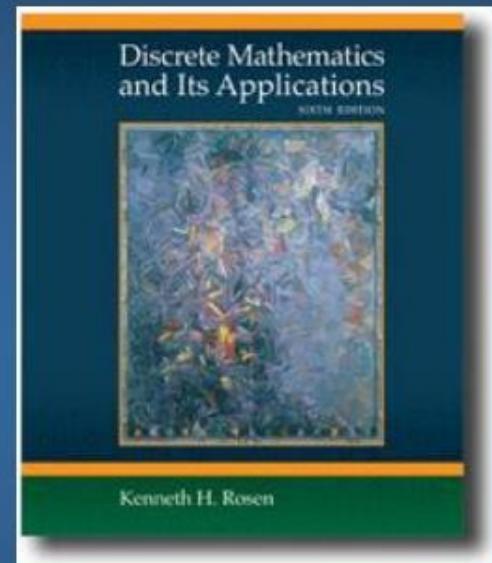


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Chapter 1 The Foundations: Logic and Proofs



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1.1 Propositional Logic

- Logic: to give precise meaning to mathematical statements
- *Proposition*: a declarative sentence that is either true or false, but not both
 - $1+1=2$
 - Toronto is the capital of Canada
- Propositional variables: p, q, r, s
- Truth value: true (T) or false (F)

- Compound propositions: new propositions formed from existing propositions using logical operators
- Definition 1: Let p be a proposition. The *negation* of p , denoted by $\neg p$ (or \bar{p}), is the statement “It is not the case that p .
– “not p ”

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

| p | $\neg p$ |
|-----|----------|
| T | F |
| F | T |

- Definition 2: Let p and q be propositions. The *conjunction* of p and q , denoted by $p \wedge q$, is the proposition “ p and q .”
- Definition 3: Let p and q be propositions. The *disjunction* of p and q , denoted by $p \vee q$, is the proposition “ p or q .”

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 |

- Definition 4: 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.

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 |

Conditional Statements

- Definition 5: Let p and q be propositions.
The *conditional statement* $p \rightarrow q$ is the proposition “if p , then q .
- p : *hypothesis* (or *antecedent* or *premise*)
- q : *conclusion* (or *consequence*)
- Implication
 - “ p implies q ”
 - Many ways to express this...

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 |

Converse, Contrapositive, and Inverse

- $p \rightarrow q$
- *Converse*: $q \rightarrow p$
- *Contrapositive*: $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- *Inverse*: $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
- Two compound propositions are *equivalent* if they always have the same truth value
 - The contrapositive is equivalent to the original statement
 - The converse is equivalent to the inverse

Biconditionals

- Definition 6: Let p and q be propositions. The *biconditional statement* $p \leftrightarrow q$ is the proposition “ p if and only if q .”
 - “*bi-implications*”
 - “ p is necessary and sufficient for q ”
 - “ p iff q ”

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 |

Implicit Use of Biconditionals

- Biconditionals are not always explicit in natural language
 - Imprecision in natural language
 - “If you finish your meal, then you can have dessert.”
 - “You can have dessert if and only if you finish your meal.”

TABLE 7 (1.1)

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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

- Negation operator is applied before all other logical operators
- Conjunction operator takes precedence over disjunction operator
- Conditional and biconditional operators have lower precedence
- Parentheses are used whenever necessary

TABLE 8
Precedence of
Logical
Operators.

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

Translating English Sentences

- Ex.12: “You can access the Internet from campus only if you are a computer science major or you are not a freshman.”
- Ex.13: “You cannot ride the roller coaster if you are under 4 feet tall unless you are older than 16 years old.”

Examples

- Boolean Searches
 - New AND Mexico AND universities
 - (Mexico AND universities) NOT New
- Logic Puzzles
 - Ex. 18:
 - Knights always tell the truth, and knaves always lie
 - A says “B is a knight”
 - B says “The two of us are opposite types”
 - What are A and B?
 - Ex. 19

Logic and Bit Operations

- Bit: binary digit
- Boolean variable: either true or false
 - Can be represented by a bit
- Definition 7: A *bit string* is a sequence of zero or more bits. The *length* of this string is the number of bits in the string.

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 |

1.2 Propositional Equivalences

- Definition 1:
 - *Tautology*: a compound proposition that is always true
 - *Contradiction*: a compound proposition that is always false
 - *Contingency*: a compound proposition that is neither a tautology nor a contradiction

TABLE 1 (1.2)

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TABLE 1 Examples of a Tautology and a Contradiction.

| p | $\neg p$ | $p \vee \neg p$ | $p \wedge \neg p$ |
|-----|----------|-----------------|-------------------|
| T | F | T | F |
| F | T | T | F |

Logical Equivalence

- Compound propositions that have the same truth values in all possible cases
- Definition 2: Compound propositions p and q are *logically equivalent* if $p \leftrightarrow q$ is a tautology (denoted by $p \equiv q$ or $p \Leftrightarrow q$)
- De Morgan's Law
 - $\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$
 - $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$

TABLE 2 De Morgan's Laws.

