

Discrete Mathematics–Honors

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1 Logic and Sets

1.1 Lecture –August 23, 2022

1.1.1 Predicate Logic

There are three basic logical connectives: **and**, **or**, **not** which are denoted by \wedge , \vee , and \neg respectively. The negation of a proposition p , written $\neg p$, is true if p is false and false if p is true.

1 Example

“Less than 80 students are enrolled in CS311H” is a proposition. The negation of this is at least 80 students are in CS311H

Conjunction of two propositions p and q is written $p \wedge q$

2 Example

The conjunction of p = “It is Tuesday” and q = “it is morning” is $p \wedge q$ = “It is Tuesday and it is morning”

- Disjunction is written $p \vee q$ and the disjunction between $p \vee q$ for p = “It is Tuesday” and q = “it is morning” is $p \vee q$ = “It is Tuesday or it is morning”
- If your formula has n variables then your truth table has $n + 1$ columns because you have n variables and one column for the truth value of the formula.
- The number of rows is given by the formula 2^n
- Other connectives: exclusive or \oplus , implication \rightarrow , biconditional \leftrightarrow

1.2 Lecture–August 25, 2022

Let p = “I major in CS”, q = “I will find a good job”, r = “I can program”

- “I will not find a good job unless I major in CS or I can program”: $(\neg p \wedge \neg r) \rightarrow \neg q$
- “I will not find a good job unless I major in CS and I can program”: $(\neg p \vee \neg r) \rightarrow \neg q$
- The **inverse** of an implication $p \rightarrow q$ is $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$. Therefore, “If I’m a CS major then I can program” has an inverse of “If I am not a CS Major then I’m not able to program.”
- The **converse** of an implication $p \rightarrow q$ is $q \rightarrow p$.

3 Definition (Contrapositive)

The contrapositive of an implication of $p \rightarrow q$ is $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$

The contrapositive of “if CS major then I can program” is “if I can’t program, then I’m not a CS major”

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

A converse and it's inverse are always the same.

4 Definition (Biconditionals)

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

5 Example (Operator precedence)

Given a formula $p \wedge q \vee r$ do we parse this as $(p \wedge q) \vee r$ or $p \wedge (q \vee r)$?

1. Negation \neg has the highest precedence
2. Conjunction (\wedge) has the next highest precedence
3. Disjunction (\vee) has the next highest precedence
4. Implication (\rightarrow) has the next highest precedence
5. Biconditional (\leftrightarrow) has the lowest precedence
6. Make sure to explicitly use parentheses for \oplus

1.2.1 Validity and Satisfiability

Validity and satisfiability

- The truth value depends on truth assignments to variables
- Example: $\neg p$ evaluates to true under the assignment $p = F$ and to false under $p = T$
- Some formulas evaluate to true for all assignments—these are called **tautologies** or **valid formulas**
- Some formulas evaluate to false for all assignments—these are called **contradictions** or **unsatisfiable formulas**

6 Definition (Interpretation)

An interpretation I for a formula F is a mapping from each propositional value to exactly one truth value.

$$I : \{p \mapsto \text{true}, q \mapsto \text{false}, \dots\}$$

Each interpretation corresponds to one row in the truth table so there are 2^n interpretations for a formula with n variables.

If the formula is true under interpretation I then we write $I \models F$ and if the formula is false then we write $I \not\models F$.

Theorem: $I \models F$ if and only if $I \not\models \neg F$.

7 Example

Consider the formula $F : p \wedge q \rightarrow \neg p \wedge \neg q$

Let I_1 be the interpretation such that $[p \mapsto \text{true}, q \mapsto \text{true}]$

What does F evaluate to under I_1 ? Answer: true

8 Example

Let F_1 and F_2 be two propositional formulas. Suppose F_1 is true under I . Then, $F_2 \neg F_1$ evaluates to false under I (the “and” shortcuts and forces the whole equation to be false).

Satisfiability, Validity

- F is **satisfiable** iff there exists interpretation $I \models F$
- F is **valid** iff for all interpretations $I, I \models F$
- F is **unsatisfiable** iff for all interpretations $I, I \not\models F$
- F is **contingent** if it is satisfiable, but not valid.

9 **Example** (Are the following statements true or false?)

