

Propositional logic

Solution 1

(a)

false (as $(\text{true} \Rightarrow \text{false}) \Leftrightarrow \text{false}$)

(b)

true (as $(\text{false} \Rightarrow \text{false}) \Leftrightarrow \text{true}$)

(c)

true (as $(\text{false} \Rightarrow \text{true}) \Leftrightarrow \text{true}$)

(d)

true (as $(\text{false} \Rightarrow \text{false}) \Leftrightarrow \text{true}$)

(Assuming that pigs can't fly . . .)

Solution 2

(a)

p	q	$p \wedge q$	$(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow p$
t	t	t	t
t	f	f	t
f	t	f	t
f	f	f	t

(b)

p	q	$p \wedge q$	$\neg p$	$\neg p \Rightarrow (p \wedge q)$	$(\neg p \Rightarrow (p \wedge q)) \Leftrightarrow p$
t	t	t	f	t	t
t	f	f	f	t	t
f	t	f	t	f	t
f	f	f	t	f	t

(c)

p	q	$p \Rightarrow q$	$p \wedge (p \Rightarrow q)$	$(p \wedge (p \Rightarrow q)) \Rightarrow q$
t	t	t	t	t
t	f	f	f	t
f	t	t	f	t
f	f	t	f	t

Solution 3

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 p \Rightarrow \neg p & \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg p && [\Rightarrow] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg p && [\text{idempotence}]
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \neg p \Rightarrow p & \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg \neg p \vee p && [\Rightarrow] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow p \vee p && [\neg \neg] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow p && [\text{idempotence}]
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 p \Rightarrow (q \Rightarrow r) & \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee (q \Rightarrow r) && [\Rightarrow] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q \vee r && [\Rightarrow] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q \vee r && [\text{associativity}] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg (p \wedge q) \vee r && [\text{De Morgan}] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow p \wedge q \Rightarrow r && [\Rightarrow]
 \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
 q \Rightarrow (p \Rightarrow r) & \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg q \vee (p \Rightarrow r) && [\Rightarrow] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg q \vee \neg p \vee r && [\Rightarrow] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q \vee r && [\text{associativity} \wedge \text{commutativity}] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee (q \Rightarrow r) && [\Rightarrow] \\
 &\Leftrightarrow p \Rightarrow (q \Rightarrow r) && [\Rightarrow]
 \end{aligned}$$

(e)

$$\begin{aligned}
p \wedge q &\Leftrightarrow p && [\Leftrightarrow] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q \Rightarrow p) \wedge (p \Rightarrow p \wedge q) && [\Rightarrow] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg(p \wedge q) \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \wedge q) && [\text{De Morgan}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg p \vee \neg q \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \wedge q) && [\text{associativity } \wedge \text{ comm.}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg q \vee \neg p \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \wedge q) && [\text{excluded middle}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg q \vee \text{true}) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \wedge q) && [\vee \wedge \text{true}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow \text{true} \wedge (\neg p \vee p \wedge q) && [\wedge \wedge \text{true}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee p \wedge q && [\text{distribution}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg p \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee q) && [\text{excluded middle}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow \text{true} \wedge (\neg p \vee q) && [\wedge \wedge \text{true}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee q && [\Rightarrow] \\
&\Leftrightarrow p \Rightarrow q
\end{aligned}$$

(f)

$$\begin{aligned}
p \vee q &\Leftrightarrow p && [\Leftrightarrow] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (p \vee q \Rightarrow p) \wedge (p \Rightarrow p \vee q) && [\Rightarrow] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg(p \vee q) \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \vee q) && [\text{De Morgan}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg p \wedge \neg q \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \vee q) && [\text{distribution}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg p \vee p) \wedge (\neg q \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \vee q) && [\text{excluded middle}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow \text{true} \wedge (\neg q \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \vee q) && [\wedge \wedge \text{true}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg q \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee p \vee q) && [\text{associativity}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg q \vee p) \wedge (\text{true} \vee q) && [\text{excluded middle}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow (\neg q \vee p) \wedge \text{true} && [\vee \wedge \text{true}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow \neg q \vee p && [\wedge \wedge \text{true}] \\
&\Leftrightarrow q \Rightarrow p
\end{aligned}$$

Solution 4

(a) $(p \text{ or } q) \Leftrightarrow ((\text{not } p \text{ or not } q) \text{ and } q)$ is not a tautology. You might illustrate this via a truth table or via a chain of equivalences, showing that the proposition is not equivalent to true. Alternatively, you might try and find a combination of values for which the proposition is false. (In this case, the proposition is false when p and q are both true.)