$$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$$

$$\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$$

TABLE 3 (1.2)

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TABLE 3 Truth Tables for $\neg(p \vee q)$ and $\neg p \wedge \neg q$.

| p | q | $p \vee q$ | $\neg(p \vee q)$ | $\neg p$ | $\neg q$ | $\neg p \wedge \neg q$ |
|-----|-----|------------|------------------|----------|----------|------------------------|
| T | T | T | F | F | F | F |
| T | F | T | F | F | T | F |
| F | T | T | F | T | F | F |
| F | F | F | T | T | T | T |

TABLE 4 Truth Tables for $\neg p \vee q$ and $p \rightarrow q$.

| p | q | $\neg p$ | $\neg p \vee q$ | $p \rightarrow q$ |
|-----|-----|----------|-----------------|-------------------|
| T | T | F | T | T |
| T | F | F | F | F |
| F | T | T | T | T |
| F | F | T | T | T |

TABLE 5 (1.2)

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TABLE 5 A Demonstration That $p \vee (q \wedge r)$ and $(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ Are Logically Equivalent.

| p | q | r | $q \wedge r$ | $p \vee (q \wedge r)$ | $p \vee q$ | $p \vee r$ | $(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ |
|-----|-----|-----|--------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| T | T | T | T | T | T | T | T |
| T | T | F | F | T | T | T | T |
| T | F | T | F | T | T | T | T |
| T | F | F | F | T | T | T | T |
| F | T | T | T | T | T | T | T |
| F | T | F | F | F | T | F | F |
| F | F | T | F | F | F | T | F |
| F | F | F | F | F | F | F | F |

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TABLE 6 Logical Equivalences.

| <i>Equivalence</i> | <i>Name</i> |
|--|---------------------|
| $p \wedge T = p$ $p \vee F = p$ | Identity laws |
| $p \vee T = T$ $p \wedge F = F$ | Domination laws |
| $p \vee p \equiv p$ $p \wedge p \equiv p$ | Idempotent laws |
| $\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$ | Double negation law |
| $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$ $p \wedge q = q \wedge p$ | Commutative laws |
| $(p \vee q) \vee r = p \vee (q \vee r)$ $(p \wedge q) \wedge r = p \wedge (q \wedge r)$ | Associative laws |
| $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ | Distributive laws |
| $\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$ | De Morgan's laws |
| $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$ $p \wedge (p \vee q) = p$ | Absorption laws |
| $p \vee \neg p = T$ $p \wedge \neg p = F$ | Negation laws |

**TABLE 7 Logical Equivalences
Involving Conditional Statements.**

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$$

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$$

$$p \vee q \equiv \neg p \rightarrow q$$

$$p \wedge q \equiv \neg (p \rightarrow \neg q)$$

$$\neg(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \neg q$$

$$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \equiv p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$$

$$(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \equiv (p \vee q) \rightarrow r$$

$$(p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r) \equiv p \rightarrow (q \vee r)$$

$$(p \rightarrow r) \vee (q \rightarrow r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$$

TABLE 8 Logical Equivalences Involving Biconditionals.

$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$$

$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv \neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q$$

$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$$

$$\neg(p \leftrightarrow q) \equiv p \leftrightarrow \neg q$$

Constructing New Logical Equivalence

- How to show logical equivalence
 - Use a truth table (Example 2, 3, 4 in Tables 3, 4, 5)
 - Use logical identities that we already know
 - (Example 6, 7, 8)

1.3 Predicates and Quantifiers

- Predicate logic
- *Predicate*: a property that the subject of the statement can have
 - Ex: $x > 3$
 - x : variable
 - > 3 : predicate
 - $P(x)$: $x > 3$
 - The value of the propositional function P at x
 - $P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$: n -place predicate or n -ary predicate

Quantifiers

- Quantification
 - Universal quantification: a predicate is true for every element
 - Existential quantification: there is one or more element for which a predicate is true

The Universal Quantifier

- Domain: domain of discourse (universe of discourse)
- Definition 1: The *universal quantification* of $P(x)$ is the statement “ $P(x)$ for all values of x in the domain”, denoted by $\forall x P(x)$
 - “for all $x P(x)$ ” or “for every $x P(x)$ ”
 - Counterexample: an element for which $P(x)$ is false
 - When all elements in the domain can be listed, $P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(x_n)$

The Existential Quantifier

- Definition 2: The *existential quantification* of $P(x)$ is the proposition “There exists an element x in the domain such that $P(x)$ ”, denoted by $\exists x P(x)$
 - “there is an x such that $P(x)$ ” or “for some $x P(x)$ ”
 - When all elements in the domain can be listed, $P(x_1) \vee P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee P(x_n)$

TABLE 1 (1.3)

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TABLE 1 Quantifiers.

| <i>Statement</i> | <i>When True?</i> | <i>When False?</i> |
|------------------|---|--|
| $\forall x P(x)$ | $P(x)$ is true for every x . | There is an x for which $P(x)$ is false. |
| $\exists x P(x)$ | There is an x for which $P(x)$ is true. | $P(x)$ is false for every x . |

