

Logic

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Logic operators

The 4 connectives ordered by rank.

- ① \leftrightarrow (bi-implication)
- ② \rightarrow (implication)
- ③ \wedge and \vee (Conjunction and disjunction)
- ④ \neg (negation)

Quantors

- \exists, \forall (existential, universal)

The quantors have the same rank as the negation.

Examples

$$P \wedge Q \rightarrow R \equiv (P \wedge Q) \rightarrow R$$

$$P \vee Q \leftrightarrow R \equiv (P \vee Q) \leftrightarrow R$$

$$\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P \equiv (\neg Q) \rightarrow (\neg P)$$

$$\neg P \rightarrow Q \leftrightarrow R \equiv (((\neg P) \rightarrow Q) \leftrightarrow R)$$

Truth table

Table: Truth table

P	Q	$P \rightarrow Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

When is a reasoning correct?

Standard structure:

$$\frac{P_1, \dots, P_n \leftarrow \text{Premises}}{Q \leftarrow \text{Conclusion}}$$

Correct

$$\frac{\frac{3 > 2 \rightarrow 2 > 1}{2 > 1} \quad \frac{3 > 2}{2 > 1}}{2 > 1}$$

Standard structure

$$\frac{\frac{P \rightarrow Q}{Q} \quad \overline{P}}{Q}$$

Modus ponens, very important rule.

Wrong structure

Wrong

$$\frac{\frac{3 > 2 \rightarrow 2 > 1}{3 > 2} \quad \frac{2 > 1}{2 > 1}}{3 > 2}$$

Wrong standard structure

$$\frac{\frac{P \rightarrow Q}{P} \quad \overline{Q}}{P}$$

If in every situation where P_1, \dots, P_n are all true, then Q is also true.

Some more rules

Contraposition

$$\frac{\overline{\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P}}{P \rightarrow Q}$$

Double negation

$$\frac{\overline{P}}{\neg \neg P}$$

Logic consequence

$$\frac{P \vee Q \quad \overline{\neg P}}{Q}$$