

Discrete Mathematics

Propositional Logic

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Logic

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- Logic, or a logic system, is a set of rules to specify and derive a certain kind of statements
 - to achieve clarity and correctness in an argument
- A logic system comprises of the syntax and the semantics
 - syntax: symbolic structure of the statements
 - semantics: a mapping from symbolic structures to things that the logic system concerns

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- A proposition is a declarative sentence that is either true or false
 - $1 + 1 = 2$
 - *Vancouver is the capital of Canada*
 - ~~$1 + 2 + 3$~~
 - ~~$x + 1 = 2$~~
- A statement in the propositional logic consists one or multiple propositions connected with logical operators
- A propositional variable is a symbol that represents a propositional statement
 - a propositional variable has either true or false as its value
 - the value is definitive within a statement

Syntax

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- Grammar

$$P := A \mid C$$
$$A := p \mid q \mid r \mid \dots \mid \text{True} \mid \text{False}$$
$$C := \neg P \mid (P) \mid P \vee P \mid P \wedge P \mid \dots$$

- An atomic proposition is one that cannot be expressed in term of simpler terms
- A compound proposition is formed with one or more propositions and logical operators
 - logical operators (connectives): negation, disjunction, implication, etc.
 - E.g., The negation of p for a proposition p , denoted as $\neg p$, is the proposition that is true only when p is false

Evaluation (Semantics)

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- A propositional statement with propositional variables may have different evaluations (truth values) depending on the values of each propositional variable

- ex. $p \vee (q \wedge r)$

- An assignment (model or valuation) of a propositional statement is a combination of truth values of the propositional variables

- e.g., $\phi_1 = (p: T, q: T, r: T)$ or $\llbracket p \rrbracket_{\phi_1} = T, \llbracket q \rrbracket_{\phi_1} = T, \llbracket r \rrbracket_{\phi_1} = T$

$\phi_2 = (p: F, q: T, r: F)$ or $\llbracket p \rrbracket_{\phi_2} = F, \llbracket q \rrbracket_{\phi_2} = T, \llbracket r \rrbracket_{\phi_2} = F$

$$\phi_1 \models p \vee (q \wedge r)$$

$$\phi_2 \not\models p \vee (q \wedge r)$$

Implication (Conditional Statement)

- An implication is a logical connective such that $p \rightarrow q$ evaluates to *true* when q is true if p is true
 - used to state a conditional statement
 - examples
 - you get F if you do not take an exam
 - if you are in the Handong campus, you are in Pohang
 - $x < y \rightarrow x < y + 1$
 - $(2 + 3 = 4) \rightarrow (1 + 2 = 4)$
 - $p \rightarrow q$ is equivalent with $\neg p \vee q$
- The converse of $p \rightarrow q$ is $q \rightarrow p$.
- The inverse of $p \rightarrow q$ is $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$.
- The contrapositive of $p \rightarrow q$ is $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$.

Equivalence

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- The condition that two propositions p and q evaluate to the same can be expressed as $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$, or simply $p \leftrightarrow q$
 - have the same truth value for every assignment
 - a statement $p \leftrightarrow q$ refers as p if and only if q (or simply p iff q)

Example

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<i>Equivalence</i>	<i>Name</i>
$p \wedge \mathbf{T} \equiv p$ $p \vee \mathbf{F} \equiv p$	Identity laws
$p \vee \mathbf{T} \equiv \mathbf{T}$ $p \wedge \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Domination laws
$p \vee p \equiv p$ $p \wedge p \equiv p$	Idempotent laws
$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$	Double negation law
$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$ $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$	Commutative laws
$(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$ $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$	Associative laws
$p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$	Distributive laws

- De Morgan's law:

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

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

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

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Propositional Satisfiability

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- A proposition p is **satisfiable** if there exists an assignment that makes p true
- A proposition p is **unsatisfiable** if p is not satisfiable
 - a unsatisfiable proposition is called as *contradiction*
- A proposition p is **valid** if p is true for all assignments
 - a valid proposition is called as tautology
 - e.g., if $x = y$, then $x = y$

I just want to live while I am alive - Bon Jovi

Logic Puzzle - Knight or Knaves

- An island has two kinds of inhabitants:
knights, who always tell the truth, and
knaves, who always lie.
 - You met John and Paul in the island
 - John said “Paul is a knight.”
 - Paul said “The two of us are of opposite types.”
- What are the types of John and Paul?



Logic Puzzle: Treasure

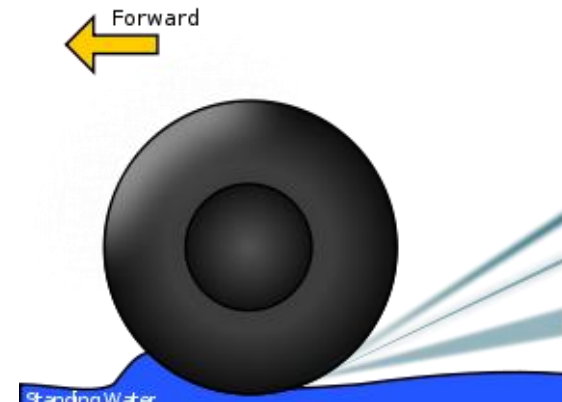


- There are 3 trunks only one of which contains a treasure.
- Trunk 1 and Trunk 2 are inscribed with “This trunk is empty” and Trunk 3 is inscribed with “Treasure is in Trunk 2”.
- You know that only one of the three inscriptions is true.
- Where’s the treasure?

System Requirement Analysis

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- Logic-based languages (formal languages) are powerful tools for specifying and analyzing software requirements rigorously
- Case of Lufthansa A320 Airbus accident at Warsaw in 1993
 - Requirement:
Turn on reverse thrust when airplane is running on runway for landing
 - System design specification (simplified):
 - **SET** REVERSE_THRUST **AS** ON **WHEN** (MODE = LANDING) **AND** (ALTITUDE = 0)
 - **SET** MODE **AS** LANDING **WHEN** (VELOCITY $\neq 0$) **AND** (LANDING_GEAR_ANG $\neq 0$)



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