# MATHEMATICAL REASONING

# **HINTS & SOLUTIONS**

#### EXERCISE - 1 Single Choice

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р	q	~p	$p \leftrightarrow q$	~(p↔q)	~p↔ q
Т	Т	F	Т	F	F
Т	F	F	F	Т	Т
F	Т	Т	F	Т	Т
F	F	Т	Т	F	F

- 7. Both statements p and q are true so  $p \Rightarrow q$  and  $q \Rightarrow p$  $\therefore p \Leftrightarrow q$
- 8. When p and q both are true then
  - $\sim$ (p  $\rightarrow$  q) and ( $\sim$ p  $\vee \sim$ q) both are false

i.e.  $\sim (p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\sim p \lor \sim q)$  is true

when p and q both are false then

 $\sim$ (p  $\rightarrow$  q) is false and ( $\sim$ p  $\vee \sim$ q) is true

i.e.  $\sim (p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\sim p \lor \sim q)$  is false

Hence  $\sim (p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\sim p \lor \sim q)$  is neither tautology nor contradiction.

- **10.**  $\rightarrow$  p  $\rightarrow$  (q  $\vee$  r) is false
  - $\Rightarrow$  p is true and (q  $\vee$  r) is false
  - $\Rightarrow$  p is true, q and r both are false
  - i.e.  $p \rightarrow (q \lor r)$  is false when truth values of p, q, r are T, F, F resp. otherwise it is true.
- **11.** Let p, q, r be the three statements such that

p: x = 5, q: y = -2 and r: x - 2y = 9

Here given statement is  $(p \land q) \rightarrow r$  and its contrapositive is  $\sim r \rightarrow \sim (p \land q)$ 

i.e.  $\neg r \rightarrow (\neg p \lor \neg q)$  i.e. if  $x - 2y \neq 9$  then  $x \neq 5$ or  $y \neq -2$ 

12. Let  $S(p, q) \equiv (p \lor \neg q) \land \neg p$   $\Rightarrow S(\neg p, \neg q) \equiv (\neg p \lor q) \land p$ Now  $S^*(\neg p, \neg q) \equiv (\neg p \land q) \lor p$ and  $\neg S(p, q) \equiv \neg [(p \lor \neg q) \land \neg p] \equiv \neg (p \lor \neg q) \lor p$   $\equiv (\neg p \land q) \lor p$ Hence  $S^*(\neg p, \neg q) \equiv \neg S(p, q)$ 

- 17.  $\rightarrow$   $(p \land q) \lor (q \land r)$  is false
  - $\Rightarrow$  (p  $\land$  q) and (q  $\land$  r) both are false
  - $\Rightarrow$  p and r both are false or q is false.

otherwise  $(p \land q) \lor (q \land r)$  is true

 The negation of "Everyone in Germany speaks German" is - there is at least one person in Germany who does not speak German.

20. 
$$\sim (p \rightarrow (q \land r)) \equiv p \land \sim (q \land r)$$
  
 $(\therefore \sim (p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \land \sim q)$   
 $\equiv p \land (\sim q \lor \sim r)$ 

21.  $\Rightarrow \neg q \Rightarrow \neg p \equiv \neg(\neg q) \lor \neg p$  ( $\Rightarrow p \Rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \lor q$ )  $\equiv q \lor \neg p$   $\equiv \neg p \lor q$  (by commutative law)  $\equiv p \Rightarrow q$  ( $\Rightarrow p \Rightarrow q = \neg p \lor q$ )

Hence 
$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$$

- 26. Let p, q, r three statement defined as
  - p : a number N is divisible by 15

q : number N is divisible by 5

r : number N is divisible by 3

Here given statement is  $p \rightarrow (q \lor r)$ 

Here negative of above statement is

 $\sim\!\!(p \rightarrow (q \lor r)) \equiv p \land (\sim\!\!(q \lor r)$ 

$$\equiv p \land (\sim q \land \sim r)$$

i.e. A number is divisible by 15 and it is not divisible by 5 and 3.

