

ProofSpace Comprehension Quiz

Preliminaries

Logical Identities and Equivalence

1 Which of the following is logically equivalent to $P \Rightarrow Q$?

- (a) $Q \Rightarrow P$
- (b) $\neg P \Rightarrow \neg Q$.
- (c) $P \wedge \neg Q$.
- (d) None of the above options.

2 Which of the following is logically equivalent to $\neg(P \Rightarrow Q)$?

- (a) $P \wedge \neg Q$
- (b) $\neg P \wedge Q$.
- (c) $\neg P \vee Q$.
- (d) None of the above options.

3 For each equivalence in Column A, choose the appropriate identity used from Column B. Each entry in Column B may be used no more than once.

Column A

- _____ 1) $(P \vee P) \equiv P$.
- _____ 2) $(P \iff Q) \equiv (P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P)$.
- _____ 3) $\neg(P \wedge Q) \equiv (\neg P \vee \neg Q)$.
- _____ 4) $\neg(\neg(\neg P)) \equiv (\neg P)$.
- _____ 5) $P \wedge (Q \vee R) \equiv (P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R)$.

Column B

- a) Biconditional Statements
- b) Conditional Statements
- c) Conditional Statements with Disjunctions
- d) DeMorgan's Laws
- e) Double Negation
- f) Distributive Laws
- g) Idempotence

4 Which of the following are valid ways to prove two sentences logically equivalent? Select all those you think are appropriate.

- (a) Use a truth table.
- (b) Consider an example.
- (c) Show a counterexample to their negations
- (d) Use logical identities.

5 Consider the statement "If 3 is even, then 73 is odd." Which of the following is the best negation of this statement?

1. If 3 is not even, then 73 is not odd.
2. 3 is not even and 73 is not even.
3. 3 is even and 73 is not odd.
4. None of the above options.