# Sequent Calculus & PVS

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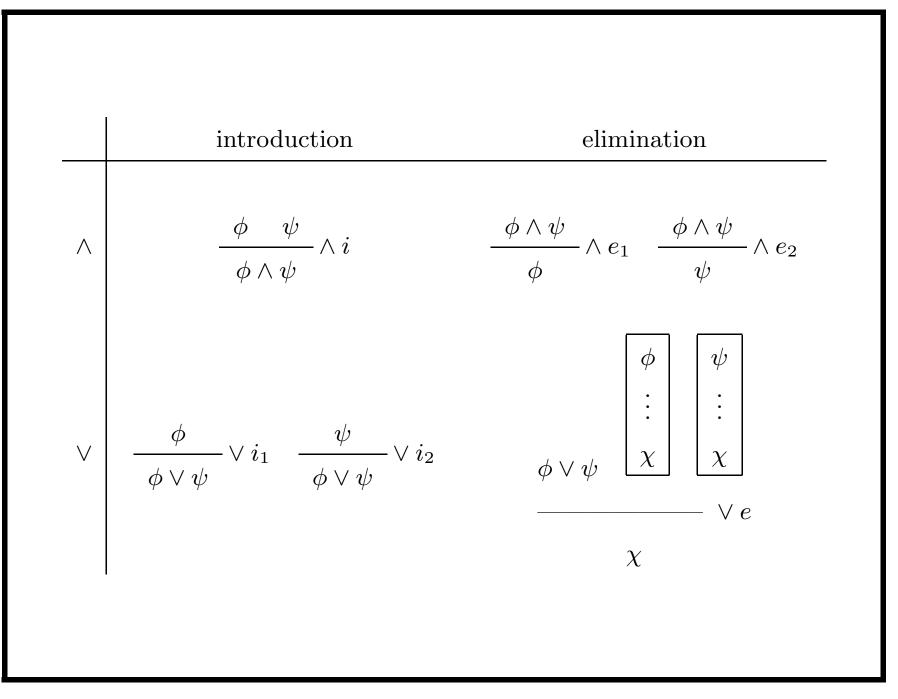
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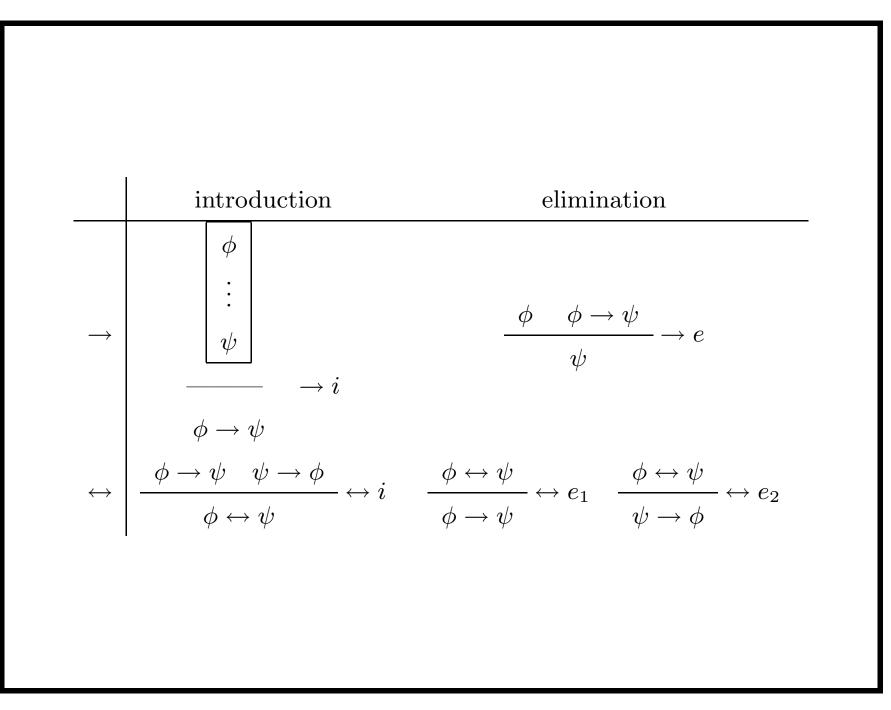
Review: Key Results used by PVS Commutative & Associative rules for  $\land, \lor$ Implication:  $\models (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \leftrightarrow \neg \phi \lor \psi$ Iff:  $\models (\phi \leftrightarrow \psi) \leftrightarrow (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \land (\psi \rightarrow \phi)$ Double negation:  $\models \phi \leftrightarrow \neg(\neg \phi)$ Identity rules:  $\models \phi \land \top \leftrightarrow \phi, \models \phi \lor \bot \leftrightarrow \phi$ Dominance rules:  $\models \phi \lor \top \leftrightarrow \top, \models \phi \land \bot \leftrightarrow \bot$ Rule of adjunction:  $\wedge i$  $\Gamma \vdash \psi \land \chi \text{ iff } \Gamma \vdash \psi \text{ and } \Gamma \vdash \chi$ Rule of alternative proof:  $\lor e$  $\Gamma, \phi \lor \psi \vdash \chi \text{ iff } \Gamma, \phi \vdash \chi \text{ and } \Gamma, \psi \vdash \chi$ 

