# Solutions to Exercises 1

Exercise 1 (Sheffer Stroke). Any logical constant and connector can be simulated with Sheffer strokes. In fact:

$$\neg \varphi \qquad \equiv \varphi \uparrow \varphi 
1 \equiv \varphi \uparrow \neg \varphi \qquad \equiv \varphi \uparrow (\varphi \uparrow \varphi) 
0 \equiv \neg 1 \qquad \equiv (\varphi \uparrow (\varphi \uparrow \varphi)) \uparrow (\varphi \uparrow (\varphi \uparrow \varphi)) 
\varphi_0 \land \varphi_1 \equiv \neg (\varphi_0 \uparrow \varphi_1) \equiv (\varphi_0 \uparrow \varphi_1) \uparrow (\varphi_0 \uparrow \varphi_1) 
\varphi_0 \lor \varphi_1 \equiv (\neg \varphi_0 \uparrow \neg \varphi_1) \equiv ((\varphi_0 \uparrow \varphi_0) \uparrow (\varphi_1 \uparrow \varphi_1)) 
\varphi_0 \to \varphi_1 \equiv \neg \varphi_0 \lor \varphi_1 \qquad \equiv (((\varphi_0 \uparrow \varphi_0) \uparrow (\varphi_0 \uparrow \varphi_0)) \uparrow (\varphi_1 \uparrow \varphi_1))$$

Exercise 2 (Decision Procedure for SAT). First we rewrite the formulas using only the allowed symbols:

1. 
$$((a \to b) \to a) \to a \equiv \neg(\neg(\neg a \lor b) \lor a) \lor a$$

2. 
$$\neg(a \land b) \rightarrow (\neg a \lor \neg b) \equiv \neg \neg(a \land b) \lor (\neg a \lor \neg b)$$

3. 
$$((\neg a \to b) \land (a \to b)) \to b \equiv \neg((\neg \neg a \lor b) \land (\neg a \lor b)) \lor b$$

Then we derive  $\neg F \vdash 0$  (we collapse sequences of SIMP):

1.

$$\frac{\neg(\neg(\neg(\neg a \lor b) \lor a) \lor a) \neg(\neg(\neg(\neg a \lor b) \lor a) \lor a)}{(\neg(\neg(\neg(\neg 0 \lor b) \lor 0) \lor 0)) \lor (\neg(\neg(\neg(\neg 1 \lor b) \lor 1) \lor 1))} \frac{\text{CA (on a)}}{\text{SIMP}} \frac{0 \lor (\neg(\neg(\neg b \lor 1) \lor 1))}{\neg(\neg(\neg b \lor 1) \lor 1)} \text{SIMP}$$

Note that, if we are being pedantic, we cannot simplify further as the simplification rules only cover cases where a literal is on the left.

$$\frac{\frac{\neg(\neg(\neg b \lor 1) \lor 1) \quad \neg(\neg(\neg b \lor 1) \lor 1)}{(\neg(\neg(\neg 0 \lor 1) \lor 1)) \lor (\neg(\neg(\neg 1 \lor 1) \lor 1))}}{\frac{0 \lor 0}{0}} SIMP}{CA \text{ (on b)}}$$

2.

$$\frac{\neg (\neg \neg (a \land b) \lor (\neg a \lor \neg b)) \neg (\neg \neg (a \land b) \lor (\neg a \lor \neg b))}{(\neg (\neg \neg (0 \land b) \lor (\neg 0 \lor \neg b))) \lor (\neg (\neg \neg (1 \land b) \lor (\neg 1 \lor \neg b)))} \frac{\text{CA (on a)}}{\text{SIMP}}$$

$$\frac{0 \lor (\neg (\neg \neg b \lor \neg b))}{\neg (\neg \neg b \lor \neg b)} \text{SIMP}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\neg (\neg \neg b \lor \neg b) \quad \neg (\neg \neg b \lor \neg b)}{(\neg (\neg \neg 0 \lor \neg 0)) \lor (\neg (\neg \neg 1 \lor \neg 1))}}{0} CA \text{ (on b)}$$

