

# Logic

## Intro to Logic

- Logic provides a formal language to avoid the ambiguity of natural languages (e.g. English)

### 3 Components of Logic:

- **Syntax:** The grammatical rules of a language (so we know if a statement is 'valid')
- **Semantics:** The meaning of the syntax (to determine the truth or falsity of a statement)
- **Proof System:** A rigorous method for manipulating formulae to construct proofs

### Desirable properties of a logical system:

- **Completeness:** Every statement that is true (according to semantics) can be proven (using the proof system)
- **Soundness:** The proof system only derives true conclusions from statements that are both valid and true

### Propositions:

- A declarative 'statement of fact' that can either be true or false, but not both (Questions, Commands and gibberish are *not* propositions)
- We can use **propositional variables** to represent propositions, and they can take the **truth values** **T** (True) or **F** (False)

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## Truth Tables & Semantics

p	q	$\neg p$ (Not)	$p \wedge q$ (And)	$p \vee q$ (Or)	$p \implies q$ (Implies)	$p \iff q$ (Iff)
T	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	T	T	F
F	F	T	F	F	T	T

### Syntax:

- $\Rightarrow$  (Implies):  $p \Rightarrow q$  if only False when **p is True and q is False** (broken promise)
- $\Leftrightarrow$  (Iff): True only when **p and q are the same**
- $\phi$  (phi),  $\psi$  (psi): Represent **any** complex formula (e.g.  $\phi$  could be  $(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow r$ )

- letters (like  $p, q, r$ ) are used to represent **atomic** statements

### Tautology:

- A statement ( $\phi$ ) that is True for **every** truth assignment (True for every possible input)

### Contradiction:

- A statement ( $\phi$ ) that is False for **every** truth assignment (False for every possible input)

### Satisfiable:

- A statement ( $\phi$ ) that can be satisfied (There exists an input that results in  $\phi$  being True)
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## Logical Equivalence & Algebra

### Implication Law:

- This is used to convert an implication ( $\Rightarrow$ ) into standard Or/Not Logic

$$p \Rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$$

### English Example:

- Think about the promise "If it rains, I will bring an umbrella." The only time I break my promise is if "It rains" ( $p = T$ ) **AND** "No umbrella" ( $q = F$ ). So, as long as "It doesn't rain" ( $\neg p$ ) **OR** "I have the umbrella" ( $q$ ), I am safe.

### De Morgan's Laws:

- **Negating AND:**  $\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ .
  - *Translation:* "Not (A and B)" is the same as "(Not A) or (Not B)"
- **Negating OR:**  $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$ .
  - *Translation:* "Not (A or B)" is the same as "(Not A) and (Not B)"

### Distribution Laws:

- **Distributing OR over AND:**

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

- *Note:* The outside operator ( $\vee$ ) goes inside the new brackets. The inside operator ( $\wedge$ ) moves to the middle.

- **Distributing AND over OR:**

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

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# Normal Forms & Completeness

## Functional Completeness:

- Set of logical operators is **Functionally Complete** if *any* possible propositional formula can be written using *only* the operators in that set

## Examples of Functionally Complete Sets:

- $\{\wedge, \vee, \neg\}$
- Even  $\{\wedge, \neg\}$  since  $A \vee B \equiv \neg(\neg A \wedge \neg B)$
- $\{\Rightarrow, \neg\}$
- NAND: False only if both are True
- NOR: True only if both are False

## Disjunctive Normal Form: (DNF)

### Definition:

- A formula is in **DNF** if it is a **Disjunction of Conjunctions** (an OR of ANDs)
- **Structure:**  $(A \wedge B) \vee (\neg A \wedge C) \vee \dots$
- Think of it as: "A list of ways to win" (A collection of different ways to make the formula True)

### How to build it (Truth Table Method):

1. Look at the Truth Table
2. Identify every row where the result is **True**
3. Write a conjunction for that row (e.g. if  $p = T, q = F$ , write  $(p \wedge \neg q)$ )
4. Join each row with  $\vee$

