

2 Discrete Mathematics

Atomic propositions:

p, q, r, s

Compound propositions:

$p \wedge q, p \vee q, p \rightarrow q, p \leftrightarrow q$

Tautology = statement that is always true

$$\models p \vee \neg p$$

Contradiction

$$\models p \wedge \neg p$$

\top and \perp are used to express tautology and contradiction

Equivalence \Leftrightarrow is a biconditional statement that is always true i.e. a tautology

$\models p \leftrightarrow q$ if and only if (iff)

$$p \Leftrightarrow q$$

Implication \Rightarrow is a conditional statement that is a tautology

$\models p \rightarrow q$ iff $p \Rightarrow q$

Truth Table: Basic Connectives

Table 2.1 Truth table for the connectives negation \neg , conjunction \wedge , disjunction \vee , conditional \rightarrow , and biconditional \leftrightarrow .

p	q	$\neg p$	$p \wedge q$	$p \vee q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	T	T	F
F	F	T	F	F	T	T

Truth Table: Example

Table 2.2 Truth table for the propositions $(p \vee q) \wedge r$ and $p \vee (q \wedge r)$. Note the differences on line two and four.

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

Truth Table: Conditional Statement Equivalence

Table 2.4 Truth table proving the equivalence $(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$.

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$	$\neg q$	$\neg p$	$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$	$(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$
T	T	T	F	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	F	T
F	T	T	F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T

Truth Table: Conditional and Biconditional Equivalences

Table 2.5 Truth table that proves the equivalences $p \rightarrow q \Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee q$ and $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p) \Leftrightarrow p \leftrightarrow q$.

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

Equivalence Table

Table 2.6 Equivalence relations.

$$E_1 \quad \neg \neg p \Leftrightarrow p$$

$$E_2 \quad \neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge \neg q$$

$$E_4 \quad p \vee q \Leftrightarrow q \vee p$$

$$E_6 \quad p \vee (q \vee r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \vee r$$

$$E_8 \quad p \wedge (q \vee r) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$$

$$E_{10} \quad p \vee p \Leftrightarrow p$$

$$E_{12} \quad p \vee \mathbf{F} \Leftrightarrow p$$

$$E_{14} \quad p \vee \mathbf{T} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{T}$$

$$E_{16} \quad p \vee \neg p \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{T}$$

$$E_{18} \quad p \vee (p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow p$$

$$E_{20} \quad p \rightarrow q \Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee q$$

$$E_{22} \quad p \rightarrow q \Leftrightarrow \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$$

$$E_{24} \quad \neg(p \leftrightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow p \leftrightarrow \neg q$$

$$E_{26} \quad p \leftrightarrow q \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$$

$$E_3 \quad \neg(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q$$

$$E_5 \quad p \wedge q \Leftrightarrow q \wedge p$$

$$E_7 \quad p \wedge (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \wedge r$$

$$E_9 \quad p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$$

$$E_{11} \quad p \wedge p \Leftrightarrow p$$

$$E_{13} \quad p \wedge \mathbf{T} \Leftrightarrow p$$

$$E_{15} \quad p \wedge \mathbf{F} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{F}$$

$$E_{17} \quad p \wedge \neg p \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{F}$$

$$E_{19} \quad p \wedge (p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow p$$

$$E_{21} \quad \neg(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow p \wedge \neg q$$

$$E_{23} \quad p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$$

$$E_{25} \quad p \leftrightarrow q \Leftrightarrow (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$$

Implication Table

Table 2.8 Implication relations.

I_1	$p \wedge q \Rightarrow p$	I_2	$p \wedge q \Rightarrow q$
I_3	$p \Rightarrow p \vee q$	I_4	$q \Rightarrow p \vee q$
I_5	$\neg p \Rightarrow p \rightarrow q$	I_6	$q \Rightarrow p \rightarrow q$
I_7	$\neg(p \rightarrow q) \Rightarrow p$	I_8	$\neg(p \rightarrow q) \Rightarrow \neg q$
I_9	$\neg p \wedge (p \vee q) \Rightarrow q$	I_{10}	$p \wedge (p \rightarrow q) \Rightarrow q$
I_{11}	$\neg q \wedge (p \rightarrow q) \Rightarrow \neg p$	I_{12}	$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \Rightarrow p \rightarrow r$
I_{13}	$(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \Rightarrow r$		

Ex Prove that the following is a tautology

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

$$\Leftrightarrow_{E_{23}, E_8} ((p \wedge q) \rightarrow (r \rightarrow s)) \vee$$

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

\perp

$$\Leftrightarrow_{E_{20}} (\neg(p \wedge q) \vee (r \rightarrow s)) \vee$$

$$\neg(\neg(p \wedge q) \vee (r \rightarrow s)) \Leftrightarrow \perp$$

Ex show that $\neg p \wedge (p \vee q) \Rightarrow q$

$$(\underbrace{\neg p \wedge p}_{\perp}) \vee (\neg p \wedge q) \Rightarrow q$$

Proof techniques

1) $p \Leftrightarrow q$ can be shown by proving that $p \Rightarrow q \wedge q \Rightarrow p$

2) Proof by contradiction

$p \Rightarrow q$ iff $\perp p \rightarrow q$ iff

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

iff $\perp p \wedge \neg q$

Ex show $\neg p \wedge (p \vee q) \Rightarrow q$

by contradiction

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

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

Predicate logic

$\Omega = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} =$
= universal set of
elements

Predicate includes
variables x, y, z

Predicate: $p(x)$

Existential operator

For all $\forall x[p(x)] \Leftrightarrow p(a_1) \wedge p(a_2) \wedge \dots \wedge p(a_n)$

Exist $\exists x[p(x)] \Leftrightarrow p(a_1) \vee p(a_2) \vee \dots \vee p(a_n)$

$\neg \forall x[p(x)] \Leftrightarrow \exists x[\neg p(x)]$

Predicate Equivalences

Table 2.10 Equivalences and implications including predicates and quantifiers.

Q_1	$\forall x[p(x)] \Rightarrow \exists x[p(x)]$
Q_2	$\neg \exists x[p(x)] \Leftrightarrow \forall x[\neg p(x)]$
Q_3	$\neg \forall x[p(x)] \Leftrightarrow \exists x[\neg p(x)]$
Q_4	$\exists x[p(x) \vee q(x)] \Leftrightarrow \exists x[p(x)] \vee \exists x[q(x)]$
Q_5	$\exists x[p(x) \wedge q(x)] \Rightarrow \exists x[p(x)] \wedge \exists x[q(x)]$
Q_6	$\forall x[p(x)] \vee \forall x[q(x)] \Rightarrow \forall x[p(x) \vee q(x)]$
Q_7	$\forall x[p(x) \wedge q(x)] \Leftrightarrow \forall x[p(x)] \wedge \forall x[q(x)]$