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Assignment #1

1. Which of these are propositions? What are the truth values of those that are propositions?
 - a) Do not pass go.
 - b) What time is it?
 - c) There are no black flies in Maine.
 - d) $4 + x = 5$.
 - e) The moon is made of green cheese.
 - f) $2n \geq 100$.
2. What is the negation of each of these propositions?
 - a) Jennifer and Teja are friends.
 - b) There are 13 items in a baker's dozen.
 - c) Abby sent more than 100 text messages every day.
 - d) 121 is a perfect square.
3. Suppose that Smartphone A has 256 MB RAM and 32 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 8 MP; Smartphone B has 288 MB RAM and 64 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 4 MP; and Smartphone C has 128 MB RAM and 32 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 5 MP. Determine the truth value of each of these propositions.
 - a) Smartphone B has the most RAM of these three smartphones.
 - b) Smartphone C has more ROM or a higher resolution camera than Smartphone B.
 - c) Smartphone B has more RAM, more ROM, and a higher resolution camera than Smartphone A.
 - d) If Smartphone B has more RAM and more ROM than Smartphone C, then it also has a higher resolution camera.
 - e) Smartphone A has more RAM than Smartphone B if and only if Smartphone B has more RAM than Smartphone A.
4. Let p and q be the propositions
 - p : I bought a lottery ticket this week.
 - q : I won the million dollar jackpot.Express each of these propositions as an English sentence.
 - a) $\neg p$
 - b) $p \vee q$
 - c) $p \rightarrow q$
 - d) $p \wedge q$

- e) $p \leftrightarrow q$
- f) $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
- g) $\neg p \wedge \neg q$ h) $\neg p \vee (p \wedge q)$

5. Let p and q be the propositions “The election is decided” and “The votes have been counted,” respectively. Express each of these compound propositions as an English sentence.

- a) $\neg p$
- b) $p \vee q$
- c) $\neg p \wedge q$
- d) $q \rightarrow p$
- e) $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- f) $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
- g) $p \leftrightarrow q$
- h) $\neg q \vee (\neg p \wedge q)$

6. Let p , q , and r be the propositions

p : You have the flu.

q : You miss the final examination.

r : You pass the course.

Express each of these propositions as an English sentence.

- a) $p \rightarrow q$
- b) $\neg q \leftrightarrow r$
- c) $q \rightarrow \neg r$
- d) $p \vee q \vee r$
- e) $(p \rightarrow \neg r) \vee (q \rightarrow \neg r)$
- f) $(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg q \wedge r)$

7. Let p , q , and r be the propositions

p : You get an A on the final exam.

q : You do every exercise in this book.

r : You get an A in this class.

Write these propositions using p , q , and r and logical connectives (including negations).

- a) You get an A in this class, but you do not do every exercise in this book.
- b) You get an A on the final, you do every exercise in this book, and you get an A in this class.
- c) To get an A in this class, it is necessary for you to get an A on the final.
- d) You get an A on the final, but you don't do every exercise in this book; nevertheless, you get an A in this class.
- e) Getting an A on the final and doing every exercise in this book is sufficient for getting an A in this class.
- f) You will get an A in this class if and only if you either do every exercise in this book or you get an A on the final.

8. Determine whether each of these conditional statements is true or false.

- a) If $1 + 1 = 3$, then unicorns exist.
- b) If $1 + 1 = 3$, then dogs can fly.
- c) If $1 + 1 = 2$, then dogs can fly.
- d) If $2 + 2 = 4$, then $1 + 2 = 3$.

9. Construct a truth table for each of these compound propositions.

- a) $p \rightarrow \neg p$
- b) $p \leftrightarrow \neg p$
- c) $p \oplus (p \vee q)$
- d) $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$
- e) $(q \rightarrow \neg p) \leftrightarrow (p \leftrightarrow q)$
- f) $(p \leftrightarrow q) \oplus (p \leftrightarrow \neg q)$

10. Construct a truth table for each of these compound propositions.

- a) $p \oplus p$
- b) $p \oplus \neg p$
- c) $p \oplus \neg q$
- d) $\neg p \oplus \neg q$
- e) $(p \oplus q) \vee (p \oplus \neg q)$
- f) $(p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus \neg q)$

11. Construct a truth table for each of these compound propositions.

- a) $(p \vee q) \vee r$
- b) $(p \vee q) \wedge r$
- c) $(p \wedge q) \vee r$
- d) $(p \wedge q) \wedge r$
- e) $(p \vee q) \wedge \neg r$
- f) $(p \wedge q) \vee \neg r$

12. For each of these sentences, determine whether an inclusive or, or an exclusive or, is intended. Explain your answer.

- a) Experience with C++ or Java is required.
- b) Lunch includes soup or salad.
- c) To enter the country you need a passport or a voter registration card.
- d) Publish or perish.

13. For each of these sentences, state what the sentence means if the logical connective or is an inclusive or (that is, a disjunction) versus an exclusive or. Which of these meanings of or do you think is intended?

- a) To take discrete mathematics, you must have taken calculus or a course in computer science.
- b) When you buy a new car from Acme Motor Company, you get \$2000 back in cash or a 2% car loan.
- c) Dinner for two includes two items from column A or three items from column B.
- d) School is closed if more than 2 feet of snow falls or if the wind chill is below -100 .

14. Write each of these statements in the form “if p, then q” in English.

- a) It is necessary to wash the boss’s car to get promoted.
- b) Winds from the south imply a spring thaw.
- c) A sufficient condition for the warranty to be good is that you bought the computer less than a year ago.
- d) Willy gets caught whenever he cheats.
- e) You can access the website only if you pay a subscription fee.
- f) Getting elected follows from knowing the right people.
- g) Carol gets seasick whenever she is on a boat.