

Lecture # 03

Discrete Structure

Laws of Logic

Commutative Laws: $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$
 $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$

Associative Laws: $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$
 $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$

Distributive Laws: $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$
 $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$

Identity laws: $p \wedge t \equiv p$
 $p \vee c \equiv p$

Negation laws: $p \vee \sim p \equiv t$
 $p \wedge \sim p \equiv c$

Double negation law: $\sim(\sim p) \equiv p$

Laws of Logic (Cont.)

Idempotent laws: $p \wedge p \equiv p$
 $p \vee p \equiv p$

DeMorgan's laws: $\sim (p \wedge q) \equiv \sim p \vee \sim q$
 $\sim (p \vee q) \equiv \sim p \wedge \sim q$

Universal bound laws: $p \vee t \equiv t$
 $p \wedge c \equiv c$

Absorption laws: $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$
 $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$

Negations of t and c: $\sim t \equiv c$
 $\sim c \equiv t$

Applying Laws of Logic

Using law of logic, simplify $p \vee [\sim(\sim p \wedge q)]$

Solution:

$$p \vee [\sim(\sim p \wedge q)]$$

$$\equiv p \vee [\sim(\sim p) \vee (\sim q)]$$

DeMorgan's Law

$$\equiv p \vee [p \vee (\sim q)]$$

Double Negative Law

$$\equiv [p \vee p] \vee (\sim q)$$

Associative Law

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

Idempotent Law

Which is the simplified statement form

Applying Laws of Logic (Cont.)

Using Laws of Logic, verify the logical equivalence

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

SOLUTION

Consider $\sim(\sim p \wedge q) \wedge (p \vee q)$

$\equiv (\sim(\sim p) \vee \sim q) \wedge (p \vee q)$ DeMorgan's Law

$\equiv (p \vee \sim q) \wedge (p \vee q)$ Double Negative Law

$\equiv p \vee (\sim q \wedge q)$ Distributive Law

$\equiv p \vee c$ Negation Law

$\equiv p$ Identity Law

Hence the logical equivalence has been shown.

Simplifying a Statement

“You will get an A if you are hardworking and the sun shines, or you are hardworking and it rains.”

Let

p = You are hardworking

q = The sun shines

r = It rains

Statement form for above sentence: $(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

Using distributive law in reverse: $(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r) \equiv p \wedge (q \vee r)$

Putting $p \wedge (q \vee r)$ back into English, the sentence is rephrased as:

“ You will get an A if you are hardworking and the sun shines or it rains.”

Conditional Statements

- "If you earn an A in Math, then I'll buy you a computer."
- Let p = "You earn an A in Math."
- Q = "I will buy you a computer."
- if p is true, then q is true, or, more simply, if p , then q , or, p implies q , denoted by $p \rightarrow q$
- The arrow " \rightarrow " is the conditional operator
- p is the hypothesis (antecedent) and q is the conclusion (consequent)

Truth Table for $p \rightarrow q$

| p | q | $p \rightarrow q$ |
|-----|-----|-------------------|
| T | T | T |
| T | F | F |
| F | T | T |
| F | F | T |

Conditional Statements (Cont.)

Determine the truth value of each of the following conditional statements:

1. "If $1 = 1$, then $3 = 3$." TRUE
2. "If $1 = 1$, then $2 = 3$." FALSE
3. "If $1 = 0$, then $3 = 3$." TRUE
4. "If $1 = 2$, then $2 = 3$." TRUE
5. "If $1 = 1$, then $1 = 2$ and $2 = 3$." FALSE
6. "If $1 = 3$ or $1 = 2$ then $3 = 3$." TRUE

Translating English Sentences to Symbols

p = “you get an A on the final exam”

q = “you do every exercise in this book”

r = “you get an A in this class”

- To get an A in this class it is necessary for you to get an A on the final.

$$p \rightarrow r$$

- You do every exercise in this book; You get an A on the final, implies, you get an A in the class.

$$p \wedge q \rightarrow r$$

- Getting an A on the final and doing every exercise in this book is sufficient for getting an A in this class.

$$p \wedge q \rightarrow r$$

Translating Symbolic Propositions to English

p = “you have the flu”

q = “you miss the final exam”

r = “you pass the course”

- $p \rightarrow q$

If you have flu, then you will miss the final exam.

- $\sim q \rightarrow r$

If you don't miss the final exam, you will pass the course.

- $\sim p \wedge \sim q \rightarrow r$

If you neither have flu nor miss the final exam, then you will pass the course.

