

Tutorial II: Logic

Question 1

Let

- GG: Guard of gold road tells the truth
- GM: Guard of marble road tells the truth
- GS: Guard of stone road tells the truth
- G: Gold road leads to the centre
- M: Marble road leads to the centre
- S: Stone road leads to the centre

Statements

$$GG \leftrightarrow G \wedge (S \rightarrow M)$$

$$GM \leftrightarrow \neg G \wedge \neg S$$

$$GS \leftrightarrow G \wedge \neg M$$

Since no guard tells the truth, the following statement is true.

$$\begin{aligned} Z &\equiv \neg GG \wedge \neg GM \wedge \neg GS \\ &\equiv \neg[G \wedge (S \rightarrow M)] \wedge \neg[\neg G \wedge \neg S] \wedge \neg[G \wedge \neg M] \\ &\equiv [\neg G \vee (S \wedge \neg M)] \wedge [G \vee S] \wedge [\neg G \vee M] \end{aligned}$$

G	M	S	$\neg G \vee (S \wedge \neg M)$	$G \vee S$	$\neg G \vee M$	Z
0	0	0	1	0	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	0	1	1	0

$\therefore Z \equiv \neg G \wedge S$

## Question 2

rob: murder was done for robbery  
pol: murder was political assassination  
wom: murder was for a woman  
tak: something was taken from the  
murderer's place  
imm: assassin left immediately  
trc: assassin left tracks all over the room

1.  $\neg \text{rob} \rightarrow \text{pol} \vee \text{wom}$
2.  $\text{rob} \rightarrow \text{tak}$
3.  $\neg \text{tak}$
4.  $\text{pol} \rightarrow \text{imm}$
5. ~~trc~~
6.  $\text{trc} \rightarrow \neg \text{imm}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{rob} \rightarrow \text{tak} \\ \neg \text{tak} \\ \hline \therefore \neg \text{rob} \\ \text{(Modus Tollens)} \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{l} \text{trc} \\ \text{trc} \rightarrow \neg \text{imm} \\ \hline \therefore \neg \text{imm} \\ \text{(Modus Ponens)} \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{l} \text{pol} \vee \text{wom} \\ \neg \text{pol} \\ \hline \therefore \text{wom} \\ \text{(Disjunctive} \\ \text{Syllogism)} \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{l} \neg \text{rob} \\ \neg \text{rob} \rightarrow \text{pol} \vee \text{wom} \\ \hline \therefore \text{pol} \vee \text{wom} \\ \text{(Modus Ponens)} \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{l} \neg \text{imm} \\ \text{pol} \rightarrow \text{imm} \\ \hline \therefore \neg \text{pol} \\ \text{(Modus Tollens)} \end{array}$$

Thus, it follows that  
the ~~murder~~ murder was  
done for a woman

### Question #3

$$(a) \frac{\neg(S \vee u)}{\therefore \neg S, \neg u}$$

$$\frac{u}{t \rightarrow u}$$

$$\therefore \neg t$$

$$\frac{r \rightarrow (S \vee t)}{\neg S, \neg t}$$

$$\therefore \neg r$$

$$\frac{(\neg p \vee q) \rightarrow r}{\neg r}$$

$$\therefore p, \neg q$$

$$\frac{q \leftrightarrow v}{\neg q}$$

$$\therefore \neg v$$

$$\frac{(v \wedge \neg w) \vee (v \wedge w) \rightarrow \neg p}{p}$$

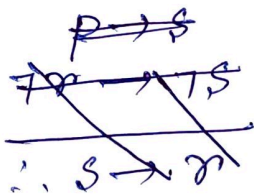
$$\therefore (\neg v \vee w) \wedge (v \vee \neg w)$$

$$\frac{(\neg v \vee w) \wedge (v \vee \neg w)}{\neg v}$$

$$\therefore \neg w$$

$$(b) \frac{p \rightarrow u}{u \rightarrow s}$$

$$\therefore p \rightarrow s$$



$$\frac{p \rightarrow s}{\neg r \rightarrow \neg s \equiv s \rightarrow r}$$

$$\therefore p \rightarrow r$$

$$\frac{p \rightarrow r}{\neg t \rightarrow \neg r \equiv r \rightarrow t}$$

$$\therefore p \rightarrow t$$

$$\frac{p \rightarrow t}{t \rightarrow q}$$

$$\therefore p \rightarrow q$$

## Question 4

(a) "At most one person is a ruler"

