

## Discrete Mathematics

## Predicate Logic

DPP-04

[MSQ]

1. Let  $R(x, y, z)$  denote the statement

“ $x + y = z$ ”

Which of the following proposition will evaluate truth value True?

- (a)  $R(1, 2, 3)$       (b)  $R(0, 0, 1)$   
 (c)  $R(1, 1, 2)$       (d)  $R(2, 3, 4)$

[MCQ]

2. Let  $p(x), q(x)$  denote the following open statements.

$p(x): x \leq 3$

$q(x): x + 1$  is odd

If the universe consists of all integers, what are the truth values of the following statements?

$S_1: \sim(p(-4) \vee q(-3))$

$S_1: \sim(p(-4) \wedge \sim q(-3))$

- (a)  $S_1$  : True,       $S_2$  : False  
 (b)  $S_1$  : False,       $S_2$  : True  
 (c)  $S_1$  : True,       $S_2$  : True  
 (d)  $S_1$  : False,       $S_2$  : False

[NAT]

3. Let  $p(x), q(x)$  denote the following open statements.

$p(x): x + 1 > x$        $q(x): x^2 > 0$

How many expressions evaluate to True?

- I.  $p(3) \vee [q(3) \vee \sim p(3)]$   
 II.  $p(2) \rightarrow [q(2) \rightarrow p(2)]$   
 III.  $[p(2) \rightarrow q(2)] \wedge p(-3)$

[MSQ]

4. Consider the english sentence

“You can not ride the roller coaster if you are under 4 feet tall unless you are older than 16 years old”.

Which of the following correctly represent the logical expression for the sentence?

- (a)  $q \rightarrow \sim(r \wedge \sim S)$   
 (b)  $(r \vee \sim S) \rightarrow q$   
 (c)  $(r \wedge \sim S) \rightarrow \sim q$   
 (d) None of these

[MCQ]

5. Let  $p(x)$  be the statement

“ $x + 1 > x$ ”

Now, consider the truth value of quantification, where the domain consists of all real number.

$L_1 = \forall x p(x)$

$L_2 = \exists x p(x)$

Which of the following evaluate to True?

- (a)  $L_1$  only  
 (b)  $L_2$  only  
 (c) Both  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are True  
 (d) Neither  $L_1$  nor  $L_2$

## Answer Key

1. (a, c)
2. (d)
3. (3)

4. (a, c)
5. (c)



## Hints and Solutions

1. (a, c)

I. The proposition  $R(1, 2, 3)$  is obtained by setting  $x=1, y=2$  and  $z=3$  in the statement  $R(x, y, z)$

So,  $R(1, 2, 3) \equiv 1 + 2 = 3 \equiv \text{True}$

II.  $R(1, 1, 2) \equiv 1 + 1 = 2 \equiv \text{True}$

Hence, option a and c is correct.

2. (d)

Statement  $S_1$ :

$$\sim(p(-4) \vee q(-3))$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$-4 \leq 3 \quad -3 + 1 = -2 \text{ is not odd}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\therefore \sim(\text{True} \vee \text{False})$$

$$\therefore \sim(\text{True}) \equiv \text{False}$$

Statement  $S_2$ :

$$\sim p(-4) \wedge \sim q(-3)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\sim(\text{True}) \wedge \sim(\text{False})$$

$$\therefore \text{False} \wedge \text{True} = \text{False}$$

Hence, option d is correct

3. (3)

I.

$$p(3) \vee [q(3) \vee \sim p(3)]$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$3+1 > 3 \quad 3^2 > 0 \quad \text{True}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$\text{True} \quad \text{True}$$

$$\therefore \text{True} \vee [\text{True} \vee \sim \text{True}]$$

$$\therefore \text{True} \vee \text{True} = \text{True}$$

II.

$$p(2) \rightarrow [q(2) \rightarrow p(2)]$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$\text{True} \quad \text{True} \quad \text{True}$$

$$\therefore \text{True} \rightarrow [\text{True} \rightarrow \text{True}] \equiv \text{True}$$

III.

$$[p(2) \rightarrow q(2)] \wedge p(-3)$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$\text{True} \quad \text{True} \quad \text{True}$$

$$\therefore [\text{True} \rightarrow \text{True}] \wedge \text{True} \equiv \text{True}$$

4. (a, c)

I. Let  $q, r$ , and  $s$  represents:

$q$ : you can ride the roller coaster

$r$ : you are under 4 feet tall

$s$ : you are older than 16 years old.

$\therefore$  The sentence can be translated to

$$(r \wedge \sim s) \rightarrow \sim q$$

II. An implication and its contrapositive always have the same truth value.

So,  $q \rightarrow \sim(r \wedge \sim s)$  also represent the sentence.

5. (c)

I.  $L_1 = \forall x p(x) : \text{True}$

Here  $p(x)$  is true for all real number  $x$ , so, the quantification  $\forall x p(x)$  is True.

II.  $L_2 = \exists x p(x) : \text{True}$

Here  $p(x)$  is true for all real number  
Thus, it will also true for same.



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