Chapter 2-Logic

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Logik:

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is shorthand for "and" (equivalent to the AND Operator)

A <u>Proposition</u> is a statement which is true or false (but never both!). (It can't be a question. It also can't contain variables, and a claim needs to be stated in the proposition) Not as useful in Proofing.

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Is shorthand for "or" (equivalent to the OR Operator)

 $\neg p$

Is shorthand for "Not p" (equivalent to the NOT Operator)

 $p \rightarrow q$

Is shorthand for "If p then q"

 $p \leftrightarrow q$

Is shorthand for "if p then q, and the converse is also true"

$$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$$

Is shorthand for the contrapositive of if p then q, and <u>is</u> equivalent to if p then q.

Ordering in Mathematical Shorthand: apply the "not" operators first, then the "and" and "or". Then you take the results and do the implication operations. (similar to high school algebra rules)

Logical Equivalence:

A frequently useful fact is that $p \to q$ is logically equivalent to $\neg p \lor q$.

De Morgan's Law:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{not } (A \text{ and } B) & \longrightarrow & \text{not } A \text{ or not } B \\
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 & \text{not } (A \text{ or } B) & \longrightarrow & \text{not } A \text{ and not } B \\
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 & \text{not } (A \text{ and } B) & \not = & \text{not } A \text{ and not } B
\end{array}$$

T and F are special constant propositions with no variables that are, respectively, always true and always false.

$$p \wedge \neg p \equiv F$$

The equal operator = can only be applied to **objects** such as numbers. When comparing **logical expressions** that return true/false values, you must use \equiv .

Distributive Rules:

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

(you can distribute either operator over the other)

The Conditional to OR/AND Rule:

$$\begin{array}{l} p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \lor q \\ \neg (p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \land \neg q \end{array}$$

(Recall this is true because in p -> q, when p is false, the statement is always true, and when p is true, the statement is true only when q is true)

A <u>Predicate</u> is a statement that becomes true or false if you substitute in values for its variables.

Quantifiers:

There are only 3, and the first 2 are the most common:

∀
For All (universal quantifier),
∃
There Exists (existential quantifier),

 $\exists!$

There exists a unique ... (unique existence, used when there is only 1 object that matches some requirements)

Examples:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 + 3 \ge 0$$
$$\exists y \in \mathbb{R}, y = \sqrt{2}$$
$$\exists ! x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 = 0$$

"Such that" is sometimes abbreviated "s.t." (Mathematicians are lazy)

Contrapositives also exists for statements with quantifiers.

For example:

 $\forall x$, if p(x), then q(x)

And its contrapositive:

$$\forall x$$
, if $\neg q(x)$, then $\neg p(x)$

The quantifier stays the same: only transform the if/then part.

Representing 2D points:

Either refer to 2 single variables and pair them up, like so:

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$$

And refer to them as a pair later on, or

Treat the pair as a single variable, like so:

$$\exists (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

Or be even more abstract:

 $\exists p \in \mathbb{R}^2, p \text{ is on the unit circle}$

(and then later define what "p" and "the unit circle" means)

Predicate Logic "De Morgan's Laws":

$$\neg(\forall x, P(x)) \equiv \exists x, \neg P(x)$$

"for all x in A, P(x)" is false when (is equivalent) to "there is some value x in A such that P(x) is false"

$$\neg(\exists x, P(x)) \equiv \forall x, \neg P(x)$$

"there exists x in A such that P(x) is true" is false when (is equivalent to) "for all x in A, P(x) is false"

(P(x) is a statement like x > 0 or whatever, and A can be some set like real numbers or whatever)

Example:

$$\forall x, P(x) \to (Q(x) \land R(x))$$

Its **negation** is:

$$\neg(\forall x, P(x) \to (Q(x) \land R(x))) \equiv \exists x, \neg(P(x) \to (Q(x) \land R(x)))$$
$$\equiv \exists x, P(x) \land \neg(Q(x) \land R(x)))$$
$$\equiv \exists x, P(x) \land (\neg Q(x) \lor \neg R(x))$$

Bounding and Scope:

A quantifier **binds** to a variable, but if a variable hasn't been bound by a quantifier, (or otherwise given a value or a set of replacement values), it is called a **Free Variable**.

Free variables don't have a defined truth value, so they **cannot** be a step in a proof.

The "bound" variable in a quantification is only defined for a limited time, called the **Scope** of the binding.

Qualifiers define the scope of the variable. For example, the ${\bf i}$ in $\sum_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{i}$

is only defined while you are still inside the summation.