

# My topology exercises

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# Preface

Those are my solutions and notes for "A Concise Introduction to Mathematical Logic"  
(3rd edition) by Wolfgang Rautenberg

# Chapter 1

## Propositional Logic

### 1.1 Boolean Functions and Formulas

#### 1.1.1

$f \in B_n$  is called linear if  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = a_0 + a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n$  for suitable coefficients  $a_0, \dots, a_n \in \{0, 1\}$

We firstly going to assume that  $+$  is associative and commutative.

(a) Show that the above representation of a linear function  $f$  is unique

By constructing an appropriate table we can prove that

$$a_0 + a_1x_1 = b_0 + b_1x_1 \iff a_0 = b_0 \wedge a_1 = b_1$$

Assume that

$$\sum_{i < n} a_ix_i = \sum_{i < n} b_ix_i \iff \{a_n\} = \{b_n\}$$

Now assume that

$$\sum_{i < n} a_ix_i + a_nx_n = \sum_{i < n} b_ix_i + b_nx_n$$

we follow that if  $a_n \neq b_n$ , then without loss of generality we can assume that  $a_n = 0$  and  $b_n = 1$ . Thus

$$\sum_{i < n} a_ix_i + x_n = \sum_{i < n} b_ix_i$$

Let  $\{q_n\}$  be a vector of boolean variables. Substituting all the  $x$ 's in  $\sum_{i < n} a_ix_i$  for  $q$ 's we're going to get result  $m$ . If  $m = 0$ , then we can set  $x_n$  to 1 to follow that

$$\sum_{i < n} a_iq_i + q_n = 1 \neq \sum_{i < n} b_ix_i$$

and if  $m = 1$ , then we can set  $q_n = 1$  to also get

$$\sum_{i < n} a_i q_i + q_n = 0 \neq \sum_{i < n} b_i x_i$$

thus concluding that (attention to  $\leq$ )

$$\sum_{i \leq n} a_i x_i + a_n x_n = \sum_{i \leq n} b_i x_i + b_n x_n \Leftrightarrow \{a_n\} = \{b_n\}$$

now we can use the induction to conclude the desired result.

(b) *Determine the number of  $n$ -ary Boolean functions*

For  $n = 1$  we can follow that

$$f(x) = 1 + x = \neg x$$

$$f(x) = 0 + x = x$$

thus there are two of them. If there are  $2^{n-1}$   $(n-1)$ -ary functions, then for each  $f \in B_{n-1}$  there are

$$f(x) + 1 = \neg f(x)$$

and

$$f(x) + 0 = f(x)$$

thus for each one of  $2^{n-1}$   $(n-1)$ -ary functions we've got 2  $n$ -ary functions. Thus we can use induction to conclude that there are  $2^n$   $n$ -ary functions.

(c) *Prove that each formula  $\alpha$  in  $\neg, +$  (i.e.  $\alpha$  is a formula of the logical signature  $\{\neq, +\}$ ) represents a linear Boolean functions.*

This one is a standart pigeonhole problem (i.e. negating this proposition would imply the contradiction for the previous point)

*The rest of the exercises are pretty trivial, so I'm gonna leave them alone*