

Constructive Logic (15-317), Fall2021

Assignment 3: Proofs as Programs + Verifications and Uses

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The assignments in this course must be submitted electronically through Gradescope. Written homework PDFs and coding SML files will both go to Gradescope. For this homework, submit two files:

- `hw3.pdf` (your written solutions)
- `hw3.sml` (your coding solutions)

Trees are Programs

Task 1 (12 points). Prove the following theorems using the proof-as-program logic in SML. You can look at `support/pap_examples.sml` for reference proofs as program proof trees.

- prove `deMorgagain`: $\neg A \wedge \neg B \supset \neg(A \vee B)$
- prove `toptobottom`: $(A \supset \top) \wedge (\perp \supset A)$
- prove `reuse`: $((A \supset B) \wedge (A \supset C)) \supset (A \supset B \wedge C)$
- prove `ormap`: $((A \vee B) \supset C) \supset (A \supset C) \wedge (B \supset C)$

You can compile your code the same way as for natural deduction. You can pretty print your proof-as-program proof trees by running the following command in your repl:

```
>> Out.print_pap Homework3.{proof_name_here}
```

A wild FUNCTION has appeared!

Task 2 (8 points). For this task, you will be directly writing the code that inhabits the corresponding type for a proposition. For each proposition, either submit `SOME(v)` where `v` is a value¹ of that type or leave it as `NONE` if the proposition is unprovable². Rather than using the course infrastructure for proof-as-program trees, this question will now study SML programs in their natural habitat.

We provide you with the `void` type³ and `abort` function⁴ to deal with falsehood. Similarly, you have access to the built-in structure `Either`⁵ in order to deal with \vee .

- prove `curry`: $(A \wedge B \supset C) \supset A \supset B \supset C$
- prove `abba`: $((A \supset B) \supset B) \supset A$
- prove `contrapositive`: $(A \supset B) \supset (\neg B \supset \neg A)$
- prove `exclusion`: $((A \vee B) \wedge \neg A) \supset B$

I think therefore I am

Task 3 (8 points). Consider a unary connective \circ defined by the following rules:

$$\frac{\overline{\top \text{ true}}^u}{\circ A \text{ true}} \circ I^u \quad \frac{\circ A \text{ true} \quad \top \text{ true}}{A \text{ true}} \circ E$$

- Can you prove a simple relationship between `A true` is $\circ A \text{ true}$?
- Using `think(u.M)` as the proof term for the intro rule (aka introduction form), give the appropriate intro rule for `think(u.M) : $\circ A$` .
- Using `M << N` as the proof term for the elim rule (aka elimination form), give the appropriate elim rule. for `M << N : A`.
- Does \circ have a contraction rule⁶? Write out a contraction rule for \circ if one exists. Otherwise, show that no reduction rule is possible.
- Why might a programming language or programmer want to use thunks in code?⁷

¹A value is an expression that has finished executing. For this problem, we will also accept your answer if `v` is an expression that reduces to a value.

²Proving the totality of functions using exceptions or recursion is nontrivial so do not use exceptions or recursion for this task

³`datatype void = (* no constructors *)`

⁴`abort: void -> 'a`

⁵`datatype ('a, 'b) either = INL of 'a | INR of 'b`

⁶Remember that a contraction rule shows how to reduce the elimination form of a connective to a simpler term

⁷Any reasonable guess is fine

Verifications

Consider the \clubsuit connective.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \overline{A \text{ true}}^u \quad \overline{A \text{ true}}^v \\
 \vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots \\
 \underline{B \text{ true} \quad C \text{ true}} \quad \clubsuit I^{u,v} \\
 \hline
 \clubsuit(A, B, C) \text{ true}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \overline{B \text{ true}}^u \\
 \vdots \\
 \underline{\clubsuit(A, B, C) \text{ true} \quad A \text{ true} \quad D \text{ true}} \quad \clubsuit E_1^u \\
 \hline
 D \text{ true}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \overline{C \text{ true}}^u \\
 \vdots \\
 \underline{\clubsuit(A, B, C) \text{ true} \quad A \text{ true} \quad D \text{ true}} \quad \clubsuit E_2^u \\
 \hline
 D \text{ true}
 \end{array}$$

Task 4 (5 points). Give rules for forming the judgments that $\clubsuit(A, B, C)$ has a verification and that $\clubsuit(A, B, C)$ can be used.

Task 5 (4 points). Give a verification for this proposition

$$(\neg A \wedge B) \supset ((A \supset B) \supset (\neg A \supset \neg B)) \supset \perp$$

For clarification on how to write a verifications-and-uses proof, please look at `examples/vau_examples.sml`

Task 6 (10 points). For each of the following propositions, give a verification-and-uses proof and its **corresponding** proofs-as-programs term.

1. $\perp \supset \top$
2. $\perp \supset \top$ (**Do not use the same verification/proof term as part a. Use a new one.**)
3. $(A \supset B) \supset (\neg B \supset \neg A)$
4. $(A \supset B) \supset (B \supset C) \supset (A \supset C)$