## Conjunctive Normal Form: (CNF)

### Definition:

- A formula is in **CNF** if it is a **Conjunction of Disjunctions** (an AND of ORs)
- **Structure:**  $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg A \vee C) \wedge \dots$
- Think of it as: "A list of requirements, all of which must be met"

### How to build it (Truth Table Method):

1. Identify the **False** rows
2. Negate the variables in the "False" row
3. Join them with **ORs** ( $\vee$ ) to make a clause
  - *Example:* If the false row is  $p = T, q = F, r = T$ , write  $(\neg p \vee q \vee \neg r)$

4. Then join the clauses (False rows) with **ANDs** ( $\wedge$ )

### How to build it (Syntactic Method):

1. Eliminate the arrows ( $\Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$ )
  2. Push any negations inside brackets (De Morgan's)
  3. **Distribute**  $\vee$  over  $\wedge$  until you have the correct shape ( $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ )
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## Natural Deduction

### The Sequent:

$$\phi_1, \phi_2 \vdash \psi$$

- **Left side** ( $\phi_1, \phi_2$ ): The **Premises** (What you are given/allowed to assume is true)
- **Symbol** ( $\vdash$ ): Pronounced "turnstile". It means "provably entails"
- **Right side** ( $\psi$ ): The **Conclusion** (What you are trying to reach)
- **English:** "Given that  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  are True, prove that  $\psi$  is also True"

### Rules:

1. Lines 1 to  $n$  are the **Premises** (state what we have been given at the start)
2. Every line after that must be justified by a **Rule** applied to previous line(s)
3. The final line must be the **Conclusion** ( $\psi$ )

*Important: Note that every line evaluates to True*

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### Conjunction ( $\wedge$ ) and Double Negation ( $\neg\neg$ ):

#### 1. And-Introduction ( $\wedge i$ )

- **Effect:** If you have two lines  $x(A)$  and  $y(B)$ , you can write  $A \wedge B$
- **Notation:**  $\wedge i x, y$
- Where  $x$  and  $y$  are the line numbers and  $A$  and  $B$  are previously stated propositions
- **Example:**

$$\frac{\frac{\phi_1}{\phi_2}}{\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2} (\wedge i 1, 2)$$

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#### 2. And-Elimination ( $\wedge e$ )

- **Rule:** If you have  $A \wedge B$ , you can extract just  $A$  (or just  $B$ )

- **Notation:**  $\wedge e 1$  (or  $\wedge e 2$  for B)

- **Example:**

$$\frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\phi} (\wedge e 1) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\phi \wedge \psi}{\psi} (\wedge e 2)$$


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### 3. \*\*Double Negation Elimination ( $\neg\neg e$ )

- **Rule:**  $\neg\neg A$  is the same as  $A$ , so you can remove the double negative
- **Notation:**  $\neg\neg e x$

#### **Example:**

- Prove  $p, \neg\neg(q \wedge r) \vdash p \wedge r$

1.	$p$	Premise
2.	$\neg\neg(q \wedge r)$	Premise
3.	$q \wedge r$	$\neg\neg e 2$
4.	$r$	$\wedge e_2 3 \leftarrow$ (Take the 2 <sup>nd</sup> part of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> line)
5.	$p \wedge r \checkmark$	$\wedge i 1, 4 \leftarrow$ (AND the 1 <sup>st</sup> line and the 4 <sup>th</sup> line)

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## Implication & The Boxes

- To prove an "If... then..." statement ( $\Rightarrow$ ), you have to build a **simulation**

### 1. Implication Introduction ( $\Rightarrow i$ )

- To prove  $A \Rightarrow B$ , you start a sub-proof where you **assume**  $A$  to be True, then use that to reach  $B$

