



**Exercise 1.** Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be statements. Verify the following logical equivalences by either constructing a truth table or by using established equivalences.

- a.  $P \wedge P \cong P \vee P \cong P$
- b.  $P \rightarrow Q \cong \neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$
- c.  $(P \rightarrow Q) \wedge (\neg P \rightarrow Q) \cong Q$
- d.  $(P \wedge \neg Q) \rightarrow \neg P \cong P \rightarrow Q$

**Exercise 2.** If  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$  are statements, are  $P \rightarrow (Q \vee R)$  and  $(P \rightarrow Q) \vee (P \rightarrow R)$  logically equivalent? Does one imply the other?

**Exercise 3.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be symbolic statements built from the statement variables and logical connectives. Suppose that  $A$  is a contradiction. Show that  $A$  implies  $B$ . Conversely, show that if  $B$  implies  $A$ , then  $B$  is also a contradiction.

**Exercise 4.** Let  $H$ ,  $C$  and  $X$  be symbolic statements built from statements variables and logical connectives. Suppose that  $X$  is a contradiction. Show that if  $H \wedge (\neg C)$  implies  $X$ , then  $H$  implies  $C$ .

**Exercise 5.** Let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be symbolic statements built from statement variables and logical connectives. Show that if  $A$  implies  $B$ , then  $B \rightarrow C$  implies  $A \rightarrow C$ .