

Discrete Mathematics



Lecture 1

Logic and Proofs

Lectures Reference

- **Kenneth H. Rosen. Discrete Mathematics and Its Applications, Eighth Edition:**

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Course Objectives

- Learn how to think mathematically.
- • Grasp the basic logical and reasoning mechanisms of mathematical thought.
- • Improve problem-solving skills.
- • Grasp the basic elements of induction, recursion, combination and discrete structures.

DM is a Gateway Course

- Topics in discrete mathematics will be important in many courses that you will learn in the future:
- Computer Science: Computer Architecture, Data Structures, Algorithms, Programming Languages, Compilers, Computer Security, Databases, Artificial Intelligence, Networking, Graphics, Game Design, Theory of Computation,
- Mathematics: Logic, Set Theory, Probability, Number Theory, Abstract Algebra, Graph Theory, Game Theory, Network Optimization, ...

Introduction to Propositional Logic

➤ What is Logic?

- Logic is the science that deals with the methods of reasoning.
- Logical reasoning is used in mathematics to prove theorems.

Introduction to Propositional Logic

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- The basic building blocks of logic is **Proposition**

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- A proposition (or **statement**) is a **declarative** sentence that is either true or false, but not both.
- The area of logic that deals with propositions is called propositional logics.



Introduction to Propositional Logic

- **Examples of propositions:**

$$2 + 3 = 5$$

True

$$5 - 2 = 1$$

False

Today is Friday

False

$$x + 3 = 7, \text{ for } x = 4$$

True

Cairo is the capital of Egypt

True

Examples that are not propositions.

What time is it?

Read this carefully.

$$x + 3 = 7 \text{ find } x?$$

Introduction to Propositional Logic

- We use letters to denote propositional variables p, q, r, s, \dots
- The truth value of a proposition is true, denoted by T, if it is a true proposition and false, denoted by F, if it is a false proposition.

Compound Propositions

➤ Compound Proposition

- Compound Propositions are formed from existing propositions using **logical operators**.
- Negation \neg
- Conjunction \wedge
- Disjunction \vee
- Implication \rightarrow
- Biconditional \leftrightarrow



Compound Propositions

➤ **Negation** (not)

- The negation of a proposition p is denoted by $\neg p$ and has this truth table:

p	$\neg p$
T	F
F	T

- Example: If p denotes "Cairo is the capital of Egypt.", then $\neg p$ denotes "It is not the case that Cairo is the capital of Egypt," or more simply "Cairo is not the capital of Egypt." The proposition $\neg p$ is read " **not p** "

Compound Propositions

➤ Conjunction (and)

- The conjunction of propositions p and q is denoted by $p \wedge q$ and has this truth table:

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

- The conjunction $p \wedge q$ is true when both p and q are true and is false otherwise .
- Example: p : Today is Friday.
 q : It is raining today.
 $p \wedge q$: Today is Friday and it is raining today.

Compound Propositions

➤ Disjunction(or)

- • The disjunction of propositions p and q is denoted by $p \vee q$ and has this truth table:

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

- The disjunction $p \vee q$ is false when both p and q are false and is true otherwise .
- Example: p : Today is Friday.
 q : It is raining today.
 $p \vee q$: Today is Friday or it is raining today.

Compound Propositions

➤ Exclusive Or (Xor)

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

The truth table for \oplus is:

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

- Example

p : They are parents.

q : They are children.

$p \oplus q$: They are parents or children **but not both**.

Questions?