# CSE 015: Discrete Mathematics Fall 2020 Homework #2 Solution

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## 1. Question 1:

- (a)  $P(2): 2 < 2^3 \equiv 2 < 8$ . Therefore P(2) is TRUE.
- (b)  $P(-1): -1 < -1^3 \equiv -1 < 1$ . Therefore P(-1) is FALSE.
- (c)  $\forall x P(x) : P(2)$  is  $2 < 2^3 = 2 < 8$ , therefore true. P(1) is  $1 < 1^3 = 1 < 1$ , therefore false. So  $\forall x P(x)$  is FALSE.
- (d)  $\exists x P(x) : P(2)$  is  $2 < 2^3 = 2 < 8$ , therefore true. P(1) is  $1 < 1^3 = 1 < 1$ , therefore false. So  $\exists x P(x)$  is TRUE.
- (e)  $\exists !xP(x): P(0)$  is  $0 < 0^3 = 0 < 0$ , therefore false.  $2 < 2^3 = 2 < 8$ , therefore true. So  $\exists !xP(x)$  is TRUE.

## 2. Question 2:

- (a)  $\neg \forall x (S(x) \to M(x))$
- (b)  $\forall x(S(x) \oplus M(x))$
- (c)  $\exists x (S(x) \land \neg M(x))$

## 3. Question 3:

(a)  $\forall x (A(x) \land B(x))$  is NOT equivalent to  $\forall x (A(x) \rightarrow B(x))$  as their truth values are not identical. Thus, the proposition is NOT logically equivalent.

$$A(x) = p$$

$$B(x) = q$$

p	q	$p \wedge q$	$p \rightarrow q$
F	F	F	Т
F	Т	F	F
T	F	F	Т
Т	Т	Т	Т

# 4. Question 4:

- (a)  $\exists x \forall y A(x,y) : \exists x \forall y A(0,1) = (0)(1) = 0$ . Since there exists a x value that makes the formula true,  $\exists x \forall y A(x,y)$  is TRUE.
- (b)  $\exists x \exists y B(x,y) : \exists x \exists y B(0,0) = 0 + 0 = 0$ . Since there exists a x value and y value that makes the formula true,  $\exists x \exists y B(x,y)$  is TRUE.
- (c)  $\forall x \exists y A(x,y) : \forall x \exists y A(2,0) = (2)(0) = 0$ . Since there exists a y value that makes the formula true,  $\forall x \exists y A(x,y)$  is TRUE.
- (d)  $\exists x \forall y (A(x,y) \land B(x,y)) : \exists x \forall y (A(1,0) \land B(1,0)) = (1)(0) = 0$  and  $1 + 0 \neq 0$ . Since A(x,y) is true and B(x,y) is false,  $\exists x \forall y (A(x,y) \land B(x,y))$  is FALSE.
- (e)  $\exists x \exists y (A(x,y) \land \neg B(x,y) : \exists x \exists y (A(0,1) \land \neg B(0,1)) = (0)(1) = 0$  and  $0+1 \neq 0$ . Since A(x,y) is true and  $\neg B(x,y)$  is true,  $\exists x \exists y (A(x,y) \land \neg B(x,y))$  is TRUE.

### 5. Question 5:

(a) 
$$\neg \exists x \exists y (P(x) \to Q(x)) \equiv \forall x \forall y ((P(x) \land \neg Q(x)))$$

(b) 
$$\neg \exists y (\exists x A(x,y) \lor \forall x B(x,y)) \equiv \forall y (\forall x \neg A(x,y) \land \exists x \neg B(x,y))$$