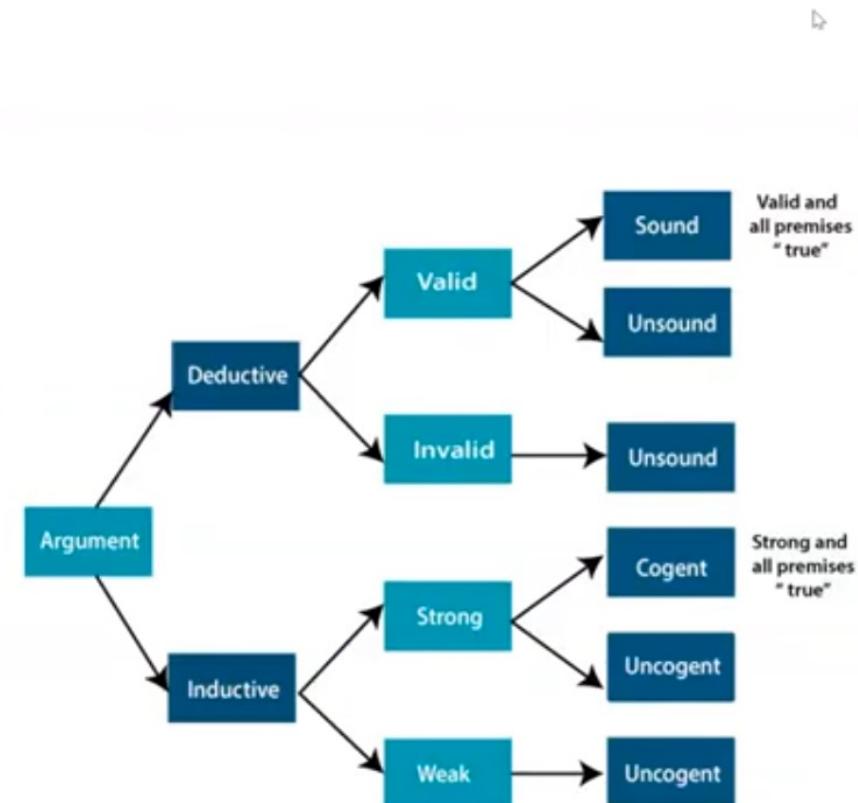


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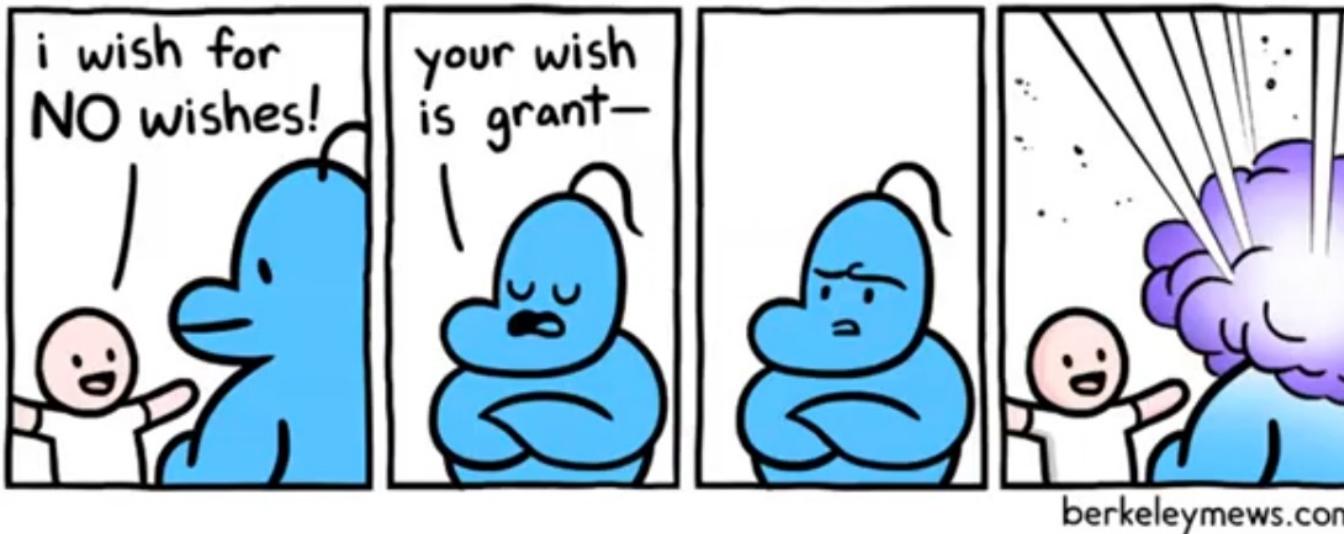
Propositional Logic:  
Representation