Other Quantifiers

- Uniqueness quantifier: $\exists!x P(x)$ or $\exists_1 x P(x)$
 - There exists a unique x such that $P(x)$ is true
- Quantifiers with restricted domains
 - $\forall x < 0 (x^2 > 0)$
 - Conditional: $\forall x (x < 0 \rightarrow x^2 > 0)$
 - $\exists z > 0 (z^2 = 2)$
 - Conjunction: $\exists z (z > 0 \wedge z^2 = 2)$

- Precedence of quantifiers
 - \forall and \exists have higher precedence than all logical operators
 - Ex: $\forall x P(x) \vee Q(x)$
 - $(\forall x P(x)) \vee Q(x)$

Logical Equivalence involving Quantifiers

- Definition 3: statements involving predicates and quantifiers are *logically equivalent* if and only if they have the same truth value no matter which predicates are substituted and which domain is used
 - E.g. $\forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$ and $\forall x P(x) \wedge \forall x Q(x)$

Negating Quantified Expressions

- $\neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$
 - Negation of the statement "*Every student in your class has taken a course in Calculus*"
 - "*There is a student in your class who has not taken a course in Calculus*"
- $\neg \exists x Q(x) \equiv \forall x \neg Q(x)$

TABLE 2 (1.3)

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TABLE 2 De Morgan's Laws for Quantifiers.

| <i>Negation</i> | <i>Equivalent Statement</i> | <i>When Is Negation True?</i> | <i>When False?</i> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--|---|
| $\neg \exists x P(x)$ | $\forall x \neg P(x)$ | For every x , $P(x)$ is false. | There is an x for which $P(x)$ is true. |
| $\neg \forall x P(x)$ | $\exists x \neg P(x)$ | There is an x for which $P(x)$ is false. | $P(x)$ is true for every x . |

Translating from English into Logical Expressions

- “Every student in this class has studied calculus”
- “Some student in this class has visited Mexico”
- “Every student in this class has visited either Canada or Mexico”

- Using Quantifiers in system specifications
 - “Every mail message larger than one megabyte will be compressed”
 - “If a user is active, at least one network link will be available”
- Examples from Lewis Carroll
 - “All lions are fierce”
 - “Some lions do not drink coffee”
 - “Some fierce creatures do not drink coffee”

Logic Programming

- Prolog
 - Facts
 - E.g.
 - instructor(chan, math)
 - instructor(patel, os)
 - enrolled(kevin, math)
 - enrolled(kevin, os)
 - enrolled(juana, math)
 - Rules
 - E.g.
 - teaches(P,S) :- instructor(P,C), enrolled(S,C)
 - ?teaches(X, kevin)

1.4 Nested Quantifiers

- Two quantifiers are nested if one is within the scope of the other
 - $\forall x \exists y (x+y=0)$
 - $\forall x \forall y ((x>0) \wedge (y<0) \rightarrow (xy<0))$
- Thinking of quantification as loops
 - $\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$
 - $\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$
 - $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$
 - $\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$

- The order of quantifiers is important unless all quantifiers are universal quantifiers or all are existential quantifiers
 - $\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$ vs. $\forall y \forall x P(x, y)$
 - $P(x,y)$: “ $x+y=y+x$ ”
 - $\forall x \exists y Q(x, y)$ vs. $\exists y \forall x Q(x, y)$
 - $Q(x,y)$: “ $x+y=0$ ”

TABLE 1 (1.4)

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TABLE 1 Quantifications of Two Variables.

| <i>Statement</i> | <i>When True?</i> | <i>When False?</i> |
|--|---|--|
| $\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$ $\forall y \forall x P(x, y)$ | $P(x, y)$ is true for every pair x, y . | There is a pair x, y for which $P(x, y)$ is false. |
| $\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$ | For every x there is a y for which $P(x, y)$ is true. | There is an x such that $P(x, y)$ is false for every y . |
| $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$ | There is an x for which $P(x, y)$ is true for every y . | For every x there is a y for which $P(x, y)$ is false. |
| $\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$ $\exists y \exists x P(x, y)$ | There is a pair x, y for which $P(x, y)$ is true. | $P(x, y)$ is false for every pair x, y . |

Translating mathematical statements into statements involving nested quantifiers

- “The sum of two positive integers is always positive”
- “Every real number except zero has a multiplicative inverse”
(a multiplicative inverse of a real number x is a real number y such that $xy=1$)

Translating from nested quantifiers into English

- $\forall x (C(x) \vee \exists y (C(y) \wedge F(x, y)))$
 - $C(x)$: “*x has a computer*”
 - $F(x, y)$: “*x and y are friends*”
 - *Domain of x, y*: “*all students in your school*”
- $\exists x \forall y \forall z (F(x, y) \wedge F(x, z) \wedge (y \neq z) \rightarrow \neg F(y, z))$
 - $F(a, b)$: “*a and b are friends*”
 - *Domain of x, y, z*: “*all students in your school*”

