

**Question 5.**

a(1) 1.12b

$$\begin{array}{l} p \rightarrow (q \wedge r) \\ \neg q \\ \hline \therefore \neg p \end{array}$$

1.  $p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$  : Hypothesis
2.  $p \rightarrow q$  : Simplification 1
3.  $\neg q$  : Hypothesis
4.  $\neg p$  : Modus Tollens 2, 3

a(1) 1.12e

$$\begin{array}{l} p \vee q \\ \neg p \vee r \\ \neg q \\ \hline \therefore r \end{array}$$

1.  $(p \vee q)$  : Hypothesis
2.  $(\neg p \vee r)$  : Hypothesis
3.  $(q \vee r)$  : Resolution 1, 2
4.  $\neg q$  : Hypothesis
5.  $r$  : Disjunctive syllogism 3, 4

a(2) 1.12.3c

$$\begin{array}{l} p \vee q \\ \neg p \\ \hline \therefore q \end{array}$$

1.  $p \vee q$  : Hypothesis
2.  $\neg \neg p \vee q$  : Double negation, 1
3.  $\neg p \rightarrow q$  : Conditional Identity, 2
4.  $\neg p$  : Hypothesis
5.  $q$  : Modus ponens, 3, 4

a(3) 1.2.5c

I will buy a new car and a new house only if I get a job.  
I am not going to get a job.  

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 $\therefore$  I will not buy a new car.

$p$  : I will buy a new car  
 $q$  : I will buy a new house  
 $r$  : I get a job

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r \\
 \neg r \\
 \hline
 \therefore \neg p
 \end{array}$$

Invalid argument. When  $p = \text{True}$ ,  $q = \text{False}$ ,  $r = \text{False}$ :

1.  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$  : Hypothesis

$F \rightarrow (T \wedge F)$   
 True

2.  $\neg r$  : Hypothesis

$\neg \text{False}$   
 True

3.  $\neg P$

$\neg \text{True}$   
 False

Both hypotheses are true and conclusion is false.

a(3) 1.12.5d

I will buy a new car and a new house only if I get a job.  
 I am not going to get a job.  
 I will buy a new house.  


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 $\therefore$  I will not buy a new car.

$p$  : I will buy a new car  
 $q$  : I will buy a new house  
 $r$  : I get a new job

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r \\
 \neg r \\
 q \\
 \hline
 \therefore \neg p
 \end{array}$$

1.  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$  : Hypothesis
2.  $\neg (p \wedge q) \vee r$  : Conditional Identity, 1
3.  $\neg r$  : Hypothesis
4.  $\neg (p \wedge q)$  : Disjunctive Syllogism 2, 3
5.  $\neg p \vee \neg q$  : DeMorgans Law 4
6.  $q$  : Hypothesis
7.  $\neg \neg q$  : Double negation 6
8.  $\neg p$  : Disjunctive Syllogism 7

The argument is valid.

b(1) 1.13.3b

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \exists x (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \\
 \exists x \neg Q(x) \\
 \hline
 \therefore \exists x P(x)
 \end{array}$$

Invalid: Both hypotheses are true and conclusion is false in the below example

	<b>P</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>P ∨ Q</b>	<b>¬ Q</b>
<b>a</b>	F	T	$F \vee T = T$	F
<b>b</b>	F	F	$F \vee F = F$	T

b(2) 1.13.5d

Every student who missed class got a detention.  
 Penelope is a student in the class.  
 Penelope did not miss class.  
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 Penelope did not get a detention.

$P(x)$  : x student missed class  
 $Q(x)$  : x student got a detention

$\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$   
 Penelope, a student in the class  
 $\neg P(\text{Penelope})$   
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 $\therefore \neg Q(\text{Penelope})$

Invalid Argument.

	<b>P(x)</b>	<b>Q(x)</b>	<b>P(x) → Q(x)</b>
<b>Penelope</b>	F	T	$F \rightarrow T = T$
<b>Adrian</b>	T	T	$T \rightarrow T = T$
<b>Alex</b>	F	F	$F \rightarrow F = F$

b(2) 1.13.5e

Every student who missed class or got a detention did not get an A.  
 Penelope is a student in the class.  
 Penelope got an A.  
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 Penelope did not get a detention.

