CSC240 Winter 2021 Midterm Assessment Question 3

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3. (a) (2 marks) Give a recursive definition of the set S_P of propositional formulas that can formed using the ternary predicate $P: \{T, F\}^3 \to \{T, F\}$ and the propositional variable X.

Solution:

(b) (8 marks) Let $M : \{T, F\}^3 \to \{T, F\}$ be the ternary predicate that is true when 0 or 1 of its arguments are true and is false when 2 or 3 of its arguments are true. Use structural induction to prove that every formula in S_M is logically equivalent to X or is logically equivalent to X.

Solution:

(c) (8 marks) Let $N: \{T, F\}^3 \to \{T, F\}$ be the ternary predicate that is true when 0 of its arguments are true and is false when at least 1 of its arguments is true. Prove that every unary predicate $U: \{T, F\} \to \{T, F\}$ is logically equivalent to some formula in S_N .

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