Either there is no ruler, or only a single person is a ruler and no one else.

$$\neg \exists p [\text{Person}(p) \wedge \text{Ruler}(p)] \quad \vee$$

$$\exists p [\text{Person}(p) \wedge \text{Ruler}(p) \wedge \forall q (\text{Person}(q) \wedge (p \neq q) \rightarrow \neg \text{Ruler}(q))]$$

### Alternative

$$\exists p [\text{Person}(p) \wedge \forall q, [\text{Person}(q) \wedge \text{Ruler}(q) \rightarrow (p = q)]]$$

$$\vee \forall p. \textcircled{\perp} \leftarrow \text{FALSE truth value}$$

(b) If time has a beginning, there is an instant that precedes every other instant.  
If time has no end, for every instant, there will be another that comes after it.

$$\exists x. [\text{Instant}(x) \wedge \forall y. [\text{Instant}(y) \wedge (x \neq y) \rightarrow \text{Precedes}(x, y)]]$$

$\wedge$

$$\forall x. [\text{Instant}(x) \rightarrow \exists y. [\text{Instant}(y) \wedge \text{Precedes}(x, y)]]$$

## Question 5

$P(x)$  is an open statement

(a)  $P(x)$  is true for exactly one value of  $x$

$$\exists x [P(x) \wedge \forall y [P(y) \rightarrow (y=x)]]$$

(b)  $P(x)$  is true for exactly two values of  $x$

$$\exists x \exists y [P(x) \wedge P(y) \wedge (x \neq y) \wedge \forall z [P(z) \rightarrow ((z=x) \vee (z=y))]]$$

(c)  $P(x)$  is true for ~~at least two~~ <sup>at most one</sup> value of  $x$

$$\forall x [\neg P(x)] \vee \exists x [P(x) \wedge \forall y [P(y) \rightarrow (y=x)]]$$

(d)  $P(x)$  is true for at least two values of  $x$

$$\exists x \exists y [P(x) \wedge P(y) \wedge (x \neq y)]$$

(e) If  $P(x)$  is true for two values of  $x$ , it is true for all values of  $x$

$$\exists x \exists y [P(x) \wedge P(y) \wedge (x \neq y)] \rightarrow \forall x P(x)$$

(f) If  $P(x)$  is true for at least two values of  $x$ , it is true for at least three values of  $x$ .

$$\exists x \exists y [P(x) \wedge P(y) \wedge (x \neq y)] \rightarrow$$

$$\exists x \exists y \exists z [P(x) \wedge P(y) \wedge P(z) \wedge (x \neq y) \wedge (y \neq z) \wedge (z \neq x)]$$

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Practice 2: Logic (Solutions)

Question 1

**Solution I:** Assume that Ronaldo knows Mbappe means that they both know each other. Propositions used are as follows:

$K$  : Mbappe knows Ronaldo (Ronaldo knows Mbappe)

$HL$  : Haaland likes the cookies

$MBP$  : Mbappe was on the pitch

$MEP$  : Messi was on the pitch

Messi:  $K \wedge HL$

Mbappe:  $\neg K \wedge \neg MBP$

Haaland:  $MBP \wedge MEP$

Since one and only one of Haaland, Mbappe or Messi ate the cookies. We break the problem down into three cases depending on who ate the cookies:

- a. Messi: Both Mbappe and Haaland are telling the truth. But for that to be true,  $\neg MBP$  and  $MBP$  have to be true at the same time, **not possible**
- b. Haaland: Both Messi and Mbappe are telling the truth. But for that to be true,  $K$  and  $\neg K$  have to be true, **not possible**
- c. Mbappe: It can be seen that this is the only possible case. Since we can keep  $HL = 1$  and  $MEP = 1$ .