#### **Boxes (Sub-Proof):**

1. **Top of Box:** You **Assume** the left side ( $A$ ) to be True
2. **Bottom of Box:** You end with  $B$  (proven from  $A$ )
3. **Exit:** Close the box and write  $A \Rightarrow B$  so you can use it from now on

**Important:** Note that you **cannot** use any statements from the sub-proof outside of the box

#### **Example:**

1. ...	(some previous work)
2. $A$	assumption
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5. $B$	(proven from A)
6. $A \Rightarrow B$	$\Rightarrow i \ 2-5$

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## 2. Implication Elimination ( $\Rightarrow e$ )

Also known as *Modus Ponens*

**Rule:**

- If you know "**If A then B**" ( $A \Rightarrow B$ ) is true...
- And you know "**A**" is true...
- Then you can smash them together to get "**B**"

**Example:**

- Prove  $A, A \Rightarrow B \vdash B$

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1. A & \text{Premise} \\ 2. A \Rightarrow B & \text{Premise} \\ 3. B & \Rightarrow e 1, 2 \end{array}$$


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## Disjunction

### 1. Disjunction Introduction ( $\vee i$ )

- If a statement is True, then you can **OR** any other statement to it, and the whole thing remains True

**Example:**

$$\frac{\phi}{\phi \vee \psi} (\vee i_1) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\psi}{\phi \vee \psi} (\vee i_2)$$

- **Syntax:** Use  $\vee i_1$  (if adding to the right) or  $\vee i_2$  (if adding to the left) + line number
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### 2. Disjunction Elimination ( $\vee e$ )

- If you know  $A \vee B$  is True, but you don't know *which* one is True. So, to prove a conclusion  $C$ , you must prove it works in **both scenarios**

## The Structure (Two Boxes):

1. **Box 1:** Assume  $A$  is true  $\rightarrow$  Prove  $C$
2. **Box 2:** Assume  $B$  is true  $\rightarrow$  Prove  $C$
3. **Conclusion:** Since you get  $C$  in either case,  $C$  is definitely True

## Structure: (Proof by Cases)

1. $A \vee B$	Premise
2. $A$ Assumption $\leftarrow$ (Case 1)	
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4. $C$ (Result)	
5. $B$ Assumption $\leftarrow$ (Case 2)	
⋮	
7. $C$ (Result MUST be same)	
8. $C$	$\vee e 1, 2-4, 5-7$

- **Syntax:** Use  $\vee e$  + Line of OR + Range of Box 1 + Range of Box 2
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## Disjunction Example: $(p \vee q \vdash q \vee p)$

- Proof that  $\vee$  is Commutative
  - **Plan:**
    1. **Start:** You have  $p \vee q$ . You need to use  $\vee e$  (Proof by Cases)
    2. **Case 1 (Box 1):** Assume  $p$ . Use  $\vee i$  to turn it into  $q \vee p$
    3. **Case 2 (Box 2):** Assume  $q$ . Use  $\vee i$  to turn it into  $q \vee p$
    4. **Finish:** Cite the rule  $\vee e$  to conclude  $q \vee p$
- Sequent:**  $p \vee q \vdash q \vee p$

1. $p \vee q$	Premise
2. $p$ Assume	
3. $p \vee q$ $\vee i_2 2$	
4. $q$ Assume	
5. $p \vee q$ $\vee i_1 4$	
6. $q \vee p$	$\vee e 1, 2-3, 4-5$

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## Negation ( $\neg$ ) & Contradiction ( $\perp$ )

**Notation:** ( $\perp$ )

- The  $\perp$  symbol (called "Bottom") represents a **Contradiction** (False)
  - It means that we have hit a logical dead end. We have proved that something is both True AND False at the same time (e.g.  $P \wedge \neg P$ )
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## 1. Negation Elimination ( $\neg e$ ) / Bottom Introduction ( $\perp i$ )

