

# DISCRETE STRUCTURES

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Q1 :-

(A) → Let  $p$  be the  
Statement "DATAENDFLAG"

~~"is off,"~~ and the Statement

"ERROR equals 0," and

the Statement

"SUM is less than 1000,"

Express the following

Sentence in Symbolic

Notation,

a). DATAENDFLAG is off  
ERROR equals 0 and  
Sum is less than 1000.

b). DATAENDFLAG is off but

ERROR is not equal to 0.

C). DATAENDFLAG is off, however

ERROR is not equal 0 or

SUM is greater than or

equal to 1000.

D). DATAENDFLAG is on, and

ERROR equals 0 but

SUM is greater than

or equal to 1,000.

E). Either DATAENDFLAG

is on or it is the

case that both

ERROR equal 0 and

SUM is less than 1,000.

A).  $p, q$  and  $x$  are statements.

a)  $p \wedge q \wedge x$

b)  $p \sim q$

c)  $p \sim q \vee \sim p$

d)  $(\sim p \wedge q) \sim x$

e)  $\sim p \vee q \wedge x \quad \because \sim p \vee \sim q \wedge x$

B). Show That

ANS B)  $\therefore p \vee q \rightarrow x \equiv (p \rightarrow x) \wedge (q \rightarrow x)$

B L.H.S

R.H.S

| p | q | x | $p \vee q$ | $p \vee q \rightarrow x$ |
|---|---|---|------------|--------------------------|
| F | F | F | F          | F                        |
| F | F | T | F          | T                        |
| F | T | F | T          | F                        |
| F | T | T | T          | T                        |
| T | F | F | T          | F                        |
| T | F | T | T          | T                        |
| T | T | F | T          | F                        |
| T | T | T | T          | T                        |

| p | q | x | $p \rightarrow x$ | $q \rightarrow x$ | $(p \rightarrow x) \wedge (q \rightarrow x)$ |
|---|---|---|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| F | F | F | T                 | T                 | F  |
| F | F | T | T                 | T                 | T  |
| F | T | F | T                 | F                 | F  |
| F | T | T | T                 | T                 | T  |
| T | F | F | F                 | T                 | F  |
| T | F | T | T                 | T                 | T  |
| T | T | F | F                 | F                 | F  |
| T | T | T | T                 | T                 | T  |

L.H.S = R.H.S

$(p \rightarrow x) \wedge (q \rightarrow x)$

Q1: Solution (A)

A) :: PART A ::

a).  $p =$  "DATAENDFLAG" is off,

$q =$  "ERROR equals 0"

$r =$  "SUM is less than 1,000"

We can rewrite them

Given Sentence as -

"DATAENDFLAG is off, and ERROR equals 0 and SUM is less than 1000."

Replacing the Statements by  $p, q$  and  $r$  and replacing "and" by  $\wedge$ ,

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We then Obtain

$$P \wedge (Q \wedge R)$$

B)

$P =$  "DATAENDFLAG is off"

$Q =$  "ERROR equals 0"

$R =$  "SUM is less than 1000"

Note that the word "but"

in the given sentence

actually implies "and". Thus

We can then ~~write~~ rewrite the

given sentence as:

"DATAENDFLAG is off and  
ERROR does not equal 0."

Replacing the Statement  
by  $p, q$  and  $r$ , replacing  
"and" by  $\wedge$  and replacing  
"Not" by  $\sim$

we then obtain

$$p \wedge \sim q$$

c).

$p =$  "DATAENDFLAG is off"

$q =$  "ERROR equal 0"

$r =$  "SUM is less than 1000"

we can then rewrite

The Given Sentence as:

"DATAENDFLAG is off and

ERROR does not 0 or SUM

is not less than 1000"  
 Replacing the statement  
 by  $p, q$  and  $x$ , replacing "And"  
 by  $\wedge$ , replacing "or" by  $\vee$   
 And replacing not by  $\sim$ ,  
 We then obtain:!

$$P \wedge (\sim q \vee \sim x)$$

Note:

Using De Morgan's law,  
 we can rewrite

$$P \wedge (\sim q \vee \sim x) \text{ As } P \wedge \sim (q \wedge x)$$

D).

$P =$  "DATAENDELAG is off"

$q =$  "ERROR equals 0"

$x =$  "SUM is less than 1,000"



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Note The word "but"  
is the Given Sentence  
Actually implies "and",  
Thus we can rewrite the  
Given Sentence as:

DATAENDFLAG is not off and  
ERROR equals 0, and SUM is  
Not less than 1,000."

Replacing the Statements by  
 $p, q$  and  $r$ , replacing "and"  
by  $\wedge$  and replacing "Not" by  
by  $\sim$ ,

We can then obtain:

$$(\sim p \wedge q) \wedge \sim r$$

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E).

