

# Propagmology.

## Proposition:

A proposition is a statement that is either true or false, but not both.

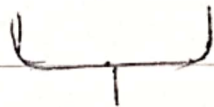
Statement

- Dedorative: this is apple
- Imperative: eat this apple.
- Interrogative: Is this apple?

• Today is Friday

• Washington is the capital of America.

True, false



Truth value  
of  
proposition

Notation: Proposition can be denoted by any letter especially p, q, r, s, t.

p: Today is Friday.

## Propositional Logic:

The area of logic that deals with propositions.

Negation:

Opposite to proposition.

e.g:

$p$ : Today is Friday

$\sim p$ : Today is not Friday

OR

It isn't the case that today is Friday.

$q$ : Today is not Friday

$\sim q$ : Today is Friday

It makes True  $\rightarrow$  False & False  $\rightarrow$  True.

Let  $p$  be a proposition. The negation of  $p$ , denoted by  $\sim p$ , is the statement "It is not the case that  $p$ ".

$\rightarrow$  The proposition  $\sim p$  is read as "not  $p$ ".

Truth Table: Method to show the relationship of propositions (negations)

$p$ <small>input</small>	$\sim p$ <small>output</small>
T	F
F	T

Example:

$$520 < 111$$

- a. Statement? yes
- b. Proposition? yes
- c. Truth value? false

$$y > 5$$

- a. Statement? yes
- b. proposition? no
- c. Truth value? depends upon 'y' which isn't specified.

What time is it?

- a. statement? no
- b. proposition? no

A proposition has to be a statement.

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Logical Operators (Connectives)

They are used to form new compound propositions from two or more existing propositions. The logical operators are also called connectives.

p: Today is Friday

q: It is raining today.

Today is Friday and it is raining today.

Compound Proposition.



- ① Conjunction (AND)
- ② Disjunction (OR)
- ③ Exclusive or (XOR)
- ④ Implication (if-then)
- ⑤ Biconditional (if and only if)

### Conjunction (AND operator)

Let  $p$  &  $q$  be propositions. The conjunction of  $p$  and  $q$ , denoted by  $p \wedge q$ , is the proposition "p and q" which is true when both  $p$  and  $q$  are true and is false otherwise.

$p$ : Today is Friday.

$q$ : It is raining today.

$p \wedge q$ : Today is Friday and it is raining today.

The proposition is true when this condition happens.

Truth Table:

$p$	$q$	$p \wedge q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

## Disjunction (OR Operator):

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The disjunction of  $p$  and  $q$ , denoted by  $p \vee q$ , is the proposition " $p$  or  $q$ " which is false when both  $p$  and  $q$  are false and is true otherwise.

### Inclusive OR:

The disjunction is true when at least one of the two propositions is true.

"Students who have taken calculus or computer science can take this class".

### Exclusive OR:

The disjunction is true only when one of the proposition is true.

"Ice-cream or pudding will be served after lunch".

#### Inclusive OR

$p$	$q$	$p \vee q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

#### Exclusive OR

$p$	$q$	$p \oplus q$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F



## Conditional Statement / Implication:

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The conditional statement  $p \rightarrow q$ , is the proposition "if  $p$ , then  $q$ " which is false when  $p$  is true and  $q$  is false, and true otherwise.

$\rightarrow$   $p$  is called hypothesis (or antecedent or premise) and  $q$  is called the conclusion (or consequence).

$$p \rightarrow q \text{ (} p \text{ implies } q \text{)}$$

Example. If I am elected, then I will lower taxes.

elected, lower taxes	T
elected, not lower taxes	F
not elected, lower taxes	T
not elected, not " "	T

Truth Table:

$P$	$Q$	$P \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

Example: let  $p$  be the statement "Maria learns discrete mathematics" and  $q$  the statement "Maria will find a good job". Express the statement  $p \rightarrow q$  as a statement in English.

If Maria learns discrete mathematics, then she will find a good job.

Ex: Convert "If you are working hard, then you are a topper" into symbolic form.

$$p \rightarrow q$$

conditional:

If you are working hard, then you are a topper.

$$p \rightarrow q$$

Converse:

If you are a topper, then you are working hard.

$$p \rightarrow q : q \rightarrow p$$

Inverse:

If you are not working hard, then you aren't a topper.

$$p \rightarrow q : \sim p \rightarrow \sim q$$

Contrapositive:

If you are not topper, then you are not working hard.

$$p \rightarrow q : \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$$



## Biconditional Statement:

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The biconditional statement  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is the proposition "p if and only if q" which is true when  $p$  and  $q$  have the same truth values, and is false otherwise.

$\Rightarrow p \leftrightarrow q$  has the same truth values as  $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$

### Example:

Let  $p$  be the statement "Shape is a triangle" and let  $q$  be the statement "It has exactly three sides".

$$p \leftrightarrow q$$

"Shape is a triangle if and only if it has exactly three sides".

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

### Truth Table:

$p$	$q$	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

(Both should be true or false to get true value)



① If you are hungry, then you are eating a burger.  $p \rightarrow q$

Conditional Implication

$$p \rightarrow q$$

Truth Table.

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

② If you have a ticket, then only you can travel.

Biconditional

$$p \leftrightarrow q$$

Truth table:

p	q	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

③ Automated reply can be send, if the file system is not full.

Conditional (converse)

$$q \rightarrow p \quad p \rightarrow q$$

B:

	p	q	$q \rightarrow p$
b	T	T	T
	T	F	F
	F	T	T
a	F	F	T

Translating English into propositional logic.

Q: If you work hard, then you will succeed.

p: ~~If~~ you work hard.

q: You will succeed.

$$p \rightarrow q$$

Q: You can access the Internet from campus if you are a computer science major or you are not a freshman.

p: You can access the Internet from campus

q: You are a comp. sci major

r: you are ~~not~~ freshman.

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

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

result he ye  
end me agh

Q: You cannot ride a roller coaster if you are under 4 feet tall unless you are older than 16 years old.

$$(q \wedge \sim r) \rightarrow \sim p.$$

$p$  = You can ride the r/c.

$q$  = You are under 4 feet tall.

$r$  = You are older than 16 years old.