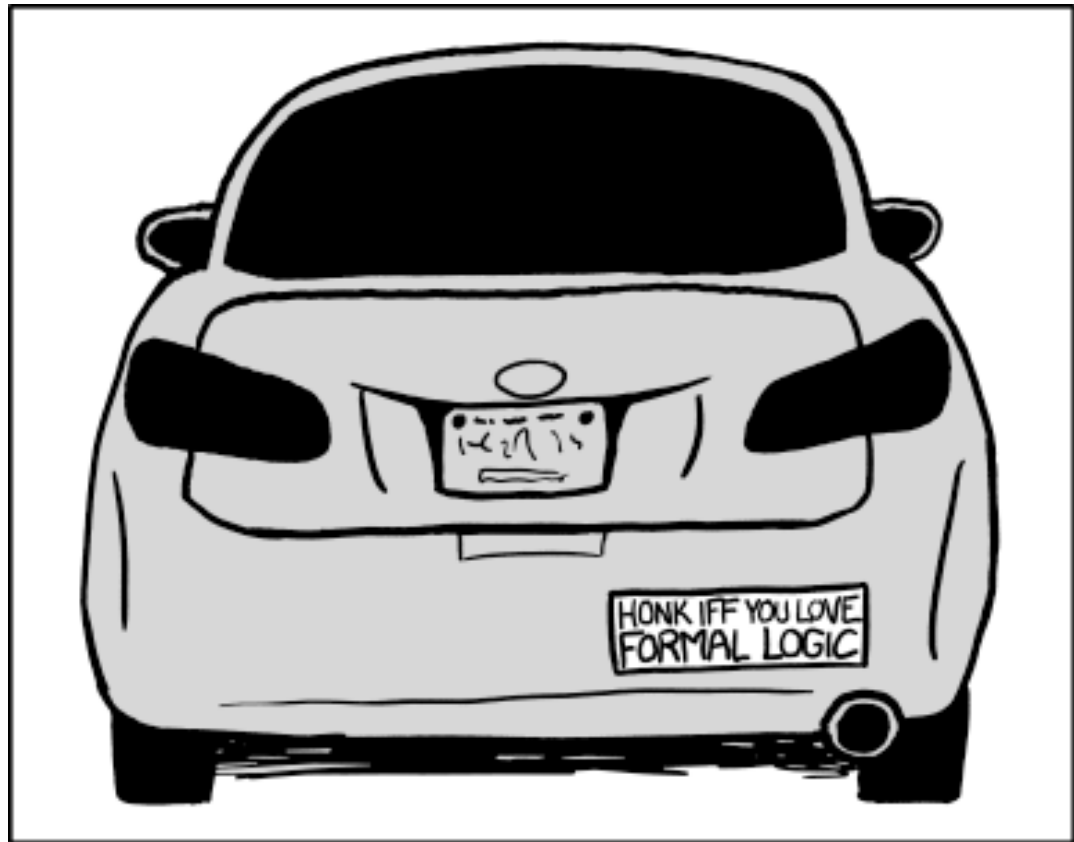


# CSE 311: Foundations of Computing I

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## Topic 1: Propositional Logic



# What is logic and why do we need it?

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Logic is a language, like English or Java, with its own

- words and rules for combining words into sentences (syntax)
- ways to assign meaning to words and sentences (semantics)

Compared to English, Logic is more

- concise (useful)
- precise (critical!)

Importantly, Logic comes with its own **formal toolkit**

# Why not use English?

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- Turn right here...

Does “right” mean the direction or now?

- We saw her duck

Does “duck” mean the animal or crouch down?

- Buffalo buffalo Buffalo buffalo buffalo  
buffalo Buffalo buffalo

This means “Bison from Buffalo, that bison from Buffalo bully, themselves bully bison from Buffalo.