- Translating English sentences into logical expressions
 - “If a person is female and is a parent, then this person is someone’s mother”
 - “Everyone has exactly one best friend”
- Negating nested quantifiers
 - Negation of $\forall x \exists y (xy=1)$
 - “There does not exist a woman who has taken a flight on every airline in the world”

1.5 Rules of Inference

- Proofs: valid arguments that establish the truth of mathematical statements
 - Argument: a sequence of statements that end with a conclusion
 - Valid: the conclusion must follow from the preceding statements (premises) of the argument

Valid Arguments in Propositional Logic

- Ex:
 - “If you have a current password, then you can log onto the network”
 - “You have a current password”
 - Therefore, “You can log onto the network”
- $p \rightarrow q$
 p
 $\therefore q$

- Definition 1: *argument*: a sequence of propositions
 - *Premises*
 - *Conclusion*: the final proposition
 - *Argument form*: a sequence of compound propositions involving propositional variables

Rules of Inference fro Propositional Logic

- Rules of inference
 - *Modus ponens* (law of detachment)
 - $(p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow q$
 - Ex.1

TABLE 1 Rules of Inference.

| <i>Rule of Inference</i> | <i>Tautology</i> | <i>Name</i> |
|--|--|------------------------|
| $\begin{array}{c} p \\ p \rightarrow q \\ \hline \therefore q \end{array}$ | $[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q$ | Modus ponens |
| $\begin{array}{c} \neg q \\ p \rightarrow q \\ \hline \therefore \neg p \end{array}$ | $[\neg q \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow \neg p$ | Modus tollens |
| $\begin{array}{c} p \rightarrow q \\ q \rightarrow r \\ \hline \therefore p \rightarrow r \end{array}$ | $[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$ | Hypothetical syllogism |
| $\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \\ \neg p \\ \hline \therefore q \end{array}$ | $[(p \vee q) \wedge \neg p] \rightarrow q$ | Disjunctive syllogism |
| $\begin{array}{c} p \\ \hline \therefore p \vee q \end{array}$ | $p \rightarrow (p \vee q)$ | Addition |
| $\begin{array}{c} p \wedge q \\ \hline \therefore p \end{array}$ | $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$ | Simplification |
| $\begin{array}{c} p \\ q \\ \hline \therefore p \wedge q \end{array}$ | $[(p) \wedge (q)] \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$ | Conjunction |
| $\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \\ \neg p \vee r \\ \hline \therefore q \vee r \end{array}$ | $[(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)] \rightarrow (q \vee r)$ | Resolution |

- Ex.6:
 - “It is not sunny this afternoon and it is colder than yesterday”
 - “We will go swimming only if it is sunny”
 - “If we do not go swimming, then we will take a canoe trip”
 - “If we take a canoe trip, then we will be home by sunset”
 - Conclusion: “We will be home by sunset”

Fallacies

- $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge q) \rightarrow p$ is **not** a tautology
 - Fallacy of affirming the conclusion
 - Ex.10:
 - *"If you do every problem in this book, then you will learn discrete mathematics. You learned discrete mathematics.
Therefore, you did every problem in this book."*
- $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge \neg p) \rightarrow \neg q$ is **not** a tautology
 - Fallacy of denying the hypothesis
 - Ex.11

Rules of Inference for Quantified Statements

- Universal instantiation
 - $\forall x P(x), \therefore P(c)$
- Universal generalization
 - $P(c) \text{ for any } c, \therefore \forall x P(x)$
- Existential instantiation
 - $\exists x P(x), \therefore P(c) \text{ for some element } c$
- Existential generalization
 - $P(c) \text{ for some element } c, \therefore \exists x P(x)$

TABLE 2 Rules of Inference for Quantified Statements.

| <i>Rule of Inference</i> | <i>Name</i> |
|--|----------------------------|
| $\begin{array}{c} \forall x P(x) \\ \therefore P(c) \end{array}$ | Universal instantiation |
| $\begin{array}{c} P(c) \text{ for an arbitrary } c \\ \therefore \forall x P(x) \end{array}$ | Universal generalization |
| $\begin{array}{c} \exists x P(x) \\ \therefore P(c) \text{ for some element } c \end{array}$ | Existential instantiation |
| $\begin{array}{c} P(c) \text{ for some element } c \\ \therefore \exists x P(x) \end{array}$ | Existential generalization |

- Combining rules of inference for propositions and quantified statements
 - Universal modus ponens
 - $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$
 - P(a), where a is a particular element in the domain*
 - $\therefore Q(a)$
 - Universal modus tollens
 - $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$
 - $\neg Q(a)$, where a is a particular element in the domain*
 - $\therefore \neg P(a)$

1.6 Introduction to Proofs

- Some terminology
 - *Theorem*: a statement that can be shown to be true
 - *Axioms*: statements assumed to be true
 - A proof is a valid argument that establishes the truth of a theorem
 - Including axioms, premises of the theorem, and previously proven theorems
 - *Lemma*: less important theorems that is helpful in the proof
 - *Corollary*: a theorem that can be directly established from a theorem that has been proved
 - *Conjecture*: a statement that is being proposed to be true

Direct Proofs

- $p \rightarrow q$
 - Assume that p is true
 - Showing that q must also be true
- Definition 1: The integer n is *even* if there exists an integer k such that $n=2k$, and n is *odd* if there exists an integer k such that $n=2k+1$.
- Ex.1: Prove that “if n is an odd integer, then n^2 is odd.”

