

Self-Assessment Quiz (Conceptual)

Based on Lecture 05 (1).pdf

Ungraded — Practice Only

Instructions: Choose the most appropriate answer for each question. This quiz is for self-assessment only; it will not be graded.

Q1. In propositional logic, an **argument** consists of:

- (a) Only one statement that can be true or false.
- (b) A set of premises and a conclusion.
- (c) A truth table and a conjunction.
- (d) A logical equivalence between two statements.

Q2. An argument is said to be **valid** if:

- (a) All of its premises are true.
- (b) It has at least one true premise.
- (c) Whenever all premises are true, the conclusion must also be true.
- (d) Its conclusion is true regardless of its premises.

Q3. Which of the following best defines a **critical row** in a truth table?

- (a) A row where the conclusion is false.
- (b) A row where all premises are true.
- (c) A row where all premises are true and the conclusion is false.
- (d) A row where the premises and conclusion have opposite truth values.

Q4. The purpose of a **truth table** in testing arguments is to:

- (a) Determine the number of propositions in an argument.
- (b) Verify whether the argument's form is valid or invalid.
- (c) Translate arguments into English.
- (d) Show only the true rows of the argument.

Q5. Which of the following argument forms is **valid**?

- (a) $p \rightarrow q, q \quad \text{therefore } p$
- (b) $p \rightarrow q, \neg q \quad \text{therefore } \neg p$
- (c) $\neg p \rightarrow q, p \quad \text{therefore } q$
- (d) $p \rightarrow q, \neg p \quad \text{therefore } \neg q$

Q6. The argument form “If p then q ; not p ; therefore not q ” is known as:

- (a) Converse error
- (b) Inverse error
- (c) Modus ponens
- (d) Modus tollens

Q7. The argument form “If p then q ; q ; therefore p ” is known as:

- (a) Converse error
- (b) Inverse error
- (c) Disjunctive syllogism
- (d) Modus ponens

Q8. The argument “If it rains, the ground gets wet. It is raining. Therefore, the ground gets wet.” is an example of:

- (a) Converse error
- (b) Modus ponens (valid)
- (c) Inverse error
- (d) Invalid argument

Q9. The argument “If it rains, the ground gets wet. The ground is not wet. Therefore, it did not rain.” is an example of:

- (a) Modus tollens (valid)
- (b) Converse error
- (c) Inverse error
- (d) Invalid argument

Q10. What is the main purpose of translating English arguments into symbols?

- (a) To make them shorter.
- (b) To easily apply truth tables and test validity.
- (c) To eliminate the need for reasoning.

- (d) To replace natural language with programming syntax.

Q11. A truth table with 3 simple propositions (p, q, r) will have how many rows?

- (a) 4
- (b) 6
- (c) 8
- (d) 10

Q12. In testing argument validity, the argument is **invalid** if:

- (a) The conclusion is always true.
- (b) At least one critical row exists where all premises are true and the conclusion is false.
- (c) The premises are contradictory.
- (d) The conclusion is a tautology.

Answer Key

Question	Correct Answer
1	(b)
2	(c)
3	(c)
4	(b)
5	(b)
6	(b) Inverse error
7	(a) Converse error
8	(b) Modus ponens (valid)
9	(a) Modus tollens (valid)
10	(b) To easily apply truth tables and test validity
11	(c) 8
12	(b) At least one critical row exists where all premises are true and the conclusion is false