Exercise Sheet 1

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1. (P13, Ex.11, [R]) Let p and q be the propositions:

p: It is below freezing.

q: It is snowing.

Write these propositions using p and q and logical connectives (including negations).

- It is below freezing and snowing.
- It is below freezing but not snowing.
- It is not below freezing and it is not snowing.
- It is either snowing or below freezing (or both).
- 2. Construct a truth table for each of these compound propositions and answer which of them are logically equivalent with each other.

a)
$$(\neg p \lor q) \land (\neg q \lor p)$$

b)
$$(\neg p \lor q) \lor (\neg q \lor p)$$

c)
$$p \wedge (q \vee r)$$

d)
$$(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$$

e)
$$\neg (p \land q)$$

f)
$$\neg p \lor \neg q$$

g)
$$(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$$

3. Prove that the following propositions are satisfiable.

a)
$$(p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee \neg r) \wedge (r \vee \neg p)$$

b)
$$\neg((p \lor \neg q) \land (q \lor \neg r) \land (r \lor \neg p))$$