Proof by Contraposition

- $p \rightarrow q$
 - $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
 - Take $\neg q$ as a hypothesis
 - Then show that $\neg p$ must follow
- Ex.3: prove that if n is an integer and $3n+2$ is odd, then n is odd.
- *Vacuous proof*
 - If we can show that p is false, then we have a vacuous proof of $p \rightarrow q$ is true
- *Trivial proof*
 - If we know that the conclusion q is true, $p \rightarrow q$ must also be true

A little proof strategy

- First, evaluate whether a direct proof looks promising
- Otherwise, try the same thing with a proof by contraposition

- Definition 2: The real number r is *rational* if there exist integers p and q with $q \neq 0$ such that $r = p/q$. A real number that is not rational is called *irrational*.
- Ex.7: Prove that the sum of two rational numbers is rational.
- Ex.8: Prove that if n is an integer and n^2 is odd, then n is odd.

Proof by Contradiction

- If we can show that $\neg p \rightarrow (r \wedge \neg r)$ is true for some proposition r , we can prove that p is true
- Ex.9: show that at least four of any 22 days must fall on the same day of the week.
- Ex.10: prove that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

- Proof of equivalence
 - To prove that $p \leftrightarrow q$, we show that $p \rightarrow q$ and $q \rightarrow p$ are both true
- Counterexamples
 - To show that $\forall x P(x)$ is false, we need only find a counterexample
- Mistakes in proofs
 - *Fallacy of begging the question*
 - Circular reasoning

1.7 Proof Methods and Strategy

- Proof by cases
 - $((p_1 \vee p_2 \vee \dots \vee p_n) \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (p_1 \rightarrow q) \wedge (p_2 \rightarrow q) \wedge \dots \wedge (p_n \rightarrow q)$
- Exhaustive proof
 - A special type of proof by cases that exhaust all possibilities (if there are relatively small number of examples)

- Without loss of generality (WLOG)
 - By proving one case of a theorem, no additional argument is required to prove other specified cases

Existence Proofs

- $\exists x P(x)$
 - Constructive: find an element a such that $P(a)$ is true
 - Nonconstructive
 - E.g.: proof by contradiction

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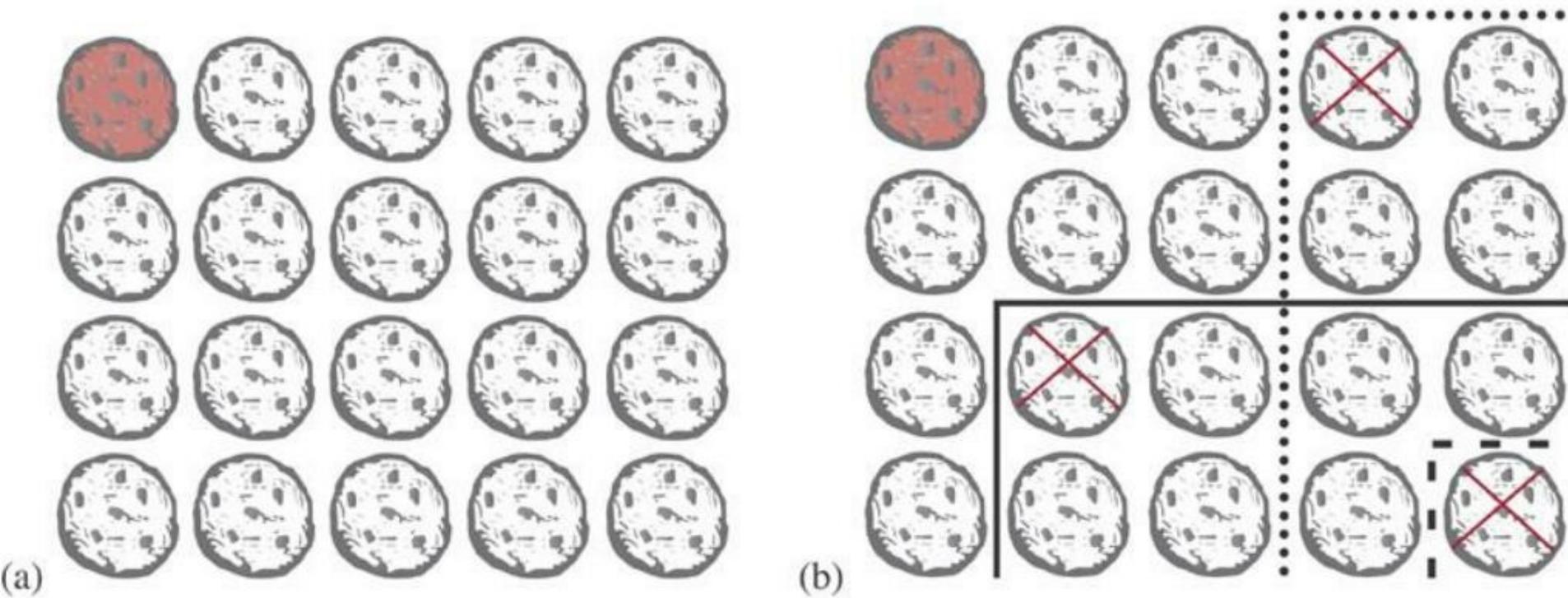


FIGURE 1 (a) Chomp, the Top Left Cookie is Poison
 (b) Three Possible Moves.

