

I211E: Mathematical Logic

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Aim

to develop skill for manipulating formulas

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Evaluation

midterm exam (40) + final exam (60)

Tautologies

Tautologies

Definition

propositional formula ϕ is **tautology** ($\models \phi$) if ϕ is valid

Example

- $\models (\neg(\neg p)) \rightarrow p$
- $\models (\neg(\neg(\neg q))) \rightarrow (\neg q)$
- $\models (\neg(\neg(p \vee q))) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$
- ...
- $\models (\neg(\neg\phi)) \rightarrow \phi$ for all propositional formulas ϕ

Q. doesn't $\models (\neg(\neg p)) \rightarrow p$ imply $\models (\neg(\neg\phi)) \rightarrow \phi$ for all propositions ϕ ?

A. yes!

Example

for $\phi = (p \vee q) \vee r$ and $\theta = [q/p, \neg p/q]$

$$((p \vee q) \vee r)\theta = (\theta(p) \vee \theta(q)) \vee \theta(r) = (q \vee (\neg p)) \vee r$$

Theorem (tautologies are closed under substitutions)

if $\models \phi$ then $\models \phi\theta$ for all substitutions θ (to be proved in next lecture)

Fact

$\models (\neg(\neg\phi)) \rightarrow \phi$ for all propositional formulas ϕ

Proof.

As $\models (\neg(\neg p)) \rightarrow p$, the claim follows by applying the substitution $[\phi/p]$. \square

Definition

- **substitution** θ is mapping from atoms to propositional formulas
- application of θ to propositional formula ϕ :

$$\phi\theta = \begin{cases} \theta(\phi) & \text{if } \phi \text{ is atom} \\ \phi & \text{if } \phi \in \{\top, \perp\} \\ \neg(\phi_1\theta) & \text{if } \phi = \neg\phi_1 \\ (\phi_1\theta) * (\phi_2\theta) & \text{if } \phi = \phi_1 * \phi_2 \text{ and } * \in \{\vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow\} \end{cases}$$

Notation

$[\phi_1/p_1, \dots, \phi_n/p_n]$ is substitution θ defined as $\theta(p) = \begin{cases} \phi_i & \text{if } p = p_i \\ p & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

How to Prove General Proposition: Rigorous Version

Theorem (de Morgan's Law, generalized version)

$\models (\neg(\phi \wedge \psi)) \rightarrow ((\neg\phi) \vee (\neg\psi))$ for all propositional formulas ϕ and ψ

Proof.

The next truth table proves $\models (\neg(p \wedge q)) \rightarrow ((\neg p) \vee (\neg q))$:

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

The claim follows by applying the substitution $[\phi/p, \psi/q]$ \square

How to Prove General Proposition: **Simplified Version**

Theorem (de Morgan's Law, generalized version)

$\models (\neg(\phi \wedge \psi)) \rightarrow ((\neg\phi) \vee (\neg\psi))$ for all propositional formulas ϕ and ψ

Proof.

The claim is verified by the truth table:

ϕ	ψ	$\neg(\phi \wedge \psi) \rightarrow ((\neg\phi) \vee (\neg\psi))$					
T	T	F	T	T	F	F	F
T	F	T	F	T	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	T	T	F
F	F	T	F	T	T	T	T

□

Negation Normal Forms

Logical Equivalence as Equality

Fact

logical equivalence \approx behaves like equality

Example

recall that following equivalences hold:

$$\boxed{1} \quad \neg(\neg\phi) \approx \phi$$

$$\boxed{2} \quad \neg(\phi \wedge \psi) \approx (\neg\phi) \vee (\neg\psi)$$

we have:

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

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

$$\approx p \vee q$$

by $\boxed{2}$

by $\boxed{1}$

by $\boxed{1}$

Properties of Implication

Fact

$$\blacksquare \quad \phi \leftrightarrow \psi \approx (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \wedge (\psi \rightarrow \phi)$$

$$\blacksquare \quad \phi \rightarrow \psi \approx (\neg\phi) \vee \psi$$

material implication

Observation

\rightarrow and \leftrightarrow can be replaced by \neg , \vee , and \wedge

Exercise

simplify formulas

$$\boxed{1} \quad \top \rightarrow \phi$$

$$\boxed{2} \quad \perp \rightarrow \phi$$

$$\boxed{3} \quad \phi \rightarrow \top$$

$$\boxed{4} \quad \phi \rightarrow \perp$$

$$\boxed{5} \quad \phi \rightarrow \phi$$

Properties of Negation

Exercise

simplify formulas so that negation \neg do not occur at root:

