

Logic & Proofs

(Lecture – 1)

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Formal Definition: Proposition

Let p be a proposition. The *negation of p* , denoted by $\neg p$ (also denoted by \overline{p}), is the statement

“It is not the case that p .”

The proposition $\neg p$ is read “not p .” The truth value of the negation of p , $\neg p$, is the opposite of the truth value of p .

- Michael’s PC runs Linux
 - It is not the case that Michael’s PC runs Linux
 - Michael’s PC does not run Linux
- Vandana’s smartphone has at least 32GB of memory
 - It is not the case that Vandana’s smartphone has at least 32GB of memory
 - Vandana’s smartphone does not have at least 32GB of memory
 - Vandana’s smartphone has less than 32GB of memory

Truth Tables & Connectives

TABLE 1 The Truth Table for the Negation of a Proposition.

p	$\neg p$
T	F
F	T

- Each row shows the truth value of $\neg p$ corresponding to the truth value of p for that row

- **Connectives**: logical operators that are used to form new propositions from two or more existing propositions

Let p and q be propositions. The *conjunction* of p and q , denoted by $p \wedge q$, is the proposition “ p and q .” The conjunction $p \wedge q$ is true when both p and q are true and is false otherwise.

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Let p and q be propositions. The *disjunction* of p and q , denoted by $p \vee q$, is the proposition “ p or q .” The disjunction $p \vee q$ is false when both p and q are false and is true otherwise.

TABLE 2 The Truth Table for the Conjunction of Two Propositions.

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

TABLE 3 The Truth Table for the Disjunction of Two Propositions.

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

TABLE 4 The Truth Table for the Exclusive Or of Two Propositions.

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

Let p and q be propositions. The *exclusive or* of p and q , denoted by $p \oplus q$, is the proposition that is true when exactly one of p and q is true and is false otherwise.

Conditional Statements

Let p and q be propositions. The *conditional statement* $p \rightarrow q$ is the proposition “if p , then q .” The conditional statement $p \rightarrow q$ is false when p is true and q is false, and true otherwise. In the conditional statement $p \rightarrow q$, p is called the *hypothesis* (or *antecedent* or *premise*) and q is called the *conclusion* (or *consequence*).

TABLE 5 The Truth Table for the Conditional Statement $p \rightarrow q$.

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

“if p , then q ”

“if p , q ”

“ p is sufficient for q ”

“ q if p ”

“ q when p ”

“a necessary condition for p is q ”

“ q unless $\neg p$ ”

“ p implies q ”

“ p only if q ”

“a sufficient condition for q is p ”

“ q whenever p ”

“ q is necessary for p ”

“ q follows from p ”

Let p be the statement “Maria learns discrete mathematics” and q the statement “Maria will find a good job.” Express the statement $p \rightarrow q$ as a statement in English.

Contrapositive, Converse & Inverse

- Given conditional statement: $p \rightarrow q$
 - **Contrapositive:** $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
 - **Converse:** $q \rightarrow p$
 - **Inverse:** $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
- *Construct truth tables for converse, contrapositive, and inverse of a conditional statement. What do you observe?*
- Statement: “The home team wins whenever it is raining”
 - $p \rightarrow q$: “If it is raining, then the home team wins” (conditional)
 - $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$: “If the home team does not win, then it is not raining” (contrapositive)
 - $q \rightarrow p$: “If the home team wins, then it is raining” (converse)
 - $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$: “If it is not raining, then the home team does not win” (inverse)

Contrapositive, Converse & Inverse

Contrapositive Truth Table

$\neg q$	$\neg p$	$\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

Converse Truth Table

q	p	$q \Rightarrow p$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

Inverse Truth Table

$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$\neg p \Rightarrow \neg q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

Biconditional Statement

Let p and q be propositions. The *biconditional statement* $p \leftrightarrow q$ is the proposition “ p if and only if q .” The biconditional statement $p \leftrightarrow q$ is true when p and q have the same truth values, and is false otherwise. Biconditional statements are also called *bi-implications*.

