

## Unit - I $\rightarrow$ Propositional logic & Proofs

# Proposition :- A declarative statement having answer as True (Yes/1) or False (No/0) and no other option.

- Composite / Compound Proposition :- A statement which is formed by clubbing or merging 2 or more propositions is called composite / compound proposition.
- Primitive Proposition :- A proposition which cannot be further sub-divided is called primitive proposition.  
 $\rightarrow$  lowercase notations

### # Operations :-

1. Negation :- Let  $p$  be the proposition, then the negation of  $p$  is represented as  $\sim p$ ,  $\neg p$  or  $\bar{p}$ , which is "It is not the case that of  $p$ ".

Example,

$p$ : Atleast 10 inches of rainfall today in LPU.  
 $\sim p$ : Atmost 10 inches of rain fell today in LPU.

2. Conjunction :- Let  $p$  &  $q$  be the propositions, then the conjunction of  $p$  &  $q$  is the proposition "p and q". ( $p \wedge q$ )

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

Example,  
p: today is Wednesday  
q: It is sunny today.

$p \wedge q$ : Today is Wednesday and it is sunny.

3. Disjunction ( $p \vee q$ ):- Let p & q be the propositions, then the disjunction of p & q is the proposition "p or q".

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

4. Conditional statement:- Let p & q be the two propositions,  $(p \rightarrow q)$  The conditional statement  $p \rightarrow q$  is the proposition "if p then q".  
The conditional statement is false when p is true & q is false, otherwise it will be true.

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

p: hypothesis  
q: conclusion

Representation:-

p implies q, a necessary condition for p is q, q if p, if p then q, p only if q, q when p, q whenever p.



5. Bi-conditional statement :- Let  $p \& q$  be the 2 propositions, Then the bi-conditional statement  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is the proposition "p iff q".  
The biconditional statement is true whenever  $p \& q$  have same symbols, otherwise false.

$p$ : conclusion  
 $q$ : hypothesis

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

#Q. Let  $p$  = You can take the flight.

$q$  = You buy a ticket.

→ Biconditional statement =  $p \leftrightarrow q$  = You can take the flight if and only if you buy a ticket.

- Impt. for MCQs.
- 6. Converse of a statement :-  $q \rightarrow p$
  - 7. Contrapositive :-  $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$
  - 8. Inverse :-  $\sim p \rightarrow \sim q$

#Q. The home team wins whenever it is raining.

→  $p$ : Hometeam wins  
 $q$ : It is raining

Converse :  $q \rightarrow p$  = when it is raining home-team wins.  
Contrapositive :  $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$  = when it is not raining, home team loses.  
Inverse :  $\sim p \rightarrow \sim q$  = Hometeam loses whenever it is not raining.

## # Order of Precedence :-

1.  $\neg$  negation
2.  $\wedge$  Conjunction
3.  $\vee$  Disjunction
4.  $\rightarrow$  Conditional
5.  $\leftrightarrow$  Biconditional

Q. Draw the truth table for  $(p \vee \sim q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q) = y$ .

G

p	q	$\sim q$	$(p \vee \sim q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$			
T	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	F	F	F
F	T	F	F	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	F	F	F
			$\sim q$	$p \vee \sim q$	$p \wedge q$	$x \rightarrow y$

# Tautology :- If all the entries in the truth table's last column are true then it is called tautology.

# Contradiction :- If all the entries are false.

# Contingency :- mixed entries in last column.



# Logically Equivalent :-  $P(p, q) \equiv Q(p, q)$   
 If 2 expressions have the same last column entries.

\* Biconditional of logically equivalent expressions is tautology.

# Q.  $\sim(p \vee q) \wedge (\sim p \wedge \sim q)$ .

$p$	$q$	$\sim q$	$\sim p$	$p \vee q$	$\sim(p \vee q)$	$\sim p \wedge \sim q$
T	T	F	F	T	F	F
T	F	T	F	T	F	F
F	T	F	T	T	F	F
F	F	T	T	F	T	T
					$x$	$y$

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

$x \equiv y$

$$x \leftrightarrow y$$

T

T

T

T

} Tautology

$p$	$q$	$r$	$\sim p$	$q \rightarrow r$	$\sim p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$	$\neg \neg (p \vee r)$	$q \rightarrow (p \vee r)$
T	T	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	F	F	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	T	F	F	F	F
F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	T	T	F	T

$$\underbrace{\sim p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)}_x \equiv \underbrace{q \rightarrow (p \vee r)}_y \quad \text{Logically equivalent}$$

#Q.  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$  &  $(p \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$