**31.** (~ T  $\lor$  F)  $\land$  ~T Т  $\Rightarrow$  $\therefore$  (F  $\lor$  F)  $\land$  F  $\Rightarrow$  T  $\therefore$  F  $\wedge$  F  $\Rightarrow$  T .. F  $\rightarrow$ T 35.  $\rightarrow$  (~p  $\vee$  ~q)  $\vee$  (p  $\vee$  ~q) =  $(\sim p \lor \sim q) \lor (\sim q \lor p)$  (by commutative law)  $= \sim p \vee [\sim q \vee (\sim q \vee p)]$  (by Associative law)  $\equiv -p \vee [(\neg q \vee \neg q) \vee p] \text{ (by Associative law)}$  $\equiv -p \lor (p \lor -q)$ (by commutative law)  $\equiv$  (~p  $\lor$  p)  $\lor$  ~q (by Associative law)  $\equiv$  t  $\lor \sim q \equiv t$  t is a tautology Hence  $(\sim p \lor \sim q) \lor (p \lor \sim q)$  is a tautology.

- **37.**  $\rightarrow$  (p  $\land$  q)  $\rightarrow$  p is false
  - $\Rightarrow$  (p  $\land$  q) is true and p is false

which is not possible

- so  $(p \land q) \rightarrow p$  is always true i.e. it is a tautology.
- **39.**  $\rightarrow$  [(p $\land$ p)  $\rightarrow$  q] $\rightarrow$  p  $\equiv$ (p $\rightarrow$ q) $\rightarrow$ p ( $\rightarrow$  p  $\land$  p  $\equiv$  p)

when p is false and q is true (or false) then

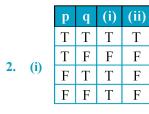
 $(p \rightarrow q)$  is true i.e.  $(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p$  is false

Hence  $[(p \land p) \rightarrow q] \rightarrow p$  is not a tautology.

# EXERCISE - 2 Part # II : Comprehension

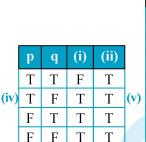
- 1. If p then q means p only if q
- 2. If p then q  $\Rightarrow$  p is sufficient for q
- 3. p is false, q is false so  $p \rightarrow q$  is true.

EXERCISE - 3 Subjective Type



	р	q	(i)	<b>(ii</b> )
	Т	Τ	Т	F
(1)	Т	F	F	F
(ii)	F	T	F	F
	F	F	Т	Τ

р	q	r	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
Т	Т	Т	Т	F	F	F
Т	Т	F	F	Т	Т	F
Т	F	T	Т	F	F	Т
F	Т	Т	Т	Т	F	Т
Т	F	F	Т	F	Т	F
F	Τ	F	F	Т	Т	F
F	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т
F	F	F	F	Т	Т	F
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р	q	r	$(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r$
Т	Т	Т	Т
Т	Т	F	F
Т	F	Т	Т
F	Т	Т	Т
Т	F	F	Т
F	Т	F	F
F	F	Т	Т
F	F	F	F

	р	q	r	$(p \lor q) \leftrightarrow r$
	Т	Т	Т	Т
	Т	Т	F	F
	Т	F	Т	Т
	F	Т	T	Т
vi)	Т	F	F	F
	F	Т	F	F
	F	F	Т	F
	F	F	F	Т

### Fallacy

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Let p be the statement "Traders do not reduce the prices" and q be the statement "Government takes action against them"

The first statement in symbolic form is  $p \rightarrow q$  and the second statement is  $\sim (p \land \sim q)$ .

In order to check the equivalence of the above statements let us prepare the following truth table.

р	q	~ q	$p \wedge \sim q$	$\sim (p \land \sim q)$	$\textbf{p} \rightarrow \textbf{q}$
Т	Т	F	F	Т	Т
Т	F	Т	Т	F	F
F	Т	F	F	Т	Т
F	F	Т	F	Т	Т

Clearly,  $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$  and  $\sim (p \land \sim q)$  have same truth values for all the values of p and q. Hence, the two statements are equivalent.

Aliter: We have,  $\sim (p \land \sim q) \equiv (\sim p \lor q) \equiv (p \rightarrow q)$ Hence the two statements are equivalent.

