

MATH 150 HOMEWORK 1

DUE: Wednesday, October 17

Student Name/Id # (Include all students in the group):

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTION: It is crucial that you clearly state justifications for all your conclusions. This is the point of the homeworks – to practice understanding of the material and the ability to express your understanding.

1. Use the “fast” method to determine if the given formula is a tautology.

- (a) $((A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)) \rightarrow ((A \vee B) \rightarrow C)$
- (b) $(A \leftrightarrow (B \vee C)) \rightarrow ((A \vee B) \rightarrow C)$.

2. Given is a Boolean function $F : \{0, 1\}^3 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ with three arguments and the following values:

$$F(1, 1, 1) = F(1, 1, 0) = F(0, 1, 0) = F(0, 0, 0) = 1,$$

and $F(x, y, z) = 0$ otherwise; here of course x, y, z attain value 0 or 1.

Find a formula φ built from letters A, B, C such that $B_\varphi^3 = F$.

3. Determine if the following sets of sentential connectives are complete.

- (a) $\{\wedge, \rightarrow\}$
- (b) $\{\neg, \rightarrow\}$.

You may use the fact that the sets $\{\neg, \wedge\}$ and $\{\neg, \vee\}$ are complete.