

MATH 318, Assignment 3

Due date: October 17, in class

1. (4 points) Write truth tables of the following formulas. Which of them are tautologies?

(A) $(\neg p) \rightarrow q$,

(B) $(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p)$,

(C) $p \rightarrow ((\neg p) \rightarrow q)$,

(D) $q \vee (p \rightarrow (q \wedge (p \rightarrow q)))$.

2. (2 points) Devise formulas (using \vee, \wedge and \neg) and switching circuits (using gates OR, AND and NOT) which realize each of the following Boolean functions:

(A)

$q \backslash p$	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	1

(B)

$q \backslash p$	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	1

3. (2 points) Write DNF and CNF formulas equivalent to the following formula

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

4. (1) (1 point) Write a formula equivalent to $p \rightarrow q$ using only the connective NAND,
(2) (1 point) Write a formula equivalent to $(p \wedge q) \vee \neg p$ using only the connective NOR,

5. (4 points) Show that the set $\{\vee, \wedge\}$ is not complete.

6. (4 points) Show that the set $\{\text{XOR}\}$ is not complete.

7. (2 points) Consider the formula

$$(\dots((p \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow \dots) \rightarrow p,$$

where the variable p occurs n many times. For which n is the above formula a tautology? Justify your answer.

8. (4 points) Suppose φ is a formula written using only the biconditional connective \leftrightarrow (besides variables and parentheses). Show that φ is a tautology if and only if every variable occurs in φ an even number of times.