- **Rule:** If you have a statement ( $A$ ) on one line, and its exact opposite ( $\neg A$ ) on another, you can smash them together to create a **Contradiction** ( $\perp$ )

**Example:**

$$\frac{\phi \quad \neg\phi}{\perp} (\neg e \text{ or } \perp i)$$

- **Notation:**  $\neg e$  (or  $\perp i$ ) + the line number of the combined contradicting statements
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## 2. Bottom Elimination

*Ex Falso Quodlibet ("From falsehood, anything follows")*

- Once you have a Contradiction ( $\perp$ ), you can conclude **ANYTHING** you want
- Because if the rules are broken, logic goes out the window

**Example:**

$$\frac{\perp}{\phi} (\perp e)$$

- **Notation:**  $\perp e$  + the line number of the contradiction
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## 3. Negation Introduction ( $\neg i$ )

*Also known as "Proof by Contradiction" (for negations)*

**Steps to prove that something is False ( $\neg A$ ):**

1. **Assume** the statement is True  $A$
2. Show that this assumption leads to a **Contradiction** ( $\perp$ )
3. **Conclusion:** Since assuming  $A$  to be True, broke the logic,  $A$  must be False
4.  $\therefore \neg A$  is True

**Structure:**

1. ...	
2. $A$	Assumption
:	
5. $\perp$	$\neg e \dots \leftarrow (\text{Crash found})$
6. $\neg A$	$\neg i \ 2-5$

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## Negation Example - Proof of Modus Tollens (MT)

$x \Rightarrow y, \neg y \vdash \neg x$

1. $x \Rightarrow y$	Premise
2. $\neg y$	Premise
3. $x$	Assume
4. $y$	$e \Rightarrow 3, 1$
5. $\perp$	$\neg e \ 4, 2$
6. $\neg x$	$\neg i \ 3-5$

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## Derived Rules (Theorems)

### 1. Modus Tollens (MT)

(As proved above)

- **Rule:** If  $A \Rightarrow B$  is True, and  $B$  is False ( $\neg B$ ), then  $A$  must be False ( $\neg A$ )
- **Notation:** MT  $x, y$

**Example:**

$$\frac{A \Rightarrow B \quad \neg B}{\neg A} (MT)$$

### 2. Reductio Ad Absurdum (RAA)

("Proof by Contradiction" for **positive** conclusions)

- **Method:** To prove  $A$ , assume  $\neg A$ , find a contradiction ( $\perp$ ) then conclude  $A$
  - **Difference from Negation Introduction ( $\neg i$ ):**
    - $\neg i$ : Assume  $A \rightarrow$  Contradiction  $\rightarrow$  Conclude  $\neg A$
    - **RAA**: Assume  $\neg A \rightarrow$  Contradiction  $\rightarrow$  Conclude  $A$
  - **Notation:** RAA (applied to a box assuming  $\neg A$  and ending in  $\perp$ )
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### 3. Law of Excluded Middle (LEM)

- **Concept:** Everything is either True or False ( $A \vee \neg A$ ). There is no third option
  - **Usage:** You can write  $A \vee \neg A$  on any line, (without any requirements) usually used to set up a **Proof by Cases** ( $\vee e$ )
  - **Notation:** LEM (nothing else needed)
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### Proof of De Morgan's Law

- **Sequent:**  $\neg(p \vee q) \vdash \neg p \wedge \neg q$

1. $\neg(p \vee q)$	Premise
(Plan: Get $\neg p$ )	
2. $p$	Assume
3. $p \vee q$	$\vee i_1 2$
4. $\perp$	$\perp i 3, 1$
5. $\neg p$	$\neg i 2-4$
(Plan: Get $\neg q$ )	
6. $q$	Assume
7. $p \vee q$	$\vee i_2 6$
8. $\perp$	$\perp i 7, 1$
9. $\neg q$	$\neg i 6-8$
10. $\neg p \wedge \neg q$ ✓	$\wedge i 5, 9$