

(1) Derive conclusion from premises:

$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \mid \forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y)) \\ 2 \mid \neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y) \\ \vdots \\ \mid \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) \end{array}$$

STRATEGY:  
 $\{\forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y)), \neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y)\}$   
 $\therefore \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$

(2) Our goal is an existential sentence. We have no constant, so no particular instance is obviously easy to get to use for  $\exists$ Intro. We have no existential premise, which would lead us to reach our goal by  $\exists$ Elim. So as a last resort, assume the negation of the goal sentence. A contradiction will yield the double negation of the goal sentence. Then drop the double negation.

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1 \mid \forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y)) & \\ 2 \mid \neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y) & \\ 3 \mid \vdash \neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \\ \vdots & \\ \mid \perp & \perp \text{ Intro} \\ \neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \neg \text{Intro} \\ \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \neg \text{Elim} \end{array}$$

(3) The only negated sentence we have to work from is line 3, so our contradictory pair will probably consist of 3 and the sentence it negates.

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1 \mid \forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y)) & \\ 2 \mid \neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y) & \\ 3 \mid \vdash \neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \\ \vdots & \\ \mid \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \\ \mid \perp & \perp \text{ Intro} \\ \neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \neg \text{Intro} \\ \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \neg \text{Elim} \end{array}$$

(4) Further strategizing requires us to think about what provisional assumption might be useful. Assuming ' $\exists x Q(x)$ ' will enable us to use the first premise. Getting a contradiction under that PA would yield ' $\neg \exists x Q(x)$ ', which we could use with line 2. So this is promising for our next stage.

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1 \mid \forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y)) & \\ 2 \mid \neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y) & \\ 3 \mid \vdash \neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \\ 4 \mid \vdash \exists x Q(x) & \\ \vdots & \\ \mid \neg \exists x Q(x) & \\ \mid \exists x \exists y R(x,y) & \\ \mid \vdash \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \\ \mid \perp & \perp \text{ Intro} \\ \neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \neg \text{Intro} \\ \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \neg \text{Elim} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1 \mid \forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y)) & \\ 2 \mid \neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y) & \\ 3 \mid \vdash \neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \\ 4 \mid \vdash \exists x Q(x) & \\ 5 \mid \boxed{a} \mid Q(a) & \\ \vdots & \\ \mid \neg \exists x Q(x) & \\ \mid \exists x \exists y R(x,y) & \\ \mid \vdash \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \\ \mid \perp & \perp \text{ Intro} \\ \neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \neg \text{Intro} \\ \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y)) & \neg \text{Elim} \end{array}$$

= (5) The only way we will be able to use line 4 is by applying the  $\exists$  Elim rule to it. So we start a subproof for that, using a boxed constant that does not occur outside this subproof.

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6  $\Rightarrow$

To get  $\perp$  under line 3, aim for  $\perp$  under line 4, then apply  $\neg$ -Intro. Get  $\perp$  under line 4 by  $\exists$ -Elim.

To get  $\perp$  under line 5, aim for a contradiction with line 3.

1	$\forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y))$
2	$\neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y)$
3	$\neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
4	$\exists x Q(x)$
5	$\boxed{a} Q(a)$
	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
	$\perp$
	$\neg \exists x Q(x)$
	$\exists x \exists y R(x,y)$
	$\perp$
	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
	$\perp$
	$\neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$

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From ' $\exists y S(a,y)$ ', it should be easy to get ' $\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$ ' by  $\exists$ -Elim:

1	$\forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y))$
2	$\neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y)$
3	$\neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
4	$\exists x Q(x)$
5	$\boxed{a} Q(a)$
6	$Q(a) \rightarrow \exists y S(a,y)$
7	$\exists y S(a,y)$
8	$\boxed{b} S(a,b)$
9	$R(a,b) \vee S(a,b)$
10	$\exists y(R(a,y) \vee S(a,y))$
11	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
12	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
13	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
14	$\perp$
15	$\neg \exists x Q(x)$
16	$\exists x \exists y R(x,y)$
	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
	$\perp$
	$\neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$

9  $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$

Similarly, it should be easy to get ' $\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$ ' from ' $\exists x \exists y R(x,y)$ ' by  $\exists$ -Elim.

