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SOLUTION: QUIZ 3

(1)(a) YES. (b) $P \to Q$ is a tautology. By contrapositive we get $\neg Q \to \neg P$. So, $\neg Q \to \neg P$ is also a tautology. So, $\neg P$ is a logical consequence of $\neg Q$.

OR, another explanation:

 $P \to Q \equiv \neg P \lor Q \equiv Q \lor \neg P \equiv \neg Q \to \neg P.$

(2)(a) YES. (b) Since $P \to Q$ is a contradiction, it's always false. It's only false when P is true and Q is false. So, P is a tautology and Q is a contradiction. Since Q is a contradiction, $\neg Q$ is a tautology. Therefore, P and $\neg Q$ are logically equivalent.

 $\begin{array}{l} (3) \ W = ((p \wedge q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow ((p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)). \\ W(p/false) \equiv ((false \wedge q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow ((false \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)). \\ \equiv (false \rightarrow r) \rightarrow ((true) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)). \\ \equiv true \rightarrow ((true) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)). \\ \equiv true \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r). \\ \equiv q \rightarrow r. \\ \text{Now, Let } X \equiv q \rightarrow r. \\ X(q/true) \equiv true \rightarrow r \equiv r. \\ \text{When } r = \text{true this is true and when } r = \text{false this is false. So, the logic sentence is a contingency.} \end{array}$

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