**Solution II:** Assume that Ronaldo knows Mbappe but Mbappe does not know Ronaldo. In that case, we design two predicates:

$KMR$  : Mbappe knows Ronaldo

$KRM$  : Ronaldo knows Mbappe

Messi:  $KRM \wedge HL$

Mbappe:  $\neg KMR \wedge \neg MBP$

Haaland:  $MBP \wedge MEP$

Since one and only one of Haaland, Mbappe or Messi ate the cookies. We break the problem down into three cases depending on who ate the cookies:

- a. Messi: Not possible, see **Solution I**
- b. Haaland: Both Messi and Mbappe are telling the truth. But for that to be true,  $KRM$  and  $\neg KMR$  have to be true (in addition to  $HL$  and  $\neg MBP$ ), **possible**

c. Mbappe: Possible, see **Solution I**

Under this assumption, the identity of the thief cannot be ascertained.

## **Question 2**

Denote the *NAND*( $x$ ) function as  $N(x)$ . You can write  $\neg X$  as  $N(X, X)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a. } P \rightarrow Q &\equiv \neg P \vee Q \equiv \neg(P \wedge \neg Q) \\ &\equiv N(P, \neg Q) && \text{(Using De Morgan's Theorem)} \\ &\equiv N(P, N(Q, Q)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b. } P \leftrightarrow Q &\equiv (P \rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \rightarrow P) \\ &\equiv N(P, N(Q, Q)) \wedge N(Q, N(P, P)) \end{aligned}$$

To simplify things a bit, choose:

$$X = N(P, N(Q, Q)) \text{ and } Y = N(Q, N(P, P))$$

$$\begin{aligned} P \leftrightarrow Q &\equiv X \wedge Y \equiv \neg(\neg X \vee \neg Y) \quad \text{(using De Morgan's Theorem)} \\ &\equiv N(N(X, X), N(Y, Y)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c. } P \oplus Q &\equiv (P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg Q \vee \neg P) \\ X &= (P \vee Q) \equiv N(\neg P, \neg Q) \equiv N(N(P, P), N(Q, Q)) \\ Y &= (\neg P \vee \neg Q) \equiv N(P, Q) \end{aligned}$$

Repeat the solution to part (b).

**Question 3**

Q3

a.  $P \vee (q \wedge r)$   
 $P \rightarrow S \equiv \neg P \vee S$

$\therefore (q \wedge r) \vee S \equiv (q \vee S) \wedge (r \vee S)$

$\therefore r \vee S$  [If multiple conditions are joined by  $\cdot \wedge$ , each are individually concluded true]  
 (proved)

b.  $\neg P \vee S$   $S \vee q \vee t$   
 $P \vee q \vee t$   $\neg t \vee (S \wedge r)$   
 $\therefore S \vee q \vee t$   $\therefore S \vee q \vee (S \wedge r)$   
 $\equiv (S \vee q) \wedge (S \vee q \vee r)$

$S \vee q$   
 $\neg q \vee r$   
 $\hline$   
 $\therefore r \vee S$  (proved)

c.  $\neg j \vee k$   $k \vee l$   
 $\neg k$   $\neg k$   
 $\hline$   $\hline$   
 $\therefore \neg j$   $\therefore l$

