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PAPER C140=MC140

LOGIC

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Duration: 80 minutes

*Answer ALL TWO questions*

Paper contains 2 questions  
Calculators not required

1 a Prove by natural deduction that

$$B, \neg C \rightarrow \neg A \vee \neg B \vdash A \rightarrow C.$$

b Prove by equivalences that the following two sentences are logically equivalent:

$$\begin{aligned} \exists x \forall y (P(x, y) \rightarrow Q(x)), \\ \forall x \exists y P(x, y) \rightarrow \exists x Q(x). \end{aligned}$$

In each step, state the general form of the equivalence you use (e.g.,  $\forall x(A \wedge B) \equiv \forall x A \wedge \forall x B$ ). Do not use more than one equivalence per step.

c Let  $A$  be a propositional formula. Suppose that  $A$  is not valid. For each of the following, state whether it is *definitely true*, *is definitely false*, or *may be true or false* (depending on  $A$ ). You do not need to justify your answers.

i) There is no situation in which  $A$  is true.

ii)  $A$  is logically equivalent to  $\top$ .

iii)  $\neg A$  is satisfiable.

iv)  $\neg A$  is valid.

d For propositional formulas  $A, B$ , we write  $A(B/p)$  for the formula obtained from  $A$  by replacing every occurrence of the atom  $p$  by  $B$ .

For example, if  $A$  is  $\neg p \rightarrow p$  then  $A(\perp/p)$  is  $\neg \perp \rightarrow \perp$ .

Let  $C$  be a propositional formula involving the atom  $p$  but no other atoms.

Suppose that  $C$  is satisfiable. Let  $D$  be  $C(\top/p)$ . Explain why  $C(D/p)$  is valid.

*The four parts carry, respectively, 30%, 30%, 20%, and 20% of the marks.*

- 2a In this part, you may use only the unary relation symbols `dragon`, `green`, `happy`, and `can_fly`, with the obvious meanings, and the binary relation symbol `child`, where `child( $x, y$ )` means that  $x$  is a child of  $y$ .

Translate the following into logic:

- i) All dragons are green.
  - ii) Some dragon has a child that can fly.
  - iii) Every grandchild (that is, child of a child) of a dragon can fly.
  - iv) Every dragon with at least two green children is happy.
- b Let  $L$  be a signature consisting of a unary function symbol  $f$  and a unary relation symbol  $P$ . Let  $E$  be the  $L$ -sentence

$$\left( \forall x \forall y (f(x) = f(y) \rightarrow x = y) \right) \wedge \left( \forall x (P(x) \leftrightarrow \neg P(f(x))) \right).$$

- i) Let  $n \geq 1$  be an integer. Describe (e.g., with a diagram) an  $L$ -structure  $M$  with exactly  $2n$  objects in its domain, and such that  $M \models E$ .
  - ii) Let  $M$  be an  $L$ -structure whose domain is finite, and with  $M \models E$ . Explain why there are an *even number* of objects in the domain of  $M$ .
- c Prove by natural deduction that

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \exists x P(x) \\ \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)) \\ \forall x \forall y (Q(x) \wedge Q(y) \rightarrow x = y) \end{array} \right\} \vdash \forall x (Q(x) \rightarrow P(x)).$$

*The three parts carry, respectively, 35%, 30%, and 35% of the marks.*