

Discrete Computational Structures  
Take Home Exam 1

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## Question 1

(7 pts)

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

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

(3.5/7 pts)

$p$	$q$	$\neg p$	$q \rightarrow \neg p$	$\neg q$	$p \leftrightarrow \neg q$	$(q \rightarrow \neg p) \leftrightarrow (p \leftrightarrow \neg q)$
$T$	$T$	$F$	$F$	$F$	$F$	$T$
$T$	$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$	$T$	$T$
$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$	$F$

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

$$[(p \vee q) \wedge (r \rightarrow p) \wedge (r \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow r$$

(3.5/7 pts)

$p$	$q$	$r$	$p \vee q$	$r \rightarrow p$	$r \rightarrow q$	$(p \vee q) \wedge (r \rightarrow p) \wedge (r \rightarrow q)$	$[(p \vee q) \wedge (r \rightarrow p) \wedge (r \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow r$
$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
$T$	$T$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$
$T$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$	$F$	$T$
$T$	$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$
$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$	$T$	$F$	$T$
$F$	$T$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$
$F$	$F$	$T$	$F$	$F$	$F$	$F$	$T$
$F$	$F$	$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$F$	$T$

## Question 2

(8 pts)

Show that  $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)$  and  $(\neg q \vee \neg r) \rightarrow \neg p$  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.

$(\neg q \vee \neg r) \rightarrow \neg p$	$\equiv$	$\neg(\neg q \vee \neg r) \vee \neg p$	Table 7 first equivalence
	$\equiv$	$(\neg(\neg q) \wedge \neg(\neg r)) \vee \neg p$	Table 6 De Morgan's law
	$\equiv$	$(q \wedge r) \vee \neg p$	Table 6 double negation law
	$\equiv$	$\neg p \vee (q \wedge r)$	Table 6 commutative laws
	$\equiv$	$(\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)$	Table 6 distributive law
	$\equiv$	$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)$	Table 7 third equivalence

## Question 3

(30 pts, 2.5 pts each)

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:

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|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 1) Everybody has a mother.              | 7) No uncle is an aunt.                      |
| 2) Everybody has a father and a mother. | 8) All brothers are siblings.                |
| 3) Whoever has a mother has a father.   | 9) Nobody's grandmother is anybody's father. |
| 4) Sam is a grandfather.                | 10) Alex is Ali's brother-in-law.            |
| 5) All fathers are parents.             | 11) Alex has at least two children.          |
| 6) All husbands are spouses.            | 12) Everybody has at most one mother.        |

- 1)  $\forall y \exists x M(x, y)$
- 2)  $\forall y \exists x (M(x, y) \wedge F(x, y))$
- 3)  $\forall z \exists x \exists y (M(x, z) \rightarrow F(y, z))$
- 4)  $\exists y \exists x (F(\text{Sam}, x) \wedge F(x, y))$
- 5)  $\forall x \exists y (F(x, y) \rightarrow (F(x, y) \vee M(x, y)))$
- 6)  $\forall x \exists y (H(x, y) \rightarrow (H(x, y) \vee H(y, x)))$
- 7)  $\forall z \exists x \exists y ((B(x, y) \wedge (M(y, z) \vee F(y, z))) \rightarrow \neg(S(x, y) \wedge (M(y, z) \vee F(y, z))))$
- 8)  $\exists x \exists y (B(x, y) \rightarrow (B(x, y) \vee S(x, y)))$
- 9)  $\forall z \exists x \exists y (M(x, y) \wedge M(y, z) \rightarrow \neg F(x, z))$
- 10)  $\exists x (H(\text{Ali}, x) \wedge B(\text{Alex}, x))$
- 11)  $\exists x \exists z (F(\text{Alex}, x) \wedge F(\text{Alex}, z)) \rightarrow \neg(x = z)$
- 12)  $\forall z \exists x \exists y ((M(x, z) \wedge M(y, z) \rightarrow (x = y)))$

## Question 4

(25 pts)