**Natural languages can be unclear / imprecise**

# Propositions: building blocks of logic

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- is either true or false

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Garfield is a mammal and Garfield is a cat  
true



Odie is a mammal and Odie is a cat  
false



# Are These Propositions?

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$$2 + 2 = 5$$

This is a proposition. It's okay for propositions to be false.

$x + 2 = 5389$ , where  $x$  is my PIN number

This is a proposition. We don't need to know what  $x$  is.

Akjsdf!

Not a proposition because it's gibberish.

Who are you?

This is a question which means it doesn't have a truth value.

Every positive even integer can be written as the sum of two primes.

This is a proposition. We don't know if it's true or false, but we know it's one of them!

# Propositions

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We need a way of talking about *arbitrary* ideas...

Propositional Variables:  $p, q, r, s, \dots$

Constant truth values:

- **T** for true
- **F** for false

# Familiar from Java

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Java `boolean` represents a truth value

- constants `true` and `false`
- variables hold *unknown* values

Operators calculate new values from given ones

- unary: not (`!`)
- binary: and (`&&`), or (`||`)



# Logical Connectives

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Negation (not)  $\neg p$

Conjunction (and)  $p \wedge q$

Disjunction (or)  $p \vee q$

**con** with  $p$  with  $q$  (i.e., both)

**dis-** apart from not necessarily both

# Logical Connectives

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Disjunction (or)  $p \vee q$

Exclusive Or  $p \oplus q$

$p \vee q$  at least one of  $p$  or  $q$

$p \oplus q$  exactly one of  $p$  or  $q$

Logic forces us to distinguish  $\vee$  from  $\oplus$

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Implication  $p \rightarrow r$

Biconditional  $p \leftrightarrow q$

		Precedence
Negation (not)	$\neg p$	<div style="text-align: center;"> <p>highest</p>  <p>lowest</p> </div>
Conjunction (and)	$p \wedge q$	
Disjunction (or)	$p \vee q$	
Exclusive Or	$p \oplus q$	
Implication	$p \longrightarrow r$	
Biconditional	$p \longleftrightarrow q$	

$p \vee q \wedge r \longrightarrow t$  means  $(p \vee (q \wedge r)) \longrightarrow t$

# Syntax of Logical Connectives

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## Associativity

Conjunction (and)	$p \wedge q$	}	left-to-right
Disjunction (or)	$p \vee q$		left-to-right
Exclusive Or	$p \oplus q$		
Implication	$p \rightarrow r$	}	right-to-left
Biconditional	$p \leftrightarrow q$		

$p \vee q \vee r \vee t$  means  $((p \vee q) \vee r) \vee t$

$p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r$  means  $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$

# Some Truth Tables

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$p$	$\neg p$
T	
F	

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

$p$	$q$	$p \vee q$
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# Truth Table

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- **Example of a "case analysis":**
  - list off all possible cases
  - analyze each one individually
- **Truth table: one case for each setting of variables**
  - with  $n$  variables, we get  $2^n$  cases (rows)
- **Useful tool for many kinds of problems**
  - will see more examples in the homework...



# Another Truth Table

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$p$	$r$	$p \rightarrow r$
T	T	
T	F	
F	T	
F	F	

With implication ( $\rightarrow$ ),  $p$  is called the "premise" and  $r$  is called the "conclusion".

The implication is true when  $p$  and  $r$  are true.

The implication is true ("vacuously") when  $p$  is false.

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# Implication

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*It’s useful to think of implications as promises. That is “Was I **wrong**?”*

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T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
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	It’s raining	It’s not raining
I have my umbrella		
I do not have my umbrella		

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	It's raining	It's not raining
I have my umbrella	No	No
I do not have my umbrella	<b>Yes</b>	No

*I am only wrong when:*

*(a) It's raining AND*

*(b) I don't have my umbrella*

# Implication

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*“If the Seahawks won,  
then I was at the game.”*

In what scenario was I **wrong**?