Uniqueness Proofs

- Existence: we show that an element x with the desired property exists
- Uniqueness: we show that if $y \neq x$, then y does not have the desired property

Proof strategies

- Forward and backward reasoning
- Adapting existing proofs
- Looking for counterexamples

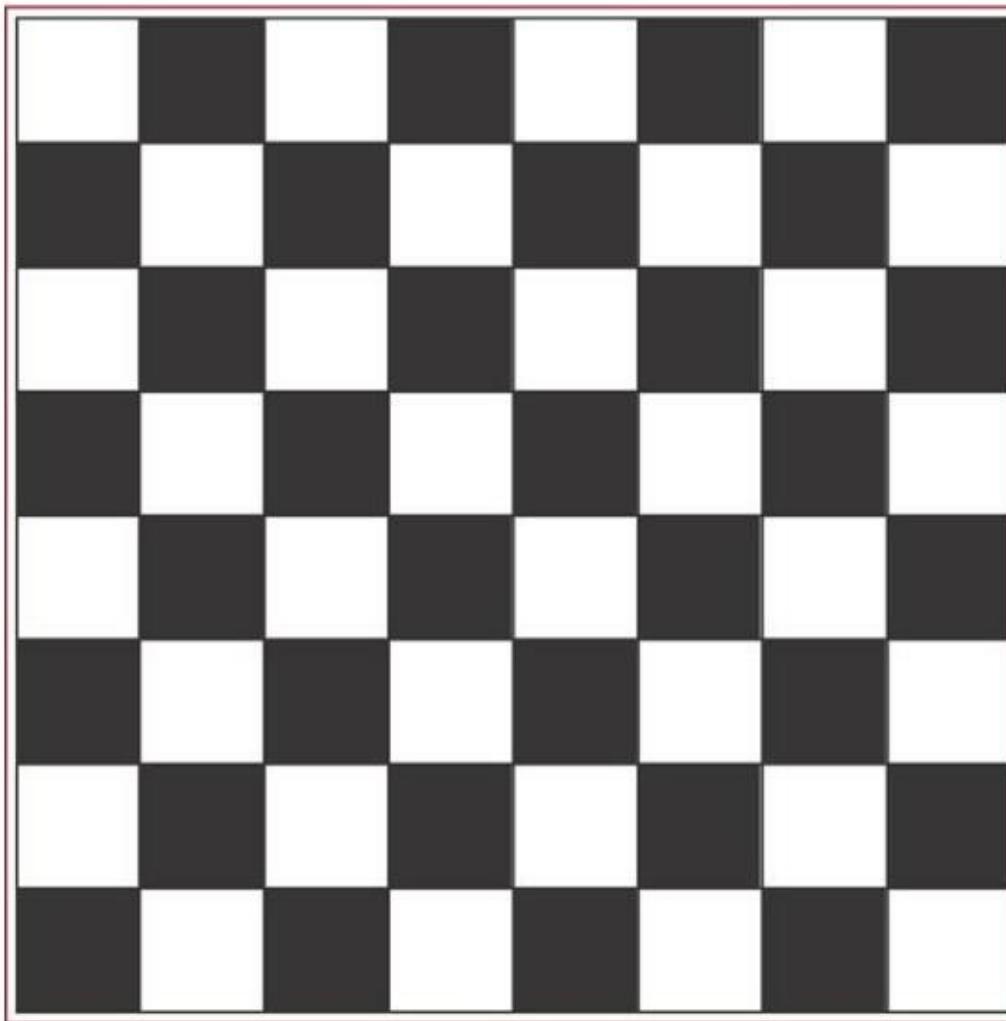


FIGURE 2 The Standard Checkerboard.

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FIGURE 3 Two Dominoes.