$P(x)$  : x student missed class

$Q(x)$  : x student got a detention  
 $R(x)$  : x student got an A

$\forall x ( (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \rightarrow \neg R(x) )$   
Penelope, a student in the class  
 $R(\text{Penelope})$   
 $\therefore \neg Q(\text{Penelope})$

1.  $\forall x ( (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \rightarrow \neg R(x) )$  : Hypothesis
2. Penelope, a student in the class : Hypothesis
3.  $( P(\text{Penelope}) \vee Q(\text{Penelope}) ) \rightarrow \neg R(\text{Penelope})$  : Universal Instantiation 1, 2
4.  $\neg (P(\text{Penelope}) \vee Q(\text{Penelope})) \vee \neg (R(\text{Penelope}))$  : Conditional Identity 3
5.  $(\neg P(\text{Penelope}) \wedge \neg Q(\text{Penelope})) \vee \neg R(\text{Penelope})$  : Demorgans 4
6.  $\neg Q(\text{Penelope}) \vee \neg R(\text{Penelope})$  : Simplification 5
7.  $R(\text{Penelope})$  : Hypothesis
8.  $(\neg Q(\text{Penelope}) \vee \neg R(\text{Penelope})) \wedge R(\text{Penelope})$  : Conjunction 6, 7
9.  $(\neg Q(\text{Penelope}) \wedge R(\text{Penelope})) \vee (R(\text{Penelope}) \wedge \neg R(\text{Penelope}))$  : Distributive Law 8
10.  $(\neg Q(\text{Penelope}) \wedge R(\text{Penelope})) \vee \text{True}$  : Complement 9
11.  $(\neg Q(\text{Penelope}) \wedge R(\text{Penelope}))$  : Domination Law 10
12.  $\neg Q(\text{Penelope})$  : Simplification 11

This argument is valid.

### **Question 6**

2.4.1d

Prove: The product of two odd integers is an odd integer.  
(If  $n$  is odd integer and  $p$  is odd integer, then  $n * p$  is odd integer)

Proof: Let  $n$  and  $p$  be s odd integers

Since  $n$  is odd,  $n = 2k + 1$ , for some integer  $k$ .

Since  $p$  is odd,  $p = 2m + 1$ , for some integer  $m$ .

Plugging  $n$  and  $p$  into  $n*p$  yields:

$$(2k + 1) * (2m + 1) =$$

$$4km + 2k + 2m + 1 =$$

$$2(2km + k + m) + 1.$$

Since  $k$  and  $m$  are integers,  $(2km + k + m)$  is also an integer, say  $r$ .

Since  $n * p = 2r + 1$ ,  $n * p$  is odd. ■

2.3.4b

Prove: If  $x$  is a real number and  $x \leq 3$ ,  
then  $12 - 7x + x^2 \geq 0$  =  
then  $x^2 - 7x + 12 \geq 0$

Proof: Let  $x$  be a real number  $\leq 3$ .

Since  $x \leq 3$ ,  $0 \leq (3-x)$ . Adding 1 to both sides:

$$4-x \geq 1.$$

Since  $4-x \geq 1$ ,  $4-x > 0$ .

Multiplying  $(4-x) * (3-x) \geq 0$  yields:

$$12 - 7x + x^2 \geq 0. \quad \blacksquare$$

### **Question 7.**

2.5.1d

Prove: For every integer  $n$ , if  $n^2 - 2n + 7$  is even, then  $n$  is odd.

*Proof by contrapositive.*

Assume:  $n$  is an even integer.

Therefore,  $n = 2(k)$  for some integer  $k$ .

