

# Assignment1

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## Q1.

(a)  $\neg p$

(b)  $p \wedge \neg q$

(c)  $p \rightarrow q$

(d)  $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$

(e)  $p \rightarrow q$

(f)  $\neg p \wedge q$

(g)  $q \rightarrow p$

## Q2.

(a)

$p$	$q$	$p \oplus q$	$p \wedge q$	$(p \oplus q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$
F	F	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	F
T	T	F	T	T

(b)

$p$	$q$	$p \leftrightarrow q$	$\neg p \leftrightarrow q$	$(p \leftrightarrow q) \oplus (\neg p \leftrightarrow q)$
F	F	T	F	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	F	T	T
T	T	T	F	T

(c)

$p$	$q$	$p \oplus q$	$p \oplus \neg q$	$(p \oplus q) \rightarrow (p \oplus \neg q)$
F	F	F	T	T
T	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	F
T	T	F	T	T

### Q3.

(a)

$p$	$q$	$p \rightarrow q$
F	F	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
T	T	T

$p$	$q$	$\neg p \vee q$
F	F	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
T	T	T

The two propositions are equivalent

(b)

$p$	$q$	$p \oplus q$
F	F	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
T	T	F

$p$	$q$	$\neg p \vee \neg q$
F	F	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
T	T	F

The two propositions are not equivalent

(c)

$p$	$q$	$r$	$(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r$
F	F	F	F
T	F	F	T
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T
T	T	F	F
T	F	T	T
F	T	T	T
T	T	T	T

$p$	$q$	$r$	$p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$
F	F	F	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	F	T
F	F	T	T
T	T	F	F
T	F	T	T
F	T	T	T
T	T	T	T

The two propositions are not equivalent

(d)

$p$	$q$	$r$	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg(q \rightarrow r)$
F	F	F	F
T	F	F	T
F	T	F	T
F	F	T	F
T	T	F	T
T	F	T	T
F	T	T	F
T	T	T	T

$p$	$\neg p$
F	T
T	T

The two propositions are not equivalent

(e)

$p$	$q$	$r$	$(p \vee q) \rightarrow r$
F	F	F	T
T	F	F	F
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T
T	T	F	F
T	F	T	T
F	T	T	T
T	T	T	T

$p$	$q$	$r$	$(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$
F	F	F	T
T	F	F	F
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T
T	T	F	F
T	F	T	T

$\downarrow$ $p$	$\downarrow$ $q$	$\downarrow$ $r$	$\downarrow$ $(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$
T	F	T	T
F	T	T	T
T	T	T	T

The two propositions are equivalent

#### Q4.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \neg(p \oplus q) \\
 & \equiv (\neg p \wedge q) \wedge \neg(p \wedge \neg q) \\
 & \equiv (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \\
 & \equiv (q \rightarrow p) \wedge (p \rightarrow q) \\
 & \equiv p \leftrightarrow q
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \neg(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow \neg q \\
 & \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \vee \neg q \\
 & \equiv (\neg p \vee q) \vee \neg q \\
 & \equiv \neg p \vee (q \vee \neg q) \\
 & \equiv \text{True}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow ((r \rightarrow p) \rightarrow (r \rightarrow q)) \\
 & \equiv (\neg p \vee q) \rightarrow ((\neg r \vee p) \rightarrow (\neg r \vee q)) \\
 & \equiv (\neg p \vee q) \rightarrow (\neg p \vee \neg r \vee q) \\
 & \equiv (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \vee \neg r \vee q) \\
 & \equiv \neg q \vee q \vee \neg r \\
 & \equiv \text{True}
 \end{aligned}$$

#### Q5.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee \neg r) \wedge (r \vee \neg p) \\
 & \equiv ((p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee \neg r) \wedge r) \vee ((p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee \neg r) \wedge p) \\
 & \equiv (p \wedge q \wedge r) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q \wedge \neg r)
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $(p \wedge q \wedge r) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q \wedge \neg r)$  is true, then  $(p \wedge q \wedge r)$  or  $(\neg p \wedge \neg q \wedge \neg r)$  is true.

Therefore, only when p, q, r have the same truth value,  $(p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee \neg r) \wedge (r \vee \neg p)$  is true.

