

## Practice Exercises on Logical Connectives

1. State the contrapositive and converse. Also write the statement in an equivalent form using only  $\sim$  and  $\vee$ .

If  $f$  is continuous on the interval  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on the interval  $(a, b)$ , then there is a point  $c$  in  $(a, b)$  where  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$ .

2. a) John is on the phone with his mother discussing Christmas plans. He has a sister Sally. He says:

“I won't come home for Christmas unless Sally does.”

Let  $J$  be the proposition “John will come home for Christmas”  
 $S$  be the proposition “Sally will come home for Christmas”

Write what John meant in terms of  $J$ ,  $S$  and using “ $\Rightarrow$ ”

- b) Using logical connectives, write

“John will come home for Christmas but Sally won't.”

3. Write the contrapositive:

“If the ocean was whiskey and I was a duck, I'd swim to the bottom and never come up.” (*A line from a cowboy song sung by old-time cowboy movie star Tex Ritter.*)

