# PHM211s - Discrete Mathematics Project Report Task 1 Group 28

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#### Abstract

This report demonstrates Task 1 program and the test case provided.

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## Front-End

## Explanation

Code offers a user-first easy experience to allow easy use of valid and satisfiable operations, simply declare variables as aVariable, use C++ binary operators on variables like a | b or b & !c and it automatically creates objects of Expression type that can then be passed to any other functions.

## Examples

```
bool valid = Argument::valid(
                // variables
                {&p, &q},
                // conclusion
                p | q,
                // premises
                 !p
        );
std::cout << valid << std::endl; // outputs false</pre>
// Example 3
Variable p, q, r; // Variables
bool valid = Argument::valid(
                // variables
                {&p, &q, &r},
                // conclusion
                p >> r,
                // premises
                p \gg (q \mid !r),
                q \gg (p \& r)
        );
```

#### Documentation

- The code minimal C++ version is version C++11
- The code contains C++20 overloading that is commented out for compatibility with most online compilers

#### Valid Argument

Takes a vector of variables pointers, a conclusion expression and **any** amount of premises expressions.

#### Satisfiable Argument

Takes any amount of expression

#### **Expression Operations**

Thanks to the use of C++ operator overloading, here is simplified list of operators and there results

| Operator | Expression Result | Meaning                       |
|----------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| !a       | Not(a)            | Not the value of expression a |
| a & b    | And(a, b)         | The And-ing between a and b   |
| a   b    | Or(a, b)          | The Or-ing between a and b    |
| a » b    | IfThen(a, b)      | If a then b; Implication      |

| Operator             | Expression Result | Meaning                 |  |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--|
| $a \ll b$ (C++20 and | Iff(a, b)         | If and only if a then b |  |
| above)               |                   |                         |  |

## **Expression Operations Examples**

```
!p & !q == And(Not(p), Not(q));
!(p & !(q <=> p)) == Not(And(p, Not(Iff(q, p))));
```

## Test Case

## Program

```
h >> b
      );
bool valid = Argument::valid(
            // variables
            {&f, &s, &b, &h},
            // conclusion
            h \mid f
            // premises
            f | b,
            b | s,
            h >> b
      );
std::cout << (satisfiable</pre>
? "The argument is satisfiable."
: "The argument is not satisfiable.") << std::endl;</pre>
std::cout << (valid
? "The argument is valid."
: "The argument is falsifiable.") << std::endl;</pre>
The program result
The argument is satisfiable.
The argument is falsifiable.
```

Process finished with exit code 0

Hand Calculated Result

| f | s | b | h | (f or b) | (b or s) | (if h then b) | (h or f)           |
|---|---|---|---|----------|----------|---------------|--------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |          |          | 1             |                    |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |          |          |               | 1                  |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1        | 1        | 1             | <b>0</b> (invalid) |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1        | 1        | 1             | 1                  |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |          | 1        | 1             |                    |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |          | 1        |               | 1                  |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1        | 1        | 1             | <b>0</b> (invalid) |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1        | 1        | 1             | 1                  |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1        |          | 1             | 1                  |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1        |          |               | 1                  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1        | 1        | 1             | 1                  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1        | 1        | 1             | 1                  |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1        | 1        | 1             | 1                  |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1        | 1        |               | 1                  |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1        | 1        | 1             | 1                  |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1        | 1        | 1             | 1                  |

Since there are at least 1 row where all the premises are true, the conclusion is false, then this is a falsifiable argument.

Since there are at least 1 row where all the statements are true, **then this is a** satisfiable argument.

## Back-End

#### **Brief**

Thanks to heavy use of C++ Object-Oriented Programming, operator over-loading, method overriding and r-value references, all code functions are encapsulated and have an intuitive easy to use interface to allow for very general use cases.

#### Classes

Most important class is the Expression abstract class, encapsulates the operator overloads, evaluate method used to evaluate the binary value of any expression offers extra methods for truth set generation and intersection.

Variable class is an Expression that has an exact value, a variable should always be kept passing a reference so that changing it once would affect all expressions using it.

BinaryExpression abstract **composite** class is an Expression that has two operands, offers elegant constructors with r-value references to limit use of new and pointer variables in user front-end code.

UnaryExpression abstract **composite** class is an Expression that has one operand, offers elegant constructors with r-value references to limit use of new and pointer variables in user front-end code.

And, Or, IfThen, Iff are concrete classes that are BinaryExpression, they implement evaluate to reflect there operation

Not is a **concrete** class that is a **UnaryExpression**, it implements **evaluate** to reflect its operation

### Truth set function algorithm

Given a vector of Variables it tests an expression for all possible values of input and generates the rows in the truth table that are true, it is guaranteed to be generated in order.

- 1. generate all possible permutations of VariableValue
- 2. loop on all possible values and test the expression
  - 1. If it is true add to the truth set
  - 2. If it is not, skip

#### Truth set intersection function algorithm

- 1. defines two indices (i, j) for each truth sets (a, b) starting at first row (i = 0, j = 0)
- 2. compare the i-th and j-th entries in first and second truth sets respectively
  - 1. if they are equal (a[i] == b[j]), add to the final intersected truth set, increment both i and j
  - 2. else if a[i] > b[j] then increment j only
  - 3. else (a[i] < b[j]) then increment i only
  - 4. repeat the whole comparison step until indices are out of range

# Simplified algorithm (valid function)

- 1. get truth set of conclusion expression
- 2. get the truth set of first premise expression
- 3. loop on all other premise expressions and intersect into one truth set
- 4. intersect the premises truth set and the conclusion truth set
  - 1. If the number of 1 s in premises the same after the intersection, this means the conclusion has at least the same 1 s in its truth set (valid

argument).

2. If not, then there is at least one critical row where the premises truth are 1 and the conclusion was  $\theta$  (falsifiable argument).

## Simplified algorithm (satisfiable function)

- 1. get truth sets of all expressions
- 2. loop on all expressions and intersect into one truth set
- 3. intersect the premises truth set and the conclusion truth set
  - 1. If the number of 1 s in the intersection truth set is more than 1, then there is at least 1 common row between all expression (satisfiable),
  - 2. If not then there is no common row between all statements (not satisfiable)