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Discrete: Problem Set 3

1) $p \rightarrow q \equiv (p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow F$

| p | q | $\neg p$ | $\neg q$ | $p \wedge \neg q$ | $p \rightarrow q$ | $(p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow F$ |
|---|---|----------|----------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| T | T | F | F | F | T | T |
| T | F | F | T | T | F | F |
| F | T | T | F | F | T | T |
| F | F | T | T | F | T | T |

yes, they are logically equivalent

2) given: 1) $\neg t \vee \neg u$ 2) $s \rightarrow t \wedge u$ 3) $(\neg r \vee \neg f) \rightarrow (s \wedge L)$

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| 1 | $\neg t \vee \neg u$ | 1 st hypothesis |
| 2 | $\neg(t \wedge u)$ | DM 1 |
| 3 | $s \rightarrow t \wedge u$ | 2 nd hypothesis |
| 4 | $\neg s$ | MT 2, 3 |
| 5 | $\neg(r \wedge f) \rightarrow \neg(s \wedge L)$ | DM hypothesis 3 |
| 6 | $\neg(\neg(r \wedge f)) \vee (s \wedge L)$ | Def of implication |
| 7 | $\neg(\neg(r \wedge f))$ | Disjunctive Syllogism 6 |
| 8 | $(r \wedge f)$ | double negation |
| 9 | r | simplification |

3) I believe the first error to be in B because you cannot infer universal instantiation in such a way because $P(c)$ would need to equal $\forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$ not just $\forall x P(x)$, the next in C because you cannot simplify through an " \vee " but only through an " \wedge ".

4) $\left. \begin{array}{l} 1) (p \vee \neg t) \rightarrow h \\ 2) \neg h \vee (m \wedge k) \\ 3) (m \wedge k \wedge q) \rightarrow r \\ 4) \neg q \rightarrow (\neg h \wedge \neg s) \\ 5) p \vee \neg t \\ 6) \therefore r \end{array} \right\} \text{given}$

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| 7. h | MT 1, 5 |
| 8. $(m \wedge k)$ | hypothesis 3, disjunctive elimination |
| 9. $(m \wedge k \wedge h)$ | conjunction 7, 8 |
| 10. $q \vee (\neg h \wedge \neg s)$ | definition of implies |
| 11. $(q \vee \neg h) \wedge (q \vee \neg s)$ | distribution 10 |
| 12. $q \wedge (q \vee \neg s)$ | disjunctive syllogism 7, 11 |
| 13. $q \vee \neg s$ | absorption 12 |
| 14. q | MT 4, 7 |
| 15. $(m \wedge k \wedge q)$ | conjunction |
| 16. $(m \wedge k \wedge q)$ | hypothesis 3 |
| 17. r | MP 16 |

- 5) Start: this house is next to a lake C.
- so treasure is not in kitchen: a.
- b becomes false cause of C. A.
- so there is no elm tree in frontyard b
- so treasure is under flagpole D

it would have to be behind the flagpole because for (d) to be a true statement at least one requirement must be met, and since we know the 1st part is false, we can conclude that the 2nd part must be true.

- 6) a) Assume A is a knight, then b must be lying
- which contradicts
Assume B is a knight, then A must be lying
- which can be true
B = knight A = knave

- b) assume C is a knight, which contradicts because knights cannot lie
assume C is a knave, which makes sense as it allows C to be still lying
C = knave D = knight

- c) Assume E is a knight, which works
Assuming the other results in some
- but since there is only one right amount,
we know there exists 1 knave.