# Previously

- AI Concepts:
  - Knowledge Representation
    - Formal representation vs natural language
    - Syntax and mapping with semantics
    - What makes a knowledge representation effective?
  - Basics of Logic
    - Arguments
      - Valid
      - Sound
    - Syllogistic Logic
      - Syllogism
      - Star Test of Validity
  - Overview of Reasoning
    - Deductive, Inductive, Abductive



# Lecture Outline



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- What is Propositional Logic?
- Propositional Language
- Propositional Truth
- Equivalence
- Logical Calculation

# Why Propositional Logic?

- These basics provides the skills needed to more easily work with, manipulate, and reason with more complex knowledge and tasks
- The '*calculus*' skills needed for reasoning

# Syllogistic Logic Revisited

- Syllogistic Logic – system of reasoning used by the ancient Greeks
- Examination of the fundamental principles of **logical transference**: E.g. If  $A=B$  and  $B=C$  then  $A=C$
- **Propositional Logic** builds upon Syllogistic Logic

What is  
Propositional Logic?

# Proposition

- A declarative statement **either true or false**, but not both
- Aka: **Formula**
- **Atomic proposition** (i.e. ‘facts’ where truth or falsity doesn’t depend on any other propositions)
- Examples:
  - **Propositions**

• $1 + 1 = 2$	True
• $1 + 1 > 3$	False
• Alison likes patient care	True
• Ryan has an M.D.	False
  - **Not Propositions**

• $1 + 1 > x$	Unknown
• “What a great book!”	Unknown
• “Is your car red?”	Unknown

# What is Propositional Logic?

- A formal modern logic
- Aka: Boolean Logic, Symbolic Logic, Propositional Calculus, Statement Logic, Zeroth-Order Logic
- Relies on the principles established by syllogistic logic
- Concerned with truth and falsehood
  - Of how truth values extend through a series of propositions

TRUE

FALSE

- “Ryan is the course director” AND “Ryan is a magician” → FALSE



- Builds up more complex statements (i.e. sentences) by combining propositions with logical connectives
  - This is the syntax of propositional logic

# Propositional Language

# Propositional Language: Variables

- To formalize **atomic propositions** we use simple (i.e. primitive) symbols
  - Aka: *propositional constants*
  - These symbols inherit the **same truth values** as the statements
  - F as a symbol is a proposition that is **always False**
  - T as a symbol is a proposition that is **always True**
- A **propositional signature** is a set of propositional constants

Symbols		
“1 + 1 = 2”	= ‘P’	True
“1 + 1 > 3”	= ‘Q’	False
“Alison likes patient care”	= ‘R’	True
“Ryan has an M.D.”	= ‘S’	False

# Propositional Language: Connectives

- Aka: Logical Operators
- The Connectives:
  - Conjunction ( $\wedge$ ,  $\&$ ,  $\cdot$ ): **AND**
  - Disjunction ( $\vee$ ,  $|$ ,  $+$ ): **OR**
  - Negation ( $\neg$ ,  $\sim$ ): **NOT**
  - Implication ( $\rightarrow$ ,  $\Rightarrow$ ,  $\supset$ ): **IF....THEN**
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  - A compound expression formed from members of the propositional signature

