

# Discrete Structures and Theory of Logic

## Lecture-25

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## Some other connectives

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### NAND Connective

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It is denoted by  $\uparrow$ .

$$P \uparrow Q \Leftrightarrow \neg(P \wedge Q)$$

Truth table for this is the following

P	Q	$P \uparrow Q$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	T

## NOR Connective

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It is denoted by  $\downarrow$ .

$$P \downarrow Q \Leftrightarrow \neg(P \vee Q)$$

Truth table for this is the following

P	Q	$P \downarrow Q$
T	T	F
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

**Example:** Express the connectives  $\neg$ ,  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$  in the terms of  $\uparrow$  only.

**Solution:**

1.  $\neg P \Leftrightarrow \neg P \vee \neg P \Leftrightarrow \neg(P \wedge P) \Leftrightarrow P \uparrow P$
2.  $P \wedge Q \Leftrightarrow \neg\neg(P \wedge Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg(P \uparrow Q) \Leftrightarrow (P \uparrow Q) \uparrow (P \uparrow Q)$
3.  $P \vee Q \Leftrightarrow \neg\neg(P \vee Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg(\neg P \wedge \neg Q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg P) \uparrow (\neg Q) \Leftrightarrow (P \uparrow P) \uparrow (Q \uparrow Q)$

**Example:** Express the connectives  $\neg$ ,  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$  in the terms of  $\downarrow$  only.

**Solution:**

1.  $\neg P \Leftrightarrow \neg P \wedge \neg P \Leftrightarrow \neg(P \vee P) \Leftrightarrow P \downarrow P$
2.  $P \vee Q \Leftrightarrow \neg\neg(P \vee Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg(P \downarrow Q) \Leftrightarrow (P \downarrow Q) \downarrow (P \downarrow Q)$
3.  $P \wedge Q \Leftrightarrow \neg\neg(P \wedge Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg(\neg P \vee \neg Q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg P) \downarrow (\neg Q) \Leftrightarrow (P \downarrow P) \downarrow (Q \downarrow Q)$

**Note:** NAND or NOR is functionally complete.

## Exercise

1. Express  $P \rightarrow (\neg P \rightarrow Q)$  in terms of  $\uparrow$  only. Express same formula in terms of  $\downarrow$  only.
2. Express  $P \uparrow Q$  in terms of  $\downarrow$  only.
3. Show the following:-
  - (a)  $\neg(P \uparrow Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg P \downarrow \neg Q$
  - (b)  $\neg(P \downarrow Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg P \uparrow \neg Q$
4. Write a formula which is equivalent to the formula
$$P \wedge (Q \leftrightarrow R)$$
and contains the connective NAND( $\uparrow$ ) only. Obtain an equivalent formula which contains the connective NOR( $\downarrow$ ) only.
5. Show the following equivalences.
  - (a)  $(P \rightarrow C) \wedge (Q \rightarrow C) \Leftrightarrow (P \vee Q) \rightarrow C$
  - (b)  $((Q \wedge A) \rightarrow C) \wedge (A \rightarrow (P \vee C)) \Leftrightarrow (A \wedge (P \rightarrow Q)) \rightarrow C$
  - (c)  $((P \wedge Q \wedge A) \rightarrow C) \wedge (A \rightarrow (P \vee Q \vee C)) \Leftrightarrow (A \wedge (P \leftrightarrow Q)) \rightarrow C$

## Normal Form

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There are following types of normal form.

**Disjunctive normal form** A statement formula is said to be in disjunctive normal form if it is the disjunction of conjunction.

**Example:**  $(P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg Q \wedge R)$

**Conjunctive normal form** A statement formula is said to be in conjunctive normal form if it is the conjunction of disjunction.

**Example:**  $(P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg Q \vee R)$

**Principal disjunctive normal form** A statement formula is said to be in principal disjunctive normal form if it is the disjunction of minterms only.

**Example:**  $(P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge Q)$

**Principal conjunctive normal form** A statement formula is said to be in principal conjunctive normal form if it is the conjunction of maxterms only.

**Example:**  $(P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee Q)$



## Exercise

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1. Obtain disjunctive normal form of the followings:-

(a)  $P \wedge (P \rightarrow Q)$

(b)  $\neg(P \vee Q) \leftrightarrow (P \wedge Q)$

Also find the conjunctive normal form of above formulas.

2. Obtain the principal disjunctive normal form of the followings:-

(a)  $\neg P \vee Q$

(b)  $(P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge R) \vee (Q \wedge R)$

(c)  $P \rightarrow ((P \rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg(\neg Q \vee \neg P))$

3. Obtain the principal conjunctive normal form of the followings:-

(a)  $(P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge R) \vee (Q \wedge R)$

(b)  $P \rightarrow ((P \rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg(\neg Q \vee \neg P))$

(c)  $(\neg P \rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \leftrightarrow P)$