

PRACTICE PROBLEMS FOR MIDTERM 1
MATH 430, SPRING 2014

Problem 1. Determine if the following are tautologies:

- (a) $(R \rightarrow (S \vee Q)) \vee (R \vee (S \rightarrow Q))$
- (b) $(R \leftrightarrow P) \vee (P \rightarrow \neg R)$

Problem 2. Prove or refute the following:

- (a) If $\Sigma \models (\alpha \wedge \beta)$, then $\Sigma \models \alpha$ and $\Sigma \models \beta$
- (b) If $\Sigma \models (\alpha \vee \beta)$, then $\Sigma \models \alpha$ or $\Sigma \models \beta$

Problem 3. Let S be the set of all sentence symbols, and let \bar{S} be the set of all (sentential) formulas built up from S . Fix a truth assignment $v : S \rightarrow \{T, F\}$. Without using the recursion theorem, show that there is at most one extension $\bar{v} : \bar{S} \rightarrow \{T, F\}$ satisfying the truth table conditions.

Problem 4. Show that $\{\wedge, \leftrightarrow, +\}$ is complete, but $\{\wedge, +\}$ is not complete. Here $\alpha + \beta$ means $(\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge \neg(\alpha \wedge \beta)$ i.e. either α or β is true, but not both.

Problem 5. Show that $\{\perp, \rightarrow\}$ is complete, but $\{\wedge, \rightarrow\}$ is not complete.

Problem 6. Show that $\{\rightarrow, +\}$ is complete, but $\{\leftrightarrow, +\}$ is not complete.

Problem 7. Recall that the corollary to the Compactness theorem states that if $\Sigma \models \tau$, then there is some finite $\Delta \subset \Sigma$ such that $\Delta \models \tau$. Show that the Compactness theorem is equivalent to this corollary. (Prove both directions.)

Problem 8. Suppose Σ is satisfiable and complete (i.e. for every formula ϕ , either $\phi \in \Sigma$ or $\neg\phi \in \Sigma$). Define a truth assignment v by $v(A) = T$ iff $A \in \Sigma$. Show that for each $\phi \in \Sigma$, $\bar{v}(\phi) = T$ iff $\phi \in \Sigma$.

Problem 9. Write the following in the first order language of set theory, $\mathcal{L} = \{\in\}$, as follows: first write down the sentence using symbols among $\{\neg, \vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \forall, \exists, \in, =\}$ and variables. Then rewrite the expression using only symbols among $\{\neg, \rightarrow, \forall, \in, =\}$ and variables (unless of course the already written expression is in this form).

- (a) x is a subset of y .
- (b) The power set of x is equal to the power set of y . (The power set of x , denoted $\mathcal{P}(x)$, is the set of all subsets of x .)
- (c) The well foundedness axiom: every nonempty set x has an element y , such that no other element of x belongs to y .

Problem 10. Let P be a two-place predicate. Consider the formula:

$$\phi = \text{''}\forall x \exists y P(x, y) \rightarrow \exists y \forall x P(x, y)\text{''}$$

- (1) *Give an example of a model in which ϕ is false.*
- (2) *Give an example of a model in which ϕ is true.*

(Note that when you describe the model, you have to say what is the interpretation of P .)