P  $\wedge$  Q

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(S  $\vee$  P)  $\wedge$  Q

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  - Given  $n$  different **atomic propositions** in some proposition:
    - $2^n$  different lines in the truth table for that formula
    - Because each can take one 1 of 2 values— true or false

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F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T

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- Atomic propositions (for following examples):
  - “Finn likes cakes” = ‘p’
  - “Finn eats cakes” = ‘q’

Atomic Prop.    Propositions

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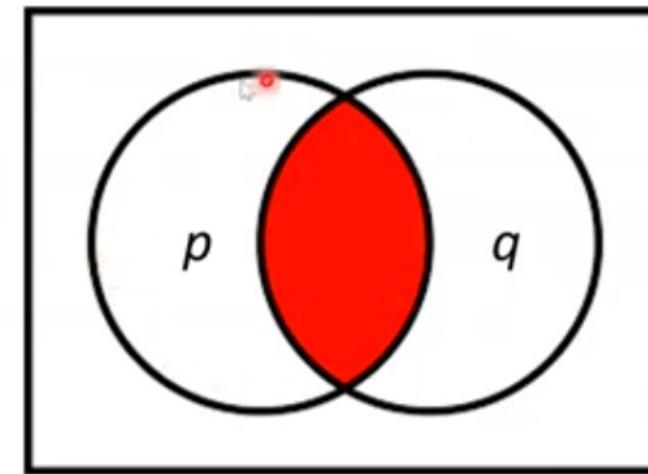
# Connectives: Conjunction

- **AND** ( $\wedge$ , &, •):
  - True only when ‘both’ are true

Truth Table

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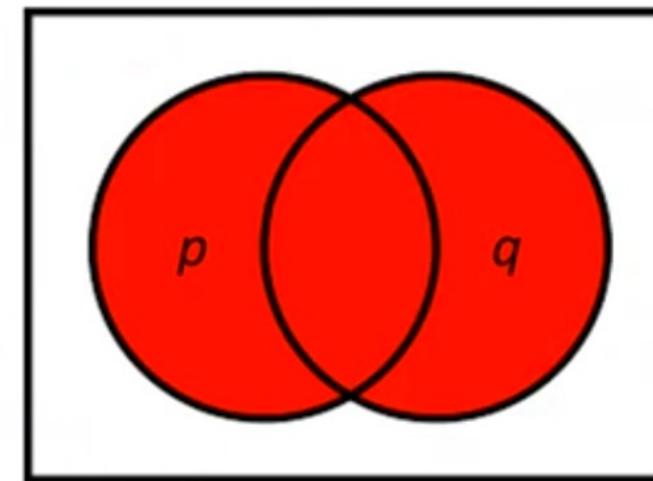


# Connectives: Disjunction

- **OR (  $\vee$  ,  $|$  , + ):**
  - False only when ‘both’ are false

Truth Table

$p$	$q$	$p \vee q$	= “Finn likes cakes <b>or</b> Finn eats cakes”
$F$	$F$	$F$	
$F$	$T$	$T$	
$T$	$F$	$T$	
$T$	$T$	$T$	



# Connectives: Negation

- **NOT** ( $\neg$ ,  $\sim$ ):
  - Only takes one argument
  - Inversion of truth

Truth Table

$p$	$\neg p$	
F	T	= “Finn <b>doesn't</b> like cakes”
T	F	

# Connectives: Implication

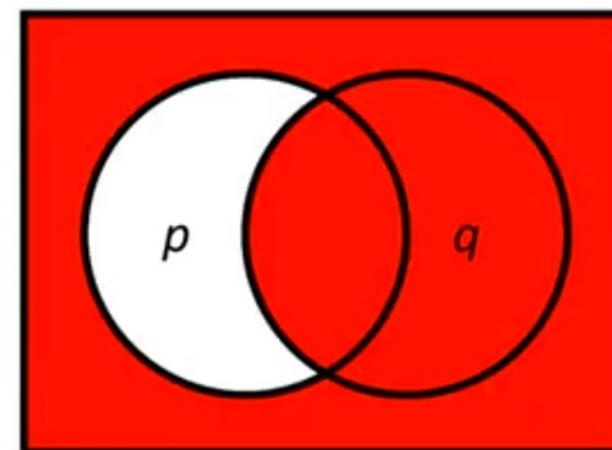
- **IF....THEN** ( $\rightarrow$ ,  $\Rightarrow$ ,  $\supset$ ):

