

(Recap: truth tables for  $\wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$ ) (right hand)

⑨ (L2)

• logical equivalence

Assignment due in class.

Two propositions are logically equivalent if they always have the same truth value.

Alternatively,  ~~$p \Leftrightarrow q$~~   $p \Leftrightarrow q$  is a tautology.

This is useful for simplifying logical statement.

Ex: We know that  $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$ .

So then  $(p \wedge (p \vee q)) \Rightarrow (q \wedge (q \vee p)) \equiv p \Rightarrow q$ .

There are two ways to show that two propositions are logically equivalent:

- 1) Make a truth table for both and compare the last columns
- 2) Rewrite one into the other using a series of known logical equivalences.

## Logical Equivalences (left hand)

$$p \wedge T \equiv p$$

$$p \vee F \equiv p$$

(Identity Law)

$$p \wedge F \equiv F$$

$$p \vee T \equiv T$$

(Domination Law)

$$p \wedge p \equiv p$$

$$p \vee p \equiv p$$

(Idempotent Law)

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

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

(Negation Law)

$$\neg \neg p \equiv p$$

(Double Negation Law)

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

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

(Commutative Law)

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

(Associative Law)

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

$$p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r) \quad (\text{Distributive Law}) \quad (10)$$

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

(Ex: verify with a truth table)

$$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q \quad \neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q \quad (\text{De Morgan's Law})$$

(Example: while (a & b) do ... end. what do we know after the loop?)

$$p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p \quad p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p \quad (\text{Absorption Law})$$

(Ex: show by using previous rules. Tip:  $(p \wedge T) \vee (p \wedge q)$ )

$$p \Rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q \quad (\text{Implication Equivalence})$$

$$p \Leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \Rightarrow q) \wedge (q \Rightarrow p) \quad (\text{Bi-implication Equivalence})$$

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

(Contrapositive)

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

Example: Show that  $\neg(p \vee (\neg p \wedge q)) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$ .

Solution 1: Use a truth table.

Solution 2: ~~na~~

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(p \vee (\neg p \wedge q)) &\equiv \neg((p \vee \neg p) \wedge (p \vee q)) && (\text{Distributive Law}) \\ &\equiv \neg(T \wedge (p \vee q)) && (\text{Negation Law}) \\ &\equiv \neg(p \vee q) && (\text{Identity Law}) \\ &\equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q && (\text{De Morgan's Law}) \end{aligned}$$

(Alternative: De Morgan first)

Example: Show that  $(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow (p \vee q)$  is a tautology.

$$\begin{aligned} (p \wedge q) \Rightarrow (p \vee q) &\equiv \neg(p \wedge q) \vee (p \vee q) && (\text{Implication}) \\ &\equiv (\neg p \vee \neg q) \vee (p \vee q) && (\text{De Morgan}) \\ &\equiv (\neg p \vee p) \vee (\neg q \vee q) && (\text{Commutativity and Associativity}) \\ &\equiv T \vee T && (\text{Negation}) \\ &\equiv T && (\text{Domination}) \end{aligned}$$



# Rules of Thumb

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① Remove all bi-implications and implications.

$$\text{Ex: } (A \Rightarrow B) \Leftrightarrow (\neg B \wedge A)$$

$$\equiv ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (\neg B \wedge A)) \wedge ((\neg B \wedge A) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B))$$

$$\equiv (\neg(A \Rightarrow B) \vee (\neg B \wedge A)) \wedge ((\neg B \wedge A) \vee (A \Rightarrow B))$$

$$\equiv (\neg(\neg A \vee B) \vee (\neg B \wedge A)) \wedge (\neg(\neg B \wedge A) \vee (\neg A \vee B))$$

② Apply De Morgan as ~~long~~ many times as possible.

$$(\neg(\neg A \vee B) \vee (\neg B \wedge A)) \wedge (\neg(\neg B \wedge A) \vee (\neg A \vee B))$$

$$\equiv ((\neg\neg A \wedge \neg B) \vee (\neg B \wedge A)) \wedge ((\neg\neg B \vee \neg A) \vee (\neg A \vee B))$$

(Then use the other rules)

$$\equiv ((A \wedge \neg B) \vee (\neg B \wedge A)) \wedge ((B \vee \neg A) \vee (\neg A \vee B))$$

$$\equiv ((A \wedge \neg B) \vee (A \wedge \neg B)) \wedge ((\neg A \vee B) \vee (\neg A \vee B))$$

$$\equiv (A \wedge \neg B) \wedge (\neg A \vee B)$$

$$\equiv A \wedge (\neg B \wedge (\neg A \vee B))$$

$$\equiv A \wedge ((\neg B \wedge \neg A) \vee (\neg B \wedge B))$$

$$\equiv A \wedge ((\neg B \wedge \neg A) \vee F)$$

$$\equiv A \wedge (\neg B \wedge \neg A)$$

$$\equiv (A \wedge \neg A) \wedge \neg B$$

$$\equiv F \wedge \neg B$$

$$\equiv F$$

Example: Determine whether  $\neg((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (A \wedge B))$  (12)  
is a contingency, tautology, or contradiction.

$$\neg((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (A \wedge B))$$

$$\textcircled{1} \begin{cases} \equiv \neg(\neg(\neg A \vee B) \Rightarrow (A \wedge B)) \\ \equiv \neg(\neg(\neg(\neg A \vee B) \vee (A \wedge B))) \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \begin{cases} \equiv \neg\neg(\neg A \vee B) \wedge \neg(A \wedge B) \\ \equiv (\neg A \vee B) \wedge \neg(A \wedge B) \\ \equiv (\neg A \vee B) \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg B) \\ \equiv \neg A \vee (B \wedge \neg B) \\ \equiv \neg A \vee F \\ \equiv \neg A \end{cases}$$

Therefore,  $\neg((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (A \wedge B))$  is a contingency.

