

MATH 2112/CSCI 2112, Discrete Structures I
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Homework Sheet 2
Due in: Wednesday 24th January, 1:30 PM

Compulsory questions

- 1 Which of the following are true when $A = \{0, 1, 2\}$ and $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$?
Justify your answers.

- (a) $(\forall n \in A)(\exists m \in B)(m = n + 1)$
- (b) $(\exists m \in B)(\forall n \in A)(m = n + 1)$
- (c) $(\exists n \in B)(n \in A)$
- (d) $(\exists m \in B)(\forall n \in A)(n < m)$
- (e) $(\forall m \in B)(m + 2 \in A \rightarrow m + 3 \in A)$
- (f) $(\exists m \in B)(m + 2 \in A \wedge m + 3 \in A)$

- 2 Write down the negations of the following statements. Always write them in such a way that the negation acts directly on the predicate, not on any quantifiers.

- (a) All students in this course will get “A”s.
- (b) Every student will miss at least one lecture. (i.e. For every student, there will be at least one lecture that student misses.)
- (c) There will be a lecture that every student attends.

- 3 Use Venn diagrams to show the following arguments are not valid:

- (a)

$$\begin{aligned} &(\forall x \in A)(x \in B \vee x \in C) \\ &(\forall x \in B)(x \in A \vee x \in C) \\ &\therefore (\forall x \in B)(x \in C) \end{aligned}$$

- (b)

$$\begin{aligned} &(\forall x \in A)(P(x)) \\ &(\forall x \in B)(\neg x \in A) \\ &\therefore (\exists x \in B)(\neg P(x)) \end{aligned}$$

- (c)

$$\begin{aligned} &(\forall x \in A)(\neg x \in B) \\ &(\forall x \in B)(\neg x \in C) \\ &\therefore (\forall x \in A)(\neg x \in C) \end{aligned}$$

4 Show that the following arguments are valid using universal instantiation and the rules of inference in Chapter 1:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} &\phi(x) \\ &\therefore (\exists y)(\phi(y)) \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} &(\forall x \in A)(x \in B) \\ &(\exists x \in A)(x \in C) \\ &\therefore (\exists y \in B)(y \in C) \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} &(\forall x \in A)(x \in B \rightarrow x \in C) \\ &(y \in A) \\ &y \in C \rightarrow \neg(y \in B) \\ &\therefore \neg y \in B \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} &(\forall x \in A)(x \in B \vee x \in C) \\ &y \in A \wedge \neg(y \in B) \\ &\therefore (y \in C) \end{aligned}$$

5 Another quantifier that is sometimes used is $(\exists!x)(\phi(x))$, meaning that there is exactly one x such that $\phi(x)$ is true. Rewrite this expression using \exists and \forall (and any other logical symbols \wedge , \vee , \neg , \rightarrow , $=$ if necessary).