CSI 2101 Discrete Structures Prof. Lucia Moura Winter 2012 University of Ottawa

## Homework Assignment #1 (100 points, weight 5%)

Due: Thursday Feb 9, at 1:00 p.m. (in lecture);

assignments with lateness between 1min-24hs will have a discount of 10%; after 24hs, not accepted; please drop off late assignments under my office door (STE5027).

## Propositional Logic

- 1. (12 points) Use logical equivalences to show that  $[(p \lor q) \land (p \to r) \land (q \to r)] \to r$  is a tautology.
- 2. (12 points; each 2+2+2 points=truth table+DNF+CNF) For each of the following compound propositions give its truth table and derive an equivalent compound proposition in disjunctive normal formal (DNF) and in conjunctive normal form (CNF).
  - (a)  $(p \to q) \to r$
  - (b)  $(p \land \neg q) \lor (p \leftrightarrow r)$

## **Predicate Logic**

- 3. (15 points) For each of the given statements:
  - 1 Express each of the statements using quantifiers and propositional functions.

2 - Form the negation of the statement so that no negation is to the left of the quantifier. 3 - Express the negation in simple English. (Do not simply use the words "it is not the case that...").

- (a) Some drivers do not obey the speed limit.
- (b) All Swedish movies are serious.
- (c) No one can keep a secret.
- (d) No monkey can speak French.
- (e) There is someone in the class who does not have a good attitude.
- 4. (10 points) Translate these system specifications into English where the predicate S(x, y) is "x is in state y" and where the domain for x and y consists of all systems and all possible states, respectively.
  - (a)  $\exists S(x, \text{open})$
  - (b)  $\forall x(S(x, \text{malfunctioning}) \lor S(x, \text{diagnostic}))$
  - (c)  $\exists x S(x, \text{open}) \lor \exists x S(x, \text{diagnostic})$

- (d)  $\exists x \neg S(x, \text{available})$
- (e)  $\forall x \neg S(x, \text{working})$
- 5. (3+3+3=12 marks) Rewrite the following statements statements so that all negation symbols immediately precede predicates (that is, no negation is outside a quantifier or an expression involving logical connectives). Show all the steps in your derivation.
  - (a)  $\neg \forall x \exists y P(x, y)$
  - (b)  $\neg \exists y (Q(y) \land \forall x \neg R(x, y))$
  - (c)  $\neg \exists y (\exists x R(x, y) \lor \forall x S(x, y))$
  - (d)  $\neg \exists y (\forall x \exists z T(x, y, z) \lor \exists x \forall z U(x, y, z))$
- 6. (10 points) Prove these logical equivalences, assuming that the domain is nonempty. You will probably have to use a proof by cases on the two possible values of proposition  $\forall yQ(y)$  and  $\exists yQ(y)$  respectively. This proof will use word arguments (not symbolic formula manipulation).

(a) 
$$\forall x (\forall y Q(y) \to P(x)) \equiv \forall y Q(y) \to \forall x P(x)$$

(b) 
$$\exists x (\exists y Q(y) \to P(x)) \equiv \exists y Q(y) \to \exists x P(x)$$

- 7. (10 points) A statement is in prenex normal form (PNF) if and only if all quantifiers occur at the beginning of the statement (without negations), followed by a predicate involving no quantifiers. Put the following statement in prenex normal form: (Hint: your first step should rename one of the two x's as y; check useful valid equivalences in exercises 48,49 page 62 of 6th edition)
  - (a)  $\exists x P(x) \lor \exists x Q(x) \lor A$ , where A is a proposition not involving any quantifiers.

(b) 
$$\exists x P(x) \to \exists x Q(x)$$

## **Rules of Inference**

- 8. (9 points) For each of these arguments, determine whether the argument is correct or incorrect and explain why.
  - (a) Everyone born in Ottawa has eaten a beaver tail. Susan has never eaten a beaver tail. Therefore Susan was not born in Ottawa.
  - (b) A convertible car is fun to drive. Joe's car is not a convertible. Therefore, Joe's car is not fun to drive.
  - (c) Emma likes all fine restaurants. Emma likes the restaurant "Le Cordon Bleu". Therefore, "Le Cordon Bleu" is a fine restaurant.

9. (10 points) Give a formal proof, using known rules of inference, to establish the conclusion of the argument (3rd statement) using the first 2 statements as premises, where the domain of all quantifiers is the same.

Remember that a formal proof is a sequence of steps, each with a reason noted beside it; each step is either a premise, or is obtained from previous steps using inference rules.

- premise:  $\forall x (P(x) \lor Q(x))$
- premise:  $\forall x((\neg P(x) \land Q(x)) \rightarrow R(x))$
- conclusion:  $\forall x (\neg R(x) \rightarrow P(x))$