

# EECS 203 Discussion 1b

Introduction to Logic

# Important Forms

- Two beginning-of-semester surveys on Canvas
  - **FCI BoT Survey and Better Belonging in Computer Science (BBCS) Entry Survey**
  - **Due:** Friday, Feb. 2nd @11:59pm
- Exam Date Confirmation Survey
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  - Please fill this out, even if you don't have an exam conflict!
- They are each worth a few points, so make sure to fill them out!

# Upcoming Homework

- Assignment 0 was due Jan. 18th
- Homework/Groupwork 1 will be due **Jan. 25th**
  - **Don't forget to match pages!**
  - Please note as soon as you press submit you've successfully submitted by the deadline. **You can still match pages** with no rush without adding to your submission time.
- Groupwork
  - Groupwork can be done alone, but the problems tend to be more difficult, and the goal is for you to puzzle them out with others!
  - Your discussion section is a great place to find a group!
  - There is also a pinned Piazza thread for searching for homework groups.

# Propositions

# Problem 1

## 1. Negations ★

Negate the following statements. Any “not”s in your answer should directly precede a simple proposition, not an entire and/or statement.

- a. You should study.
- b. I do not like pizza.
- c. I'm going to get a chai or a mocha today.
- d. I'm a teacher and a student.
- e. I don't like green and I don't like purple.
- f. If it's raining, I'm using my umbrella.
- g.  $x > 2$
- h.  $1 + 1 = 2$



# Important Truth Tables

$p$	$q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$p \leftrightarrow q$	$p \wedge q$	$p \vee q$
T	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	F	T
F	T	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	F	F

# Problem 2

## 2. Truth Tables

Fill in the following truth table.

**\*Reminder:**  $\wedge$  denotes “and”,  $\vee$  denotes “or”, and  $\rightarrow$  denotes “implies”/“if...then”.

$p$	$q$	$r$	$p \rightarrow q$	$q \rightarrow r$	$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$	$p \vee r$	$[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (p \vee r)$
T	T	T					
T	T	F					
T	F	T					
T	F	F					
F	T	T					
F	T	F					
F	F	T					
F	F	F					

# Problem 3

## 3. Finding Truth Values of Compound Propositions ★

For each compound proposition, find its truth value when  $p = T$ ,  $q = F$ ,  $r = F$ ,  $s = F$ ,  $t = T$ ,  $u = F$ , and  $v = F$

a)  $(q \rightarrow \neg p) \vee (\neg p \rightarrow \neg q)$

b)  $(p \vee \neg t) \wedge (p \vee \neg s)$

c)  $(p \rightarrow r) \vee (\neg s \rightarrow \neg t) \vee (\neg u \rightarrow v)$

d)  $(p \wedge r \wedge s) \vee (q \wedge t) \vee (r \wedge \neg t)$

**Note:**  $p \rightarrow q$  is only **false** in the case of  $T \rightarrow F$ .





# Problem 4

## 4. English to Logic Translation I

Let  $p$ ,  $q$ , and  $r$  be the propositions defined as follows.

- $p$ : Grizzly bears have been seen in the area.
- $q$ : Hiking is safe on the trail.
- $r$ : Berries are ripe along the trail.

Write these propositions in logic using  $p$ ,  $q$ ,  $r$ , logical connectives (including negations), and parentheses.

**\*Reminder:**  $\wedge$  denotes “and”,  $\vee$  denotes “or”,  $\leftrightarrow$  denotes “if and only if”, and  $\neg$  denotes “not”.

- a) Berries are ripe along the trail, but grizzly bears have not been seen in the area.
- b) Grizzly bears have not been seen in the area and hiking on the trail is safe, but berries are ripe along the trail.
- c) If berries are ripe along the trail, hiking is safe if and only if grizzly bears have not been seen in the area.
- d) It is not safe to hike on the trail, but grizzly bears have not been seen in the area and the berries along the trail are ripe

# Problem 5

## 5. Logic to English Translation

Consider the following propositions:

- $g$ : you can graduate
- $m$ : you owe money to the university
- $r$ : you have completed the requirements of your major
- $b$ : you have an overdue library book

Translate the following statement to English:  $g \rightarrow (r \wedge \neg m \wedge \neg b)$

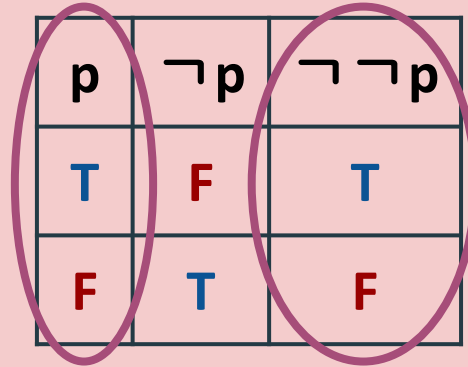
# Logical Equivalences

# Logical Equivalence

Two compound propositions are **logically equivalent** if they have the same truth value for any input truth values.

