

# Peano Commutativity in [S']

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# 1 Introduction

This report is turned in for credit for the course “Logic” at DIKU summer 2005. In brief, the assignment is to prove the commutativity of addition within peano arithmetic using the Logiweb system developed by Klaus Grue. Logiweb will be introduced shortly. That is, in this report we shall carry out a proof of the proposition that for all natural numbers the following holds:

$$t + r = r + t, \tag{1}$$

and we shall use Klaus Grue’s Logiweb system to check our proof. Cf. [?]. However, we use  $[x]$  and  $[y]$  as our variables.

During the course we have been introduced to mathematical logic using the textbook *Introduction to Mathematical Logic* by Elliot Mendelson, cf. [?]. In order to get the full of this report we thus assume an elementary knowledge of logic as it is introduced in this book. However, we do give short introductions to some basic topics—Logiweb as well as logic—making this report selfcontained—at least to a graduate student of computer science at DIKU. The report has been written from June 23rd to July 3rd. Due to this short period of time the proof is carried out as simply as possible discarding any fancy solutions even before they have been fully conceived of. The commutativity of addition is part of Proposition 3.2 in [?], p. 156, which is proved immediately afterwards on pp. 157f. We follow this proof backchaining from the actual proof of (1) through other results of the proposition and any necessary lemmas and theorems contained in the book. Besides Mendelson’s propositions we only make use of two tautologies and one lemma in the final proof.

We hope our intentions have been reached and that this report carries just a little of the fun it has been working with Logiweb. As Klaus always invites the Logiweb user to we do also: “Have fun”.

## 2 The Logiweb System

In this section we give a short introduction to the Logiweb system, a web-based system for distribution of mathematical definitions, lemmas, and proofs writing web-pages. Cf. [?]. For further details and elaboration on the myriad of intricacies and topics concerning the system we refer to Klaus Grue’s introduction to Logiweb, namely the [check](#) page. Alternatively, we recommend the [peano](#) page introducing peano arithmetic, which well displays the system “at work”. In order to obtain a thorough knowledge of the system one is advised to follow the course “Logic” or to read the [base](#) page (cf. [?]), but probably the best choice would be to undertake the exercise of writing a page proving some proposition of choice from [?] using Logiweb. After such an exercise any work in Logiweb and the hardship of doing it will most likely depend on the level of mathematics one is working with.

## 2.1 References

As hinted at above, Logiweb is a system in which users worldwide can distribute their own mathematical work and reuse the work of others. Mathematics in Logiweb is published by submitting a *Logiweb page* to the Logiweb system, that is, to a *Logiweb server*. Abstractly speaking, in a Logiweb page one can define a mathematical theory or system<sup>1</sup> and a language of this system within which one can then define, state, and prove mathematical lemmas, theorems, propositions, etc. A theory must be defined in one page. The proofs within a theory will be proof checked upon submission to the Logiweb system (actually they will be proof checked when compiling the page locally) and one then knows if the contents of a page are correct within the theory. A page can refer to other Logiweb pages in which a needed theory, results, functionalities etc. are defined. Thus, Logiweb works much like the world wide web where pages refer to each other using hyperlinks. The mesh of Logiweb servers translate Logiweb references to http urls making sure a page can find its references and that together they form a directed acyclic graph from top (the base) to bottom (a Logiweb page). Essentially, the Logiweb reference of a page is a global hash key computed on the basis of the contents of the specific page. This ensures that each page has a unique key, that is, reference. The reference of this page in the special *kana*<sup>2</sup> format is:

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nani
tata neki kisi naku seti   kasu kesu sake kini nese
sese tuku taki kete niki   niki tuna nisi sase tuti
kinu suti keki sika sake   sase sika nasa natu
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*Kana* is a format developed for Logiweb making it possible to speak or pronounce a reference. This is done because Logiweb has been developed with the possibility of using a microphone as input tool in mind. Also, one can refer to this page using the well-known http url:

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http://www.diku.dk/~grue/logiweb/20050502/home/mrmr/peano-commutativity/latest/
vector/page.lgw
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The two last ways to refer to a page is using the reference expressed in so-called *mixed endian hexadecimal*—which the *kana* reference is based on—or using a decimal reference. Cf. [?] and the **Reference** section in the source or *pyk* code in a Logiweb page. The reference section—known as the **BIBLIOGRAPHY**—of a Logiweb page will be introduced shortly.

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<sup>1</sup>We shall use *theory* and *system* interchangeably, as is the case with *Logiweb system* and *Logiweb*.