Since  $\neg j$  and  $l$  are both true,

$\neg j, \neg l$   
 $(l \wedge \neg j) \rightarrow (m \wedge \neg j)$   
 $\hline$   
 $\therefore m, \neg j$   
 (proved)



$$\begin{array}{l}
 d. \quad x \rightarrow m \equiv \neg n \vee m \\
 \quad \quad \neg m \\
 \hline
 \therefore \neg n
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 \neg m, \neg n \\
 \hline
 (\neg m \wedge \neg n) \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow n) \\
 \therefore 0 \rightarrow n \equiv \neg 0 \vee n
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \neg 0 \vee n \\
 \quad \quad \neg n \\
 \hline
 \therefore \neg 0 \text{ (proved)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 e. \quad w \rightarrow x \equiv \neg w \vee x \\
 \hline
 (w \wedge x) \rightarrow y \equiv \neg w \vee \neg x \vee y \\
 \therefore \neg w \vee y
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \neg w \vee y \\
 \hline
 (w \wedge y) \rightarrow z \equiv \neg w \vee \neg y \vee z \\
 \therefore \neg w \vee z \equiv w \rightarrow z \text{ (proved)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 f. \quad p \vee s \quad t \rightarrow q \equiv \neg t \vee q \\
 \quad \quad \neg s \quad \quad \quad t \vee u \\
 \hline
 \therefore p \quad \therefore q \vee u
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \neg p \\
 \hline
 p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \equiv \neg p \vee (q \rightarrow r) \\
 \therefore q \rightarrow r \equiv \neg q \vee r
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 q \vee u \\
 \quad \quad \neg q \vee r \\
 \hline
 \therefore u \vee r \text{ (proved)}
 \end{array}$$

#### **Question 4**

Coding using Propositional Logic is as follows:

$$S1 : \neg S \vee D$$

$$S2 : \neg R \vee E$$

$$S3 : (S \wedge \neg R) \vee (\neg S \wedge R)$$

$$S4 : \neg S \vee E$$

$$S5 : \neg R \vee D$$

$$G : (\neg E \vee \neg D) \wedge (D \vee E)$$

The goal should be easy enough to derive using the truth table method

**Question 5**

Q5

(a)	$p$	$q$	$r$	$p \wedge \neg q$	$p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$	$\neg r$
	0	0	0	0	1	1
	0	0	1	0	1	0
	0	1	0	0	1	1
	0	1	1	0	1	0
	1	0	0	1	1	1
	1	0	1	1	0	0
	1	1	0	0	1	1
	1	1	1	0	1	0

$(p \wedge \neg q)$  and  $[p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]$  both are true, but  $\neg r$  is false.

(b)	$p$	$q$	$r$	$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$	$\neg q \vee r$	$p$
	0	0	0	1	1	0
	0	0	1	1	1	0
	0	1	0	1	0	0
	0	1	1	1	1	0
	1	0	0	1	1	1
	1	0	1	1	1	1
	1	1	0	0	0	1
	1	1	1	1	1	1

Multiple counter-examples.

(c)

$p$	$q$	$r$	$s$	$p \leftrightarrow q$	$q \rightarrow r$	$r \vee s$ $s \rightarrow r$	$s \vee r$ $r \rightarrow s$	$\Phi$
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Counter-examples

### **Question 6**

- (a) **J:** Jonas goes to the meeting  
**C:** Complete report is made  
**E:** Special election held  
**I:** Investigation is launched  
**T:** Members stand trial  
**D:** Organization disintegrates

If Jonas goes to the meeting, then a complete report will be made

$$J \rightarrow C$$

If Jonas does not go to the meeting, then a special election will be required

$$\neg J \rightarrow E$$

If a complete report is made, then an investigation will be launched

$$C \rightarrow I$$

If Jonas's going to the meeting implies that a complete report will be made, and the making of a complete report implies that an investigation will be launched, then either Jonas goes to the meeting and an investigation is launched or Jonas does not go to the meeting and no investigation is launched

$$(J \rightarrow C) \wedge (C \rightarrow I) \rightarrow (J \wedge I) \vee (\neg J \wedge \neg I)$$

