

COMP3411 Tutorial - Week 7

Logic

Question 1 - Propositional Logic

Decide whether each of the following sentences is valid, satisfiable, or unsatisfiable. Verify your decisions using truth tables or logical equivalence and inference rules. For those that are satisfiable, list all the models that satisfy them.

a. $\text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \text{Smoke}$

Valid [implication, excluded middle]

b. $\text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \text{Fire}$

Satisfiable

Smoke	Fire	$\text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \text{Fire}$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

Models are: {Smoke, Fire}, {Fire}, {}.

c. $(\text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \text{Fire}) \Rightarrow (\neg \text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \neg \text{Fire})$

Satisfiable

Smoke	Fire	$\text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \text{Fire}$	$\neg \text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \neg \text{Fire}$	KB
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	F
F	F	T	T	T

Models are: {Smoke, Fire}, {Smoke}, {}

d. $\text{Smoke} \vee \text{Fire} \vee \neg \text{Fire}$

Valid

e. $((\text{Smoke} \wedge \text{Heat}) \Rightarrow \text{Fire}) \Leftrightarrow ((\text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \text{Fire}) \vee (\text{Heat} \Rightarrow \text{Fire}))$

Valid

$$\begin{aligned} ((S \wedge H) \Rightarrow F) &\Leftrightarrow (F \vee \neg(S \wedge H)) && [\text{implication}] \\ &\Leftrightarrow (F \vee \neg S \vee \neg H) && [\text{de Morgan}] \\ &\Leftrightarrow (F \vee \neg S \vee F \vee \neg H) && [\text{idempotent, commutativity}] \\ &\Leftrightarrow (S \Rightarrow F) \vee (H \Rightarrow F) && [\text{implication}] \end{aligned}$$

f. $(\text{Smoke} \Rightarrow \text{Fire}) \Rightarrow ((\text{Smoke} \wedge \text{Heat}) \Rightarrow \text{Fire})$

Valid

$$\begin{aligned} (S \Rightarrow F) &\Leftrightarrow (F \vee \neg S) && [\text{implication}] \\ &\Rightarrow (F \vee \neg S \vee \neg H) && [\text{generalization}] \\ &\Rightarrow (F \vee \neg(S \wedge H)) && [\text{de Morgan}] \\ &\Rightarrow ((S \wedge H) \Rightarrow F) && [\text{conditional}] \end{aligned}$$

g. $\text{Big} \vee \text{Dumb} \vee (\text{Big} \Rightarrow \text{Dumb})$

Valid

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Big} \vee \text{Dumb} \vee (\text{Big} \Rightarrow \text{Dumb}) &\Leftrightarrow \text{Big} \vee \text{Dumb} \vee \text{Dumb} \vee \neg \text{Big} && [\text{implication}] \\ &\Leftrightarrow \text{Big} \vee \neg \text{Big} \vee \text{Dumb} && [\text{idempotent}] \\ &\Leftrightarrow \text{TRUE} \vee \text{Dumb} && [\text{excluded middle}] \\ &\Leftrightarrow \text{TRUE} \end{aligned}$$

h. $(\text{Big} \wedge \text{Dumb}) \vee \neg \text{Dumb}$

Satisfiable

Big	Dumb	$(\text{Big} \wedge \text{Dumb})$	$(\text{Big} \wedge \text{Dumb}) \vee \neg \text{Dumb}$
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	F	F
F	F	F	T

Models are: $\{\text{Big}, \text{Dumb}\}, \{\text{Big}\}, \{\}$

Question 2 - Tautologies

Determine whether the following sentences are valid (i.e. tautologies) using truth tables.

(i) $((P \vee Q) \wedge \neg P) \rightarrow Q$

(ii) $((P \rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg(P \rightarrow R)) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow Q)$

(iii) $\neg(\neg P \wedge P) \wedge P$

(iv) $(P \vee Q) \rightarrow \neg(\neg P \wedge \neg Q)$

(i)

P	Q	$\neg P$	$P \vee Q$	$(P \vee Q) \wedge \neg P$	$((P \vee Q) \wedge \neg P) \rightarrow Q$
T	T	F	T	F	T
T	F	F	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	F	F	T

Last column is always true no matter what truth assignment to P and Q . Therefore $((P \vee Q) \wedge \neg P) \rightarrow Q$ is a tautology.