- True whenever  $p$  is False or  $q$  is True
- Aka.  $p$  implies  $q$

Truth Table

$p$	$q$	$p \Rightarrow q$
$F$	$F$	$T$
$F$	$T$	$T$
$T$	$F$	$F$
$T$	$T$	$T$

= “If Finn likes cakes then Finn eats cakes”



# Sufficient and Necessary Conditions

- With respect to **implications**...

When  $p \rightarrow q$ , p is called a *sufficient condition* for q , q is a *necessary condition* for p.

- Being Japanese is a sufficient condition for being Asian.  
≡ if someone is Japanese then s/he will be an Asian
- Being Asian is a necessary condition for being Japanese.  
≡ 'if someone is not Asian, he can not be Japanese'

# Converse, Contrapositive, and Inverse

- From the **implication**  $p \rightarrow q$  we can form new conditional statements
  - **Converse** =  $q \rightarrow p$
  - **Contrapositive** =  $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
  - **Inverse** =  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- Implication: “**If it is snowing, then I will not go to school.**”
  - Converse: “**If I do not go to school, then it is snowing.**”
  - Contrapositive: “**If it is not snowing, then I will go to school.**”
  - Inverse: “**If I go to school, then it is not snowing.**”

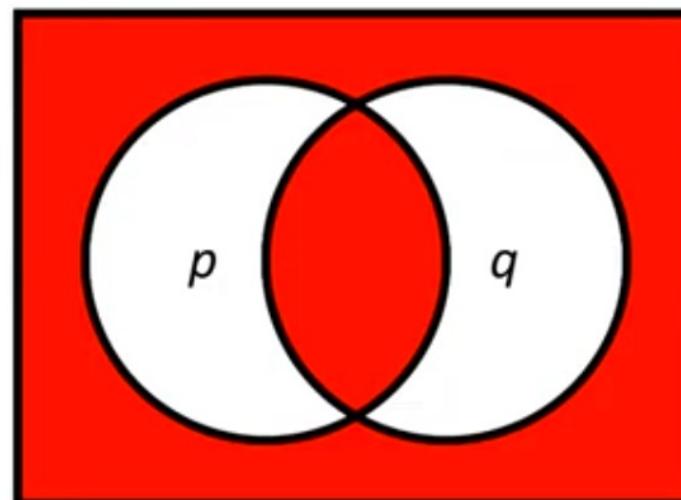
# Connectives: Biconditional

- **IF AND ONLY IF** ( $\equiv$ ,  $\Leftrightarrow$ , iff):
  - True if p and q are both either True or False

Truth Table

$p$	$q$	$p \Leftrightarrow q$
F	F	T
F	T	F
T	F	F
T	T	T

= “If Finn likes cakes **then** Finn eats cakes, and vice versa”



# Propositional Language: Grammar

- **Abstract propositions:**

- More general than atomic propositions
- Can be any syntactically correct proposition
  - i.e. **well-formed formula (wwf)**
- Can **nest** complex propositions as deeply as needed
- Parentheses ( ) are used for grouping

Examples:

$a$

$b$

$(\neg a)$

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

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

Non-examples:

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$\Rightarrow \Rightarrow a$

$a \neg b$

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- Omit as many parentheses as possible, but without causing ambiguity
- **Negation has highest priority**