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To make use of ' $Q(a)$ ', apply  $\forall$ -Elim rule to line 1. That gives us ' $\exists y S(a,y)$ ' by  $\rightarrow$ -Elim.

1	$\forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y))$
2	$\neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y)$
3	$\neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
4	$\exists x Q(x)$
5	$\boxed{a} Q(a)$
6	$Q(a) \rightarrow \exists y S(a,y)$
7	$\exists y S(a,y)$
	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
	$\perp$
	$\neg \exists x Q(x)$
	$\exists x \exists y R(x,y)$
	$\perp$
	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
	$\perp$
	$\neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$

1	$\forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow \exists y S(x,y))$
2	$\neg \exists x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x \exists y R(x,y)$
3	$\neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
4	$\exists x Q(x)$
5	$\boxed{a} Q(a)$
6	$Q(a) \rightarrow \exists y S(a,y)$
7	$\exists y S(a,y)$
8	$\boxed{b} S(a,b)$
9	$R(a,b) \vee S(a,b)$
10	$\exists y(R(a,y) \vee S(a,y))$
11	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
12	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
13	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
14	$\perp$
15	$\neg \exists x Q(x)$
16	$\exists x \exists y R(x,y)$
17	$\boxed{c} \exists y R(c,y)$
18	$\boxed{d} R(c,d)$
19	$R(c,d) \vee S(c,d)$
20	$\exists y(R(c,y) \vee S(c,y))$
21	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
22	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
23	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
24	$\perp$
25	$\neg \exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$
26	$\exists x \exists y(R(x,y) \vee S(x,y))$

(1)

To show that a sentence is FO-valid, derive it from the null set of premises.

$$\neg \exists x F(x) \rightarrow \forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$$

STRATEGY to show:  
 $\neg \exists x F(x) \rightarrow \forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$   
 is first-order valid.

(2)

Since the main operator in this sentence is the arrow, we try to build it by  $\rightarrow$ -Intro. So we assume the antecedent as PA and aim for the consequent.

1	$\neg \exists x F(x)$	
2	$\neg \exists x F(x)$	
3	$\boxed{a}$	
4	$F(a)$	

  

5	$G(a)$	
6	$F(a) \rightarrow G(a)$	$\rightarrow$ -Intro
7	$\forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$	$\forall$ -Intro
8	$\neg \exists x F(x) \rightarrow \forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$	$\rightarrow$ -Intro

(3)

To get ' $\forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$ ', we begin a subproof for  $\forall$ -Intro with a new boxed constant an easy choice since no constant has appeared yet. We need an instance of the universal with that constant. Plan to use  $\rightarrow$ -Intro, then  $\forall$ -Intro.

1	$\neg \exists x F(x)$	
2	$\neg \exists x F(x)$	
3	$\boxed{a}$	
4	$F(a)$	

  

5	$G(a)$	
6	$F(a) \rightarrow G(a)$	$\rightarrow$ -Intro
7	$\forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$	$\forall$ -Intro
8	$\neg \exists x F(x) \rightarrow \forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$	$\rightarrow$ -Intro

(4)

There is no way we can use line 2 or line 3 directly right now. The only way we can use ' $\neg \exists x F(x)$ ' is as a member of a contradictory pair. Since ' $\neg \exists x F(x)$ ' will be one member of our contradictory pair, the other will be ' $\exists x F(x)$ '.

1	$\neg \exists x F(x)$	
2	$\neg \exists x F(x)$	
3	$\boxed{a}$	
4	$F(a)$	

  

5	$\exists x F(x)$	
6	$\perp$	
7	$G(a)$	
8	$F(a) \rightarrow G(a)$	$\rightarrow$ -Intro
9	$\forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$	$\forall$ -Intro
10	$\neg \exists x F(x) \rightarrow \forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$	$\rightarrow$ -Intro

(5)

We already have all we need to justify 'G(a)'. All that is missing is the rules and the line numbers.