#### Q6.

(a) They are logically equivalent

$$(p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r)$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \vee q) \vee (\neg p \vee r)$$

$$\equiv \neg p \vee q \vee r$$

$$p \rightarrow (q \vee r)$$

$$\equiv \neg p \vee q \vee r$$

(b) They are logically equivalent

$$\neg p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$$

$$\equiv p \vee \neg q \vee r$$

$$q \rightarrow (p \vee r)$$

$$\equiv \neg q \vee p \vee r$$

(c) They are logically equivalent

$$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)$$

$$\equiv \neg p \vee (q \wedge r)$$

$$p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$$

$$\equiv \neg p \vee (q \wedge r)$$

(d) They are not logically equivalent

$$(p \vee q) \rightarrow r$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee r$$

$$(p \rightarrow r) \vee (q \rightarrow r)$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \vee r) \vee (\neg q \vee r)$$

$$\equiv r \vee \neg p \vee \neg q$$

## Q7.

$$(a) \exists x(C(x) \wedge D(x) \wedge F(x))$$

$$(b) \forall x(C(x) \wedge D(x)) \vee F(x)$$

$$(c) \exists x(C(x) \wedge F(x) \wedge \neg D(x))$$

$$(d) \neg \exists x(C(x) \wedge D(x) \wedge F(x))$$

$$(e) \exists x C(x) \wedge \exists x D(x) \wedge \exists x F(x)$$

## Q8.

$$(a) \forall x F(x, \text{Fred})$$

$$(b) \forall y F(\text{Evelyn}, y)$$

$$(c) \neg \exists x \forall y F(x, y)$$

$$(d) \exists p \exists q ((p \neq q) \wedge F(Nancy, p) \wedge F(Nancy, q) \wedge \forall k (F(Nancy, k) \rightarrow ((k = q) \vee (k = p))))$$

$$(e) \exists y \forall x (F(x, y) \wedge \forall z (F(x, z) \rightarrow z = y))$$

$$(f) \exists x (\exists y (F(x, y) \wedge \forall z (F(x, z) \rightarrow (z = y)) \wedge (y \neq x)))$$

**Q9.**

$$(a) \exists y \forall x \forall z (\neg T(x, y, z) \wedge \neg Q(x, y))$$

$$(b) \forall x \forall y \neg P(x, y) \vee \exists x \exists y \neg Q(x, y)$$

$$(c) \forall x \forall y ((Q(x, y) \wedge \neg Q(y, x)) \vee (Q(y, x) \wedge \neg Q(x, y)))$$

$$(d) \exists x \forall y \exists z \neg T(x, y, z)$$

**Q10.**

$\therefore$

$$(p \wedge q) \wedge (p \rightarrow \neg(q \wedge r)) \wedge (s \rightarrow r)$$

$$\equiv (p \wedge q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r) \wedge (\neg s \vee r)$$

$$\equiv (p \wedge q \wedge \neg r) \wedge (\neg s \vee r)$$

$$\equiv p \wedge q \wedge \neg r \wedge \neg s$$

$\therefore$

$$(p \wedge q) \wedge (p \rightarrow \neg(q \wedge r)) \wedge (s \rightarrow r) \rightarrow \neg s$$

$$\equiv \neg p \vee \neg q \vee r \vee s \vee \neg s$$

$\therefore (s \vee \neg s)$  is always true

$\therefore$  The statement is true.

**Q11.**

(a) Domain of x: all the people

P(x): x is in the class

Q(x): x enjoys whale watching

R(x): x cares about ocean pollution

Somebody in this class enjoys whale watching:  $\exists x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$

Every person who enjoys whale watching cares about ocean pollution:  $\forall x (Q(x) \rightarrow R(x))$

Therefore, there is a person in this class who cares about ocean pollution:  $\exists x (P(x) \wedge R(x))$

	Step	Reason
1	$\exists x(P(x) \wedge Q(x))$	Premise
2	$P(a) \wedge Q(a)$	Existential instantiation from (1)
3	$Q(a)$	Simplification from (2)
4	$\forall x(Q(x) \rightarrow R(x))$	Premise
5	$Q(a) \rightarrow R(a)$	Universal instantiation from (4)
6	$R(a)$	Modus pond from (3) and (5)
7	$P(a)$	Simplificationfrom (2)
8	$P(a) \wedge R(a)$	Conjunction from (6) and (7)
9	$\exists x(p(x) \wedge R(x))$	Existential generalization from (8)

(b)Domain of x: all people

a: Zeke

P(x): x owns a computer

Q(x): x can use a word processing

C(x): x is in this class

Each of the 93 students in this class owns a personal computer:  $\forall x(C(x) \rightarrow P(x))$

Everyone who owns a personal computer can use a word processing program:  $\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$

Zeke, a student in this class:  $C(a)$

Zeke can use a word processing program:  $Q(a)$

	Step	Reason
1	$\forall x(C(x) \rightarrow P(x))$	Premise
2	$C(a) \rightarrow P(a)$	Universal instantiation from (1)
3	$C(a)$	Premise
4	$P(a)$	Modus pond from (2) and (3)
5	$\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$	Premise
6	$P(a) \rightarrow Q(a)$	Universal instantiation from (5)