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 $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow a$   
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Examples:

$$((\neg a) \vee (\neg b)) \xrightarrow{1} (\neg a) \vee (\neg b) \xrightarrow{2} \neg a \vee \neg b$$

$$((\neg a) \wedge b) \xrightarrow{1} (\neg a) \wedge b \xrightarrow{2} \neg a \wedge b$$

$$(\neg(a \wedge b)) \xrightarrow{1} \neg(a \wedge b) \xrightarrow{?} \neg a \wedge b \quad \text{NO!}$$

# Precedence of Logical Operators

Operator	Precedence
$\neg$	1
$\wedge$	2
$\vee$	3
$\rightarrow$	4
$\leftrightarrow$	5

$p \vee q \rightarrow \neg r$  is equivalent to  $(p \vee q) \rightarrow \neg r$

If the intended meaning is  $p \vee (q \rightarrow \neg r)$   
then parentheses must be used.

# Propositional Truth

# Computing Truth Tables

- For each (non-atomic) proposition calculate the truth table
- Use respective rules for connectives
- Order of truth table determined by ‘precedence’

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

p	q	r	$\neg r$	$p \vee q$	$p \vee q \rightarrow \neg r$
T	T	T	F	T	F
T	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	F	T	F
T	F	F	T	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	F
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# Interpreting Truth Tables

- Every **row** is a possible **interpretation** (i.e. model):
  - Interpretations are ‘possible worlds’
  - Find the possible truth values of the constituent propositions gives us meaning of the sentence
- **Propositional Interpretation:**
  - Truth mapping propositional constants
  - $p$  = “It is snowing”
  - $q$  = “There is a hurricane”
  - $r$  = “There is school today”

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It is not snowing but there is a hurricane therefore there isn't school today

