
Problem: Write two simple statements related to mathematics and write four compound statements by using them.

1 Objective :

To write four compound statements by using two simple mathematical statements.

2 Procedure/ Explanation :

In any triangle ABC,

$$p : a = b \cos C + c \cos B$$

$$q : b = c \cos A + a \cos C$$

Here, p and q are two simple statements. Both of them are true mathematical statements regarding projection law in a triangle. The compound statements that can be formed using statements p and q are as follows:

2.1 $p \wedge q$

$$a = b \cos C + c \cos B \text{ AND } b = c \cos A + a \cos C$$

Truth table:

p	q	$p \wedge q$
T	T	T

2.2 $p \vee q$

$$a = b \cos C + c \cos B \text{ OR } b = c \cos A + a \cos C$$

Truth table:

p	q	$p \vee q$
T	T	T

2.3 $\neg p \vee q$

$$a \neq b \cos C + c \cos B \text{ OR } b = c \cos A + a \cos C$$

Truth table:

$\neg p$	q	$\neg p \vee q$
F	T	T

2.4 $p \Rightarrow \neg q$

$$\text{IF } a = b \cos C + c \cos B, \text{ THEN } b \neq c \cos A + a \cos C$$

Truth table:

p	$\neg q$	$p \Rightarrow \neg q$
T	F	F

3 Observation:

For any two true simple statements p and q , the compound statements $(p \wedge q)$, $(p \vee q)$ and $(\neg p \vee q)$ are true and the statement $(p \Rightarrow \neg q)$ is found to be false.

4 Conclusion:

Two simple mathematical statements can be used to form a number of compound statements by using the logical connectives conjunction (\wedge), disjunction (\vee), negation (\neg), implication (\Rightarrow) and equivalence (\Leftrightarrow). The resultant statements may be either 'True' or 'False' depending upon the original simple statements.

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