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# Logic

# What is Logic?

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**Definition:** Philosophical Logic

The study of thought and reasoning, including arguments and proof techniques.

This is the classical notion of logic

**Definition:** Mathematical Logic

The use of formal languages and grammars to represent syntax and semantics of computation

# Propositional Logic

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Propositional Logic is part of Mathematical Logic.

Versions include:

**What we  
use in this  
course**

- *First Order Logic* (FOL a.k.a. *First Order Predicate Calculus* (FOPC)) includes simple term variables and quantifications
- *Second Order Logic* allows its variable to represent more complex structures (in particular, predicates)
- *Modal Logic* adds support for modalities; that is concepts such as possibility and necessity.

# Why Are We Studying Logic?

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Logic has many applications to computer science:

- Logic is the foundation of computer operation
- Logical conditions are common in programs:
  - Selection: `if (score <= max) { ... }`
  - Iteration: `while (i<limit && list[i]!= stopValue) ...`
- Structures in computing have properties that need to be proven
  - Examples: Trees, Graphs, Recursive Algorithms
- Whole programs can be proven correct
- Computational Linguistics must represent and reason about human language, and language represents thought (and thus logic)

# Propositions

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**Definition:** *Proposition*

A declarative sentence that is either true (**T**) or false (**F**), but not both.

**Definition:** *Atomic (simple) proposition*

A proposition that cannot be expressed in terms of simpler propositions (it includes no logical operators)

# Propositions - Examples

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- Propositions:
  - $1 + 1 = 2$  (**True**)
  - $2 + 2 = 5$  (**False**)
  - Tucson summers never get above 100 degrees (**False**)
- Not Propositions:
  - $x * y < z$  (**depends on**  $x, y, z$ )
  - What time is it? (**Question**)
  - This sentence is false. (**Paradox**)

# Propositional Variables

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- To reduce writing required, we label propositions with lower-case letters, called *propositional variables*.
- Examples:
  - $h$ : “Helena is the capital of Montana”
  - For brevity, we use either:
    1. A meaningful letter ( $h$ )
    2.  $p, q, r, s, \dots$  (these are the standard letters used)

# Compound Propositions

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**Definition:** *Compound Proposition*

A proposition formed by combining propositions using logical operators

**What do we use to combine them?**

# Logical Operators

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- Connective Logical Operators - Operators used to combine 2 or more propositions
  1. Conjunctions
  2. Disjunctions
- Logical Operators on a single proposition:
  3. Negations

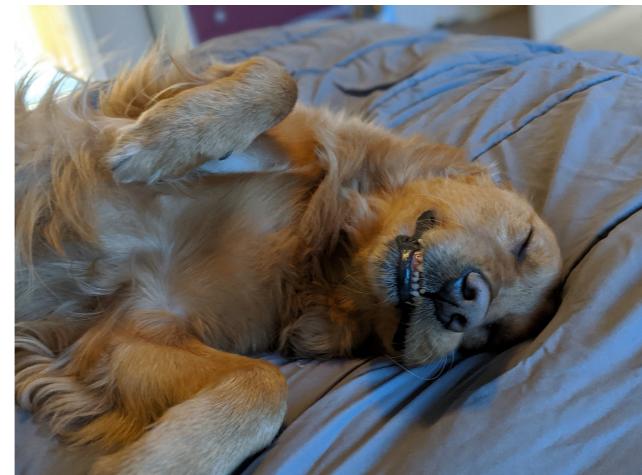
# Conjunctions

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## Definition: Conjunction

A conjunction of  $p$  and  $q$  is the proposition “ $p$  and  $q$ ”

- Conjunctions are denoted by  $p \wedge q$
- They are only true when both  $p$  and  $q$  are true
- Examples:
  - $p$ : Rodger is a dog
  - $q$ : Rodger likes to bark at cats.
  - $p \wedge q$  : Rodger is a dog and likes to bark at cats.



# Disjunctions

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**Definition:** *Disjunction*

A disjunction of  $p$  and  $q$  is the proposition “ $p$  or  $q$ ”

- Disjunctions are denoted by  $p \vee q$
- Example:
  - $p$ : Harry will destroy the Horcruxes.
  - $q$ : Harry will find the Deathly Hallows.
  - $p \vee q$ : Harry will destroy the Horcruxes or find the Deathly Hallows.

