

Discrete Mathematics for Computing



Chapter 1.1: Logic and Proofs

What are Propositions?

- Basic building blocks of logic
- Declarative sentence – either true or false, but not both

Propositions: Recap

- Examples

What time is it?

Not a declarative sentence, hence not a proposition.

Propositions: Recap

- Examples

$$x + 1 = 2$$

Neither true or false, not a proposition

Propositional Logic

- **Propositional Variables** represent propositions
- Conventional Letters p, q, r, s, \dots

Propositional Logic

- **Truth value** of a proposition
 - 'T' - true
 - 'F' - false
- **Truth table** – inputs and outputs

Negation

TRUTH TABLE

p	$\neg p$
T	F
F	T

Conjunction

■ TRUTH TABLE

p	q	$p \wedge q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

Conjunction

- Example:

“Today is Friday.”

“ It is raining today.”

“ Today is Friday and it is raining today.”

When is this proposition true?

When is this proposition false?

Conjunction

- Example:

“Today is Friday and it is raining today.”

True: Rainy Fridays

False: Any day not a Friday, On Fridays when it does not rain.



Conjunction

- Practical Use:

In a programming environment, AND represented by ("**&&**").

```
int a = 7;  
int b = 10;  
if ( a > 4 && b < 20 ) {  
    ...  
}
```

Disjunction

- **Binary operator** – Takes two operands
- represented by symbol \vee
- propositions p, q
$$p \vee q \rightarrow \text{"p or q"}$$
- false when **both** p and q are false
- true otherwise

Disjunction

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Disjunction

- Example:

“Today is Friday.”

“ It is raining today.”

Disjunction

- Example:

“Today is Friday or it is raining today.”

When is this proposition true?

When is this proposition false?

Disjunction

- Example:

“Today is Friday or it is raining today.”

True: Any day that is either a Friday or a rainy day (including rainy Fridays)

False: Days that are not Fridays when it also does not rain

Disjunction

- Practical Use:

In Java programming, OR is represented by ("||").

```
int a = 10;  
int b = 40;  
if ( a == 7 || b > a ) {  
    ...  
}
```

Exclusive Or

- **Binary operator** – Takes two operands
- represented by symbol \oplus
- propositions p, q
$$p \oplus q \rightarrow \text{“}p \text{ exclusive or } q\text{”}$$
- true when **exactly one of p and q is true**
- false otherwise

Exclusive Or

■ TRUTH TABLE

p	q	$p \oplus q$

Exclusive Or

■ TRUTH TABLE

p	q	$p \oplus q$
T	T	
T	F	
F	T	
F	F	

Exclusive Or

■ TRUTH TABLE

p	q	$p \oplus q$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

Exclusive Or

- Practical Use:

In Java programming, EXCLUSIVE OR represented by ("^").

```
int a = 7;  
int b = 10;  
if ( b > a ^ b == 10 ) {  
    ...  
}
```


Conditional Statements

- propositions p, q

Conditional Statement

$p \rightarrow q$ “if p , then q ”

- q is true on the condition that p holds
- False: p is true, q is false
- True otherwise
- p is “**hypothesis**”, q is “**conclusion**”

Conditional Statements

■ TRUTH TABLE

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

Conditional Statements

- Example:

“I am elected.”

“I will lower taxes.”

Conditional Statements

- Example:

“If I am elected, then I will lower taxes.”

True: If the politician is not elected, then there is no expectation that this person will lower taxes.

False: If the politician is elected, but does not lower taxes. This person has broken his pledge.

Biconditionals

- propositions p, q

Biconditional Statement denoted by \leftrightarrow

$$p \leftrightarrow q \text{ “} p \text{ if and only if } q\text{”}$$

- True

p and q have the same truth values

$p \rightarrow q$ is true and $q \rightarrow p$ is true

- False: otherwise

Biconditionals

■ TRUTH TABLE

p	q	$p \leftrightarrow q$

Biconditionals

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p	q	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	
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Biconditionals

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Biconditionals

- Example:

“You can take the flight.”

“ You buy a ticket.”

Biconditionals

- Example:

“You can take the flight if and only if you buy a ticket.”

True: If you buy a ticket and can take a flight

If you cannot buy a ticket and cannot take a flight

False: If you do not buy a ticket, but you can take the flight

If you buy a ticket and cannot take the flight



Converse, Contrapositive, Inverse

Given Conditional Statement $p \rightarrow q$

- **Converse** : proposition $q \rightarrow p$
- **Contrapositive** : proposition $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- **Inverse** : proposition $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
- A conditional statement consists of two parts: a **hypothesis** in the “if” clause and a **conclusion** in the “then” clause.

