

## MATH 4L03 Assignment #3

Due: Friday, October 11, 11:59pm.

Upload your solutions to the Avenue to Learn course website. Detailed instructions will be provided on the course website.

1. Use the proof system  $S$  from the text and the lectures to show the following. You may not use the Completeness Theorem to solve these, i.e., you can't work with  $\models$  in place of  $\vdash$ . You may use any meta-theorem that was proved in the lectures, in particular the Deduction Theorem and the Proof by Contradiction Theorem.

- (a)  $\neg p \vdash (p \rightarrow q)$ . Show this without using any meta-theorem, i.e., provide a complete derivation for this.
- (b)  $\vdash ((\phi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \theta)) \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow (\phi \rightarrow \theta)))$ ,
- (c)  $\vdash ((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\phi))$ ,
- (d)  $\vdash (\phi \rightarrow (\neg\theta \rightarrow \neg(\phi \rightarrow \theta)))$ ,
- (e) If  $\Gamma, \phi \vdash \neg\psi$  then  $\Gamma, \psi \vdash \neg\phi$ .

2. Is the following true for all formulas  $\phi$ ,  $\psi$ , and  $\theta$ ?

$$\vdash ((\phi \rightarrow (\phi \rightarrow \neg\theta)) \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \theta)).$$

3. Let  $\Gamma$  be a set of formulas. Prove that the following statements are equivalent:

- (a)  $\Gamma$  is inconsistent,
- (b)  $\Gamma \vdash \neg(\phi \rightarrow \phi)$  for **all** formulas  $\phi$ ,
- (c)  $\Gamma \vdash \neg(\phi \rightarrow \phi)$  for **some** formula  $\phi$ .

4. In this question, all of the usual connectives,  $S = \{\neg, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow\}$ , may appear in the formulas in question, and the propositional variables that appear come from the infinite set  $P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots\}$ , i.e., we are considering formulas from  $Form(P, S)$ . Let  $V$  be the set of all truth assignments for the set of propositional variables from  $P$ , i.e.,  $V = \{\nu : P \rightarrow \{T, F\}\}$ .

For  $\phi$  a formula, let  $X_\phi = \{\nu \in V \mid \nu(\phi) = T\}$ .

- (a) Show that there exist formulas  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  such that  $X_\phi = V$  and  $X_\theta$  is the empty set.
- (b) Given formulas  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  and  $\nu \in X_\phi \cap X_\theta$  show that there is a formula  $\gamma$  such that  $\nu \in X_\gamma$  and  $X_\gamma \subseteq X_\phi \cap X_\theta$ .
- (c) Let  $\phi$  be a formula. Show that there is some formula  $\theta$  such that  $X_\theta = V \setminus X_\phi$ , i.e.,  $X_\theta$  is the complement of  $X_\phi$  in  $V$ .
- (d) Let  $\Sigma$  be a set of formulas such that

$$\bigcap_{\phi \in \Sigma} X_\phi = \emptyset,$$

i.e., the intersection of the  $X_\phi$  for  $\phi \in \Sigma$  is the empty set. Prove that for some natural number  $n$ , there are  $\phi_0, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_{n-1} \in \Sigma$  such that

$$X_{\phi_0} \cap X_{\phi_1} \cap \dots \cap X_{\phi_{n-1}} = \emptyset.$$

HINT: Use the Compactness Theorem.

5. The following is a simple derivation of the formula  $q$  from the set  $\{p, (p \rightarrow q)\}$ :

- (1)  $p$  Ass.
- (2)  $p \rightarrow q$  Ass.
- (3)  $q$  MP, 1, 2.

Use the proof of the Deduction Theorem to convert the above derivation into a derivation of

$$p \vdash (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q.$$

[The proof of the Deduction Theorem can be regarded as a description of a procedure that takes as input a derivation of  $\Gamma, A \vdash B$  and produces as output a derivation of  $\Gamma \vdash (A \rightarrow B)$ .]

This will be added as a bonus question for assignment #4, since we won't cover the related course material until Thursday, 10/10.

**BONUS** In this problem, we assume that McMaster has a **countably infinite** number of students  $S = \{s_0, s_1, \dots, s_n, \dots\}$  and that  $C$  is the set of courses that are on offer to them. Due to resource limitations, each student in  $S$  will be assigned to exactly one class from  $C$ . Also, each course  $c \in C$  has its enrolment capped at some finite number  $e_c$ . Each student  $s \in S$  provides a **finite** set  $C_s \subseteq C$  of the courses that they are willing to register in.

For  $A \subseteq S$ , a function  $\alpha : A \rightarrow C$  is a **good** assignment for  $A$  if

- For each  $s \in A$ ,  $\alpha(s) \in C_s$  (so  $\alpha$  assigns to  $s$  one of the courses they selected), and
- for each class  $c \in C$ ,  $|\alpha^{-1}(c)| \leq e_c$  (so no class is over-enrolled by  $\alpha$ ).

Suppose that for each **finite** subset  $A$  of  $S$  there is some good assignment  $\alpha : A \rightarrow C$  for  $A$ . Prove that there is some good assignment  $\alpha : S \rightarrow C$  for the entire set  $S$ . In your solution you should formulate this situation within propositional logic and then use the Compactness Theorem.