- If a formula is valid, then it is also satisfiable? True. All interpretations are satisfiable.
- If a formula is satisfiable, then its negation is unsatisfiable. False.
- If F_1 and F_2 are satisfiable, then $F_1 \wedge F_2$ is also satisfiable. False.
- If F_1 and F_2 are satisfiable, then $F_1 \vee F_2$ is also satisfiable. True.

10 **Theorem** (Duality Between Validity and Unsatisfiability)

F is valid iff $\neg F$ is unsatisfiable.

Proof. Definition: F is valid iff for all interpretations $I, I \models F$

Theorem: $I \models F \leftrightarrow I \not\models \neg F$

This is very easy to prove: just map all outputs of F to true. □

Question: How can we prove that a propositional formula is a tautology is true?

Answer: We can use the **truth table method** and prove that the formula is true for all possible truth assignments.

11 **Example** (Tautology)

$(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$ is a tautology.

$(p \wedge q) \vee \neg p$ is not a tautology.

1.3 Lecture–August 30, 2022

Implication: Formula F_1 implies F_2 (written $F_1 \implies F_2$) iff $\forall I, I \models F_1 \rightarrow F_2$

12 **Example** (Implication Removal)

Is $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$ true? False. Let $p = F, q = T$

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$	$\neg p \vee q$
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T

13 **Definition** (Implication Removal)

$p \rightarrow q$ is equivalent to $\neg p \vee q$

1.3.1 Important equivalences

- Law of double negation: $\neg \neg p \equiv p$

- Identity laws: $p \wedge T \equiv p, p \vee F \equiv p$
- Domination Laws: $p \vee T \equiv T, p \wedge F \equiv p$
- Idempotent Laws: $p \wedge p \equiv p, p \vee p \equiv p$
- Negation Laws: $p \wedge \neg p \equiv F, p \vee \neg p \equiv T$

14 **Note** (Commutativity and Distributivity Laws)

- Commutative Laws: $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p, p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$
- Distributivity Law 1: $(p \vee (q \wedge r)) \equiv ((p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r))$
- Distributivity Law 2: $(p \wedge (q \vee r)) \equiv ((p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r))$
- Associativity Laws:

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

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

- Absorption 1: $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$
- Absorption 2: $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$

15 **Definition** (De Morgan's Laws)

Let a = "John took CS311" and b = "John took CS312". What does $\neg(a \wedge b)$ mean? It means "John did not take both CS311 and CS312". Therefore, John didn't take either CS311 or CS312.

$$\neg(a \wedge b) \equiv \neg a \vee \neg b$$

16 **Example** (Prove $\neg(p \wedge (\neg p \wedge q)) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$)

p	$\neg p$	q	$p \wedge (\neg p \wedge q)$	$\neg(p \wedge (\neg p \wedge q))$
T	F	T	T	F
T	F	F	F	T
F	T	T	F	T
F	T	F	F	T

17 **Example**

If Jill carries an umbrella, it is raining. Jill is not carrying an umbrella. Therefore, it is not raining.

$$((u \rightarrow r) \wedge (\neg u)) \rightarrow \neg r$$

This can be counter-modeled with $r = \text{true}, u = \text{false}$.

1.3.2 First Order Logic

- The building blocks of propositional logic were propositions
- In first-order logic there are three kinds of basic building blocks: constants, variables, predicates.
- Constants: refer to specific objects
- Examples: George, 6, Austin, CS311, ...
- If a universe of discourse is cities in Texas, x can represent Houston, Houston, etc.
- **Predicates** describe properties of objects or relationships between objects.
- A predicate $P(c)$ is true or false depending on whether property P holds for c .
- The truth value of $\text{even}(2) = \text{true}$

- Another example: Suppose $Q(x, y)$ denotes $x = y + 3$ what is the value of $Q(3, 0)$? true

1.4 Lecture–September 1, 2022

- In propositional logic, the truth value depends on a truth assignment
- In FOL, truth depends on interpretation over some domain D
- Universe of discourse (domain) + what elements in the domain the variables map to

18 Example (Semantics of First-Order Logic)

Consider a FOL formula $\neg P(x)$

$$D = \{A, B\}, P(A) = \text{true}, P(B) = \text{false}, x = A$$

This is a falsifying interpretation

19 Example

Consider I over domain $D = \{1, 2\}$

- $P(1, 1) = P(1, 2) = \text{true}, P(2, 1) = P(2, 2) = \text{false}$
- $Q(1) = \text{false}, Q(2) = \text{true}$
- $x = 1, y = 2$
- What is $P(x, y) \wedge Q(y)$ under I ? True.
- What is truth value of $P(y, x) \rightarrow Q(y)$ under I ? True.
- What is truth value of $P(x, y) \rightarrow Q(x)$ under I ? False.

