

Exercises

1. Use truth tables to verify these equivalences.
- a) $p \wedge T \equiv p$
 - b) $p \vee F \equiv p$
 - c) $p \wedge F \equiv F$
 - d) $p \vee T \equiv T$
 - e) $p \vee p \equiv p$
 - f) $p \wedge p \equiv p$
2. Show that $\neg(\neg p)$ and p are logically equivalent.
3. Use truth tables to verify the commutative laws
- a) $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$
 - b) $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$
4. Use truth tables to verify the associative laws
- a) $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$
 - b) $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$
5. Use a truth table to verify the distributive law
- $$p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$$
6. Use a truth table to verify the first De Morgan law
- $$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$$
7. Use De Morgan's laws to find the negation of each of the following statements.
- a) Jan is rich and happy.
 - b) Carlos will bicycle or run tomorrow.
 - c) Mei walks or takes the bus to class.
 - d) Ibrahim is smart and hard working.
8. Use De Morgan's laws to find the negation of each of the following statements.
- a) Kwame will take a job in industry or go to graduate school.
 - b) Yoshiko knows Java and calculus.
 - c) James is young and strong.
 - d) Rita will move to Oregon or Washington.

- and \wedge
or \vee
if then \rightarrow
if and only if \leftrightarrow
Equals =
9. Show that each of these conditional statements is a tautology by using truth tables.
- a) $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$
 - b) $p \rightarrow (p \vee q)$
 - c) $\neg p \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q)$
 - d) $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q)$
 - e) $\neg(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow p$
 - f) $\neg(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow \neg q$
10. Show that each of these conditional statements is a tautology by using truth tables.
- a) $[\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)] \rightarrow q$
 - b) $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$
 - c) $[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q$
 - d) $[(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow r$
11. Show that each conditional statement in Exercise 9 is a tautology without using truth tables.
12. Show that each conditional statement in Exercise 10 is a tautology without using truth tables.
13. Use truth tables to verify the absorption laws.
- a) $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$
 - b) $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$
14. Determine whether $(\neg p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow \neg q$ is a tautology.
15. Determine whether $(\neg q \wedge (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow \neg p$ is a tautology.
- Each of Exercises 16–28 asks you to show that two compound propositions are logically equivalent. To do this, either show that both sides are true, or that both sides are false, for exactly the same combinations of truth values of the propositional variables in these expressions (whichever is easier).
16. Show that $p \leftrightarrow q$ and $(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$ are equivalent.
17. Show that $\neg(p \leftrightarrow q)$ and $p \leftrightarrow \neg q$ are logically equivalent.