

1 propositional logic

a *proposition* is a precise statement that is either **true** (\top) or **false** (\perp), but not both. for example:

- $2 + 2 = 4$ (**true**)
- all dogs have 3 legs (**false**)
- $x^2 < 0$ (**false**)

however, not all statements are propositions. for example:

- eliana is cool
 - *cool* is a subjective term.
- $x^3 < 0$
 - **true** if $x < 0$, **false** otherwise.
- springfield is the capital
 - **true** in illinois, **false** in massachusetts.

1.1 logical connectives

1.1.1 \neg negation

the *negation* (or *not*) of a proposition is **true** *iff* the proposition is **false**.

- $\neg \perp = \top$
- $\neg \top = \perp$

1.1.2 \wedge conjunction

the *conjunction* (or *and*) of two propositions is **true** *iff* **both** propositions are **true**.

- $\top \wedge \top = \top$
- $\top \wedge \perp = \perp$
- $\perp \wedge \top = \perp$
- $\perp \wedge \perp = \perp$

1.1.3 \vee disjunction

the *disjunction* (or *or*) of two propositions is **true** *iff* **at least one** proposition is **true**.

- $\top \vee \top = \top$
- $\top \vee \perp = \top$
- $\perp \vee \top = \top$
- $\perp \vee \perp = \perp$

1.1.4 \oplus exclusive disjunction

the *exclusive disjunction* (or *xor*) of two propositions is **true** iff **exactly one** proposition is **true**.

- $\top \oplus \top = \perp$
- $\top \oplus \perp = \top$
- $\perp \oplus \top = \top$
- $\perp \oplus \perp = \perp$

1.1.5 \rightarrow implication

the *implication* $p \rightarrow q$ is **false** if p is **true**, and q is **false** $p \rightarrow q$ is **true** otherwise. hint: p is called the *hypothesis*, and q is called the *conclusion*.

- $\top \rightarrow \top = \top$
- $\top \rightarrow \perp = \perp$
- $\perp \rightarrow \top = \top$
- $\perp \rightarrow \perp = \top$

1.1.6 \leftrightarrow biconditional

the *biconditional* $p \leftrightarrow q$ is **true** iff p and q assume the same truth value.

- $\top \leftrightarrow \top = \top$
- $\top \leftrightarrow \perp = \perp$
- $\perp \leftrightarrow \top = \perp$
- $\perp \leftrightarrow \perp = \top$

1.2 logic operators order

1. \neg negation
 - $\neg q \vee r$ means $(\neg q) \vee r$, not $\neg(q \vee r)$
2. \wedge conjunction
3. \vee disjunction
 - $q \wedge r \vee s$ means $(q \wedge r) \vee s$, not $q \wedge (r \vee s)$
4. \rightarrow implication
 - $q \wedge r \rightarrow s$ means $(q \wedge r) \rightarrow s$, not $q \wedge (r \rightarrow s)$
5. \leftrightarrow biconditional

1.3 other conditional statements

given an implication $p \rightarrow q$:

- $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$ is its *inverse*
- $q \rightarrow p$ is its *converse*
- $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ is its *contrapositive*

1.4 activities

1.4.1 two propositions

show that an implication $p \rightarrow q$ and its *contrapositive* $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ always have the same value.

p, q	$\neg q, \neg p$	$p \rightarrow q$	$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$	$(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow p)$
$\top \top$	$\perp \perp$	\top	\top	\top
$\top \perp$	$\top \perp$	\perp	\perp	\top
$\perp \top$	$\perp \top$	\top	\top	\top
$\perp \perp$	$\top \top$	\top	\top	\top

1.4.2 complex example 1

construct a truth table for $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg r$.

p, q, r	$p \wedge q$	$\neg r$	$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow \neg r$
$\top \top \top$	\top	\perp	\perp
$\top \top \perp$	\top	\top	\top
$\top \perp \top$	\perp	\perp	\top
$\top \perp \perp$	\perp	\top	\top
$\perp \top \top$	\perp	\perp	\top
$\perp \top \perp$	\perp	\top	\top
$\perp \perp \top$	\perp	\perp	\top
$\perp \perp \perp$	\perp	\top	\top

1.5 complex example 2

construct a truth table for $p \wedge (\neg q \vee r) \rightarrow r$.

p, q, r	$\neg q$	$\neg q \vee r$	$p \wedge (\neg q \vee r)$	$p \wedge (\neg q \vee r) \rightarrow r$
$\top \top \top$	\perp	\top	\top	\top
$\top \top \perp$	\perp	\perp	\perp	\top
$\top \perp \top$	\top	\top	\top	\top
$\top \perp \perp$	\top	\top	\top	\perp
$\perp \top \top$	\perp	\top	\perp	\top

p, q, r	$\neg q$	$\neg q \vee r$	$p \wedge (\neg q \vee r)$	$p \wedge (\neg q \vee r) \rightarrow r$
$\perp \top \perp$	\perp	\perp	\perp	\top
$\perp \perp \top$	\top	\top	\perp	\top
$\perp \perp \perp$	\top	\top	\perp	\top