

Problem 1 (20 Points)

a. (10) Using truth tables, show that

$$(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \text{ is equivalent to } (p \vee q) \rightarrow r$$

~~Use truth tables to show that the given compound proposition is a tautology.~~

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

b. (10) Using (a), and without using truth tables, show that the following is a tautology, using equivalences. Justify each step in your proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r \\
 &\equiv (p \vee q) \wedge ((p \vee q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r \text{ (part (a))} \\
 &\equiv \text{T} \quad \text{(Modus Ponens: } P \wedge (P \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r \text{ is a tautology} \\
 &\quad \text{with } P \text{ being } p \vee q)
 \end{aligned}$$

Can also be done by using $p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$ several times, and then simplifying the expression to show that it is equivalent to T.

Problem 2 (15 Points)

Consider the following predicates:

$S(x)$: “ x is a student in this class”,

$J(x)$: “ x is a student who knows how to write Java programs”,

$C(x)$: “ x is a student who knows how to write C++ programs”.

$P(x)$: “ x is a student who can get a well-paying job”.

Where x is a variable whose domain is the set of students in the university.

Express each of the following in predicate logic:

- a. (5) Salwa is a student who is not in this class, but knows how to program in C++.

$$\neg S(\text{Salwa}) \wedge C(\text{Salwa})$$

- b. (5) There are students in this class that do not know how to program in both Java and C++

$$\exists x (S(x) \wedge (\neg J(x) \vee \neg C(x)))$$

OR

$$\exists x (S(x) \wedge \neg(J(x) \wedge C(x)))$$

Another answer which reflects another meaning of the sentence (English is ambiguous) is

$$\exists x (S(x) \wedge \neg J(x) \wedge \neg C(x))$$

Both answers have been considered correct.

- c. (5) There are at least two students in this class who know how to program in Java

$$\exists x \exists y (S(x) \wedge S(y) \wedge J(x) \wedge J(y) \wedge \neg(x=y))$$

Problem 3 (15 Points)

Consider the following argument involving the predicates above of the previous problem:

$$\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow J(x) \vee C(x))$$

$$S(Amin) \wedge \neg C(Amin)$$

$$\forall x (J(x) \rightarrow P(x))$$

$$\therefore \exists x (S(x) \wedge P(x))$$

a. (10) Establish the validity of the argument justifying each step.

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| 1. | $\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow J(x) \vee C(x))$ | Premise |
| 2. | $S(Amin) \rightarrow J(Amin) \vee C(Amin)$ | (1) and Universal Instantiation (UI) |
| 3. | $S(Amin) \wedge \neg C(Amin)$ | Premise |
| 4. | $S(Amin)$ | (4), Simplification |
| 5. | $J(Amin) \vee C(Amin)$ | (2), (4) and Modus Ponens |
| 6. | $\neg C(Amin) \wedge S(Amin)$ | (3), \wedge is Commutative |
| 7. | $\neg C(Amin)$ | (6), Simplification |
| 8. | $C(Amin) \vee J(Amin)$ | (5), \vee is Commutative |
| 9. | $J(Amin)$ | (8), (7), Disjunctive Syllogism |
| 10. | $S(Amin) \wedge J(Amin)$ | (4), (9) and Conjunction |
| 11. | $\therefore \exists x (S(x) \wedge P(x))$ | (10), Existential Generalization |

b. (5) Express in English the argument above.

Any student in the class knows how to program in Java or in C++. Amin is a student in the class who does not know how to program in C++. Any student who knows how to program in Java can get a well-paid job. Therefore, some student in the class can get a well-paid job.

Problem 4 (15 Points)

Recall that a real number x is **rational** if it can be written as the quotient of two integers; i.e. $x = m/n$, where m and n are integers, n non-zero; Otherwise, x is said to be **irrational**.

Prove or disprove each of the following. In each case specify which method of proof did you use.

- a. (5) The product of two rational numbers is rational.

Direct Proof:

Let x and y be any two rational numbers.

Then $x = \frac{m}{n}$ and $y = \frac{p}{q}$ for some integers $m, n, n \neq 0$, and $p, q, q \neq 0$.

So $xy = \frac{mp}{nq}$. mp and nq are integers, with $nq \neq 0$ (since $n \neq 0$, and $q \neq 0$)

Therefore xy is rational.

- b. (5) The sum of two irrational numbers is irrational.

Counter Example:

Let $x = \sqrt{2}$, and $y = -\sqrt{2}$. Then x and y are irrational. Yet their sum is 0, $x + y = \sqrt{2} + (-\sqrt{2}) = 0$. And 0 is rational.

- c. (5) The sum of a rational number and an irrational number is irrational.

Proof by Contradiction:

Let x be a rational number, $x = \frac{m}{n}$ with integers $m, n, n \neq 0$, and let y irrational. Suppose that $x+y=z$.

