

# PS introduction to mathematical logic

Exercises week 1 \*

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1. Show that the number of blocks in every sentential formula is one greater than the number of binary connectives.
2. Let  $B = \{00, 01, 10, 11\}$  be the set of blocks. Also let  $K_1 = \{F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4\}$  where the  $F_i$  are the operators over sequences of 0's and 1's defined as follows:

- $F_1(x) = 0x0$
- $F_2(x) = 0x1$
- $F_3(x) = 1x0$
- $F_4(x) = 1x1$

Also, let  $K_2 = \{G_1, G_2, G_3, G_4\}$  where the  $G_i$  are also the operators over sequences of 0's and 1's defined as follows:

- $G_1(x) = 00x$
- $G_2(x) = 01x$
- $G_3(x) = 10x$
- $G_4(x) = 11x$

Show that  $C(B, K_1) = C(B, K_2)$ .

3. Find how many truth assignments defined on the set of blocks  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$  satisfy the following set of sentential formulas  $\{\neg A_1 \vee A_2, \neg A_2 \vee A_3, \dots, \neg A_i \vee A_{i+1}, \dots, \neg A_{n-1} \vee A_n\}$ . Remember: A truth assignment  $S$  satisfy  $\alpha$  if  $\bar{S}(\alpha) = T$  and if  $B$  is a set of formulas,  $S$  satisfy  $A$  if  $S$  satisfy  $\alpha$ , for all  $\alpha \in B$ .

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\*Almost all the exercises are taken from *The incompleteness phenomenon*, Goldstern-Judah.

4. Give the truth table for the following formulas. Which ones are tautologies?

(a)  $(\neg(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow \neg(q \rightarrow p)) \wedge (p \vee q)$ .

(b)  $(\neg(p \wedge q)) \leftrightarrow ((\neg p) \vee (\neg q))$ .

(c)  $((p \leftrightarrow (q \wedge r)) \vee ((\neg q) \leftrightarrow (\neg p)))$ .

5. Let  $\alpha$  be a sentential formula such that the only logical connective that appears in  $\alpha$  is  $\leftrightarrow$ . Show that if each block that appears in  $\alpha$  appears an even number of times, then  $\alpha$  is a tautology. Is the converse true? Why?. (Hint: First show that  $(\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta) \leftrightarrow \gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \leftrightarrow (\beta \leftrightarrow \gamma)$ . Then show by induction that: if  $A_{i_1}, A_{i_2}, \dots, A_{i_k}$  are those variables which appear and odd number of times in  $\alpha$ , then  $\alpha \Rightarrow ((\dots, (A_{i_1} \leftrightarrow A_{i_2}) \leftrightarrow \dots) \leftrightarrow A_{i_k})$ .)