

# Logic and Proof 2

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# Propositional Equivalences

# Types of Compound Propositions

## ► Definition:

- A compound proposition that is *always true*, no matter what the truth values of the propositions that occur in it, is called a *tautology*.
- A compound proposition that is *always false* is called a **contradiction**.
- A compound proposition that is *neither a tautology nor a contradiction* is called a **contingency**.

# Example

## Tautology

$p$	$\neg p$	$p \vee \neg p$
T	F	T
F	T	T

## Contradiction

$p$	$\neg p$	$p \wedge \neg p$
T	F	F
F	T	F

# Logical Equivalence

- Compound propositions that have the same truth values in all possible cases
- Definition : Compound propositions  $p$  and  $q$  are *logically equivalent* if  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is a tautology (denoted by  $p \equiv q$  or  $p \Leftrightarrow q$ )
- **De Morgan's Law**
  - $\neg (p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$
  - $\neg (p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$

# Example: Logical Equivalence

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

$$\neg p \wedge \neg q$$

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**TABLE 3** Truth Tables for  $\neg(p \vee q)$  and  $\neg p \wedge \neg q$ .

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



# TABLE 6 (1.2)

**TABLE 6** Logical Equivalences.

<i>Equivalence</i>	<i>Name</i>
$p \wedge \mathbf{T} = p$ $p \vee \mathbf{F} = p$	Identity laws
$p \vee \mathbf{T} = \mathbf{T}$ $p \wedge \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}$	Domination laws
$p \vee p \equiv p$ $p \wedge p \equiv p$	Idempotent laws
$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$	Double negation law
$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$ $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$	Commutative laws
$(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$ $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$	Associative laws
$p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$	Distributive laws
$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$	De Morgan's laws
$p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$ $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$	Absorption laws
$p \vee \neg p = \mathbf{T}$ $p \wedge \neg p = \mathbf{F}$	Negation laws

**TABLE 7 Logical Equivalences  
Involving Conditional Statements.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



**TABLE 8** Logical  
Equivalences Involving  
Biconditionals.

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

$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv \neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q$$

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

$$\neg(p \leftrightarrow q) \equiv p \leftrightarrow \neg q$$

# Example

- ▶ Show that the following compounds are equivalent

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

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

De Morgan's Law

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

De Morgan's Law

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

Double Negation Law

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

Distributive Law

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

Negation Law

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

Commutative Law for Disjunction

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

Identity Law

# In class exercise

- ▶ Check if the following is Tautology.

$$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r] \rightarrow [p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)]$$

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

$$(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \wedge \neg r)$$

$$(\neg p \vee q) \leftrightarrow (p \rightarrow q)$$

# Predicate Calculus: Predicates and Quantifiers

# Predicates and Quantifiers

- ▶ Propositional logic can not adequately express the meaning of statements in Mathematics and in natural language.

- ▶ For example:

*“Every computer connected to the university network is functioning properly”*

*“There is a computer that is under attack by an intruder”*

- ▶ Predicate involves the variable , such as  
“ $x > 3$ ” , “ $x = y + 3$ ”, “ $x + y = z$ ”, computer  $x$  is under attack.

# Predicate Logic

- ▶ *Predicate*: a property that the subject of the statement can have

Ex:  $x > 3$

- $x$ : variable
- $> 3$ : predicate
- $P(x)$ :  $x > 3$ 
  - The value of the propositional function  $P$  at  $x$

$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ :  $n$ -place predicate  
or  $n$ -ary predicate



# Example

- ▶ 1. Let  $P(x)$  denote the statement “ $x > 3$ ”. What is the truth values of  $P(4)$  and  $P(2)$ ?

Sol. :

$P(4)$  is true

$P(2)$  is false

- ▶ 2.  $Q(x, y) = “x = y + 3.”$ 
  - What is the truth value of  $Q(1, 2)$  ,  $Q(3, 0)$  ?

# Quantifiers

- Quantification
  - **Universal quantification:** a predicate is true for every element
  - **Existential quantification:** there is one or more element for which a predicate is true

# The Universal Quantifier

- Domain: domain of discourse (universe of discourse)
- Definition : The *universal quantification* of  $P(x)$  is the statement “ $P(x)$  for all values of  $x$  in the domain”, denoted by  $\forall x P(x)$ 
  - “for all  $x P(x)$ ” or “for every  $x P(x)$ ”
  - When all elements in the domain can be listed,  $P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(x_n)$

# The Existential Quantifier

- Definition: The *existential quantification* of  $P(x)$  is the proposition “There exists an element  $x$  in the domain such that  $P(x)$ ”, denoted by  $\exists x P(x)$ 
  - “there is an  $x$  such that  $P(x)$ ” or “for some  $x P(x)$ ”
  - When all elements in the domain can be listed,  $P(x_1) \vee P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee P(x_n)$

# Conclusion

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**TABLE 1** Quantifiers.

