

Philosophy 1115 Homework Assignment #4

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Six Validity Testing Problems (Truth-Table Methods)

Use a truth-table method (either the exhaustive method, or the “short” method) to determine whether each of the following three (3) LSL arguments/sequents is valid or invalid. For the “short” method, follow the guidelines discussed in lecture for presenting answers (*viz.*, see my handout with 3 examples).

$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow C \\ B \rightarrow C \\ 1. \quad A \vee B \\ \therefore C \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} I \rightarrow N \\ (\sim K \vee D) \leftrightarrow N \\ 2. \quad D \rightarrow \sim I \\ \therefore \sim I \rightarrow (N \rightarrow K) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (\sim O \rightarrow \sim S) \& (O \rightarrow (M \& \sim I)) \\ 3. \quad \sim I \rightarrow \sim M \\ \therefore \sim S \end{array}$$

For the next three, follow the directions in the text (*i.e.*, use the “short” method).

4. Page 66, I: #1

5. Page 66, I: #5

6. Page 66, I: #8