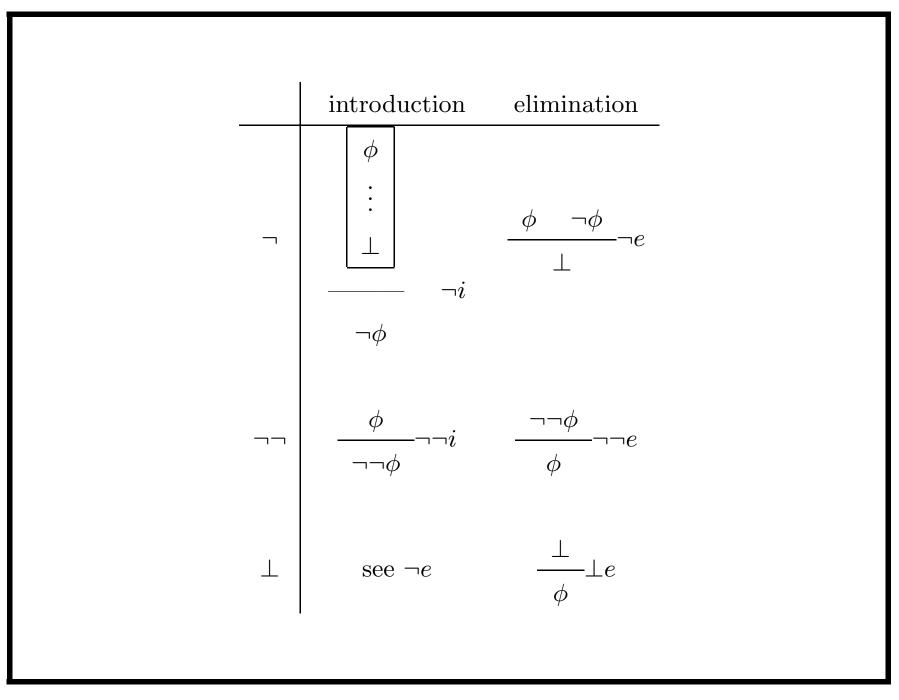
and Theorems:

Deduction Theorem:  $\Gamma, \phi \vdash \psi$  iff  $\Gamma \vdash \phi \rightarrow \psi$ 

