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CONJUNCTION WITHOUT CONDITIONS IN ILLATIVE COMBINATORY LOGIC

In [3] the propositional connectives were defined in terms of the combinators K and S and the illative ops Ξ and H (ΞXY can be interpreted as “ YV holds for all V such that XV holds” and HX can be interpreted as “ X is a proposition”). Given an elimination rule for Ξ and introduction rules for H and Ξ , all the standard intuitionistic propositional calculus results could be proved provided the variables were restricted to H .

The intuition behind the particular introduction rule for Ξ of [2], that was used is [3], came from a three valued truth table for implication, the values of which were T, F and N . (N can be read as “nonsignificant” or “not T nor F ”). There are in fact 4 different truth tables for implication that fit the rules for implication derived from those for Ξ . From these 4 different tables for conjunction (\wedge) and two for disjunction (\vee) (as well as one for negation and one for H) can be derived (see [4]).

The introduction and elimination rules for the connectives derived from the postulates for Ξ and H , where, with some exceptions, the most general ones that would fit all the truth tables. The exceptions were the elimination rules for \wedge and \vee which came out as:

$$HX, XY, \wedge HY \vdash X$$

$$HX, XY, \wedge XY \vdash Y$$

and $XZ, \vee XY, X \supset Z, Y \supset Z \vdash Z$

Even with some extra axioms connecting Ξ and H that were suggested in [5], it was only possible to prove the above with one of HX or XY removed. According to the truth tables (given below) none of HX, HY or HZ should be needed.

		Y							Y											
		$X \supset Y$	T	F	N					$\wedge XY$	T	F	N				$\vee XY$	T	F	N
X	{	T	T	F	N	X	{	T	T	F	N	X	{	T	T	T	c			
	F	T	T	y	F			F	F	b	F			F	N	F	T	F	N	N
	N	x	N	N	N			N	N	a	N			N	c	N	N	N	N	N
		(1)	$x = y = N$		$a = b = N$												$c = N$			
		(2)	$x = T, y = N$		$a = F, b = N$												$c = N$			
		(3)	$x = N, y = T$		$a = N, b = F$												$c = N$			
		(4)	$x = y = T$		$a = b = F$												$c = T$			

In this paper we show that when the introduction rule for Ξ of [2] is replaced by one of two more general forms (which in fact allow a limited form of higher order logic), a new definition of \wedge can be written down which has unrestricted elimination rules as well as all other desirable properties of \wedge .

The problem of finding a new definition for \vee that will satisfy the above eliminations rule as well as the other desirable properties of \vee including

$$HX, HY \vdash H(\vee XY)$$

is still open.

A definition of \wedge that gave unrestricted introduction and elimination rules was first given by Curry in [9]:

$$\wedge = \lambda x \lambda y. (u \supset_u v u) \supset_v (u \supset_u z v u) \supset_z z(Ky)x.$$

Curry's system however was inconsistent as it had an unrestricted deduction theorem (or introduction rule) for Ξ . Using a similar definition of \wedge it was shown in [1] that the inconsistency of Kleene and Rosser of Church's system (with K added), could also be based solely on the elimination rule for Ξ and a (somewhat restricted) deduction theorem.

One set of postulates that is adequate for all \wedge theorems forms a subset of the postulates for the higher order logic of [6]. We have Rule Eq for equality, the Ξ elimination rule Rule Ξ , Rule H and only special cases of the introduction rule for Ξ and the postulates connecting H and Ξ .

$$\begin{array}{l}
\text{Rule } Eq \quad \text{If } X = Y \text{ then } X \vdash Y \\
\text{Rule } \Xi \quad \Xi XY, XV \vdash YV \\
H \quad X \vdash HX \\
DT\Xi \quad \text{If } \Delta, XV \vdash YV,
\end{array}$$

where V is an indeterminant not free in Δ , X or Y , then

$$\Delta, LX \vdash \Xi XY$$

where $L = FHH^1$, $F(FHH)H$, $F(FHH)(FHH)$ or $F(FHH)(FHH)H$.

$$\Xi H \quad FUHX, FXHY \vdash H(\Xi XY)$$

for $U = H$ or FHH ,

$$FH \quad \text{If } U = H, FHH \text{ or } F(FHH)(FHH) \text{ then } \vdash FUHU.$$

From these the rules for implication (P or \supset) can be derived as in [3].

$$\begin{array}{l}
\text{Rule } P \quad X \supset Y, X \vdash Y \\
\text{Rule } DTP \quad \text{If } \Delta, X \vdash Y \text{ then } \Delta, HX \vdash X \supset Y \\
\text{Rule } PH \quad HX, X \supset HY \vdash H(X \supset Y)
\end{array}$$

Note that just as we writing $X \supset Y$ for the more formal PXY , we will usually write $Xu \supset_u Yu$ for ΞXY provided u is not in X or Y .

