

Logical Equal / Equivalence

$$P(p, q, r, \dots) = Q(\dots)$$

- Logical Equivalence :- Two proposition $P(p, q, r, \dots)$ and $Q(p, q, r, \dots)$ where p, q, r, \dots are propositional variables, are called Logical Equivalence or Equal if they have same truth value in every possible case. and written as $P \equiv Q$. $P = Q$ $P \cong Q$

Working Rule

Note :- To test whether the proposition P and Q are Logically Equivalence the following steps are followed.

Step I : Construct the truth table for P . (L.H.S)

- Step II : Construct the truth table for Q using the same propositional variable. (R.H.S)

Step III : Check each combinations of truth values of the propositional variable to see whether the value of P is the same as truth value of Q .

If in each row the truth value of P is the same as that of Q . Then P and Q are Logically Equivalent.

Ex 1

Show that

$$\sim(p \vee q) = \sim p \wedge \sim q$$

	P	Q	$\sim P$	$\sim Q$	$p \vee q$	$\sim(p \vee q)$	$\sim p \wedge \sim q$
①	T✓	T✓	F✓	F✓	T	F	F
②	T✓	F✓	F✓	T✓	T	F	F
③	F✓	T✓	T✓	F✓	T	F	F
④	F✓	F✓	T✓	T✓	F	T	T
①	①	①	④	③	⑤	⑥	⑦

∴ the VIth & VIIth column of T.V. Table are identical

$$\therefore \boxed{\sim(p \vee q) = \sim p \wedge \sim q}$$

Ex 2

$$p \rightarrow q = \sim p \vee q$$

$\begin{pmatrix} T \\ F \\ T \\ T \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{matrix} F \vee T = T \\ F \vee F = F \\ T \vee T = T \\ T \vee F = T \end{matrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} T \\ F \\ T \\ T \end{pmatrix}$	} → Contingency

$$\left(\begin{matrix} T \\ T \\ T \end{matrix} \right) \quad \begin{matrix} T \vee T = T \\ T \vee F = T \end{matrix} \quad \left(\begin{matrix} T \\ T \\ T \end{matrix} \right) \rightarrow \text{contingency}$$

Note $\Rightarrow P \equiv Q$ iff $P \leftrightarrow Q$ is a Tautology

① Tautology ② Contradiction ③ Contingency

Tautologies and Contradiction:- A Compound proposition that is always true for all possible truth value of its variable is called a Tautology.

A Compound proposition that is always False (F) for all possible Truth Value is called Contradiction

Note:- A proposition that is neither a Tautology (T) nor Contradiction (F) is called a Contingency

$\begin{pmatrix} T \\ T \\ T \\ T \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Tautology}$

$\begin{pmatrix} F \\ F \\ F \\ F \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Contradiction}$

$\begin{pmatrix} F \\ T \\ T \\ F \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Contingency}$

Note: Number of Rows in the truth table of a Compound Statement
 $= 2^{(\text{No. of prop. Variable})}$

p, q

No. of prop. Variable = 2

$n=2$

No. of Rows in T.V. Table = $2^n = 2^2 = 4$

Note

$n=2$

No. of Rows = 4

p: TTFF
q: TFTF

$n=3$

" " = $2^3 = 8$

p: TTTTFFFF
q: TTFFTTFF
r: TFTFTFTF

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{8}{2} &= 4 \\ \frac{4}{2} &= 2 \\ \frac{2}{2} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$n=4$

No. of Rows = $2^4 = 16$

p: TTTTTTTTFFFFF
q: TTTTFFFF
r: TTFFTTFF

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{16}{2} &= 8 \\ \frac{8}{2} &= 4 \\ \frac{4}{2} &= 2 \\ 2 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

2: 1 1 1 1 F F F F

3: T T F F T T F F

8: T F T F T F

$\frac{7}{2} = 2$

$\frac{2}{2} = 1$

$$\neg p \vee q \neq p \rightarrow \neg q$$

F T
F F
T T
T F

T
F
T
T

T → F
T → T
F → F
F → T

F
T
T
T

$$T \rightarrow F = F$$

Laws of Prop. Logic

TABLE 6 Logical Equivalences.

Equivalence	Name
$p \wedge T \equiv p$ $p \vee F \equiv p$	Identity laws
$p \vee T \equiv T$ $p \wedge F \equiv F$	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
$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$	De Morgan's laws
$p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$ $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$	Absorption laws
$p \vee \neg p \equiv T$ $p \wedge \neg p \equiv F$	Negation laws

\sim — Negation
 \vee — Disjunction
 \wedge — Conjunction

$$\overline{A \vee B} = \overline{A} \wedge \overline{B}$$

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$$\sim(p \wedge q) = \sim p \vee \sim q$$

$$x \cdot (y + z) = (x \cdot y) + (x \cdot z)$$

$$A \vee (B \wedge C) = (A \vee B) \wedge (A \vee C)$$

TABLE 7 Logical Equivalences
Involving Conditional Statements

$$\begin{aligned}p \rightarrow q &\equiv \neg p \vee q \\p \rightarrow q &\equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p \\p \vee q &\equiv \neg p \rightarrow q \\p \wedge q &\equiv \neg(p \rightarrow \neg q) \\\neg(p \rightarrow q) &\equiv p \wedge \neg q \\(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) &\equiv p \rightarrow (q \wedge r) \\(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) &\equiv (p \vee q) \rightarrow r \\(p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r) &\equiv p \rightarrow (q \vee r) \\(p \rightarrow r) \vee (q \rightarrow r) &\equiv (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r\end{aligned}$$

TABLE 8 Logical
Equivalences Involving
Biconditional Statements

$$\begin{aligned}p \leftrightarrow q &\equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p) \\p \leftrightarrow q &\equiv \neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q \\p \leftrightarrow q &\equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \\\neg(p \leftrightarrow q) &\equiv p \leftrightarrow \neg q\end{aligned}$$