

## Discrete Mathematics Exercise 3

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1. a)

**Proof:** The truth value table of  $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)$  is as follows.

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

For any truth assignment  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\llbracket p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p) \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = \mathbf{T}$ . In other words,  $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)$  is a tautology.

**QED**

b)

**Proof:** The truth value table of  $(p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$  is as follows.

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

For any truth assignment  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\llbracket (p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r) \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = \mathbf{T}$ . In other words,  $(p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$  is a tautology.

**QED**

c)

**Proof:** The truth value table of  $p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r \equiv (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$  is as follows.

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

For any truth assignment  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\llbracket p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = \llbracket (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}}$ .

In other words,  $p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r \equiv (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$ .

**QED**

2. a)

**Proof:** The truth table of  $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)$  and  $p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$  is as follows.

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

For any assignment  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\llbracket (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = \llbracket p \rightarrow (q \wedge r) \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}}$ .

In other words,  $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \equiv p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$ .

**QED**

b)

**Proof:** The truth table of  $(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$  and  $(p \vee q) \rightarrow r$  is as follows.

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

For any assignment  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\llbracket (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = \llbracket (p \vee q) \rightarrow r \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}}$ .

In other words,  $(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \equiv (p \vee q) \rightarrow r$ .

**QED**

c)

**Proof:** The truth table of  $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r)$  and  $p \rightarrow (q \vee r)$  is as follows.

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

For any assignment  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\llbracket (p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r) \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = \llbracket p \rightarrow (q \vee r) \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}}$ .

In other words,  $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r) \equiv p \rightarrow (q \vee r)$ .

**QED**

**3. Proof:**

When  $\llbracket p \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{F}, \llbracket q \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{T}, \llbracket r \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{F}, \llbracket (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{F}$  while  $\llbracket p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{T}$ .

So  $(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r$  and  $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$  are not logically equivalent.

***QED***

**4. Proof:**

When  $\llbracket p \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{T}, \llbracket q \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{F}, \llbracket r \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{F}, \llbracket (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{T}$  while  $\llbracket (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \rrbracket_J = \mathbf{F}$ .

So  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$  and  $(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$  are not logically equivalent.

***QED***

**5. (a) Solution:**

The truth value table of  $\phi = p \rightarrow (q \oplus r)$  is as follows.

$p$	$q$	$r$	$p \rightarrow (q \oplus r)$	$\psi$
<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>

We can construct a proposition  $\chi = (p \wedge q \wedge r) \vee (p \wedge \neg q \wedge \neg r)$  in DNF, which is logically equivalent to  $\neg\phi$ .

We can construct a proposition  $\psi = \neg\chi = (\neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r) \wedge (\neg p \vee q \vee r)$  in CNF, which is logically equivalent to  $\phi$ . From the truth value table of  $\phi$  and  $\psi$ , it's obvious to see that  $\phi \equiv \psi$ .

Thus,  $\psi = (\neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r) \wedge (\neg p \vee q \vee r)$  is a feasible solution.

**(b) Solution:**

$$\phi = p \rightarrow (q \oplus r)$$

$$\Rightarrow ((q \oplus r) \leftrightarrow p_1) \wedge ((p \rightarrow p_1) \leftrightarrow p_2) \wedge p_2$$

We can list the truth value table of  $(q \oplus r) \leftrightarrow p_1$  and  $(p \rightarrow p_1) \leftrightarrow p_2$  as follows:

$q$	$r$	$p_1$	$(q \oplus r) \leftrightarrow p_1$		$p$	$p_1$	$p_2$	$(p \rightarrow p_1) \leftrightarrow p_2$
<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>		<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>		<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>		<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>		<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>

Then we can build disjunctive clauses that are logically equivalent to  $(q \oplus r) \leftrightarrow p_1$  and  $(p \rightarrow p_1) \leftrightarrow p_2$  respectively:

$$(q \oplus r) \leftrightarrow p_1 \equiv (\neg q \vee \neg r \vee \neg p_1) \wedge (\neg q \vee r \vee p_1) \wedge (q \vee \neg r \vee p_1) \wedge (q \vee r \vee \neg p_1),$$

$$(p \rightarrow p_1) \leftrightarrow p_2 \equiv (\neg p \vee \neg p_1 \vee p_2) \wedge (\neg p \vee p_1 \vee \neg p_2) \wedge (p \vee \neg p_1 \vee p_2) \wedge (p \vee p_1 \vee \neg p_2).$$

Thus, we can construct a proposition

$$\psi = (\neg q \vee \neg r \vee \neg p_1) \wedge (\neg q \vee r \vee p_1) \wedge (q \vee \neg r \vee p_1) \wedge (q \vee r \vee \neg p_1) \wedge$$

$$(\neg p \vee \neg p_1 \vee p_2) \wedge (\neg p \vee p_1 \vee \neg p_2) \wedge (p \vee \neg p_1 \vee p_2) \wedge (p \vee p_1 \vee \neg p_2),$$

which is in CNF such that  $\phi$  is satisfiable if and only if  $\psi$  is satisfiable.

6. a)

**Proof:** The truth value table of  $\phi \downarrow \phi$  and  $\neg\phi$  is as follows.

$\phi$	$\phi \downarrow \phi$	$\neg\phi$
<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>

For any truth assignment  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\llbracket \phi \downarrow \phi \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = \llbracket \neg\phi \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}}$ . In other words,  $\phi \downarrow \phi \equiv \neg\phi$ .

