad \Gamma \vdash \neg Q$  $(\vee E_1)$  $\Gamma \vdash P$  $\Gamma \vdash P \lor Q \quad \Gamma \vdash \neg P$  $(\vee E_2)$  $\Gamma \vdash Q$  $\Gamma, P \vdash Q$  $(\rightarrow I)$  $\overline{\Gamma \vdash P \to Q}$  $\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow Q \quad \Gamma \vdash P$  $(\rightarrow E_1)$  $\Gamma \vdash Q$  $\Gamma \vdash P \to Q \quad \Gamma \vdash \neg Q$  $(\rightarrow E_2)$  $\Gamma \vdash \neg P$ 

# Inference rules for quantified statements

 Universal generalization If y is a variable that does not appear in Γ, then

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P(y)}{\Gamma \vdash \forall x : P(x)}$$

- This says that if we can prove that some property holds for a "generic" y, without using any particular properties of y, then in fact the property holds for all possible x.
- In a written proof, this will usually be signaled by starting with some- thing like "Let y be an arbitrary [member of some universe]". For example: Suppose we want to show that there is no biggest natural number, i.e. that

 $\forall n \in N: \exists n' \in N: n' > n$ . Proof: Let n be any element of N. Let n' = n+1. Then n' > n.

- Universal instantiation In the other direction, we have  $\forall x : Q(x) \vdash Q(c)$ .
- Here we go from a general statement about all possible values x to a statement about a particular value. Typical use: Given that all humans are mortal, it follows that Spocrates is mortal.

#### **Existential generalization**

This is essentially the reverse of universal instantiation: it says that, if c is some particular object, we get

 $Q(c) \vdash \exists x : Q(x).$ 

The idea is that to show that Q(x) holds for at least one x, we can point to c as a specific example of an object for which Q holds.

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- Existential instantiation
- $\exists x : Q(x) \vdash Q(c)$  for some c,

where c is a new name that hasn't previously been used (this is similar to the requirement for universal generalization, except now the new name is on the right-hand side).

 The idea here is that we are going to give a name to some c that satisfies Q(c), and we know that we can get away this because ∃x : Q(x) says that some such thing exists.<sup>12</sup>

### **Proof techniques**

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash Pc}{\Gamma \vdash \forall x : Px} \qquad (\forall I)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall x : Px}{\Gamma \vdash Pc} \qquad (\forall E)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash Pc}{\Gamma \vdash \exists x : Px} \qquad (\exists I)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \exists x : Px}{\Gamma \vdash Pc} \qquad (\exists E)$$

Table 2.5: Natural deduction: introduction and elimination rules for quantifiers. For  $\forall I$  and  $\exists E, c$  is a new symbol that does not appear in P or  $\Gamma$ .

 Table 2.6 gives techniques for trying to prove A → B for particular statements A and B. The techniques are mostly classified by the structure of B. Before applying each technique, it may help to expand any definitions that appear in A or B.

Strategy	When	Assume	Conclude	What to do/why it works
Direct proof	Try it first	A	B	Apply inference rules to work forward from $A$ and backward from $B$ ; when you meet in the middle, pretend that you were working for- ward from $A$ all along.
Contraposition	$B = \neg Q$	$\neg B$	$\neg A$	Apply any other tech- nique to show $\neg B \rightarrow$ $\neg A$ and then apply the contraposition rule. Sometimes called an <i>in-</i> <i>direct proof</i> although the term <i>indirect proof</i> is often used instead for proofs by contradiction (see below).

Construction	$B = \exists x P(x)$	A
Counterevample	$B = \neg \forall x P(x)$	Δ
Counterexample	$D = \operatorname{var}(x)$	Л

P(c) for some specific object c.  $\neg P(c)$ for some

specific

object c.

Pick a likely-looking cand prove that P(c)holds.

Pick a likely-looking cand show that  $\neg P(c)$ holds. This is identical to a proof by construction, except that we are proving  $\exists x \neg P(x)$ , which is equivalent to  $\neg \forall x P(x)$ . Choose

$$B = \forall x (P(x) \to Q(x))$$

$$A, P(c), Q(c)$$
  
where  
 $c$  is  
chosen  
arbitrar-  
ily.

Choose some c and assume A and P(c). Prove Q(c). Note: cis a placeholder here. If P(c) is "c is even" you can write "Let cbe even" but you can't write "Let c = 12", since in the latter case you are assuming extra facts about c.



