

Solution to Graded Problem Set 2

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Problem 1.

a) Truth table shows that $(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r$ and $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$ are not logically equivalent.

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

b) Apply rules successively:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (\neg p \rightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow (p \wedge \neg p))) \\
 \equiv & (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (\neg p \rightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow F)) && \text{negation law} \\
 \equiv & (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg \neg p \vee (\neg \neg q \vee F)) && \text{definition of implication} \\
 \equiv & (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee (q \vee F)) && \text{double negation law} \\
 \equiv & (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee q) && \text{identity law} \\
 \equiv & (\neg p \wedge p) \vee q && \text{distributivity law} \\
 \equiv & F \vee q && \text{negation law} \\
 \equiv & q && \text{identity law}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2.

1. **True.** Indeed, $P(1, 3)$, $P(2, 1)$, and $P(3, 1)$ are true.
2. **True.** Indeed, $P(2, 1)$, $P(2, 2)$, and $P(2, 1)$ are true.
3. **False.** Indeed, $P(1, 3)$, and $P(3, 1)$ are true.
4. **True.** Indeed, it is enough to pick $x = y$ and to remind that $F \rightarrow F$ and $T \rightarrow T$.
5. **True.** Indeed, $P(1, 3)$, $P(2, 1)$, and $P(2, 3)$ are true.
6. **False.** Indeed, $P(1, 1)$ is false.

Problem 3.

1. $\neg \forall A F(A)$ or $\exists A \neg F(A)$.

2. $\forall A \forall B [(S(A, B) \wedge F(B)) \rightarrow F(A)]$.
3. $\neg \exists A \exists B [(\neg F(A)) \wedge S(A, B) \wedge F(B)]$.

Problem 4. Let $R(x)$ be the predicate “ x has read the textbook” and $P(x)$ be the predicate “ x passed the exam”. The following is the proof :

1. $\forall x (R(x) \rightarrow P(x))$ hypothesis
2. $R(\text{Ed}) \rightarrow P(\text{Ed})$ universal instantiation on (1)
3. $R(\text{Ed})$ hypothesis
4. $P(\text{Ed})$ modus ponens on (2) and (3)

Problem 5. We define the following logical functions : $P(x)$ as “ x has a bachelor degree in Mathematics”, $R(x)$ as “ x has more than 125 credits”, $S(x)$ as “ x passed the exam *Analysis II*”, and $T(x)$ as “ x passed the exam *Analysis I*”.

1. $\exists x (P(x) \wedge \neg R(x))$ premise
2. $P(a) \wedge \neg R(a)$ existential instantiation from (1)
3. $P(a)$ simplification from (2)
4. $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow S(x))$ premise
5. $P(a) \rightarrow S(a)$ universal instantiation from (4)
6. $S(a)$ modus ponens from (3) and (5)
7. $\neg R(a)$ simplification from (2)
8. $\forall x (T(x) \rightarrow R(x))$ premise
9. $T(a) \rightarrow R(a)$ universal instantiation from (8)
10. $\neg T(a)$ modus tollens from (7) and (9)
11. $S(a) \wedge \neg T(a)$ conjunction from (6) and (10)
12. $\exists x (S(x) \wedge \neg T(x))$ existential generalization from (11)

Problem 6. Let $p =$ “you tell false” and $q =$ “ruins on the left”. The question to be answered is $p \oplus q$, i.e., $\neg(p \wedge q) \wedge \neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q)$. If the woman of Questionland says yes (=true), the ruins are on the left, otherwise they are on the right, regardless of the fact that he says the truth or not.