**QED**

b)

**Proof:** The truth value table of  $(\phi \downarrow \psi) \downarrow (\psi \downarrow \phi)$  and  $\phi \wedge \psi$  is as follows.

$\phi$	$\psi$	$(\phi \downarrow \psi) \downarrow (\psi \downarrow \phi)$	$\phi \wedge \psi$
<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>

For any truth assignment  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\llbracket (\phi \downarrow \psi) \downarrow (\psi \downarrow \phi) \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = \llbracket \phi \wedge \psi \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}}$ .

In other words,  $(\phi \downarrow \psi) \downarrow (\psi \downarrow \phi) \equiv \phi \wedge \psi$ .

**QED**

c)

**Proof:**

It's a theorem that  $\{\neg, \wedge\}$  is functionally complete.

According to **a)** and **b)**, we can replace  $\neg\phi$  with  $\phi \downarrow \phi$  and replace  $\phi \wedge \psi$  with  $(\phi \downarrow \psi) \downarrow (\psi \downarrow \phi)$ .

Thus, for any set of propositional variables  $\Sigma$  and any  $f$ , which is a mapping from  $\Sigma$ 's truth assignments to truth values, there exists a compound proposition  $\phi$  that involves only " $\downarrow$ " such that  $\llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\mathcal{J}} = f(\mathcal{J})$  for every  $\mathcal{J}$ .

In other words,  $\{\downarrow\}$  is functionally complete.

**QED**

7. a)

**Solution:** Given that  $\mathcal{J}_1 = [p_1 \mapsto \mathbf{T}, p_3 \mapsto \mathbf{F}]$ .

$$\text{Let } (\neg p_1 \vee p_2) \wedge (\neg p_1 \vee p_3 \vee p_5) \wedge (\neg p_2 \vee p_4) \wedge (\neg p_3 \vee \neg p_4) \wedge (p_1 \vee p_5 \vee \neg p_2) \wedge$$

$$(p_2 \vee p_3) \wedge (p_2 \vee \neg p_3) \wedge (p_6 \vee \neg p_5) \text{ to be } \phi.$$

Since we want  $\phi$  to be **True**, we need every disjunctive clause in  $\phi$  to be **True**.

In other words, we need

$$\llbracket \neg p_1 \vee p_2 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{1}, \llbracket \neg p_1 \vee p_3 \vee p_5 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{2}, \llbracket \neg p_2 \vee p_4 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{T}, \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$\llbracket \neg p_3 \vee \neg p_4 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{4}, \llbracket p_1 \vee p_5 \vee \neg p_2 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{5}, \llbracket p_2 \vee p_3 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{6},$$

$$\llbracket p_2 \vee \neg p_3 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{7}, \llbracket p_6 \vee \neg p_5 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{8}$$

Under the truth assignment  $J_1$ ,  $\textcircled{4}\textcircled{5}\textcircled{7}$  is already satisfied.

Since  $\llbracket \neg p_1 \rrbracket_{J_1} = \mathbf{F}$ , we know from  $\textcircled{1}$  that we need  $p_2 \mapsto \mathbf{T}$ . From  $\textcircled{2}$  we know  $p_5 \mapsto \mathbf{T}$ .

Therefore, from  $\textcircled{4}$  we know that we need  $p_4 \mapsto \mathbf{T}$ . Similarly, we could figure out that  $p_6 \mapsto \mathbf{T}$ .

Thus,  $\text{UnitPro}(J_1) = [p_1 \mapsto \mathbf{T}, p_2 \mapsto \mathbf{T}, p_3 \mapsto \mathbf{F}, p_4 \mapsto \mathbf{T}, p_5 \mapsto \mathbf{T}, p_6 \mapsto \mathbf{T}]$ .

**b)**

**Solution:** Given that  $J_2 = [p_3 \mapsto \mathbf{F}]$ .

Let  $(\neg p_1 \vee p_2) \wedge (\neg p_1 \vee p_3 \vee p_5) \wedge (\neg p_2 \vee p_4) \wedge (\neg p_3 \vee \neg p_4) \wedge (p_1 \vee p_5 \vee \neg p_2) \wedge$   
 $(p_2 \vee p_3) \wedge (p_2 \vee \neg p_3) \wedge (p_6 \vee \neg p_5)$  to be  $\phi$ .

Since we want  $\phi$  to be **True**, we need every disjunctive clause in  $\phi$  to be **True**.

In other words, we need

$$\llbracket \neg p_1 \vee p_2 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{1}, \llbracket \neg p_1 \vee p_3 \vee p_5 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{2}, \llbracket \neg p_2 \vee p_4 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{T}, \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$\llbracket \neg p_3 \vee \neg p_4 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{4}, \llbracket p_1 \vee p_5 \vee \neg p_2 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{5}, \llbracket p_2 \vee p_3 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{6},$$

$$\llbracket p_2 \vee \neg p_3 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{7}, \llbracket p_6 \vee \neg p_5 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{T} \quad \textcircled{8}$$

Under the truth assignment  $J_2$ ,  $\textcircled{4}\textcircled{7}$  is already satisfied.

Since  $\llbracket p_3 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{F}$ , from  $\textcircled{6}$  we know that we need  $p_2 \mapsto \mathbf{T}$ . Then  $\llbracket \neg p_2 \rrbracket_{J_2} = \mathbf{F}$ , we know that

we need  $p_4 \mapsto \mathbf{T}$ .

Thus,  $\text{UnitPro}(J_2) = [p_2 \mapsto \mathbf{T}, p_3 \mapsto \mathbf{F}, p_4 \mapsto \mathbf{T}]$ .