6. True



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р	q	~p	~q	~q ^ p	p∨~p	$(\sim q \land p) \lor (p \lor \sim p)$
Т	Т	F	F	F	Т	Т
Т	F	F	Т	Т	Т	Т
F	Т	Т	F	F	Т	Т
F	F	Т	Т	F	Т	Т

8. Given Statement is

 $(\Delta ABC \text{ is right angled at } B) \implies (AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2)$ 

- (A) Its converse is : (In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$ )  $\implies \triangle ABC$  is right angled at B.
- (B) Its contradiction is :  $(In \ \Delta ABC, AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2) \implies \Delta ABC$  is not right angled at B.
- (C) Its contrapositive is : (In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AB^2 + BC^2 \neq AC^2$ )  $\Rightarrow \triangle ABC$  is not right angled at B.
- 10. The compound statement is :
  - "25 is a multiple of 5 or 8"

Let us assume that the statement q is false i.e. 25 is

not a multiple of 8. Clearly, p is true.

Thus, if we assume that q is false, then p is true.

Hence, the compound statement is true i.e. valid.

- 11. Let q and r be the statements given by
  - q: If x is an integer and  $x^2$  is even
  - **r** : x is an even integer

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p: "If q, then r"
then
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If possible, let r be false then r is false

- x is not an even integer  $\Rightarrow$
- $\Rightarrow$ x is an odd integer
- x = (2n + 1) for some integer n  $\Rightarrow$
- $x^2 = 4n^2 + 4n + 1$  $\Rightarrow$
- $x^2 = 4n(n+1) + 1$  $\Rightarrow$
- $\Rightarrow$  $x^2$  is an odd integer
- $\Rightarrow$ q is false

## [ $\therefore$ 4n(n + 1) is even]

r is false  $\Rightarrow$  q is false Thus,

Hence, p: "If q, then r" is a true statement.

 $(p \land q) \lor [\sim p \lor (p \land \sim q)]$ 

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= (p \land q) \lor [(\sim p \lor p) \land (\sim p \lor \sim q)] = (p \land q) \lor
[t \land (\sim p \lor \sim q)] = (p \land q) \lor (\sim p \lor \sim q)
= (p \land q) \lor [\sim (p \land q)] = t
also (~p \land q) \lor t = t
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- **p**: it rains tomorrow
  - q: I shall carry my umbrella
  - r: cloth is mended

 $P: p \rightarrow (r \rightarrow q)$ 

 $Q: p \land \sim r$ 

**S**:~q

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14.

- $P:T,Q:T \Rightarrow S:T$
- : S not valid

р	q	r	Р	Q	S
Т	Т	Т	Т	F	F
Т	Т	F	Т	Т	F
Т	F	Т	F	F	Т
Т	F	F	Т	Т	Т
F	Т	Т	Т	F	F
F	Т	F	Т	F	F
F	F	Т	Т	F	Т
F	F	F	Т	F	Т
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Consider the following statements :

p: Hema is not in team A

q: Rita is not in team B.

r : Mamta is in team A.

We have,  $S_1 : p \to \neg q, S_2 : q \to r, S : r \lor q$ 

In order to test the validity of the given argument, let us first prepare the truth table for  $S_1 \wedge S_2 \rightarrow S$  as given below.

Truth table for  $S_1 \land S_2 \rightarrow S$ 

р	q	r	~q	$S_1:p \rightarrow \sim q$	S₂:q→r	$S_1 \land S_2$	$S:q \lor r$	$S_1 \land S_2 \rightarrow S$
Т	Т	Т	F	F	Т	F	Т	Т
Т	Т	F	F	F	F	F	Т	Т
Т	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т
Т	F	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	F	F
F	Т	Т	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т
F	Т	F	F	Т	F	F	Т	Т
F	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т
F	F	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	F	F

We observe that the last column of the truth table contains F also. Thus  $S_1 \wedge S_2 \rightarrow S$  is not a tautology hence argument is invalid.



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15. The truth table showing the truth values of hypotheses and conclusion is as given below :

					Hypot	heses		Conclusion	
р	q	r	~q	p∧ ~q	$S_1 (p \land \sim q) \rightarrow r$	S₂ p∨q	$S_{3}$ q $\rightarrow$ p	S r	
Т	Т	Т	F	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	←ı
Т	Т	F	F	F	Т	Т	Т	F	← Critical
Т	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	← Rows
Т	F	F	Т	Т	F	Т	Т	F	
F	Т	Т	F	F	Т	Т	F	Т	
F	Т	F	F	F	Т	Т	F	F	
F	F	Т	Т	F	Т	F	Т	Т	
F	F	F	Т	F	Т	F	Т	F	

We observe that there are three critical rows, namely I, II, & III such that the conclusion is not true in the II<sup>nd</sup> row. Hence the given argument is invalid.

