

TRUTH TABLES HOMEWORK

TEXT: 2.3, 2.4

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1. Consider the statement

$$(X \wedge Y) \vee (X \wedge Z) \vee (X \wedge W)$$

How many rows would a truth table for this statement have?

2. Consider the statement

$$(a \vee b) \vee (b \rightarrow c) \vee (d \wedge (\sim e)) \leftrightarrow (a \wedge f \wedge g)$$

How many rows would a truth table for this statement have?

3. Construct the truth table for the following statement: fill out the answer column completely, and box it.

$$((\sim a) \wedge b) \rightarrow (b \leftrightarrow (a \vee c))$$

4. Construct a formal statement such that a corresponding truth table has 4 rows.

For each given statement, construct a truth table and determine whether the statement is a tautology, a contradiction, or neither.

5. $(x \vee y) \rightarrow (y \wedge x)$

Tautology

Contradiction

Neither

6. $(\sim q) \vee (\sim p)$

Tautology

Contradiction

Neither

7. $(a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge (\sim b))$

Tautology

Contradiction

Neither

8. $(\sim x) \wedge (\sim (x \vee y))$

Tautology

Contradiction

Neither

9. $(\sim (c \vee (\sim b))) \rightarrow ((\sim a) \wedge b)$

Tautology

Contradiction

Neither

10. $(\sim (g \rightarrow h)) \leftrightarrow h$

Tautology

Contradiction

Neither

11. $(a \wedge (\sim b)) \vee (a \rightarrow b)$

Tautology

Contradiction

Neither

12. $y \vee ((\sim z) \vee (x \wedge z))$

Tautology

Contradiction

Neither

13. Construct the truth table for the formal statement below. Fill out the answer column completely, and box it.

$$((X \rightarrow (\sim X)) \rightarrow ((\sim X) \rightarrow X)) \rightarrow (\sim X)$$

14 (†). Consider the following statement:

*Useful shapes are not printable,
printable shapes are against the law,
and legal shapes are not useful.*

Let A = “Shapes are useful”, B = “Shapes are printable”, and C = “Shapes are legal”. Translate the compound statement above into the formal language of logic.

Hint: it's a conjunction of three conditional statements.
For example, *Useful shapes are not printable* is $A \rightarrow (\sim B)$.

Construct the truth table for the formal statement above. Fill out the answer column completely, and box it.

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3.

a	b	c	$((\sim a) \wedge b) \rightarrow (b \leftrightarrow (a \vee c))$
T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T
T	F	T	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	T	T
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T
F	F	F	T

5. Neither tautology nor contradiction

x	y	$(x \vee y) \rightarrow (y \wedge x)$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

7. Neither tautology nor contradiction

a	b	$(a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge (\sim b))$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	F
F	F	F

9. Neither tautology nor contradiction

a	b	c	$\left(\sim (c \vee (\sim b)) \right) \rightarrow ((\sim a) \wedge b)$
T	T	T	T
T	T	F	F
T	F	T	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	T	T
F	T	F	T
F	F	T	T
F	F	F	T

11. Tautology

a	b	$(a \wedge (\sim b)) \vee (a \rightarrow b)$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	T