<sup>2</sup>For details on *kana* we refer to <http://yoa.dk/logiweb/doc/misc/kana.html>.

## 2.2 The Base Page

Now, in the previous section we mentioned *the base* of the mesh of Logiweb pages. This is a certain part of Logiweb, which implements the basic and necessary functionalities of the mathematical part of the Logiweb system. That is, the *base page*—as it is denoted—defines the proof checker and most of what makes the mathematics of Logiweb possible. Actually, there can be more than one base page, but the one Klaus Grue has written will probably be *the* base page to begin with. But one is free to write a base page making up a different (or a similar) system. A base page is a page without references to other pages and thus forms the base of a mathematical system within Logiweb. For more on this we refer to the [pink](#) page, Section 1.4 in particular. We now know the necessary basics of the Logiweb system. Next, we take a closer look at the structure of a Logiweb page.

## 3 A Logiweb Page

In this section we briefly describe the most important details of a Logiweb page. That is, we introduce the Logiweb page, the language used in Logiweb, and the predefined structure all pages must be written according to. This introduction is adequate for getting started with Logiweb, but is in no manner satisfactory to the serious user of the Logiweb system.

### 3.1 “Main Menu”

In the Logiweb system each instance of a page has a so-called *main menu*, e.g., the main menu of this page is at:

<http://www.diku.dk/~grue/logiweb/20050502/home/mrmr/peano-commutativity/latest/>

From the main menu one can browse and find numerous kinds of information about the page. The most important of which to begin with is the page in **pdf** format and (for Logiweb beginners) the source code.

A Logiweb page is written in a mixture of  $\text{\LaTeX}$  and the language **pyk** developed by Klaus Grue. **pyk** is the language in which the mathematics of a Logiweb page is written. The best way to get a feeling for this mixture is to read the source code of a Logiweb page. This is found under **Source**  $\rightarrow$  **Actual Source** from the Logiweb main menu of a Logiweb page, e.g., the [check](#) page. One can also read the **pyk** text of a page, which is found under **Body**  $\rightarrow$  **Pyk**, also at the main menu. It is also under **Body** that one finds the  $\text{\TeX}$  and pdf files of the page.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup>The  $\text{\TeX}$  files are not available through a browser due to safety precautions.

## 3.2 The Pyk Language

As mentioned in the previous section, the **pyk** language has been developed for easy pronunciation or in general for “spoken mathematics”, cf. the **base** page, Section 1.1. Thus, a mathematical expression we are well-acquainted with, such as:

$$(x + y)^2 = x^2 + 2xy + y^2$$

may correspond to the following **pyk** expression:

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parenthesis var x plus var y end parenthesis square equals var x  
square plus two times var x times var y plus var y square4
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Thus, eventually one will be able to “tell” one’s mathematics to a computer and it will generate a file written in **pyk**, which will then be the source for precisely one Logiweb page. This is also the reason why **pyk** “is” case sensitive, that is, the **pyk** code cannot be in capital letters.

We thus see that **pyk** is much like any other programming language. However, in **pyk** one writes everything out in words instead of using symbols, e.g., “parenthesis” and “end parenthesis” instead of “(” and “)”. In pdf format the textual representations will be replaced by their symbolic representations defined by the author of a Logiweb page. We shall return to this *aspect* of Logiweb in Section ??.

## 3.3 The Structure of a Logiweb Page

A Logiweb page has to be written according to certain standards. Thus, a specific structural sketch for a Logiweb page has to be used, which defines the specific and necessary parts of a Logiweb source file, that is, a **pyk** file. A **pyk** file has exactly one of each of these parts or sections, which will be described below. We note that the section names must be in capital letters. Like the **T<sub>E</sub>X** code and normal text written this is not part of **pyk** and does not need to be in lowercase letters.

**PAGE** A Logiweb page has a name which is given in the **PAGE** section of the **pyk** file. For instance, in the source code for this page one will find the **PAGE** section at the very top where it is seen that this page is named “peano commutativity”. This also appears in Appendix ?? of this page where the actual definition takes place.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY** The references of a Logiweb page are given in the **BIBLIOGRAPHY** section of the **pyk** file. A page can refer to every possible Logiweb page, also if one of these pages refers to once referenced pages. The Logiweb server will make sure no cyclic references occur. We note that the **BIBLIOGRAPHY** section of a Logiweb page is not the bibliography seen in Appendix ??, which is the normal list of referenced books, articles etc.

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<sup>4</sup>This example has been taken from [?].