(ii) $S = ((P \rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg(P \rightarrow R)) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow Q)$

P	Q	R	$P \rightarrow Q$	$P \rightarrow R$	$\neg(P \rightarrow R)$	$(P \rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg(P \rightarrow R)$	S
T	T	T	T	T	F	F	T
T	T	F	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	F	T	F	F	T
T	F	F	F	F	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	F	F	T
F	T	F	T	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	F	F	T
F	F	F	T	T	F	F	T

Last column is always true no matter what truth assignment to P , Q and R . Therefore $((P \rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg(P \rightarrow R)) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow Q)$ is a tautology.

(iii)

P	$\neg P$	$\neg P \wedge P$	$\neg(\neg P \wedge P)$	$\neg(\neg P \wedge P) \wedge P$
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	F	T	F

Last column is not always true. Therefore $\neg(\neg P \wedge P) \wedge P$ is not a tautology.

(iv) $(P \vee Q) \rightarrow \neg(\neg P \wedge \neg Q)$

P	Q	$\neg P$	$\neg Q$	$P \vee Q$	$\neg P \wedge \neg Q$	$\neg(\neg P \wedge \neg Q)$	$(P \vee Q) \rightarrow \neg(\neg P \wedge \neg Q)$
T	T	F	F	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	T	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	F	T	F	T

Last column is always true no matter what truth assignment to P and Q . Therefore $(P \vee Q) \rightarrow \neg(\neg P \wedge \neg Q)$ is a tautology.

Question 3 - Entailment

Show using the truth table method that the corresponding inferences are valid.

(i) $P \rightarrow Q, \neg Q \models \neg P$

(ii) $P \rightarrow Q \models \neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$

(iii) $P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R \models P \rightarrow R$

3. (i)

P	Q	$P \rightarrow Q$	$\neg Q$	$\neg P$
T	T	T	F	F
T	F	F	T	F
F	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	T

In all rows where both $P \rightarrow Q$ and $\neg Q$ true, $\neg P$ is true. Therefore, valid inference.

(ii)

P	Q	$\neg P$	$\neg Q$	$P \rightarrow Q$	$\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$
T	T	F	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	T

In all rows where both $P \rightarrow Q$ true, $\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$ is true. Therefore, valid inference.

(iii)

P	Q	R	$P \rightarrow Q$	$Q \rightarrow R$	$P \rightarrow R$
T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F
T	F	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	F
F	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	T	T

In all rows where both $P \rightarrow Q$ and $Q \rightarrow R$ true, $P \rightarrow R$ is true. Therefore, valid inference.

Question 4 - Inference Rules

(Exercise 7.2 from R & N)

Consider the following Knowledge Base of facts:

“If the unicorn is mythical, then it is immortal, but if it is not mythical, then it is mortal and a mammal. If the unicorn is either immortal or a mammal, then it is horned. The unicorn is magical if it is horned.”

Myth	The unicorn is Mythical
Mortal	The unicorn is Mortal
Mammal	The unicorn is a Mammal
Horned	The unicorn is Horned
Magic	The unicorn is Magical

1. Translate the above statements into Propositional Logic, using the symbols:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Myth} &\Rightarrow \neg \text{Mortal} \\ \neg \text{Myth} &\Rightarrow (\text{Mortal} \wedge \text{Mammal}) \\ \neg \text{Mortal} \vee \text{Mammal} &\Rightarrow \text{Horned} \\ \text{Horned} &\Rightarrow \text{Magic}\end{aligned}$$

2. Convert this Knowledge Base into Conjunctive Normal Form.

$$(\neg \text{Myth} \vee \neg \text{Mortal}) \wedge (\text{Myth} \vee \text{Mortal}) \wedge (\text{Myth} \vee \text{Mammal}) \wedge (\text{Mortal} \vee \text{Horned}) \wedge (\neg \text{Mammal} \vee \text{Horned}) \wedge (\neg \text{Horned} \vee \text{Magic})$$