1	$\neg \exists x F(x)$	
2	$\neg \exists x F(x)$	
3	$\boxed{a}$	
4	$F(a)$	
5	$\exists x F(x)$	$\exists$ -Intro: 4
6	$\perp$	$\perp$ -Intro: 2,5
7	$G(a)$	$\perp$ -Elim: 6
8	$F(a) \rightarrow G(a)$	$\rightarrow$ -Intro: 4-7
9	$\forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$	$\forall$ -Intro: 3-8
10	$\neg \exists x F(x) \rightarrow \forall x (F(x) \rightarrow G(x))$	$\rightarrow$ -Intro: 2-9

STRATEGY to show that  $\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y) \rightarrow \neg \exists x J(x,x))$  is first-order valid

- 1** Derive the sentence from the null (empty) set of premises:

1		
		$\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y) \rightarrow \neg \exists x J(x,x))$

- 2** Goal sentence is a conditional, so start a subderivation for  $\rightarrow$ -Intro:

1		
2		<u><math>\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y)</math></u>
		$\neg \exists x J(x,x)$
		$\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y) \rightarrow \neg \exists x J(x,x))$

- 3** Our current goal is a negation, so we start a subderivation for  $\neg$ -Intro:

1		
2		<u><math>\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y)</math></u>
3		<u><math>\exists x J(x,x)</math></u>
		$\perp$
		$\neg \exists x J(x,x)$
		$\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y) \rightarrow \neg \exists x J(x,x))$

- 4** We have an existential sentence to work with now, so we start a subderivation for  $\exists$ -Elim, aiming for our current goal of  $\perp$ .

1		
2		<u><math>\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y)</math></u>
3		<u><math>\exists x J(x,x)</math></u>
4		<u><math>a J(a,a)</math></u>
		$\perp$
		$\neg \exists x J(x,x)$
		$\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y) \rightarrow \neg \exists x J(x,x))$

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Removing the universal quantifiers from line 1 will give us a conditional whose antecedent we already have on line 4:

1		
2		<u><math>\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y)</math></u>
3		<u><math>\exists x J(x,x)</math></u>
4		<u><math>a J(a,a)</math></u>
5		$\forall y ((J(a,y) \rightarrow a \neq y)$
6		$J(a,a) \rightarrow a \neq a$
		$\perp$
		$\perp$
		$\neg \exists x J(x,x)$
		$\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y) \rightarrow \neg \exists x J(x,x))$

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Applying  $\rightarrow$ -Elim to lines 4 and 6 gives us ‘ $a \neq a$ ’. We can get a contradiction immediately by applying  $=$ -Intro:

1		
2		<u><math>\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y)</math></u>
3		<u><math>\exists x J(x,x)</math></u>
4		<u><math>a J(a,a)</math></u>
5		$\forall y ((J(a,y) \rightarrow a \neq y)$
6		$J(a,a) \rightarrow a \neq a$
7		$a \neq a$
8		$a = a$
9		$\perp$
10		$\perp$
11		$\neg \exists x J(x,x)$
12		$\forall x \forall y ((J(x,y) \rightarrow x \neq y) \rightarrow \neg \exists x J(x,x))$

$\forall$ -Elim: 1  
 $\forall$ -Elim: 5  
 $\rightarrow$ -Elim: 4, 6  
 $=$ -Intro  
 $\perp$ -Intro: 7, 8  
 $\exists$ -Elim: 3, 4-9  
 $\neg$ -Intro: 3-10  
 $\rightarrow$ -Intro: 3-11

(1) To show a sentence is first-order valid (quantificationally true), derive it from the null set of premises.

(2) Since our goal sentence is a conditional, try to build it by  $\rightarrow I$ . Start a subproof with the antecedent, and aim for the consequent.

(3) Our new goal is another conditional. Set up subproof for another  $\rightarrow$ -Intro.

(4) To use line 2, we must apply the  $\exists E$ lim rule. As soon as we recognize that, we begin the subproof this rule requires.

We need a sentence without the boxed constant introduced in the first line of the subproof. We can move that sentence out of the subproof by  $\exists E$ lim. So we aim for our next goal, ' $\exists xR(x,x)$ '.

(5) Substituting 'a' for the variable in both universal sentences gives us what we need to get ' $R(a,a)$ '. That in turn lets us reach the goal of ' $\exists xR(x,x)$ '. All we need to add is line numbers and justifications.

