

# Homework 9

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## 1 Problem 1

Let  $A = (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (r \rightarrow \neg q)$ ,  $B = p \rightarrow \neg r$ . We need to prove that  $A \rightarrow B \equiv T$

$$\begin{aligned} A \rightarrow B &= (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (r \rightarrow \neg q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow \neg r) \\ &= \neg((\neg p \vee q) \wedge (r \rightarrow \neg q)) \vee (p \rightarrow \neg r) \\ &= (\neg(\neg p \vee q) \vee \neg(r \rightarrow \neg q)) \vee (p \rightarrow \neg r) \\ &= ((p \wedge \neg q) \vee (r \wedge q)) \vee (p \rightarrow \neg r) \\ &= (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (r \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \vee \neg r) \\ &= (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (r \wedge q) \vee \neg p \vee \neg r \\ &= (p \wedge \neg q) \vee \neg p \vee (r \wedge q) \vee \neg r \\ &= \neg q \vee \neg p \vee q \vee \neg r \\ &= T \end{aligned}$$

## 2 Problem 2

Let  $A = (p \rightarrow q \vee r) \wedge (q \rightarrow s) \wedge (r \rightarrow \neg p)$ ,  $B = p \rightarrow s$ . We need to prove that  $A \wedge \neg B \equiv F$

$$\begin{aligned} A \wedge \neg B &= (p \rightarrow q \vee r) \wedge (q \rightarrow s) \wedge (r \rightarrow \neg p) \wedge \neg(p \rightarrow s) \\ &= (\neg p \vee (q \vee r)) \wedge (\neg p \vee s) \wedge (\neg r \vee \neg p) \wedge \neg(\neg p \vee s) \\ &= (\neg p \vee q \vee r) \wedge (\neg p \vee s) \wedge (\neg r \vee \neg p) \wedge (p \wedge \neg s) \\ &= (\neg p \vee q \vee r) \wedge (\neg p \vee s) \wedge (\neg r \vee \neg p) \wedge p \wedge \neg s \\ &= (\neg p \vee q \vee r) \wedge (p \wedge s) \wedge (\neg r \vee \neg p) \wedge \neg s \\ &= (\neg p \vee q \vee r) \wedge (\neg r \vee \neg p) \wedge p \wedge (s \wedge \neg s) \\ &= (\neg p \vee q \vee r) \wedge (\neg r \vee \neg p) \wedge F \\ &= F \end{aligned}$$

### 3 Problem 3

Let  $p$  be proposition "It rains", let  $q$  be proposition "it is foggy", let  $r$  be proposition "The sailing race will be held", and let  $t$  be proposition "The life saving demonstration will go on", and let  $u$  be proposition "The trophy will be awarded".

Building Arguments:

- (1):  $\neg u$  Premise
- (2):  $r \implies u$  Premise
- (3):  $\neg r$  Modus Tollens of (1) and (2)
- (4):  $(\neg p \vee \neg q) \implies (r \wedge t)$  Premise
- (5):  $\neg(r \wedge t) \implies \neg(\neg p \vee \neg q)$  Contrapositive of (4)
- (6):  $\neg r \vee \neg t \implies (p \wedge q)$  Equivalence of (5)
- (7):  $\neg r \vee \neg t$  Addition of (3)
- (8):  $p \wedge q$  Modus Ponens of (6) and (7)
- (9):  $p$  Simplification of (8)

### 4 Problem 4

Premises:  $p \wedge q \rightarrow r$ ,  $\neg r \vee s$ ,  $p \rightarrow \neg s$

Conclusion:  $p \rightarrow \neg q$

- (1):  $p \wedge q \rightarrow r$  Premise
- (2):  $\neg r \vee s$  Premise
- (3):  $p \rightarrow \neg s$  Premise
- (4):  $\neg p \vee \neg s$  Equivalence of (3)
- (5):  $\neg p \vee \neg r$  Resolution of (2) and (4)
- (6):  $p \rightarrow \neg r$  Equivalence of (5)
- (7):  $r \rightarrow \neg p$  Contrapositive of (6)
- (8):  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg p$  Rule of Inference from (1) and (7)
- (9):  $\neg(p \wedge q) \vee \neg p$  Equivalence of (8)
- (10):  $\neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg p$  De Morgan's Law of (9)
- (11):  $\neg p \vee \neg p \vee \neg q$  Commutative Law of (10)
- (12):  $\neg p \vee \neg q$  Idempotent Law of (11)
- (13):  $p \rightarrow \neg q$  Equivalence of (12)

## 5 Problem 5

Premises:  $p_1 \rightarrow (q_1 \rightarrow r_1), p_2 \rightarrow (q_2 \rightarrow r_2), p_3 \rightarrow (q_3 \rightarrow r_3), \dots, p_n \rightarrow (q_n \rightarrow r_n), q_1 \wedge q_2 \wedge q_3 \wedge \dots \wedge q_n$

Conclusion:  $(p_1 \rightarrow r_1) \wedge (p_2 \rightarrow r_2) \wedge (p_3 \rightarrow r_3) \wedge \dots \wedge (p_n \rightarrow r_n)$

- (1):  $p_i \rightarrow (q_i \rightarrow r_i)$  Premise
- (2):  $q_1 \wedge q_2 \wedge q_3 \wedge \dots \wedge q_n$  Premise
- (3):  $q_i$  Simplification of (2)
- (4):  $\neg p_i \vee r_i$  Equivalence of (1), (3)
- (5):  $p_i \rightarrow r_i$  Equivalence of (4)
- (6):  $(p_1 \rightarrow r_1) \wedge (p_2 \rightarrow r_2) \wedge (p_3 \rightarrow r_3) \wedge \dots \wedge (p_n \rightarrow r_n)$  Conjunction of (5)

## 6 Problem 6

- (a): True
- (b): False
- (c): True
- (d): True

## 7 Problem 7

Let  $p$  be proposition "A is the suspect",  $q$  be proposition "A visited the victim's room",  $r$  be proposition "A leave before 2 am",  $s$  be proposition "The hotel staff saw A".

Building Arguments:

- (1):  $(q \wedge \neg r) \rightarrow p$  Premise
- (2):  $q$  Premise
- (3):  $r \rightarrow s$  Premise
- (4):  $\neg s$  Premise
- (5):  $\neg s \rightarrow \neg r$  Contrapositive of (3)
- (6):  $\neg r$  Modus Ponens of (4) and (5)
- (7):  $q \wedge \neg r$  Conjunction of (2) and (6)
- (8):  $p$  Modus Ponens of (1) and (7)

So we have proved A is the suspect.