If Jonas goes to the meeting and an investigation is launched, then some members will have to stand trial

$$(J \wedge I) \rightarrow T$$

If Jonas does not go to the meeting and no investigation is launched, then the organization will disintegrate very rapidly

$$(\neg J \wedge \neg I) \rightarrow D$$

Therefore either some members will have to stand trial or the organization will disintegrate very rapidly

$$T \vee D$$

**I am not explicitly solving this since the conclusion is obvious. Solving each of these statements one by one by following the implication logic will lead to the last conclusion.**

- (b) **SN:** Mr. Smith is the manager's next-door neighbor  
**SH:** Mr. Smith lives halfway between Detroit and Chicago  
**SC:** Mr. Smith lives in Chicago  
**RD:** Mr. Robinson lives in Detroit

RC: Mr. Robinson lives in Chicago  
 JC: Mr. Jones lives in Chicago  
 JM: Mr. Jones is the manager

If Mr. Smith is the manager's next-door neighbor, then Mr. Smith lives halfway between Detroit and Chicago.

$SN \rightarrow SH$

If Mr. Smith lives halfway between Detroit and Chicago, then he does not live in Chicago.

$SH \rightarrow \neg SC$

Mr. Smith is the manager's next-door neighbor.

SN

If Mr. Robinson lives in Detroit, then he does not live in Chicago.

$RD \rightarrow \neg RC$

Mr. Robinson lives in Detroit.

RD

Mr. Smith lives in Chicago or else either Mr. Robinson or Mr. Jones lives in Chicago.

$SC \oplus (RC \vee JC)$

If Mr. Jones lives in Chicago, then the manager is Jones.

$JC \rightarrow JM$

Therefore the manager is Jones.

JM

$SN \rightarrow SH$   
 SN

$\therefore SH$

$SH \rightarrow \neg SC$   
 SH

$\therefore \neg SC$

$RD \rightarrow \neg RC$   
 RD

$\therefore \neg RC$

$SC \oplus (RC \vee JC)$   
 $\neg SC$

$\therefore RC \vee JC$

$RC \vee JC$   
 $\neg RC$

$\therefore JC$

$JC \rightarrow JM$   
 JC

$\therefore JM$  (proved)

### Question 7

1. Coding of the statements is as under ( $x \in \text{Creatures}$ )

**S1:**  $\forall x [Lion(x) \rightarrow Fierce(x)]$

**S2:**  $\exists x [Lion(x) \wedge \neg DrinksC(x)]$

a.  $\exists x Fierce(x)$

This statement is true if there is at least one lion. We cannot say that this directly follows from S1. This statement is **False**.

b. From S2, we notice that  $\exists x [Lion(x) \wedge \neg DrinksC(x)]$ . So let that creature be  $p$ . We know that  $p$  is a lion. From S1, any creature who is a lion is

fierce. Therefore  $p$  is fierce. By existential generalization,  $\exists x \text{ Fierce}(x)$ . Hence this statement is **True**.

- c.  $\exists x [\text{Fierce}(x) \wedge \neg \text{DrinksC}(x)]$ : Notice that similar to (b), we derive that  $p$  is a lion and  $p$  does not drink coffee. From S1, all lions are fierce. Therefore  $p$  is fierce. This implies that  $\text{Fierce}(p) \wedge \neg \text{DrinksC}(p)$ , by existential generalization,  $\exists x [\text{Fierce}(x) \wedge \neg \text{DrinksC}(x)]$ . The statement is **True**.

### Question 8

(a) Predicates used are  $\text{Respect}(x, y)$ : person  $x$  respects person  $y$  and  $\text{Hire}(x, y)$ : person  $x$  hires person  $y$ .

