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1. Logic puzzle. We will do this problem two ways

Ex 1: Knights always tell the truth and Knaves always tell lies. There are two people A, B.

A says "Both of us are Knaves". B says nothing. Determine the type of A, B if possible.

Method 1: Reason without logic equivalences:

- Assume A is Knight. We have a contraction. Why ? Hence A is a Knave.
- Since A is a Knave what is B and Why ? Hence B is a Knight.

Method 2: It is not always easy to reason as in Method 1 hence: (i) translate into logic variables and operations then simplify using logic equivalences if possible (ii) use truth values:

Step 1 Let p represent "A is a Knight", q represent "B is a Knight":

Because of what A said we have the logic statement: $[p \rightarrow (\neg p \wedge \neg q)] \wedge [\neg p \rightarrow \neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q)]$

$p \rightarrow (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$	\wedge	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q)$	Given
$\cong [\neg p \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)]$	\wedge	$[p \vee \neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q)]$	Conditional in terms of Or
$\cong \neg p$	\wedge	$[p \vee (p \vee q)]$	$x \vee (x \wedge y) \cong x$, De Morgan
$\cong \neg p$	\wedge	$(p \vee q)$	Associative, $x \vee x \cong x$
\cong		$(\neg p \wedge p) \vee (\neg p \wedge q)$	Distributive
\cong		$F \vee (\neg p \wedge q)$	Negation $(\neg x \wedge x) \cong F$
\cong		$\neg p \wedge q$	$x \vee F \cong x$

Step 2 Using truth values $\neg p \wedge q$ is Satisfied (is T) when $\neg p$ is T and B is T hence: A is Knave, B is Knight

Note: If we start with: let p represent "A is Knave", q represent "B is Knight" the logic statement is different but will be its equivalent will give the same conclusion.

Ex 2: Using the Knights and Knaves definitions of Ex 1:

A says "At least one of us is a Knight". B says nothing. Determine the type of A, B if possible.

Step 1 Let p represent "A is a Knight", q represent "B is a Knight":

Because of what A said we have the logic statement: $[p \rightarrow (p \vee q)] \wedge [\neg p \rightarrow \neg (p \vee q)]$

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 [p \rightarrow (p \vee q)] & \wedge & [\neg p \rightarrow \neg (p \vee q)] \\
 \neg p \vee (p \vee q) & \wedge & [p \vee \neg (p \vee q)] \\
 (\neg p \vee p) \vee q & \wedge & [p \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)] \\
 T \vee q & \wedge & (p \vee \neg p) \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \\
 T & \wedge & T \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \\
 T & \wedge & p \vee \neg q \\
 & & p \vee \neg q
 \end{array}$$

Given

Conditional in terms of Or

Assoc. , De Morgan

$\neg x \vee x \equiv T$, Distributive

$T \vee x \equiv T$, $\neg x \vee x \equiv T$

$T \wedge x \equiv x$

$T \wedge x \equiv x$

Step 2

When is $p \vee \neg q$
satisfied (is True) ?

p	q	$\neg q$	$p \vee \neg q$
T	T	F	T
T	F	T	T
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T

Three possibilities:

A Knight, B Knight
or A Knight, B Knave
or A Knave, B Knave

2. System specifications can be converted into precise specifications using logic variables to see if the specifications are Consistent: (Is there a set of truth values that make all specifications true).

Ex 1: Consider the specifications: - The error message is stored in the buffer or it is transmitted
- The error message is not stored in the buffer

Determine if the specifications are Consistent using logic equivalences

Step 1 Symbolize: Let p represent: The error message is stored in the buffer

Let q represent: The error message is transmitted:

We need to determine if there is a set of Truth values that makes:

(i) $[p \vee q \text{ True and } (ii) \neg p \text{ True}] \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge \neg p \text{ True}$

$$(p \vee q) \wedge \neg p$$

$$\equiv (p \wedge \neg p) \vee (q \wedge \neg p)$$

$$\equiv F \vee (q \wedge \neg p)$$

$$\equiv q \wedge \neg p$$

Given

Distributive

$$x \wedge \neg x \equiv F$$

$$F \vee x \equiv x$$

Step 2 Using truth values $\neg p \wedge q$ is Satisfied (is T) when $\neg p$ is T and B is T hence Consistent:

Given specifications cause: Error message not stored in buffer and error message transmitted

Ex 2: Add the specification "If the error message is not stored in the buffer then it is not transmitted" to the 2 given specifications in Ex 1. Symbolize and simplify the three specifications taken together with And. What is conclusion about the 3 specifications together ?

