

Moreover, the truth values of a statement is T when it is true and F when it is false. A statement can be **simple** or **compound**. A **simple statement consists of one and only one declarative statement** (one subject and one predicate).

For example:

$p$ : Earth is round, is a simple statement.

A **compound statement consists of two or more than two statements.**

For example:

$p$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$  and  $5 + 7 < 13$ , is a compound statement consisting of two simple statements

$q$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$

$r$ :  $5 + 7 < 13$ .

### 5.3.1 Negation of a Statement

Associated with every statement is another statement called its *negation*. In other words, the statement having meaning contradictory to the given statement  $p$  is called the negation of  $p$  and is denoted by  $\sim p$  or  $\neg p$ .

$\therefore \sim p$  or  $\neg p$  is a statement "not  $p$ ". It can also be expressed as

$\neg p$  = It is not the case that  $p$  is

OR

= It is false that  $p$  is

Thus, if  $p$  is true then  $\sim p$  is false and if  $p$  is false then  $\sim p$  is true.

For example:

Consider

then  $p$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$

$\neg p$ :  $2 + 2 \neq 4$

OR

$\neg p$ : It is not the case that  $2 + 2 = 4$

OR

$\neg p$ : It is false that  $2 + 2 = 4$ .

The truth values of a statement can be enlisted in a table called **Truth table**. So, the Truth table of  $p$  and  $\neg p$  is given below:

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

### 5.3.2 Conjunction ( $\wedge$ )

If  $p$  and  $q$  are statements, the conjunction of  $p$  and  $q$  is the compound statement " $p$  and  $q$ ", denoted by  $p \wedge q$ . The connective **and** is denoted by the symbol  $\wedge$ .

The truth value of  $p \wedge q$  is True when both  $p$  and  $q$  are true otherwise it is false. The truth table of  $p \wedge q$  is given below.

**Truth Table**

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

For example:  $p$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$

$q$ : God exists

So the conjunction of  $p$  and  $q$  is

$p \wedge q$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$  and God exists.

### 5.3.3 Disjunction ( $\vee$ )

If  $p$  and  $q$  are statements, the disjunction of  $p$  and  $q$  is the compound statement " $p$  or  $q$ ", denoted by  $p \vee q$ . The connective **OR** is denoted by symbol  $p \vee q$ .

The truth value of  $p \vee q$  is True (T) when atleast one of  $p$  or  $q$  is true; otherwise false (F). The truth table for  $p \vee q$  is given below:

**Truth Table**

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

For example:

$p$ :  $2 + 2 = 5$

$q$ : God exists

$\therefore p \vee q$ :  $2 + 2 = 5$  or God exists.

### 5.3.4 "Exclusive OR"

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The exclusive OR of  $p$  and  $q$ , denoted by  $p \oplus q$ , is the proposition that is true when exactly one of  $p$  and  $q$  is true and is false otherwise. The truth table for exclusive or is given below:

Truth Table

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

### 5.3.5 Implication or Conditional Statement

If  $p$  and  $q$  be two statements, the implication of  $p$  and  $q$ , denoted by  $p \Rightarrow q$ , is a statement "If  $p$  then  $q$ ". The symbol " $\Rightarrow$ " is used for "If, then".

For example:

Consider  $p$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$

$q$ : pigs can fly.

Therefore, the implication  $p \Rightarrow q$  is "If  $2 + 2 = 4$ , then pigs can fly".

Here the statement  $p$  is called **Hypothesis** or **antecedent** or **Assumption** whereas  $q$  is called **Conclusion** or **Consequent**.

The truth value of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is F only when  $p$  is true and  $q$  is false; otherwise it is always True (T). Thus the conditional statement  $p \Rightarrow q$  is false only when Hypothesis is True and the conclusion is false.

The truth table of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is given as follows:

Truth Table

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

The proposition  $p \Rightarrow q$  may be expressed as:

$p$  implies  $q$

if  $p$  then  $q$

$p$  only if  $q$



$p$  is a sufficient condition for  $q$ ,  
 $q$  is a necessary condition for  $p$ ,  
 $q$  if  $p$ ,  $q$  follows from  $p$ ,  
 $q$  provided  $p$ ,  
 $q$  whenever  $p$ .