**Under what circumstances is  $p \vee q$  true?**

# Disjunctions - Inclusive

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- Proposition: Harry will destroy the Horcruxes ( $p$ ) or find the Deathly Hallows ( $q$ )
- $p \vee q$  is true if:
  1.  $p$  is true (Harry destroys the Horcruxes)
  2.  $q$  is true (Harry finds the deathly hallows)
  3. Both  $p$  and  $q$  are true, (Harry destroys the Horcruxes and finds the Deathly Hallows)
- Since the third option is acceptable, the disjunction is inclusive. By default,  $p \vee q$  denotes inclusive disjunctions.

# Disjunctions - Exclusive

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- Consider the proposition: Harry will destroy the Horcruxes ( $p$ ) or Voldemort will be immortal ( $q$ )
- $p \vee q$  is true if:
  1.  $p$  is true (Harry destroys the Horcruxes)
  2.  $q$  is true (Voldemort is immortal)
- But it's not true if:
  - Both  $p$  and  $q$  are true, (Harry destroys the Horcruxes but Voldemort is still immortal.)
  - Since the third option is not acceptable, the disjunction is exclusive. This is denoted by  $p \oplus q$  (or XOR).

# Disjunction Examples

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- The computer was a MacBook or a Thinkpad
- For dessert, you can have cake or ice cream
- His birthday is in June or July.

# Negation

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## Definition: Negation

The negation of proposition  $p$ , is the statement “it is not the case that  $p$ . ”

- Negations are denoted by  $\neg p$  (also denoted  $\bar{p}$ )
- Example:
  - $p$  : I love computers
  - $\neg p$  : It is not the case that I love computers
    - I do not love computers
    - I hate computers

# Negations - Examples

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- $p$ : Eleanor took a nap
  - $\neg p$ : Eleanor did not take a nap
  - Eleanor skipped her nap
- $\neg p$ : they will lose the game
  - $p$  : they will win the game

# Truth Tables

- *Truth tables* show us all possible truth values of a given proposition
- Structure of truth table for  $\neg(p \wedge q)$  :

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

**All possible combinations of logical values** → All four rows of the table are highlighted with a blue border.

**Sequence of propositions (building to the proposition of interest)** → An arrow points from the text to the third column of the table, which contains the expression  $\neg(p \wedge q)$ .

**Evaluations** → An arrow points from the text to the fourth column of the table, which contains the resulting truth values T or F.

# Truth Tables

- *Truth tables* of  $\wedge$ ,  $\vee$ ,  $\oplus$ , and  $\neg$ .

NOT ( $\neg$ )

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

AND ( $\wedge$ )

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

OR ( $\vee$ )

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

XOR ( $\oplus$ )

$p$	$q$	$(p \oplus q)$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

# Truth Tables

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- Example:  $\neg(q \wedge p) \vee \neg s$

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

# Precedence of Logical Operators

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- Rosen suggests the precedence order:

Precedence	Operator
Highest	$\neg$
$\Leftrightarrow$	$\wedge$
	$\vee$
Lowest	$\rightarrow$ $\Leftrightarrow$

(we'll cover these soon)

- There is disagreement among mathematicians
- Always use parentheses to avoid confusion

# Operator Associativity

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- Given  $\neg \neg p$ , we evaluate it right to left,  $\neg(\neg p)$ 
  - Negation is right associative
- Given  $p \wedge q \wedge r$ , we evaluate it left to right  $(p \wedge q) \wedge r$ 
  - This holds for  $\vee$  and  $\oplus$
  - Conjunctions and both disjunctions are left associative

# Equivalence of Propositions

**Definition:** Logically Equivalent

Two propositions  $p$  and  $q$  are logically equivalent if they have the same truth values in all possible inputs

- Equivalences are denoted by  $p \equiv q$
- Example: is  $p \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee p$ ?

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

# Equivalence of Propositions

- Example: Distributive Law -  $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

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

# Converting Natural Language to Propositions

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- Is *The sky is cloudy* a proposition?
  - Yes, it is an atomic proposition
- Is the following sentence a proposition?
  - *Either Walter deposits his mortgage payment or else he will lose his house and move in with Donna.*
  - Yes!
  - It is a compound proposition built of 3 atomic propositions

# Converting Natural Language to Propositions

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- Step 1: Identify the atomic (simple) propositions

Either Walter deposits his mortgage payment or else  
he will lose his house and move in with Donna.

