

Computational Logic - Assignment 1

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Prelude

I have never used LaTeX before, please bear with my plausibly horrible usage.

Exercise 2

Disjunction Using De Morgan's law, one can define the OR operator as such:

$$A \vee B \equiv \neg(\neg A \wedge \neg B)$$

A	B	$A \vee B$	A	B	$\neg A$	$\neg B$	$\neg A \wedge \neg B$	$\neg(\neg A \wedge \neg B)$
T	T	T	T	T	F	F	F	T
T	F	T	T	F	F	T	F	T
F	T	T	F	T	T	F	F	T
F	F	F	F	F	T	T	T	F

Implication One can define IMPLIES as such:

$$A \rightarrow B \equiv \neg A \vee B$$

A	B	$A \rightarrow B$	A	B	$\neg A$	$\neg A \vee B$
T	T	T	T	T	F	T
T	F	F	T	F	F	F
F	T	T	F	T	T	T
F	F	T	F	F	T	T

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Material equivalence One can define IFF as such:

$$A \leftrightarrow B \equiv (A \wedge B) \vee (\neg A \wedge \neg B)$$

A	B	$A \leftrightarrow B$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

A	B	$A \wedge B$	$\neg A$	$\neg B$	$\neg A \wedge \neg B$	$(A \wedge B) \vee (\neg A \wedge \neg B)$
T	T	T	F	F	F	T
T	F	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	F	T	F	F	F
F	F	F	T	T	T	T

Note that IFF yields the same result as XNOR, which is opposite of XOR.

Exclusive disjunction One can define XOR as such:

$$A \oplus B \equiv (A \wedge \neg B) \vee (\neg A \wedge B)$$

A	B	$A \oplus B$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

A	B	$\neg A$	$\neg B$	$A \wedge \neg B$	$\neg A \wedge B$	$(A \wedge \neg B) \vee (\neg A \wedge B)$
T	T	F	F	F	F	F
T	F	F	T	T	F	T
F	T	T	F	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	F	F	F

NAND is sufficient to define all simple logical operators

$\neg p$ can be defined as $p \uparrow p$ (\uparrow is the symbol for NAND), this is equivalent to $p \uparrow p \leftrightarrow \neg(p \wedge p) \leftrightarrow \neg p$. In natural language this can be referred to as "not both p and p".

$p \wedge q$ can be defined as $\neg(p \uparrow q)$