Completeness & Consistency:  $\Gamma \vdash \psi$  iff  $\Gamma \models \psi$ 



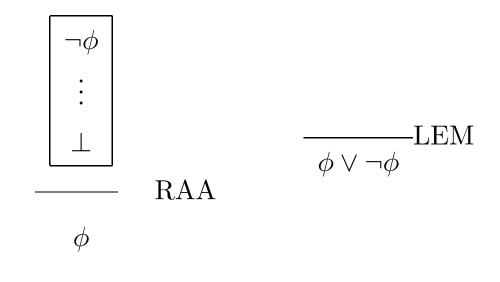




### **Additional Proof Rules**

$$\frac{\phi \to \psi}{\neg \phi \lor \psi} \to 2 \lor \qquad \frac{\neg \phi \lor \psi}{\phi \to \psi} \lor 2 \to$$

$$\frac{\phi \to \psi \quad \neg \psi}{\neg \phi} \text{MT}$$



### Order of Precedence in PVS

Recall: We use precedence of logical connectives and associativity of  $\land, \lor, \leftrightarrow$  to drop parentheses it is understood that this is shorthand for the fully parenthesized expressions.

Rubin uses order of precedence:

$$\neg, \begin{array}{c} \wedge & \rightarrow \\ \neg, & , \\ \vee & \leftrightarrow \end{array}$$

PVS uses order of precedence:

$$\neg, \land, \lor, 
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### Logical Operators in PVS

Propositional constants and variables have type "bool" in PVS bool={TRUE, FALSE}

- $\neg$  NOT, not
- $\wedge$  AND, and, &
- $\vee$  OR, or
- $\rightarrow$  IMPLIES, implies, =>

 $\leftrightarrow$  - IFF, iff, <=>

#### Sequent Calculus

 $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n \vdash \psi_1 \lor \psi_2 \lor \dots \lor \psi_m$ is another way of stating  $\phi_1 \land \phi_2 \land \dots \land \phi_n \vdash \psi_1 \lor \psi_2 \lor \dots \lor \psi_m$ 

In sequent calculus it is written as:

$$egin{array}{ccc} \phi_1 & & \ \phi_2 & & \ dots & & \ \psi_n & & \ \psi_2 & & \ dots & & \ \psi_m & & \end{array}$$

There are implicit  $\land$ 's between the premises and implicit  $\lor$ 's between the conclusions.

Assuming all the  $\phi_i$ 's are true, we are trying to prove at least one  $\psi_j$  is true.

**Def:** We call  $\phi_1 \wedge \ldots \phi_n \to \psi_1 \vee \ldots \psi_m$  the *characteristic formula* for the sequent because it is a tautology iff  $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_n \vdash \psi_1 \vee \ldots \psi_m$ 

#### **Proofs in Sequent Calculus**

Proofs are done by transforming the sequent until one of the following forms is obtained:

 $\begin{array}{c} \cdots \\ \phi \\ \\ \hline \\ \phi \\ \end{array} \text{ i.e. } \Gamma, \phi \vdash \phi \lor \cdots \\ \hline \phi \\ \\ \cdots \end{array}$ 

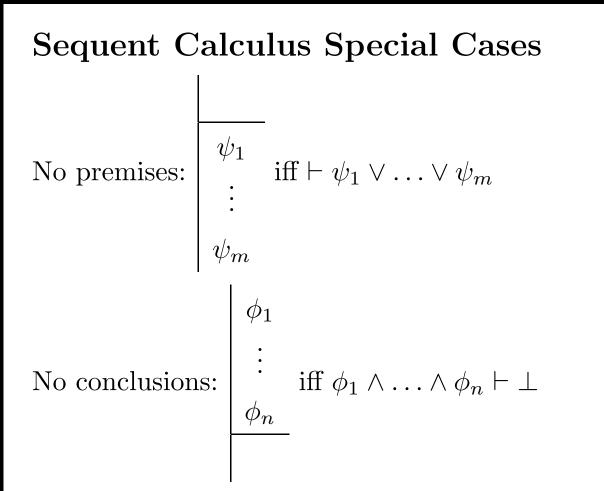
which is a case of Rule Premise and  $\forall i_1$ 

$$\begin{array}{c} \dots \\ \hline \\ \top \\ \dots \end{array}$$
 i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash \top \lor \dots \\ \hline \\ \dots \end{array}$ 

which is a case of Dominance of  $\top$ 

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \dots \\ \bot & \text{i.e. } \Gamma, \bot \vdash \dots \\ \dots \end{array}$$

Which is a case of  $\perp e$ .