# Converting Natural Language to Propositions

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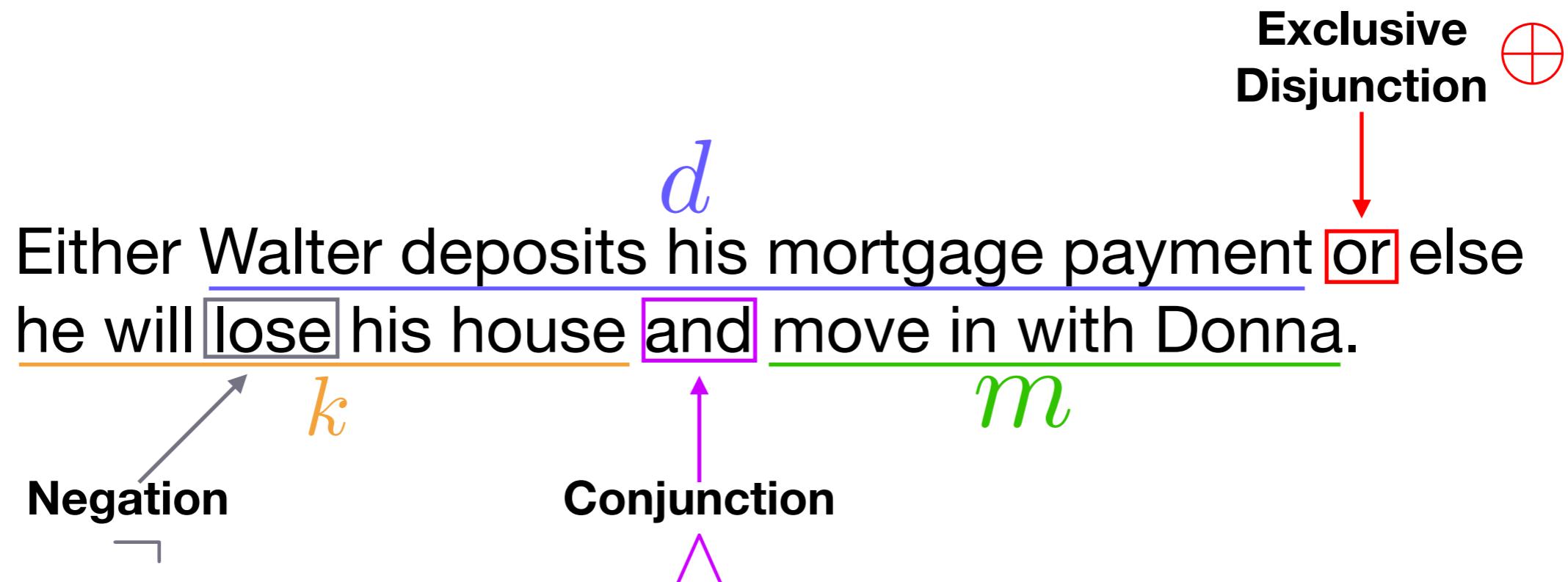
- Step 2: Assign easy to remember statement labels

Either Walter deposits his mortgage payment or else  
he will lose his house and move in with Donna.

*d*  
*k*                                   *m*

# Converting Natural Language to Propositions

- Step 3: Identify the logical operators



# Converting Natural Language to Propositions

- Step 4: Construct the matching logical expression

Either Walter deposits his mortgage payment **or** else  
he will **lose** his house **and** move in with Donna.

Negation  
 $\neg$

$k$

Conjunction  
 $\wedge$

$m$

Exclusive  
Disjunction  
 $\oplus$

$$d \oplus (\neg k \wedge m)$$

# Converting Natural Language to Propositions

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- Why do we need to do this?
  - Expressing Program Conditions  
 $(x \neq 6)$  or  $(y == 'Y')$  and flag
  - Natural Language Understanding  
“Route me to campus with a stop for gas.”
  - Proof Setup  
Converting conjectures to logic:  
“The sum of the squares of two odd integers is never a perfect square”

# Three Categories of Propositions

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## Definition: Tautology

A proposition that is always **true**, no matter the truth values of proposition variables

## Definition: Contradiction

A proposition that is always **false**, no matter the truth values of proposition variables

## Definition: Contingency

A proposition that is neither a tautology or contradiction

# Three Categories of Propositions

- Examples:

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

Contingency

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

# Aside: Logical Bit Operations

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- Bit operations correspond to logical connectives

Logical Operator	Bit Operator	Name	Example
$\neg$	$\sim$	Complement (not)	$\sim 1100 = 0011$
$\wedge$	$\&$	AND	$\begin{array}{r} 1100 \\ \& 1011 \\ \hline 1000 \end{array}$
$\vee$	$ $	OR	$\begin{array}{r} 1100 \\   1011 \\ \hline 1111 \end{array}$
$\oplus$	$\wedge$	XOR	$\begin{array}{r} 1100 \\ \wedge 1011 \\ \hline 0111 \end{array}$

# Aside: Logical Bit Operations

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- Default Linux File Permissions

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$ ls -l
```

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-rw-rw-r-- 1 liw liw 836 Nov 10 16:33 drafts/liw-permissions.mdwn
```

[unmask]	000 011 111
[complement of unmask]	111 100 000
[default permissions]	& <u>110 110 110</u>
[the file's permissions]	110 100 000
	rw- r-- ---

# Conditional Propositions

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## **Definition:** Conditional Proposition

A conditional proposition is one that can be expressed as “if  $p$  then  $q$ ”, denoted  $p \rightarrow q$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are propositions.

- Example:
  - If the doorbell rings, then my dog will bark.

# Conditional Propositions

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- In “if  $p$  then  $q$ ”,  $p$  and  $q$  are known by various names:

$p$	$q$
(1) Antecedent	— consequent
(2) Hypothesis	— conclusion
(3) Sufficient	— necessary

- Common forms of “if  $p$  then  $q$ ”:

- ▷ if  $p$ , then  $q$
- ▷ if  $p, q$
- ▷  $p$  implies  $q$
- ▷  $p$  only if  $q$
- ▷  $p$  is sufficient for  $q$
- ▷ a necessary condition for  $p$  is  $q$
- ▷  $q$  unless  $\neg p$
- ▷  $q$  if  $p$
- ▷  $q$  when  $p$
- ▷  $q$  whenever  $p$
- ▷  $q$  follows from  $p$
- ▷  $q$  is necessary for  $p$
- ▷ a sufficient condition for  $q$  is  $p$
- ▷  $q$  provided that  $p$

# Conditional Propositions

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- Example: Rewrite the proposition in the given from:
  - If the bike has 2 wheels you can ride it.

You can ride the bike if it has 2 wheels

- The engine will start only if the tank has fuel.

If the engine will start then the tank has fuel

# Truth of Conditional Propositions

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- When are conditionals ‘true’?

If the doorbell rings, then my dog will bark.

- The possibilities:

1. Antecedent true, Consequent true; statement is: T
2. Antecedent true, Consequent false; statement is: F
3. Antecedent false, Consequent true; statement is: T
4. Antecedent false, Consequent false; statement is: T

# Truth of Conditional Propositions

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- Example:

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if (y < x){  
    temp = x; x = y; y = temp;  
}
```

# Truth of Conditional Propositions

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- Example:

