

Lecture 1

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Proposition or Statement: A proposition is a declarative sentence that is either true or false.

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|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| ① p : Paris is the capital of France | p is a true proposition. |
| ② p : π is a rational number | p is a false proposition. |
| ③ q : $4 = 7$ | q is a false proposition. |
| ④ q : The earth is round | q is a true proposition. |
| ⑤ q : $3 - x = 5$ | It is a proposition but depends on the value of x . |
| ⑥ r : $2 + 3 = 5$ | r is a true proposition. |
| ⑦ p : what is your name? | It is not a proposition, why? |
| ⑧ q : do your homework | It is not a proposition, why? |

Logical Connective:

We can combine these propositions using various operators. There are seven principal logic operators:

INVERTER, AND, OR, NAND, NOR, XOR (exclusive OR) and XNOR (exclusive NOR).

In addition, we will discuss the **conditional** and **biconditional** propositions.

1. Negation “Not” \bar{p}

If p is a true proposition, then \bar{p} is a false proposition.

p	\bar{p}
T	F
F	T

2. Conjunction “AND” $p \wedge q$

it is **true** precisely when both p and q are true.

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

3. Negation of AND “NAND”

it is the complement of AND proposition.

$$p|q \equiv (\overline{p \wedge q}) \equiv \text{invert}(p \wedge q)$$

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

4. Disjunction “OR” $p \vee q$

it is true precisely when at least one of p or q is true.

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

Example-3

If p is $4 \geq 2$ and q is " $5 \leq 2$ " then $p \wedge q$ is false and $p \vee q$ is true.

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Example-4

Form the compound propositions $p \wedge q$ and $p \vee q$

① p : 2 is a positive integer q : $\sqrt{2}$ is a rational number

② p : $2 + 3 \neq 5$ q : Cairo is the capital of Egypt

Solution

① $p \wedge q$: "2 is a positive integer and $\sqrt{2}$ is a rational number" is false

$p \vee q$: "2 is a positive integer or $\sqrt{2}$ is a rational number" is true

5. Negation of OR “NOR”

it is the complement of OR proposition.

$$\overline{p \vee q}$$

p	q	$p \vee q$	$\overline{p \vee q}$
T	T	T	F
T	F	T	F
F	T	T	F
F	F	F	T

6. Exclusive OR “XOR” $A \oplus B$

it is true exactly when either A or B is **true** and the other is **false**.

$$X = A \oplus B = A\bar{B} + \bar{A}B = (A \wedge \bar{B}) \vee (\bar{A} \wedge B)$$

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

7. Exclusive NOR “XNOR”

It is the complement of the exclusive OR.

$$(\overline{p \oplus q})$$

p	q	$\overline{p \oplus q}$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

8. Conditional Proposition “If p then q”

$$p \rightarrow q$$

It is called **conditional proposition** or implication.

where, **p** is called **hypothesis** and **q** is called **conclusion**

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

9. Biconditional Proposition “p If and only if q”

$$p \leftrightarrow q$$

It is called bi-conditional proposition or equivalence [“iff”].

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

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

NOT
AND
OR
IF ..THEN
IFF

Types of Propositions

Tautology: its truth-values always *true*.

Contradiction: its truth-values always *false*.

Contingency: is neither a tautology nor a contradiction.

	CONTINGENCY	CONTRADICTION	TAUTOLOGY
p	\bar{p}	$p \wedge \bar{p}$	$p \vee \bar{p}$
T	F	F	T
F	T	F	T

Statement forms associated with the implication

Contrapositive of: $p \rightarrow q$ is: $\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{p}$

Converse of $p \rightarrow q$ is: $q \rightarrow p$

Inverse of $p \rightarrow q$ is: $\bar{p} \rightarrow \bar{q}$

				<i>Statement</i>	<i>Converse</i>	<i>Contrapositive</i>	<i>Inverse</i>
<i>p</i>	<i>q</i>	\bar{q}	\bar{p}	$p \rightarrow q$	$q \rightarrow p$	$\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{p}$	$\bar{p} \rightarrow \bar{q}$
<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>
<i>T</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>T</i>
<i>F</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>F</i>
<i>F</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>

Example-17

Start with the statement, “ $\forall n \in \mathcal{N}$, if n is prime (which is true), then n is not even (which is false).” Form the contrapositive, converse, and inverse of this statement. Which statements are true?

Solution

Let p : n is prime (T), $\bar{p} \equiv n$ is not prime (F)

Let q : n is not even (F), $\bar{q} \equiv n$ is even (T)

The statement $p \rightarrow q \equiv T \rightarrow F \equiv F$ is false

The contrapositive of $p \rightarrow q$ is $\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{p} \equiv T \rightarrow F \equiv F$ is false

The converse of $p \rightarrow q$ is $q \rightarrow p \equiv F \rightarrow T \equiv T$ is true

The inverse of $p \rightarrow q$ is $\bar{p} \rightarrow \bar{q} \equiv F \rightarrow F \equiv T$ is true ■

