

Recitation 1

1. **Converse Practice.** For each implication below, write its converse.

- (a) If it rains, then the ground is wet.
- (b) If n is divisible by 4, then n is even.
- (c) If a function is differentiable, then it is continuous.

2. **Equivalences Without Truth Tables.** Show the following without using truth tables:

- (a) $\neg p \leftrightarrow q \equiv p \leftrightarrow \neg q$.
- (b) $p \oplus (q \wedge u) \not\equiv (p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus u)$.
- (c) $p \oplus q \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)$.
- (d) $\neg(p \oplus q) \equiv (\neg p) \oplus q$.
- (e) $p \leftrightarrow q \equiv \neg(p \oplus q)$.

3. **State Tracing.** Determine the final values of x , y , and z after the following sequence of statements, *without* running the code. Then verify by running it.

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x, y = 3, 7
z = x + y
x, y = y, x + z
z = z % y
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What are the final values of x , y , and z ? At which step does multiple assignment become critical to getting the correct answer?

4. **Targeted Construction.** Construct a compound proposition in variables p, q, u that is true iff:

- (a) p is true, q is false, and u is false.
- (b) Exactly one of p, q, u is true.
- (c) At least two of p, q, u are true.

5. **Knights and Knaves.** On an island, Knights always tell the truth and Knaves always lie. Person A says:

“If I am a Knight, then B is a Knight.”

Determine what A and B can be.

6. **Type Prediction.** For each expression below, predict (a) the value and (b) the type of the result. Do not run the code first.

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5 / 2 == 5 // 2 # (i)

type(True + True + False) # (ii)

not (7 % 3 == 1) or (2 ** 3 == 8) # (iii)

10 // 3 * 3 + 10 % 3 == 10 # (iv)
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For expression (iv), explain why the result holds for any positive integers in place of 10 and 3, connecting your reasoning to Problem 6 from the notes.

7. **Chat Room Puzzle.** Five friends have access to a chat room. Is it possible to determine who is chatting if:

- (a) Either Kevin or Heather, or both, are chatting.
- (b) Either Randy or Vijay, but not both, are chatting.
- (c) If Abbey is chatting, so is Randy.
- (d) Vijay and Kevin are either both chatting or neither is.
- (e) If Heather is chatting, then so are Abbey and Kevin.

Explain your reasoning.