```
if (y < x){  
    temp = q; x = y; y = temp;  
}
```

$$p \rightarrow q$$

When **p** is **False**, **q** is irrelevant, yet the Java statement is still legal (or **True**)

# Truth of Conditional Propositions

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- Other Examples:
  - “If elected, I will lower taxes.”
  - “If it is below 90 this evening, I will go for a run”.
  - “If it rains today, I won’t water my plants.”
  - “If you push on the door, it will open”

# Equivalences of OR, AND, Implication

- Truth tables for OR, AND, and Implication

All 3 operators have one value that differs!

OR ( $\vee$ )		AND ( $\wedge$ )		Implies ( $\rightarrow$ )	
$p$	$q$	$(p \vee q)$	$p$	$q$	$(p \wedge q)$
T	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	T	F
F	F	F	F	F	F

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

Can get proposition equivalent to implication from AND and OR

# Inverse, Converse, & Contrapositive

**Definition:** Inverse

Given  $p \rightarrow q$ , the inverse is  $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$

**Definition:** Converse

Given  $p \rightarrow q$ , the converse is  $q \rightarrow p$

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

Note: Inverse  $\equiv$  Converse  $\not\equiv$  Original

# Inverse, Converse, & Contrapositive

**Definition:** Contrapositive

Given  $p \rightarrow q$ , the contrapositive is  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$

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

**Note:**  $p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$

# Examples: English Translation

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- Proposition: If you got an A on the final, you pass the class.
- Converse: If you pass the class, you got an A on the final.
- Inverse: If you did not get an A on the final, you do not pass the class.
- Contrapositive: If you do not pass the class, you did not get an A on the final.

# English → Logic

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- Remember our steps for converting natural language to propositional logic:
  - Step 1: Identify the atomic (simple) propositions
  - Step 2: Assign easy to remember statement labels
  - Step 3: Identify the logical operators
  - Step 4: Construct the matching logical expression

# English → Logic

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- Translate the proposition: *When she loses the poker tournament, she will keep her job and won't buy a round of drinks*
- Following our step defined earlier:

When she loses the poker tournament, she will keep her job and won't buy a round of drinks

$\frac{j}{d}$

$p$ : she wins the poker tournament

$j$ : she will keep her job

$d$ : she will buy a round of drinks

# English → Logic

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- Translate the proposition: *When she loses the poker tournament, she will keep her job and won't buy a round of drinks*
- Following our step defined earlier:

If  
When she loses the poker tournament, she will keep her job and won't buy a round of drinks

$$\neg p \rightarrow (j \wedge \neg d)$$

$j$        $\wedge$        $\neg d$

$$\neg p \rightarrow (j \wedge \neg d)$$

# English → Logic

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- Translate the proposition: *If I don't take my dog for a walk or a run, then he won't be tired for bed.*
- Following our step defined earlier:

*w*  
If I don't take my dog for a walk or a run, then he  
won't be tired for bed.  
t

*w* : I take my dog for a walk

*r* : I take my dog for a run

*t* : he is tired for bed

# English → Logic

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- Translate the proposition: *If I don't take my dog for a walk or a run, then he won't be tired for bed.*
- Following our step defined earlier:

If  
If I  $\neg$  w  $\oplus$  r  
If I don't take my dog for a walk or a run, then he  
won't be tired for bed.  
t

# English → Logic

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- Translate the proposition: *If I don't take my dog for a walk or a run, then he won't be tired for bed.*
- Following our step defined earlier:

If  
If I  $\neg$  don't take my dog for a walk  $\oplus$  a run, then he  
won't be tired for bed.  
 $\neg$  t

Two possibilities: (1)  $(\neg w \oplus \neg r) \rightarrow \neg t$       (2)  $\neg(w \oplus r) \rightarrow \neg t$

Which is correct?

# English $\rightarrow$ Logic

- Translate the proposition: *If I don't take my dog for a walk or a run, then he won't be tired for bed.*
- Following our step defined earlier:

If  
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won't be tired for bed.  
 $\neg t$

Two possibilities: (1)  $(\neg w \oplus \neg r) \rightarrow \neg t$       (2)  $\neg(w \oplus r) \rightarrow \neg t$

Consider English Contrapositive:

If my dog is tired for bed, I took him for a walk or a run.

This  $[t \rightarrow (w \oplus r)]$  is the contrapositive of (2) so (2) is correct.

# English → Logic

- Translate the proposition: *If I don't take my dog for a walk or a run, then he won't be tired for bed.*
- Following our step defined earlier:

If  
If I don't take my dog for a walk  $\oplus$  a run, then he  
won't be tired for bed.  
◻  $t$

**Two possibilities:** (1)  $(\neg w \oplus \neg r) \rightarrow \neg t$       (2)  $\neg(w \oplus r) \rightarrow \neg t$

This  $[t \rightarrow (w \oplus r)]$  is the contrapositive of (2) so (2) is correct.

**Note:**  $w \oplus r \equiv \neg w \oplus \neg r \not\equiv \neg(w \oplus r)$

# Biconditional Propositions

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- What is the meaning of:

A t a triangle is equilateral if and only if all three angles are equal

<b>IF</b>	<b>AND</b>	<b>ONLY IF</b>
<b>t if a</b>		<b>t only if a</b>
<b>if a, then t</b>		<b>if t, then a</b>
$a \rightarrow t$	$\wedge$	$t \rightarrow a$

$(a \rightarrow t) \wedge (t \rightarrow a)$

# Biconditional Propositions

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**Definition:** Biconditional Proposition

A biconditional statement is the proposition “ $p$  if and only if  $q$ ” ( $p$  iff  $q$ ). It is denoted by the symbol  $\leftrightarrow$  ( $p \leftrightarrow q$ ).

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

$p$	$q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$q \rightarrow p$	$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	F	F
F	F	T	T	T	T

# Biconditionals and Logical Equivalence

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- Previously, we defined *Logically Equivalent* as

Two propositions  $p$  and  $q$  are logically equivalent if they have the same truth values in all possible inputs
- We can introduce a second definition using Biconditionals
- Before we do that:
  - Remember: *Tautology*

A proposition that is always **true**, no matter the truth values of proposition variables

# Biconditionals and Logical Equivalence

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**Definition:** Logically Equivalent (2)

Two propositions  $p$  and  $q$  are logically equivalent ( $p \equiv q$ ) if  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is a tautology

- Example:  $p \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee p$

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

# De Morgan's Laws

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$$1. \neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$$

$$2. \neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$$

- Show  $\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ :

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

