

Homework2

All questions carry equal marks – 10 marks each

Exercise Set 2.3, #9, page 61						PREMISE				CONCLUSION
p	q	r	$\sim q$	$\sim r$	$p \wedge q$	$p \wedge r \rightarrow \sim r$	$p \vee \sim q$	$\sim q \rightarrow p$		$\sim r$
T	T	T	F	F	T	F	T	T		
T	T	F	F	T	T	T	T	T		T
T	F	T	T	F	F	T	T	T		F
T	F	F	T	T	F	T	T	T		T
F	T	T	F	F	F	T	F	T		
F	T	F	F	T	F	T	F	T		
F	F	T	T	F	F	T	T	F		
F	F	F	T	T	F	T	T	F		

This row shows that it is possible for an argument of this form to have a true premise but a false conclusion. Thus this argument form is invalid.

Exercise Set 2.3, #10, page 62						PREMISE				CONCLUSION
p	q	r	$p \vee q$	$p \rightarrow r$	$q \rightarrow r$					$p \vee q \rightarrow r$
T	T	T	T	T	T					T
T	T	F	T	F	F					
T	F	T	T	T	T					T
T	F	F	T	F	T					
F	T	T	T	T	T					T
F	T	F	T	T	F					
F	F	T	F	T	T					
F	F	F	F	T	T					

We have true conclusions for all true premises. Hence, it's a valid argument.

Exercise Set 2.3, #11, page 62							PREMISE		CONCLUSION
p	q	r	$\sim p$	$\sim q$	$\sim r$	qVr	$p \rightarrow qVr$	$\sim qV\sim r$	$\sim pV\sim r$
T	T	T	F	F	F	T	T	F	F
T	T	F	F	F	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	F	T	F	T	T	T	F
T	F	F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	F	F	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	F	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	T	T	F	T	T	T

The highlighted row shows that it is possible for an argument of this form to have a true premise but a false conclusion. Thus this argument form is invalid.

Exercise Set 2.3, #28, page 62

Let $p =$ 'There are as many rational numbers as irrational numbers'

$q =$ 'set of all irrational numbers is infinite'

$p \rightarrow q$

$q = T$

Hence, $p = T$

Invalid: Converse Error

Exercise Set 2.3, #29, page 62

Let $p =$ 'At least one of these two numbers is divisible by 6'

$q =$ 'Product of these two numbers is divisible by 6'

$p \rightarrow q$

$\sim p$

Hence, $\sim q$ Invalid: Inverse error

Exercise Set 2.3, #30, page 62

$p \rightarrow q$

$q = T$

Hence, $p = T$

Invalid: Converse Error

Exercise Set 2.3, #38bc, page 63

b). Suppose C is a knight. Hence, C tells truth and C & D are knave. Hence, C is both Knight and knave -
>Contradiction. Hence, C is a knave and always lies. Therefore, D is a Knight.

c). Suppose E is a knight. Therefore, he always tells the truth. Hence, F is knave. Therefore, F lies. Hence,
E is not a knave. Either of the two is knight and the other is a knave.

Exercise Set 2.3, #40, page 63

Muscles killed Sharky.

Exercise Set 2.3, #42, page 63

1). $q \rightarrow r$ by premise

$\sim r$ by premise

Hence, $\sim q$ by Modes Tollens

2). $\sim q \rightarrow u \wedge s$ by premise

$\sim q$ from (1)

Hence, $u \wedge s$ by Modus Ponens

3). $u \wedge s$ from (2)

Hence, s Specialization

4). $p \vee q$ premise

$\sim q$ from (1) Hence, p Elimination

5).p	from (4)
s	from(3)
$p \wedge s$	Conjunction
6). $p \wedge s \rightarrow t$	premise
$p \wedge s$	from (5)
t	Modus Ponens

Exercise Set 2.3, #44, page 63

1). $\sim q \vee s$	by premise
$\sim s$	by premise
Hence, $\sim q$	by elimination
2). $p \rightarrow q$	by premise
$\sim q$	from(1)
Hence, $\sim p$	by Modes Tollens
3). $r \vee s$	by premise
$\sim s$; Hence, r	by elimination
4). $\sim s \rightarrow \sim t$	by premise
$\sim s$	by premise
Hence, $\sim t$	by Modus Ponens
5). $\sim p$	from (2)
r	from (3)
Hence, $\sim p \wedge r$	by Conjunction
6). $\sim p \wedge r \rightarrow u$	by premise
$\sim p \wedge r$	from (5)
Hence, u	by Modus Ponens

7). $w \vee t$

$\sim t$

Hence, w

8). u

w

Hence, $u \wedge w$

by premise

from (4)

by Elimination

from (6)

from (7)

by Conjunction