

Key Logical Equivalences

Identity:

$$p \wedge T \equiv p$$

$$p \vee F \equiv p$$

Absorption:

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

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Domination:

$$p \vee T \equiv T$$

$$p \wedge F \equiv F$$

Negation:

$$p \vee \neg p \equiv T$$

$$p \wedge \neg p \equiv F$$

Idempotent:

$$p \vee p \equiv p$$

$$p \wedge p \equiv p$$

Double negation:

$$p \equiv \neg \neg p$$

More Key Logical Equivalences

Commutativity:

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

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

Distributivity:

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

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

Associativity:

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

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

De Morgan's laws:

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

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

Implication:

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

Key Logical Implications (“Valid Argument Forms”)

Direct Implication

p
 $p \rightarrow q$ (“Modus Ponens”)
 $\therefore q$

Transitivity of \rightarrow

$p \rightarrow q$
 $q \rightarrow r$ (“Hypothetical Syllogism”)
 $\therefore p \rightarrow r$

Contrapositive Implication

$p \rightarrow q$
 $\neg q$ (“Modus Tollens”)
 $\therefore \neg p$

Two Separate Cases

$p \vee q$
 $\neg p \vee r$ (“Resolution”)
 $\therefore q \vee r$

Some More Logical Implications

Eliminating a Possibility

$p \vee q$
 $\neg p$ (“Disjunctive Syllogism”)
 $\therefore q$

In Particular

$p \wedge q$ (“Simplification”)
 $\therefore p$

Obtaining And

p
 q (“Conjunction”)
 $\therefore p \wedge q$

Obtaining Or

p
 $\therefore p \vee q$ (“Addition”)

Substitution of Equivalent

$p \leftrightarrow q$
 p (“Equivalence”)
 $\therefore q$