$p$	$q$	$r$	$p \wedge q$	$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$	$p \rightarrow r$	$q \rightarrow r$	$(p \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	F	T	T	F	F
F	F	T	F	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	F	T	T	T	T

$$\underbrace{(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r}_x \neq \underbrace{(p \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)}_y$$

not logically equivalent



## # Conditional Statement

1.  $p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim p \vee q$
2.  $p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$
3.  $p \vee q \equiv \sim p \rightarrow q$
4.  $p \wedge q \equiv \sim(p \rightarrow \sim q)$
- ★ 5.  $\sim(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \sim q$

## # Biconditional Statement

1.  $p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$
2.  $p \leftrightarrow q \equiv \sim p \leftrightarrow \sim q$
3.  $p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (\sim p \wedge \sim q)$
4.  $\sim(p \leftrightarrow q) \equiv p \leftrightarrow \sim q$

## # General Rules

### ↳ Identity Rules

$$p \wedge T \equiv p$$

$$p \vee F \equiv p$$

### ↳ Double-negation

$$\sim(\sim p) = p$$

### ↳ Domination law

$$p \vee T \equiv T$$

$$p \wedge F \equiv F$$

### ↳ Idempotent

$$p \vee p \equiv p$$

$$p \wedge p \equiv p$$

$$\hookrightarrow p \vee \sim p \equiv T$$

$$p \wedge \sim p \equiv F$$

★ Exclusive Or (XOR) :- Let  $p$  &  $q$ , be the 2 propositions, then the 'exclusive or' of  $p$  &  $q$  is represented by ' $p \oplus q$ ' & it is true when either of  $p$  &  $q$  is True or if  $p$  &  $q$  have opposite symbols.

[contradiction of biconditional]

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

#Q.  $(p \vee q) \wedge (\sim p \vee \sim r) \rightarrow (q \vee \sim r) = x$

$\sim p$	$\sim p \vee \sim r$	$p$	$q$	$r$	$p \vee q$	$p \vee \sim r$	$q \vee \sim r$	$(p \vee q) \wedge (\sim p \vee \sim r)$	$x$
F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	F	T	T	T	F	T
F	T	T	F	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	F	F	T	T	F	F	T
T	T	F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	T	T
T	T	F	F	T	F	T	T	F	T
T	T	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	T

Hence, Tautology



- # Distributive Property
- # Associative Property

### # De-Morgan's Law:-

- I  $\sim(p \wedge q) \equiv \sim p \vee \sim q$
- II  $\sim(p \vee q) \equiv \sim p \wedge \sim q$

### # Absorption Law:-

- I  $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$
- II  $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$

Example, ① If it snows tonight, then I'll stay at home.  
 $p$ : It snows tonight.  
 $q$ : I'll stay at home.

~~$\sim(p \wedge q)$~~   
 $\sim(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \sim q$ : If it snows tonight, ~~then~~ <sup>and</sup> I'll not stay at home.

② When I stay up late, it is necessary that I'll sleep until noon.  
 $\sim(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \sim q$ : I stay up late and I'll not sleep until noon.

# Proof of  $\sim(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \sim q$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \sim(\sim p \vee q) \\ &\equiv \sim(\sim p) \wedge (\sim q) \\ &= p \wedge \sim q \\ \text{LHS} &= \text{RHS} \\ &\underline{\underline{.}} \end{aligned}$$

#Q.  $\sim(p \vee (\sim p \wedge q))$  &  $\sim p \wedge \sim q$  :- Prove that these are logically equal using laws.

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow \text{LHS} &= \sim(\cancel{p \vee \sim p} \wedge (p \vee q)) \\ &= \sim(p \vee (\sim p \wedge q)) \\ &= \sim p \wedge \sim(\sim p \wedge q) \\ &= (\sim p) \wedge [(\sim \sim p) \vee (\sim q)] \\ &= (\sim p \wedge p) \vee (\sim p \wedge \sim q) \\ &= F \vee (\sim p \wedge \sim q) \\ &= \sim p \wedge \sim q \\ &= \text{RHS} \\ \text{LHS} &= \text{RHS} \\ &\underline{\underline{.}} \end{aligned}$$

#Q. Show that  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$  is a tautology using laws.

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow & (p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q) \\ & \cancel{= \sim p \vee q} \\ &= (\sim(p \wedge q)) \vee (p \vee q) \\ &= (\sim p \vee \sim q) \vee (p \vee q) \\ &= (\sim p \vee p) \vee (\sim q \vee q) \\ &= T \vee T \\ &= \boxed{T} \end{aligned}$$



## # Predicators & Quantifiers

# Predicator:- The statement  $P(x)$  is called the propositional function  $P$  at  $x$ .

Let  $P(x)$  defined as "x is greater than 3" then  $x$  is called as a variable and the condition greater than 3 is called a predicator.

Eg, let  $P(x) = x > 3$

what are the true values of  $P(4)$  &  $P(2)$ ?

