Middle East Technical University Department of Computer Engineering

CENG 223

Discrete Computational Structures

Fall '2016-2017 Take Home Exam 1

Due date: October 30 2016, Sunday, 23:55

Question 1

Determine if the following compound propositions are tautology or contradiction. Construct a truth table for each proposition.

a)

$$[(p \to q) \land (q \to r)] \to (p \to r)$$

b)

$$\neg((\neg p \land (p \lor q)) \to q)$$

Question 2

Show that $(p \to q) \land (p \to r)$ and $(\neg q \lor \neg r) \to \neg p$ are logically equivalent by using logical equivalences. Use tables 6,7 and 8 given under the section *'Propositional Equivalences'* in your textbook and give the reference to the table and the law when you use it.

Question 3

- a) Let D(x, y) be "x drives y" and F(x) be "x is a footballer", where x represents people and y represents cars. Use quantifiers to express the following statements.
 - a) There is a footballer who drives every car.
 - b) Every car has at least one footballer who drives it.
 - c) There is a car which no footballer drives.
 - d) There is a car which is driven by exactly one *person*.
 - e) There is at least one car such that only footballers drive it.

- **b)** Use the predicates below to express the following statements in predicate logic. student(x): x is a student, teacher(x): x is a teacher, takes(x,y): x takes course y, teaches(x,y): x teaches course y, teaches(x,y): x teaches course y, teaches(x,y): x teaches course y.
 - a) The teacher Ahmet Metin does not teach any course.
 - b) Some teachers teach the courses they enjoy.
 - c) Not all teachers teach all courses.
 - d) Only students take a course.
 - e) Every teacher teaches exactly 2 courses.

Question 4

Prove the following claim by natural deduction. Use **only** the natural deduction rules $\vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, \neg$ introduction and elimination. If you attempt to make use of a lemma or equivalence, you need to prove it by natural deduction too.

$$p, p \to (r \to q) \vdash \neg q \to \neg r$$

Question 5

Prove the following claim by natural deduction. Use **only** the natural deduction rules $\vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, \neg, \forall, \exists$ introduction and elimination. If you attempt to make use of a lemma or equivalence, you need to prove it by natural deduction too. Note that a is a constant in the formula below.

$$\exists x (p(x) \to q(a)) \vdash \forall y \ p(y) \to q(a)$$

1 Regulations

- 1. You have to write your answers to the provided sections of the template answer file given.
- 2. Do not write any extra stuff like question definitions to the answer file. Just give your solution to the question. Otherwise you will get 0 from that question.
- 3. Late Submission: Not allowed!
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