

EXAM 1

1) Fill in the [incomplete] truth-table below:

P	Q	R	$P \wedge Q$	$Q \vee \neg R$	$(P \wedge Q) \rightarrow (Q \vee \neg R)$
T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	F	F	T
T	F	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	T
F	T	F	F	T	T
F	F	T	F	F	T
F	F	F	F	T	T

2) Simplify the expression below using the formulas from pgs. 21 and 23 from the textbook:

$$\neg(\neg P \wedge Q) \vee [(P \wedge \neg R) \vee (Q \wedge \neg Q)]$$

[Hint: It should simplify to $\neg Q \vee P$.]

Solution. We have:

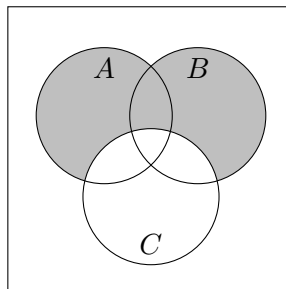
$$\begin{aligned} \neg(\neg P \wedge Q) \vee [(P \wedge \neg R) \vee (Q \wedge \neg Q)] &\sim (\neg(\neg P) \vee \neg Q) \vee [(P \wedge \neg R) \vee (Q \wedge \neg Q)] \\ &\sim (P \vee \neg Q) \vee [(P \wedge \neg R) \vee (\text{contr.})] \\ &\sim (P \vee \neg Q) \vee [(P \wedge \neg R)] \\ &\sim (\neg Q \vee P) \vee (P \wedge \neg R) \\ &\sim \neg Q \vee [P \vee (P \wedge \neg R)] \\ &\sim \neg Q \vee P. \end{aligned}$$

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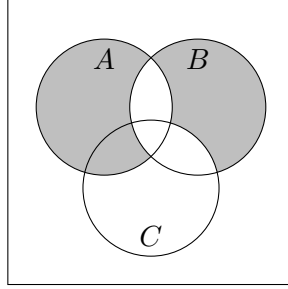
3) Show that the sets $(A \cup B) \setminus C$ and $(A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus (A \cup C))$ are not equal [in general], by giving a *concrete* counterexample.

[Note: Drawing the Venn Diagrams is not enough! Although it would give you some partial credit and might help finding the counterexample.]

Solution. We have that $(A \cup B) \setminus C$:



And $(A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus (A \cup C))$:



So, let $A = B = \{1\}$ and $C = \emptyset$. Then,

$$A \cup B \setminus C = \{1\},$$

$$(A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus (A \cup C)) = \emptyset \cup (\{1\} \setminus \{1\}) = \emptyset.$$

So, the sets are different. □

4) Express the [nonsensical] statement [with universe of discourse \mathbb{R}]

$$\neg[\exists x (\forall a \in \mathbb{Z} (a \leq x \rightarrow [\exists b \in \mathbb{Z} (a + b = x)]))].$$

as a positive statement.

Solution. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \neg[\exists x (\forall a \in \mathbb{Z} (a \leq x \rightarrow [\exists b \in \mathbb{Z} (a + b = x)]))] \\ & \sim \forall x \neg(\forall a \in \mathbb{Z} (a \leq x \rightarrow [\exists b \in \mathbb{Z} (a + b = x)])) \\ & \sim \forall x (\exists a \in \mathbb{Z} \neg(a \leq x \rightarrow [\exists b \in \mathbb{Z} (a + b = x)])) \\ & \sim \forall x (\exists a \in \mathbb{Z} ((a \leq x) \wedge \neg[\exists b \in \mathbb{Z} (a + b = x)])) \\ & \sim \forall x (\exists a \in \mathbb{Z} ((a \leq x) \wedge [\forall b \in \mathbb{Z} \neg(a + b = x)])) \\ & \sim \forall x (\exists a \in \mathbb{Z} ((a \leq x) \wedge [\forall b \in \mathbb{Z} (a + b \neq x)])). \end{aligned}$$

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5) Analyze the following statement: “Every parent has a child who eats only if no one is watching”. You can only use the following statements:

$$P(x, y) = x \text{ is a parent of } y,$$

$$E(x) = x \text{ eats,}$$

$$W(x, y) = x \text{ is watching } y.$$

You can leave implicit the universe of discourse as the set of all people.

Solution.

$$\forall x [(\exists y P(x, y)) \rightarrow (\exists z (P(x, z) \wedge (E(z) \rightarrow [\forall w (\neg W(w, z))])))].$$

□

6) Analyze the logical form of the following statements. [You may use \in , \notin , $=$, \neq , \wedge , \vee , \rightarrow , \leftrightarrow , \forall and \exists , but not \subseteq , $\not\subseteq$, \mathcal{P} , \cap , \cup , \setminus , $\{$, $\}$ or \neg .]

(a) $x \in \bigcup \mathcal{F} \setminus \bigcap \mathcal{G}$, where \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} are families of sets;

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \bigcup \mathcal{F} \setminus \bigcap \mathcal{G} &\sim (x \in \bigcup \mathcal{F}) \wedge \neg (x \in \bigcap \mathcal{G}) \\ &\sim (\exists A \in \mathcal{F} (x \in A)) \wedge \neg (\forall B \in \mathcal{G} (x \in B)) \\ &\sim (\exists A \in \mathcal{F} (x \in A)) \wedge (\exists B \in \mathcal{G} \neg (x \in B)) \\ &\sim (\exists A \in \mathcal{F} (x \in A)) \wedge (\exists B \in \mathcal{G} (x \notin B)). \end{aligned}$$

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(b) $X \in \bigcup_{i \in I} \mathcal{P}(A_i \cap B_i)$, where A_i and B_i , for $i \in I$, are indexed families.

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} X \in \bigcup_{i \in I} \mathcal{P}(A_i \cap B_i) &\sim \exists i \in I [X \in \mathcal{P}(A_i \cap B_i)] \\ &\sim \exists i \in I [X \subseteq A_i \cap B_i] \\ &\sim \exists i \in I [\forall x \in X (x \in A_i \cap B_i)] \\ &\sim \exists i \in I [\forall x \in X (x \in A_i \wedge x \in B_i)]. \end{aligned}$$

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