

### 2.40.1. Derived Rule Problems

1. Provide a deduction for the following argument, using only  $\sim-$ , and  $\sim+$ .

$$\begin{array}{l} 1. P \\ \hline \therefore P \end{array}$$

2. Provide a deduction for the argument in Problem 1 using only  $\vee+$ ,  $\vee-$ , and **ID**.

3. Provide a deduction for the following argument, using only  $\vee+$ ,  $\vee-$ , and **ID**.

$$\begin{array}{l} 1. \sim\sim P \\ \hline \therefore P \end{array}$$

4. Provide a deduction for the argument in Problem 3 using only **R** and **ID**.

5. Provide a deduction for the following argument, using only **R** and **ID**.

$$\begin{array}{l} 1. P \\ \hline \therefore \sim\sim P \end{array}$$

6. Suppose we use a variant deductive system – call it “**DS1**” – consisting of the Chapter Two deductive system, but with Inward DM in place of  $\vee+$  and  $\wedge+$ .<sup>1</sup>

**Inward DM (In DM)**

$$\frac{\sim(\bullet \vee \blacktriangle)}{\sim\bullet \wedge \sim\blacktriangle} \qquad \frac{\sim(\bullet \wedge \blacktriangle)}{\sim\bullet \vee \sim\blacktriangle}$$

Show that **DS1** is deductively equivalent to the Chapter Two system, by constructing a **DS1** deduction for each of the following two arguments.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} 1. P \\ 2. Q \end{array}}{\therefore (P \wedge Q)} \qquad \frac{1. P}{\therefore (P \vee Q)}$$

7. **DS2** is another variant deductive system, consisting of the Chapter Two deductive system, but with **Outward DM** in place of  $\vee-$  and  $\wedge-$ .

**Outward DM (Out DM)**

$$\frac{(\sim\bullet \wedge \sim\blacktriangle)}{\sim(\bullet \vee \blacktriangle)} \qquad \frac{(\sim\bullet \vee \sim\blacktriangle)}{\sim(\bullet \wedge \blacktriangle)}$$

Show that **DS2** is deductively equivalent to the Chapter Two system, by constructing a **DS 2** deduction for each of the following two arguments.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} 1. (P \vee Q) \\ 2. \sim P \end{array}}{\therefore Q} \qquad \frac{1. (P \wedge Q)}{\therefore P}$$

<sup>1</sup> As Problems 4 and 5 show, we could also strip out  $\sim+$  and  $\sim-$  in this system without loss of deductive power.

8. Semantics and deduction show the following rule to be valid.<sup>2</sup>

Double Disjunction (DD)	
$(\bullet \vee \blacktriangle)$	$(\blacktriangle \vee \bullet)$
$(\bullet \vee \sim \blacktriangle)$	$(\sim \blacktriangle \vee \bullet)$
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Provide a deduction for the following two arguments using only **DD** and  $\vee+$  (but without using **ID**).

1. $(P \vee Q)$	1. $P$
2. $\sim P$	
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$\therefore Q$	$\therefore P$

9. Provide a deduction for the following two arguments using only **DD**,  $\vee+$ , and **ID**.

1. $\sim\sim P$	1. $P$
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$\therefore P$	$\therefore \sim\sim P$

(Hint: for the right argument, adapt your deduction of the left argument to get “ $\sim P$ ” from “ $\sim\sim\sim P$ ”. Alternate route: combine Problem 5 with the right half of Problem 8.)

<sup>2</sup> This argument form was encountered earlier, in 2.38.1 Problem A.

10. Recall that we earlier examined the behavior of **anti-valuation sentences** – disjunctions whose parts are basics, with each sentence letter used appearing just once in the sentence.<sup>3</sup> For example, the following are the family of anti-valuation sentences built from sentence letters {P, Q}.

### {P, Q} Anti-Valuation Sentences

1.  $(P \vee Q)$       2.  $(P \vee \sim Q)$       3.  $(\sim P \vee Q)$       4.  $(\sim P \vee \sim Q)$

It was noted, in particular, that to build a **contradiction** from anti-valuation sentences we must conjoin **all** the anti-valuation sentences in that family.<sup>4</sup>

But with Double Disjunction in hand we now note how pairs of anti-valuation sentences entail a basic from this family – either “P,” “Q,” “ $\sim P$ ,” or “ $\sim Q$ ”.

1. $(P \vee Q)$	1. $(P \vee Q)$	3. $(\sim P \vee Q)$	2. $(P \vee \sim Q)$
2. $(P \vee \sim Q)$	3. $(\sim P \vee Q)$	4. $(\sim P \vee \sim Q)$	4. $(\sim P \vee \sim Q)$
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$\therefore P$	$\therefore Q$	$\therefore \sim P$	$\therefore \sim Q$

Which of these conclusions, if conjoined together, yield a contradiction, and which anti-valuation sentences get us to those conclusions? Does the pattern hold for the anti-valuation sentences in the {P, Q, R} family?<sup>5</sup> (Which premises are required to entail “P?” “ $\sim P$ ?” “Q?” “ $\sim Q$ ?” “R?” “ $\sim R$ ?”)

### {P, Q, R} Anti-Valuation Sentences

1.  $(P \vee Q \vee R)$       2.  $(P \vee Q \vee \sim R)$       3.  $(P \vee \sim Q \vee R)$       4.  $(P \vee \sim Q \vee \sim R)$   
 5.  $(\sim P \vee Q \vee R)$       6.  $(\sim P \vee Q \vee \sim R)$       7.  $(\sim P \vee \sim Q \vee R)$       8.  $(\sim P \vee \sim Q \vee \sim R)$

How does this explain which anti-valuation sentences from a family are needed to yield a contradiction?

<sup>3</sup> In 2.26 §2.

<sup>4</sup> In 2.26 §4.

<sup>5</sup> Feel free to change the order of the parts in a disjunction, to fit the general pattern of Double Disjunction from the previous page.

Semantics and deduction also show the following rule to be valid.<sup>6</sup>

**Generalized Double Disjunction (GDD)**

$$\begin{array}{cc}
 (\bullet \vee \blacktriangle) & (\blacktriangle \vee \bullet) \\
 (\bullet \vee \heartsuit) & (\heartsuit \vee \bullet) \\
 \sim(\blacktriangle \wedge \heartsuit) & \sim(\blacktriangle \wedge \heartsuit) \\
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 \bullet & \bullet
 \end{array}$$

11. Provide a deduction for the following argument using only  $\vee+$ , **ID**, and **GDD**.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 1. P \\
 2. Q \\
 \hline
 \therefore (P \wedge Q)
 \end{array}$$

12. Provide a deduction for the following arguments using only  $\vee+$ ,  $\wedge-$ , **ID**, and **GDD**.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 1. (P \vee Q) \\
 2. \sim P \\
 \hline
 \therefore Q
 \end{array}$$

(Hint: first get “ $\sim(P \wedge P)$ ” to use in a mutant form of the right version of GDD.)

<sup>6</sup> This is a variant on the rule of **Separation of Cases** (or **Disjunctive Dilemma**) discussed in 3.14.1. DD takes for granted a particular form of the third premise of GDD (as Problem 13 illustrates): a negated conjunction of the form  $\sim(\bullet \wedge \sim\bullet)$ .

13. Provide a deduction for the following argument using only R,  $\wedge$ -, **ID**, and **GDD**.

$$\begin{array}{l} 1. (P \vee Q) \\ 2. (P \vee \sim Q) \\ \hline \therefore P \end{array}$$