$P(4) : 4 > 3$  True

$P(2) : 2 > 3$  False

$\forall x \in R \rightarrow$  quantifiers

03/02/23

Revision

Laws

$$1. p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim p \vee q$$

$$2. p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$$

$$3. p \vee q \equiv \sim p \rightarrow q$$

$$4. p \wedge q \equiv \sim (p \rightarrow \sim q)$$

$$* 5. \sim (p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \sim q$$

$$6. p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$$

$$7. p \leftrightarrow q \equiv \sim p \leftrightarrow \sim q$$

$$8. p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (\sim p \wedge \sim q)$$

$$9. \sim (p \leftrightarrow q) \equiv p \leftrightarrow \sim q$$

$$10. p \wedge T \equiv p$$

$$11. p \vee F \equiv p$$

$$12. \sim (\sim p) \equiv p$$

$$13. p \vee T \equiv T$$

$$14. p \wedge F \equiv F$$

$$15. p \vee p \equiv p$$

$$16. p \wedge p \equiv p$$

$$17. p \vee \sim p \equiv T$$

$$18. p \wedge \sim p \equiv F$$

Conditional Statement

Biconditional Statement

General Rules

# Eg, ~~Let  $Q(x,y)$~~   $Q(x,y) : x = y + 3$   
what is the truth values of proposition  
 $Q(1,2)$ ,  $Q(3,0)$ ?

↳  $Q(1,2) : \text{False}$   
 $Q(3,0) : \text{True}$

# Quantifiers :- Quantification expresses the extent to which predicator is true over a range of elements.

The words like ~~all~~ all, some, many, none, few are used in quantifications.

⇒ Universal Quantifiers :- Universal quantification of  $P(x)$  is the statement  
“ $P(x) \forall x$  in the domain.”  $[\forall x P(x)]$

Example, Let  $P(x) : x+1 > x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

↳  $\forall x P(x)$  is ~~True~~ True.

⇒ Existential Quantifiers :- The existential quantification of  $P(x)$  is the proposition  
“There exists an element  $x$  in the domain such that  $P(x)$  is true.”  $[\exists x P(x)]$

Eg,  
\* Let  $Q(x) : x = x+1, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$\forall x P(x) = \text{False}$

$\exists x P(x) = \text{False}$



## > De-Morgan's law for Quantifiers :-

Negation	Equivalent statement	When is negation true?	When false?
① $\sim \exists x P(x)$	$\forall x \sim P(x)$	for every $x$ , $P(x)$ is false	There is an $x$ for which $P(x)$ is true
② $\sim \forall x P(x)$	$\exists x \sim P(x)$	There is an $x$ for which $P(x)$ is false.	$P(x)$ is true for every $x$ .

\* negation of universal quantifier is equal to the there exists with negation of proposition, according to De-morgan's law & vice-versa.

Eg. 1. There is an honest politician.

↳ All the politicians are dishonest.

2. All Americans eat cheeseburger.

↳ There are some Americans who do not eat cheeseburger.

## > Proofs

⇒ Direct proofs : In direct proof of a conditional statement  $p \rightarrow q$  is constructed when the first step is the assumption of  $p$  is true followed by the subsequent steps & leading to the conclusion.

> Proofs  $p \rightarrow q \equiv \text{True}$

⇒ Direct Proofs ✓ 

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T

⇒ Example,

① Prove the theorem "if  $n$  is an odd number then  $n^2$  is also an odd number".

Sol.  $p$ :  $n$  is an odd no. or is true.

$q$ :  $n^2$  is an odd no.

Let ' $p$ ' is an odd no.

$$n = 2k + 1$$

$$n^2 = (2k + 1)^2$$

$$= 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$= 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1$$

$$n^2 = \boxed{2m + 1} \rightarrow \text{odd no.}$$

② Prove that "if  $m$  &  $n$  are perfect square then  $m \times n$  is also a perfect square".

Sol.  $p$ :  $m$  &  $n$  are perfect squares.

$q$ :  $m \times n$  is a perfect square.

Let ' $p$ ' is true, i.e.  $m$  &  $n$  are perfect squares.

$$m = a^2 \text{ \& } n = b^2$$

$$m \times n = \boxed{(ab)^2} = \text{perfect square.}$$

⇒ Proof by Contraposition :-  $\boxed{p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim q \rightarrow \sim p}$

Proofs by contraposition make the use of the fact that the conditional statement  $p \rightarrow q$  is logically equivalent to its contrapositive i.e.  $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$ .



Example,

- ① Prove that if  $n$  is an integer &  $3n+2$  is an odd number then  $n$  is an odd number.

Sol.

$p$ :  $n$  is an integer &  $3n+2$  is an odd number.

$q$ :  $n$  is an odd number.

$\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$

Let ' $n$ ' is an even no.

$$\Rightarrow n = 2k$$

$$3n+2 = 6k+2 = 2(3k+1) = 2m \text{ even no.}$$

$\Rightarrow \sim p$  is true

Hence,  $n$  is an odd no.

