

1. (a) "17 is a prime number" is a statement, which we would translate as $P(17)$ (where $P(n)$ denotes " n is prime").
- (b) "If n is a prime number then n is odd" is a predicate, which we would translate as $P(n) \implies O(n)$ (where $O(n)$ denotes " n is odd").
- (c) "Is 13 a prime number?" is neither a statement nor a predicate.
- (d) "Every even number is the sum of two odd numbers" is a statement, which we would symbolise as $(\forall n)(E(n) \implies (\exists m, k)(O(m) \wedge O(k) \wedge S(m, k, n)))$ (where $E(n)$ denotes " n is even" and $S(m, k, n)$ denotes " $m + k = n$ ").

2. (a) We have the truth table

A	B	$(A \implies \sim B)$	\wedge	$(A \implies B)$
T	T	F	T	F
T	F	T	F	F
F	T	F	T	F
F	F	T	T	T

From this we see that the main column contains a mixture of Ts and Fs, so the statement is neither a tautology nor a contradiction.

- (b) We have the truth table

A	B	$(A \implies B)$	\wedge	$(\sim A \implies B)$
T	T	T	T	F
T	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	F	T

Again we see that this is neither a tautology nor a contradiction.

- (c) We have the truth table

A	B	$(A \iff B)$	\vee	$(A \iff \sim B)$
T	T	T	T	F
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	F	T	F
F	F	T	T	T

This time the main column has all Ts so this is a tautology.

- (d) We have the truth table

A	B	$(B \implies A)$	\implies	$\sim A$
T	T	T	T	F
T	F	F	T	F
F	T	T	F	T
F	F	F	T	T

Again we see that this statement is a tautology.

3. (a) We have the truth table

A	B	$(A \implies B)$	\iff	$\sim (A \wedge \sim B)$
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	F
F	T	T	T	F
F	F	F	T	F

We see that the main column contains only Ts so the statement is a tautology.

- (b) We have the truth table

A	B	$(\sim A \implies (B \wedge \sim B))$	\iff	A
T	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	T	F
F	F	T	T	F

Again we see that the main column contains only Ts so the statement is a tautology.

4. (a) The contrapositive of $A(n)$ is “If $n^2 - 1$ is odd then n is even”.
- (b) The converse of $A(n)$ is “If $n^2 - 1$ is even then n is odd”.
- (c) The negation of $A(n)$ is “ n is odd and $n^2 - 1$ is odd”.
- (d) $A(n)$ is true for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$: for example, $A(1)$ is true (since 1 is odd and $0 = 1^2 - 1$ is even).
- (e) $A(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We give a direct proof. Suppose n is odd. Then $n = 2k + 1$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, and so $n^2 - 1 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 - 1 = 2(2k^2 + 2k)$, and $2k^2 + 2k \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $n^2 - 1$ is even.
- (f) By (d) and (e), the contrapositive is true for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and indeed for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, since it is equivalent to $A(n)$ itself.
- (g) The converse of $A(n)$ is true for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$: for example the converse of $A(2)$ is (vacuously) true since $2^2 - 1 = 3$ is not even.
- (h) The converse of $A(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We give a proof by contraposition. So suppose that n is not odd. Then n is even, so $n = 2k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, and so $n^2 - 1 = 4k^2 - 1 = 2(2k^2) - 1$, and $2k^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $n^2 - 1$ is odd. Hence, by contraposition, if $n^2 - 1$ is even then n is odd.