**Example:**

$p$  and  $\neg\neg p$



$p$	$\neg p$	$\neg\neg p$
T	F	T
F	T	F

$p$  and  $\neg\neg p$  have the same truth tables,  
and thus are logically equivalent!

# Examples of Logical Equivalences

**De Morgan's Laws (and/or):**

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

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

**Identity Laws:**

$$p \wedge T \equiv p$$

$$p \vee F \equiv p$$

**Implication Breakout:**

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

# Examples of Logical Equivalences

## Commutative Laws:

$$p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$$

$$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$$

## Associative Laws:

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

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

## Distributive Laws:

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

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

# The Contrapositive

Take an “if, then” statement  $p \rightarrow q$ . We define the **contrapositive** of this statement as  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ . An implies statement and its contrapositive are logically equivalent.

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

## Example:

- If **I am teaching**, then *my materials are prepared*.
- Contrapositive: If *my materials are NOT prepared*, then **I am NOT teaching**.

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

# Logical Equivalence Tables (Rosen 1.3)

**TABLE 8** Logical Equivalences Involving Biconditional Statements.

$$\begin{aligned}
 p \leftrightarrow q &\equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p) \\
 p \leftrightarrow q &\equiv \neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q \\
 p \leftrightarrow q &\equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \\
 \neg(p \leftrightarrow q) &\equiv p \leftrightarrow \neg q
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 p \rightarrow q &\equiv \neg p \vee q \\
 p \rightarrow q &\equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p \\
 p \vee q &\equiv \neg p \rightarrow q \\
 p \wedge q &\equiv \neg(p \rightarrow \neg q) \\
 \neg(p \rightarrow q) &\equiv p \wedge \neg q \\
 (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) &\equiv p \rightarrow (q \wedge r) \\
 (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) &\equiv (p \vee q) \rightarrow r \\
 (p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r) &\equiv p \rightarrow (q \vee r) \\
 (p \rightarrow r) \vee (q \rightarrow r) &\equiv (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r
 \end{aligned}$$

**TABLE 6** Logical Equivalences.

<i>Equivalence</i>	<i>Name</i>
$p \wedge \mathbf{T} \equiv p$ $p \vee \mathbf{F} \equiv p$	Identity laws
$p \vee \mathbf{T} \equiv \mathbf{T}$ $p \wedge \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Domination laws
$p \vee p \equiv p$ $p \wedge p \equiv p$	Idempotent laws
$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$	Double negation law
$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$ $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$	Commutative laws
$(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$ $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$	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
$p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$ $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$	Absorption laws
$p \vee \neg p \equiv \mathbf{T}$ $p \wedge \neg p \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Negation laws



# Tautologies & Contradictions

# Tautology, Contradiction, Satisfiability

- **Tautology:** A compound proposition that is **always true** regardless of its input values
  - **Example:**  $p \vee \neg p$
- **Contradiction:** A compound proposition that is **always false** regardless of its input values
  - **Example:**  $p \wedge \neg p$
- **Satisfiable:** A compound proposition is satisfiable if it **can be true** (there is at least one set of inputs that makes the proposition true)
  - **Example:**  $p \wedge q$

# Problem 6

## 6. Tautologies

- a) Determine whether  $[\neg p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow \neg q$  is a tautology.
- b) Show that this conditional statement is a tautology by using truth tables.

$$[p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow q$$

**Note:** a **tautology** is a **compound** proposition that is **always true** regardless of its input values

# Problem 7

## 7. Promising Premises

For the following sets of premises and conclusions, determine whether each conclusion is valid, given the provided premise(s). A conclusion is valid if and only if it *must* be true given the premise(s). Show your work by explaining your thought process, or using a truth table, or using logical equivalences. For invalid conclusions, providing a counterexample is also sufficient to explain why it's invalid.

A note on notation: the statements above the line are the premises, and the statement below the line is the conclusion. The symbol  $\therefore$  means “therefore”. For example, in Part (a) there are two premises: Premise 1 is  $p \vee q$  and Premise 2 is  $\neg p$ . You need to determine whether, together, those premises guarantee that the listed conclusion,  $q$ , is true.

$$\begin{array}{l} p \vee q \\ \neg p \\ \hline \therefore q \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} r \rightarrow q \\ r \\ \hline \therefore p \vee q \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \\ \hline \therefore r \rightarrow p \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} p \wedge q \\ q \rightarrow r \\ \hline \therefore r \end{array}$$

# Problem 8

## 8. Logic Puzzle – Stolen Jewels

Robin Hood and his fellows Little John and Marian snuck in to a jewelry store; one of them stole a sapphire, one stole a diamond, and one stole an emerald. They were caught and put on trial, during which they made the following statements:

Robin: “John stole the sapphire.”

Marian: “No, John stole the diamond.”

John: “Both of them are lying. I didn’t steal either.”

It turns out that the one who stole the emerald lied, and the one who stole the sapphire told the truth. Who stole which gemstone?