$p$	$r$	$p \rightarrow r$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

	I was at the game	I wasn't at the game
Seahawks won		
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	I was at the game	I wasn't at the game
Seahawks won	Ok	<b>Doh!</b>
Seahawks lost	Ok	Ok

# Implication

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*Are these true?*

**$2 + 2 = 4 \rightarrow \text{earth is a planet}$**

The fact that these are unrelated doesn’t make the statement false! “ $2 + 2 = 4$ ” is true; “earth is a planet” is true.  $T \rightarrow T$  is true. So, the statement is true.

**$2 + 2 = 5 \rightarrow 26 \text{ is prime}$**

Again, these statements may or may not be related. “ $2 + 2 = 5$ ” is false; so, the implication is true. (Whether 26 is prime or not is irrelevant).

***Implication is not a causal relationship!***

$$p \rightarrow r$$

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(1) *"I have collected all 151 Pokémon if I am a Pokémon master"*

(2) *"I have collected all 151 Pokémon only if I am a Pokémon master"*

In English, the "if" can be written at the end of the sentence rather than at the beginning of the sentence (followed by a ",").



$$p \rightarrow r$$

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(1) *“I have collected all 151 Pokémon if I am a Pokémon master”*

(2) *“I have collected all 151 Pokémon only if I am a Pokémon master”*

These sentences are implications in opposite directions:

(1) **“Pokémon masters have all 151 Pokémon”**

(2) **“People who have 151 Pokémon are Pokémon masters”**

So, the implications are:

(1) *If I am a Pokémon master, then I have collected all 151 Pokémon.*

(2) *If I have collected all 151 Pokémon, then I am a Pokémon master.*

$$p \rightarrow r$$

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## Implication:

- $p$  implies  $r$
- whenever  $p$  is true,  $r$  must be true
- if  $p$ , then  $r$
- $r$  if  $p$
- $p$  only if  $r$
- $p$  is sufficient for  $r$
- $r$  is necessary for  $p$

$p$	$r$	$p \rightarrow r$
T	T	T
T	F	F
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## Biconditional: $p \leftrightarrow q$

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- $p$  if and only if  $q$
- $p$  “iff”  $q$ 
  - $p$  and  $q$  have the same truth value

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

## **A Compound Proposition (Practical Example)**

**“Show the notification to the user if its their second login or they’ve used it for two weeks and haven’t tried the feature X unless they did use the feature Y.”**

**Not at all clear what exactly this means!**

**Can use logic to understand exactly when to show it**

# A Compound Proposition (Silly Example)

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“Garfield has black stripes if he is an orange cat and likes lasagna, and he is an orange cat or does not like lasagna”

We'd like to *understand* what this proposition means.



# A Compound Proposition

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We'd like to *understand* what this proposition means.

First find the simplest (**atomic**) **propositions**:

*q* “Garfield has black stripes”

*r* “Garfield is an orange cat”

*s* “Garfield likes lasagna”

$(q \text{ if } (r \text{ and } s)) \text{ and } (r \text{ or } (\text{not } s))$



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



# Analyzing the Garfield Sentence with a Truth Table

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$q$	$r$	$s$	$((r \wedge s) \rightarrow q) \wedge (r \vee \neg s)$
F	F	F	
F	F	T	
F	T	F	
F	T	T	
T	F	F	
T	F	T	
T	T	F	
T	T	T	

**subexpressions** are not (yet)  
columns in this table

**we will always include  
all subexpressions  
(easiest to verify)**

# Analyzing the Garfield Sentence with a Truth Table

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$q$	$r$	$s$	$r \vee \neg s$	$(r \wedge s) \rightarrow q$	$((r \wedge s) \rightarrow q) \wedge (r \vee \neg s)$
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F	F	T	F	F	F	T	F
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T	F	F	T	T	F	T	T
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# Understanding Garfield Claim

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“Garfield has black stripes if he is an orange cat and likes lasagna, and he is an orange cat or does not like lasagna”



Black Stripes	Orange	Likes Lasagna	Claim
F	F	F	T
F	F	T	F
F	T	F	T
F	T	T	F
T	F	F	T
T	F	T	F
T	T	F	T
T	T	T	T

Propositional Logic makes clear exactly what is being claimed.