3.

$$\frac{\neg (\neg ((\neg \neg a \lor b) \land (\neg a \lor b)) \lor b) \neg (\neg ((\neg \neg a \lor b) \land (\neg a \lor b)) \lor b)}{(\neg (\neg ((\neg \neg a \lor b)) \lor b)) \lor (\neg (\neg ((\neg \neg 1 \lor b) \land (\neg 1 \lor b)) \lor b))} \underbrace{\text{CA (on a)}}_{\text{SIMP}}$$

$$\frac{\neg (\neg (b \land 1) \lor b) \lor \neg (\neg b \lor b)}{\neg (\neg (b \land 1) \lor b) \lor \neg (\neg b \lor b)} \underbrace{\text{CA (on b)}}_{\text{SIMP}}$$

$$\frac{\neg (\neg (b \land 1) \lor b) \lor \neg (\neg b \lor b) \neg (\neg (b \land 1) \lor b) \lor \neg (\neg b \lor b)}{(\neg (\neg (0 \land 1) \lor 0) \lor \neg (\neg (0 \lor 0)) \lor (\neg (\neg (1 \land 1) \lor 1) \lor \neg (\neg (1 \lor 1)))} \underbrace{\text{CA (on b)}}_{\text{SIMP}}$$

#### Exercise 3 (if-then-else).

1. Let's first express f1 and f2 as propositional formulas. **if** x **then** y **else** z means that when x is true then y is true and when x is not true z is true. In propositional logic this becomes  $(x \to y) \land (\neg x \to z)$ . By repeating the process and reducing them to CNF, we get the following formulas for f1 and f2:

$$f1(a, b, c) \equiv ((a \lor b) \to (((b \land \neg a) \to (b \land c)) \land (\neg(b \land \neg a) \to (\neg b \land c)))) \land (\neg(a \lor b) \to c)$$

$$\equiv (\neg(a \lor b) \lor ((\neg(b \land \neg a) \lor (b \land c)) \land ((b \land \neg a) \lor (\neg b \land c)))) \land ((a \lor b) \lor c)$$

$$\equiv (\neg a \lor \neg b) \land c$$

f2(a, b, c) 
$$\equiv$$
  $(c \rightarrow (a \rightarrow \neg b) \land (\neg a \rightarrow 1)) \land (\neg c \rightarrow 0)$   
 $\equiv (\neg c \lor (\neg a \lor \neg b) \land (a \lor 1)) \land (c \lor 0)$   
 $\equiv (\neg a \lor \neg b) \land c$ 

which proves that they do always produce the same output. One could also have computed the truth tables of each formula and check that they were equal.

2. Since  $a \uparrow b \equiv \text{if (if a then b else false) then false else true, and any formula can be written with Sheffer strokes, any formula can also be written only using if then else.$ 

By noting that  $\varphi \equiv \text{if } a$  then  $\varphi[a := 1]$  else  $\varphi[a := 0]$  where  $a \in FV(\varphi)$  and by applying the identity recursively we can express any formula with **if then else** with only one variable in the condition. The proof goes by induction on the number of variables in the formula, and by noting that if  $\varphi$  has n variables and  $a \in FV(\varphi)$ , then  $\varphi[a := 0]$  and  $\varphi[a := 1]$  contain only n - 1 variables.

**Exercise 4** (Propositional Tautologies). Remember that for any formulas P, Q, and R, the formula  $P \to Q \to R$  is parsed as  $P \to (Q \to R)$  and is equivalent to  $(P \land Q) \to R$ .

