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**Question 3** (a) Let  $n$  be an element of the set  $\{10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19\}$ , and  $p$  and  $q$  be the propositions:

$$p : n \text{ is even}, \quad q : n > 15.$$

Draw up truth tables for the following statements and find the values of  $n$  for which they are true:

(i) (i)  $p \vee \neg q$  (ii)  $\neg p \wedge q$

(ii) Use truth tables to find a statement that is logically equivalent to  $\neg p \rightarrow q$ . [6]

(b) Let  $p, q$  be the following propositions:

$$p : \text{this apple is red}, \quad q : \text{this apple is ripe}.$$

Express the following statements in words as simply as you can:

(i)  $p \rightarrow q$  (ii)  $p \wedge \neg q$ .

Express the following statements symbolically:

(iii) This apple is neither red nor ripe.

(iv) If this apple is not red it is not ripe. [4]

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**Question 2** Let  $p$  and  $q$  be the following propositions about the positive integer  $n$ :

$$p : n < 20 \quad q : n \text{ is prime}.$$

(a) List the truth sets for: (i)  $p$  (ii)  $p \wedge q$ . [2]

(b) Express each of the following compound propositions symbolically using  $p, q$  :

(i)  $n < 20$  and  $n$  is not prime

(ii)  $n < 20$  if  $n$  is prime

(iii)  $n < 20$  or  $n$  is prime.

[3]

(c) For each of the compound expressions in (b) give ONE example of  $n$  for which the proposition is FALSE. [3]

(d) Write the contrapositive of the following proposition:

$$\text{"if } n = 14 \text{ then } n \text{ is divisible by 7."}$$

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**Question 3** (a) Given propositions  $p$  and  $q$ , construct the truth tables for:

$$p \wedge q; \quad q \rightarrow p; \quad \neg p \wedge (p \vee q).$$

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(b) Given  $n$  is a positive integer and  $p$  and  $q$  the following statements about  $n$ :

$$p : n \text{ is odd}; \quad q : n < 12.$$

(i) List the elements of the truth set for each of the compound statements:

$$p \wedge q; \quad \neg p \wedge (p \vee q).$$

(ii) Find one value of  $n$  which makes  $q \rightarrow p$  **false**. [3]

(c) Draw a logic network that accepts independent inputs  $p$  and  $q$  and gives as output

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

Find a simpler expression that is logically equivalent to this final output. [4]

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**Question 5**

(a) A logic network accepts inputs  $p$  and  $q$ , which may each independently have the value 0 or 1, and gives as the final output

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

(i) Draw this network. Label each of the gates appropriately and also label the diagram with a symbolic expression for the output after each gate.

(ii) Construct a truth table to show the value of the output corresponding to each combination of values (0 or 1) for the inputs  $p$  and  $q$ .

(iii) Hence, or otherwise, find a simpler expression that is logically equivalent to the final output. [5]

(b) Let  $p$  be the proposition “this animal is a cat” and  $q$  be the proposition “this animal has a tail”.

(i) Explain in words the meaning of the logical statement  $p \rightarrow q$ .

(ii) Write the contrapositive of this statement in logical symbols and explain its meaning in an English sentence.

(iii) Write each of the following as a logical statement involving  $p$  and  $q$ :

“This animal is a cat and it does not have a tail”;

“This animal neither is a cat nor has a tail”.

[5]

**Question 3** (a) Let  $n$  be a positive integer and  $p$  and  $q$  be the following propositions:

$$p : n \leq 12$$

$$q : n \text{ is odd.}$$

- (i) Express each of the three following compound propositions concerning positive integers symbolically by using  $p, q$  and appropriate logical symbols.

$$n \leq 12 \text{ and } n \text{ is even.}$$

$$\text{if } n \leq 12 \text{ then } n \text{ is even}$$

$$n > 12 \text{ and } n \text{ is odd.}$$

- (ii) Construct the truth table for the statement  $q \rightarrow p$ . Hence find a value of  $n$  that makes this statement false.  
 (iii) Write in logical symbols the contrapositive of the statement:

$$\text{if } n \text{ is odd then } n \leq 12.$$

[6]

- (b) Construct a logic network that accepts as inputs  $p$  and  $q$ , which may independently have the value 0 or 1, and gives as final output

$$\neg(\neg p \wedge q).$$

Show the truth table for this output and hence give a simple expression (without using negation) that is equivalent to  $\neg(\neg p \wedge q)$ . [4]