

Suggested Solutions for Homework #1

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1. Determine, using *Truth Tables*, the validity of the following propositions: (30 points)

(a) $(p \vee q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$

Solution. Let Φ_a denote $(p \vee q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$.

p	q	r	$p \vee q$	$p \vee q \rightarrow r$	$p \rightarrow r$	$q \rightarrow r$	$(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$	Φ_a
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F	F	F	T
T	F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	F	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	F	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	F	T	T	T	T	T

□

(b) $(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (p \wedge q \rightarrow r)$

Solution. Let Φ_b denote $(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (p \wedge q \rightarrow r)$.

p	q	r	$q \rightarrow r$	$p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$	$p \wedge q$	$p \wedge q \rightarrow r$	Φ_b
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	F	F	T	F	T
T	F	T	T	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	T	F	T	T
F	T	T	T	T	F	T	T
F	T	F	F	T	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	F	T	T
F	F	F	T	T	F	T	T

□

(c) $((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p$

Solution. Let Φ_c denote $((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p$.

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$	$(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p$	Φ_c
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	F	T

□

2. Prove, using *Natural Deduction*, the validity of the following sequents: (30 points)

(a) $(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \vdash p \vee q \rightarrow r$

Solution.

$$\frac{\frac{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q \vdash p \vee q \text{ (Hyp)}}{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q \vdash r \text{ } (\rightarrow I)} \alpha \quad \beta}{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \vdash p \vee q \rightarrow r \text{ } (\vee E)}$$

α :

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, p \vdash (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \text{ (Hyp)}}{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, p \vdash p \rightarrow r \text{ } (\wedge E_1)} \frac{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, p \vdash p \text{ (Hyp)}}{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, p \vdash r \text{ } (\rightarrow E)}}{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, p \vdash r}$$

β :

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, p \vdash (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \text{ (Hyp)}}{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, q \vdash q \rightarrow r \text{ } (\wedge E_2)} \frac{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, q \vdash q \text{ (Hyp)}}{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, q \vdash r \text{ } (\rightarrow E)}}{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r), p \vee q, q \vdash r}$$

□

$$(b) \ p \wedge q \rightarrow r \vdash p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$$

Solution.

$$\frac{\frac{(p \wedge q \rightarrow r, p, q \vdash p \wedge q \rightarrow r \text{ (Hyp)}}{\frac{\frac{p \wedge q \rightarrow r, p, q \vdash p \text{ (Hyp)}}{p \wedge q \rightarrow r, p, q \vdash p \wedge q} \frac{p \wedge q \rightarrow r, p, q \vdash q \text{ (Hyp)}}{p \wedge q \rightarrow r, p, q \vdash p \wedge q \text{ } (\wedge I)}}{(\rightarrow E)}}$$

□

$$(c) \vdash ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p$$

Solution. (Jinn-Shu Chang)

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p, \neg p \vdash (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p \text{ (Hyp)}}{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p, \neg p \vdash p \text{ } (\rightarrow E)} \alpha \quad \frac{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p, \neg p \vdash \neg p \text{ (Hyp)}}{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p, \neg p \vdash \neg p \text{ } (\wedge I)}}{\frac{\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p, \neg p \vdash p \wedge \neg p \text{ } (\neg I)}{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p \vdash \neg \neg p \text{ } (\neg \neg E)}}{\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p \vdash p \text{ } (\neg \neg E)}{\vdash ((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p \text{ } (\rightarrow I)}}}}{(\rightarrow I)}}$$

α :

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q, \neg p, p, \neg q \vdash p \text{ (Hyp)}}{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q, \neg p, p, \neg q \vdash \neg p \text{ } (\wedge I)} \frac{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q, \neg p, p, \neg q \vdash p \wedge \neg p \text{ } (\neg I)}{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q, \neg p, p, \neg q \vdash \neg \neg q \text{ } (\neg \neg E)}}{\frac{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q, \neg p, p, \neg q \vdash q \text{ } (\neg \neg E)}{(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q, \neg p, p \vdash p \rightarrow q \text{ } (\rightarrow I)}}}{(\rightarrow I)}}$$

□

3. Express each of the following requirements as a first-order formula. (40 points)

- (a) R is a functional binary relation. (Note: a binary relation R is *functional* if no element is related by R to more than one elements.)

Solution.

$$\forall a, b, c (R(a, b) \wedge R(a, c) \rightarrow b = c)$$

□

- (b) In graph $G(V, E)$ a node, named u , has exactly two neighbors.

Solution.

$$\exists a, b \in V (E(u, a) \wedge E(u, b) \wedge \neg(a = b) \wedge \forall c \in V (E(u, c) \rightarrow c = a \vee c = b))$$

□

- (c) a is the smallest prime number larger than b .

Solution. Let div denote a binary predicate such that $\text{div}(x, y)$ is *true* if and only if x divides y .

$$\forall i (b < i < a \rightarrow \exists j (\text{div}(j, i) \wedge \neg(j = 1) \wedge \neg(j = i))) \wedge \forall k (\text{div}(k, a) \rightarrow k = 1 \vee k = a) \wedge (b < a)$$

□

- (d) Array A , with n elements, is cyclically sorted. (Note: an array is *cyclically sorted* if, by circular-shifting its elements, one can turn it into a sorted array.)

Solution. We assume that the n elements are indexed from 0 through $n - 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \exists k (& (k = n - 1 \vee (0 \leq k < n - 1 \wedge A[n - 1] < A[0])) \\ & \wedge \forall i (0 \leq i < k \rightarrow A[i] \leq A[i + 1]) \\ & \wedge \forall i (k \leq i < n - 1 \rightarrow A[i] \leq A[i + 1])) \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively,

$$\exists k (\forall i (0 \leq i < n \rightarrow A[(k + i) \bmod n] \leq A[(k + i + 1) \bmod n]))$$

where “ $a \bmod n$ ” gives the remainder of a divided by n .

Note: in pure logic terms, an array may be modeled as a function, so $A[i]$ would be written as $A(i)$. □