Spring 2011

HOMEWORK #11 For Friday, April 8

- ★ 1. Assuming φ is any formula, prove $\varphi \lor \neg \varphi$, using the \lor -rules on page 50 in van Dalen. (Hint: use a proof by contradiction.)
- \star 2. Do parts (i), (ii), and (vi) of problem 1 on page 95.
- \star 3. Do the following.
 - a. Prove $\neg(p \leftrightarrow \neg p)$ in propositional logic.
 - b. Use this to prove $\neg \exists y \ \forall x \ (S(y,x) \leftrightarrow \neg S(x,x))$ in first-order logic.

Hint for part (b): if suffices to show that $\forall x \ (S(y, x) \leftrightarrow \neg S(x, x))$ leads to a contradiction. This is a formalization of the Barber paradox: in a given town there is a (male) barber who shaves every man that does not shave himself. Who shaves the barber?

- 4. Do problems 1, 2 and 3 on page 98.
- \circ 5. Do problem 4 on page 98. The \rightarrow direction is difficult. (Because the implication is *not* intuitionistically valid, you will need to use RAA.)
- \star 6. Do problem 5 on page 99.
 - 7. Do other problems on page 99 of van Dalen, for practice.
- ★ 8. An old song goes, "Everybody loves my baby, but my baby don't love nobody but me." Prove that if this is true, I am my baby.

More precisely: Let L(x, y) stand for "x loves y," let b be a constant denoting "my baby," and m be a constant denoting me. From assumptions $\forall x \ L(x, b)$ and $\forall x \ (L(b, x) \rightarrow x = m)$, prove b = m.

 \star 9. Do problem 1 on page 102. Here, I_2 is the axiom

$$\forall x \; \forall y \; (x = y \to y = x)$$

and I_3 is the axiom

$$\forall x \; \forall y \; \forall z \; (x = y \land y = z \to x = z).$$

Do not use the equality rules! The point of the exercise is to show that you can replace the three basic axioms of equality (reflexivity, symmetry, and transitivity) by two axioms.

- 10. Do problem 3 on page 102.
- 11. Do other problems on page 102 for practice.