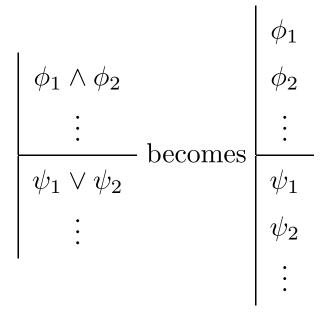


You can always add/remove TRUE ( $\top$ )to/from the premises or FALSE ( $\perp$ ) to/from the conclusions without changing the meaning of the sequent.

Why? Hint: Indentity laws

#### PVS commands: (FLATTEN)

(FLATTEN) eliminates  $\wedge$  in the premises (by  $\wedge e$ ) and  $\vee$  in the conclusions (by  $\forall i_1, \forall i_2$ ):



(FLATTEN) also eliminates  $\rightarrow$  in the conclusions:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \phi \\ \hline \psi_1 \rightarrow \psi_2 \end{array} \text{ becomes } \begin{array}{c} \phi \\ \psi_1 \\ \hline \psi_2 \end{array}$$

Why?

# PVS commands: (FLATTEN)

(FLATTEN) eliminates negations:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
\phi_1 \\
\neg\psi \\
\psi_1 \\
\psi_2
\end{array} \qquad \phi_1 \\
\psi_1 \\
\psi_2
\end{array}$$

Why?  $\phi_1 \vdash \neg \psi \lor \psi_1 \lor \psi_2$  iff  $\phi_1 \vdash \psi \to (\psi_1 \lor \psi_2)$  iff  $\phi_1, \psi \vdash \psi_1 \lor \psi_2$ 

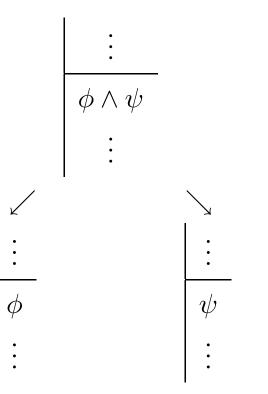
#### **PVS commands: (FLATTEN)**

Similarly  $\phi_1, \neg \phi \vdash \psi_1 \lor \psi_2$  iff  $\phi_1 \vdash \neg \phi \rightarrow \psi_1 \lor \psi_2$  iff  $\phi_1 \vdash \neg \neg \phi \lor (\psi_1 \lor \psi_2)$  iff  $\phi_1 \vdash \phi \lor (\psi_1 \lor \psi_2)$ 

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \phi_1 & \phi_1 \\ \hline \neg \phi & \phi \\ \hline \psi_1 & \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 & \psi_2 \end{array}$$

### PVS commands: (SPLIT)

(SPLIT) uses "AND introduction" ( $\wedge i$ ) to "split" a  $\wedge$  in the conclusions into two subproofs (i.e.  $\Gamma \vdash \phi \land \psi$  iff  $\Gamma \vdash \phi$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \psi$ )



(SPLIT) uses "OR elimination" ( $\lor e$ ) to "split" a  $\lor$  in the premises

into two subproofs (i.e.  $\Gamma, \phi \lor \psi \vdash r$  iff  $\Gamma, \phi \vdash r$  and  $\Gamma, \psi \vdash r$ )  $\phi \lor \psi$ •  $\checkmark$  $\phi$  $\psi$ 

(SPLIT) also splits  $\leftrightarrow$  in the conclusions since:

$$(\phi \leftrightarrow \psi) \equiv (\phi \to \psi) \land (\psi \to \phi)$$

and splits  $\rightarrow$  in the premises (why?).