For the sake of contradiction, assume z is rational. Then $z = \frac{p}{q}$ with integers $p, q, q \neq 0$.

Thus $y = z - x = \frac{p}{q} - \frac{m}{n} = \frac{mq - np}{nq}$

But $mq - np$ is an integer, and nq is an integer, $nq \neq 0$ (since $n \neq 0$, and $q \neq 0$)

So y is rational.

Contradiction (y is irrational and y is rational).

So our assumption that z is rational is false. So z is irrational.

Problem 5. (10 Points)

Suppose $B = \{ 2, \{2\} \}$. Mark each of the following statements as TRUE or FALSE (Circle the right answer)

- a. $\{2\} \in B$. TRUE FALSE
- b. $\{2\} \subseteq B$. TRUE FALSE
- c. $2 \subseteq B$. TRUE FALSE
- d. $|B| = 1$ TRUE FALSE
- e. $\phi = \{\phi\}$ TRUE FALSE

Problem 6. (10 Points)

Suppose that the set membership table for a set expression X involving two sets A and B is the following:

A	B	X
1	1	0
1	0	1
0	1	0
0	0	1

Give a set expression for X , in terms of A and B (or their complements!)

Similar to Distributive Normal Form adapted to Set Membership. Then have a union of intersections: See where there is a 1 in the column of X ; then form the intersection of A or its complement with B or its complement, depending on whether $A=1$ (then include A) or 0 (then include A 's complement), and the same for B .

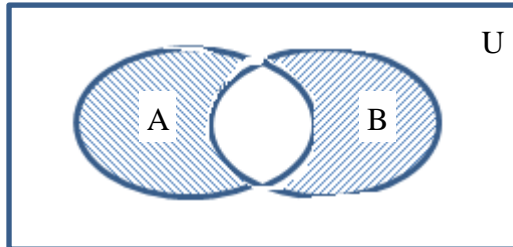
So here: $X = (A \cap \overline{B}) \cup (\overline{A} \cap \overline{B})$

Problem 7 (25 Points)

The symmetric difference of two sets A and B denoted by $A \oplus B$ is the set of elements that are in A or in B but not in both!! So $\{1, 3, 5\} \oplus \{1, 2, 3\} = \{2, 5\}$.

$x \in A \oplus B$ is equivalent to $x \in (A \cup B) \wedge x \notin (A \cap B)$

- a. (5) Draw a Venn diagram to represent $A \oplus B$.



- b. (10) Use set builder notation and propositional logic to show that $A \oplus B = (A-B) \cup (B-A)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \oplus B &= \{ x / x \in (A \cup B) \wedge x \notin (A \cap B) \} && \text{by definition} \\
 &= \{ x / (x \in A \vee x \in B) \wedge \neg (x \in A \wedge x \in B) \} \\
 &= \{ x / (x \in A \vee x \in B) \wedge (\neg x \in A \vee \neg x \in B) \} && \text{De Morgans} \\
 &= \{ x / ((x \in A \vee x \in B) \wedge \neg x \in A) \vee ((x \in A \vee x \in B) \wedge \neg x \in B) \} && \text{Distributive property of } \wedge \text{ wrt } \vee \\
 &= \{ x / ((x \in A \wedge \neg x \in A) \vee (x \in B \wedge \neg x \in A)) \vee ((x \in A \wedge \neg x \in B) \vee (x \in B \wedge \neg x \in B)) \} \\
 & && \text{Distributive property of } \wedge \text{ wrt } \vee \\
 &= \{ x / (F \vee (x \in B \wedge \neg x \in A)) \vee ((x \in A \wedge \neg x \in B) \vee F) \} && \text{Negation laws } p \wedge \neg p \equiv F \\
 &= \{ x / ((x \in B \wedge \neg x \in A)) \vee ((x \in A \wedge \neg x \in B)) \} && \text{Identity law } p \vee F \equiv p \\
 &= \{ x / ((x \in B-A)) \vee ((x \in A-B)) \} && \text{Definition of } B-A \text{ and } A-B \\
 &= (B-A) \cup (A-B) && \text{Definition of } \cup \\
 &= (A-B) \cup (B-A) && \cup \text{ is commutative}
 \end{aligned}$$

- c. (10) Show that $A = B$ if and only if $A \oplus B = \phi$. (Hint: Use (b), and if $A-B = \phi$ then $A \subseteq B$)

Suppose $A \oplus B = \phi$, then $(A-B) \cup (B-A) = \phi$. So $A-B = \phi$ and $B-A = \phi$. So $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$. So $A = B$.

Now, suppose $A = B$. Then $A-B = \phi$ and $B-A = \phi$. So $(A-B) \cup (B-A) = \phi$. Therefore $A \oplus B = \phi$.