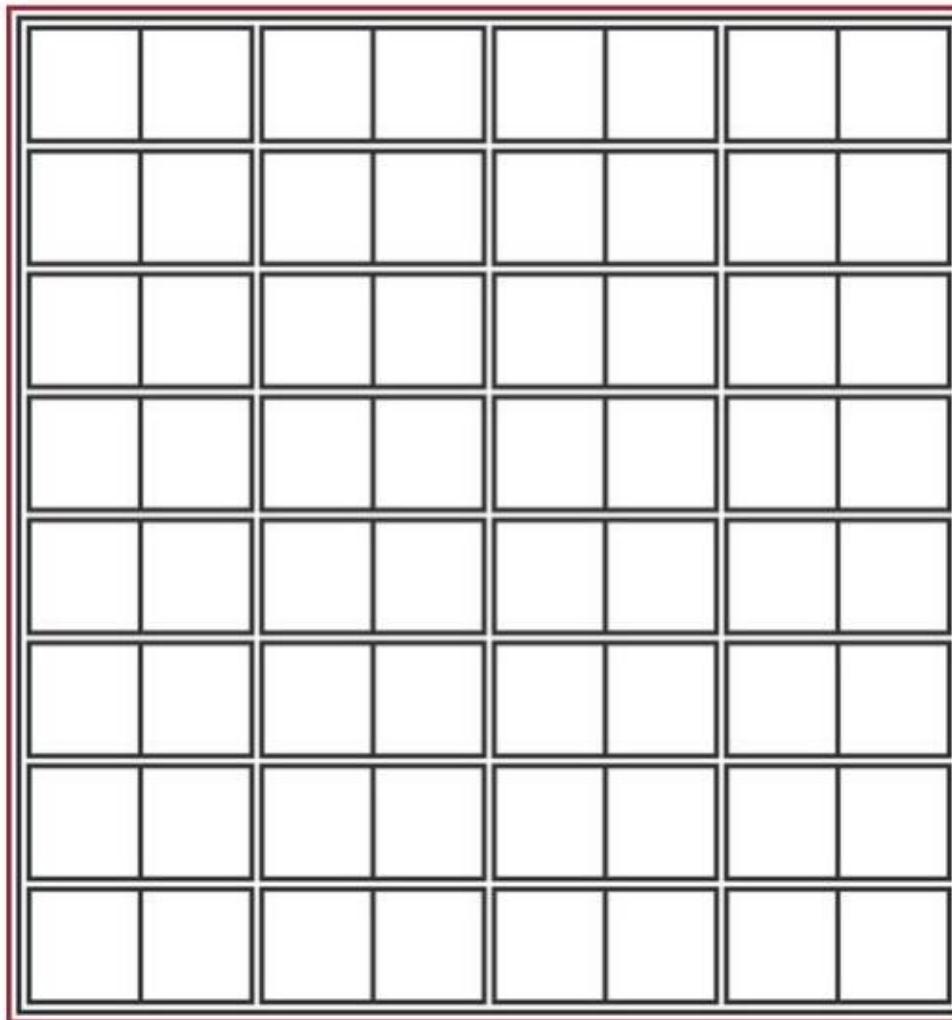


FIGURE 4 Tiling the Standard Checkerboard.