TABLE 6 The Truth Table for the Biconditional $p \leftrightarrow q$.

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

“ p is necessary and sufficient for q ”
“if p then q , and conversely”
“ p iff q .”

- Find out the truth table for: $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$.

Truth Table for Compound Propositions

- Five basic logical connectives: *conjunction, disjunction, negation, conditional statements, biconditional statements*
- Three derived logical connectives: *contrapositive, converse, inverse*
- These can be used to build up complicated propositions involving any number of propositional variables
- Construct truth table for: $(p \vee \neg q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$

TABLE 7 The Truth Table of $(p \vee \neg q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$.

p	q	$\neg q$	$p \vee \neg q$	$p \wedge q$	$(p \vee \neg q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$
T	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	F	F
F	T	F	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	F	F

Precedence of Logical Operators

TABLE 8
Precedence of
Logical Operators.

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Precedence</i>
\neg	1
\wedge	2
\vee	3
\rightarrow	4
\leftrightarrow	5

- Logic bit operators:
 - Information is represented in form of **bits**
 - Symbol with two possible values: 0 (zero) and 1 (one).
 - It can also be used to represent truth values: *true* and *false*
 - In practice, 1 represents T (true) and 0 represents F (false)
 - **Boolean variable**: value is either true or false

TABLE 9 Table for the Bit Operators *OR*, *AND*, and *XOR*.

x	y	$x \vee y$	$x \wedge y$	$x \oplus y$
0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0

Application of Propositional Logic

- Statements in mathematics and the sciences and in natural language often are imprecise or ambiguous.
- To make such statements precise, they can be translated into the language of logic
- Examples:
 - Specification of software and hardware: need precise specification before the actual development phase
 - Design of computer circuits, to construct computer programs, to verify correctness of programs, and so on.

Application of Propositional Logic

- We will look into the following application domains:
 - Translating English Sentences
 - System Specifications
 - Boolean Searches
 - Logic Puzzles
 - Logic Circuits

Logic Circuit

- Logic circuit (or digital circuit) receives input signals p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n each a bit [either 0 (off) or 1 (on)], and produces output signals s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n , each a bit.

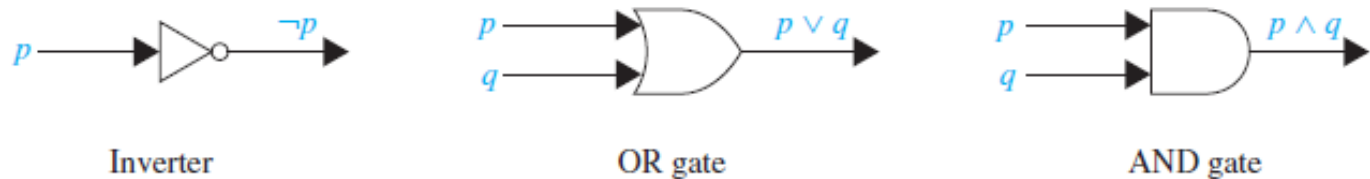


FIGURE 1 Basic logic gates.

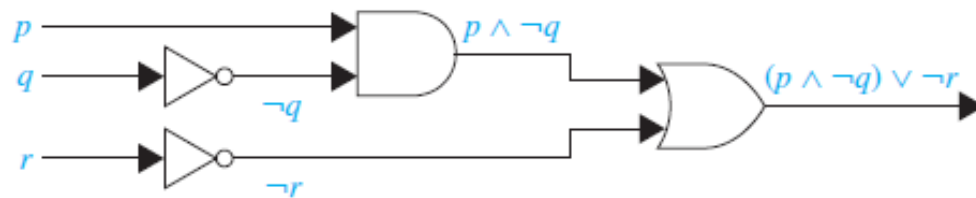


FIGURE 2 A combinational circuit.

Logic Circuit

- Build a logic circuit for: $(p \vee \neg r) \wedge (\neg p \vee (q \vee \neg r))$

