

# Even 601 Homework Assignment 1

1. Which of the following expressions are statements?

- (a) Today is a nice day.
- (b) Go to sleep.
- (c) Is it going to snow tomorrow?
- (d) The U.S. has 49 states.
- (e) I like to eat fruit, and you often think about traveling to Spain.
- (f) If we go out tonight, the babysitter will be unhappy.
- (g) Call me on Thursday if you are home.

A statement or proposition is the content of an assertion that is either true or false but not both.

1. ∴ a) statement    b) not a statement    c) not a statement  
d) statement    e) statement    f) statement    g) not a statement

2. Let  $X$  = "Fred has red hair," let  $Y$  = "Fred has a big nose" and  $R$  = "Fred likes to eat figs."

Translate the following statements into symbols.

- (a) Fred does not like to eat figs.
- (b) Fred has red hair, and does not have a big nose.
- (c) Fred has red hair or he likes to eat figs.
- (d) Fred likes to eat figs, and he has red hair or he has a big nose.
- (e) Fred likes to eat figs and he has red hair, or he has a big nose.
- (f) It is not the case that Fred has a big nose or he has red hair.
- (g) It is not the case that Fred has a big nose, or he has red hair.
- (h) Fred has a big nose and red hair, or he has a big nose and likes to eat figs.

2 a)  $\neg R$     b)  $X \wedge (\neg Y)$     c)  $X \vee R$     d)  $R \wedge (X \vee Y)$   
e)  $(X \wedge R) \vee Y$     f)  $\neg (Y \vee X)$     g)  $\neg (Y \vee X)$     h)  $(Y \wedge X) \vee (Y \wedge R)$

3. Let  $E$  = "The house is blue," let  $F$  = "The house is 30 years old" and  $G$  = "The house is ugly." Translate the following statements into symbols.

- (a) If the house is 30 years old, then it is ugly.
- (b) If the house is blue, then it is ugly or it is 30 years old.
- (c) If the house is blue, then it is ugly, or it is 30 years old.
- (d) The house is not ugly if and only if it is 30 years old.
- (e) The house is 30 years old if it is blue, and it is not ugly if it is 30 years old.
- (f) For the house to be ugly, it is necessary and sufficient that it be ugly and 30 years old.

a)  $F \rightarrow G$     b)  $E \rightarrow (G \vee F)$

c)  $(E \rightarrow G) \vee F$     d)  $\neg G \leftrightarrow F$

e)  $F \rightarrow E \wedge \neg G \rightarrow F$

f)  $G \leftrightarrow (G \wedge F)$

The conditional  
connective

$P \rightarrow Q$  "if  $P$  then  $Q$ "

$P$  is the antecedent  
 $Q$  is the consequent

$\leftrightarrow$ : conditional

$P \leftrightarrow Q$   $p$  iff  $q$

4. Which of the following statements is a tautology, which is a contradiction and which is neither?

- (a)  $P \vee (\neg P \wedge Q)$ .
- (b)  $(X \vee Y) \leftrightarrow (\neg X \rightarrow Y)$ .
- (c)  $(A \wedge \neg B) \wedge (\neg A \vee B)$ .
- (d)  $(Z \vee (\neg Z \vee W)) \wedge \neg(W \wedge U)$ .
- (e)  $(L \rightarrow (M \rightarrow N)) \rightarrow (M \rightarrow (L \rightarrow N))$ .
- (f)  $((X \leftrightarrow Z) \wedge (X \leftrightarrow Y)) \wedge X$ .
- (g)  $((P \leftrightarrow \neg Q) \wedge P) \wedge Q$ .

$1 = T$   
 $0 = F$

A tautology is a statement  
that is true for every valuation  
of its propositional variables

The negation of a tautology is a contradiction

v. a)

$P$	$Q$	$P \vee Q$	$\neg P$	$\neg Q$
0	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	0	0

Neither

b)

$X$	$Y$	$(X \vee Y)$	$\leftrightarrow$	$(\neg X \rightarrow Y)$
0	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1

Tautology

c)

$A$	$B$	$(A \wedge \neg B)$	$\wedge$	$(\neg A \vee B)$
0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1

contradiction

4d)

$$(Z \vee (\neg Z \vee W)) \wedge \neg (W \wedge U)$$

↑  
th. 3 is a tautology  
bc  $Z \vee \neg Z \Leftrightarrow 1$

Tautology  $\wedge$  X  
is simply X

$$\neg (W \wedge U)$$

is neither

4e)

