

Exercise Sheet 3

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Note: The following exercises involve a new logical operators \oplus . Its truth table is as follows:

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

1. a) Prove that $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)$ is a tautology.
b) Prove that $(p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$ is a tautology.
c) Prove that $p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r \equiv (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$.
Here, \rightarrow is right associative, i.e. $\phi \rightarrow \psi \rightarrow \chi$ means $\phi \rightarrow (\psi \rightarrow \chi)$.
2. (P36, Ex.52, [R]) In this exercise we will show that $\{|\}$ is a functionally complete collection of logical operators. (**Note:** $p|q$ means p NAND q . The proposition p NAND q is true when either p or q , or both, are false; and it is false when both p and q are true. The operators $|$ is called the Sheffer stroke after H. M. Sheffer)
 - a) Show that $\phi|\phi$ is logically equivalent to $\neg\phi$.
 - b) Show that $(\phi|\psi)|(\phi|\psi)$ is logically equivalent to $\phi \wedge \psi$.
 - c) Show that $\{|\}$ is a functionally complete collection of logical operators based on the results above.