

Philosophy 352
Introduction to Symbolic Logic
Second Midterm

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Part One

Provide a formal proof of the following syntactic equivalence, without using the replacement rules of quantifier negation. (4 points)

1. $\neg\forall xF(x) \vdash \neg\exists x\neg F(x)$

Part Two

Provide a formal proof of each of the following theorems (4 points each):

2. $\emptyset \vdash (\forall xP(x) \vee \forall xQ(x)) \implies \forall x(P(x) \vee Q(x))$

3. $\emptyset \vdash \exists x(\exists xP(x) \implies P(x))$

4. $\emptyset \vdash \neg\exists xP(x) \implies \forall x(P(x) \implies Q(x))$

Part Three

Each of the following arguments is valid. Construct a formal proof for each of them, in each case using the suggested notation.

5. Whatever is either a worker or a queen is a female. Everything that is either a female or a builder is a bee. Hence, all workers are bees. ($W(x)$: x is a worker; $Q(x)$: x is a queen; $F(x)$: x is a female; $U(x)$: x is a builder; $B(x)$: x is a bee) (6 points)

6. A book is interesting only if it is well written. A book is well written only if it is interesting. Therefore any book is both interesting and well written if it is either interesting or well written. ($B(x)$: x is a book; $I(x)$: x is interesting; $W(x)$: x is well written) (8 points)

\perp

#1 \vdash

1	$\neg \forall x F(x)$	$\therefore \exists x \neg F(x)$	
2	$\neg \exists x \neg F(x)$	$\therefore \perp$	UC
3	$\forall x$		
4	$\neg F(x)$		EC 4
5	$\exists x \neg F(x)$		2, 5
6	\perp		$\neg E$ 4-6
7	$F(x)$		UDC 3-7
8	$\forall x F(x)$		1, 8
9	\perp		$\neg E$, 2-9
10	$\exists x \neg F(x)$		

1	$\exists x \neg F(x)$	$\therefore \neg \forall x F(x)$	
2	$\forall x F(x)$	$\therefore \perp$	
3	$\exists x$		EC
4	$\neg F(x)$		EC 1
5	$F(x)$		EC 2
6	\perp		4, 5
7	\perp		$\neg I$, 2-7
8	$\neg \forall x F(x)$		

$$\emptyset \therefore (\forall x P(x) \vee \forall x Q(x)) \Rightarrow \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

#2

$$1 \quad \forall x P(x) \vee \forall x Q(x) \quad \therefore \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

$$2 \quad \forall x P(x)$$

$$3 \quad \forall x$$

UC

$$4 \quad P(x)$$

UC 2

$$5 \quad (P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

$\vee I, 4$

$$6 \quad \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

UDC 3-5

$$7 \quad \forall x Q(x)$$

$$8 \quad \forall x$$

UC

$$9 \quad Q(x)$$

UC 7

$$10 \quad (P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

$\vee I, 9$

$$11 \quad \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

UDC 8-10

$$12 \quad \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

$\vee E, 1, 2-6, 7-11$

$$(\forall x P(x) \vee \forall x Q(x)) \Rightarrow \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \Rightarrow I, 1-12$$

#3

1	φ	∴ ∃x (∃x P(x) ⇒ P(x))	
2		¬∃x (∃x P(x) ⇒ P(x))	
3		∀x ¬(∃x P(x) ⇒ P(x))	
4		∀x (∃x P(x) ∧ ¬P(x))	
5		∀x	UC
6		∃x P(x) ∧ ¬P(x)	UC 3
7		∃x P(x)	∧ E 5
8		¬P(x)	∧ E 5
9		∃x P(x)	∨ I D C 6
10		∀x ¬P(x)	U D C 7
11		∃x	EC
12		P(x)	EC 8
13		¬P(x)	EC 9
14		⊥	11, 12
15		⊥	
		∃x (∃x P(x) ⇒ P(x))	¬E, 1-14



Another way that is shorter

8	∃x P(x)	
9	∀x ¬P(x)	
10	¬∃x P(x)	QN 9
	⊥	8, 10

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	ϕ	$\therefore \neg \exists x P(x) \rightarrow \forall x (P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))$	
1		$\neg \exists x P(x) \therefore \forall x (P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))$	
2		$\forall x$	uc
3		$P(x) \therefore Q(x)$	
4		$\exists x P(x)$	EG 3
5		\perp	1, 5
6		$Q(x)$	$\perp E$
7		$(P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))$	$\Rightarrow I, 3-6$
8		$\forall x (P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))$	uDC 2-7
9		$\neg \exists x P(x) \rightarrow \forall x (P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))$	$\Rightarrow I, 1-8$

#5

1	$\forall x [(W(x) \vee Q(x)) \Rightarrow F(x)]$	
2	$\forall x [(F(x) \vee U(x)) \Rightarrow B(x)]$	$\therefore \forall x (W(x) \Rightarrow B(x))$
3	$\forall x$	UC
4	$(W(x) \vee Q(x)) \Rightarrow F(x)$	UC 1
5	$(F(x) \vee U(x)) \Rightarrow B(x)$	UC 2
6	$W(x) \quad \therefore B(x)$	
7	$(W(x) \vee Q(x))$	$\vee I, 6$
8	$F(x)$	$\Rightarrow E, 4, 8$
9	$(F(x) \vee U(x))$	$\vee I, 8$
10	$B(x)$	$\Rightarrow E, 5, 9$
11	$(W(x) \Rightarrow B(x))$	$\Rightarrow I, 6-10$
12	$\forall x (W(x) \Rightarrow B(x))$	UDC 3-11

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1	$\forall x [(B(x) \Rightarrow (I(x) \Rightarrow W(x)))]$	
2	$\forall x [(B(x) \Rightarrow (W(x) \Rightarrow I(x)))]$	$\therefore \forall x [B(x) \Rightarrow ((I(x) \vee W(x))$
3	$\forall x$	$\Rightarrow (I(x) \wedge W(x)))]$
4	$B(x) \Rightarrow (I(x) \Rightarrow W(x))$	UC 1
5	$B(x) \Rightarrow (W(x) \Rightarrow I(x))$	UC 2
6	$B(x)$	$\therefore (I(x) \vee W(x)) \Rightarrow (I(x) \wedge W(x))$
7	$I(x) \Rightarrow W(x)$	$\Rightarrow E, 4, 6$
8	$W(x) \Rightarrow I(x)$	$\Rightarrow E, 5, 6$
9	$(I(x) \vee W(x))$	$\therefore (I(x) \wedge W(x))$
10	$I(x)$	$\Rightarrow E, 7, 10$
11	$W(x)$	$\wedge I, 10, 11$
12	$I(x) \wedge W(x)$	
13	$W(x)$	$\Rightarrow E, 8, 13$
14	$I(x)$	$\wedge I, 13, 14$
15	$I(x) \wedge W(x)$	$\vee E, 9, 10-12, 13-15$
16	$(I(x) \wedge W(x))$	
17	$(I(x) \vee W(x)) \Rightarrow (I(x) \wedge W(x))$	$\Rightarrow I, 9-16$
18	$B(x) \Rightarrow ((I(x) \vee W(x)) \Rightarrow (I(x) \wedge W(x)))$	$\Rightarrow I, 6-17$
19	$\forall x [B(x) \Rightarrow ((I(x) \vee W(x)) \Rightarrow (I(x) \wedge W(x)))]$	UDC 3-18