There at least two suitable forms for a definition of \wedge , one is an adaptation of Curry's definition:

$$\wedge = \lambda x \lambda y. F(FHH)(FHH)z \supset_z [(Hu \supset_u vu) \supset_v (u \supset_u zvu)] \supset z(Ky)x.$$

The one we use is:

$$\text{DEFINITION 1. } \wedge = \lambda x \lambda y. FH(FHH)z \supset_z [u \supset_u v \supset_v zuv] \supset zxy.$$

We prove our main theorem for this definition of \wedge , but it can be proved equally well for the other.

THEOREM 1.

- (i) $\wedge XY \vdash X$
- (ii) $\wedge XY \vdash Y$
- (iii) $X, Y \vdash \wedge XY$

¹ F is given by: $F = \lambda x \lambda y \lambda z. \Xi x(Byz)$. $FXHY$ which is frequently used below, can therefore be written as $Xu \supset_u H(Yu)$.

(iv) $HX, HY \vdash X(\wedge XY)$

PROOF. (i) By $DT\Xi$, FH and the definition of F we have

$$\vdash FHHI, \quad (1)$$

so as $u, v \vdash Kuv$

we have by using $DT\Xi$ and (1) twice;

$$\vdash u \supset_u v \supset_v Kuv. \quad (2)$$

Also $Hx, Hy \vdash H(Kxy)$

so by $DT\Xi$ and FH twice: $\vdash FH(FHH)K$

by (2) and Definition 1

$$\wedge XY \vdash KXY$$

i.e. $\wedge XY \vdash X$

(ii) $u, v \vdash KIuv$

so by (1) and $DT\Xi$ $\vdash u \supset_u v \supset_v KIuv$ (3)

Also $Hx, Hy \vdash H(KIxy)$

so by FH and $DT\Xi$ $\vdash FH(FHH)(KI)$

so by FH and $DT\Xi$ $\vdash FH(FHH)(KI)$

by (3) and Definition 1

$$XY \vdash KIXY$$

i.e. $XY \vdash Y$

(iii) $FH(FHH)z, Hu, Hv \vdash H(zuv)$

so by Rule H ,

$$FH(FHH)z, u, v \vdash H(zuv)$$

and by (1) and $DT\Xi$,

$$FH(FHH)z, u \vdash v \supset_v H(zuv).$$

Then by ΞH and (1),

$$FH(FHH)z, u \vdash H(v \supset_v zuv)$$

and by (1) and $DT\Xi$,

$$FH(FHH)z \vdash u \supset_u H(v \supset_v zuv).$$

so by ΞH and (1)

$$FH(FHH)z \vdash H(u \supset_u v \supset_v zuv) \quad (4)$$

Now $X, Y, u \supset_u v \supset_v zuv \vdash zXY$,

so by DTP $X, Y, FH(FHH)z \vdash (u \supset_u v \supset_v zuv)zXY$

and by $DT\Xi$ and Definition 1, $X, Y \vdash \wedge XY$

$$(iv) \quad HX, HY, FH(FHH)z \vdash H(uXY)$$

so by (4) and DTP ,

$$HX, HY, FH(FHH)z \vdash (u \supset_u v \supset_v zuv) \supset H(zXY)$$

$$\text{Now by } DT\Xi \quad \begin{array}{l} HX, HT \vdash FH(FHH)z \supset_z \\ H[(u \supset_u v \supset_v zuv) \supset zXY] \end{array}$$

so by $\Xi H, FH$ and Definition 1

$$HX, HY \vdash H(\wedge XY).$$

The weak consistency proof in [8] for the system of [7] has not so far been extended to the system used above. The consistency proof however does apply to the following extension of the system of [7]:

<u>Rules Eq and H</u>	as before
<u>Rule Ξ</u>	$UX, UV \vdash YV$
<u>DT Ξ</u>	If $\Delta, UV \vdash YV$ where V is an indeterminate not free in Δ , or y then $\Delta \vdash \Xi UY$
<u>ΞH</u>	$FUHY \vdash H(\Xi UY)$

where $U \in \mathcal{U} = \{A, H, I, FAA, FAH, FAI, FHA, FIA, FHI, FIH, FHH, FII, FA(FAA), \dots\}$.

Of course Rules P , DTP and PH are now no longer derivable from Ξ , $DT\Xi$ and ΞH , so they need to become rule of inference. On the other hand Axiom Scheme FH is now derivable.

It can easily be seen that Theorem 1 applies in this system even if only $U \in \{H, I, FH(FHH)\}$ is used. In fact the above proof can be simplified.

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