Logics and categories for software engineering and artificial intelligence

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Exercise Sheet 2 Due: April 28, 2009

Exercise 2.1 (Logical consequence or not?)

Evaluate the validity of the following argument. If it is a logical consequence, use the programs SPASS, Fitch and Jitpro to construct formal (resolution, natural deduction, tableau) proofs to show this. Otherwise, use Tarski's World to construct a counterexample.¹

Exercise 2.2 (Inconsistency)

Consider the set $\mathcal{T} = \{(A \land B) \rightarrow \neg A, C \lor A, \neg A \rightarrow A, B\}$. Use *SPASS*, *Fitch* and *Jitpro* to construct formal proofs showing that $\mathcal{T} \vdash \bot$.

Exercise 2.3 (New connectives)

Consider the following truth table for the ternary connective \diamond .

P	Q	R	$\Diamond(P,Q,R)$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

Express \diamond using only the connectives \lor , \land , and \neg . Can you simplify the result such that the simplified sentence has no more than two occurrences each of P, Q, and R, and no more than six occurrences of the Boolean connectives \lor , \land , and \neg ?

¹SPASS is available within Hets, see http://www.dfki.de/sks/hets. Fitch and Tarski's World can be downloaded from an internal web page shown in the lecture. Jitpro is available under http://ps.uni-sb.de/jitpro/prover.php.