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The logic of compound statements

Question 1:

Indicate which of the following sentences are statements:

- (a) She is a mathematics major.
- (b) $128 = 2_6$.
- (c) $x = 2_6$.

Question2:

Write the statements in symbolic form using the symbols \sim , \wedge and \vee and the indicated letters to represent component statements.

1. Let s = "stocks are increasing" and i = "interest rates are steady".
 - (a) Stocks are increasing but interest rates are steady.
 - (b) Neither are stocks increasing nor interest rates steady.
2. Let h = "John is healthy", w = "John is wealthy" and s = "John is wise".
 - (a) John is healthy and wealthy but not wise.
 - (b) John is not wealthy but he is healthy and wise.
 - (c) John is neither healthy, wealthy, nor wise.
3. Let p be the statement "DATAENDFLAG is off", q the statement "ERROR equals 0" and r the statement "SUM is less than 1,000."
 - (a) DATAENDFLAG is off, ERROR equals 0, and SUM is less than 1,000.
 - (b) DATAENDFLAG is off but ERROR is not equal to 0.
 - (c) DATAENDFLAG is off; however ERROR is not 0 or SUM is greater than or equal to 1,000.
 - (d) DATAENDFLAG is on and ERROR equals 0 but SUM is greater than or equal to 1,000.

Question3:


Write truth tables for the following statement form:

1. $\sim p \wedge q$
2. $(p \wedge q) \vee \sim (p \vee q)$
3. $p \wedge (q \wedge r)$
4. $\sim p \wedge (q \vee \sim r)$

Question4:

Determine which of the pairs of statement forms are logically equivalent. Justify your answers using truth tables.

1. $p \vee (p \wedge q)$ and p .
2. $\sim (p \vee q)$ and $\sim p \wedge \sim q$.
3. $(p \vee q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ and $(p \vee q) \wedge r$.
4. $(r \vee p) \wedge ((\sim r \vee (p \wedge q)) \wedge (r \vee q))$ and $p \wedge q$.

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Question5:

Use De Morgan's laws to write negations for the following statements:

1. Hala is a math major and Hala's sister is a computer science major.
2. Sam swims on Thursdays and John plays tennis on Saturdays.
3. The connector is loose or the machine is unplugged.

Question6:

Use truth tables to establish which of the statement forms are tautologies and which are contradictions.

1. $(p \wedge q) \vee (\sim p \vee (p \wedge \sim q))$
2. $(p \wedge \sim q) \wedge (\sim p \vee q)$
3. $(\sim p \vee q) \vee (p \wedge \sim q)$

Question7:

Use Theorem 1.1.1 to verify the logical equivalences:

1. $(p \wedge \sim q) \vee p \equiv p$
2. $\sim (p \vee \sim q) \vee (\sim p \wedge \sim q) \equiv \sim p$
3. $\sim ((\sim p \wedge q) \vee (\sim p \wedge \sim q)) \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$