#### **EXERCISE - 4** Part # I : AIEEE/JEE-MAIN

- 1. +  $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)$  is false
  - $\Rightarrow$  p is true and  $(q \rightarrow p)$  is false. which is not possible.

So  $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)$  is always true i.e. it is a tautology.

again  $p \rightarrow (p \lor q)$  is false

p is true and  $(p \lor q)$  is false. Which is not possible.

So  $p \rightarrow (p \lor q)$  is always true i.e. it is a tautology.

Hence  $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p) \equiv p \rightarrow (p \lor q)$ 

2. Given

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 $r: \sim p \leftrightarrow q$ statement-I  $r \equiv q \lor p$ 

statement-II  $r \equiv (p \leftrightarrow \sim q)$ 

р	q	~ p	~ q	$(\sim p \leftrightarrow q)$	$\mathbf{q} \vee \mathbf{p}$	$(p \leftrightarrow \sim q)$
Т	Т	F	F	F	Т	F
Τ	F	F	Т	Т	Т	Т
F	Т	Т	F	Т	Т	Т
F	F	Т	Т	F	F	F

Hence Statement-I is false and Statement-II is true.

statement-I :  $\sim$ (p $\leftrightarrow$   $\sim$ q) is equivalent to p $\leftrightarrow$ q  $\sim$ (p $\leftrightarrow$   $\sim$ q) is a tautology. statement-II :

р	q	~ q	$(p \leftrightarrow q)$	$(\mathbf{p}\leftrightarrow\sim\mathbf{q})$	$\sim (p \leftrightarrow \sim q)$
Т	Т	F	Т	F	Т
Т	F	Т	F	Т	F
F	Т	F	F	Т	F
F	F	Τ	Т	F	Т

Hence statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false.

4. Given  $S \subseteq R$  and

p = There is a rational number  $x \in S$  such that x > 0then  $\sim p$ : Any rational number  $x \in S$  such that  $x \neq 0$ i.e.  $\sim p$ : Every rational number  $x \in S$  satisfy  $x \le 0$ 5. Given Statement :





- $= [(p \lor q \lor \sim p) \land (p \lor q \lor q)]$
- $= (t \lor q) \land (p \lor q) = t \land (p \lor q) = p \lor q$
- $= (p \lor q) \lor (\sim p \land q)$
- **10.**  $(p \land \neg q) \lor q \lor (\neg p \land q)$  $= [(p \lor q) \land (\sim q \lor q)] \lor (\sim p \land q)$  $= [(p \lor q) \land t] \lor (\sim p \land q)$

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6.  $[p \land (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q$  $[p \land (\sim p \lor q)] \to q$  $[(p \land \sim p) \lor (p \land q)] \to q$  $[\mathsf{c} \lor (\mathsf{p} \land \mathsf{q})] \to \mathsf{q}$ 

 $\Rightarrow (p \land q) \rightarrow q$ 

	$\Rightarrow$	~(p /	$(q) \vee q$					
	$\Rightarrow$	(~p \	√~q) ∨ q					
	$\Rightarrow$	$\sim p \lor$	(q ∨~ q)					
	$\Rightarrow$	$\sim p \lor$	$(t) \equiv taut$	ology				
9.	$\sim S$	∨ (~	$r \wedge S$ )					
S	r	~r	$\sim r \wedge S$	~ S	$\sim S \vee (\sim$	$-\mathbf{r} \wedge \mathbf{S}$	~ (~ \$ \	$(\sim r \wedge S)$

 $\int p \wedge \sim p \equiv c \equiv contradiction$ 

 $c \lor p \!\equiv\! p$ 

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$$\begin{array}{l} (p \wedge \sim r) \Leftrightarrow q \\ \text{Negations of } p \Leftrightarrow q \text{ are} \\ \sim (p \Leftrightarrow q), \sim (q \Leftrightarrow p), \\ \sim p \Leftrightarrow q \quad \text{and} \quad \sim q \Leftrightarrow p \\ \text{Hence negations of given statement} \\ \text{are} \quad \sim (q \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge \sim r)) \quad \text{and} \quad \sim (p \wedge \sim r) \Leftrightarrow q \end{array}$$