

The Bob and Jane problem (§5.5.2)

Here's another derivation (from class!) of this argument, slightly different from the one in the text.

1	$\forall z \forall x (\exists y L(x, y) \rightarrow L(z, x))$	
2	$\neg L(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{j})$	
3	$L(\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{j})$	
4	$\forall x (\exists y L(x, y) \rightarrow L(\mathbf{b}, x))$	($\forall E$), 1
5	$\exists y L(\mathbf{j}, y) \rightarrow L(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{j})$	($\forall E$), 4
6	$\exists y L(\mathbf{j}, y)$	($\exists I$), 3
7	$L(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{j})$	($\rightarrow E$), 5, 6
8	\perp	($\neg E$), 2, 7
9	$\neg L(\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{j})$	($\neg E$), 3–8

This is equivalent to the translation in the book (§5.5.2), since

$$\forall z \forall x (\exists y L(x, y) \rightarrow L(z, x)) \equiv \forall x (\exists y L(x, y) \rightarrow \forall z L(z, x))$$

Here's another exercise: prove that in general

$$\forall z \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(z, x)) \equiv \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow \forall z Q(z, x))$$

so the previous equivalence is just the case where $P(x) \equiv \exists y L(x, y)$ and $Q = L$.

Derivations for the equivalences:

1	$\forall z \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(z, x))$		
	u		
2	$P(u)$		
3	v	$\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(v, x))$	$(\forall E), 1$
4		$P(u) \rightarrow Q(v, u)$	$(\forall E), 3$
5		$Q(v, u)$	$(\rightarrow E), 2, 4$
6		$\forall z Q(z, u)$	$(\forall I), 3-5$
7	$P(u) \rightarrow \forall z Q(z, u)$		$(\rightarrow E), 2-6$
8	$\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow \forall z Q(z, x))$		$(\forall I), 2-7$

1	$\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow \forall z Q(z, x))$		
	v		
2	u	$P(u)$	
3		$P(u) \rightarrow \forall z Q(z, u)$	$(\forall E), 1$
4		$\forall z Q(z, u)$	$(\rightarrow E), 2, 3$
5		$Q(v, u)$	$(\forall E), 4$
6	$P(u) \rightarrow Q(v, u)$		$(\rightarrow I), 2-5$
7	$\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(v, x))$		$(\forall I), 2-6$
8	$\forall z \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(z, x))$		$(\forall I), 2-7$