- 1. If  $P \wedge Q$  is true, then so is Q.
- 2. We consider two cases. If  $P \to Q$  holds, then we are done, otherwise we have  $P \land \neg Q$ , and we are done as well.
- 3. Counterexample:  $P = \top$ ,  $Q = \bot$ ,  $R = \bot$ .
- 4. Counterexample:  $P = \top$ ,  $Q = \top$ ,  $R = \bot$ .
- 5. If R and  $\neg R$  are true, then we have a contradiction and Q is true as well.
- 6. A formula always implies itself:  $(P \to Q) \to (P \to Q)$ .
- 7. (Peirce's law) We consider two cases. If P is true, then the whole formula is true. Otherwise,  $(P \to Q)$  is true, meaning the implication  $((P \to Q) \to P)$  is false. This makes the whole formula true as well.
- 8. Counterexample:  $P = \top$ ,  $Q = \bot$ .
- 9. Assume  $(\neg Q \to \neg P)$  and P are true. Assume now (by contradiction) that Q is false. Then, we would have that P is false, which is a contradiction. Therefore Q is true and so is the whole formula.
- 10. Counterexample:  $P = \top$ ,  $Q = \top$ ,  $R = \bot$ .
- 11. Assume the three disjunctions are true. We want to show that P is true as well. Consider the first two disjunctions (the third one is not needed). In either of them, if the left-hand-side (P) is true, then we are done. Otherwise, it means their right-hand-sides Q and  $\neg Q$  are both true, which is a contradiction.
- 12. Counterexample:  $P = \top$ ,  $Q = \bot$ .
- 13. Assume  $\neg(P \land Q)$  and P are both true. If Q is true as well, then, we have  $P \land Q$  is true, which is a contradiction. Therefore Q is false, which is what we needed to prove.

# 1 Transition Systems and Invariants

Exercise 5 (Special Invariants).

1. S is an inductive invariant. It is the largest among all invariants.

**Solution:** We have  $S \subseteq S$ ,  $I \subseteq S$ , and for every  $s, s' \in S$  and  $a \in A$  such that  $(s, a, s') \in r$ ,  $s' \in S$ . Therefore, S is an inductive invariant.

Moreover, S is the largest among all invariants because any invariant needs to be a subset of S.

2. Reach(M) is an inductive invariant.

**Solution:** First, we have  $Reach(M) \subseteq S$  and  $I \subseteq Reach(M)$ .

Then, we want to show that for all  $s, s' \in S$  and  $a \in A$  such that  $(s, a, s') \in r$ , if  $s \in Reach(M)$ , then  $s' \in Reach(M)$ 

Let  $s, s' \in S$  and  $a \in A$  such that  $(s, a, s') \in r$ . Assume  $s \in Reach(M)$ . By definition of Reach, there exists a trace  $(s_0, a_0, s_1, \ldots, a_n, s_n) \in Traces(M)$  such that  $s_n = s$ . By definition of Traces, we also have  $(s_0, a_0, s_1, \ldots, a_n, s, a, s') \in Traces(M)$ , which proves that  $s' \in Reach(M)$ .

3. Reach(M) is the smallest of all possible invariants.

**Solution:** By definition, any invariant is a superset of Reach(M).

Exercise 6 (Closure of Invariants).

1. union

**Solution:** Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be two invariants, i.e.  $Reach(M) \subseteq P_1$ , and  $Reach(M) \subseteq P_2$ . We have  $Reach(M) \subseteq P_1 \cup P_2$ , therefore  $P_1 \cup P_2$  is also an invariant.

2. intersection

**Solution:** Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be two invariants, i.e.  $Reach(M) \subseteq P_1$ , and  $Reach(M) \subseteq P_2$ . We have  $Reach(M) \subseteq P_1 \cap P_2$ , because every state in Reach(M) belongs to both  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  by assumption. Therefore  $P_1 \cap P_2$  is also an invariant.

3. complement with respect to S

**Solution:** Let P be an invariant, i.e.  $Reach(M) \subseteq P$ . We don't necessarily have  $S \setminus Reach(M) \subseteq P$ . For instance, we can make a machine where  $Reach(M) = \emptyset$  (no initial states), with S a non-empty set of states, and define  $P = \emptyset$ .