Converse

To form the **converse** of the conditional statement, interchange the hypothesis and the conclusion.

Statement: If a person is 18 years old, then he is a legal adult.

Converse: If a person is a legal adult, then he is 18 years old.

Converse

How to Form the Truth Table?

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

p	q	$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$	$q \rightarrow p$
T	T	F	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	T	T
F	T	T	F	F	F
F	F	T	T	T	T

Inverse

To form the **inverse** of the conditional statement, take the **negation** of both the hypothesis and the conclusion.

Statement: If a person is 18 years old, then he is a legal adult.

Inverse: If a person is not 18 years old, then he is not a legal adult.

Inverse

How to Form the Truth Table?

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

p	q	$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
T	T	F	F	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	F
F	F	T	T	T

Contrapositive

To form the **contrapositive** of the conditional statement, interchange the hypothesis and the conclusion of the inverse statement.

Statement: If a person is 18 years old, then he is a legal adult.

Contrapositive: If a person is not a legal adult, then he is not 18 years old.

Contrapositive

How to Form the Truth Table?

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

p	q	$\neg q$	$\neg p$	$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
T	T	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	F
F	T	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	T

Converse, Inverse, Contrapositive

Statement: If it snows tonight, then I will stay at home.

Converse: If I stay home, then it will snow tonight.

Contrapositive: If I do not stay at home, then it will not snow tonight.

Inverse: If it does not snow tonight, then I will not stay home.

Compound Propositions

- Important **logical connectives**

Conjunctions, Disjunctions, Conditional Statements, Biconditional Statements, Negations

- **Compound Propositions** – connectives, propositional variables

Compound Propositions

- Example: $(p \vee \neg q) \leftrightarrow (p \wedge q)$

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TRUTH TABLE

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T	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	F	F
F	T	F	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	F	F

Precedence of Logical Operators

Operator	Precedence
\neg	1
\wedge	2
\vee	3
\rightarrow	4
\leftrightarrow	5

Compound Propositions

- Find the truth table for $(p \oplus q) \vee (p \oplus \neg q)$
- Find the truth table for $(p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus \neg q)$

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

Compound Propositions

p	q	$p \oplus q$	$p \oplus \neg q$	$(p \oplus q) \vee (p \oplus \neg q)$	$(p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus \neg q)$
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Compound Propositions

p	q	$p \oplus q$	$p \oplus \neg q$	$(p \oplus q) \vee (p \oplus \neg q)$	$(p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus \neg q)$
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Compound Propositions

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Compound Propositions

p	q	$p \oplus q$	$p \oplus \neg q$	$(p \oplus q) \vee (p \oplus \neg q)$	$(p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus \neg q)$
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T	F	T	F	T	
F	T	T	F	T	
F	F	F	T	T	

Compound Propositions

p	q	$p \oplus q$	$p \oplus \neg q$	$(p \oplus q) \vee (p \oplus \neg q)$	$(p \oplus q) \wedge (p \oplus \neg q)$
T	T	F	T	T	F
T	F	T	F	T	F
F	T	T	F	T	F
F	F	F	T	T	F

Compound Propositions

p	q	r	$p \vee q$	$(p \vee q) \vee r$	$(p \vee q) \wedge r$

Compound Propositions

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T	T	T			
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F	T	T			
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Compound Propositions

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Compound Propositions

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F	F	T	F	T	
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Compound Propositions

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F	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	T	F
F	F	T	F	T	F
F	F	F	F	F	F

Logic and Bit Operations

- What is a bit?

Symbol with two possible values, 0 (zero) and 1(one)

Binary Digit

Can be used to represent a truth value

Logic and Bit Operations

Truth Value	Bit
T	1
F	0

Logic and Bit Operations

- Computer Bit Operations – Logical Connectives

Notation

OR

AND

XOR



Logic and Bit Operations

x	y	$x \vee y$	$x \wedge y$	$x \oplus y$
0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0

Logic and Bit Operations

- Find the bitwise OR, bitwise AND and bitwise XOR of the pair of bit strings

00 0111 0001

10 0100 1000

10 0111 1001 bitwise OR

Logic and Bit Operations

- Find the bitwise OR, bitwise AND and bitwise XOR of the pair of bit strings

00 0111 0001

10 0100 1000

00 0100 0000 bitwise AND

Logic and Bit Operations

- Find the bitwise OR, bitwise AND and bitwise XOR of the pair of bit strings

00 0111 0001

10 0100 1000

10 0011 1001 bitwise XOR

Logic and Bit Operations

- Evaluate this expression

$$1\ 1000 \wedge (0\ 1011 \vee 1\ 1011)$$

$$= 1\ 1000 \wedge 1\ 1011$$

$$= \mathbf{1\ 1000}$$