# PVS commands: (BDDSIMP)

The BDDSIMP command, in effect,

1. creates the truth table for the characteristic formula of the sequent. If it is a tautology the proof is done because

$$\models \phi \to \psi \text{ iff } \vdash \phi \to \psi \text{ iff } \phi \vdash \psi$$

(take  $\phi : \phi_1 \land \ldots \land \phi_n$  and  $\psi : \psi_1 \lor \ldots \lor \psi_m$ ). Otherwise BDDSIMP

- 2. obtains the CNF representation,
- 3. simplifies it with the help of the distributive law, and
- 4. applies the Rule of Adjunction to split the sequent into one sub-proof for each uninterupted sequence of disjuncts and flattens all negations.

**NOTE:** BDDs - (ordered) Binary Decision Diagrams, are type of data structure representing a formula that can be algorithmically reduced to a

canonical representation.

### (BDDSIMP) Example

Applying (BDDSIMP) to sequent  $\vdash p \rightarrow q \land r$ :

- 1. Create Truth Table for  $p \to q \land r$ .
- 2. Get DNF for  $\neg(p \rightarrow q \land r)$  then negate and "De Morgan it to death" to get (full) CNF or write down CNF directly:

 $(\neg p \lor q \lor r) \land (\neg p \lor q \lor \neg r) \land (\neg p \lor \neg q \lor r)$ 

3. Simplify to:  $(\neg p \lor q) \land (\neg p \lor r)$ 4. Split to get  $| \neg p \lor q |$  and  $| \neg p \lor r |$  then  $\neg p \lor q |$  and | p | rflatten to | p | q | q | p | r Fill in details of  $\vdash p \rightarrow q \wedge r$  (BDDSIMP) example.

#### Checking Validity of Arguments in PVS

By Theorems on Soundness and Completeness  $\phi_1, \phi_2, \ldots, \phi_n \models \psi$  iff  $\models \phi_1 \land \ldots \land \phi_n \to \psi$ i.e.  $\phi_1 \land \ldots \land \phi_n \to \psi$  is a tautology.

Therefore to check if  $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_n$  are a valid argument for  $\psi$ , use PVS to prove the theorem:

THEOREM  $\phi_1 \& \dots \& \phi_n$  IMPLIES  $\psi$ V1:

#### **Checking Consistency of Premises in PVS**

The set of premises  $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_n$  is inconsistent iff  $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_n \vdash \psi \land \neg \psi$  for some  $\psi$  iff  $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_n \vdash \bot$ 

But then by the deduction theorem  $(\rightarrow i)$ :

$$\vdash \phi_{1} \rightarrow (\phi_{2} \rightarrow (\phi_{3} \rightarrow (\dots \rightarrow (\phi_{n} \rightarrow \bot))))$$
  
iff  
$$\vdash \phi_{1} \wedge \phi_{2} \wedge \phi_{3} \dots \wedge \phi_{n} \rightarrow \bot$$
  
iff  
$$\vdash \neg (\phi_{1} \wedge \phi_{2} \wedge \phi_{3} \dots \wedge \phi_{n})$$

Therefore propositional premises  $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_n$  are inconsistent iff you can prove the PVS theorem:

- V1: THEOREM  $\phi_1 \& \dots \& \phi_n$  IMPLIES FALSE or equivalently
- V2: THEOREM  $\neg(\phi_1\&\ldots\&\phi_n)$

#### **Unprovable Sequents & Counter Examples**

Consider the following example:

Use PVS to check if the argument following argument is valid & find a counter example if it is not:

$$q \to m \lor v, m, v \to q \stackrel{?}{\models} q$$

E1 : THEOREM (q IMPLIES m OR v) & m & (v IMPLIES q) IMPLIES q

Trying (BDDSIMP) gives unprovable sequent.

{-1} m
|----{1} q
{2} v

which has characteristic formula  $m \to (q \lor v)$ . This formula is false

when m = T and q = v = F. Check that this provides a counter example showing the argument is not valid.