List of Identities

- Commutative Rule

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

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

- Associatively Rule

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

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

- Distribution Rule

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

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

$$p\!\equiv\! p\vee p$$

$$p\!\equiv\! p\wedge p$$

$$p\vee T\!\equiv\!T$$

$$p\wedge T\!\equiv\!p$$

$$p\vee F\!\equiv\!p$$

$$p\wedge F\!\equiv\!F$$

$$p\vee \bar{p}\!\equiv\!T$$

$$p\wedge \bar{p}\!\equiv\!F$$

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- De- Morgan Rule

$$\overline{p \wedge q} \equiv \bar{p} \vee \bar{q}$$

$$\overline{p \vee q} \equiv \bar{p} \wedge \bar{q}$$

- Double Negation

$$\overline{\overline{(p)}} \equiv p$$

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- Implication Rule

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \bar{p} \vee q$$

- Equivalence Rule

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

- Contra positively Rule

$$\textcolor{blue}{p} \rightarrow q \equiv \bar{\textcolor{blue}{q}} \rightarrow \bar{p}$$

- Exportation Rule

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

Example-5

Assuming that p is a true, q is false, and r is true propositions. Find the truth-value of each proposition:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (p \vee q) \rightarrow \bar{r}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad p \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$$

Solution

$$\textcircled{1} \quad (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r \equiv (T \wedge F) \rightarrow T \equiv F \rightarrow T \equiv T$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (p \vee q) \rightarrow \bar{r} \equiv (T \vee F) \rightarrow \bar{F} \equiv T \rightarrow \bar{F} \equiv F$$

Example-7

- ① Assuming that p is a true, q is false, and r is true propositions. Find the truth-value of the propositions: $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$ and $(p \vee q) \rightarrow \bar{r}$
- ② Use the truth table to prove that: $p \leftrightarrow q = (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$. ■-1

Solution

① $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r \equiv (T \wedge F) \rightarrow T \equiv F \rightarrow T \equiv T$
 $(p \vee q) \rightarrow \bar{r} \equiv (T \vee F) \rightarrow F \equiv T \rightarrow F \equiv F$

②

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

Example-8

Compute the truth table of the statement $(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{p})$

Solution

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$	\bar{q}	\bar{p}	$\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{p}$	$(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{p})$
T	T	T	F	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	F	T
F	T	T	F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T

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Example-16

Is the statement $(p \wedge \bar{q}) \wedge (\bar{p} \vee q) \wedge r$ forming a tautology, contradiction or contingency?

Solution

p	q	r	\bar{p}	\bar{q}	$p \wedge \bar{q}$	$\bar{p} \vee q$	$(p \wedge \bar{q}) \wedge (\bar{p} \vee q)$	$(p \wedge \bar{q}) \wedge (\bar{p} \vee q) \wedge r$
T	T	T	F	F	F	T	F	F
T	T	F	F	F	F	T	F	F
T	F	T	F	T	T	F	F	F
T	F	F	F	T	T	F	F	F
F	T	T	T	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	F	T	F	F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T	T	F	T	F	F
F	F	F	T	T	F	T	F	F

Thus, the statement forms a **contradiction**. ■

Example- 18: Check the following logical equivalences:

① $\overline{p \rightarrow q} \equiv p \wedge \bar{q}$

Solution:

① L.H.S: $p \rightarrow q \equiv \bar{p} \vee q$

$$\overline{p \rightarrow q} \equiv \overline{\bar{p} \vee q} \quad \text{Demorgan's Rule}$$

$$\overline{p \rightarrow q} \equiv \bar{\bar{p}} \wedge \bar{q}$$

$$\overline{p \rightarrow q} \equiv p \wedge \bar{q} = R.H.S$$

② $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$

② L.H.S: $p \vee (p \wedge q)$, and by using $p = p \wedge T$, we get:

$(p \wedge T) \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p \wedge (T \vee q) = p \wedge T = p = \text{R.H.S}$

③ $(p \vee q) \wedge \bar{p} \equiv \bar{p} \wedge q$

③ L. H. S: $(p \vee q) \wedge \bar{p} \equiv (\bar{p} \wedge p) \vee (\bar{p} \wedge q)$

$$\begin{aligned} &\equiv F \vee (\bar{p} \wedge q) \\ &\equiv \bar{p} \wedge q = \text{R. H. S} \end{aligned}$$

Example- 19

- Simplify the following logical predicate

$$(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \bar{q}) \vee (\bar{p} \wedge \bar{q})$$

- Verify your answer using truth table

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \bar{q}) \vee (\bar{p} \wedge \bar{q}) \\ \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \vee \bar{p}) \wedge \bar{q} \\ \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (T \wedge \bar{q}) \\ \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee \bar{q} \\ \equiv \bar{q} \vee (p \wedge q) \\ \equiv (\bar{q} \vee p) \wedge (\bar{q} \vee q) \\ \equiv (\bar{q} \vee p) \wedge T \\ \equiv (\bar{q} \vee p)\end{aligned}$$

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Example- 20

Show that $\bar{p} \wedge (p \vee q) \rightarrow q$ is equal to true, then verify your answer using truth table.

Solution

$$\bar{p} \wedge (p \vee q) \rightarrow q \equiv \overline{\bar{p} \wedge (p \vee q)} \vee q \quad \text{where } p \rightarrow q \equiv \bar{p} \vee q$$

$$\equiv \bar{\bar{p}} \vee (\overline{p \vee q}) \vee q \quad \text{Demorgan rule}$$

$$\equiv p \vee (\overline{p \vee q}) \vee q$$

$$\equiv (p \vee q) \vee (\overline{p \vee q}) \equiv T$$