

Assignment #3-key.

1a) For any wffs A, B , if $A \models B$ and $B \models C$, then $A \models C$.

Proof: We're given $A \models B$ and $B \models C$, and we're supposed to show that $A \models C$.

Suppose: $A \models B$ and $B \models C$.

Then: There is no valuation that makes A true and B false, and there is no valuation that makes B true and C false.

So: All valuations that make A true also make B true, and all valuations that make B true also make C true.

Thus: All valuations that make A true also make C true.

Thus: $A \models C$.

1b) For any wffs A, B , if $A \models \neg B$, then it's not the case that $A \models B$.

Proof:

Suppose: $A \models \neg B$.

Then: There is no valuation that makes A true and $\neg B$ false.

So: There is no valuation that makes A true and B true.

Thus: All valuations that make A true also make B false.

So: It's not the case that $A \models B$.

1c) For any wffs A, B , if $\models (A \vee B)$ and $\models \neg(A \wedge B)$, then $A \models \neg B$ and $\neg B \models A$.

Proof:

Suppose: $\models (A \vee B)$ and $\models \neg(A \wedge B)$.

Then: All valuations make $(A \vee B)$ true, and all valuations make $\neg(A \wedge B)$ true.

Thus: All valuations make $(A \vee B)$ true, and all valuations make $(A \wedge B)$ false.

So: All valuations make either A true or B true, but not both simultaneously.

So: If a valuation makes A true, it must make B false, and if a valuation makes A false, it must make B true.

Thus: If a valuation makes A true, it must make $\neg B$ true, and if a valuation makes A false, it must make $\neg B$ false. (A and $\neg B$ are truth-functionally equivalent.)

Thus: There is no valuation that makes A true and $\neg B$ false, and there is no valuation that makes $\neg B$ true, and A false.

So: $A \models \neg B$ and $\neg B \models A$.

3a) The corresponding conditional is $((\neg P \wedge Q) \supset \neg(P \wedge Q))$.

P	Q	$((\neg P \wedge Q) \supset \neg(P \wedge Q))$
T	T	F T F T T F T T T
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The corresponding conditional is a tautology. Thus the argument is tautologically valid.

3b) The corresponding conditional is $((P \wedge \neg P) \supset Q)$.

P	Q	$((P \wedge \neg P) \supset Q)$
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The corresponding conditional is a tautology. Thus the argument is tautologically valid.