STRATEGY to show:  
 $\exists x \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y)) \rightarrow (\forall x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x R(x,x))$   
 is first-order valid.

1	
2	<u><math>\exists x \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y))</math></u>
3	<u><math>\forall x Q(x)</math></u>
4	$\exists x R(x,x)$
5	$\forall x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x R(x,x)$
6	$\exists x \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y)) \rightarrow (\forall x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x R(x,x))$

1	
2	<u><math>\exists x \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y))</math></u>
3	<u><math>\forall x Q(x)</math></u>
4	<u><math>[a] \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y))</math></u>
5	$\exists x R(x,x)$
6	$\exists x R(x,x)$
7	$\forall x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x R(x,x)$
8	$\exists x \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y)) \rightarrow (\forall x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x R(x,x))$

1	
2	<u><math>\exists x \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y))</math></u>
3	<u><math>\forall x Q(x)</math></u>
4	<u><math>[a] \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y))</math></u>
5	$Q(a)$
6	$Q(a) \rightarrow R(a,a)$
7	$R(a,a)$
8	$\exists x R(x,x)$
9	$\exists x R(x,x)$
10	$\forall x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x R(x,x)$
11	$\exists x \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x,y)) \rightarrow (\forall x Q(x) \rightarrow \exists x R(x,x))$

$\forall E$ lim: 3  
 $\forall E$ lim: 4  
 $\rightarrow$ -Elim: 5,6  
 $\exists$ -Intro: 7  
 $\exists E$ lim: 2,4-8  
 $\rightarrow$ -Intro: 3-9  
 $\rightarrow$ -Intro: 1-10

To show 2 sentences are first-order equivalent, derive biconditional from the null (empty) set of premises. Use standard strategy: build biconditional by  $\leftrightarrow$ -Intro.

**STRATEGY:**  
Show that  $\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$  is first-order equivalent to  $\neg \exists x[(B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x))]$

1	1   <u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))</math></u>
	: <u><math>\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
	: <u><math>\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
	: <u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))</math></u>
	: $\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x)) \leftrightarrow \neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$

- (2) Since the goal in the first subproof is a negation, we'll probably get it by  $\neg$ -Intro. So we assume the sentence that it negates.

1	<u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))</math></u>
2	<u><math>\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
3	: <u><math>\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
4	:   : <u><math>\exists x((B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)))</math></u>
5	:   :   : <u><math>\perp</math></u>
6	:   :   : <u><math>\perp</math></u>
7	:   :   : $\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$

- (3) To use line 3, plan on  $\exists$ Elim. Step 4 begins a subproof for  $\exists$ Elim. We need a contradiction under 3, so we aim for  $\perp$ . We will move it left by  $\exists$ Elim to get  $\perp$  under line 3, where we really want it.

1	<u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))</math></u>
2	<u><math>\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
3	: <u><math>\exists x((B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)))</math></u>
4	:   : <u><math>\perp</math></u>
5	:   :   : <u><math>\perp</math></u>
6	:   :   : $\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$

- (4) We will need to use line 2, so substitute the boxed constant from line 4 for the x's in line 2.

1	<u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))</math></u>
2	<u><math>\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
3	: <u><math>\exists x((B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)))</math></u>
4	:   : <u><math>[a] (B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a))</math></u>
5	:   :   : <u><math>B(a) \leftrightarrow \neg C(a)</math></u>
6	:   :   :   : <u><math>\perp</math></u>

- (5)  $\Rightarrow$  To use line 4, start two subderivations for  $\vee$ Elim.

1	<u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))</math></u>
2	<u><math>\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
3	: <u><math>\exists x((B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)))</math></u>
4	:   : <u><math>[a] (B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a))</math></u>
5	:   :   : <u><math>B(a) \leftrightarrow \neg C(a)</math></u>
6	:   :   :   : <u><math>B(a) \wedge C(a)</math></u>
7	:   :   :   :   : <u><math>\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)</math></u>
8	:   :   :   :   :   : <u><math>\perp</math></u>
9	:   :   :   :   :   :   : $\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$

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1	$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$	
2	$\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	
3	$\boxed{a} (B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a))$	
4	$B(a) \leftrightarrow \neg C(a)$	2, $\forall$ Elim
5	$B(a) \wedge C(a)$	
6	$\perp$	
	$\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)$	
	$\perp$	
	$\perp$	
	$\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)$	
	$\perp$	
	$\neg \exists ((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	

We need a contradiction under line 6. That will allow us to apply the  $\neg$ -Intro rule to line 6. We can get contradictions in both subproofs for  $\vee$  Elim. So we'll bring ' $\perp$ ' out of both subproofs in our  $\vee$ Elim step.