- 1 $\neg \top$
- 2 $\neg \perp$
- 3 $\neg(\neg\phi)$
- 4 $\neg(\phi \wedge \psi)$
- 5 $\neg(\phi \vee \psi)$

Observation

\neg can be pushed into front of atoms

Conjunctive Normal Forms

Negation Normal Forms

Definition

formula is **negation normal form** if

- it consists of \top , \perp , \neg , \vee , \wedge , and atoms, and
- \neg only occurs at front of atom

Example

$(\neg p) \vee (\neg q)$ is negation normal form, but $(\neg(\neg p)) \vee (\neg q)$ is **not**

Theorem

for every propositional formula there exists equivalent negation normal form

Exercise: compute negation normal form of $\neg(p \leftrightarrow q)$

Properties of Conjunction and Disjunction

Fact

- $(\phi \wedge \psi) \wedge \chi \approx \phi \wedge (\psi \wedge \chi)$ associativity
- $\phi \wedge \psi \approx \psi \wedge \phi$ commutativity
- $\phi \vee (\psi \wedge \chi) \approx (\phi \vee \psi) \wedge (\phi \vee \chi)$ distributivity

Notation

- $\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \wedge \phi_3 \wedge \cdots \wedge \phi_n$ stands for $((\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2) \wedge \phi_3) \wedge \cdots \wedge \phi_n$
- $\bigwedge\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n\}$ and $\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \phi_i$ stand for $\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge \phi_n$

Exercise: what about case of disjunction \vee ?

Conjunctive Normal Forms

Definition

conjunctive normal form (CNF) is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\ell &::= p \mid \neg p && (p: \text{atom}) && \text{literal} \\ C &::= \perp \mid \ell \vee \dots \vee \ell && && \text{clause} \\ \text{CNF} &::= \top \mid C \wedge \dots \wedge C && && \text{CNF}\end{aligned}$$

Notation

we assume that \neg is more tightly bounded than $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow$
for example, $\neg p \wedge q = (\neg p) \wedge q$

Example

$(\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee q)$ is CNF, but $(\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (p \wedge q)$ is **not**

Transformation into CNF

Theorem

for every formula there exists equivalent CNF

Proof.

compute negation normal form; then distribute \vee over \wedge □

Exercise

compute CNF equivalent to $\neg(\neg p \vee q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q \wedge r)$

Efficient Algorithm to Decide Validity of CNF

decide validity of ϕ and ψ , and justify algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi &= (\neg x \vee \boxed{\neg y} \vee z \vee \boxed{y}) \\ &\wedge (\boxed{x} \vee w \vee \boxed{\neg x} \vee \neg w) \\ &\wedge (v \vee \boxed{\neg w} \vee \boxed{w} \vee y) \\ &\wedge (\boxed{\neg z} \vee \neg x \vee \neg w \vee \boxed{z}) \\ &\quad \text{valid} \\ \psi &= (\neg x \vee \boxed{\neg y} \vee z \vee \boxed{y}) \\ &\wedge (\boxed{x} \vee w \vee \boxed{\neg x} \vee \neg w) \\ &\wedge (\boxed{x} \vee \neg y \vee \neg z \vee w) \\ &\wedge (\neg z \vee \neg x \vee \neg w \vee y) \\ &\quad \text{invalid}\end{aligned}$$

Theorem

next problem is decidable in **polynomial time**:

instance: CNF ϕ

question: is ϕ **valid**?

Supplementary Comments

■ $\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \phi_i$ is written as $\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \phi_i$ in textbook

■ usually we assume $\bigwedge \emptyset = \top$ and $\bigvee \emptyset = \perp$