Elimination

$$B = C \lor D$$

$$A \land \neg C = D$$

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Pick some particular c and prove that  $P(c) \rightarrow B$ . Here you can get away with saying "Let c = 12." (If c = 12 makes Btrue). The reason this works is that  $A \wedge \neg C \rightarrow D$ is equivalent to  $\neg (A \land$  $\neg C$ )  $\rightarrow D \equiv \neg A \lor C \lor$  $D \equiv A \rightarrow (C \lor D)$ . Of course, it works equally well if you start with

 $A \wedge \neg D$  and prove C.

Case analysis	$A = C \lor D$	C, D	B	Here you write two sep- arate proofs: one that assumes $C$ and proves B, and one that as- sumes $D$ and proves $B$ . A special case is when $D = \neg C$ . You can also consider more cases, as long as $A$ implies at least one of the cases holds.
Induction	$B = \forall x \in \mathbb{N}P(x)$	A	P(0) and $\forall x \in \mathbb{N} :$ $(P(x) \rightarrow$ P(x + 1)).	If $P(0)$ holds, and $P(x)$ implies $P(x + 1)$ for all $x$ , then for any spe- cific natural number $n$ we can consider con- structing a sequence of proofs $P(0) \rightarrow P(1) \rightarrow$ $P(2) \rightarrow \ldots \rightarrow P(n)$ . (This is actually a defin- ing property of the nat-

ural numbers.)

• Ex means that x is even

$$A_1 : \forall x : Ex \leftrightarrow (x = 0 \lor (\exists y : Ey \land x = SSy))$$
$$A_2 : \forall x : 0 \neq Sx.$$
$$A_3 : \forall x \forall y : Sx = Sy \rightarrow x = y.$$

Here  $A_1$  is the definition of Ex and  $A_2$  and  $A_3$  are general axioms about S that we are throwing in because we will need them in some of our proofs.

### **Theorem 2.6.1.** All of the following statements are true:

- 1. E0.
- 2.  $\neg E(S0)$ .
- 3. E(SS0).
- 4.  $\neg E(SSS0)$ .
- 5. E(SSSS0).

1. E0.

- 2.  $\neg E(S0)$ .
- 3. E(SS0).

*Proof.* 1. Axiom  $A_1$  says that x is even if it is 0.

2. Suppose E(S0) holds. Then either S0 = 0 or S0 = SSy for some y such that Ey holds. The first case contradicts  $A_2$ ; in the second case, applying  $A_3$  gives that S0 = SSy implies 0 = Sy, which again contradicts  $A_2$ . So in either case we arrive at a contradiction, and our original assumption that E(S0) is true does not hold.

(This is an example of an indirect proof.)

3. From  $A_1$  we have that E(SS0) holds if there exists some y such that Ey and SS0 = SSy. Let y = 0.

- 4.  $\neg E(SSS0)$ .
- 5. E(SSSS0).

- 4. We have previously established  $\neg E(S0)$ . We also know that  $SSS0 \neq 0$ , so E(SSS0) is true if and only if SSS0 = SSy for some y with Ey. Applying  $A_2$  twice gives SSS0 = SSy iff S0 = y. But we already showed  $\neg E(S0)$ , so  $\neg E(SSS0)$ .
- 5. Since E(SS0) and SSSS0 = SS0, E(SSSS0).

- Let's try this for the proof of  $\neg E(S0)$ .
- We are trying to establish that A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>, A<sub>3</sub> ⊢ ¬E(S0).
   Abbreviating A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>, A<sub>3</sub> as Γ, the strategy is to show that

$$\Gamma \vdash E(S0) \rightarrow Q$$
 for some Q with  $\Gamma \vdash \neg Q$ ;

we can then apply the  $\rightarrow$  E<sub>2</sub> rule (aka modus tollens) to get

 $\Gamma \vdash \neg E(S0).$ 

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \to Q \quad \Gamma \vdash \neg Q}{\Gamma \vdash \neg P} \qquad (\to E_2)$$

1.  $\Gamma \vdash E(S0) \leftrightarrow (S0 = 0 \lor \exists y : (Ey \land S0 = SSy))$ . ( $\forall E$  applied to  $A_{1.}$ )

2.  $\Gamma \vdash E(S0) \rightarrow (S0 = 0 \lor \exists y : (Ey \land S0 = SSy))$ . (Expand  $\leftrightarrow$  and use one of the  $\land$  elimination rules.)

