

Today's discussion is on logic as covered in this week's lectures. First, directions for discussion:

- Discussion includes several exercises based on recent course material to be done **without** any electronic devices. You will work with at least one person sitting near you. Take a few minutes to get to know each other.
 - You are expected to actively participate in all exercises to receive credit for discussion.
 - If you have completely finished all of the exercises before the share stage, please show this to the instructor and ask permission before opening an electronic device to do other work.
 - The order of operations and a list of axiomatic rules is at the end of this handout and is available separately on Canvas as `equiv.pdf`.
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 - (b) Write down an equivalent English statement for each of the following:
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Logical Equivalences

Order of operations by precedence: $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$.

$A \wedge B \Leftrightarrow B \wedge A$	(commutativity of $\wedge$)
$A \vee B \Leftrightarrow B \vee A$	(commutativity of $\vee$)
$(A \wedge B) \wedge C \Leftrightarrow A \wedge (B \wedge C)$	(associativity of $\wedge$)
$(A \vee B) \vee C \Leftrightarrow A \vee (B \vee C)$	(associativity of $\vee$)
$A \wedge A \Leftrightarrow A$	(idempotence for $\wedge$)
$A \vee A \Leftrightarrow A$	(idempotence for $\vee$)
$A \wedge (B \vee C) \Leftrightarrow (A \wedge B) \vee (A \wedge C)$	(distributivity of $\wedge$ over $\vee$)
$A \vee (B \wedge C) \Leftrightarrow (A \vee B) \wedge (A \vee C)$	(distributivity of $\vee$ over $\wedge$)
$\neg \neg A \Leftrightarrow A$	(double negation)
$A \Rightarrow B \Leftrightarrow \neg A \vee B$	(implication in terms of $\vee$) 
$\neg(A \wedge B) \Leftrightarrow \neg A \vee \neg B$	(De Morgan for $\wedge$)
$\neg(A \vee B) \Leftrightarrow \neg A \wedge \neg B$	(De Morgan for $\vee$)
$A \Rightarrow B \Leftrightarrow \neg B \Rightarrow \neg A$	(contrapositive)
$A \vee \neg A \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{T}$	(tautology)
$A \wedge \neg A \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{F}$	(contradiction)

Reminders:

- Everyone should have access to Canvas, Ed, and Gradescope. Please contact Alex TODAY if you do not have access, and in particular, if you are trying to enroll but need a permission number.
 - Lecture notes are typically available by end-of-day.
 - HW1 is released on Canvas and is due next Wednesday 1/22 at 5pm.
 - Office hours start tomorrow (Saturday), with slots on Sat/Sun (virtual) and Mon-Wed (in-person) each week. The schedule is on the course website.
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Recap:

* Proposition (no unknown circumstances) vs predicate?

* Logical Operators

$\neg, \vee, \wedge$

"3 basics"

$\neg A = \bar{A}$, $A \oplus B$
Xor

$\Rightarrow$: "if...then..."

$A \Rightarrow B \Leftrightarrow \neg A \vee B$

$\Leftrightarrow$: "...iff..."

Construct new operators (HW).

* Axiomatic rules (distributivity, De Morgan, ...)

* Logical equivalence $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \text{ Truth table} \\ \textcircled{2} \text{ Chain of equivalence} \end{array} \right.$

Truth table $\leftrightarrow$ logical formula

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_{^A ^B}

(a) i. neither A nor B $\stackrel{?}{\Leftrightarrow}$ not A and not B ✓

$\Downarrow$
 not either A or B $\Downarrow$ $\neg A \wedge \neg B$
 $\Downarrow$ $\neg(A \vee B)$ $\Leftrightarrow$ De Morgan $\Downarrow$

ii. not both A and B $\stackrel{?}{\Leftrightarrow}$ either not A or not B ✓

$\Downarrow$ $\neg(A \wedge B)$ $\Leftrightarrow$ De Morgan $\Downarrow$ $\neg A \vee \neg B$

(b) Write down an equivalent English statement for each of the following:

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"Proof by contrapositive"

e.g. Prove: If n is even, then n^2 is even.

$$n = 2k, \quad n^2 = 4k^2, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

If n^2 is even, then n is even

$$n^2 = 2k, \quad n = \sqrt{2k} \quad ?$$

$\Leftrightarrow$ If n is odd, then n^2 is odd.

$$n = 2k+1, \quad n^2 = (2k+1)^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 = 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1 \quad \checkmark$$

Pf: (i)

P	Q	$P \Rightarrow Q$	$\neg P$	$\neg Q$	$\neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$
T	T	T	F	F	T
T	F	F	F	T	F
F	T	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T

(ii) $P \Rightarrow Q$

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg P \vee Q$$

implication

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commutativity of $\vee$

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg(\neg Q) \vee (\neg P)$$

double negation

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$$

implication

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3 = 8

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T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F	F	F
F	F	T	F	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	T	F	F
T	F	F	T	F	F	T	F
F	F	F	F	T	T	T	T

(ii) $P \vee Q \Rightarrow R$

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg(P \vee Q) \vee R \quad \text{implication}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\neg P \wedge \neg Q) \vee R \quad \text{De Morgan's law}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\neg P \vee R) \wedge (\neg Q \vee R) \quad \text{distributivity of } \vee \text{ over } \wedge$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (P \Rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow R) \quad \text{implication}$$

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* Intro to predicate logic.

