



# Boolean Logic

## The Foundations: Logic and Proofs.

### Part 1. Propositional Logic

A proposition is a declarative sentence that is either True or False.

#### Compound Propositions:

- Negation
- Conjunction
- Disjunction
- Implication
- Biconditional

Negation - Unary (single variable)  
The negation of proposition  $p$  is denoted by  $\neg p$ .

Conjunction - Binary (And operator)  
The conjunction of propositions  $p$  and  $q$  is denoted by  $p \wedge q$  - read  $p$  and  $q$ .

Table

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

Conjunction not unary they are binary.  
They take 2 variables.

`int x = 5; // 000...101  $\rightarrow$  5`

`int y = 3; // 000...011  $\rightarrow$  3`

`int res = x & y; // 000...001  $\rightarrow$  1`

int  $x = 4$ ;  $\sim$   $\overbrace{000000 \dots 100}^{111111 \dots 011}$  so negation is  
32-bit 32-bit

## Disjunction (OR)

The Disjunction of propositions  $p$  and  $q$  is denoted by  $p \vee q$  -  $p$  or  $q$ .

Table

$p$	$q$	$p \vee q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

Disjunction is True, when one of the variables are True.

$$z = x \mid y;$$

## Exclusive OR (XOR)

The exclusive or of propositions is denoted by  $p \oplus q$ .

Table

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

Exclusive OR is when  $p$  or  $q$  should be True. But not in the same time.

$$z = p \wedge q;$$

## Implication

If  $p$  and  $q$  are propositions, then  $p \rightarrow q$  is a conditional statement or implication.  $p$  is the hypothesis and  $q$  is the conclusion.

Table

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

False  
the same truth  
table

Converse, Contrapositive and Inverse.

From  $p \rightarrow q$  we can form new conditional statements.

- $q \rightarrow p$  is the **converse** of  $p \rightarrow q$ .
- $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$  is the **contrapositive** of  $p \rightarrow q$ .
- $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$  is the **inverse** of  $p \rightarrow q$ .

Biconditional

If  $p$  and  $q$  are propositions, then we can form the **bio-conditional** proposition  $p \leftrightarrow q$ , read as "p if and only if q."

Table

$p$	$q$	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

Biconditional is true, when both variable are at the same time True or False, otherwise False.