

Equivalence Chains

Solution 1

(a)

*Commutative
property*

$$\begin{aligned} p \wedge q \\ \Leftrightarrow q \wedge p \end{aligned} \quad \text{[commutative]}$$

(b)

*De
Morgan
law*

$$\begin{aligned} \neg (p \wedge q) \\ \Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q \\ \Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{[De Morgan]} \\ \text{[parentheses]} \end{array}$$

Solution 2

(a)

*Definition
of
implication*

$$\begin{aligned} p \Rightarrow q \\ \Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee q \end{aligned} \quad \text{[definition]}$$

(b)

*Multiple
equivalence
steps*

$$\begin{aligned} p \wedge q \vee p \wedge r \\ \Leftrightarrow p \wedge (q \vee r) & \quad \text{[distributive]} \\ \Leftrightarrow (q \vee r) \wedge p & \quad \text{[commutative]} \\ \Leftrightarrow p \wedge (r \vee q) & \quad \text{[commutative]} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3

(a)

*Equivalence
chain
without
justifications*

$$\begin{aligned} p \vee p \\ \Leftrightarrow p \end{aligned}$$

(b)

*Mixed
justifications*

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