7	<b>Step</b> $Q(a)$	<b>Reason</b> Modus pond from (4) and (6)

(c)Domain: all students

$P(x)$ : x has taken a course in discrete mathematics

$Q(x)$ : x can take a course in algorithms

Each of five roommates, A, B, C, D, and E, has taken a course in discrete mathematics:

$P(A), P(B), P(C), P(D), P(E)$

Every student who has taken a course in discrete mathematics can take a course in algorithms:

$\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$

All five roommates can take a course in algorithms next year:  $Q(A) \wedge Q(B) \wedge Q(C) \wedge Q(D) \wedge Q(E)$

	Step	Reason
1	$P(A)$	Premise
2	$\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$	Premise
3	$P(A) \rightarrow Q(A)$	Existential instantiation
4	$Q(A)$	Modus pond from (1) and (3)
5	$P(B), P(C), P(D), P(E)$	Premise
6	$Q(B), Q(C), Q(D), Q(E)$	Same reasons from (1) to (4) and (5)
7	$Q(A) \wedge Q(B) \wedge Q(C) \wedge Q(D) \wedge Q(E)$	Conjunction from (4) and (6)

## Q12.

(a) $\exists n \in N(n^3 + 6n + 5 \text{ is odd} \wedge n \text{ is odd})$

(b)The statement in (a) is true

If  $n^3 + 6n + 5$  is odd, then  $\exists k \in N(n^3 + 6n + 5 = 2k + 1)$

Then  $n^3 = 2k - 6n - 4, (2k - 6n - 4)\%2 = 0$

Therefore  $n^3$  is even

Assume that n is odd, then  $\exists q \in N(n = 2q + 1)$

Then  $n^3 = 8q^3 + 12q^2 + 6q + 1$

Because  $(8q^3 + 12q^2 + 6q + 1)\%2 = 1$

Therefore  $n^3$  is odd, it's contradict with previous conclusion, the assumption is wrong

Therefore n is even

## Q13.

$\therefore a^2 + b^2 \text{ is even}$

Assume that  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}(a^2 + b^2 = 2k)$

Then  $a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = 2k + 2ab$

$(a + b)^2 = 2(k + ab)$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  are integer

$(a + b)^2 = (a + b)(a + b)$  is even

$\therefore a + b$  is even

### Q14.

Set  $a = 2, b = \frac{1}{2}$

Then  $\sqrt{2}$  is an irrational number

The statement is wrong.

### Q15.

Assume  $\sqrt[3]{2}$  is rational, then  $\exists p \in \mathbb{N} \exists q \in \mathbb{N}(\frac{p}{q} = \sqrt[3]{2} \wedge (p, q \text{ are relatively prime}))$

Therefore  $\frac{p^3}{q^3} = 2$

$p^3 = 2q^3, \exists k \in \mathbb{N}(p = 2k)$

$p^3 = 8k^3 = 2q^3$

$q^3 = 4k^3$

Therefore  $p$  and  $q$  are both even, they are not relatively prime. It's contradict with the assumption, the assumption is wrong.

Therefore  $\sqrt[3]{2}$  is irrational

### Q16.

$(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})^2 = 5 + 2\sqrt{6}$

$9 < 5 + 2\sqrt{6} < 16, 5 + 2\sqrt{6}$  is not a perfect square.

Therefore  $(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}) = \sqrt{(5 + 2\sqrt{6})}$  is an irrational number.

### Q17.

Case1: We win and our bid is the highest.

Then our payment is the second highest bid  $b_{h_2}$

If  $b_{h_1} = v_n > b_{h_2}$ : our payoff is  $v_n - b_{h_2} > 0$

If  $b_{h_1} > v_n = b_{h_2}$ : our payoff is  $v_n - b_{h_2} = 0$

If  $b_{h_1} > b_{h_2} > v_n$ : our payoff is  $v_n - b_{h_2} < 0$

If  $b_{h_1} > v_n > b_{h_2}$ : our payoff is  $v_n - b_{h_2} > 0$

If  $v_n > b_{h_1} > b_{h_2}$ : our payoff is  $v_n - b_{h_2} > 0$

Case2: We win and our bid is one of the highest.

Then our payment is the highest bid  $b_h$

If  $v_n = b_h$ : our payment is  $v_n - b_h = 0$

If  $b_h > v_n$ : our payment is  $v_n - b_h < 0$

Case3: We lose.

The payoff is always 0

Overall, we can see in all cases  $b_n = v_n$  will always lead to a payoff that is no small than  $b_n \neq v_n$