

Discrete Structure
Practice Midterm Exam
Fall 2015

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Problem (1) (6 points)

a. Construct a truth table for these compound proposition.

1. $(p \oplus q) \rightarrow (p \oplus \neg q)$

2. $((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow s$

b. Evaluate each of these expressions.

1. $(1\ 1\ 0\ 11 \vee 01010) \wedge (1\ 0001 \vee 11011)$

2. $(01010 \oplus 11011) \oplus 01000$

Problem (2) (5 points)

a. Show that $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$ is a tautology.

b. Show that $\neg p \leftrightarrow q$ and $p \leftrightarrow \neg q$ are logically equivalent.

Problem (3) (3 points)

- a. Express the negation of the following statement so that negation symbol immediately precede predicates.

$$\forall x \exists y \forall z T(x, y, z)$$

- b. Determine the truth value of each of these statements if the domain for all variables consists of all integers.

$$\exists n \forall m (n < m^2)$$

Problem (4) (3 points)

Determine whether the argument is valid. If it is correct, what rule of inference is being used? If it is not, what logical error occurs?

If n is a real number with $n > 2$, then $n^2 > 4$.

Suppose that $n \leq 2$. Then $n^2 \leq 4$.

Problem (5) (2 points)

Use rules of inference to show that if $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow (Q(x) \wedge S(x)))$ and $\forall x ((P(x) \wedge R(x))$ are true, then $\forall x (R(x) \wedge S(x))$ is true.

Problem (6) (2 points)

Use a direct proof to show that every odd integer is the difference of two squares.

Problem (7) (2 points)

- a. Let $A=\{a,b,c,d\}$ and $B=\{y,z\}$ find $A \times B$

- b. Find the power set of $\{a,b\}$

Problem (8) (2 points)

Let $A=\{a,b,c,d,e\}$ and $B=\{a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h\}$ find :

- a. $A - B$

- b. $A \cap B$