

Discrete Computational Structures

Fall 2020-2021 Take Home Exam 1

Due date: November 8^{nd} , 23:55

Question 1

a) Construct a truth table for the following compound proposition.

$$(q \to \neg p) \leftrightarrow (p \leftrightarrow \neg q)$$

b) Show that whether the following conditional statement is a tautology by using a truth table.

$$[(p \lor q) \land (r \to p) \land (r \to q)] \to r$$

Question 2

Show that $(p \to q) \land (p \to r)$ and $(\neg q \lor \neg r) \to \neg p$ are logically equivalent. Use tables 6,7 and 8 given under the section "Propositional Equivalences" in the course textbook and give the reference to the table and the law in each step.

Question 3

Let F(x, y) mean that x is the father of y; M(x, y) denotes x is the mother of y. Similarly, H(x, y), S(x, y), and B(x, y) say that x is the husband/sister/brother of y, respectively. You may also use constants to denote individuals, like Sam and Alex. You can use $\vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, \neg, \forall, \exists$ rules and quantifiers. However, you are not allowed to use any predicate symbols other than the above to translate the following sentences into predicate logic. \exists ! and exclusive-or (XOR) quantifiers are forbidden:

- 1) Everybody has a mother.
- 2) Everybody has a father and a mother.
- 3) Whoever has a mother has a father.
- 4) Sam is a grandfather.
- **5**) All fathers are parents.

- **6)** All husbands are spouses.
- 7) No uncle is an aunt.
- 8) All brothers are siblings.
- 9) Nobody's grandmother is anybody's father.
- 10) Alex is Ali's brother-in-law.

11) Alex has at least two children.

12) Everybody has at most one mother.

Question 4

Prove the following claims by natural deduction. Use **only** the natural deduction rules \vee , \wedge , \rightarrow , \neg introduction and elimination. If you attempt to make use of a lemma or equivalence, you need to prove it by natural deduction too.

a)
$$p \to q, r \to s \vdash (p \lor r) \to (q \lor s)$$

b)
$$\vdash (p \to (r \to \neg q)) \to ((p \land q) \to \neg r)$$

Question 5

Prove the following claims by natural deduction. Use **only** the natural deduction rules $\vee, \wedge, \rightarrow$, \neg, \forall, \exists introduction and elimination. If you attempt to make use of a lemma or equivalence, you need to prove it by natural deduction too.

a)
$$\forall x P(x) \lor \forall x Q(x) \vdash \forall x (P(x) \lor Q(x))$$

b)
$$\forall x P(x) \to S \vdash \exists x (P(x) \to S)$$

1 Regulations

- 1. You have to write your answers to the provided sections of the template answer file given.
- 2. Do not write any extra stuff like question definitions to the answer file. Just give your solution to the question. Otherwise you will get 0 from that question.
- 3. Late Submission: Not allowed!
- 4. Cheating: We have zero tolerance policy for cheating. People involved in cheating will be punished according to the university regulations.
- 5. Evaluation: Your latex file will be converted to pdf and evaluated by course assistants. The .tex file will be checked for plagiarism.

2 Submission

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