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Assignment 4

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1 Our assignment

1. Find a logically equivalent formula for $\phi \ W \ \psi$ and provide a short reasoning to support your answer. Represent this equivalence between the two expressions with the appropriate logical connective, and support your reasoning.

Solution:

The logically equivalent formula would for this would be:

$$(\phi \ W \ \psi) \equiv (\phi \oplus \ \psi)$$

These are equivalent because $\phi \ W \ \psi$ means that until the value for ψ is false, ϕ is gonna return true. This is only achievable with the **XOR** operation since whenever the value for ψ is 0, value for ϕ is equal to 1. and vice versa.