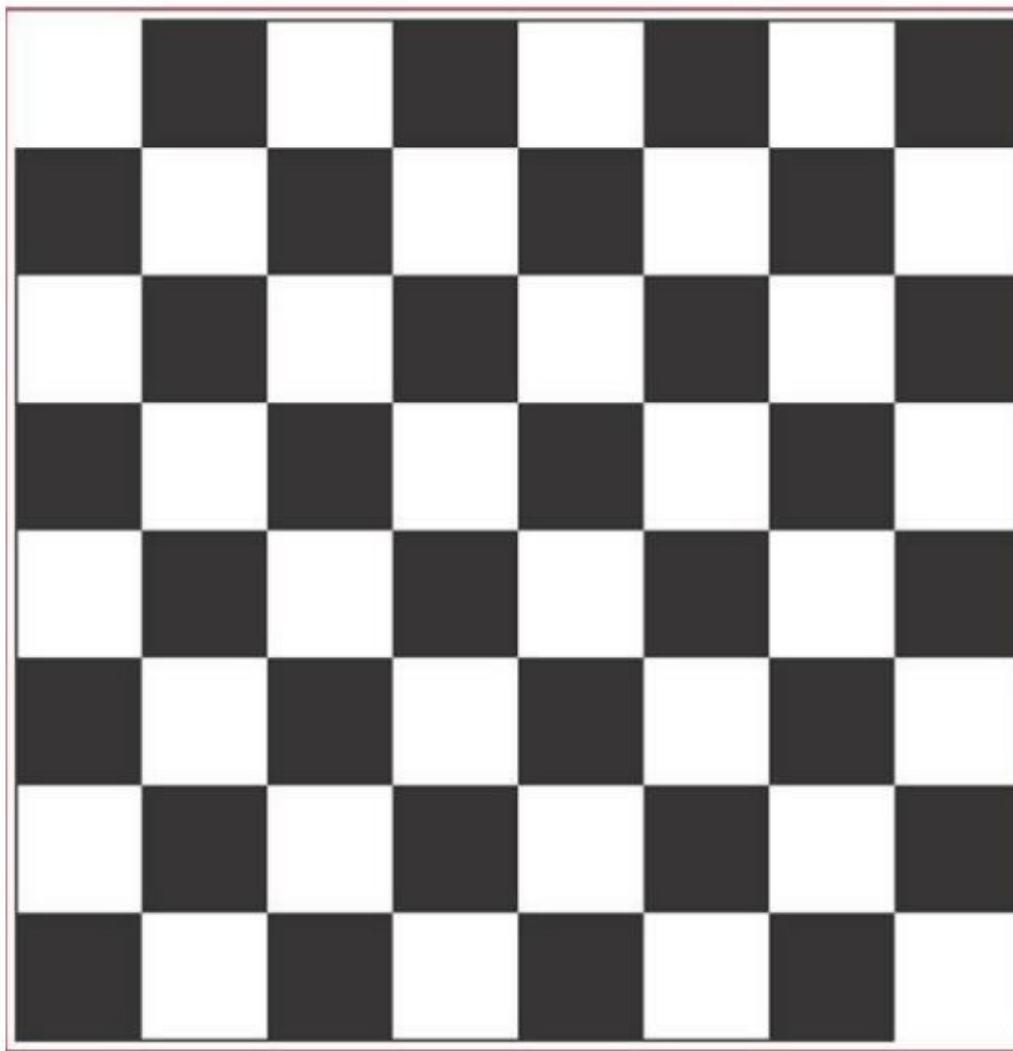


FIGURE 5 The Standard Checkerboard with the Upper Left and Lower Right Corners Removed.

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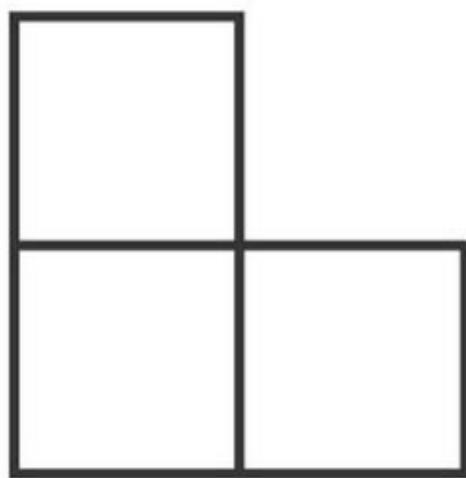


FIGURE 6 A Right Triomino and a Straight Triomino.

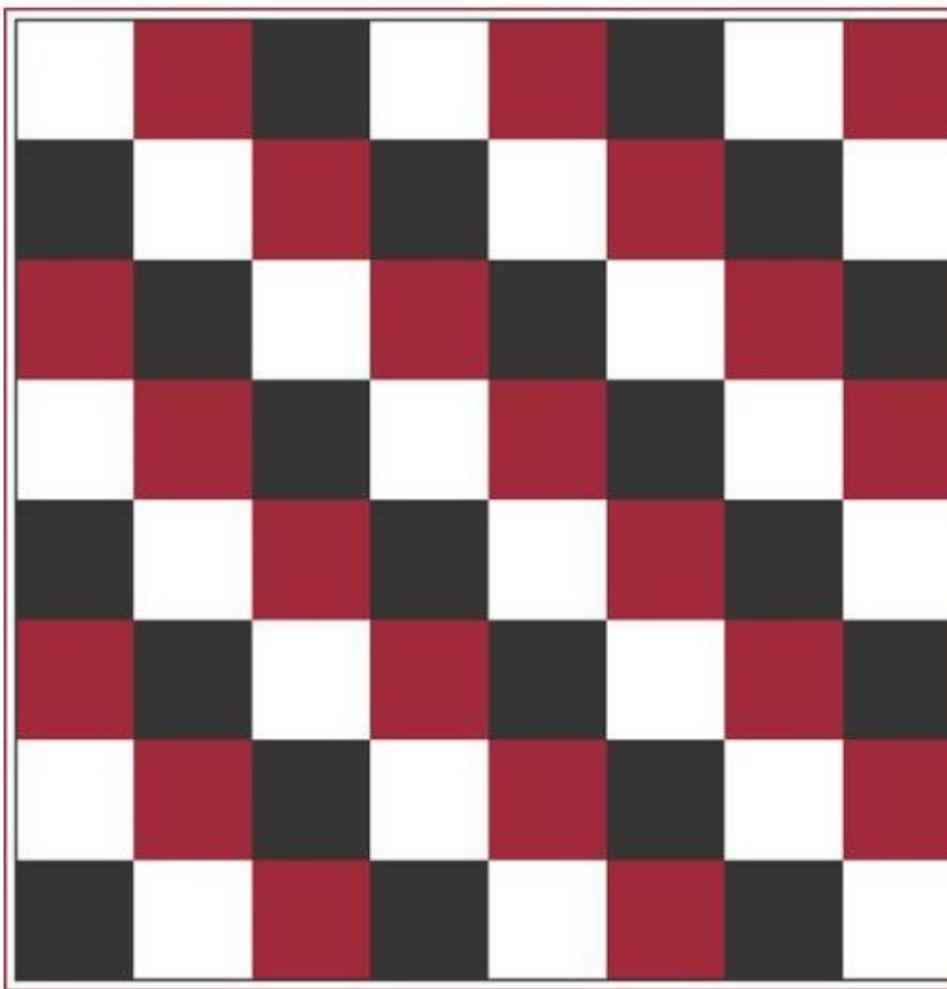


FIGURE 7 Coloring the Squares of the Standard Checkerboard with Opposite Corners Removed with Three Colors.

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