## Coursework for "Introduction to Deep Inference and Proof Nets"

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## **Guidelines and Conditions**

- This coursework constitute the only examination for the course "Introduction to Deep Inference and Proof Nets", and it includes 14 exercises, each of them is assigned a score, clearly indicated at the beginning of the text. The total number of points is 100.
- The text of this coursework is available for download from the course web page, starting from Monday, December 17, 2007. A paper version is made available during the first lecture in the lecture hall for the attendees.
- Deadline for returning the worked solutions is Friday, December 21, 2007 at 12:00 (noon). This is a strict deadline. Worked solutions can be handed in to any of the lecturers.
- Students are allowed to work in groups, but each student has to return her/his own paperwork, for administrative reasons.
- We remind students to clearly write their names on all their submitted sheets, and to bind them, for assessment.
- A sample solution will be made available on the web at the end of the course and this is the only form of public feedback provided.

**Exercise 1 (7 points)** Prove the sequent  $\vdash ([\neg a \lor \neg c] \land [\neg b \lor \neg d]) \lor ([a \lor b] \land [c \lor d])$  in system LK.

**Exercise 2 (10 points)** Prove the formula  $([\bar{a} \lor \bar{c}] \land [\bar{b} \lor \bar{d}]) \lor ([a \lor b] \land [c \lor d])$  in system KS and in system KSg.

**Exercise 3 (8 points)** Consider the following deep inference rule  $\rho$ , where *a* is an atom, and R, P, Q and *S* are formulae:

$$\rho \frac{(R \land P) \lor (S \land Q) \lor (P \land Q)}{([a \lor R] \land P) \lor ([\bar{a} \lor S] \land Q)}$$

Show that  $\rho$  is derivable in KSg.

**Exercise 4 (7 points)** For this exercise, we use the following definition: A system (presenting classical logic) is *consistent* if it does not allow to prove both R and  $\neg R$ , for some formula R.

Now consider a system S in deep inference, in which for every rule in S also its dual rule is in S, and prove the following statement: If S does not allow to derive f from t then the system S is consistent. (Note: You cannot use the rule  $i\uparrow$ , since it might not be in S.)

**Exercise 5 (5 points)** Replace the following derivation in the calculus of structures with one that uses  $ai\uparrow$  instead of  $i\uparrow$ :

$$\mathrm{i}\!\uparrow \frac{d \lor ([a \lor (b \land \overline{b})] \land [b \lor \overline{b}] \land \overline{a})}{d}$$
 .

Exercise 6 (6 points) Show that KSg is not implicationally complete.

Exercise 7 (7 points) Consider the Frege system with the following axiom schemata:

$$F_1 \equiv A \to (B \to A)$$
  

$$F_2 \equiv (A \to (B \to C)) \to ((A \to B) \to (A \to C))$$
  

$$F_3 \equiv \neg A \to (A \to B)$$
  

$$F_4 \equiv (A \to B) \to ((\neg A \to B) \to B)$$

and with modus ponens as inference rule. Show that it admits a polynomial simulation in SKSg. (Hint: You can use all theorems that have been mentioned in the lecture.)

**Exercise 8 (5 points)** What is the result of eliminating the cut from the following proof in MLL + cut:

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{id} \displaystyle \frac{ \overset{id}{\vdash a^{\perp}, a}}{ \overset{}{\vdash a^{\perp}, \bot, a}} \\ \otimes \displaystyle \underbrace{ \overset{}{\overset{}{\vdash a^{\perp}, \boxtimes, a}}_{ \displaystyle \vdash a^{\perp} \otimes \bot, a} \\ \otimes \displaystyle \underbrace{ \overset{}{\overset{}{\vdash b, \Gamma}} \\ \operatorname{cut} \displaystyle \underbrace{ \overset{}{\vdash \bot, a^{\perp} \otimes \bot, a}}_{ \displaystyle \vdash b \otimes \bot, \Gamma, a, \Delta} \\ \end{array} \\ \otimes \displaystyle \underbrace{ \overset{}{\overset{}{\vdash b, \Gamma}} \\ \overset{}{\overset{}{\vdash b \otimes \bot, \Gamma, a, \Delta}}$$

You can assume that  $\Pi_1$  and  $\Pi_2$  are cut free.

**Exercise 9 (5 points)** Replace the following derivation in the calculus of structures with one that uses  $ai\uparrow$  instead of  $i\uparrow$ .

$$\mathsf{i} \!\uparrow \frac{[d \mathrel{\approx} ([a \mathrel{\approx} (b \mathrel{\otimes} b^{\perp})] \mathrel{\otimes} [b \mathrel{\approx} b^{\perp}] \mathrel{\otimes} a^{\perp})]}{d}$$

**Exercise 10 (5 points)** Show that the De-Morgan-laws for defining negation (for MLL) imply that  $A^{\perp\perp} = A$  for all formulas A.

Exercise 11 (9 points) In this exercise you will do one case of the proof of the "atomic splitting" lemma, which says that

If 
$$\begin{array}{cc} \mathsf{MLS} & & a^{\perp} \\ & \Pi & & \\ & [a \otimes K] & & \mathsf{MLS} \parallel \Pi_a \\ & & & K \end{array}$$

The proof is by induction on  $size(\Pi)$ . Consider only the case where  $\Pi$  is

$$\mathsf{MLS} \| \Pi' \\ \mathsf{s} \frac{\left[ \left( \left[ a \otimes K_1 \otimes K_3 \right] \otimes K_2 \right) \otimes K_4 \right] \right]}{\left[ a \otimes \left( K_1 \otimes K_2 \right) \otimes K_3 \otimes K_4 \right]}$$

Apply the general splitting lemma and the induction hypothesis to build  $\Pi_a$ .

Exercise 12 (4 points) Draw the proof net for the following derivation:

$$\begin{split} & \operatorname{ai} \downarrow \frac{\operatorname{ai} \downarrow \overline{[a \otimes a^{\bot}]}}{[a \otimes (a^{\bot} \otimes [c \otimes c^{\bot}])]} \\ & \operatorname{ai} \downarrow \frac{\operatorname{s} \frac{[a \otimes (a^{\bot} \otimes [c \otimes c^{\bot}])]}{[a \otimes (a^{\bot} \otimes c) \otimes c^{\bot}]}}{\operatorname{s} \frac{[([a \otimes a^{\bot}] \otimes a) \otimes (a^{\bot} \otimes c) \otimes c^{\bot}]}{[a \otimes (a^{\bot} \otimes a) \otimes (a^{\bot} \otimes c) \otimes c^{\bot}]} \end{split}$$

**Exercise 13 (12 points)** For each of the following four (pre-)proof nets do the following: Either give an  $MLS^-$  derivation that corresponds to the net, or explain why such a derivation does not exist.





Exercise 14 (10 points) Consider the following inference rule:

$$\mathsf{m} \frac{S\{(A \otimes B) \otimes (C \otimes D)\}}{S\{[A \otimes C] \otimes [B \otimes D]\}}$$

Show that the rule m is not derivable in  $\mathsf{SMLS}^-.$  (Hint: use proof nets.)