

DISCRETE MATH 37181 WORKSHEET 1

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INSTRUCTIONS. Complete these problems in groups of 3-4 at the whiteboards.

1. Each group member: write your name on the top of the whiteboard, and say hi to your teammates.

2. Draw truth tables for the following statements.

(a) $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge p) \rightarrow \neg q$

(b) $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow \neg p$

(c) $\neg(p \wedge q) \leftrightarrow (\neg p \vee \neg q)$

(d) $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$

(e) $(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow p)$

(f) $s \leftrightarrow (p \rightarrow ((\neg p) \vee s))$

(g) Which of (a)–(g) are *tautologies*?

3. For each of the following quantified statements, write a quantified statement which is logically equivalent to the negation and only uses the symbol \neg after the quantifiers.¹ For (b),(e),(f), translate the statement into logical symbols, find the negation, then put your answer back in English.

(a) $\forall x \exists y (x^2 > y \vee x < 2y)$

(b) Every person has someone who loves them²

(c) $\forall x \forall y (x < y \rightarrow \exists z (x < y < z))$

(d) $\exists x \forall y \exists z (z > y \rightarrow z < x^2)$




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¹For example, $\neg(\forall x \forall y (x > y))$ becomes $\exists x \exists y (x \leq y)$.

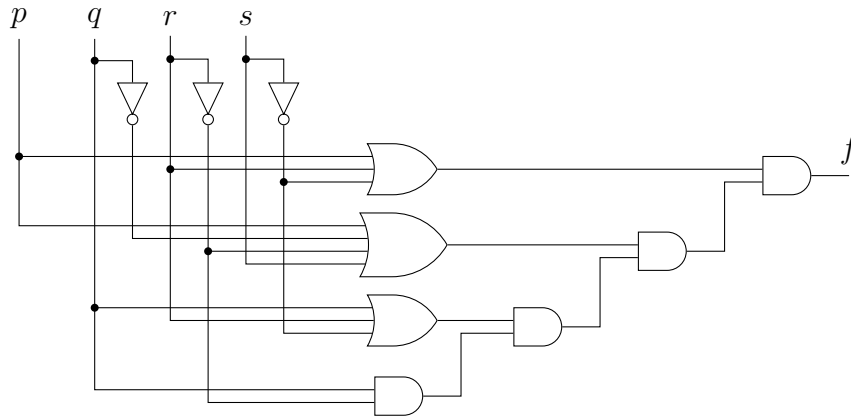
²define $L(x, y)$ to mean “ x loves y ”. Note $L(x, y)$ does not always have the same truth value as $L(y, x)$

- (e) Every person loves at least two people
- (f) Every person loves at least two people who do not love each other.

4. A *logic circuit* has input wires labeled p, q, r, s, \dots , *logic gates*:

not:  or:  and: 

and an output wire labeled f . An example is given here:



- (a) On input $p = 0, q = 1, r = 0, s = 1$, what is the output at f ?
- (b) Write down the logical expression corresponding to the circuit diagram above.
- (c) Draw a logic circuit representing this formula: ³

$$(\neg(p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg p) \vee q$$

5. Is the following formula *satisfiable*?

$$(p \vee q \vee \neg r) \wedge (r \vee w \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg w \vee \neg p \vee \neg r)$$

6. Use propositional logic (*i.e.* convert to symbols) to determine which of the following are valid arguments:
- (a) If I do not work hard, I will sleep. If I am worried, I will not sleep. Therefore, if I am worried, I will work hard.
- (b) If it is raining, I am wet. I am dry. Therefore it is not raining. ⁴

³hint: $p \rightarrow q$ is the same as $\neg p \vee q$

⁴“I am dry” is the same as “I am not wet”

Brief solutions:

2. (a)

p	q	$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge p) \rightarrow \neg q$
1	1	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	1

(b)

p	q	$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow \neg p$
1	1	1
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	1

(c)

p	q	$\neg(p \wedge q) \leftrightarrow (\neg p \vee \neg q)$
1	1	1
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	1

(d)

p	q	r	$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$
1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	0	0	1

(g) b,c,d only.

3. (a) $\forall x \exists y (x^2 > y \vee x < 2y)$

$$\neg \forall x \exists y (x^2 > y \vee x < 2y)$$

$$\exists x \forall y \neg (x^2 > y \vee x < 2y)$$

$$\exists x \forall y (\neg(x^2 > y) \wedge \neg(x < 2y))$$

$$\exists x \forall y ((x^2 \leq y) \wedge (x \geq 2y))$$

(b) Every person has someone who loves them

Let $L(x, y)$ be the statement “ x loves y ”, and the universe of discourse all people.

$$\forall x \exists y L(y, x)$$

Negation:

$$\exists x \forall y \neg L(y, x)$$

There is a person that nobody loves. (Note: including themselves).