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1	$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$	
2	$\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	
3	$\boxed{a} (B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a))$	
4	$B(a) \leftrightarrow \neg C(a)$	2, $\forall$ Elim
5	$B(a) \wedge C(a)$	
6	$B(a)$	6, $\wedge$ Elim
7	$C(a)$	6, $\wedge$ Elim
8	$\neg C(a)$	5, 7, $\leftrightarrow$ Elim
9	$\perp$	8, 9, $\perp$ Intro
10		
11	$\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)$	
12	$\neg C(a)$	11, $\wedge$ Elim
13	$B(a)$	5, 12, $\leftrightarrow$ Elim
14	$\neg B(a)$	11, $\wedge$ Elim
15	$\perp$	13, 14, $\perp$ Intro
16	$\perp$	4, 6-10, 11-15, $\vee$ Elim
17		3, 4-16, $\exists$ Elim
18	$\neg \exists ((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	2-16, $\neg$ Intro
19	$\perp$	
	$\neg \exists ((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	
	$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$	
	$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x)) \leftrightarrow \neg \exists ((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	

In the first subproof, get ' $B(a)$ ' by  $\wedge$  Elim. To get ' $\neg B(a)$ ', notice that we can easily get both ' $C(a)$ ' (by  $\wedge$  Elim) and ' $\neg C(a)$ ' (by  $\leftrightarrow$  Elim). To put this contradiction to work for us, apply  $\perp$ Intro. Getting ' $B(a)$ ' and ' $\neg B(a)$ ' in the second subproof is easy, giving us  $\perp$  again..

Moving  $\perp$  out of the 2 subproofs by  $\vee$  Elim gives us  $\perp$  under line 3. We can then move it to the left, under line 2, by  $\exists$  Elim, justifying  $\neg$ Intro. This completes the first subproof.

$\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \text{CONTINUE} \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$

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- 8 We are now ready to begin the second subproof.

	1	<u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))</math></u>
	18	$\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$
	19	<u><math>\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
		$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$
		$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x)) \leftrightarrow \neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$

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19	<u><math>\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
20	$b$
21	<u><math>B(b)</math></u>
	$\neg C(b)$
	<u><math>\neg C(b)</math></u>
	$B(b)$
	$B(b) \leftrightarrow \neg C(b)$
	$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$

To get ' $\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$ ', we plan to use  $\forall$  Intro. So we start a subproof with a boxed constant that does not occur outside the subproof, 'b'. Aim for ' $B(b) \leftrightarrow \neg C(b)$ ', by  $\leftrightarrow$  Intro.

19	<u><math>\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>
20	$b$
21	<u><math>B(b)</math></u>
22	<u><math>C(b)</math></u>
23	$B(b) \wedge C(b)$
24	$(B(b) \wedge C(b)) \vee (\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b))$
25	$\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$
26	$\perp$
27	<u><math>\neg C(b)</math></u>
28	<u><math>\neg C(b)</math></u>
	$B(b)$
	$B(b) \leftrightarrow \neg C(b)$
	$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$

- 10 To get ' $\neg C(b)$ ' by  $\neg$  Intro, assume ' $C(b)$ '. Conjoin with ' $B(b)$ '. Use  $\vee$  Intro and  $\exists$  Intro to build the sentence that is negated in line 19, yielding a contradiction:

