

COMP 280 : Assignment 3, sample solutions

1. If $q = \text{emptyQ}$, then the axiom becomes:

$$\text{delQ}(\text{addQ}(a, \text{emptyQ})) = \text{tail}(\text{putLast}(a, \text{emptyQ})) = \text{tail}(a :: \text{emptyQ}) = \text{emptyQ}$$

If $q \neq \text{emptyQ}$, then the axiom becomes:

$$\text{delQ}(\text{addQ}(a, q)) = \text{tail}(\text{putLast}(a, q)) = \text{tail}(\text{head}(q) :: \text{putLast}(a, \text{tail}(q))) = \text{putLast}(a, \text{tail}(q)) = \text{addQ}(a, \text{delQ}(q))$$

2. We define the numbers as follow:

- 0 is defined as emptyList .
- $\text{succ}(x)$ is defined as $\text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, x)$.

Then the number operations are implemented as follow, using the list operations:

- $\text{zero?}(x)$ is: $\text{EmptyL?}(x)$.
- $\text{succ}(x)$ is: $\text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, x)$.
- $\text{pred}(x)$ is: if $\text{EmptyL?}(x)$ then emptyList else $\text{tail}(x)$.

We now prove that the axioms for numbers are true for the number operations so defined:

- $\text{zero?}(0) = \text{EmptyL?}(\text{emptyList}) = \text{true}$.
- $\text{zero?}(\text{succ}(x)) = \text{EmptyL?}(\text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, x)) = \text{false}$.
- if $\text{succ}(x) = \text{succ}(y)$, then $\text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, x) = \text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, y)$, then $\text{tail}(\text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, x)) = \text{tail}(\text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, y))$, then $x = y$.
- $\text{pred}(0) = \text{pred}(\text{emptyList}) = \text{if EmptyL?}(\text{emptyList}) \text{ then emptyList else tail(emptyList)} = \text{if true then emptyList else tail(emptyList)} = \text{emptyList} = 0$.
- $\text{pred}(\text{succ}(x)) = \text{pred}(\text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, x)) = \text{if EmptyL?}(\text{cons}(\text{emptyList}, x)) \text{ then emptyList else tail(cons(emptyList, x))} = \text{if false then emptyList else tail(cons(emptyList, x))} = \text{tail(cons(emptyList, x))} = x$.

3. If A , B , and C are false, then $A \rightarrow B$ is true, and $(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow C$ is false, but A is false so $A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)$ is true.

4. $A \wedge B \rightarrow C$
 $\equiv \neg(A \wedge B) \vee C$ (conversion of $\rightarrow$)
 $\equiv (\neg A \vee \neg B) \vee C$ (De Morgan)
 $\equiv (\neg A \vee \neg B) \vee C \vee C$ (disjunction)
 $\equiv (\neg A \vee C) \vee (\neg B \vee C)$ (commutativity)
 $\equiv (A \rightarrow C) \vee (B \rightarrow C)$ (conversion or $\rightarrow$, twice).

5. $A \rightarrow B \vee C$
 $\equiv \neg A \vee (B \vee C)$ (conversion of $\rightarrow$)
 $\equiv \neg A \vee \neg A \vee (B \vee C)$ (disjunction)
 $\equiv (\neg A \vee B) \vee (\neg A \vee C)$ (commutativity)
 $\equiv (A \rightarrow B) \vee (A \rightarrow C)$ (conversion or $\rightarrow$, twice).

6. Let $W = A \vee B \rightarrow B = \neg(A \vee B) \vee B = (\neg A \wedge \neg B) \vee B$.

Then:

$$W(A/\text{true}) = (\neg \text{true} \wedge \neg B) \vee B = (\text{false} \wedge \neg B) \vee B = \text{false} \vee B = B.$$

$$W(A/\text{false}) = (\neg \text{false} \wedge \neg B) \vee B = (\text{true} \wedge \neg B) \vee B = \neg B \vee B = \text{true}.$$

Then:

$W(A/\text{true}, B/\text{true}) = \text{true}.$

$W(A/\text{true}, B/\text{false}) = \text{false}.$

So two leaves are true and one is false. The formula is therefore a contingency.

7. $(A \vee B) \wedge (C \rightarrow D)$
 $\equiv (A \vee B) \wedge (\neg C \vee D)$ (conversion of $\rightarrow$)
 $\equiv ((A \vee B) \wedge \neg C) \vee ((A \vee B) \wedge D)$ (distributivity)
 $\equiv ((A \wedge \neg C) \vee (B \wedge \neg C)) \vee ((A \wedge D) \vee (B \wedge D))$ (distributivity, twice)
 $\equiv (A \wedge \neg C) \vee (B \wedge \neg C) \vee (A \wedge D) \vee (B \wedge D).$