

## DISCRETE MATHEMATICS –ASSIGNMENT NO.3

### EXERCISE 1.3

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  $\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ .

13. Use truth tables to verify the absorption laws.

- a)  $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$
- b)  $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$

### EXERCISE 1.4

11. Let  $P(x)$  be the statement " $x = x^2$ ." If the domain consists of the integers, what are these truth values?

- d)  $P(-1)$
- e)  $\exists x P(x)$
- f)  $\forall x P(x)$

17. Suppose that the domain of the propositional function  $P(x)$  consists of the integers 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4. Write out each of these propositions using disjunctions, conjunctions, and negations.

- d)  $\forall x \neg P(x)$
- e)  $\neg \exists x P(x)$
- f)  $\neg \forall x P(x)$

19. Suppose that the domain of the propositional function  $P(x)$  consists of the integers 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. Express these statements without using quantifiers,

instead using only negations, disjunctions, and conjunctions.

- c)  $\neg \exists x P(x)$
- d)  $\neg \forall x P(x)$
- e)  $\forall x ((x \neq 3) \rightarrow P(x)) \vee \exists x \neg P(x)$

52. As mentioned in the text, the notation  $\exists! x P(x)$  denotes

"There exists a unique  $x$  such that  $P(x)$  is true."

If the domain consists of all integers, what are the truth values of these statements?

- b)  $\exists! x (x^2 = 1)$
- c)  $\exists! x (x + 3 = 2x)$
- d)  $\exists! x (x = x + 1)$

### EXERCISE 1.5

26. Let  $Q(x, y)$  be the statement " $x + y = x - y$ ." If the domain for both variables consists of all integers, what are the truth values?

- g)  $\exists y \forall x Q(x, y)$
- h)  $\forall y \exists x Q(x, y)$
- i)  $\forall x \forall y Q(x, y)$