# Understanding Garfield Claim

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Black Stripes	Orange	Likes Lasagna	Claim
F	F	F	T
...	...	...	...
T	T	T	T

Consistent with



but also



# **Administrivia**

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- **Will send out Gradescope invites shortly**
- **Please do Concept Check 1 before Wednesday**
  - would be ideal to complete it tonight

# Converse, Contrapositive

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Implication:

$$p \rightarrow r$$

Converse:

$$r \rightarrow p$$

Contrapositive:

$$\neg r \rightarrow \neg p$$

Inverse:

$$\neg p \rightarrow \neg r$$

Consider

$p$ : 6 is divisible by 2

$r$ : 6 is divisible by 4

$p \rightarrow r$	
$r \rightarrow p$	
$\neg r \rightarrow \neg p$	
$\neg p \rightarrow \neg r$	



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$p \rightarrow r$	F
$r \rightarrow p$	T
$\neg r \rightarrow \neg p$	F
$\neg p \rightarrow \neg r$	T

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How do these relate to each other?

$p$	$r$	$p \rightarrow r$	$r \rightarrow p$	$\neg p$	$\neg r$	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg r$	$\neg r \rightarrow \neg p$
T	T						
T	F						
F	T						
F	F						

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An **implication** and its **contrapositive**  
have the same truth value!

$p$	$r$	$p \rightarrow r$	$r \rightarrow p$	$\neg p$	$\neg r$	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg r$	$\neg r \rightarrow \neg p$
T	T	T	T	F	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	T	T	F
F	T	T	F	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T

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Implication:

$$p \rightarrow r$$

Contrapositive:

$$\neg r \rightarrow \neg p$$

Converse:

$$r \rightarrow p$$

Inverse:

$$\neg p \rightarrow \neg r$$

An **implication** and its **inverse**  
do not have the same truth value!

$p$	$r$	$p \rightarrow r$	$r \rightarrow p$	$\neg p$	$\neg r$	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg r$	$\neg r \rightarrow \neg p$
T	T	T	T	F	F	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	T	T	F
F	T	T	F	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T

# Equivalence

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- Propositional Logic expressions with the same truth table are called "**equivalent**"
- Examples:
  - implication and its contrapositive are equivalent  
e.g.,  $(p \vee q) \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$  is equivalent to  $\neg(q \wedge r) \rightarrow \neg(p \vee q)$
  - implication and its inverse are **not** equivalent  
e.g.,  $(p \vee q) \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$  is **not** equivalent to  $\neg(p \vee q) \rightarrow \neg(q \wedge r)$   
assuming they are the same is the "fallacy of the inverse"
- Greatly expand on equivalence next week
  - prove equivalence without a truth table

# Satisfiability (SAT)

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**Problem:** Given a Propositional Logic expression,  
is there a way to set the values of the variables  
to make the expression evaluate to T?

- if yes, the expression is "satisfiable"
- if not, the expression is "unsatisfiable"

- Many problems can be stated as SAT problems
  - e.g., many "puzzle" type problems  
see HW1 for an example
  - lots of important & useful problems in this category  
e.g., verifying correctness of hardware

# SAT Solvers

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- Brute force is doesn't get you far...
    - $2^{264} \approx \#$  atoms in the observable universe
  - Modern SAT solvers handle *millions* of variables
    - would be nice to have access to these!

