

HW2: Logic

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Problem 1 Arithmetic Operators

Evaluate each of the following statements as True or False. Show intermediate steps for full credit. Try by simplifying only one operator ($\wedge, \vee, >, =, \dots$) at a time if the whole expression is difficult to understand.

i $(7 \geq 7) \wedge (8 < 5)$

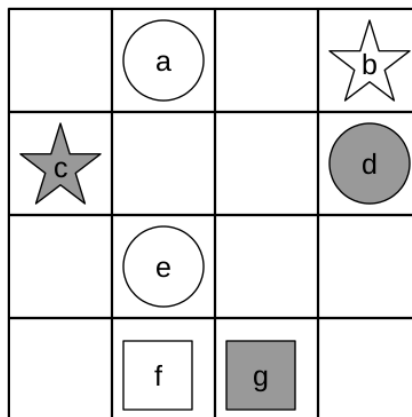
ii $(7 \geq 7) \vee (8 < 5)$

iii $(6 = 3 + 3) \wedge (10 < 1)$

iv $\neg(9 = 8)$

v $\neg((6 = 3 + 3) \vee (10 < 1))$

Problem 2 Tarski



Using the following predicates:

square(x) is true if x is a square (otherwise it is false)

$\text{star}(x)$ is true if x is a star (otherwise it is false)
 $\text{circ}(x)$ is true if x is a circle (otherwise it is false)
 $\text{shade}(x)$ is true if x is shaded (otherwise it is false)
 $\text{next_to}(x, y)$ is true if x and y are adjacent horizontally, vertically or diagonally. No object is next_to itself.

For each of the statements below:

- write a simple, equivalent statement in english as the one given
- determine whether the statement is true or false

i $\text{star}(c) \wedge \neg \text{shade}(c)$

ii $\exists x \text{circ}(x) \wedge \text{shade}(x)$

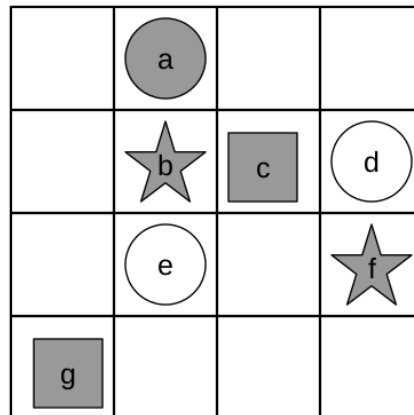
iii $\forall x \text{square}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{shade}(x)$

iv $\forall x \forall y (\text{star}(x) \wedge \neg \text{shade}(x) \wedge \text{next_to}(x, y)) \rightarrow (\text{shade}(y) \wedge \text{circ}(y))$

v $\exists x \forall y \text{next_to}(x, y)$

vi $\forall y \exists x \text{shade}(x) \wedge \text{next_to}(x, y)$

Problem 3 Converse



Use the following predicates:

- $\text{circle}(x)$ is True when x is a circle

- **rect**(x) is True when x is a rectangle
- **star**(x) is True when x is a star
- **shade**(x) is True when x is shaded in
- **next_to**(x, y) is True when the squares containing x and y touch (i.e. they're immediate neighbors left-right, top-bottom, or they share a corner).

Given the statement:

$$\forall x \neg \text{shade}(x) \rightarrow \text{circle}(x)$$

- Tell if the statement is true or false.
- Write the **contrapositive** of this statement using logical symbols (not english). Tell if this new statement is true or false.
- Write the **converse** of this statement using logical symbols (not english). Tell if this new statement is true or false.
- Write the **inverse** of this statement using logical symbols (not english). Tell if this new statement is true or false.
- Using the grid above, give an example of a True conditional statement whose converse is False. (If this isn't possible, explain why not in one sentence)
- Using the grid above, give an example of a True conditional statement whose contrapositive is False. (If this isn't possible, explain why not in one sentence)

Problem 4 English to Logic (hard)

Consider the eclectic animal collection at the local zoo. Express each sentence using logical operations \neg , \wedge , \vee and the propositional variables h , w , and d defined below. The use of the word “or” in the sentences below always means inclusive or.

h	They have hamsters
w	They have whales
d	They have dinosaurs

These are more challenging than the previous examples, you may find it helpful to go case by case through a truth table to ensure your expression is consistent with the sentence.

- The zoo doesn't have any hamsters or whales, but it does have dinosaurs.
- The zoo has at least two of the three groups of animals.

- iii The zoo has exactly¹ two of the three groups of animals.
- iv The zoo has, at most, one of these groups of animals.

Problem 5 Truth table, Vend

Consider the construction of a vending machine's logic. Assume that every soda costs a quarter, and that the machine accepts only quarters.

- $E = \text{True}$ indicates the machine is empty, it has no more sodas
- $S = \text{True}$ indicates the user has made a selection
- $P = \text{True}$ indicates the user has paid a quarter

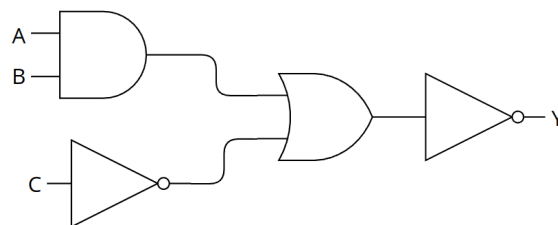
The machine may send two control commands to its machinery:

- $V = \text{True}$ indicates machine will give the user a soda (i.e. "vend")
- $R = \text{True}$ indicates machine will return the user's quarter

The machine should return a user's quarter only when they have paid and the machine is empty. The machine should give a soda only when a user has paid, made a selection and the machine is not empty.

- i Write a truth table for V and R in terms of E, S, P
- ii Write an expression for V in terms of E, S, P using boolean operators \vee, \wedge, \neg
- iii Write an expression for R in terms of E, S, P using boolean operators \vee, \wedge, \neg

Problem 6 Circuit



¹no more or less

- i Using the circuit diagram above, express Y in terms of A , B , C and the logical operators \wedge , \vee , \neg .
- ii Using the logic identities (i.e. “Laws of Logic”), simplify your statement of Y above. Label each step with the name of the logic identity you’ve used. (A simplified statement uses as few logical operators as possible)
- iii Draw the logic circuit corresponding to your simplified statement above. (Notice: this is equivalent to the circuit above and yet it uses fewer circuit elements, requiring less resources to produce!)