# PROPOSITIONAL EQUIVALENCES

Section 1.2 (Chapter 1.3)



#### REVIEW EXERCISES

#### Inclusive/Exclusive Or

- Determine from the context whether "or" is intended to be used in the inclusive or exclusive sense
  - She has one or two brothers.

#### Conditional and bicondictional propositions

- Write it in English in the form "If ... then ...." or "... if and only of...":
  - I will buy the tickets only if you call."
  - To be able to go on the trip, it is necessary that you get written permission."
  - You need a ticket in order to enter the theater.
  - No shoes, no shirt, no service.
  - It rains exactly when I plan a picnic.
- Write the negation of "If it rains, I stay home."



#### SECTION SUMMARY

- Tautologies, Contradictions, and Contingencies.
- Logical Equivalence
  - Important Logical Equivalences
  - Showing Logical Equivalence
- Normal Forms
  - Disjunctive Normal Form
  - Conjunctive Normal Form



### TAUTOLOGIES, CONTRADICTIONS, AND CONTINGENCIES 永真、矛盾和可能

- A tautology is a proposition which is always true.
  - Example:  $p \lor \neg p$
- A *contradiction* is a proposition which is always false.
  - Example:  $p \land \neg p$
- A *contingency* is a proposition which is neither a tautology nor a contradiction, such as *p*

P	$\neg p$	$p \lor \neg p$	$p \land \neg p$
T	F	T	F
F	T	T	F



### LOGICALLY EQUIVALENT

- Two compound propositions p and q are logically equivalent if  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is a tautology.
- We write this as  $p \Leftrightarrow q$  or as  $p \equiv q$  where p and q are compound propositions.
- Two compound propositions *p* and *q* are equivalent if and only if the columns in a truth table giving their truth values agree.
- This truth table show  $\neg p \lor q$  is equivalent to  $p \rightarrow q$ .

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



### TRUTH TABLES FOR COMPOUND PROPOSITIONS

- Construction of a truth table:
- Rows
  - Need a row for every possible combination of values for the atomic propositions.
- Columns
  - Need a column for the compound proposition (usually at far right)
  - Need a column for the truth value of each expression that occurs in the compound proposition as it is built up.
    - This includes the atomic propositions



### DE MORGAN'S LAWS

$$\neg(p \land q) \equiv \neg p \lor \neg q$$

$$\neg(p \lor q) \equiv \neg p \land \neg q$$



Augustus De Morgan 1806-1871

This truth table shows that De Morgan's Second Law holds.

p	q	$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$(p \lor q)$	$\neg (p \lor q)$	$\neg p \land \neg q$
T	Т	F	F	T	F	F
T	F	F	T	T	F	F
F	Т	T	F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T	F	T	T

Please show proofs of the First Law.



### KEY LOGICAL EQUIVALENCES

• Identity Laws:

$$p \wedge T \equiv p$$
,  $p \vee F \equiv p$ 

Domination Laws:

$$p \vee T \equiv T$$
,  $p \wedge F \equiv F$ 

• Idempotent laws:

$$p \lor p \equiv p$$
,  $p \land p \equiv p$ 

Double Negation Law:

$$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$$

Negation Laws:

$$p \vee \neg p \equiv T$$
 ,  $p \wedge \neg p \equiv F$ 



# KEY LOGICAL EQUIVALENCES (CONT)

Commutative Laws:

$$p \lor q \equiv q \lor p$$
,  $p \land q \equiv q \land p$ 

Associative Laws:

$$(p \land q) \land r \equiv p \land (q \land r)$$
$$(p \lor q) \lor r \equiv p \lor (q \lor r)$$

Distributive Laws:

$$(p \lor (q \land r) \equiv (p \lor q)) \land (p \lor r)$$

$$(p \land (q \lor r)) \equiv (p \land q) \lor (p \land r)$$

Absorption Laws:

$$p \lor (p \land q) \equiv p \ p \land (p \lor q) \equiv p$$



### MORE LOGICAL EQUIVALENCES

### **TABLE 7** Logical Equivalences Involving Conditional Statements.

$$p \to q \equiv \neg p \lor q$$

$$p \to q \equiv \neg q \to \neg p$$

$$p \lor q \equiv \neg p \to q$$

$$p \land q \equiv \neg (p \to \neg q)$$

$$\neg (p \to q) \equiv p \land \neg q$$

$$(p \to q) \land (p \to r) \equiv p \to (q \land r)$$

$$(p \to r) \land (q \to r) \equiv (p \lor q) \to r$$

$$(p \to q) \lor (p \to r) \equiv p \to (q \lor r)$$

$$(p \to r) \lor (q \to r) \equiv (p \land q) \to r$$

#### TABLE 8 Logical Equivalences Involving Biconditional Statements.

$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \to q) \land (q \to p)$$

$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv \neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q$$

$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \land q) \lor (\neg p \land \neg q)$$

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



## CONSTRUCTING NEW LOGICAL EQUIVALENCES

- We can show that two expressions are logically equivalent by developing a series of logically equivalent statements.
- To prove that  $A \equiv B$  we produce a series of equivalences beginning with A and ending with B.

$$A \equiv A_1$$

$$\vdots$$

$$A_n \equiv B$$



### DISJUNCTIVE NORMAL FORM 析取 范式

• Please fill in the compound proposition the meets the truth table.

p	q	?
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	Т	F
F	F	T



### DISJUNCTIVE NORMAL FORM 析取 范式

- A propositional formula is in *disjunctive normal form* if it consists of a disjunction of (1, ..., n) disjuncts where each disjunct consists of a conjunction of (1, ..., m) atomic formulas or the negation of an atomic formula.
  - $(p \land \neg q) \lor (p \land q)$ Yes
  - $p \land (p \lor q)$ No
- Disjunctive Normal Form is important for the circuit design methods.



### CONJUNCTIVE NORMAL FORM 合取范式

- A compound proposition is in *Conjunctive Normal Form* (CNF) if it is a conjunction of disjunctions.
- Every proposition can be put in an equivalent CNF.
- Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF) can be obtained by eliminating implications, moving negation inwards and using the distributive and associative laws.
- Important in resolution theorem proving used in artificial Intelligence (AI).
- A compound proposition can be put in conjunctive normal form through repeated application of the logical equivalences covered earlier.



# PROPOSITIONAL SATISFIABILITY 命题可满足性

• A compound proposition is *satisfiable* if there is an assignment of truth values to its variables that make it true. When no such assignments exist, the compound proposition is *unsatisfiable*.

 A compound proposition is unsatisfiable if and only if its negation is a tautology.



### SUDOKU

• A **Sudoku puzzle** is represented by a 9×9 grid made up of nine 3×3 subgrids, known as **blocks**. Some of the 81 cells of the puzzle are assigned one of the numbers 1,2, ..., 9.

 The puzzle is solved by assigning numbers to each blank cell so that every row, column and block contains each of the nine possible numbers.

Example

	2	9				4		
			5			1		
	4							
				4	2			
6							7	
6 5 7								
7			3					5
	1			9				
							6	