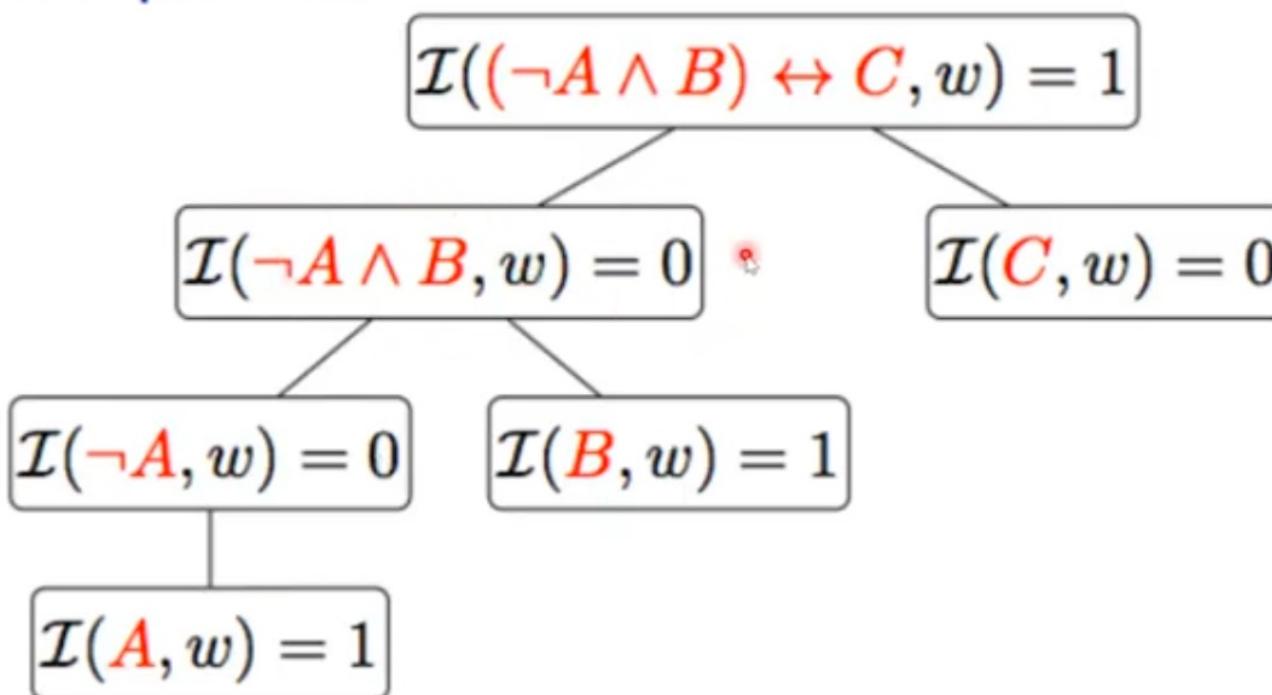
# Interpretation Function

- Tree representation of a single row in a truth table

Formula:  $f = (\neg A \wedge B) \leftrightarrow C$

Model:  $w = \{A : 1, B : 1, C : 0\} \longrightarrow$  Interpretation

Interpretation:



# Properties of Abstract Propositions

Valid  
(Tautologies)

- Every interpretation is satisfied (i.e. True)

Satisfiable

Contingent

- Some interpretations satisfy it but others don't

Falsifiable

Unsatisfiable

- No interpretations are satisfied

# Tautology

"Heads I win, Tails you lose"

- An abstract proposition that is always true

- Example:
  - This course is easy 'or' this course is not easy

$$p \vee (\neg p) \equiv T$$

- Truth table column is always True
  - (0 = False, 1 = True)

a	b	$b \Rightarrow a$	$a \Rightarrow (b \Rightarrow a)$
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	1	1



# Contradiction

- An abstract proposition that is always false

- Example:

- This course is easy ‘and’ this course is not easy
  - $p \wedge (\neg p) \equiv F$

- Truth table column is always False

- (0 = False, 1 = True)

$a$	$b$	$a \Rightarrow b$	$\neg b$	$a \wedge \neg b$	$(a \Rightarrow b) \wedge (a \wedge \neg b)$
0	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	0	0	0



"What? All I said was I'm proud of my humility."

# Contingency

- An abstract proposition that is not a tautology nor a contradiction

Examples:

1.  $a$
2.  $a \Rightarrow \neg a$
3.  $a \wedge b$
4.  $a \vee b$
5.  $\neg a \Rightarrow (b \wedge c)$

# Equivalence

# Equivalent Propositions

- Abstract propositions with identical columns in a truth table are said to be equivalent
  - i.e. the matching truth values in every model
- All tautologies and contradictions are equivalent

$a$	$b$	$a \Rightarrow b$	$\neg(a \Rightarrow b)$	$\neg a$	$\neg a \vee b$	$\neg(\neg a \vee b)$
0	0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0	0	1	0

# Equivalent Propositions: Example

- “Alice is not married but Bob is not single” ( $\neg h \wedge \neg b$ )
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- These three statements are equivalent  
 $\neg h \wedge \neg b \equiv \neg b \wedge \neg h \equiv \neg(b \vee h)$

b	h	$\neg b$	$\neg h$	$b \vee h$	$(\neg h \wedge \neg b)$	$(\neg b \wedge \neg h)$	$\neg(b \vee h)$
TT		F	F	T	F	F	F
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FF		T	T	F	T	T	T

# Extended Notation

If  $P$  is equivalent to  $Q$ , then we write  $P \stackrel{val}{=} Q$ .

Note:  $\stackrel{val}{=}$  is not part of the vocabulary of the language of abstract propositions; it is a *meta-symbol*.

So:

$$\underbrace{\underbrace{a \Rightarrow b}_{\text{abstr. prop.}} \stackrel{val}{=} \underbrace{\neg a \vee b}_{\text{abstr. prop.}}}_{\text{meta-formula}}$$

# Commutativity and Associativity

- Standard equivalences – i.e. transformation rules

## Commutativity:

$$P \wedge Q \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} Q \wedge P$$

$$P \vee Q \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} Q \vee P$$

$$P \Leftrightarrow Q \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} Q \Leftrightarrow P$$

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$$(P \vee Q) \vee R \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P \vee (Q \vee R)$$

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NB: In view of Associativity, we shall write  $\cancel{P \wedge Q \wedge R}$  to denote both  $(P \wedge Q) \wedge R$  and  $P \wedge (Q \wedge R)$ .