4. operation  $f: 2^S \to 2^S$  defined by  $f(X) = Reach(M) \cup (S \setminus X)$ 

**Solution:** For any set X (not just invariants), we have  $Reach(M) \subseteq f(X)$ , therefore f(X) is an invariant.

Answer the same questions about all *inductive invariants* of M.

#### 1. union

**Solution:** Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be two inductive invariants. We show that  $P_1 \cup P_2$  is also an inductive invariant.

First, we have  $I \subseteq P_1 \cup P_2$  (because e.g.  $I \subseteq P_1$ ).

Second, let  $s, s' \in S$  and  $a \in A$  such that  $(s, a, s') \in r$ . Assume  $s \in P_1 \cup P_2$ . We consider two cases. If  $s \in P_1$ , we use the fact that  $P_1$  is an inductive invariant to conclude that  $s' \in P_1$ , and therefore  $s' \in P_1 \cup P_2$ . The second case is similar.

### 2. intersection

**Solution:** Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be two inductive invariants. We show that  $P_1 \cap P_2$  is also an inductive invariant.

First, we have  $I \subseteq P_1 \cap P_2$  (because elements of I are both in  $P_1$  and in  $P_2$ ).

Second, let  $s, s' \in S$  and  $a \in A$  such that  $(s, a, s') \in r$ . Assume  $s \in P_1 \cap P_2$ , i.e.  $s \in P_1$ , and  $s \in P_2$ . Since  $P_1$  is an inductive invariant, we deduce that  $s' \in P_1$ , and similarly since  $P_2$  is an inductive invariant, we deduce that  $s' \in P_2$ . Therefore  $s' \in P_1 \cap P_2$ .

3. complement with respect to S

**Solution:** Same counter-example as above.

4. operation  $f: 2^S \to 2^S$  defined by  $f(X) = Reach(M) \cup (S \setminus X)$ 

**Solution:** When X is an inductive invariant, f(X) is not necessarily an inductive invariant. Consider a machine with two states  $S = \{s_1, s_2\}$  and no initial state. Let there be a transition from  $s_1$  to  $s_2$  (with some letter), and no other transitions. The set  $X = \{s_2\}$  is an inductive invariant. However,  $f(X) = \{s_1\}$  is not (because of the transition from  $s_1$  to  $s_2$ ).

## 2 Relations

Exercise 7 (Relation Identities). In the solutions, some equivalences are easier to read from bottom to top (and some from top to bottom).

1. 
$$(X \bullet r_1) \bullet r_2 = X \bullet (r_1 \circ r_2)$$

**Solution:** Let  $z \in A$ . We have:

$$z \in (X \bullet r_1) \bullet r_2 \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in X \bullet r_1. \ (y, z) \in r_2$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ y \in X \bullet r_1 \land (y, z) \in r_2$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ \exists x \in X. \ (x, y) \in r_1 \land (y, z) \in r_2$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in X. \ \exists y \in A. \ (x, y) \in r_1 \land (y, z) \in r_2$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in X. \ (x, z) \in r_1 \circ r_2$$
$$\Leftrightarrow z \in X \bullet (r_1 \circ r_2)$$

2.  $(r \cup s) \circ t = (r \circ t) \cup (s \circ t)$ 

**Solution:** Let  $x, z \in A$ . We have:

$$(x,z) \in (r \cup s) \circ t \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ (x,y) \in r \cup s \land (y,z) \in t \\ \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ ((x,y) \in r \lor (x,y) \in s) \land (y,z) \in t \\ \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ ((x,y) \in r \land (y,z) \in t) \lor ((x,y) \in s \land (y,z) \in t) \\ \Leftrightarrow (\exists y \in A. \ (x,y) \in r \land (y,z) \in t) \lor (\exists y \in A. \ (x,y) \in s \land (y,z) \in t) \\ \Leftrightarrow (x,z) \in r \circ t \lor (x,z) \in s \circ t \\ \Leftrightarrow (x,z) \in (r \circ t) \cup (s \circ t)$$