# Example: Using De Morgan's

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$$1. \neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$$

$$2. \neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$$

- Show  $\neg(a \vee (b \vee c)) \equiv \neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge \neg c$ .

$$\neg(a \vee (b \vee c)) \equiv \neg a \wedge \neg(b \vee c) \quad (\text{De Morgan 2})$$

$$\equiv \neg a \wedge (\neg b \wedge \neg c) \quad (\text{De Morgan 2})$$

$$\equiv \neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge \neg c \quad (\text{Associativity of } \wedge)$$

# Example: De Morgan's Laws and Programming

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- Checking to see if a score is not a ‘B’

- Version 1:  $\frac{(x < 80) \mid\mid (x \geq 90)}{p \quad q}$   $p \vee q$

- Version 2:  $\frac{!(x \geq 80) \And x < 90}{\neg p \quad \neg q}$   $\neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q)$

$$p \vee q \equiv \neg\neg(p \vee q) \quad \textbf{Double negative}$$

$$\equiv \neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q) \quad \textbf{De Morgan's (2)}$$

# Common Logical Equivalences

Table I: Some Equivalences using AND ( $\wedge$ ) and OR ( $\vee$ ):

(a)	$p \wedge p \equiv p, \quad p \vee p \equiv p$	Idempotent Laws
(b)	$p \vee \top \equiv \top, \quad p \wedge \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Domination Laws
(c)	$p \wedge \top \equiv p, \quad p \vee \mathbf{F} \equiv p$	Identity Laws
(d)	$p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$ $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$	Commutative Laws
(e)	$(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$ $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$	Associative Laws
(f)	$p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$	Distributive Laws
(g)	$p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$ $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$	Absorption Laws

Table II: Some More Equivalences (adding  $\neg$ ):

(a)	$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$	Double Negation
(b)	$p \vee \neg p \equiv \top, \quad p \wedge \neg p \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Negation Laws
(c)	$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$	De Morgan's Laws

# Common Logical Equivalences

Table III: Still More Equivalences (adding  $\rightarrow$ ):

(a)	$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$	Law of Implication
(b)	$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$	Law of the Contrapositive
(c)	$\top \rightarrow p \equiv p$	“Law of the True Antecedent”
(d)	$p \rightarrow \mathbf{F} \equiv \neg p$	“Law of the False Consequent”
(e)	$p \rightarrow p \equiv \top$	Self-implication (a.k.a. Reflexivity)
(f)	$p \rightarrow q \equiv (p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow \mathbf{F}$	Reductio Ad Absurdum
(g)	$\neg p \rightarrow q \equiv p \vee q$	
(h)	$\neg(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \neg q$	
(i)	$\neg(p \rightarrow \neg q) \equiv p \wedge q$	
(j)	$(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p) \equiv \top$	Totality
(k)	$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r \equiv p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$	Exportation Law (a.k.a. Currying)
(l)	$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow r \equiv (p \rightarrow r) \vee (q \rightarrow r)$	
(m)	$(p \vee q) \rightarrow r \equiv (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)$	
(n)	$p \rightarrow (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)$	
(o)	$p \rightarrow (q \vee r) \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r)$	
(p)	$p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \equiv q \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$	Commutativity of Antecedents

# Common Logical Equivalences

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Table IV: Yet More Equivalences (adding  $\oplus$  and  $\leftrightarrow$ ):

(a)	$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$	Definition of Biimplication
(b)	$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$	
(c)	$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv \neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q$	
(d)	$p \oplus q \equiv (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q)$	Definition of Exclusive Or
(e)	$p \oplus q \equiv \neg(p \leftrightarrow q)$	
(f)	$p \oplus q \equiv p \leftrightarrow \neg q \equiv \neg p \leftrightarrow q$	

You **do not** need to memorize these tables...

...but you **do** need to know how to use them!

# Applications of Logical Equivalences

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- Question: Is  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$  is a *tautology*? (1)

- Using Truth tables, we see:

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

- Because the expression evaluates to **True** for all possible truth values, the expression is a *tautology*.

# Applications of Logical Equivalences

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- Question: Is  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$  is a *tautology*? (2)
  - By application of logical equivalences

$$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p \equiv p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p) \quad \text{Table 3 (k)}$$

$$\equiv q \rightarrow (p \rightarrow p) \quad \text{Table 3 (p)}$$

$$\equiv q \rightarrow T \quad \text{Table 3 (e) (reflexivity)}$$

$$\equiv \neg q \vee T \quad \text{Law of Implication}$$

$$\equiv T \quad \text{Law of Domination}$$

# Applications of Logical Equivalences

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- **Question:** Is  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$  is a tautology? (3)
  - By reasoning:
    - When  $p$  is **True**:  $(T \wedge q) \rightarrow T \equiv T$
    - Anything  $\rightarrow T$  is  $T$  (by the definition of  $\rightarrow$ )
  - When  $p$  is **False**:
$$\begin{aligned}(F \wedge q) \rightarrow F &\equiv F \rightarrow F \\ &\equiv T\end{aligned}$$
  - Thus,  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$  is a tautology?

# What we just learned

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- Three quick ways to prove that something is a *tautology*:
  1. **Truth Table:** Do all cases resolve to **TRUE**?
  2. **Logical Equivalences:** Can we convert the expression to **TRUE**?
  3. **Reasoning:** Any argument you make; our example did “proof by cases”.

# Proving that something is a contradiction

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- How to prove that something is a contradiction:
  1. **Truth Table:** Do all cases resolve to **FALSE**?
  2. **Logical Equivalences:** Can we convert the expression to **FALSE**?
  3. **Reasoning:** Any argument you make.
  4. **Bonus:** Negate the expression and prove that it is a tautology!

# Proving that something is a contingency

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- How to prove that something is a *contingency*:
  1. **Truth Table:** can we find one case that resolves to **TRUE** and another that resolves to **FALSE**?
  2. **Logical Equivalences:** Can we convert the expression to a simpler expression which is obviously a contingency?
  3. **Reasoning:** Any argument you make. Typically involves simplifying the expression (as with logical equivalences)

# Applications of Logical Equivalences

- Programming Example: Assume games is an integer

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if ((games <= 10 || ties > 2) && games >= 11)  
    not g
```

