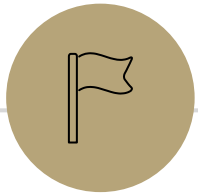


# Propositional Logic, Equivalences

CSE 311: Foundations of  
Computing I  
Lecture 2

# Announcements

- HW1 posted on the course website under assignments
  - Due Wednesday, 11:59 pm
  - Late Policy applies, late due Friday, 11:59 pm
  - Submit on Gradescope
- OH begin on Monday



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## Review

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# Recall: Atomic Propositions

- **Atomic Propositions** are true or false statements that cannot be broken down any further
- Propositional variables:  $p, q, r, s \dots$

# Recall: Logical Connectives

<u>Name</u>	<u>Logical Symbol</u>
Not	$\neg p$
And	$p \wedge q$
Or	$p \vee q$
XOR	$p \oplus q$
Implication	$p \rightarrow q$
Biconditional	$p \leftrightarrow q$

# Recall: Truth Tables

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

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

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

$p$	$q$	$p \oplus q$
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# Recall: Implication

"If it's raining, then I have my umbrella"

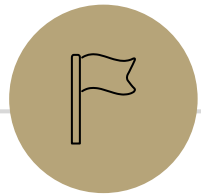
$p$ : It is raining       $q$ : I have my umbrella

$p \rightarrow q$

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

Equivalently:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_



## Translating Propositions Cont.

# Compound Proposition Example

Unless I go to a café or to campus, I do not drink coffee, but also I don't go to cafés.

What does this mean? Find the atomic propositions and translate to logic.

# Compound Proposition Example

Unless I go to a café or to campus, I do not drink coffee, but also I don't go to cafés.

$p$ : I go to a café

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

$q$ : I go to campus

$r$ : I drink coffee

When is this true? When is this false? Let's construct a truth table.

# Compound Proposition Example

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

$p \leftrightarrow q$  is true when  $p, q$  have the same truth values, and false otherwise.

$p$	$q$	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	
T	F	
F	T	
F	F	

# Biconditional ( $\leftrightarrow$ )

Translations of  $p \leftrightarrow q$  include:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

# Biconditional ( $\leftrightarrow$ )

Why is this a proposition?

# Biconditional ( $\leftrightarrow$ )

$p \leftrightarrow q$  has the same truth table as  $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$

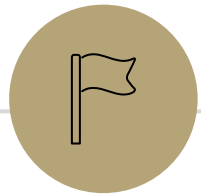
$p$	$q$				
T	T				
T	F				
F	T				
F	F				

# Order of Operations

$()$	Parentheses
$\neg$	Negation
$\wedge$	And
$\vee \oplus$	Or, XOR
$\rightarrow$	Implication
$\leftrightarrow$	Biconditional

Within the same order, evaluate from left to right.

$p \vee \neg q \rightarrow r$  is the same as \_\_\_\_\_.



# Logical Equivalence

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# Logical Equivalence

Definition:

Two propositions are **logically equivalent** if \_\_\_\_\_.

The notation for  $A$  and  $B$  being logically equivalent is \_\_\_\_\_.

Examples:

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

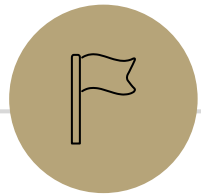
$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$$

$=$  VS.  $\equiv$  VS.  $\leftrightarrow$

$A = B$  means  $A, B$  are the exact same string.

$A \equiv B$  is an assertion that  $A, B$  always have the same truth value.

$A \leftrightarrow B$  is a proposition that might be true or false.



# Proving Logical Equivalence



# Motivation

Given two propositions, we would like to know if they are equivalent.

E.g. one developer wrote `if ((p && p) || p) { ... }`.

Another developer wrote `if (p) { ... }`.

You want to confirm if those are the same.

Given a complicated proposition, we would like to find a simpler proposition that it's equivalent to.

E.g. you see `if ((p && p) || p) { ... }` in code.

