

◇ **Best before:** December 15.

1. Prove that $\{\oplus, \rightarrow\}$ is a complete set of connectives.
See page 139 of course notes for definition of \oplus .
2. (a) Is $\{\neg, \leftrightarrow\}$ a complete set of connectives? Justify your answer.
(b) Is $\{\oplus, \wedge, \vee\}$ a complete set of connectives? Justify your answer.
3. We have seen one *unary* connective (\neg) and several *binary* connectives ($\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \mid, \downarrow, \oplus$) in the course notes. We now introduce the notion of *ternary* connectives and a convention for writing propositional formulas with them. A ternary connective connects three formulas. We use a pair of symbols, placing the first symbol between the first and second formulas, and the second symbol between the second and third formulas. We illustrate with two examples, $(\pm, :)$ and $(\mp, :)$, called *Majority* and *Minority* respectively (see explanation about *Majority* on pages 131-132 of the notes). These are defined by the following truth table.

Q_1	Q_2	Q_3	$(Q_1 \pm Q_2 : Q_3)$	$(Q_1 \mp Q_2 : Q_3)$
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	0

- (a) There are 4 distinct unary connectives and 16 distinct binary connectives.
How many distinct ternary connectives are there? Explain your answer.
 - (b) Informally explain why $\{(\mp, :), \rightarrow\}$ is a complete set of connectives.
 - (c) Informally explain why $\{(\pm, :), \rightarrow\}$ is **not** a complete set of connectives.
4. Let x, y and z be propositional variables and consider the propositional formula

$$(\neg x \rightarrow (y \wedge z)) \wedge (\neg y \rightarrow (x \wedge z)).$$

- (a) Give a truth table for the above formula. Show all columns (as shown in class).
- (b) Using part (a), write a DNF formula that is logically equivalent to the given formula.
- (c) Using part (a), write a CNF formula that is logically equivalent to the given formula.
- (d) Using only substitution of logically equivalent sub-formulas (and in particular **without** using truth tables), derive a CNF formula that is logically equivalent to the given formula. Show the steps you use to derive your formula.
- (e) Make up more propositional formulas and repeat parts (a) through (d) with your formulas.

5. This question concerns the binary connective \leftrightarrow .
 - (a) Is $((x \leftrightarrow y) \leftrightarrow z)$ logically equivalent to $(x \leftrightarrow (y \leftrightarrow z))$?
Derive your answer both **with** and **without** using truth tables.
 - (b) For any integer $n > 0$, when exactly is $x_1 \leftrightarrow x_2 \leftrightarrow \dots \leftrightarrow x_n$ satisfied?
Find a pattern, then use induction to prove it.
6. Do exercise 2 on page 180 of the course notes (about prime conjectures).
7. Do exercise 5 on page 181 of the course notes (about a result of Professor John Friedlander).
8. Do exercise 6 on page 181 of the course notes (about logical implication/equivalence of first-order formulas).
9. Consider a first-order language with binary predicate R and equality predicate $=$.
We define the following formulas.

$$F_1: \forall x \exists y \left(\neg = (x, y) \rightarrow R(x, y) \right).$$

$$F_2: \exists x \forall y \left(= (x, y) \wedge \neg R(y, x) \right).$$

$$F_3: \exists y \forall x \neg \left(= (x, y) \vee R(y, x) \right).$$

$$F_4: \forall x \forall y \neg = (x, y) \leftrightarrow \forall x \forall y \left(R(x, y) \leftrightarrow \neg R(y, x) \right).$$

$$F_5: \forall x \forall y \left(\neg = (x, y) \leftrightarrow (R(x, y) \leftrightarrow \neg R(y, x)) \right).$$

For each of the following formulas, state whether it is (i) valid, (ii) unsatisfiable, or (iii) both satisfiable and falsifiable. Justify your answers.

- (a) $F_1 \leftrightarrow F_2$.
 - (b) $F_1 \rightarrow F_3$.
 - (c) F_4 .
 - (d) F_5 .
10. (a) Using the summary of logical equivalences from the additional notes, transform the following formula into a logically equivalent PNF formula in which the quantifier-free portion uses only the connective \rightarrow .

$$\left(\forall x A(x) \wedge \forall x B(x) \wedge \forall x C(x) \right) \rightarrow \forall x D(x).$$
 - (b) Make up more first-order formulas and transform them into logically equivalent PNF formulas.
Try to use every equivalence law at least once.
 11. *Fun with the CNF satisfiability problem!*

A 3-CNF formula is a CNF formula with exactly 3 literals in each clause.
We want to answer the following question.

What is the probability that a random 3-CNF formula with n variables and k clauses is satisfiable?

Consider what should happen if we were to fix n and let k vary. The formula is very likely to be satisfiable when k is small, and very likely to be unsatisfiable when k is large. Do you see why? We would like to find the value of k , as a function of n , when the probability of the formula being satisfiable is exactly one half, or the range of values of k when the probability is in some range, say $[0.25, 0.75]$.

- (a) Write a function that takes a 3-CNF formula and returns whether it is satisfiable. You may use any programming language, and choose any way of representing a 3-CNF formula.
- (b) Write a function that takes numbers n , k and t , and randomly generates t 3-CNF formulas, each with n variables and k clauses, and returns how many of them are satisfiable. Of course, this function should call your function from part (a).
- (c) Experiment with your function from part (b) to get estimates for the values we want to find.