3.  $(r \cap s) \circ t = (r \circ t) \cap (s \circ t)$ 

**Solution:** A counterexample:

$$r = \{(0,1)\}, s = \{(0,2)\} \text{ and } t = \{(1,0),(2,0)\}.$$

We have  $(r \cap s) \circ t = \emptyset$ , while  $(r \circ t) \cap (s \circ t) = \{(0,0)\}.$ 

4. 
$$(r_1 \circ r_2)^{-1} = (r_2^{-1} \circ r_1^{-1})$$

**Solution:** Let  $x, z \in A$ . We have:

$$(z,x) \in (r_1 \circ r_2)^{-1} \Leftrightarrow (x,z) \in r_1 \circ r_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ (x,y) \in r_1 \land (y,z) \in r_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ (y,x) \in r_1^{-1} \land (z,y) \in r_2^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ (z,y) \in r_2^{-1} \land (y,x) \in r_1^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (z,x) \in r_2^{-1} \circ r_1^{-1}$$

5. 
$$X \bullet r = ran(\Delta_X \circ r)$$

**Solution:** Let  $y \in A$ . We have:

$$y \in X \bullet r \Leftrightarrow \exists x \in X. \ (x,y) \in r$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in A. \ x \in X \land (x',y) \in r$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in A. \ \exists x' \in A. \ x = x' \land x \in X \land (x',y) \in r$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in A. \ \exists x' \in A. \ (x,x') \in \Delta_X \land (x',y) \in r$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in A. \ (x,y) \in \Delta_X \circ r$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y \in ran(\Delta_X \circ r)$$

6. If  $r_1 \subseteq r'_1$  then  $r_1 \circ r_2 \subseteq r'_1 \circ r_2$  and  $r_2 \circ r_1 \subseteq r_2 \circ r'_1$ .

**Solution:** Let  $x, z \in A$ . We have:

$$(x,z) \in r_1 \circ r_2 \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ (x,y) \in r_1 \land (y,z) \in r_2$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \exists y \in A. \ (x,y) \in r'_1 \land (y,z) \in r_2 \text{ because } r_1 \subseteq r'_1$   
 $\Leftrightarrow (x,z) \in r'_1 \circ r_2$ 

Also,

$$(x,z) \in r_2 \circ r_1 \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ (x,y) \in r_2 \land (y,z) \in r_1$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \exists y \in A. \ (x,y) \in r_2 \land (y,z) \in r'_1 \text{ because } r_1 \subseteq r'_1$   
 $\Leftrightarrow (x,z) \in r_2 \circ r'_1$ 

7. If  $r_1 \subseteq r_1'$  then  $r_1 \cup r_2 \subseteq r_1' \cup r_2$  and  $r_2 \cup r_1 \subseteq r_2 \cup r_1'$ .

**Solution:** Let  $x, y \in A$ . We have:

$$(x,y) \in r_1 \cup r_2 \Leftrightarrow (x,y) \in r_1 \lor (x,y) \in r_2$$
  
 $\Rightarrow (x,y) \in r'_1 \lor (x,y) \in r_2 \text{ because } r_1 \subseteq r'_1$   
 $\Leftrightarrow (x,y) \in r'_1 \cup r_2$ 

Also,

$$(x,y) \in r_2 \cup r_1 \Leftrightarrow (x,y) \in r_2 \lor (x,y) \in r_1$$
  
 $\Rightarrow (x,y) \in r_2 \lor (x,y) \in r'_1 \text{ because } r_1 \subseteq r'_1$   
 $\Leftrightarrow (x,y) \in r_2 \cup r'_1$ 

Exercise 8 (Transitive relations).