3. Use a series of resolutions to prove that the unicorn is Horned.

Using Proof by Contradiction, we add to the database the negative of what we are trying to prove

$\neg \text{Horned}$

We then try to derive the "empty clause" by a series of Resolutions:

$$\begin{array}{l}\neg \text{Horned} \wedge (\text{Mortal} \vee \text{Horned}) \\ \hline \text{Mortal}\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}\neg \text{Horned} \wedge (\neg \text{Mammal} \vee \text{Horned}) \\ \hline \neg \text{Mammal}\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}\text{Mortal} \wedge (\neg \text{Myth} \vee \neg \text{Mortal}) \\ \hline \neg \text{Myth}\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}\neg \text{Myth} \wedge (\text{Myth} \vee \text{Mammal}) \\ \hline \text{Mammal}\end{array}$$

$$\text{Mammal} \wedge \neg \text{Mammal}$$

Having derived the empty clause, the proof (of Horned) is complete.

4. Give all models that satisfy the Knowledge Base. Can you prove that the unicorn is Mythical? How about Magical?

Because of the rule $(\text{Horned} \Rightarrow \text{Magic})$, Magic must also be True. We can construct a truth table for the remaining three variables:

Myth	Mortal	Mammal	$\text{Myth} \Rightarrow \neg \text{Mortal}$	$\neg \text{Myth} \Rightarrow (\text{Mortal} \wedge \text{Mammal})$	KB
T	T	T	F	T	F
T	T	F	F	T	F
T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T	F	F
F	F	F	T	F	F

There are three models which satisfy the entire Knowledge Base:
 $\{\text{Horned}, \text{Magic}, \text{Myth}, \text{Mammal}\}$, $\{\text{Horned}, \text{Magic}, \text{Myth}\}$, $\{\text{Horned}, \text{Magic}, \text{Mortal}, \text{Mammal}\}$.
 We cannot prove that the unicorn is Mythical, because of the third model where Mythical is False.

Question 5 - First Order Logic

Represent the following sentences in first-order logic, using a consistent vocabulary.

- a. Some students studied French in 2016.

$$\exists x \text{ Student}(x) \wedge \text{Study}(x, \text{French}, 2016)$$

- b. Only one student studied Greek in 2015.

$$\exists x \text{ Study}(x, \text{Greek}, 2015) \wedge \forall y (\text{Study}(y, \text{Greek}, 2015) \Rightarrow y = x)$$

sometimes written as

$$\exists! x \text{ Study}(x, \text{Greek}, 2015)$$

- c. The highest score in Greek is always higher than the highest score in French.

$$\forall t \exists x \forall y \text{ Score}(x, \text{Greek}, t) > \text{Score}(y, \text{French}, t)$$

- d. Every person who buys a policy is smart.

$$\forall x, p \text{ Person}(x) \wedge \text{Policy}(p) \wedge \text{Buy}(x, p) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(x)$$

- e. No person buys an expensive policy.

$$\neg \exists x, p \text{ Person}(x) \wedge \text{Policy}(p) \wedge \text{Expensive}(p) \wedge \text{Buy}(x, p)$$

- f. There is a barber who shaves all men in town who do not shave themselves.

$$\exists b \text{ Barber}(b) \wedge \forall m (\text{Man}(m) \wedge \text{InTown}(m) \wedge \neg \text{Shave}(m, m) \Rightarrow \text{Shave}(b, m))$$

- g. Politicians can fool some of the people all of the time, and they can fool all of the people some of the time, but they can't fool all of the people all of the time.

$$\forall p (\text{Politician}(p) \Rightarrow ((\exists x \forall t \text{ Fool}(p, x, t)) \wedge (\exists t \forall x \text{ Fool}(p, x, t)) \wedge (\neg \forall x \forall t \text{ Fool}(p, x, t))))$$