- (c) $\forall x \forall y (x < y \rightarrow \exists z (x < y < z))$ This is equivalent to

$$\forall x \forall y (\neg(x < y) \vee \exists z (x < y < z))$$

Negation:

$$\exists x \exists y \neg (\neg(x < y) \vee \exists z (x < y < z))$$

$$\exists x \exists y ((x < y) \wedge \neg \exists z (x < y < z))$$

$$\exists x \exists y ((x < y) \wedge \forall z \neg (x < y < z))$$

$$\exists x \exists y ((x < y) \wedge \forall z \neg ((x < y) \wedge (y < z)))$$

$$\exists x \exists y ((x < y) \wedge \forall z ((x \geq y) \vee (y \geq z)))$$

There are two numbers x, y so that $x < y$ and either $x \geq y$ (which cannot be true so we just have) or y is bigger than or equal to all numbers z .

There are two numbers x, y so that $x < y$ and y is bigger than or equal to all numbers z . This is false (∞ is not included in the universe of all real numbers).

The original statement was true: for all pairs of numbers (x, y) , if $x < y$ then you can find some $z = y + 1$ say so that $x < y < z$ is true.

- (d) $\exists x \forall y \exists z (z > y \rightarrow z < x^2)$

$$\forall x \exists y \forall z (z > y) \wedge (z \geq x^2)$$

- (e) Every person loves at least two people

$$\forall x \exists y \exists z [L(x, y) \wedge L(x, z) \wedge (y \neq z)]$$

(This includes the possibility that $x = z$ or $x = y$, that is, one of the people x loves is himself.)

Negation:

$$\neg \forall x \exists y \exists z [L(x, y) \wedge L(x, z) \wedge (y \neq z)]$$

$$\exists x \forall y \forall z \neg [L(x, y) \wedge L(x, z) \wedge (y \neq z)]$$

$$\exists x \forall y \forall z \neg L(x, y) \vee \neg L(x, z) \vee (y = z)$$

There is a person that either does not love anyone, or loves only one person. That is, $\forall y \forall z$, as you consider all pairs of people (y, z) , if x loves both of them, then $y = z$.

- (f) Every person loves at least two people who do not love each other.

$$\forall x \exists y \exists z [L(x, y) \wedge L(x, z) \wedge (y \neq z) \wedge \neg L(y, z) \wedge \neg L(z, y)]$$

Negation:

$$\exists x \forall y \forall z [\neg L(x, y) \vee \neg L(x, z) \vee (y = z) \vee L(y, z) \vee L(z, y)]$$

There is a person that either loves at most one person, or if they more than one person, then in each pair of people that x loves, one of the people loves the other one.

4. (a) On input $p = 0, q = 1, r = 0, s = 1$, what is the output at f ?

0. From the top *or* gate, all inputs are 0, and this feeds into the top *and* gate.

- (b) Write down the logical expression corresponding to the circuit diagram above.

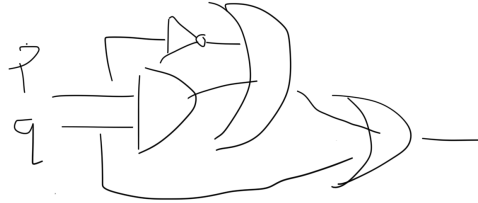
$$(p \vee r \vee \neg s) \wedge [(p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r \vee s) \wedge [(q \vee r \vee \neg s) \wedge (q \wedge \neg r)]]$$

- (c) Draw a logic circuit representing this formula:

$$(\neg(p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg p) \vee q$$

is equivalent to

$$((p \wedge q) \vee \neg p) \vee q$$



5. Try some values: $p = 1, r = 1, w = 0$ makes the entire formula true (for any q).
6. (a) If I do not work hard, I will sleep. If I am worried, I will not sleep. Therefore, if I am worried, I will work hard.
 h = work hard, s = sleep, w = worried.

$$((\neg h \rightarrow s) \wedge (w \rightarrow \neg s)) \rightarrow (w \rightarrow h)$$

h	s	w	$((\neg h \rightarrow s) \wedge (w \rightarrow \neg s)) \rightarrow (w \rightarrow h)$
1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1
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0	0	1	1
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A quick way to show this is to argue as follows: how could this statement be false? Only if $w \rightarrow h$ is false (and $(\neg h \rightarrow s) \wedge (w \rightarrow \neg s)$ is true). So only need to check two rows of the truth table.

Alternatively, $\neg h \rightarrow s$ is logically equivalent to $\neg s \rightarrow h$ (contrapositive), so $((w \rightarrow \neg s) \wedge (\neg s \rightarrow h)) \rightarrow (w \rightarrow h)$ is syllogism.

- (b) If it is raining, I am wet. I am dry. Therefore it is not raining.

$$((r \rightarrow w) \wedge \neg w) \rightarrow (\neg r)$$

Valid – this is modus tollens.