$$r \circ r \subseteq r \Leftrightarrow \forall x, z \in A. \ (x, z) \in r \Rightarrow (x, z) \in r$$
 
$$\Leftrightarrow \forall x, z \in A. \ (\exists y \in A. (x, y) \in r \land (y, z) \in r) \Rightarrow (x, z) \in r$$
 
$$\Leftrightarrow \forall x, z \in A. \ \forall y \in A. \ ((x, y) \in r \land (y, z) \in r) \Rightarrow (x, z) \in r$$
 
$$\Leftrightarrow \forall x, y, z \in A. \ ((x, y) \in r \land (y, z) \in r) \Rightarrow (x, z) \in r$$
 
$$\Leftrightarrow r \text{ is transitive}$$

**Exercise 9** (Symmetric relations). First, since the composition of two symmetric relations is symmetric, we can show by induction on  $n \geq 0$  that for any symmetric relation r,  $r^n$  is symmetric.

Second, taking the union of symmetric relations gives a symmetric relation, which means that for any symmetric relation r,  $r^*$  is also symmetric (using the previous point).

We can establish that  $r \cup r^{-1}$  is a symmetric relation, and using the second point, that  $(r \cup r^{-1})^*$  is also symmetric.

Finally, let  $x, t \in A$ . We have:

$$(x,t) \in r^{-1} \circ (r \cup r^{-1})^* \circ r \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in A. \ \exists z \in A. \ (x,y) \in r^{-1} \land (y,z) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^* \land (z,t) \in r$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \exists z \in A. \ \exists y \in A. \ (t,z) \in r^{-1} \land (z,y) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^* \land (y,x) \in r$$
$$\Leftrightarrow (t,x) \in r^{-1} \circ (r \cup r^{-1})^* \circ r$$

To go from the first to the second line, we use the fact that  $(r \cup r^{-1})^*$  is symmetric.

Exercise 10 (Transitive closure).

(i)  $(r \cup r^{-1})^*$  is an equivalence relation,

**Solution:** We have three things to prove:

- 1. (Reflexivity) Let  $x \in A$ . We have  $(x,x) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^*$  because  $\triangle_A \subseteq (r \cup r^{-1})^*$ .
- 2. (Symmetry) As seen in the previous section,  $(r \cup r^{-1})^*$  is symmetric.
- 3. (Transitive) Let  $(x,y) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^*$  and  $(y,z) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^*$ . By definition, there exist  $n,m \geq 0$  such that  $(x,y) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^n$  and  $(y,z) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^m$ . Therefore  $(x,z) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^n \circ (r \cup r^{-1})^m = (r \cup r^{-1})^{n+m}$ . This shows that  $(x,z) \in (r \cup r^{-1})^*$ .
- (ii) if s is an equivalence relation containing r, then  $(r \cup r^{-1})^* \subseteq s$ .

**Solution:** Let s be an equivalence relation containing r. We prove by induction over  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  that  $(r \cup r^{-1})^n \subseteq s$ .

- 1. (Case n=0)  $(r \cup r^{-1})^0 = \Delta_A \subseteq s$  because s is reflexive.
- 2. (Case n=n'+1) Assume by induction that  $(r \cup r^{-1})^{n'} \subseteq s$ . We know that  $r \subseteq s$ , and that s is symmetric, therefore  $r^{-1} \subseteq s$ . Thus, we also have:  $r \cup r^{-1} \subseteq s$ . Finally, we have  $(r \cup r^{-1})^n = (r \cup r^{-1})^{n'} \circ (r \cup r^{-1}) \subseteq s \circ s \subseteq s$  (because s is transitive), which concludes the proof.

# 3 Finite State Machines with Boolean Variables

Exercise 11 (Finite State Machines with Boolean Variables). No. We can establish the following inductive invariant of the configurations of the FSM:

$$P = \{((x,y),m) \mid (x \ge 1 \Rightarrow m(B)) \land$$

$$(y \ge 1 \Rightarrow m(A)) \land$$

$$((x,y) = (3,2) \Rightarrow m(C)) \land$$

$$((x,y) = (2,3) \Rightarrow \neg m(C) \land$$

$$(x,y) \ne (3,3)\}$$