$$(p \vee q) \wedge \neg p \wedge (\neg p \rightarrow \neg q)$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \wedge q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q)$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \wedge q \wedge p) \vee (\neg p \wedge q \wedge \neg q)$$

$$\equiv (F \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge F)$$

$$\equiv F \vee F$$

$$\equiv F$$

Ans Ex 1, conditional with or

Distributive

$$\neg x \wedge x \equiv F$$

$$F \wedge x \equiv F$$

$$F \vee F \equiv F$$

Conclusion: No truth values
make all specifications True
Hence: Inconsistent

Ex 3: - Whenever system software is being upgraded users cannot access the file system
 - If users can access the file system then they can save new files
 - If users cannot save new files then the system software is not being upgraded
 Determine if the specifications are Consistent using symbols and truth values

Symbolize: Let p represent: System software is being upgraded
 Let q represent: Users can access the file system
 Let s represent: Users can save new files

We need to determine if there is a set of Truth values for p, q, s that make the following true:

(i) $p \rightarrow \neg q$ (ii) $q \rightarrow s$ (iii) $\neg s \rightarrow \neg p$

Consider: $p = T, q = F, s = T$

(i)	$q = F \rightarrow \neg q = T$ $(p = T) \wedge (\neg q = T) \rightarrow [p \rightarrow \neg q] = T$	Negation Truth table for Conditional
(ii)	$s = T \rightarrow \neg s = F$ $p = T \rightarrow \neg p = F$ $(\neg s = F) \wedge (\neg p = F) \rightarrow [\neg s \rightarrow \neg p] = T$	Negation Negation Truth table for Conditional
(iii)	$(q = F) \wedge (s = T) \rightarrow [q \rightarrow s] = T$ \rightarrow Specifications are Consistent	Truth table for Conditional Using results of (i), (ii), (iii)

Note: There are other truth values that will make the three specifications true in this ex.

Check: $p = F, q = F, s = F$

$p = F, q = T, s = T$

$p = F, q = F, s = T$

2. Boolean Algebra (Invented by George Boole - 1854)

- The fundamental memory unit in a digital computer circuit is called a Bit. It can have only two states: power on, represented by 1 and power off, represented by 0.
- These bits can be configured to store various data types. You declare which type of storage is to be used in the program code:

Logic (Boolean) variables $0 \equiv \text{False}, 1 \equiv \text{True}$	Integers-2,-1,0,1,2.....	Real numbers 0.357×10^5	Character codes $A = 01000001$
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- We look at Boolean types and the Boolean Algebra used to represent them:

$1 \equiv \text{True} \quad 0 \equiv \text{False}$

$\text{Not } p \equiv \bar{p} \equiv \neg p$

$p * q \equiv p q \equiv p \wedge q$

$p + q \equiv p \vee q$

The truth values are now easier to calculate. The only one that deviates from regular integer arithmetic is $1+1$.

This means $T \vee T \equiv T$. Hence $1+1 = 1$.

Ex 1: Write the Boolean table for $p + q$. (equivalent to truth table for $p \vee q$)

In a similar way tables can be constructed for: Not, *, \oplus , \rightarrow , \leftrightarrow

p	q	$p + q$
1	1	$1 + 1 = 1$
1	0	$1 + 0 = 1$
0	1	$0 + 1 = 1$
0	0	$0 + 0 = 0$

Ex 2: Consider the bit strings 1101 0001, 1000 1010, 1101 1110

Combine the corresponding bit positions with:

(i) +

(ii) *

(iii) \oplus

	1101 0001
	1000 1010
	1101 1110
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(i) Bitwise Or	1101 1111
(ii) Bitwise And	1000 0000
(iii) Bitwise Exclusive Or	1000 0101

Ex 3: Consider the following Decision table. A blank means the variable can be either true or false and hence it is not included in the original equations.

- (i) Write the Boolean equation at the bottom of each column
(each column equation requires all Boolean conditions in its column \rightarrow And)
- (ii) Write the final Boolean equation for the complete table
(final decision requires the Boolean conditions for Rule 1 or Rule 2 or Rule 3 or Rule 4 \rightarrow Or)
- (iii) Simplify the final Boolean equation.

	Rule 1	Rule 2	Rule 3	Rule 4
p	1	1		
q			1	0
r	0	1	1	1
s	1	1		

(i) $p \bar{r} s \quad p r s \quad q r \quad \bar{q} r$

(ii) $p \bar{r} s + p r s + q r + \bar{q} r$

(iii) $p s (r + \bar{r}) + r (q + \bar{q})$

$p s (1) + r (1)$

$p s + r$

Hence the 4 rules are equivalent to:

(p true and s true) or r true

Note: q need not be tested when evaluating the truth value of this Decision table