

# POLYGON Project: Session 3

## Mathematics 1 - Logic and Proofs

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# Introduction

## Definition

*Logic is the basis of all mathematical reasoning.*

# How to understand mathematics?

- We must understand **what makes up** a correct mathematical argument. That is **proof** (chứng minh).
- We prove a mathematical statement is true  $\longrightarrow$  **theorem** (định lí).
- To learn a mathematical topic, you need to **construct** mathematical arguments on this topic, not just read exposition.

# What you should expect after this session?

- Explain **what makes up** a correct mathematical argument.
- Introduce **tools** to construct these arguments.

# Propositions (Mệnh đề)

## Definition

*Proposition is a declarative sentence (fact) that is either true or false, but not both.*

# Propositions (Mệnh đề)

- Denote: use letters like  $p, q, r, s, t, \dots$  to denote propositions.
- **Truth value** of a proposition: *true* denoted by T or *false* denoted by F.
- **Compound propositions** (mệnh đề phức hợp) are formed by combining propositions using **logical operators** (toán tử logic).

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## Negation (Phủ định)

Let  $p$  be a proposition. The **negation** of  $p$  ( $\neg p$  - not  $p$ ), is the statement: *"It is not the case that  $p$ ".*

The truth value of  $\neg p$  is the opposite of the truth value of  $p$ .

# Truth Table (Bảng chân trị)

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

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# Conjunction (Kết hợp)

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The **conjunction** of  $p$  and  $q$  ( $p \wedge q$  -  $p$  and  $q$ ) is the proposition "p and q". The conjunction  $p \wedge q$  is true when both  $p$  and  $q$  are true and is false otherwise.

# Truth Table (Bảng chân trị)

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

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# Disjunction (Phân hợp)

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The **disjunction** of  $p$  and  $q$  ( $p \vee q$  -  $p$  or  $q$ ) is the proposition "p or q". The disjunction  $p \vee q$  is false when both  $p$  and  $q$  are false and is true otherwise.

# Truth Table (Bảng chân trị)

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

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# Exclusive OR - XOR

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The **exclusive OR** of  $p$  and  $q$  ( $p \oplus q$  -  $p \text{ xor } q$ ) is the proposition " $p \text{ xor } q$ ". The exclusive OR  $p \oplus q$  is true when exactly one of  $p$  and  $q$  is true and is false otherwise.

# Truth Table (Bảng chân trị)

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

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# Implication (Mệnh đề kéo theo)

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The **conditional statement** of  $p$  and  $q$  ( $p \rightarrow q$  -  $p$  implies  $q$ ) is the proposition " $p$  implies  $q$ ". The conditional statement  $p \rightarrow q$  is false when  $p$  is true and  $q$  is false, and true otherwise.

$p$  is called **hypothesis**.  $q$  is called **conclusion**.

# Truth Table (Bảng chân trị)

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

# Ways to express

$$p \rightarrow q$$

- "if p, then q"
- "if p, q"
- "p is sufficient for q"
- "q if p"
- "q when p"
- "a necessary condition for p is q"
- "q unless  $\neg p$ "

# Ways to express

- "p implies q"
- "p only if q"
- "a sufficient condition for q is p"
- "q whenever p"
- "q is necessary for p"
- "q follows from p"
- "q provided that p"

## Exercise 1

Suppose that Smartphone A has 256MB RAM and 32 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 8 MP; Smartphone B has 288 MB RAM and 64 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 4 MP; and Smartphone C has 128 MB RAM and 32 GB ROM, and the resolution of its camera is 5 MP. Determine the truth value of each of these propositions.

# Exercise 1

- 1 Smartphone B has the most RAM of these three smartphones.
- 2 Smartphone C has more ROM or a higher resolution camera than Smartphone B.
- 3 Smartphone B has more RAM, more ROM, and a higher resolution camera than Smartphone A.
- 4 If Smartphone B has more RAM and more ROM than Smartphone C, then it also has a higher resolution camera.
- 5 Smartphone A has more RAM than Smartphone B if and only if Smartphone B has more RAM than Smartphone A.

## Exercise 2

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be the propositions.

- $p$ : You drive over 65 miles per hour.
- $q$ : You get a speeding ticket.

Write these propositions using  $p$  and  $q$  and logical connectives (including negations).

## Exercise 2

- ① You do not driver over 65 miles per hour.
- ② You drive over 65 miles per hour, but you do not get a speeding ticket.
- ③ You will get a speeding ticket if you drive over 65 miles per hour.
- ④ If you do not driver over 65 miles per hour, then you will not get a speeding ticket.
- ⑤ Driving over 65 miles per hour is sufficient for getting a speeding ticket.
- ⑥ You get a speeding ticket, but you do not drive over 65 miles per hour.
- ⑦ Whenever you get a speeding ticket, you are driving over 65 miles per hour.



## Exercise 3

Determine whether each of these conditional statements is true or false.

- ① If  $1 + 1 = 2$ , then  $2 = 2 = 5$ .
- ② If  $1 + 1 = 3$ , then  $2 + 2 = 4$ .
- ③ If  $1 + 1 = 3$ , then  $2 + 2 = 5$ .
- ④ If monkeys can fly, then  $1 + 1 = 3$ .

## Exercise 4

Construct a truth table for each of these compound propositions.

①  $p \wedge \neg q$

②  $p \vee \neg p$

③  $(p \vee \neg q) \rightarrow q$