CS1231 TUTORIAL 1

- 1. Which of these are propositions?
- (b) Can you answer the question? (c) There are no black flies in Maine. (a) Do not go.
- (d) 4 + x = 5. (e) $2^n \ge 100$.
- (f) The moon is made of green cheese.
- **2.** Let p and q be the propositions "The election is decided" and "The votes have been counted", respectively. Express each of the following as an English sentence.
- (a) $\neg p \land q$.
- (b) $q \to p$.
- (c) $p \leftrightarrow q$. (d) $\neg q \lor (\neg p \land q)$.
- **3.** Determine whether these conditional propositions are 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.
- 4. Consider the proposition "You will get an A in this module only if either you do every exercise in the text book or you score at least 80 marks in the final."
- (a) Determine all the situations in which the proposition is true.
- (b) Given that the proposition is true, would you get an A if you did not do exercise 5 and scored 79 marks for the final?
- Are the following pairs logically equivalent?
- (a) $(p \lor q) \lor (p \land r)$ and $(p \lor q) \land r$.
- (b) $(r \vee p) \wedge (\neg r \vee (p \wedge q)) \wedge (r \vee q)$ and $p \wedge q$.
- **6.** Complete the following truth table.

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Let
$$t = (p \to q) \land (\neg p \to r)$$
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Are the following true or false?

- (a) t is false if p and q are both true.
- (b) If t is false then $p \wedge q$ is false.
- (c) A sufficient condition for t to be true is that p is true and r is false.
- (d) t is true only if $p \vee r$ is true.
- (e) $(p \land q) \to t$ is a tautology.
- 7. The n^{th} proposition in a list of 100 propositions is "Exactly n of the propositions is this list are false".
- (a) What conclusion can you draw?
- (b) Answer part (a) if the n^{th} proposition is "At least n of the propositions in this list are false".
- (c) What can can you say about part (b) if the list has 101 items?
- **8.** Show that $[(p \to q) \land q] \to p$ is **not** a tautology.
- 9. Five friends have access to a chat room. Is it possible to determine who is chatting if the following information is known? (i) At least one of Kevin and Heather is chatting; (ii) Exactly one of Randy and Vijay is chatting; (iii) If Abby is chatting, then so it Randy; (iv) Vijay and Kevin are either both chatting or both not chatting; (v) If Heather is chatting, then so are Abby and Kevin.