

Propositional Logic

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Logical Equivalence

- Two logical statements P and Q are said to be logically equivalent if, and only if, they have identical truth values in every possible interpretation.
- This means that $P \leftrightarrow Q$ (P if and only if Q) is always true, regardless of the truth values of the individual components.

In symbolic terms, $P \equiv Q$

$P \equiv Q$ indicates that P and Q are logically equivalent.

Logical Equivalence

Can we say $p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$? YES

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

Logical Equivalence

Prove or disprove the following equivalence using truth table:

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$$

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

Logical Equivalence Law

Law	Representation
Identity	$p \wedge T \equiv p$ $p \vee F \equiv p$
Domination	$p \vee T \equiv T$ $p \wedge F \equiv F$
Idempotent	$p \wedge p \equiv p$ $p \vee p \equiv p$
Negation	$p \wedge \neg p \equiv F$ $p \vee \neg p \equiv T$
Double negation	$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$
Absorption	$p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$ $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$

Logical Equivalence Law

Law	Representation
Commutative	$p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$ $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$
Associative	$(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$ $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$
Distributive	$p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$
De Morgan's Law	$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$

Logical Equivalence Law

Law	Representation
Conditional	$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$
Contrapositive	$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
Biconditional	$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$
Exclusive OR	$(p \oplus q) \equiv (\neg p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q)$

Propositional Equivalences

Tautology: A compound proposition that is always true no matter what the truth values of the propositions that occur in it is called tautology.

Ex:- $P \vee \neg P$

The light is either on, or the light is not on.

Contradiction: A compound proposition that is always false is called contradiction. Ex:- $P \wedge \neg P$

The light is on and the light is not on at the same time.

Logical Equivalence: Compound propositions that have the same truth values in all possible cases are called logically equivalent.

Ex:- $p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$

Propositional Equivalences

Prove that $\neg(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \neg q$

$$\neg(p \rightarrow q)$$

$$\equiv \neg(\neg p \vee q) \quad [\text{Conditional}]$$

$$\equiv \neg(\neg p) \wedge \neg q \quad [\text{De Morgan's Law}]$$

$$\equiv p \wedge \neg q \quad [\text{Double Negation}]$$

Propositional Equivalences

Prove that $\neg(p \vee (\neg p \wedge q)) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$

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

$$\equiv \neg(p) \wedge \neg(\neg p \wedge q) \quad [\text{De Morgan's Law}]$$

$$\equiv \neg p \wedge [\neg(\neg p) \vee \neg q] \quad [\text{De Morgan's Law}]$$

$$\equiv \neg p \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \quad [\text{Double Negation}]$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \wedge p) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \quad [\text{Distributive Law}]$$

$$\equiv F \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \quad [\text{Negation Law}]$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \quad [\text{Identity Law}]$$

Propositional Equivalences

Prove that $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$ is a tautology

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

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

[Conditional]

$$\equiv (\neg p \vee \neg q) \vee (p \vee q)$$

[De Morgan's Law]

$$\equiv (\neg p \vee p) \vee (q \vee \neg q)$$

[Commutative & Associative Law]

$$\equiv T \vee T$$

[Negation Law]

$$\equiv T$$

Propositional Equivalences

Prove that $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \equiv p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$

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

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

[Conditional Law]

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

[Distributive Law]

$$\equiv p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$$

[Conditional Law]

Propositional Equivalences

Prove that $\neg p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \equiv q \rightarrow (p \vee r)$

$$\neg p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$$

$$\equiv \neg(\neg p) \vee (q \rightarrow r) \quad [\text{Conditional}]$$

$$\equiv p \vee (q \rightarrow r) \quad [\text{Double Negation}]$$

$$\equiv p \vee (\neg q \vee r) \quad [\text{Conditional}]$$

$$\equiv p \vee \neg q \vee r$$

$$\equiv \neg q \vee p \vee r \quad [\text{Commutative}]$$

$$\equiv \neg q \vee (p \vee r)$$

$$\equiv q \rightarrow (p \vee r) \quad [\text{Conditional}]$$

Propositional Equivalences

Prove that $\neg(p \leftrightarrow q) \equiv p \leftrightarrow \neg q$

$\neg(p \leftrightarrow q)$	
$\equiv \neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p))$	[Biconditional]
$\equiv \neg(p \rightarrow q) \vee \neg(q \rightarrow p)$	[De Morgan's]
$\equiv \neg(\neg p \vee q) \vee \neg(\neg q \vee p)$	[Conditional]
$\equiv (\neg(\neg p) \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg(\neg q) \wedge \neg p)$	[De Morgan's]
$\equiv (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (q \wedge \neg p)$	[Double Negation]
$\equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg p) \wedge (\neg q \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee \neg p)$	[Distributive]
$\equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)$	[Negation, Identity]
$\equiv (q \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)$	[Commutative]
$\equiv (\neg(\neg q) \vee p) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)$	[Double Neg]
$\equiv (\neg q \rightarrow p) \wedge (p \rightarrow \neg q)$	[Implication]
$\equiv (p \rightarrow \neg q) \wedge (\neg q \rightarrow p)$	[Commutative]
$\equiv (p \leftrightarrow \neg q)$	[Biconditional]

Propositional Equivalences

Prove that $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$ is a tautology

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

$$\equiv \neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)) \vee (p \rightarrow r)$$

[Conditional]

$$\equiv \neg(p \rightarrow q) \vee \neg(q \rightarrow r) \vee (p \rightarrow r)$$

[De Morgan's]

$$\equiv \neg(\neg p \vee q) \vee \neg(\neg q \vee r) \vee \neg p \vee r$$

[Conditional]

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

[De Morgan's]

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

[Commutative & Associative]

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

[Distributive Law]

$$\equiv (T \wedge (\neg q \vee \neg p)) \vee ((q \vee r) \wedge T)$$

[Negation Law]

$$\equiv (\neg q \vee \neg p) \vee (q \vee r)$$

[Identity Law]

$$\equiv \neg p \vee (\neg q \vee q) \vee r$$

[Associative]

$$\equiv \neg p \vee T \vee r$$

[Negation Law]

$$\equiv T$$

[Domination]

THANK YOU