#### Example: Understanding PVS

Use PVS to show:

$$\vdash ((p \to q) \to q) \to ((q \to p) \to p)$$

Explain the proof steps.

Solution: In PVS file we have

p,q:bool
a2i:theorem ((p=>q)=>q)=>((q=>p)=> p)

Invoking the prover:

Rule? (FLATTEN)

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Applying disjunctive simplification to flatten sequent, this simplifies to: a2i :
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{-1} ((p => q) => q)
{-2} (q => p)
   |------
{1} p
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Note that if

$$(p \to q) \to q), (q \to p) \vdash p$$
  
Then by  $\to i$   
 $(p \to q) \to q) \vdash (q \to p) \to p$   
And also by  $\to i$   
 $\vdash (p \to q) \to q)$   
 $\to ((q \to p) \to p)$ 

Thus it suffices to show

$$(p \to q) \to q), (q \to p) \vdash p$$

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a2i :
\{-1\} ((p => q) => q)
{-2} (q => p)
{1} p
Rule? (SPLIT -1)
Splitting conjunctions,
this yields 2 subgoals:
a2i.1 :
{-1} q
[-2] (q => p)
  |-----
[1] p
Rule? (SPLIT)
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Splitting conjunctions,
this yields 2 subgoals:
a2i.1.1 :
{-1} p
[-2] q
  |-----
[1] p
which is trivially true.
This completes the proof of a2i.1.1.
a2i.1.2 :
[-1] q
    _____
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{1} q
[2] p

which is trivially true. This completes the proof of a2i.1.2. This completes the proof of a2i.1. a2i.2 : [-1] (q => p)

{1} (p => q)
[2] p

Rule? (split -1)
Splitting conjunctions,
this yields 2 subgoals:
a2i.2.1 :

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which is trivially true.
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This completes the proof of a2i.2.1.
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This completes the proof of a2i.1. a2i.2.2 :

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{1} q
[2] (p => q)
[3] p
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Rule? (flatten)
Applying disjunctive simplification
to flatten sequent.

This completes the proof of a2i.2.2.

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Q.E.D.

Example: Laplante Real-Time Systems Design and Analysis (3rd ed)

Consider the following excerpt from the Software Requirements Specification for the nuclear monitoring system.

**1.1** If interrupt A arrives, then task B stops executing.

**1.2** Task A begins executing upon arrival of interrupt A.

**1.3** Either Task A is executing and Task B is not, or Task B is executing and Task A is not, or both are not executing.

These requirements can be formalized by rewriting each in terms of their component propositions, namely:

p: interrupt A arrives

q: task B is executing

r: task A is executing

Rewriting the requirements in proposition logic yields:

1.1  $p \rightarrow \neg q$ 1.2  $p \rightarrow r$ 1.3  $(r \land \neg q) \lor (r \land \neg r) \lor (\neg q \land \neg r)$ 

Note that **1.3** is semantically equivalent to  $\neg(q \land r)$ .

We'll use this shorter version to check if the requirements are inconsistent. i.e.

$$p \to \neg q, p \to r, \neg (q \land r) \vdash \bot$$

If they are inconsistent, then no program exists that satisfies them all. Conversely, if the requirements are consistent, we need to find a counter example showing:

$$p \to \neg q, p \to r, \neg (q \land r) \not\models \bot$$

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You can do this by hand, but in PVS we could use:

demo04 : THEORY

BEGIN

p, q, r: bool

Laplante: Theorem

(p=> NOT q) & (p =>r) & NOT(q & r) => FALSE

END demo04
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Invoking the prover and running the (BDDSIMP) command results in two unprovable sequents.

Laplante.1 :

{-1} r
|----{1} q

Laplante.2 : {1} р

{2} r

and

The first has characteristic eqn.  $r \rightarrow q$  which gives counter example q = F and r = T. Checking the truth table we have a counter example:

p	q	r	$p \rightarrow \neg q$	$p \rightarrow r$	$\neg (q \wedge r)$	
F	F	T	T	T	T	F