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CS-23022
DISCRETE STRUCTURES FOR CS
Homework #1
(Due: January 24, 2012)

Problems: 2, 4, 8, 16, 20, 22, 28, 34 from Section 1.1

2. 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) $2^n \geq 100$.
4. 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.
8. 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) $\neg p \vee (p \wedge q)$
16. Determine whether these biconditionals are true or false.
- a) $2 + 2 = 4$ if and only if $1 + 1 = 2$.
 - b) $1 + 1 = 2$ if and only if $2 + 3 = 4$.
 - c) $1 + 1 = 3$ if and only if monkeys can fly.
 - d) $0 > 1$ if and only if $2 > 1$.
20. 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.
22. Write each of these statements in the form "if p , then q " in English. [Hint: Refer to the list of common ways to express conditional statements provided in this section.]
- 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.
28. State the converse, contrapositive, and inverse of each of these conditional statements.
- a) If it snows tonight, then I will stay at home.
 - b) I go to the beach whenever it is a sunny summer day.
 - c) When I stay up late, it is necessary that I sleep until noon.
34. 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) $(p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus \neg q)$