$\Rightarrow$  Proof by contradiction :-

Example, Prove that  $\sqrt{2}$  is an irrational number.

Sol.

Let  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational no.

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{p}{q} \quad ; p \neq q, q \neq 0$$

squaring both sides,

$$2 = \frac{p^2}{q^2}$$

$$p^2 = 2q^2 \Rightarrow p^2 \text{ is even no.}$$

$\Rightarrow p$  is also an even no.

$$\text{so, } p = 2k$$

$$(2k)^2 = 2q^2$$

$$4k^2 = 2q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow q^2 = 2k^2 \Rightarrow q^2 \text{ is even no.}$$

$\Rightarrow q$  is also an even no.

$$\text{so, } q = 2m$$

Hence,  $\sqrt{2}$  is an irrational no.

## ⇒ Vacuous Proof & Trivial Proof :-

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

   → Vacuous Proof

   → Trivial Proof

consider the conditional statement  $p \rightarrow q$ .  
 Then in case of vacuous proof  $p$  should be false,  
 then  $p \rightarrow q$  will be true no matter the  $q$   
 is true / false,  
 whereas in case of trivial proof  $q$  should be  
true for  $p \rightarrow q$  to be true no matter whatever  
 is  $p$ .

Example, ① Consider "if  $n > 1$ , then  $n^2 > n$ ". Show that  
 the proposition  $p(0)$  is true ~~for~~  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Sol.

$$p: n > 1$$

$$q: n^2 > n$$

$$0 \neq 1$$

$$p \equiv \text{false}$$

$p(0)$  is true  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$  because  $p: 0 > 1$  is  
 false with the help of vacuous proof.

② Let  $p(n)$  be the "if  $a \neq b$  are the integers with  
 $a \geq b$  then  $a^n \geq b^n$ ". Show that  $p(0)$  is true  $\forall$   
 $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Sol.

$$p: a \neq b \text{ are } +\mathbb{Z} \text{ \& } a \geq b$$

$$q: a^n \geq b^n$$

$$q(0) \rightarrow 1 \geq 1 \text{ True}$$

$q(0)$  is true  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$  because  $q(0): 1 \geq 1$  is true with  
 the help of trivial proof.



- ③ Prove the proposition  $p(0)$  is true, when  $p(n)$  is the propositional function 'if  $n$  is a positive integer greater than 1, then  $n^2 > n$ '. ✓ done

H.W.

- ④  $p(1)$  is true  
 $p$ :  $n$  is positive integer  
 $q$ :  $n^2 \geq n$

- ⑤ Prove  $p(1)$  is true if  $p(n)$  is 'if  $a$  &  $b$  are positive real numbers then  $(a+b)^n \geq a^n + b^n$ '.

⑥ Proof

④ Sol.

Let  $p(1)$  is true

$1 > 0$  true

$\Rightarrow p$  is true

$1^2 \geq 1$  true

$\Rightarrow q$  is true

Hence,  $P(1)$  is true.

⑤ Sol.

$p$ :  $a$  &  $b$  are positive real numbers.

$q$ :  $(a+b)^n \geq a^n + b^n$

for  $P(1)$

Let  $p$ :  $a$  &  $b$  are positive real numbers.

$q$ :  $(a+b)^1 \geq a^1 + b^1$

$a+b \geq a+b$  true

Hence,  $P(1)$  is true.

## ⇒ Proofs of Equivalence:- [Bi-conditional]

To prove a theorem that is a

biconditional statement ( $p \leftrightarrow q$ , true) we need to prove

$p \rightarrow q$  is true &  $q \rightarrow p$  is true.

↳ using other proofs

Direct

Contraposition

Vacuous & Trivial

Example,

Prove the theorem if  $n$  is a +Z &  $n$  is odd no. <sup>iff</sup> ~~then~~  
 $n^2$  is an odd number.

$\# p$ :  $n$  is a positive integer & odd no.

$q$ :  $n^2$  is an odd number.

$p \rightarrow q$

$q \rightarrow p$

Let  $p$  is an odd no.

$$n = 2k + 1$$

$$\# (n)^2 = (2k + 1)^2$$

$$n^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$n^2 = 4k + 2m + 1$$

$\Rightarrow n^2$  is an odd no.

$\Rightarrow p \rightarrow q$  is true.

[using contraposition]

Let  $q$  is true, i.e.,  $n^2$  is an ~~odd no.~~ even no.

$$\# n^2 = (2k)^2$$

$\Rightarrow n = \text{even no.}$

$\Rightarrow q \rightarrow p$  is true.

$\Rightarrow p \leftrightarrow q$  is true.

★ for 3 propositions,

$$p_1 \rightarrow p_2$$

$$p_2 \rightarrow p_3$$

$$p_3 \rightarrow p_1$$