

CSC281: Discrete Math for Computer Science

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Tutorial 1: Propositional and Predicate Logic

Question 1. Find a proposition for the given truth table:

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

For ex
1) $(p=T, q=F, r=F)$
it should be true
or 2) $(p=F, q=T, r=F)$
then it should be true
or 3) $(p=T, q=T, r=F)$
then it should be false

Question 2.

- Write a proposition with three variables, which is true iff only one variable is true, and false otherwise. $(p \wedge \neg q \wedge \neg r) \vee (\neg p \wedge q \wedge \neg r) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q \wedge r)$
- Write a proposition with three variables, which is never true (unsatisfiable). $(p \wedge \neg p) \vee (q \wedge \neg q) \vee (r \wedge \neg r)$

Question 3. Determine whether $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$ and $(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r$ are equivalent.

Question 4. Determine whether the following propositions are tautologies, if yes, proof them using propositional equivalences:

- $(q \wedge (p \rightarrow \neg q)) \rightarrow \neg p$
- $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge \neg p) \rightarrow \neg q$ No. let p: false, q: true. (Put a counter example)

Question 5. Write a proposition equivalent to $p \vee \neg q$ that uses only p, q, \neg , and the connective \wedge . $\neg(\neg p \wedge q)$

Question 6. Let the variable x represent students and y represent courses, with: $F(x)$: x is a freshman, $A(x)$: x is a part-time student, and $T(x,y)$: x is taking y . Translate these statements into English:

- $\exists x (A(x) \wedge \neg F(x))$ Some part time students are not a freshmen
- $\forall x \exists y T(x, y)$ Every student is taking some course
- $\exists x \forall y T(x, y)$ There is a student who takes all courses

Question 7. Let $p(m, n)$ mean $m \leq n$, where n and m are non-negative integers. Determine whether the following statements are true:

- $\forall n p(0, n)$ ✓
- $\exists n \forall m p(m, n)$ ✗ $m \leq n$ \rightarrow لا يوجد n واحد m يكون أكبر منه
- $\forall m \exists n p(m, n)$ ✓ $m \leq n$ \rightarrow $m, n \geq 0$

Question 8. Let the variable x denote people, and $S(x)$: x is smart, $T(x)$: x is tall, and $W(x)$: x is worried. Write these statements using the given predicates and any needed quantifiers:

- Some people are not worried.
 $\exists x \neg W(x)$

Non negative integer is the set of all integers without the negative integers. It includes 0 (zero) and other positive integers like +1, +2, +3... All the integers in this set are greater than or equal to 0.

Positive integers is the set of all integers greater than 0 (zero) and includes +1, +2, +3... All the integers in this set are strictly greater than 0.

$$\forall x (T(x) \rightarrow S(x))$$

2. All tall people are smart.

3. No smart people are worried.

$$\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow \neg W(x))$$

4. Some people are tall and smart, but they are worried.

$$\exists x (T(x) \wedge S(x) \wedge W(x))$$

5. If a person is smart, then that person is not worried.

$$\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow \neg W(x))$$

In Rules We Use
 \forall , even if it didn't
 say explicitly

\forall usually with \rightarrow
 \exists usually with \wedge

Q3

$$P \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \stackrel{?}{=} (P \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r$$

P	q	r	$P \rightarrow q$	$(P \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r$	$q \rightarrow r$	$P \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$
T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F	F
T	F	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	F	T	T

They are not equivalent.

Q4:-

$$(q \wedge (p \rightarrow \neg q)) \rightarrow \neg p \stackrel{?}{=} T$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (q \wedge (p \rightarrow \neg q)) \rightarrow \neg p \\
 & \equiv (q \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)) \rightarrow \neg p \\
 & \equiv ((q \wedge \neg p) \vee (q \wedge \neg q)) \rightarrow \neg p \\
 & \equiv ((q \wedge \neg p) \vee F) \rightarrow \neg p \\
 & \equiv (q \wedge \neg p) \rightarrow \neg p \\
 & \equiv \neg (q \wedge \neg p) \vee \neg p \\
 & \equiv (\neg q \vee p) \vee \neg p \\
 & \equiv \neg q \vee (p \vee \neg p) \\
 & \equiv \neg q \vee T \\
 & \equiv T
 \end{aligned}$$