

# Homework 2

## Solution

(0.5pt for each problem or sub-problem, total 20 points)

### Section 1.4

6 (d)(e)(f)

d) Some student in the school has not visited North Dakota. (Alternatively, there exists a student in the school who has not visited North Dakota.)

e) This is the negation of part (b): It is not true that every student in the school has visited North Dakota. (Alternatively, not all students in the school have visited North Dakota.)

f) All students in the school have not visited North Dakota. (This is technically the correct answer, although common English usage takes this sentence to mean—incorrectly—the answer to part (e). To be perfectly clear, one could say that every student in this school has failed to visit North Dakota, or simply that no student has visited North Dakota.)

8 (c)(d)

c) There exists an animal such that if it is a rabbit, then it hops. (Note that this is trivially true, satisfied, for example, by lions, so it is not the sort of thing one would say.)

d) There exists an animal that is a rabbit and hops. (Alternatively, some rabbits hop. Alternatively, some hopping animals are rabbits.)

10 (a)(c)(e)

a) We assume that this means that one student has all three animals:  $\exists x(C(x) \wedge D(x) \wedge F(x))$ .

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

e) Here the owners of these pets can be different:  $(\exists x C(x)) \wedge (\exists x D(x)) \wedge (\exists x F(x))$ .

14 (a)(b)

a) Since  $(-1)^3 = -1$ , this is true.

b) Since  $(\frac{1}{9})^4 < (\frac{1}{9})^2$ , this is true.

24 (c)(d)

c) Let  $S(x)$  be “ $x$  can swim.” Then we have  $\exists x \neg S(x)$  the first way, or  $\exists x(C(x) \wedge \neg S(x))$  the second way.

d) Let  $Q(x)$  be “ $x$  can solve quadratic equations.” Then we have  $\forall x Q(x)$  the first way, or  $\forall x(C(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$  the second way.

28 (a)(b)

Let  $R(x)$  be “ $x$  is in the correct place”; let  $E(x)$  be “ $x$  is in excellent condition”; let  $T(x)$  be “ $x$  is a [or your] tool”; and let the domain of discourse be all things.

a) There exists something not in the correct place:  $\exists x \neg R(x)$ .

b) If something is a tool, then it is in the correct place and in excellent condition:  $\forall x (T(x) \rightarrow (R(x) \wedge E(x)))$ .

### 34 (c)(d)

c) Let  $S(x)$  be “ $x$  can keep a secret,” where the domain of discourse is people. The original statement is  $\neg \exists x S(x)$ , the negation is  $\exists x S(x)$ , “Some people can keep a secret.”

d) Let  $A(x)$  be “ $x$  has a good attitude,” where the domain of discourse is people in this class. The original statement is  $\exists x \neg A(x)$ , the negation is  $\forall x A(x)$ , “Everyone in this class has a good attitude.”

### 40 (a)(b)

There are many ways to write these, depending on what we use for predicates.

a) Let  $F(x)$  be “There is less than  $x$  megabytes free on the hard disk,” with the domain of discourse being positive numbers, and let  $W(x)$  be “User  $x$  is sent a warning message.” Then we have  $F(30) \rightarrow \forall x W(x)$ .

b) Let  $O(x)$  be “Directory  $x$  can be opened,” let  $C(x)$  be “File  $x$  can be closed,” and let  $E$  be the proposition “System errors have been detected.” Then we have  $E \rightarrow ((\forall x \neg O(x)) \wedge (\forall x \neg C(x)))$ .

### 42 (c)(d)

c) Let  $S(x, y)$  be “System  $x$  is in state  $y$ .” Recalling that “only if” indicates a necessary condition, we have  $S(\text{firewall, diagnostic}) \rightarrow S(\text{proxy server, diagnostic})$ .

d) Let  $T(x)$  be “The throughput is at least  $x$  kbps,” where the domain of discourse is positive numbers, let  $M(x, y)$  be “Resource  $x$  is in mode  $y$ ,” and let  $S(x, y)$  be “Router  $x$  is in state  $y$ .” Then we have  $(T(100) \wedge \neg T(500) \wedge \neg M(\text{proxy server, diagnostic})) \rightarrow \exists x S(x, \text{normal})$ .

## Section 1.5

### 4 (b)(c)(d)

b) There is a student in your class who has taken every computer science course.

c) Every student in your class has taken at least one computer science course.

d) There is a computer science course that every student in your class has taken.

### 8 (a)(b)

a)  $\exists x \exists y Q(x, y)$

b) This is the negation of part (a), and so could be written either  $\neg \exists x \exists y Q(x, y)$  or  $\forall x \forall y \neg Q(x, y)$ .

### 12 (f)(g)(i)

**f)**  $\exists x \neg I(x)$       **g)**  $\neg \forall x I(x)$  (same as **(f)**)    **i)**  $\exists x \forall y (x \neq y \leftrightarrow I(y))$

**18 (a)(c)**

**a)**  $\forall f (H(f) \rightarrow \exists c A(c))$ , where  $A(x)$  means that console  $x$  is accessible, and  $H(x)$  means that fault condition  $x$  is happening

**c)**  $(\forall b \exists m D(m, b)) \leftrightarrow \exists p \neg C(p)$ , where  $D(x, y)$  means that mechanism  $x$  can detect breach  $y$ , and  $C(x)$  means that process  $x$  has been compromised

**24 (a)(b)**

**a)** There exists an additive identity for the real numbers—a number that when added to every number does not change its value.

**b)** A nonnegative number minus a negative number is positive.

**28 (c)(d)(e)**

**c)** true (let  $x = 0$ )

**d)** false (the commutative law for addition always holds)      **e)** true (let  $y = 1/x$ )

**30 (a)(b)(c)**

We need to use the transformations shown in Table 2 of Section 1.4, replacing  $\neg \forall$  by  $\exists \neg$ , and replacing  $\neg \exists$  by  $\forall \neg$ . In other words, we push all the negation symbols inside the quantifiers, changing the sense of the quantifiers as we do so, because of the equivalences in Table 2 of Section 1.4. In addition, we need to use De Morgan's laws (Section 1.3) to change the negation of a conjunction to the disjunction of the negations and to change the negation of a disjunction to the conjunction of the negations. We also use the fact that  $\neg \neg p \equiv p$ .

**a)**  $\forall y \forall x \neg P(x, y)$       **b)**  $\exists x \forall y \neg P(x, y)$       **c)**  $\forall y (\neg Q(y) \vee \exists x R(x, y))$

**36 (a)(b)**

In each case we need to specify some predicates and identify the domain of discourse.

**a)** Let  $L(x, y)$  mean that person  $x$  has lost  $y$  dollars playing the lottery. The original statement is then  $\neg \exists x \exists y (y > 1000 \wedge L(x, y))$ . Its negation of course is  $\exists x \exists y (y > 1000 \wedge L(x, y))$ ; someone has lost more than \$1000 playing the lottery.

**b)** Let  $C(x, y)$  mean that person  $x$  has chatted with person  $y$ . The given statement is  $\exists x \exists y (y \neq x \wedge \forall z (z \neq x \rightarrow (z = y \leftrightarrow C(x, z))))$ . The negation is therefore  $\forall x \forall y (y \neq x \rightarrow \exists z (z \neq x \wedge \neg (z = y \leftrightarrow C(x, z))))$ . In English, everybody in this class has either chatted with no one else or has chatted with two or more others.