### 5.3.6 Converse and Inverse

If  $p \Rightarrow q$  is an implication, then the converse of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is the implication  $q \Rightarrow p$  and the inverse of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is  $\neg p \Rightarrow \neg q$  whereas the contrapositive of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is the implication  $\neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$ .

### Double Implication or Bi-conditional

If  $p$  and  $q$  be statements, then bi-conditional of  $p$  and  $q$ , denoted by  $p \Leftrightarrow q$ , is a statement

“ $p$  If and only if  $q$ ”

OR

“If  $p$  then  $q$  and if  $q$  then  $p$ ”.

The truth value of  $p \Leftrightarrow q$  is T when either both  $p$  and  $q$  are True or both are false. The truth table of  $p \Leftrightarrow q$  is given as follows:

**Truth Table**

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

## 5.4 LOGICALLY EQUIVALENCE

Two statements are said to be *logically equivalent* if both have the identical truth values.

### WORKED OUT EXAMPLE: LOTS

**Example 2.** Which of the following sentences are statements? Give reasons for your answer.

- $2 + 3 = 5$ .
- The sum of all interior angles of a triangle is  $180^\circ$ .
- The sun will come out tomorrow.

(iv) Delhi is capital of India.

(v)  $\sqrt{2}$  is an irrational number.

**Solution:**

(i) is a statement that happens to be true.

(ii) is a statement; it has already been mathematically established that sum of the interior angles of a triangle is  $180^\circ$ .

(iii) is a statement since it is either true or false but not both, although we would have to wait until tomorrow to find out if it is true or false.

(iv) is a statement.

(v) is a statement.

**Example 3.** Negate the following statements:

(i)  $2 + 5 > 7$ .

(ii) Pigs can fly.

(iii) Both the diagonals of a rectangle have the same length.

(iv)  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational.

**Solution:** The Negation of given statements are as follows:

(i)  $2 + 5 \not> 7$ .

(ii) Pigs cannot fly.

(iii) It is false that both the diagonals of a rectangle have same length.

OR

It is not the case that both the diagonals of a rectangle have same length.

(iv)  $\sqrt{2}$  is not rational.

**Example 4.** Combine the given below statements using conjunction:

(i)  $p$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$

$q$ : God exists

(ii)  $p$ : It is snowing

$q$ :  $5 + 7 < 9$

(iii)  $p$ : Pigs can fly

$q$ : It is raining.

**Solution:**

(i)  $p \wedge q$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$  and God exists.

(ii)  $p \wedge q$ : It is snowing and  $5 + 7 < 9$

(iii)  $p \wedge q$ : Pigs can fly and it is raining.

**Example 5.** Combine the given below statements using disjunction.

(i)  $p$ : Delhi is capital of India

$q$ :  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational

(ii)  $p$ : It will rain tomorrow

$q$ : It will snow tomorrow

(iii)  $p$ : I will drive my car

$q$ : I will be late.



**Solution:**

- (i)  $p \vee q$ : Delhi is capital of India or  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational.  
 (ii)  $p \vee q$ : It will rain tomorrow or It will snow tomorrow.  
 (iii)  $p \vee q$ : I will drive my car or I will be late.

**Example 6.** Write the truth value of the following propositions:

- (i)  $2 + 3 = 7$  (ii)  $7 + 8 < 10$   
 (iii) Punjab is capital of USA  
 (iv) God exists and  $2 + 2 = 4$   
 (v) 2 is a positive integer or  $\frac{5}{7}$  is a rational number.

**Solution:**

(i) False

(ii) False

(iii) False

(iv) Let  $p$ : God exists

$q$ :  $2 + 2 = 4$

So the given statement can be written in symbolic form as  $p \wedge q$ .

Here  $p$  is True and  $q$  is also True so  $p \wedge q$  is also True.

(v) Let  $p$ : 2 is a positive integer

$q$ :  $\frac{5}{7}$  is a rational number.