(b) $(p \text{ or } q) \Leftrightarrow ((\text{not } p \text{ and not } q) \text{ or } q)$ is not a tautology. In this case, the proposition is false when p is true and q is false.

Solution 5

Solution 6

(a)

This is a true proposition: whatever the value of x , the expression $x^2 - x + 1$ denotes a natural number. *If we choose to be this natural number, we will find that p is true.*

(b)

This is a false proposition. We cannot choose a large enough value for y such that p will hold for any value of x .

(c)

This is a false proposition. It is an implication whose antecedent part is true and whose consequent part is false.

(d)

This is a true proposition. It is an implication whose antecedent part is false and whose consequent part is true.

Solution 7

(a)

We must define a predicate p that is false for at least one value of x , and is true for at least one other value. A suitable solution would be $p \Leftrightarrow x \neq 1$.

(b)

With the above choice of p , we require only that q is sometimes false when p is true (for else the universal quantification would hold). A suitable solution would be $q \Leftrightarrow x \neq 3$.

Solution 8

(a)

$$\forall x: N \bullet x \geq z$$

Equality

Solution 9

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \exists x: N \bullet x = 1 \wedge x > y \vee x = 2 \wedge x > z & \\ \Leftrightarrow \exists x: N \bullet x = 1 \wedge x > y \vee \exists x: N \bullet x = 2 \wedge x > z & \\ \Leftrightarrow 1 \in N \wedge 1 > y \vee \exists x: N \bullet x = 2 \wedge x > z & \\ \Leftrightarrow 1 \in N \wedge 1 > y \vee 2 \in N \wedge 2 > z & \\ \Leftrightarrow 1 > y \vee 2 > z & \end{aligned}$$

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Deductive proofs

Solution 13

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{p \wedge (p \Rightarrow q)}{p} [\wedge\text{-elim}^{[1]}] \quad \frac{\frac{p \wedge (p \Rightarrow q)}{p \Rightarrow q} [\wedge\text{-elim}^{[1]}] \quad \frac{p \wedge (p \Rightarrow q)}{p} [\wedge\text{-elim}^{[1]}]}{q} [\Rightarrow \text{elim}]}{p \wedge q} [\wedge \text{intro}]}{p \wedge (p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow p \wedge q} [\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[1]}]$$

Solution 14

In one direction:

[illegible]

and the other:

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\Gamma p \wedge q \neg^{[2]} \quad \Gamma p \neg^{[2]}}{p \wedge q \Rightarrow p} [\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[2]}] \quad \frac{\Gamma p \neg^{[3]} \quad \Gamma p \wedge q \neg^{[1]}}{p \Rightarrow p \wedge q} [\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[3]}]}{\Gamma p \Rightarrow q \neg^{[1]} \quad p \wedge q \Leftrightarrow p} [\Leftrightarrow\text{intro}]}{(p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow (p \wedge q \Leftrightarrow p)} [\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[1]}]$$

We can then combine these two proofs with \Leftrightarrow intro.

Solution 15

[illegible]

Solution 16

In one direction:

[illegible]

In the other:

[illegible]

Solution 17

In one direction:

$$\frac{\frac{\lceil p \vee q \wedge r \rceil^{[3]} \quad \overline{(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)}}{p \vee q \wedge r \Rightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)} [\vee \text{ elim } \wedge \wedge \text{ intro}]}{[\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[3]}]}$$

and the other:

$$\frac{\frac{\Gamma(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)^{\neg[1]} \quad \Gamma p \vee q \wedge r^{\neg[2]}}{(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r) \Rightarrow p \vee q \wedge r} [\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[1]}]}{[\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[1]}]}$$

Solution 18

In one direction:

$$\frac{\frac{\Gamma p \Rightarrow q^{\neg[1]} \quad \neg p \vee q}{(p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow \neg p \vee q} [\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[1]}]}{[\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[1]}]}$$

and the other:

$$\frac{\frac{\Gamma \neg p \vee q^{\neg[3]} \quad \frac{\frac{\Gamma p^{\neg[4]} \quad \Gamma q^{\neg[3]}}{p \Rightarrow q} [\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[4]}]}{\neg p \vee q \Rightarrow (p \Rightarrow q)} [\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[3]}]}{[\Rightarrow\text{-intro}^{[3]}]}$$

Sets and types

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Solution 23

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} x \in a \cap a \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in a \wedge x \in a \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in a \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \in a \cup a \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \in a \vee x \in a \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \in a
 \end{aligned}$$

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