$P =$  "DATAENDFLAG is off"

$Q =$  "ERROR equals 0"

$R =$  "SUM is less than 1,000"

We can then rewrite the given sentence as:

"DATAENDFLAG is not off or, ERROR equals 0 and SUM is less than 1000"

Replacing the statements by  $P, Q$  and  $R$

Replacing "and" by  $\wedge$ , replacing  $R$  by  $V$

And replacing "Not" by  $\neg$ , we then obtain

$$\neg P \vee (Q \wedge R)$$

RESULTS:

(a)  $P \wedge (Q \wedge R)$ , (b)  $P \wedge \neg Q$

(c)  $P \wedge (\neg Q \vee \neg R)$ , (d)  $(\neg P \wedge Q) \wedge R$

(e)  $\neg P \vee (Q \wedge R)$ .

Q 2: a) Write the  
Converse, Inverse and  
Contrapositive of the  
following.

a). if Howard can swim across  
the lake; then Howard can  
swim to the island.

b). if today is Easter,  
then tomorrow is Monday.

Ans:

a). Converse: of (a):  
if Howard can  
swim to the island,  
then Howard can swim  
across the lake.

a). Inverse: of (a):  
if Howard

Cannot swim across the lake, then Howard cannot swim to the island.

a). Contrapositive of (a):

Howard cannot swim to the island if Howard

cannot swim across the lake.

B): Inverse: of (b):

if today is not

Easter, then tomorrow is

Not Monday.

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Converse of (b) :-

if tomorrow is  
Monday, then today is  
Easter.

Contrapositive of (b) :-

tomorrow is not Monday  
if today is not Easter.

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Q 7 :: (B)

B). Use truth table to determine  
Whether the argument form are  
Valid. Indicate which columns  
represent the premises and  
Which represent the Conclusion.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 P \\
 P \rightarrow q \\
 \sim q \vee r \\
 \therefore r
 \end{array}$$

(A) .

$$\begin{array}{l}
 p \wedge q \rightarrow \sim r \\
 p \cup \sim q \\
 \sim q \rightarrow p \\
 \therefore \sim r
 \end{array}$$

(B) .

Ans: Q2 (A)  $\therefore$  PART B

a) 
$$\begin{array}{l}
 P \\
 P \rightarrow q \sim q \vee r \therefore r
 \end{array}$$

Valid vs Invalid argument:

An Argument is said to be valid if and only if statements are substituted in such a way which makes all the premises true

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And thus Conclusion  
Column "FALSE" but all  
premises columns are  
"TRUE" then the  
Argument is said to  
be Invalid.

Q2 PART (B)  $\rightarrow$  (b)

b)  $P \wedge Q \rightarrow \sim (P \vee Q) \rightarrow P : \sim$

Calculation:

A Conjunction  $P \wedge Q$   
is true, if both (sub)

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## Statements (p and q)

Are true.

A Negation  $\sim p$  is true, if the (Sub) Statement  $p$  is false.

A Conditional Statement  $p \rightarrow q$  is true, if  $p$  is false or both (Sub) propositions are true.

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Q 3:-

In the back of an Old Cupboard you discovered a Note signed by a pirate famous for his bizarre sense of humor and love of logical puzzles. In the note he wrote that he had hidden treasure somewhere on the property. He listed five true statements (a-e below) and challenged the reader to use them to figure out the location of the treasure.

a). if this house is next to a lake, then the treasure is not in the kitchen.

b). if the tree in the front yard is an elm, then the treasure is in the kitchen.

c). This house is next to a lake.

d). The tree in the front yard is an elm or the treasure is buried under the flagpole.

e). if the tree in the back is an oak, then the treasure is ~~in buried~~ under the Garage.

Where is the treasure hidden?

Ans: (3)

p = this house is next to a lake.

q = treasure is not in the kitchen.

r = tree in the front yard is an elm.

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S = treasure is buried

Under the flagpole.

t = tree in the back  
yard is an oak.

u = the treasure is  
in the garage.

$(P \rightarrow q) \rightarrow$  ①

$(\neg \rightarrow \neg q) \rightarrow$  ②

(P)  $\rightarrow$  ③

$(\neg \vee S) \rightarrow$  ④

$(t \rightarrow u) \rightarrow$  ⑤

$(P \rightarrow q)$

(P)

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$\therefore q \rightarrow \textcircled{6}$  (from 1 and 3  
by Using modulus ponens)  
( $\delta \rightarrow \neg q$ )  
( $q$ )

$\therefore \neg \delta \rightarrow \textcircled{7}$  (from 2 and 6  
by Using modulus tollens)  
( $\delta \vee S$ )  
( $\neg \delta$ )

$\therefore S \rightarrow \textcircled{8}$  (from 4 and 7  
by Using elimination.)

Hence  $\therefore$

$\searrow$   
Treasure is  
buried Under the  
Flagpole.