COMP 232, Fall 2017 **CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY**

MATHEMATICS FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE
Assignment 1.
Due: September 29, 2017.

1. For each of the following statements use a truth table to determine whether it is a tautology, a contradiction, or a contingency.

   (a) $\Big((p \vee r) \wedge (q \vee r)\Big) \leftrightarrow \Big((p \wedge q) \vee r\Big)$

   (b) $(p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus \neg q)$

   (c) $\Big(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)\Big) \leftrightarrow \Big(p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)\Big)$

   (d) $\Big(p \wedge (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)\Big) \rightarrow q$

2. For each of the following logical equivalences state whether it is valid or invalid. If invalid then give a counterexample (*e.g.*, based on a truth assignment). If valid then give an algebraic proof using logical equivalences from Tables 6, 7, and 8 from Section 1.3 of textbook.

   (a) $(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$

   (b) $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r) \equiv (p \vee q) \rightarrow r$

   (c) $\Big(\big((p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)\big) \rightarrow r\Big) \equiv T$

   (d) $\Big(\big((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)\big) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)\Big) \equiv T$

3. Which of the following conditions are *necessary*, and which conditions are *sufficient* for the natural number n to be divisible by 6? We say that integer a is divisible by integer $b \neq 0$ if there is an integer c such that $a = bc$. The natural numbers are $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \ldots, \}$.

   (a) n is divisible by 3.

   (b) n is divisible by 9.

   (c) n is divisible by 12.

   (d) $n = 24$

   (e) n^2 is divisible by 3.

   (f) n is even and divisible by 3.

4. A set of propositions is *consistent* if there is an assignment of truth values to each of the variables in the propositions that makes each proposition true. Is the following set of propositions consistent?

   If the file system is not locked, then new messages will be queued.

   If the file system is not locked, then the system is functioning normally, and conversely.

   If new messages are not queued, then they will be sent to the message buffer.

   If the file system is not locked, then new messages will be sent to the message buffer.

   New messages will not be sent to the message buffer.

5. Suppose the domain of the propositional function $P(x,y)$ consists of pairs x and y, where $x = 1$, 2, or 3, and $y = 1$, 2, or 3. Write out the propositions below using disjunctions and conjunctions only.

   (a) $\exists x\, P(x,3)$

   (b) $\forall y\, \neg P(2,y)$

   (c) $\forall x\, \exists y\, P(x,y)$

   (d) $\exists x\, \forall y\, \neg P(x,y)$

6. Let the domain for x be the set of all students in this class and the domain for y be the set of all countries in the world. Let $P(x,y)$ denote student x has visited country y and $Q(x,y)$ denote student x has a friend in country y. Express each of the following using logical operations and quantifiers, and the propositional functions $P(x,y)$ and $Q(x,y)$.

   (a) *Carlos has visited Bulgaria.*

   (b) *Every student in this class has visited the United States.*

   (c) *Every student in this class has visited some country in the world.*

   (d) *There is no country that every student in this class has visited.*

   (e) *There are two students in this class, who between them, have a friend in every country in the world.*

   (f) *Nobody in this class has visited a country in which they did not have a friend.*

7. For each part in the previous question, form the negation of the statement so that all negation symbols occur immediately in front of predicates. For example:

$$\neg\Big(\forall x\big(P(x) \wedge Q(x)\big)\Big) \equiv \exists x\Big(\neg\big((P(x) \wedge Q(x)\big)\Big) \equiv \exists x\Big(\big(\neg P(x)\big) \vee \big(\neg Q(x)\big)\Big)$$

8. Negate the following statements and transform the negation so that negation symbols immediately precede predicates. (See example in Question 7.)

   (a) $\Big(\exists x\, \exists y\, P(x,y)\Big) \vee \Big(\forall x\, \forall y\, Q(x,y)\Big)$

   (b) $\forall x\, \forall y\, \Big(Q(x,y) \leftrightarrow Q(y,x)\Big)$

   (c) $\forall y\, \exists x\, \exists z\, \Big(T(x,y,z) \wedge Q(x,y)\Big)$