# Discrete Structures and Theory of Logic Lecture-35

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# Some other connectives

## **NAND** Connective

It is denoted by  $\uparrow$ .

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

Truth table for this is the following

Р	Q	$P \uparrow Q$
Т	Т	F
Т	F	Т
F	Т	Т
F	F	Т

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## **NOR Connective**

It is denoted by  $\downarrow$ .

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

Truth table for this is the following

Р	Q	$P \downarrow Q$
Т	Т	F
Т	F	F
F	Т	F
F	F	Т

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

#### **Solution:**

- 1.  $\neg P \Leftrightarrow \neg P \lor \neg P \Leftrightarrow \neg (P \land P) \Leftrightarrow P \uparrow P$
- 2.  $P \land Q \Leftrightarrow \neg \neg (P \land Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg (P \uparrow Q) \Leftrightarrow (P \uparrow Q) \uparrow (P \uparrow Q)$
- 3.  $P \lor Q \Leftrightarrow \neg \neg (P \lor Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg (\neg P \land \neg Q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg P) \uparrow (\neg Q) \Leftrightarrow (P \uparrow P) \uparrow (Q \uparrow Q)$

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

#### Solution:

- 1.  $\neg P \Leftrightarrow \neg P \land \neg P \Leftrightarrow \neg (P \lor P) \Leftrightarrow P \downarrow P$
- 2.  $P \lor Q \Leftrightarrow \neg \neg (P \lor Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg (P \downarrow Q) \Leftrightarrow (P \downarrow Q) \downarrow (P \downarrow Q)$
- 3.  $P \land Q \Leftrightarrow \neg \neg (P \land Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg (\neg P \lor \neg Q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg P) \downarrow (\neg Q) \Leftrightarrow (P \downarrow P) \downarrow (Q \downarrow Q)$

Note: NAND or NOR is functionally complete.

## **Exercise**

- 1. Express  $P \to (\neg P \to Q)$  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)  $(P \rightarrow C) \land (Q \rightarrow C) \Leftrightarrow (P \lor Q) \rightarrow C$
  - (b)  $((Q \land A) \rightarrow C) \land (A \rightarrow (P \lor C)) \Leftrightarrow (A \land (P \rightarrow Q)) \rightarrow C$
  - (c)  $((P \land Q \land A) \rightarrow C) \land (A \rightarrow (P \lor Q \lor C)) \Leftrightarrow (A \land (P \leftrightarrow Q)) \rightarrow C$

### **Normal Form**

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:**  $(P \lor Q) \land (\neg Q \lor R)$ 

**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:**  $(P \land Q) \lor (\neg P \land Q)$ 

**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:**  $(P \lor Q) \land (\neg P \lor Q)$ 

## **Exercise**

- 1. Obtain disjunctive normal form of the followings:-
  - (a)  $P \wedge (P \rightarrow Q)$
  - (b)  $\neg (P \lor Q) \leftrightarrow (P \land Q)$

Also find the conjunctive normal form of above formulas.

- 2. Obtain the principal disjunctive normal form of the followings:-
  - (a)  $\neg P \lor Q$
  - (b)  $(P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge R) \vee (Q \wedge R)$
  - (c)  $P \rightarrow ((P \rightarrow Q) \land \neg(\neg Q \lor \neg P))$
- 3. Obtain the principal conjunctive normal form of the followings:-
  - (a)  $(P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge R) \vee (Q \wedge R)$
  - (b)  $P \rightarrow ((P \rightarrow Q) \land \neg(\neg Q \lor \neg P))$
  - (c)  $(\neg P \rightarrow R) \land (Q \leftrightarrow P)$