**S1** :  $\forall x (\neg \text{Respect}(x, x) \rightarrow \neg \exists y (\text{Respect}(y, x)))$

**S2** :  $\forall x \forall y (\neg \text{Respect}(x, y) \rightarrow \neg \text{Hire}(x, y)) \equiv \forall x \forall y (\text{Hire}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{Respect}(x, y))$

**G** :  $\forall x [(\neg \exists y \text{Respect}(x, y)) \rightarrow (\neg \exists z \text{Hire}(z, x))]$

Simplification of G:

$\forall x [(\neg \exists y \text{Respect}(x, y)) \rightarrow (\neg \exists z \text{Hire}(z, x))]$  (1)

$\forall x [(\exists z \text{Hire}(z, x)) \rightarrow (\exists y \text{Respect}(x, y))]$  (2) Contrapositive (1)

Proof by contradiction, assume that  $\neg G$  is true.

$\neg \forall x [(\exists z \text{Hire}(z, x)) \rightarrow (\exists y \text{Respect}(x, y))]$  (3)

$\exists x \neg [(\exists z \text{Hire}(z, x)) \vee (\exists y \text{Respect}(x, y))]$  (4) Properties of  $\neg$  and  $\rightarrow$

$\exists x [(\exists z \text{Hire}(z, x)) \wedge \neg (\exists y \text{Respect}(x, y))]$  (5) De Morgan's Laws

Instantiate (5), by  $x = A$  and  $z = B$

$\text{Hire}(B, A)$  (6)

$\neg (\exists y \text{Respect}(A, y))$  (7)

Instantiate S2 by  $x = B$  and  $z = A$  (8)

$\text{Hire}(B, A) \rightarrow \text{Respect}(B, A)$

$\text{Respect}(B, A)$  (9) Modus Ponens (7, 8)

$\forall x (\exists y (\text{Respect}(y, x)) \rightarrow \text{Respect}(x, x))$  (10) Contrapositive (S1)

Instantiate by  $x = A$  and  $y = B$

$\text{Respect}(B, A) \rightarrow \text{Respect}(A, A)$  (11)

$\text{Respect}(A, A)$  (12) Modus Ponens(9, 11)

But from (7),  $\neg (\exists y \text{Respect}(A, y)) \Rightarrow \forall y \neg \text{Respect}(A, y) \Rightarrow \neg \text{Respect}(A, A)$

Hence we have a contradiction

(b) Predicates:

$a(x)$  : Person  $x$  belongs to the Alpine Club

$s(x)$  : Person  $x$  is a skier

$m(x)$  : Person  $x$  is a mountain climber

$l(x, y)$  : Person  $x$  likes weather event  $y$

Statements:

**S1** :  $a(\text{Tony}) \wedge a(\text{Mike}) \wedge A(\text{John})$

**S2** :  $\forall x [a(x) \rightarrow (s(x) \vee m(x))]$

**S3** :  $\neg \exists x [m(x) \wedge l(x, \text{Rain})]$

**S4** :  $\forall x [s(x) \rightarrow l(x, \text{Snow})]$

**S5** :  $\forall y [l(\text{Mike}, y) \leftrightarrow \neg l(\text{Tony}, y)]$

**S6** :  $l(\text{Tony}, \text{Rain}) \wedge l(\text{Tony}, \text{Snow})$

Since Tony likes both Rain and Snow and Mike dislikes whatever Tony likes and likes whatever Tony dislikes

Mike does not like Rain and Mike does not like Snow

$\neg l(\text{Mike}, \text{Rain})$  (1)

$\neg l(\text{Mike}, \text{Snow})$  (2)

From S4, instantiating  $x = \text{Mike}$ , we get

$s(\text{Mike}) \rightarrow l(\text{Mike}, \text{Snow})$  (3)

$\neg s(\text{Mike})$  (4) Modus Tollens(2, 3)

From S2, instantiating  $x = \text{Mike}$ , we get

$a(\text{Mike}) \rightarrow (s(\text{Mike}) \vee m(\text{Mike}))$  (5)

$s(\text{Mike}) \vee m(\text{Mike})$  (6) Modus Ponens(S1, 5)

$m(\text{Mike})$  (7) (4, 6)

Clearly **Mike** is a Mountain Climber and not a skier, from (4) and (7).