You simplify the code to `if (p) { ... }`.

# Strategy 1: Truth Tables

Make a truth table for the two propositions and check if they are the same.

$p$  vs.  $(p \wedge p) \vee p$

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

# Strategy 1: Truth Tables

Truth tables **do** let us check if two propositions are equivalent.

Truth tables **don't** give us a good way to start from a complicated proposition, and simplify it.

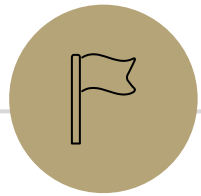
# Strategy 2: Manipulating Expressions

Instead, we are going to learn **logical equivalence rules** to help us simplify expressions.

Similar to algebra, where we can apply rules to transform expression:

$$\begin{aligned}(x + 2)(x + 3) &= x^2 + 2x + 3x + 6 && \text{Distributivity} \\ &= x^2 + 5x + 6 && \text{Adding like terms}\end{aligned}$$

For each rule, we will **understand why it's true**, and **practice** using it.



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# Logical Equivalence Rules

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# Double Negation

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

I am not not loving propositional logic.

I am loving propositional logic.

# De Morgan's Laws: Intuition

Consider the following sentences:

- I don't like apples or mangoes.
- I don't like apples, and I don't like mangoes.

Are they logically equivalent?

# De Morgan's Laws

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

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# De Morgan's Laws

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

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

# De Morgan's Laws

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if (!(front != null && value > front.data)) {...}
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# Law of Implication

Implications are unusual. Can we write them using ANDs ORs & NOTs?

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

# Law of Implication

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$$

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

# Law of Implication: Intuition

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$$

If it is raining, then I have my umbrella.

It is not raining, or I have my umbrella.

# Converse & Contrapositive

Implication:  $p \rightarrow q$

If it's raining, I have my umbrella.

Converse: \_\_\_\_\_

If I have my umbrella, it's raining.

Contrapositive: \_\_\_\_\_

If I don't have my umbrella, it's not raining.

# Converse & Contrapositive

Implication:  $p \rightarrow q$

Converse:  $q \rightarrow p$

Contrapositive:  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$

How do these relate?

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

# Contrapositive

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$$

# Contrapositive: Intuition

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$$

If an animal is a cat, then it is a mammal.

If an animal is not a mammal, then it's not a cat.

# Commutativity

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

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

It is raining or it is June.

It is June or it is raining.

# Associativity

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

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

They perform at 3:00 and 5:00, and also 8:00.

They perform at 3:00, and also 5:00 and 8:00.

## WARNING

Only apply associativity when all connectives are AND, or all connectives are OR

# Exercise

Prove that  $p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$  using the logical equivalences rules we've discussed so far.

Do not use contrapositive in the proof.

# Distributivity

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

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

# Distributivity: Intuition

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

You go to class, and you read the notes or the textbook.

You go to class and read the notes, or you go to class and you read the textbook.

# Identity

$$p \wedge T \equiv p$$

$$p \vee F \equiv p$$

$p$	$p \wedge T$	$p \vee F$
T	T	T
F	F	F

# Domination

$$p \vee T \equiv T$$

$$p \wedge F \equiv F$$

$p$	$p \vee T$	$p \wedge F$
T	T	F
F	T	F

# Idempotency

$$p \vee p \equiv p$$

$$p \wedge p \equiv p$$

$p$	$p \vee p$	$p \wedge p$
T	T	T
F	F	F

# Negation

$$p \vee \neg p \equiv \text{T}$$

$$p \wedge \neg p \equiv \text{F}$$

$p$	$p \vee \neg p$	$p \wedge \neg p$
T	T	F
F	T	F

# Negation Intuition

$$p \vee \neg p \equiv \text{T}$$

$$p \wedge \neg p \equiv \text{F}$$

It is raining or it is not raining.

Always true

It is raining and it is not raining.

Always false

# Absorption

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

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

Exercise: Build the truth tables to confirm.

# Absorption

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