CSE 390Z: Mathematics for Computation Workshop

QuickCheck: Equivalence Proof Solutions (due Monday, April 14)

Please submit a response to the following questions on Gradescope. We do not grade on accuracy, so please submit your best attempt. You may either typeset your responses or hand-write them. Note that hand-written solutions must be legible to be graded.

We have created **this template** if you choose to typeset with Latex. **This guide** has specific information about scanning and uploading pdf files to Gradescope.

0. Equivalence Proof

Use a chain of equivalences to show that the following proposition is a tautology (i.e. always true).

$$((p \land q) \lor (p \to (\neg p \land r))) \lor p$$

Solution:

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\begin{aligned}
((p \land q) \lor (p \to (\neg p \land r))) \lor p &\equiv ((p \land q) \lor (\neg p \lor (\neg p \land r))) \lor p && \text{Law of Implication} \\
&\equiv (p \land q) \lor ((\neg p \lor (\neg p \land r)) \lor p) && \text{Associativity} \\
&\equiv (p \land q) \lor (((\neg p \land r) \lor \neg p) \lor p) && \text{Commutativity} \\
&\equiv (p \land q) \lor ((\neg p \land r) \lor (\neg p \lor p)) && \text{Associativity} \\
&\equiv (p \land q) \lor ((\neg p \land r) \lor (p \lor \neg p)) && \text{Commutativity} \\
&\equiv (p \land q) \lor ((\neg p \land r) \lor T) && \text{Negation} \\
&\equiv (p \land q) \lor T && \text{Domination} \\
&\equiv T && \text{Domination}
\end{aligned}
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1. Video Solution

Watch **this video** on the solution **after** making an initial attempt. Then, answer the following questions.

(a) What is one thing you took away from the video solution?