Prove the following claim 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.

$$\mathbf{a)} \ p \rightarrow q, r \rightarrow s \vdash (p \vee r) \rightarrow (q \vee s)$$

(12.5/25 pts)

$p \rightarrow q, r \rightarrow s \vdash (p \vee r) \rightarrow (q \vee s)$		
1.	$p \rightarrow q$	<i>premise</i>
2.	$r \rightarrow s$	<i>premise</i>
3.	$(p \vee r)$	<i>assumption</i>
4.	$p$	<i>assumption</i>
5.	$q$	$\rightarrow e, 1 - 4$
6.	$q \vee s$	$\vee i, 5$
7.	$r$	<i>assumption</i>
8.	$q$	$\rightarrow e, 2 - 7$
9.	$s \vee q$	$\vee i, 8$
10.	$(q \vee s)$	$\vee e, 3, 4 - 6, 7 - 9$
11.	$(p \vee r) \rightarrow (q \vee s)$	$\rightarrow i, 3 - 10$

$$\mathbf{b)} \ (p \rightarrow (r \rightarrow \neg q)) \rightarrow ((p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg r)$$

(12.5/25 pts)

$\vdash (p \rightarrow (r \rightarrow \neg q)) \rightarrow ((p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg r)$		
1.	$p \rightarrow (r \rightarrow \neg q)$	<i>assumption</i>
2.	$p \wedge q$	<i>assumption</i>
3.	$p$	$\wedge e, 2$
4.	$q$	$\wedge e, 2$
5.	$r \rightarrow \neg q$	$\rightarrow e, 1 - 3$
6.	$r$	<i>assumption</i>
7.	$\neg q$	$\rightarrow e, 5 - 6$
8.	$\perp$	$\neg e, 4 - 7$
9.	$\neg r$	$\neg i, 6 - 8$
10.	$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg r$	$\rightarrow i, 2 - 9$
11.	$(p \rightarrow (r \rightarrow \neg q)) \rightarrow ((p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg r)$	$\rightarrow i, 1 - 10$

## Question 5

(30 pts)

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

$$\mathbf{a)} \quad \forall x P(x) \vee \forall x Q(x) \vdash \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

(12.5/25 pts)

$\forall P(x) \vee \forall x Q(x) \vdash \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$		
1.	$\forall P(x) \vee \forall x Q(x)$	<i>premise</i>
2.	$\forall P(x)$	<i>assumption, 1</i>
3.	$a$	<i>freshname</i>
4.	$P(a)$	$\forall e, 2$
5.	$P(a) \vee Q(a)$	$\vee i, 4$
6.	$\forall (P(x) \vee Q(x))$	$\forall i, 5$
7.	$\forall Q(x)$	<i>assumption, 1</i>
8.	$b$	<i>freshname</i>
9.	$Q(b)$	$\forall e, 7$
10.	$Q(b) \vee P(b)$	$\vee i, 9$
11.	$\forall (Q(x) \vee P(x))$	$\forall i, 10$
12.	$\forall (P(x) \vee Q(x))$	$\vee e, 1, 2 - 6, 7 - 11$

$$\mathbf{b)} \quad \forall x P(x) \rightarrow S \vdash \exists x (P(x) \rightarrow S)$$

(17.5/25 pts)

1.	$\forall x P(x) \rightarrow S$	<i>premise</i>
2.	$\neg \exists x (P(x) \rightarrow S)$	<i>assumption</i>
	$a$	<i>freshname</i>
3.	$P(a)$	<i>assumption</i>
4.	$\forall x P(x)$	$\forall i, 3$
5.	$S$	$\rightarrow e, 1 - 4$
6.	$P(a) \rightarrow S$	$\rightarrow i, 3 - 5$
7.	$\exists x (P(x) \rightarrow S)$	$\exists i, 6$
8.	$\perp$	$\neg e, 2 - 7$
9.	$\exists x (P(x) \rightarrow S)$	$\neg e, 2 - 8$