<i>Statement</i>	<i>When True?</i>	<i>When False?</i>
$\forall x P(x)$	$P(x)$ is true for every $x$ .	There is an $x$ for which $P(x)$ is false.
$\exists x P(x)$	There is an $x$ for which $P(x)$ is true.	$P(x)$ is false for every $x$ .

# Example

- ▶ 1. Let  $Q(x)$  be the statement “ $x < 2$ ”. What is the truth value of the quantification  $\forall x Q(x)$ , where the domain consists of all real numbers?
- ▶ Solution  $Q(x)$  is not true for every real number  $x$ , because, for instance,  $Q(3)$  is false.
- ▶ Then  $\forall x Q(x)$  is false



# Example

- ▶ 2. What is the truth value of  $\forall xP(x)$ , where  $P(x)$  is the statement " $x^2 < 10$ " and the domain consists of the positive integers not exceeding 4?
- ▶ Solution:  $\forall xP(x)$  is the same of

$$P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge P(3) \wedge P(4)$$

- ▶ Then  $\forall xP(x)$  is false

# Example

- ▶ 3. Let  $Q(x)$  denote the statement “ $x=x+1$ ”. What is the truth value of the quantification  $\exists x Q(x)$ , where the domain consists of all real numbers?

Solution:  $\exists x Q(x)$  is false because  $Q(x)$  is false for every real number  $x$ .

# Example

- ▶ 4. What is the truth value of  $\exists x P(x)$  , where  $P(x)$  is the statement " $x^2 > 10$ " and the domain consists of the positive integers not exceeding 4?
- ▶ Solution: since  $\exists x P(x)$  is the same as

$$P(1) \vee P(2) \vee P(3) \vee P(4)$$

- ▶ Because  $P(4)$  is true then  $\exists x P(x)$  is true.

# Logical Equivalence involving Quantifiers

- Statements involving predicates and quantifiers are *logically equivalent* if and only if they have the same truth value no matter which predicates are substituted and which domain is used
  - E.g.  $\forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$  and  $\forall x P(x) \wedge \forall x Q(x)$

# Negating Quantified Expressions

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

Negation of the statement “*Every student in your class has taken a course in Calculus*”

“*There is a student in your class who has not taken a course in Calculus*”

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

# De Morgan's Laws for Quantifiers

$$\begin{aligned}\neg \forall x P(x) &\equiv \neg (P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(x_n)) \\ &\equiv \neg P(x_1) \vee \neg P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee \neg P(x_n) \\ &\equiv \exists x \neg P(x)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\neg \exists x P(x) &\equiv \neg (P(x_1) \vee P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee P(x_n)) \\ &\equiv \neg P(x_1) \wedge \neg P(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \neg P(x_n) \\ &\equiv \forall x \neg P(x)\end{aligned}$$



# De Morgan's Laws for Quantifiers

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**TABLE 2** De Morgan's Laws for Quantifiers.

<i>Negation</i>	<i>Equivalent Statement</i>	<i>When Is Negation True?</i>	<i>When False?</i>
$\neg \exists x P(x)$	$\forall x \neg P(x)$	For every $x$ , $P(x)$ is false.	There is an $x$ for which $P(x)$ is true.
$\neg \forall x P(x)$	$\exists x \neg P(x)$	There is an $x$ for which $P(x)$ is false.	$P(x)$ is true for every $x$ .

# 1.4 Nested Quantifiers

- Two quantifiers are nested if one is within the scope of the other
  - $\forall x \exists y (x+y=0)$
  - $\forall x \forall y ((x>0) \wedge (y<0) \rightarrow (xy<0))$
- Thinking of quantification as loops
  - $\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$
  - $\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$
  - $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$
  - $\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$

**TABLE 1** Quantifications of Two Variables.

<i>Statement</i>	<i>When True?</i>	<i>When False?</i>
$\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$ $\forall y \forall x P(x, y)$	$P(x, y)$ is true for every pair $x, y$ .	There is a pair $x, y$ for which $P(x, y)$ is false.
$\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$	For every $x$ there is a $y$ for which $P(x, y)$ is true.	There is an $x$ such that $P(x, y)$ is false for every $y$ .
$\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$	There is an $x$ for which $P(x, y)$ is true for every $y$ .	For every $x$ there is a $y$ for which $P(x, y)$ is false.
$\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$ $\exists y \exists x P(x, y)$	There is a pair $x, y$ for which $P(x, y)$ is true.	$P(x, y)$ is false for every pair $x, y$ .

# Order of Quantifiers

- ▶ The order of the quantifiers is important, unless all the quantifiers are universal quantifiers or all are existential quantifiers

$$\forall x \forall y P(x, y) \equiv \forall y \forall x P(x, y)$$

$$\exists x \exists y P(x, y) \equiv \exists y \exists x P(x, y)$$

# Order of Quantifiers

$$\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$$

Not equivalent to

$$\exists y \forall x P(x, y)$$

# END

## Q & A