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## Propositional Functions

A proposition is a statement that is either true or false.

" $x < 5$ "? Not a proposition, because the value of  $x$  was not given.

This is a propositional function, or predicate.

$P(x) = "x < 5"$   $P(x)$  becomes a proposition once we give a value to  $x$ .

$P(3)$  is true.  $P(5)$  is false.

$P(\text{"monkey"}) = \text{"monkey"} < 5$  is nonsensical.

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Every propositional function has a universe of discourse or domain. These are all the values that the variable can take.

For example, <sup>we can pick</sup> ~~whereas~~ the universe of discourse for  $P(x)$  to be ~~the~~  $\{3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .

## Quantifiers

Suppose we want to say that  $P(x)$  holds for every element of its universe of discourse:

$$P(3) \wedge P(4) \wedge P(5) \wedge P(6)$$

We can write this more succinctly:

$$\underbrace{\forall x (P(x))}_{\text{This is a proposition}} : \text{"For all } x, P(x)\text{"}$$

This is a proposition

Truth value  $\begin{cases} \text{T if } P(x) \text{ is true for every } x \\ \text{F if there is an } x \text{ for which } P(x) \text{ is false} \end{cases}$   
(we call such an  $x$  a counterexample)

This is called a universal quantifier.



If, instead, we want to express that  $P(x)$  holds for some element, ~~we~~ (14)

$$P(3) \vee P(4) \vee P(5) \vee P(6)$$

We can shorten this by using the existential quantifier:

$\exists x (P(x))$  : "There exists an  $x$  such that  $P(x)$ "

Truth value  $\begin{cases} T & \text{if there exists an } x \text{ for which } P(x) \text{ is true} \\ F & \text{if } P(x) \text{ is false for every } x. \end{cases}$

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Example:  $P(x) = "x > 5"$       UoD = all real numbers

$\forall x P(x)$  is false, because  $P(\pi)$  is false

$\exists x P(x)$  is true, because  $P(2\pi)$  is true

Example:  $P(x) = "x^2 \geq x"$       UoD = all real numbers

$\forall x P(x)$  is false, because  $P(1/2)$  is false.

If the UoD = all integers, then  $\forall x P(x)$  is true.

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~~Two~~ Two statements involving quantifiers are logically equivalent if they have the same truth value, no matter which predicates are used and no matter which UoD is used.

$$\forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \equiv (\forall x P(x)) \wedge (\forall x Q(x))$$

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~~$$\forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \neq \forall x P(x) \vee \forall x Q(x)$$~~

$$(P(x_1) \wedge Q(x_1)) \wedge (P(x_2) \wedge Q(x_2)) \wedge \dots$$

$$\equiv P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge Q(x_1) \wedge Q(x_2) \wedge \dots$$

$$\exists x (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \equiv \exists x P(x) \vee \exists x Q(x)$$

Note:  $\forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \neq (\forall x P(x)) \vee (\forall x Q(x))$

(Example:  $P(x)$  = "x is even",  $Q(x)$  = "x is odd",  $UoD = \mathbb{Z}$ )

Note:  $\forall x P(x) \wedge Q(x)$

a proposition meaningless: x is unbound

Instead, write  $\forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$

~~$$\text{Note: } \exists x P(x) \wedge \exists x$$~~

## De Morgan

$$\neg (\forall x P(x)) \equiv \exists x (\neg P(x))$$

$$\neg (\exists x P(x)) \equiv \forall x (\neg P(x))$$

Example:  $R(x)$  = "x is rich"  $UoD$  = all people

"Everyone is rich" =  $\forall x R(x)$

"Not everyone is rich" =  $\neg (\forall x R(x))$

"Some ~~one~~ is not rich" =  $\exists x (\neg R(x))$



Example:  $H(x) = "x \text{ is happy}"$

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"All rich people are happy"  $= \forall x (R(x) \Rightarrow H(x))$

"Not all rich people are happy"

$$= \neg (\forall x (R(x) \Rightarrow H(x)))$$

$$\equiv \exists x (\neg (R(x) \Rightarrow H(x)))$$

$$\equiv \exists x (\neg (\neg R(x) \vee H(x)))$$

$$\equiv \exists x (\neg \neg R(x) \wedge \neg H(x))$$

$$\equiv \exists x (R(x) \wedge \neg H(x))$$

= "There exists ~~someone~~ a rich person who is not happy."

## Nesting Quantifiers

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Predicates can have more than one variable:

$$P(x, y) = x < y$$

In these cases, we often use nested quantifiers:

$$\forall x (\exists y P(x, y)) = \text{"For all } x, \text{ there exists a value } y \text{ such that } x < y."$$

true if  $U \cup D = \mathbb{R}$ , false if  $U \cup D = \mathbb{Z}$

Note:  $\forall x \exists y P(x, y) \neq \exists y \forall x P(x, y)$

Order of the same quantifiers doesn't matter:

$$\forall x \forall y P(x, y) \equiv \forall y \forall x P(x, y)$$