Tautology

L	M	N
0	0	0
0	0	1
0	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	0
1	1	1

$$(L \rightarrow (M \rightarrow N)) \rightarrow (M \rightarrow (L \rightarrow N))$$

1	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1

4f)

Neither

X	Y	Z	$(X \leftrightarrow Z)$	$\wedge$	$(X \leftrightarrow Y)$	$\wedge$	X
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

4g)

P	Q	$((P \leftrightarrow \neg Q) \wedge P) \wedge Q$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

Contradiction

5. Suppose that the possible values of  $x$  and  $y$  are all cars. Let  $L(x, y) = "x \text{ is as fast as } y,"$  let  $M(x, y) = "x \text{ is as expensive as } y"$  and  $N(x, y) = "x \text{ is as old as } y."$  Translate the following statements into words.

- (a)  $(\exists x)(\forall y)L(x, y).$
- (b)  $(\forall x)(\exists y)M(x, y).$
- (c)  $(\exists y)(\forall x)[L(x, y) \vee N(x, y)].$
- (d)  $(\forall y)(\exists x)[\neg M(x, y) \rightarrow L(x, y)].$

- a) There exists an  $x$  for every  $y$  such that  $x$  is as fast as  $y$
- b) For every  $x$  there exists a  $y$  such that  $x$  is as expensive as  $y$
- c) There exists a  $y$  for every  $x$  such that  $x$  is as fast as  $y$  or  $x$  is as old as  $y$
- d) For every  $y$  there exists an  $x$  such that if there is not an  $x$  as expensive as  $y$  then  $x$  is as fast as  $y$

6. Negate the following statement: For every real number  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a positive integer  $k$  such that for all positive integers  $n$ , it is the case that  $|a_n - k^2| < \epsilon.$

Translating the statement to symbols

$$(\forall \epsilon > 0 \in \mathbb{R} \exists k \in \mathbb{Z}^+ | \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ | a_n - k^2 | < \epsilon)$$

Negate the statement

$$\neg (\forall \epsilon > 0 \in \mathbb{R} \exists k \in \mathbb{Z}^+ | \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ | a_n - k^2 | < \epsilon)$$

$$\exists \epsilon \leq 0 \in \mathbb{R} \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^+ | \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ | a_n - k^2 | \geq \epsilon$$

1. Let  $X$  = "I am happy," let  $Y$  = "I am watching a movie" and  $Z$  = "I am eating spaghetti."

Translate the following statements into words.

(a)  $Z \rightarrow X$ .

(b)  $X \leftrightarrow Y$ .

(c)  $(Y \vee Z) \rightarrow X$ .

(d)  $Y \vee (Z \rightarrow X)$ .

(e)  $(Y \rightarrow \neg X) \wedge (Z \rightarrow \neg X)$ .

(f)  $(X \wedge \neg Y) \leftrightarrow (Y \vee Z)$ .

a) If I am eating spaghetti then I am happy

b) I am happy if and only if I am watching a movie

c) If I am watching a movie or I am eating spaghetti then I am happy

d) I am watching a movie or if I am eating spaghetti then I am happy

e) If I am watching a movie then I am not happy, and if I am eating spaghetti then I am not happy

f) I am happy and not watching a movie if and only if I am watching a movie or eating spaghetti.

2. Make a truth table for each of the following statements.

(a)  $P \wedge \neg Q$ .

(b)  $(R \vee S) \wedge \neg R$ .

(c)  $X \vee (\neg Y \vee Z)$ .

(d)  $(A \vee B) \wedge (A \vee C)$ .

(e)  $(P \wedge R) \vee \neg(Q \wedge S)$ .

$1 = T$   
 $0 = F$

a)

P	Q	$P \wedge \neg Q$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0

b)

R	S	$(R \vee S) \wedge \neg R$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

c)

X	Y	Z	$X \vee (\neg Y \vee Z)$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

d)

A	B	C	$(A \vee B) \wedge (A \vee C)$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

e)

P	Q	R	S	$(P \wedge R) \vee \neg(Q \wedge S)$
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1