# SAT Solvers

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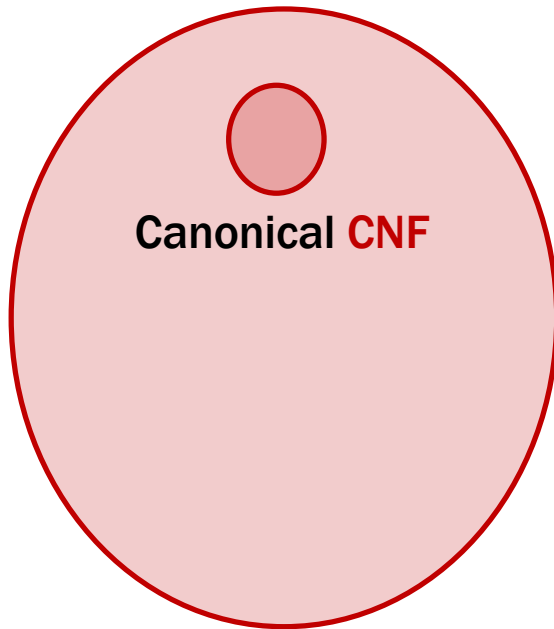
- Usually, do not accept *arbitrary* Logic expressions
  - require the expression to come in a simpler form
- Typically, require the expression in "CNF"
  - one of the two common forms (other is "DNF")
  - see notes on the website for more on "Why CNF?"
- Once we understand CNF, we can use a SAT solver



# CNF & DNF

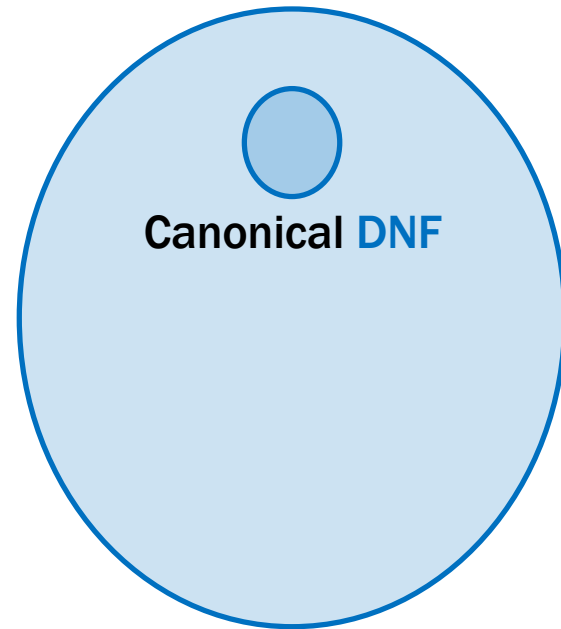
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**CNF**