6) D. assume 0 knights

↳ U tells truth so not possible

assume 1 knight

↳ Z, W both tell truth

assume 2 knights

↳ only Y and W tell truth, so we

can conclude there are 2 knights: Y and W
and 4 knaves: U, V, X, Z

7) He errors when making the final existential generalization because he treats $(P(c) \wedge Q(c))$ to have the same $P(c)$ for some $c \in U$ which is not logically equivalent to the premise

8) a. $(p \wedge t) \rightarrow (r \vee s)$

b. $q \rightarrow (u \wedge t)$

c. $u \rightarrow p$

d. $\sim s$

$\therefore q \rightarrow r$

proof:

1. $\sim s$ given d

2. $(p \wedge t) \rightarrow (r \vee s)$ given a

3. $(p \wedge t)$ assuming true

4. q from 2 because modus ponens b and 3

5. $u \rightarrow p$ given c

6. p modus ponens 3, 4

7. $(p \wedge t)$ 4, 2

8. $\sim s$ given d

9. $(r \vee s)$ 5, a

10. r DS 6, 7

11. $q \rightarrow (p \wedge t)$ HS 5, b

12. $q \rightarrow r$ HS 9, a

9) Premises

a. $P \rightarrow Q$

b. $R \rightarrow S$

c. $\neg Q \vee \neg S$

$\therefore \neg P \vee \neg R$

proof:

- 1) $\neg Q \vee \neg S$ given
- 2) $Q \rightarrow \neg S$ rule of inference / implication; C
- 3) $\neg S \rightarrow \neg R$ MT b and 2
- 4) $Q \rightarrow \neg R$ HS 2, 3
- 5) $P \rightarrow Q$ given a
- 6) $P \rightarrow \neg R$ HS 4 and 5
- 7) $\neg P \vee \neg R$ implication

QED

10) D = logic is difficult

L = students like logic

M = Math is easy

premises:

1) $D \vee \neg L$

2) $M \rightarrow \neg D$

a) $L \rightarrow \neg M$

proof: if L is true then D has to be true by DS, then using MT if $\neg D$ is false then M is $\neg M$, thus $L \rightarrow \neg M$ QED

b) $\neg M \rightarrow \neg L$

proof: we let D be true, which means $\neg M$ is true because of MT, but premise 1 can still be true with $\neg L$ being false, so in this situation $\neg M$ is true and $\neg L$ is false which contradicts $\neg M \rightarrow \neg L$

10) c) $\sim M \vee D$

proof: this is false. If M is true then $\sim D$ is true (from 2) and if M is true then $\sim M$ is false. Therefore in this situation, you have $\sim M = \text{false}$ and $D = \text{false}$ which makes conclusion $\sim M \vee D$ false.

d) $\sim D \vee \sim M$

proof: if $\sim D$ is true because statement 2, M can either be T because $M \vee \sim D$ or F which makes the conclusion true and if $\sim D$ is false then $\sim M$ is true because of MT, therefore the conclusion is true.

e) $\sim L \rightarrow (\sim M \vee \sim D)$

proof: this is true, because referencing part d) $(\sim M \vee \sim D)$ will always hold true, therefore the conclusion doesn't rely on if $\sim L$ is true/false. Thus even if $\sim L \wedge \sim M \wedge \sim D$ were true, there are no contradictions as $\sim L$ can be true when D is true (statement 1)

11) a. $\forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$

b. $\exists x (R(x) \wedge \sim Q(x))$

c. $\exists x (R(x) \wedge \sim P(x))$

d. yes because of b: we know some excuses can be unsatisfactory, but because of a, we know that these excuses that are unsatisfactory should have non-clear explanations.

12) Premises:

a. if superman were able and willing to prevent evil, he would do so
 $(W \wedge A) \rightarrow P$

b. if superman were unable to prevent evil, he would be impotent
 $A \rightarrow I$

c. if he were unwilling to prevent evil, he would be malevolent
 $\sim W \rightarrow M$

d. superman does not prevent evil
 $\sim P$

e. if superman exists, he is neither impotent or malevolent
 $E \rightarrow (\sim M \wedge \sim I)$

\therefore Therefore, Superman does not exist

1. $\sim W \vee \sim A$

from a and d MT

2. $A \rightarrow \sim W \rightarrow M$

HS 3 2, b, c HS

3. $M \vee \sim I \rightarrow M$

HS 2, b

4. $\sim(\sim I \wedge \sim M)$

DM 3 and e

5. $\sim E$

MT 4; e