1.4.1 Quantifiers

- Real power of first-order logic over propositional logic: quantifiers.
- There are two quantifiers in first-order logic:
 1. Universal quantifier (for **all** objects): $\forall x P(x)$
 2. Existential quantifier (for **some** object): $\exists x P(x)$

20 Example

Let $D = \{a, b\}, P(a) = \text{true}, P(b) = \text{false}$ then $\forall x.P(x)$ is false.

21 Example

Consider $D = \mathbb{R}$ and $P(x) = x^2 \geq x$ then $\forall x.P(x)$ is false.

- In first-order logic, domain is required to be **non-empty**.

22 Example

Consider the domain of reals and predicate $P(x)$ with interpretation $x < 0$. Then, $\exists x.P(x)$ is true.

- $\forall x.P(x)$ is true iff $P(o_1) \wedge P(o_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(o_n)$ is true
- $\exists x.P(x)$ is true iff $P(o_1) \vee P(o_2) \vee \dots \vee P(o_n)$ is true

$\exists x.(\text{even}(x) \wedge \text{gt}(x, 100))$ is a valid formula in FOL.

23 **Example** (What is the truth value of the following formulas?)

- $\forall x.(\text{even}(x) \rightarrow \text{div4}(x))$ False. $x = 2$ is a counter-model.
- $\exists x.(\neg \text{div4}(x) \wedge \text{even}(x))$ True.
- $\exists x.(\neg \text{div4}(x) \rightarrow \text{even}(x))$ True.

24 **Example** (Translating English into formulas)

Assuming $\text{freshman}(x)$ means “ x is a freshman” and $\text{inCS311}(x)$ to be x is taking CS311, then “someone in CS311 is a freshman” is $\exists x.(\text{freshman}(x) \wedge \text{inCS311}(x))$.

No one in CS311 is a freshman: $\forall x.(\text{freshman}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{inCS311}(x))$

Everyone taking CS311 are freshmen: $\forall x.(\text{inCS311}(x) \rightarrow \text{freshman}(x))$

All freshmen take CS311: $\forall x.(\text{freshman}(x) \rightarrow \text{inCS311}(x))$

1.4.2 DeMorgan’s Laws for Propositional Logic

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

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

$$\neg \forall x.P(x) \equiv \exists x.\neg P(x)$$

$$\neg \exists x.P(x) \equiv \forall x.\neg P(x)$$

25 **Example**

We can change $\neg \exists x.(\text{inCS311}(x) \wedge \text{freshman}(x))$ to $\forall x.(\neg \text{inCS311}(x) \vee \neg \text{freshman}(x))$ which is equivalent to $\forall x.(\text{inCS311}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{freshman}(x))$.

1.4.3 Nested Quantifiers

- Sometimes may be necessary to use multiple quantifiers
- For example, can’t express “Everybody loves someone” using a single quantifier.
- Suppose predicate $L(x, y)$ means “ x loves y ”.
- What does $\forall x.\exists y.L(x, y)$ mean? “Everybody loves someone”
- What does $\exists y.\forall x.L(x, y)$ mean? “There is someone who is loved by everybody”

26 **Example** (More Nested Quantifier Examples)

- “Someone loves everyone” $\exists x.\forall y.L(x, y)$
- “There is someone who doesn’t love anyone” $\exists x.\forall y.\neg L(x, y)$
- “There is someone who is not loved by anyone” $\exists x.\forall y.\neg L(y, x)$
- “Everyone loves everyone” $\forall x.\forall y.L(x, y)$
- “Someone doesn’t love themselves”: $\exists x.\neg L(x, x)$