

Rule of Universal Specification (US) If a formula S results from a formula R by substituting a term t for every free occurrence of a variable v in R then S is derivable from $(\forall v)R$.

Rule of Universal Generalization (UG) From a formula S we may derive $(\forall v)S$, provided the variable v is not flagged in S .

Rule of Existential Specification (ES) If a formula S results from a formula R by substituting for every free occurrence of a variable v in R an ambiguous name which has not previously been used in the derivation, then S is derivable from $(\exists v)R$.

Rule of Existential Generalization (EG) If a formula S results from a formula R by substituting a variable v for every occurrence in R of some ambiguous (or proper) name, then $(\exists v)S$ is derivable from R .

Rule Q_1 : If v is any variable and if a formula S results from R by replacing at least one occurrence of the universal quantifier $(\forall v)$ by $\neg(\exists v)\neg$, then S is derivable from R , and conversely.

Rule Q_2 : If v is any variable and if a formula S results from R by replacing at least one occurrence of the existential quantifier $(\exists v)$ by $\neg(\forall v)\neg$, then S is derivable from R , and conversely.

Rule for Tautological Equivalence (TE): If a formula P occurs as part of a formula R , if a formula Q is tautologically equivalent to P , and if a formula S results from R by replacing at least one occurrence of P in R by Q , then S is derivable from R , and conversely.

Examples

(Problem from “Notes on Rule C.P.”, 14 Feb)

{1}	(1) $P \rightarrow Q$	Premise
{2}	(2) $\neg(\neg Q) \rightarrow R$	Premise
{2}	(3) $Q \rightarrow R$	2 TE
{1, 2}	(4) $P \rightarrow R$	1, 3 Law of Hypothetical Syllogism

Examples

(Problem pg. 35 # 8 (HW4))

{1}	(1) $S \vee O$	Premise
{2}	(2) $S \rightarrow \neg E$	Premise
{3}	(3) $O \rightarrow M$	Premise
{2}	(4) $\neg(\neg E) \rightarrow \neg S$	2 Law of Contraposition
{2}	(5) $E \rightarrow \neg S$	4 TE
{6}	(6) $\neg S$	Premise
{1, 6}	(7) O	1 6 Modus tollendo tollens
{1}	(8) $\neg S \rightarrow O$	6 7 CP
{1, 2}	(9) $E \rightarrow O$	5 8 Law of Hypothetical Syllogism
{1, 2, 3}	(10) $E \rightarrow M$	3 9 Law of Hypothetical Syllogism
{1, 2, 3}	(11) $\neg E \vee M$	10 LEID

(From HW7 # 2) What is **wrong** with this deduction?

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It appears to use hypothetical syllogism to combine $Nx \rightarrow Mx$ and $Mx \rightarrow Tx$, but hypothetical syllogism is **not** a tautological equivalence.

pg. 88: "If there is a federal court which will sustain the decision, then every member of the bar is wrong. However, some members of the bar are not wrong.

Therefore, no federal court will sustain the decision."

{1}	(1) $(\exists x)(Fx \wedge Sx) \rightarrow (\forall y)(My \rightarrow Wy)$	Premise
{2}	(2) $(\exists y)(My \wedge \neg Wy)$	Premise
{2}	(3) $\neg(\forall y)\neg(My \wedge \neg Wy)$	2 Q2
{2}	(4) $\neg(\forall y)(My \rightarrow Wy)$	3 TE (neg of imp)
{1}	(5) $\neg(\forall y)(My \rightarrow Wy) \rightarrow \neg(\exists x)(Fx \wedge Sx)$	1 Contraposition
{1, 2}	(6) $\neg(\exists x)(Fx \wedge Sx)$	4 5 Detachment
{1, 2}	(7) $\neg\neg(\forall x)(\neg(Fx \wedge Sx))$	6 Q2
{1, 2}	(8) $(\forall x)(\neg(Fx \wedge Sx))$	7 T Double Negati
{1, 2}	(9) $(\forall x)(Fx \rightarrow \neg Sx)$	7 TE

We want to **avoid** this technically true derivation with “Rule EG” from earlier:

{1}	(1)	$(\forall x)(\exists y)(x < y)$	Premise
{1}	(2)	$(\exists y)(x < y)$	1 US
{1}	(3)	$x < \alpha$	2 ES
{1}	(4)	$(\exists x)(x < x)$	3 EG (error)

Definition: A subscript of an ambiguous name (i.e. Greek letter) is written provided that variable is free in the formula on which EG is applied.

New restriction on EG: Cannot use rule *EG* to a formula that uses a variable as a subscript of that formula.

Correctly written, we get

{1}	(1)	$(\forall x)(\exists y)(x < y)$	Premise
{1}	(2)	$(\exists y)(x < y)$	1 US
{1}	(3)	$x < \alpha_x$	2 ES
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{1}	(3)	$x < \alpha_x$	2 ES
{1}	(4)	$(\forall x)(x < \alpha_x)$	3 UG (error)
{1}	(5)	$(\exists y)(\forall x)(x < y)$	4 EG

New restriction on UG: We may not apply a universal quantifier to a given formula using a variable which occurs as a subscript in the formula.

We would like to **avoid** the following:

{1}	(1)	$(\forall x)(\exists y)(x < y)$	Premise
{1}	(2)	$(\exists y)(y < y)$	1 US (error)

New restriction on UG: Do not substitute a term containing a variable which becomes bound by a quantifier in the original formula.

We would like to **avoid**

{1}	(1)	$(\exists x)(\forall y)(x + y = y)$	Premise	
{1}	(2)	$(\forall y)(\alpha + y = y)$	1 ES	
{1}	(3)	$(\exists y)(\forall y)(y + y = y)$	2 EG (error)	(Line (4) follows
{1}	(4)	$(\forall y)(y + y = y)$	3 ES	

because there are no free variable in line (3) which we could replace with an ambiguous name.)

Second new rule for EG: Do not replace an ambiguous name by a variable which becomes bound by a quantifier in the original formula.

We would like to **avoid**

{1}	(1) $(\exists x)(\neg O_x)$	Premise
{2}	(2) O_x	x Premise
{1}	(3) $\neg O_\alpha$	1 ES
{1, 2}	(4) $O_x \wedge \neg O_\alpha$	$x, 2$ 3 Adjunction
{1, 2}	(5) $(\exists x)(O_x \wedge \neg O_x)$	4 EG (error)

New rule for EG: Do not use a variable flagged in a formula to eliminate an actual occurrence of a name from the formula.

Summary of general inferences rules

Abbrev	Rule	Restriction
P	Add a premise	None
T	Use a tautology	None
CP	Conditional Proof	None
RAA	Reductio ad absurdum	None
US	Universal specification – from $(\forall v)S$ derive St	no free occurrence of v within scope of quantifier using vari- able of t
UG	Universal generalization – from S derive $(\forall v)S$	v not flagged, v not subscript
ES	Existential specification – from $(\exists v)S$ derive $S\alpha$	ambiguous name α not previ- ously used
EG	Existential generalization – from $S\alpha$ derive $(\exists v)Sv$	v not a subscript, no occur- rence of name α within scope of quantifier using v , v not flagged if α actually occurs in $S\alpha$