

We assume the method and apparatus of Meth8/VL4 with  $\tau$  as the designated *proof* value,  $F$  as contradiction,  $N$  as truthity (non-contingency), and  $C$  as falsity (contingency). The repeating fragment(s) of 16-valued truth table(s) is row-major and horizontal.

LET  $p, q$ : proposition; collection of propositions  
 $\sim$  Not;  $\&$  And;  $+$  Or;  $>$  Imply, greater than;  $<$  Not Imply, lesser than;  $=$  Equivalent  
 $\%$  possibility, one or some;  $\#$  necessity, every or all;  $(p=p)$  Tautology, proof.

We define a proposition  $p$  in four-valued logic as  $p=(p=p)$  ;  $FTFT FTFT FTFT FTFT$  (11.2)

as alternating FT for non-tautology (contradiction) and tautology (proof).

We define the opposite of a proposition as not  $p$  as  $\sim p=(p=p)$  ;  $TFTF TFTF TFTF TFTF$  (12.2)

as alternating TF for tautology (proof) and non-tautology (contradiction).

We define the antonym of nothing as some thing  $\%p$  as not one thing versus some, one thing  $\%p=(p=p)$  ;  $CTCT CTCT CTCT CTCT$  (13.2)

as alternating CT for contingency (falsity) and tautology (proof).

We define the opposite of some thing  $\%p$  as not some thing  $\sim \%p=(p=p)$  ;  $NFNF NFNF NFNF NFNF$  (14.2)

as alternating NF non-contingency (truthity) and non-tautology (contradiction).

We define the antonym of all or every thing  $\#p$  as  $\sim \#p$  as not all or not every thing  $\#p=(p=p)$ ;  $FNFN FNFN FNFN FNFN$  (15.2)

as alternating FN for non-tautology (contradiction) and non-contingency (truthity).

We define the opposite of all or every thing as not all or not every thing  $\sim \#p=(p=p)$  ;  $TCTC TCTC TCTC TCTC$  (16.2)

as alternating TC for tautology (proof) and contingency (falsity).

This leads to how to collect not everything as nothing in multiple variables into a larger nothing variable, implying a set of nothing as a null set. We write this as nothing in  $p$  and nothing in  $q$  and nothing in  $r$  are all greater than nothing in  $s$ . (17.1)

$((\sim \#p \& \sim \#q) \& \sim \#r) > \sim \#s$  ;  $TTTT TTTT CTTT TTTT$  (17.2)

Eq. 17.2 as rendered is *not* tautologous, although nearly so with one deviant  $C$  contingency (falsity) value. Hence a collection of nothing does not imply anything outside itself. By extension, the null set is not logically feasible and cannot exist: a collection must contain something even though it is nothing.