# Idempotence and Double Negation

- Standard equivalences – i.e. transformation rules

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## Double Negation:

$$\neg\neg P \xrightarrow{val} P$$

‘It is **not** that I **don’t** like spinach’

(NB: in propositional logic the intended nuance cannot be captured.)

# Adsorption

- Standard equivalences – i.e. transformation rules
- Simplification/Reduction

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

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$$P \wedge \text{False} \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \text{False}$$

$$P \vee \text{True} \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \text{True}$$

$$P \vee \text{False} \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P$$

# Distributivity

## Distributivity:

$$P \wedge (Q \vee R) \stackrel{val}{=} (P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R)$$

$$P \vee (Q \wedge R) \stackrel{val}{=} (P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee R)$$

- Standard equivalences – i.e. transformation rules
- May recognize names and patterns from algebra

$$A \cdot (B + C) = (A \cdot B) + (A \cdot C)$$

$$(A \cdot B) + (A \cdot C) = A \cdot (B + C)$$

# De Morgan's Laws



**De Morgan:**

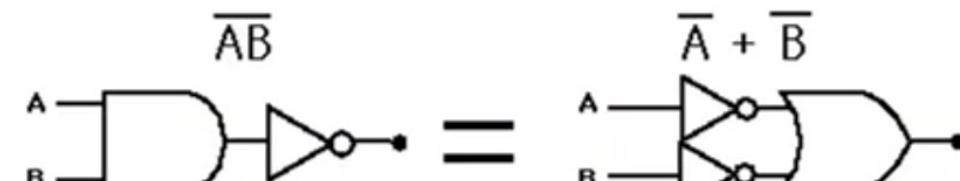
$$\neg(P \wedge Q) \stackrel{val}{=} \neg P \vee \neg Q$$

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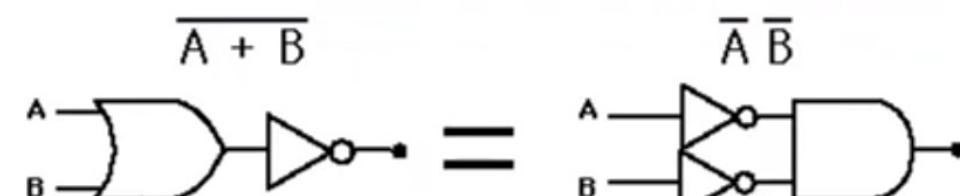
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Circuit: Logic Gates

p q	$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$p \wedge q$	$\neg(p \wedge q)$	$\neg p \vee \neg q$
TT	F	F	T	F	F
TF	F	T	F	T	T
FT	T	F	F	T	T
FF	T	T	F	T	T



A NAND gate is equivalent to an inversion followed by an OR



A NOR gate is equivalent to an inversion followed by an AND

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NB:  $P \Rightarrow Q \stackrel{val}{\neq} \neg P \Rightarrow \neg Q$

(NB: ‘if . . . , then . . . ’ in natural language often means ‘if and only if’.)

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# Summary: Equivalences for Connectives

**Distributivity:**

$$\begin{aligned} P \wedge (Q \vee R) &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} (P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R), \\ P \vee (Q \wedge R) &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} (P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee R) \end{aligned}$$

**Inversion:**

$$\begin{aligned} \neg \text{True} &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \text{False}, \\ \neg \text{False} &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \text{True} \end{aligned}$$

**Contradiction:**

$$P \wedge \neg P \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \text{False}$$

**Excluded Middle:**

$$P \vee \neg P \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \text{True}$$

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**Double Negation:**

$$\neg \neg P \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P$$

**Associativity:**

$$\begin{aligned} (P \wedge Q) \wedge R &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P \wedge (Q \wedge R), \\ (P \vee Q) \vee R &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P \vee (Q \vee R), \\ (P \Leftrightarrow Q) \Leftrightarrow R &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \\ &P \Leftrightarrow (Q \Leftrightarrow R) \end{aligned}$$