Hierarchy of Operations for Logical Connectives

1. \sim (negation)
2. \wedge (conjunction), \vee (disjunction)
3. \rightarrow (conditional)

Example

$$p \vee \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$$

$$(p \vee (\sim q)) \rightarrow (\sim p)$$

| p | q | $\sim q$ | $\sim p$ | $p \vee \sim q$ | $p \vee \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$ |
|---|---|----------|----------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| T | T | F | F | T | F |
| T | F | T | F | T | F |
| F | T | F | T | F | T |
| F | F | T | T | T | T |

Hierarchy of Operations for Logical Connectives (Cont.)

$$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (\sim p \rightarrow r)$$

| p | q | r | $p \rightarrow q$ | $\sim p$ | $\sim p \rightarrow r$ | $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (\sim p \rightarrow r)$ |
|---|---|---|-------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| T | T | T | T | F | T | T |
| T | T | F | T | F | T | T |
| T | F | T | F | F | T | F |
| T | F | F | F | F | T | F |
| F | T | T | T | T | T | T |
| F | T | F | T | T | F | F |
| F | F | T | T | T | T | T |
| F | F | F | T | T | F | F |

Logical Equivalence Involving Implication

$$P \rightarrow q \equiv \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$$

| p | q | $\sim q$ | $\sim p$ | $p \rightarrow q$ | $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$ |
|---|---|----------|----------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| T | T | F | F | T | T |
| T | F | T | F | F | F |
| F | T | F | T | T | T |
| F | F | T | T | T | T |

Implication Law

$$P \rightarrow q \equiv \sim p \vee q$$

| p | q | $p \rightarrow q$ | $\sim p$ | $\sim p \vee q$ |
|---|---|-------------------|----------|-----------------|
| T | T | T | F | T |
| T | F | F | F | F |
| F | T | T | T | T |
| F | F | T | T | T |

Negation of a Conditional Statement

- Implication Law:

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim p \vee q$$

- Taking Negation on both side:

$$\sim (p \rightarrow q) \equiv \sim (\sim p \vee q)$$

$$\equiv \sim (\sim p) \wedge (\sim q) \quad \text{by De Morgan's law}$$

$$\equiv p \wedge \sim q \quad \text{by the Double Negative law}$$

- Negation of “**if p then q**” is logically equivalent to “**p and not q**”
- Negation of implication and implication are not equivalent

Negation of a Conditional Statement (Cont.)

Statements

1. If Ali lives in Pakistan then he lives in Lahore.
2. If my car is in the repair shop, then I cannot get to class.
3. If x is prime then x is odd **or** x is 2.
4. If n is divisible by 6, then n is divisible by 2 **and** n is divisible by 3.

Negations of statements

1. Ali lives in Pakistan and he does not live in Lahore.
2. My car is in the repair shop and I can get to class.
3. x is prime but x is not odd **and** x is not 2.
4. n is divisible by 6 but n is not divisible by 2 **or** by 3.

Inverse of a Conditional Statement

- The inverse of the conditional statement $p \rightarrow q$ is $\sim p \rightarrow \sim q$
- A conditional and its inverse are not equivalent

| p | q | $p \rightarrow q$ | $\sim p$ | $\sim q$ | $\sim p \rightarrow \sim q$ |
|---|---|-------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------------|
| T | T | T | F | F | T |
| T | F | F | F | T | T |
| F | T | T | T | F | F |
| F | F | T | T | T | T |

Converse of a Conditional Statement

- The converse of the conditional statement $p \rightarrow q$ is $q \rightarrow p$
- A conditional and its converse are not equivalent
- “ \rightarrow ” is not a commutative operator

| p | q | $p \rightarrow q$ | $q \rightarrow p$ |
|---|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| T | T | T | T |
| T | F | F | T |
| F | T | T | F |
| F | F | T | T |

Contrapositive of a Conditional Statement

- Contrapositive of the conditional statement $p \rightarrow q$ is $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$
- A conditional and its contrapositive are equivalent

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$$

| p | q | $p \rightarrow q$ | $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$ |
|---|---|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| T | T | T | T |
| T | F | F | F |
| F | T | T | T |
| F | F | T | T |

Converse, Inverse, & Contrapositive

- Conditional statement: $p \rightarrow q$
- Inverse of the conditional statement: $\sim p \rightarrow \sim q$
- Converse of the conditional statement: $q \rightarrow p$
- Contrapositive of the conditional statement: $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$
- $p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$ & $\sim p \rightarrow \sim q \equiv q \rightarrow p$

| p | q | $p \rightarrow q$ | $\sim p$ | $\sim q$ | $\sim p \rightarrow \sim q$ | $q \rightarrow p$ | $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$ |
|---|---|-------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| T | T | T | F | F | T | T | T |
| T | F | F | F | T | T | T | F |
| F | T | T | T | F | F | F | T |
| F | F | T | T | T | T | T | T |