#### LOGIC AND DISCRETE MATH 240

#### PROFESSOR PLESS

# Homework 2

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# Useful Logical equivalences gonna be cited in this Homework

- 1. Identity:  $P \wedge T \equiv P$
- 2. Identity:  $P \lor F \equiv P$
- 3. Domination:  $P^{\wedge}F \equiv F$
- 4. Domination:  $P \lor T \equiv T$
- 5. Negation :  $P \land \neg P \equiv F$
- 6. Negation :  $P \lor \neg P \equiv T$
- 7. Idempotent:  $P \wedge P \equiv P$
- 8. Idempotent:  $P \lor P \equiv P$
- 9. Double Negation :  $\neg \neg P \equiv P$
- 10. Commutative Law:  $P \wedge Q \equiv Q \wedge P$
- 11. Commutative Law:  $P \lor Q \equiv Q \lor P$
- 12. DeMorgans Law:  $\neg (P \lor Q) \equiv (\neg P \land \neg Q)$
- 13. DeMorgans Law:  $\neg (P \land Q) <==> (\neg P \lor \neg Q)$
- 14. Implies Rule :  $P \rightarrow Q \equiv (\neg P \lor Q)$

15. Contrapositive:  $P \rightarrow Q \equiv \neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$ 

16. Absorption :  $P \land (P \lor Q) \equiv P$ 

17. Absorption :  $P \lor (P \land Q) \equiv P$ 

18. Associative Law:  $P \lor (Q \lor R) \equiv (P \lor Q) \lor R$ 

19. Associative Law:  $P \land (Q \land R) \equiv (P \land Q) \land R$ 

20. Distributive Law:  $P \land (Q \lor R) \equiv (P \land Q) \lor (P \land R)$ 

21. Distributive Law:  $P \lor (Q \land R) \equiv (P \lor Q) \land (P \lor R)$ 

### **Problems to Turn in**

1. Using (and citing) rules of inference and logical equivalence, Prove the following form of argument is valid:

$$P \longrightarrow (Q \lor R)$$

$$R \longrightarrow S$$

$$\neg S \longrightarrow \neg Q$$

$$P$$

$$S$$

#### **Solution:**

#### Extra Note on step 12:

- a) either " $\neg Q$ " or "Q" must be False
- b)  $\neg Q \lor S$  is True

#### So S must be True

So the inference logic is a tautology (if we assume all premises are true).

#### Thus, the argument is Valid

2. Using (and citing) rules of inference and logical equivalence, Prove the following form of argument is valid:

#### **Solution:**

$$1. \forall x, Q(x) \longrightarrow S(x)$$
 (Given)  
 $2. \neg P(a) \longrightarrow Q(a)$  (Given)  
 $3. P(a) \longrightarrow Q(a)$  (Given)  
 $4. \text{From } 1, \text{ every } x \text{ in domain,including a,will have to Satisfy the function} \longrightarrow Q(a) \longrightarrow S(a)$   
 $5. Q(a) \longrightarrow S(a)$  (from 4)  
 $6. \neg P(a) \longrightarrow S(a)$  (From 2 and 5; Infer From Hypothetical Syllogism)  
 $7. P(a) \longrightarrow S(a)$  (From 3 and 5; Infer From Hypothetical Syllogism)  
 $8. P(a) \vee S(a)$  (From 6 and apply rule (n)-implies rule)  
 $9. \neg P(a) \vee S(a)$  (From 7 and apply rule (n)-implies rule)  
 $10. S(a)$  (From 9)

#### Extra Note on step 10:

- a) either " $\neg P(a)$ " or "P(a)" must be False
- b)  $\neg P(a) \lor S(a)$  is True

# So S(a) must be True

So the inference logic is a tautology (if we assume all premises are true).

# Thus, the argument is Valid

3. Write the logical negation of the following quantified statement, and express your answer in a form where the negation sign is inside the scope of all the quantifiers. Use logical equivalences to prove that your formula is equivalent

$$\forall x P(x) \longrightarrow \forall y (Q(y) \land R(y))$$

# **Solution:**

Ok let's quote the General DeMorgan Theorem here (introduced by Dr.pless in lecture and proof won't be shown here)

$$\neg [\forall x P(x)] \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$$

We state here first **the final result of the negation** Shall be

$$\forall x P(x) \land \exists y (\neg Q(y) \lor \neg R(y))$$

Now Let's Prove it

The negation of 
$$\forall x P(x) \longrightarrow \forall y (Q(y) \land R(y))$$
  
 $\equiv \neg [\forall x P(x) \longrightarrow \forall y (Q(y) \land R(y))]$   
 $\equiv \neg [\neg \forall x P(x) \lor \forall y (Q(y) \land R(y))]$  (Apply rule[n]–Implies Rule)  
 $\equiv \forall x P(x) \land \neg \forall y (Q(y) \land R(y))$  (Apply rule[l]–DeMorgan's Rule)  
 $\equiv \forall x P(x) \land \exists y (\neg Q(y) \lor \neg R(y))$  (Apply rule[m]–DeMorgan's Rule and Generalized DeMorgan's Theorem)

By using logical equivalences, our final result is proved