Canonical **CNF**

**DNF**



Canonical **DNF**

**All Logic Expressions**

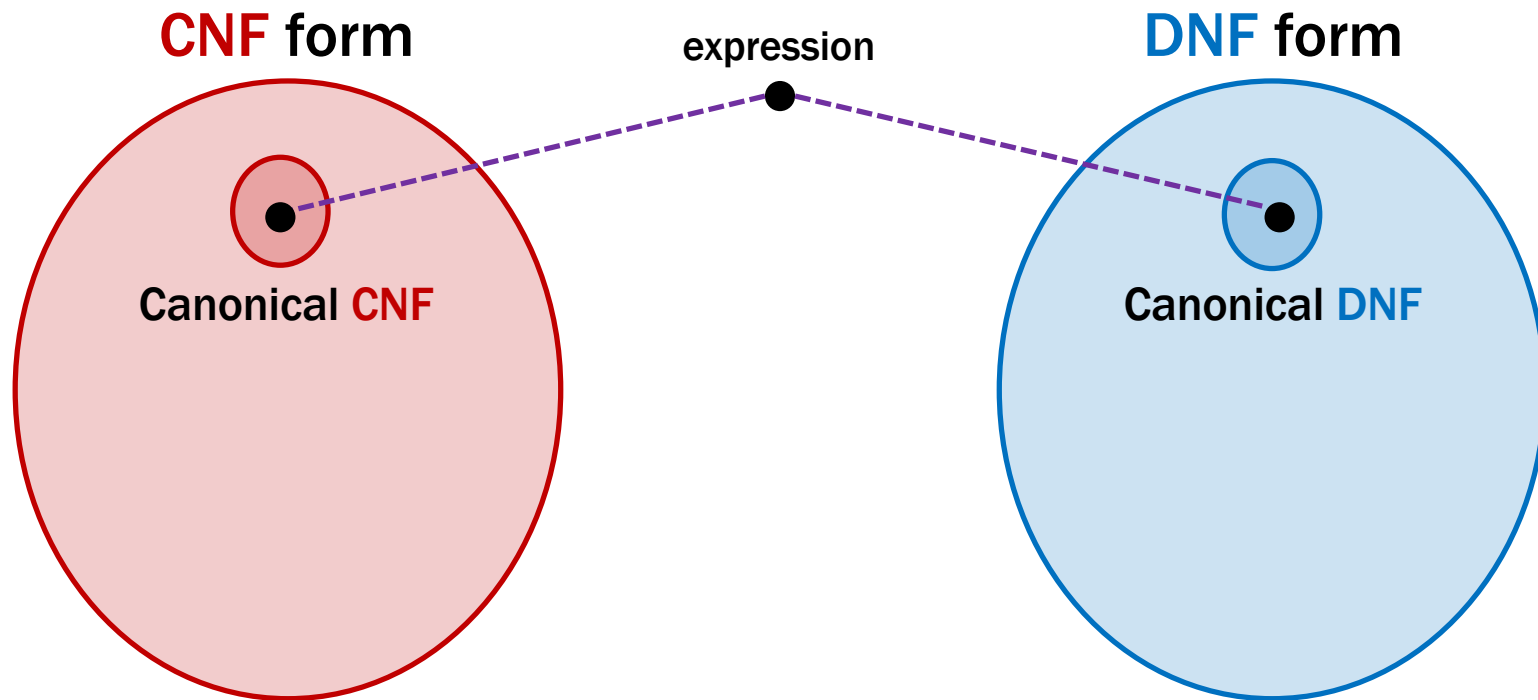
# Canonical Forms

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- Canonical is from Latin "canon" (ruler)
  - compare against to see if equivalent
- We saw one way to do this already: truth table
- Canonical forms are a second way...

# CNF & DNF

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equivalent to exactly one in canonical CNF (up to reordering)

if our expressions are in canonical CNF,  
then they are **equivalent** iff they are the **same**

# Canonical DNF

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- ① Find the T rows in the truth table

Suppose  $F$  is an expression using the variables  $a, b, c$

<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>F</b>
F	F	F	F
F	F	T	T
F	T	F	F
F	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
T	F	T	T
T	T	F	T
T	T	T	T

# Canonical DNF

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- ① Find the T rows in the truth table
- ② For each T row, write an expression that is T in that row but *no others* ("min term")

	<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>F</b>
	F	F	F	F
→	F	F	T	T
	F	T	F	F
	F	T	T	T
	T	F	F	F
	T	F	T	T
	T	T	F	T
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$$\neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge c$$

This is only T if a = F, b = F, and c = T  
(AND requires *all* arguments to be T)

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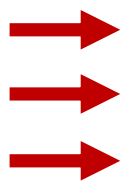
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$$\neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge c$$

$$\neg a \wedge b \wedge c$$

$$a \wedge \neg b \wedge c$$

$$a \wedge b \wedge \neg c$$

$$a \wedge b \wedge c$$

A min term includes every variable exactly once, either negated or unnegated, AND-ed together

