

Homework 1

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Chapter 1

1.1

2. Which of these are propositions? What are the truth values of those that are propositions?
 - a. Do not pass go.
 - b. What time is it?
 - c. There are no black flies in Maine.
 - d. $4 + x = 5$.
 - e. The moon is made of green cheese.
 - f. $2n \geq 100$.

Answer: c and e are both propositions, and both of their truth values are false.

4. What is the negation of each of these propositions?
 - a. Jennifer and Teja are friends.
 - b. There are 13 items in a baker's dozen.
 - c. Abby sent more than 100 text messages every day.
 - d. 121 is a perfect square.

Answer:

- a. Jennifer and Teja are not friends.
 - b. There aren't 13 items in a baker's dozen.
 - c. Abby sent less than or equal to 100 text messages every day.
 - d. 121 is not a perfect square.
6. Suppose that Smartphone A has 256 MB RAM and 32 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 8 MP; Smartphone B has 288 MB RAM and 64 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 4 MP; and Smartphone C has 128 MB RAM and 32 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 5 MP. Determine the truth value of each of these propositions.
 - a. Smartphone B has the most RAM of these three smartphones.
 - b. Smartphone C has more ROM or a higher resolution camera than Smartphone B.
 - c. Smartphone B has more RAM, more ROM, and a higher resolution camera than Smartphone A.
 - d. If Smartphone B has more RAM and more ROM than Smartphone C, then it also has a higher resolution camera.

- e. Smartphone A has more RAM than Smartphone B if and only if Smartphone B has more RAM than Smartphone A.

Answer:

- a. True
- b. True
- c. False
- d. False
- e. False

1.2

For exercises 2 & 4, translate into propositional logic.

2. You can see the movie only if you are over 18 years old or you have the permission of a parent. Express your answer in terms of m: “You can see the movie,” e: “You are over 18 years old,” and p: “You have the permission of a parent.”

Answer: $m \rightarrow (e \vee p)$

4. To use the wireless network in the airport you must pay the daily fee unless you are a subscriber to the service. Express your answer in terms of w: “You can use the wire- less network in the airport,” d: “You pay the daily fee,” and s: “You are a subscriber to the service.”

Answer: $w \rightarrow (d \vee s)$

1.3

6. Use a truth table to verify the first De Morgan law

$$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$$

Answer:

p	q	$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$\neg(p \wedge q)$	$\neg p \vee \neg q$
T	T	F	F	F	F
T	F	F	T	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	T

8. Use De Morgan’s laws to find the negation of each of the following statements
- a. Kwame will take a job in industry or go to graduate school.

- b. Yoshiko knows Java and calculus.
- c. James is young and strong.
- d. Rita will move to Oregon or Washington.

Answer:

- a. Kwame will not take a job in industry and not go to graduate school.
- b. Yoshiko doesn't know Java or doesn't know calculus.
- c. James is not young or not strong.
- d. Rita will not move to Oregon and will not move to Washington.

10. Show that each of these conditional statements is a tautology by using truth tables.

- a. $[\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)] \rightarrow q$
- b. $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$
- c. $[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q$
- d. $[(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow r$

Answer:

a.

p	q	$\neg p$	$p \vee q$	$[\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)]$	$[\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)] \rightarrow q$
T	T	F	T	F	T
T	F	F	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	T

b.

p	q	r	$p \rightarrow q$	$q \rightarrow r$	$p \rightarrow r$	$[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)]$	$[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	T	T	T	T

c.

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$	$p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)$	$[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q$
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T
F	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	F	T

p	q	r	$p \vee q$	$p \rightarrow r$	$q \rightarrow r$	$[(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)]$	$[(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow r$
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	T	T	T	T

12 Show that each conditional statement in Exercise 10 is a tautology without using truth tables.

- $[\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)] \rightarrow q$
- $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$
- $[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q$
- $[(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow r$

Answer:

a.

$$\begin{aligned}
[\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)] \rightarrow q &\equiv \neg[\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)] \vee q && \text{(Equivalence from table)} \\
&\equiv [\neg(\neg p) \vee \neg(p \vee q)] \vee q && \text{(De Morgan's Law)} \\
&\equiv [p \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)] \vee q && \text{(Double negation and De Morgan's Law)} \\
&\equiv [(p \vee \neg p) \wedge (p \vee \neg q)] \vee q && \text{(Distributive Law)} \\
&\equiv [\mathbf{T} \wedge (p \vee \neg q)] \vee q && \text{(Negation Law)} \\
&\equiv [(\mathbf{T} \wedge p) \vee (\mathbf{T} \wedge \neg q)] \vee q && \text{(Distributive Law)} \\
&\equiv (p \vee \neg q) \vee q && \text{(Identity Law)} \\
&\equiv p \vee (\neg q \vee q) && \text{(Associativity)} \\
&\equiv p \vee \mathbf{T} && \text{(Negation Law)} \\
&\equiv \mathbf{T} && \text{(Domination Law)}
\end{aligned}$$

b.

$$[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r) \equiv$$