So the given statement can be written in symbolic form as  $p \vee q$ .

Now  $p$  is True and  $q$  is also True. So the truth value of  $p \vee q$  is True.

**Example 7.** Write each of the following in terms of  $p$ ,  $q$ ,  $r$  and logical connectives.

- (i) He is tall and handsome.  
 (ii) It is raining and he is not driving.  
 (iii) I am not in good mood and I am not going to movie.  
 (iv) It is false to say that pigs can fly.  
 (v) He is eating either apple or banana.  
 (vi) If he drives 60 m.p.h then he will reach on time.

**Solution:**

(i) Let  $p$ : He is tall.

$q$ : He is handsome

Thus, he is tall and handsome can be written as  $p \wedge q$ .

(ii) Let  $p$ : It is raining.

$q$ : He is not driving.

$\therefore$  It is raining and he is not driving can be expressed as  $p \wedge q$

(iii) Let  $p$ : I am in good mood

$q$ : I am going to movie

Therefore  $\neg p$ : I am not in good mood

$\neg q$ : I am not going to movie

$\therefore \neg p \wedge \neg q$  = I am not in good mood and I am not going to movie

(iv) Let  $p$ : pigs can fly

$\therefore$  It is false to say that pigs can fly =  $\neg p$

(v) Let  $p$ : He is eating apple

$q$ : He is eating banana

$\therefore$  He is eating apple or banana =  $p \vee q$

(vi) Let  $p$ : He drives 60 m.p.h.

$q$ : He will reach on time.

So the given statement "If he drives 60 m.p.h. then he will reach on time" can be expressed in symbolic form as "If  $p$  then  $q$ " so the symbolic form is  $p \Rightarrow q$ .

**Example 8.** Write the truth value of the following statements:

(i) If  $2 + 1 = 3$  then pigs can fly.

(ii) If God exists then  $12 + 5 > 8$ .

(iii) If earth is not round, then honesty is not the best policy.

**Solution:**

(i) Let  $p$ :  $2 + 1 = 3$

$q$ : pigs can fly

So the given statement can be expressed as  $p \Rightarrow q$ .

Here  $p$  is True and  $q$  is False. We know that the truth value of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is F when  $p$  is true and  $q$  is false. Hence, the statement "If  $2 + 1 = 3$  then pigs can fly" has truth F.

(ii) Let  $p$ : God exists

$q$ :  $12 + 5 > 8$ .

So, the given statement can be expressed as  $p \Rightarrow q$ .

Here  $p$  is True and  $q$  is also True. We know that the truth value of  $p \Rightarrow q$  is T when both  $p$  and  $q$  are true. Hence, the truth value of "If God exists, then  $12 + 5 > 8$ " has truth value T.



## 5.6 ALGEBRA OF PROPOSITIONS

### Laws of Logic

#### 1. Idempotent Laws

$$p \vee p \equiv p$$

$$p \wedge p \equiv p$$

#### 2. Commutative Laws

$$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$$

$$p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$$

#### 3. Associative Laws

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

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

#### 4. Distributive Laws

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

#### 5. Law of Double Complimentation (Negation)

$$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$$

#### 6. De Morgan's Laws

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

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

#### 7. Negation Laws

$$p \vee \neg p \equiv T$$

$$p \wedge \neg p \equiv F$$

$$\neg T \equiv F$$

$$\neg F \equiv T$$

#### 8. Identity Laws

$$p \wedge T \equiv p$$

$$p \vee F \equiv p$$

#### 9. Absorption Laws

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

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

#### 10. Law of contrapositive

$$p \Rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$$

#### 11. Others

$$p \vee T = T$$

$$p \wedge c = c$$

**Example 24.** Find a logical expression equivalent to  $\neg(p \Rightarrow q)$  which is free from implication.

**Solution:** We already have established in earlier example

$$\therefore p \Rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$$

$$\neg(p \Rightarrow q) \equiv \neg(\neg p \vee q)$$

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

$$\equiv p \wedge \neg q$$

(By De-Morgan's law)

Since R.H.S. is free from implication, therefore  $\neg(p \Rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \neg q$ .