# Canonical DNF

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a	b	c	F
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- ① Find the T rows in the truth table
- ② For each T row, write an expression that is T in that row but *no others* ("min term")

$$\neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge c$$

$$\neg a \wedge b \wedge c$$

$$a \wedge \neg b \wedge c$$

$$a \wedge b \wedge \neg c$$

$$a \wedge b \wedge c$$

- ③ Form the disjunction (OR) of the min terms

$$(\neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge c) \vee (\neg a \wedge b \wedge c) \vee (a \wedge \neg b \wedge c) \vee (a \wedge b \wedge \neg c) \vee (a \wedge b \wedge c)$$



# DNF: Canonical and Non

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- Stands for "**Disjunctive Normal Form**"
  - **outermost** operation is disjunction (OR)
  - **operands** are conjunctions (ANDs) of variables or their negations

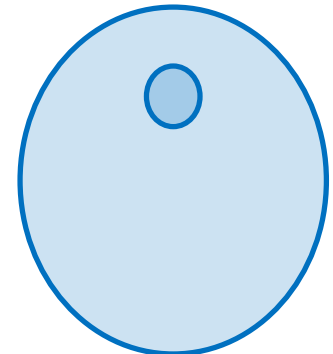
$$(a \wedge c) \vee (\neg a) \vee (\neg a \wedge \neg b)$$

**non-canonical** DNF

$$(a \wedge b \wedge \neg c) \vee (\neg a \wedge b \wedge c) \vee (a \wedge \neg b \wedge \neg c)$$

**canonical** DNF

(every disjunct is a min term)



# Canonical **CNF**

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- ① Find the F rows in the truth table

<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>F</b>
F	F	F	F
F	F	T	T
F	T	F	F
F	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
T	F	T	T
T	T	F	T
T	T	T	T

# Canonical **CNF**

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- ① Find the F rows in the truth table
- ② For each F row, write an expression that is T in every row *but that one* ("max term")



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F	F	F	F
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$a \vee b \vee c$

This is only F if  $a = F$ ,  $b = F$ , and  $c = F$   
(OR is T if *any* arguments is a T)

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$a \vee b \vee c$


$a \vee \neg b \vee c$

This is only F if  $a = F$ ,  $b = T$ , and  $c = F$

# Canonical **CNF**

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$a \vee b \vee c$

$a \vee \neg b \vee c$

$\neg a \vee b \vee c$

This is only F if  $a = T$ ,  $b = F$ , and  $c = F$

# Canonical **CNF**

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$$a \vee b \vee c$$

$$a \vee \neg b \vee c$$

$$\neg a \vee b \vee c$$

- ③ Form the conjunction (AND) of the max terms

$$(a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (a \vee \neg b \vee c) \wedge (\neg a \vee b \vee c)$$

# CNF: Canonical and Non

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- Stands for "**Conjunctive Normal Form**"
  - **outermost** operation is conjunction (AND)
  - operands (conjuncts) are disjunctions (ORs) of variables or their negations

$(a \vee b \vee \neg c) \wedge (\neg a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (a \vee \neg b \vee \neg c)$  **canonical CNF**

$(a \vee c) \wedge (\neg a) \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg b)$  **non-canonical CNF**

# Comparing DNF and CNF

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	DNF	CNF
operation	disjunction (OR)	conjunction (AND)
operands	conjunctions (ANDs) <i>(of only variables or their negations)</i>	disjunctions (ORs)
<b>canonical</b> iff	all conjunctions are <b>min</b> terms	all disjunctions are <b>max</b> terms



# Comparing **Min** and **Max** Terms

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- Min/Max term if every variable appears exactly once

	Min Term	Max Term
operation	conjunction (AND) <i>(of every variables or its negation)</i>	disjunction (OR)
result	only one T row	only one F row

# Important Corollary of DNF Construction

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**$\neg$ ,  $\wedge$ ,  $\vee$  can implement any Boolean function!**

no need for anything else

**Why? Because this construction only uses  $\neg$ ,  $\wedge$ ,  $\vee$**

DNF conversion works for any boolean function

# CNF & DNF

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