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27	$\neg C(b)$	22-26, $\neg$ Intro
28	<u><math>\neg C(b)</math></u>	
29	<u><math>\neg B(b)</math></u>	
30	<u><math>\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b)</math></u>	$\wedge$ Intro: 28, 29
31	<u><math>(B(b) \wedge C(b)) \vee (\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b))</math></u>	$\vee$ Intro: 30
32	<u><math>\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>	$\exists$ Intro: 31
33	$\perp$	$\perp$ Intro: 19, 32
34	<u><math>\neg \neg B(b)</math></u>	$\neg$ Intro: 29-33
35	<u><math>B(b)</math></u>	$\neg$ Elim: 34
36	<u><math>B(b) \leftrightarrow \neg C(b)</math></u>	$\leftrightarrow$ Intro: 21-27, 28-35
37	<u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))</math></u>	$\forall$ Intro: 20-36
38	<u><math>\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x)) \leftrightarrow \neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))</math></u>	$\leftrightarrow$ Intro: 2-18, 19-37

$\Rightarrow \Rightarrow$  Entire proof shown on the next page  $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow$

In total, our proof showing that

$$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$$

is first-order equivalent to

$$\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$$

looks like this:

1	$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))$	
2	$\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	
3	$\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	
4	$\boxed{a} (B(a) \wedge C(a)) \vee (\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a))$	
5	$B(a) \leftrightarrow \neg C(a)$	$\forall$ Elim: 2
6	$\frac{B(a) \leftrightarrow \neg C(a)}{B(a) \wedge C(a)}$	$\wedge$ Elim: 6
7	$\frac{B(a) \wedge C(a)}{B(a)}$	$\wedge$ Elim: 6
8	$\frac{B(a)}{C(a)}$	$\leftrightarrow$ Elim: 5,7
9	$\frac{C(a)}{\neg C(a)}$	$\perp$ Intro: 8,9
10	$\frac{\neg C(a)}{\perp}$	
11	$\frac{\perp}{\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)}$	
12	$\frac{\neg B(a) \wedge \neg C(a)}{\neg C(a)}$	$\wedge$ Elim: 11
13	$\frac{\neg C(a)}{B(a)}$	$\leftrightarrow$ Elim: 5,12
14	$\frac{B(a)}{\neg B(a)}$	11, $\wedge$ Elim: 11
15	$\frac{\neg B(a)}{\perp}$	13,14, $\perp$ Intro: 13,14
16	$\frac{\perp}{\perp}$	$\vee$ Elim: 4,5-10,11-15
17	$\frac{\perp}{\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))}$	$\exists$ Elim: 3,4-16
18	$\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	$\neg$ Intro: 3-17
19	$\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))$	
20	$\boxed{b}$	
21	$B(b)$	
22	$\frac{B(b)}{C(b)}$	$\wedge$ Intro: 21,22
23	$\frac{B(b)}{B(b) \wedge C(b)}$	$\vee$ Intro: 23
24	$\frac{B(b) \wedge C(b)}{B(b) \wedge C(b) \vee (\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b))}$	$\exists$ Intro: 24
25	$\frac{B(b) \wedge C(b) \vee (\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b))}{\neg \exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))}$	$\perp$ Intro: 19,25
26	$\frac{}{\perp}$	$\neg$ Intro: 22-26
27	$\frac{}{\neg C(b)}$	
28	$\frac{}{\neg C(b)}$	
29	$\frac{}{\neg B(b)}$	28,29, $\wedge$ Intro: 28,29
30	$\frac{}{\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b)}$	$\vee$ Intro: 30
31	$\frac{\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b)}{(B(b) \wedge C(b)) \vee (\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b))}$	$\exists$ Intro: 31
32	$\frac{(B(b) \wedge C(b)) \vee (\neg B(b) \wedge \neg C(b))}{\exists x((B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x)))}$	$\perp$ Intro: 19,32
33	$\frac{}{\perp}$	$\neg$ Intro: 29-33
34	$\frac{}{\neg \neg B(b)}$	$\neg \neg$ Elim: 34
35	$\frac{}{B(b)}$	$\leftrightarrow$ Intro: 21-27,28-35
36	$\frac{B(b)}{B(b) \leftrightarrow \neg C(b)}$	$\forall$ Intro: 20-36
37	$\frac{B(b) \leftrightarrow \neg C(b)}{\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x))}$	$\leftrightarrow$ Intro: 2-18,19-37
38	$\forall x(B(x) \leftrightarrow \neg C(x)) \leftrightarrow \neg \exists x[(B(x) \wedge C(x)) \vee (\neg B(x) \wedge \neg C(x))]$	