## Prove goToRear's VC3:

VC3: 
$$(A0 ^ A1 ^ A2 ^ A3) \rightarrow q3 = q0[1, |q0|) * q0[0, 1)$$

## **Direct Proof**

- 1. Assume facts on left hand side of implication are true (1<sup>st</sup> 2 rows of truth table where p = true)
- 2. Must show right hand side (rhs) of implication cannot be false (where q = false), i.e., show row 2 of truth table cannot happen
- 3. For the rhs to not be false we must show that the equality in the rhs holds:

$$q3 = q0[1, |q0|) * q0[0,1)$$

## **Recall our Facts** – the highlighted facts (in this list) are used in the proof steps below:

A0: |q0| > 0

A1: T.Init(y1)  $^q1 = q0$ 

A2:  $\langle y2 \rangle$  is prefix of q1 ^ q2 = q1[1, |q1|)

A3:  $q3 = q2 * < y2 > ^ T.Init(y3)$ 

TABLE 5 The Truth Table for the Conditional Statement $p \rightarrow q$ .		
р	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T T F F	T T F	T F T T

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## **Proof Steps** – Using a *backwards sweep* approach

Which means we start with q3 on the lhs of the equals sign and use substitution to transform the lhs into something that is similar to the rhs

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Step 1. q3 = q0[1, |q0|) * q0[0,1)
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Start with consequent side of VC3

Step 2.  $q2 * \langle y2 \rangle = q0[1, |q0|) * q0[0,1)$ 

By substitution for q3 from Step 1 using facts A3

Step 3. q1[1,|q1|) \* < y2> = q0[1,|q0|) \* q0[0,1)

By substitution for q2 from Step 2 using facts A2

Step 4. q0[1,|q0|) \* < y2> = q0[1,|q0|) \* q0[0,1)

By substitution for q1 from Step 3 using facts A1

Note: from Step 4 the following highlighted parts are equal:

$$q0[1,|q0|)$$
 \*  =  $q0[1,|q0|)$  \*  $q0[0,1)$ 

At this point if we can show  $\langle y2 \rangle = q0[0,1)$ , we will have successfully completed the proof

Step 5. 
$$\langle y2 \rangle = q0[0,1)$$

Continue with this portion of the equation

Step 6. <y2> is prefix of q1

Fact from A2

Step 7. <y2> is prefix of q0

By substitution for q1 from Step 6 using facts A1

Step 8.  $\langle y2 \rangle = q0[0,1)$ 

Lemma: proof is based on definition of prefix

That successfully completes the proof, since the lhs and rhs of equals sign are equal (from Step 1)