**De Morgan:**

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(P \wedge Q) &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \neg P \vee \neg Q, \\ \neg(P \vee Q) &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \neg P \wedge \neg Q \end{aligned}$$

**True/False-elimination:**

$$\begin{aligned} P \wedge \text{True} &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P, \\ P \wedge \text{False} &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \text{False}, \\ P \vee \text{True} &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \text{True}, \\ P \vee \text{False} &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} P \wedge Q &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} Q \wedge P, \\ P \vee Q &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} Q \vee P, \\ P \Leftrightarrow Q &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} Q \Leftrightarrow P \end{aligned}$$

**Idempotence:**

$$\begin{aligned} P \wedge P &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P, \\ P \vee P &\stackrel{\text{val}}{=} P \end{aligned}$$

**Absorption Laws**

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

# Logical Calculation

# Calculation – ‘Logic Calculus’

Recall the following *calculation*:

$$\begin{aligned}\neg P \Rightarrow Q \\ \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} \{ \text{Implication} \} \\ \neg\neg P \vee Q \\ \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} \{ \text{Double Negation} \} \\ P \vee Q\end{aligned}$$

Can we conclude

$$\neg P \Rightarrow Q \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} P \vee Q ?$$

**YES!**

## Other Basic Equivalences

1. (Reflexivity:)  $P \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} P$
2. (Symmetry:) If  $P \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} Q$ , then  $Q \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} P$
3. (Transitivity:) If  $P \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} Q$  and  $Q \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} R$ , then  $P \stackrel{\textit{val}}{=} R$

# Substitution

- The replacement of all occurrences of a ‘letter’ by a formula

## Examples:

1. If we substitute  $Q \wedge P$  for  $P$  in the valid equivalence

$$P \Rightarrow Q \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \neg P \vee Q ,$$

then we get the valid equivalence

$$(Q \wedge P) \Rightarrow Q \stackrel{\text{val}}{=} \neg(Q \wedge P) \vee Q .$$

- This would be true for some substitution for  $Q$
- Or both  $P$  and  $Q$  simultaneously

SUBSTITUTION PRESERVES EQUIVALENCE

# Leibniz's rule

- The replacement of a subformula by an equivalent subformula

Example:

From the valid equivalence

$$P \Rightarrow Q \stackrel{val}{=} \neg P \vee Q$$



we can *make new valid equivalences* by replacing  $P \Rightarrow Q$  in some complex formula by  $\neg P \vee Q$ , for instance:

$$(\neg P \wedge (P \Rightarrow Q)) \vee R \stackrel{val}{=} (\neg P \wedge (\neg P \vee Q)) \vee R$$

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We have the following calculation:

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With Leibniz's rule

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From  $\neg(Q \Rightarrow R) \stackrel{val}{=} \neg R \wedge Q$  it follows  
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# Summary of Propositional Logic Rep.

1. Language of logic (as a representation)
  - Atomic propositions
    - NB: Symbols with a fixed meaning (i.e. these are not 'variables')
2. Connectives, and how they transform truthfulness across a propositional sentence
3. Truth tables, tautologies, and contradictions are important concepts for summarizing truth and falsehood across a propositional sentence
  - Here we deal with single propositional sentences at a time
4. Equivalence – understanding when separate propositions mean the same thing (and could be exchanged for one another)
  - How equivalence can be put to use (e.g. in proving a tautology)

# Assignments

- Assignment 2:
- Goals:
  - Propositional Logic & First Order Logic
    - Practice working with the syntax and semantics of logic
    - Practice manipulating logical expressions in an ‘algebraic’ manner
    - Apply logic to making inferences and determining ‘truth’ 
    - Understand two of the simplest inferences approaches that we will focus on primarily in this course:
      - Forward chaining
      - Backward chaining