- Let  $g$ :games  $\leq 10$  and  $t$ :ties  $> 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (g \vee t) \wedge \neg g &\equiv (g \wedge \neg g) \vee (t \wedge \neg g) && \textbf{Distribution} \\
 &\equiv F \vee (t \wedge \neg g) && \textbf{Negation} \\
 &\equiv (t \wedge \neg g) && \textbf{Identity}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Thus we can rewrite the statement more efficiently as:**

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if (ties > 2 && games >= 11) ...
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# Applications of Logical Equivalences

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- **Question:** Are  $(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$  and  $p \wedge \neg(\neg q \wedge \neg r)$  logically equivalent?

$$\begin{aligned}(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r) &\equiv p \wedge (q \vee r) && \textbf{Distributive Law} \\&\equiv p \wedge (\neg q \rightarrow r) && \textbf{Table 3 (g)} \\&\equiv p \wedge \neg \neg(\neg q \rightarrow r) && \textbf{Double Negation} \\&\equiv p \wedge \neg(\neg q \wedge \neg r) && \textbf{Table 3 (h)}\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r) &\equiv p \wedge (q \vee r) && \textbf{Distributive Law} \\&\equiv p \wedge \neg \neg(q \vee r) && \textbf{Double Negation} \\&\equiv p \wedge \neg(\neg q \wedge \neg r) && \textbf{De Morgan's}\end{aligned}$$