

AIT Semantic and Declarative Technologies Course
Practice L2: Propositional Logic – expressing Boolean functions

1. Implication (Recall that $U \rightarrow V = \neg U \vee V$.)

a) Express implication using negation and conjunction only:

$$(U \rightarrow V) =$$

b) Express disjunction using implication and negation only:

$$(U \vee V) =$$

2. Equivalence

a) Express equivalence using implication and conjunction:

$$(U \leftrightarrow V) =$$

b) Express equivalence using negation, disjunction and conjunction:

$$(U \leftrightarrow V) =$$

3. Exclusive Or

a) Express “exclusive or” (\oplus) using negation and equivalence only:

$$(U \oplus V) =$$

b) Express “exclusive or” using negation, conjunction and disjunction:

$$(U \oplus V) =$$

4. Complex Boolean expressions (you can use arbitrary operations introduced above, try to find the simplest formula)

a) Express the condition that exactly one of the propositions A and B are true

b) Express the condition that exactly two of the propositions A and B and C are true

c) Express the boolean if-then-else function, similar to the C language expression ($x ? y : z$):

$$(\text{if } A \text{ then } B \text{ else } C) = \begin{cases} B & \text{if } A \text{ is true} \\ C & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$