Plugging in  $n$ , we get  $(2k)^2 - 2(2n) + 7 =$

$$4k^2 - 4n + 7 =$$

$$4k^2 - 4n + 6 + 1 =$$

$$2(2k^2 - 2n + 3) + 1.$$

Since  $k$  is an integer,  $(2k^2 - 2n + 3)$  is an integer, say  $r$

Therefore, we have  $2r + 1$ , so  $n^2 - 2n + 7$  is odd. ■

2.5.4a

For every pair of real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x^3 + xy^2 \leq x^2 * y + y^3$ , then  $x \leq y$

*Proof by contrapositive*

Assume:  $x > y$

We multiply each side by  $(x^2 + y^2)$

$$x * (x^2 + y^2) > y * (x^2 + y^2)$$

$$x^3 + yx^2 > x^2 * y + y^3$$

Therefore, we have proved by contrapositive. ■

2.5.4b

For every pair of real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x + y > 20$ , then  $x > 10$  or  $y > 10$

*Proof by contrapositive*

Assume:  $x \leq 10$  and  $y \leq 10$

If  $x$  and  $y$  are both smaller than 10,  $x + y$  must be  $\leq 20$ .

Therefore,  $x + y > 20$ . ■

2.5.5c

For every nonzero real number  $x$ , if  $x$  is irrational, then  $1/x$  is also irrational.

*Proof by contrapositive*

Assume: Let  $x$  be a nonzero real number.

Since  $1/x$  is a real number and is not irrational,

$1/x$  is rational.

Let  $1/x = n/k$ , where  $n$  and  $k$  are integers and  $k$  does not equal 0

Taking the reciprocal,  $x = k/n$ .

Since  $x$  is the ratio of two integers and since  $k = x * n$  and  $k$  does not equal 0 (therefore  $n$  does not equal 0),  $x$  is real and rational. ■

### **Question 8**

2.6.6c

Proof: The average of 3 real numbers is greater than or equal to at least one of the numbers.

$$(x + y + z) / 3 \geq x \text{ or } (x + y + z) / 3 \geq y \text{ or } (x + y + z) / 3 \geq z$$

*Proof by contradiction.*

Assume there is a group of 3 numbers such that the average of the three real numbers is not greater than or equal to at least one of the numbers.

$$(x + y + z) / 3 < x \text{ and } (x + y + z) / 3 < y \text{ and } (x + y + z) / 3 < z$$

Adding up all the terms, we get:

$$3 * (x + y + z) / 3 < (x + y + z)$$

$$(x + y + z) < (x + y + z)$$

No sum of three numbers can be less than itself.

If we subtract  $(x+y+z)$  from each side, we get:

$$0 < 0, \text{ which is incorrect.}$$

Thus, the average of 3 real numbers is greater than or equal to at least one of the numbers. ■

2.6.6d

Proof: There is no smallest number. For every  $x$ , there exists a  $y < x$ .

*Proof by contradiction*

Assume there is a smallest number. That implies for an  $x$ , there does not exist a  $y$  less than  $x$ . If  $x$  is a real number,  $y = (x-1)$  is a real number. Since there is no  $y$  less than  $x$ ,  $x < y$ . This equals  $x < x-1 = 0 < -1$ . This is incorrect so, we have proven by contradiction. ■

**Question 9**

2.7.2b

If 2 integers  $x$  and  $y$  have the same parity, then  $x + y$  is even.

*Proof by cases.*

Case 1:  $x$  and  $y$  are both odd. If  $x$  is odd and  $n$  is an integer,  $x = 2n + 1$ . If  $y$  is odd and  $k$  is an integer, then  $y = 2k + 1$ .  $X + y = 2n + 2k + 1 + 1 = 2n + 2k + 2 = 2(n + k + 1)$ . If  $n$  and  $k$  are integers, then  $d = n + k + 1$  is an integer, which means  $x + y = 2d$  when they are both odd. This implies  $x + y$  is even.

Case 2:  $x$  and  $y$  are both even. If  $x$  is even and  $n$  is an integer,  $x = 2n$ . If  $y$  is even and  $k$  is an integer, then  $y = 2k$ .  $X + y = 2n + 2k = 2(n+k)$ . If  $n$  and  $k$  are both integers, then  $d = n + k$  is an integer. This means  $x + y = 2d$  when they are both even. This implies  $x + y$  is even.

Since both cases evaluate to  $x + y$  being even and the cases cover the domain of real numbers (If  $x$  and  $y$  have the same parity, they either are both odd or both even), if  $x$  and  $y$  have the same parity, then  $x + y$  is even. ■