3.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash S0 = 0 \lor \exists y : (Ey \land S0 = SSy). (\rightarrow E).$ 

$$\begin{array}{l} A_{1}: \forall x: Ex \leftrightarrow \left(x = 0 \lor \left(\exists y: Ey \land x = SSy\right)\right) \\ \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall x: Px}{\Gamma \vdash Pc} \qquad (\forall E) \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash P \land Q}{\Gamma \vdash P} \qquad (\land E_{1}) \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash P \land Q}{\Gamma \vdash Q} \qquad (\land E_{2}) \\ \\ \frac{\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow Q}{\Gamma \vdash Q} \qquad (\land E) \end{array}$$

- 3.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash S0 = 0 \lor \exists y : (Ey \land S0 = SSy). (\rightarrow E).$
- 4.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash \neg (S0 = 0)$ . (Apply  $\forall E \text{ to } A_2$ .)

5.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash \exists y : (Ey \land S0 = SSy)$ . (Combine last two steps using  $\lor E_1$ .)

6.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash Ez \land S0 = SSz$ . (This is  $\exists E$ . In the condensed proof we didn't rename y, but calling it z here makes it a little more obvious that we are fixing some particular constant.)

$$A_{2}:\forall x: 0 \neq Sx.$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall x: Px}{\Gamma \vdash Pc} \qquad (\forall E)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \lor Q \quad \Gamma \vdash \neg P}{\Gamma \vdash Q} \qquad (\lor E_{2})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \exists x: Px}{\Gamma \vdash Pc} \qquad (\exists E)$$

- 8.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash S0 = SSz \leftrightarrow 0 = Sz$ . (Apply  $\forall E$  to  $A_3$ ).
- 9.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash S0 = SSz \rightarrow 0 = Sz$ . (Another expansion plus  $\wedge E$ ).
- 10.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash 0 = Sz$ . (Apply  $\rightarrow E_1$  to S0 = SSz and  $S0 = SSz \rightarrow 0 = Sz$ .)

$$A_3: \forall x \forall y: Sx = Sy \to x = y.$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall x : Px}{\Gamma \vdash Pc} \qquad (\forall E)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \to Q \quad \Gamma \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash Q} \qquad (\to E_1)$$

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10.  $\Gamma, E(S0) \vdash 0 = Sz$ . (Apply  $\rightarrow E_1$  to S0 = SSz and  $S0 = SSz \rightarrow 0 = Sz$ .)

11. 
$$\Gamma \vdash E(S0) \rightarrow 0 = Sz. (\rightarrow I.)$$
  
12.  $\Gamma \vdash \neg (0 = Sz). (\forall E \text{ and } A_2.)$   
13.  $\Gamma \vdash \neg E(S0). (\rightarrow E_2.)$ 

$$A_{2} : \forall x : 0 \neq Sx.$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \forall x : Px}{\Gamma \vdash Pc} \qquad (\forall E)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash P \rightarrow Q \quad \Gamma \vdash \neg Q}{\Gamma \vdash \neg P} \qquad (\rightarrow E_{2})$$

**Theorem 2.6.2.** For all x, if x is even, SSSSx is even.

*Proof.* Let x be even. Then SSx is even (Axiom  $A_1$ ), and so SS(SSx) = SSSSx is also even.

Written out using natural-deduction inference rules (with some of the more boring steps omitted), the proof would look like this:

- 1.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash (\exists y : Ey \land SSx = SSy) \rightarrow E(SSx)$ . (Axiom  $A_1, \forall E, \lor E_1$ .)
- 2.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash Ex$ .
- 3.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash SSx = SSx$ . (Reflexivity of =.)
- 4.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash Ex \land SSx = SSx$ . ( $\land I$  applied to previous two steps.)
- 5.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash \exists y : Ey \land SSy = SSx.$  (Let y = x.)
- 6.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash E(SSx)$ . (Modus ponens!)
- 7.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash E(SSSSx)$ . (Do it all again to show  $E(SSx) \rightarrow E(SSSSx)$ . This is the boring part we promised to omit.)
- 8.  $\Gamma \vdash Ex \rightarrow E(SSSSx). (\rightarrow I.)$
- 9.  $\Gamma \vdash \forall x : Ex \to E(SSSSx). \ (\forall I).$

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- 2.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash Ex$ .
- 3.  $\Gamma, Ex \vdash SSx = SSx$ . (Reflexivity of =.)



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