- Def. Predicates are statements with variables, whose truth value depends on these variables.

Ex. ① $P(x) = "x \text{ is odd}."$; $Q(x) = "x \text{ is even}"$

$P(1)$. $Q(2)$ are true.

$P(2)$. $Q(1)$ are false.

② $P(x, y) = "x + z = y."$

$P(1, 3)$ is true.

$P(1, 4)$ is false.

Predicates $\neq$ propositions.

$\Rightarrow$ specify the input

$\Rightarrow$ domain.

- Def. The domain of a variable is the set of all values that may be substituted in place of the variable.

Ex. ① $x \in \mathbb{Z}$

② $x \in \mathbb{R}$. $y \in \mathbb{R}$

- Two quantifiers (interact with predicates & domains)

$\Rightarrow$ $\forall$ The universal quantifier, $\forall$ "for all"

$\exists$ The existential quantifier, $\exists$ "There exists"

Ex. ① $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}$, $P(x) \vee Q(x) \Rightarrow \text{True.}$

$\Leftrightarrow$ For all integers x , x is even or x is odd.

negation
 $\neg \forall x P(x) \Leftrightarrow \exists x \neg P(x)$

② $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}$, $P(x) \wedge Q(x) \Rightarrow \text{False.}$

$\Leftrightarrow$ There exists an integer x such that
 x is even and x is odd.

Remark 1: predicate + quantifier for each variable
 $\Rightarrow$ variables "bound" or "defined"
 $\Rightarrow$ proposition

Remark 2: The truth of a predicate depends on the domain.

Ex. ① $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, x^2 \geq x$ True.

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq x$ False. $x = \frac{1}{2}$

② $\exists y \in \mathbb{R}, y^2 = y$ True. $y = 0$ or $y = 1$

$\exists y \in [2, 3], y^2 = y$ False.

Remark 3: A predicate formula can have multiple quantifiers.

Ex. $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall y \in \mathbb{Z}, xy \leq y^2$ True. $x=0 \Rightarrow 0 \leq y^2$

$\Leftrightarrow$ There exists an integer x such that for all
integer y , xy is at most y^2 .

- How to translate Math Theorems into a logical formula?

Ex. Fermat (1637): If an integer is greater than 2, then
the equation $a^n + b^n = c^n$ has no solutions in positive
integers a, b , and c .

Step 1: Identify 3 IMPORTANT elements:

① Variables: a, b, c, n

② Domains: $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+, n \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 2$

③ Conditions: $a^n + b^n \neq c^n$

Step 2: Define predicates

$A(x) = "x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } x > 2"$

$S(a, b, c, n) = "a^n + b^n \neq c^n"$

Step 3: Add quantifiers & reconcile the order.

$$\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+, A(n) \Rightarrow S(a, b, c, n)$$

Remark: many ways to express

$$\text{e.g., } \forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \neg((n \in \mathbb{Z}) \wedge (n > 2)) \vee (a^n + b^n \neq c^n)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \Updownarrow \\ (n \in \mathbb{Z}) \vee (n \leq 2) \vee (a^n + b^n \neq c^n) \end{array}$$

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(a) Step 1: ① Variables : x, y, z

② Domains : $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, x even, y, z prime

③ Conditions: $x = y + z$

Step 2: $A(x) = "x \text{ is even and } x \geq 2"$.

$P(x) = "x \text{ is prime}"$.

$S(x, y, z) = "x = y + z"$.

Step 3 :

$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists y \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists z \in \mathbb{Z}, A(x) \Rightarrow (P(y) \wedge P(z) \wedge S(x, y, z))$

(b) $\exists z \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists y \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, A(x) \Rightarrow (P(y) \wedge P(z) \wedge S(x, y, z))$

$\Rightarrow$ There exist prime numbers such that their sum is equal to any even integer greater than 2.

$\Rightarrow$ Obviously false.

Order of quantifiers matters!

Extension: Writing logical formula for a truth table

Truth tables $\xleftrightarrow{\text{easy hand}}$ Logical formula

$\Rightarrow$ New definitions of logical operators (HW).

	A	B	$A \Rightarrow B$		A	B	$\neg A$	$\neg A \vee B$
$A \wedge B$	T	T	T		T	T	F	T
$A \wedge \neg B$	T	F	F	$\longleftrightarrow$	T	F	F	F
$\neg A \wedge B$	F	T	T		F	T	T	T
$\neg A \wedge \neg B$	F	F	T		F	F	T	T

① Look at the true row: take "or"

② Look at the false row: negate, take "and".

eg, ②: $\neg(A \wedge \neg B) \Leftrightarrow \neg A \vee (\neg \neg B) \Leftrightarrow \neg A \vee B$

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

A	B	$A \oplus B$	$A \vee B$	$\neg(A \wedge B)$	
T	T	F	T	F	F
T	F	T	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	F	T	F

① $(A \wedge \neg B) \vee (\neg A \wedge B)$

② $\neg(A \wedge B) \wedge \neg(\neg A \wedge \neg B)$

$\hookrightarrow A \vee B$