

Chap. 2 Logic

(2.1) statement

Defn

A statement (or proposition) is a sentence that can be evaluated (in principle) as either true or false.

Ex. statements

- 'it is raining today'
- $2+3=5$
- $2+3=7$

Ex. not statements

- 'hello'

- $x + 7 = 2$
- $x + y = z$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{• } x + 7 = 2 \\ \text{• } x + y = z \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \underline{\text{Open sentences}} \\ \underline{\text{Propositional functions}} \\ \underline{\text{Predicates}} \end{array}$

notation

- Propositional variables: $P, Q, R, \dots$
 $p, q, r, \dots$

- Propositional functions: $P(x), Q(a, b), R(u, v)$

Remark.

a statement has a truth value, but we might not know what it is.

Ex. Goldbach Conjecture.

Every even integer greater than 2 can be expressed as the sum of two prime numbers.

(2.2) operations: and, or, not, xor

and (conjunction)

notation: $P \wedge Q$

P	Q	$P \wedge Q$
F	F	F
F	T	F
T	F	F
T	T	T

True only in case both operations are true.

Ex. $P = \text{'it is raining today'}$

$Q = \text{'today is wednesday'}$

or (disjunction, inclusive or)

notation: $P \vee Q$

P	Q	$P \vee Q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

False only in the case both operands are false.

meaning: 'either P is true, or Q is true, or possibly both are true'

Prev ex: $P = \text{'it is raining'}$
 $Q = \text{'today is wednesday'}$

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exor (exclusive or)

notation: $P \oplus Q$

P	Q	$P \oplus Q$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

True only if both operands have different truth values.

$P \oplus Q$ means: 'either P , or Q is true, but not both'.

Ex. 'your money or your life'

not (negation)

notation: $\sim P$ (other texts: $\neg P$)

P	$\sim P$
F	T
T	F

reverse truth value
of operand

$\sim P$ means 'not P ' or

'it is not the case that P '.

(2.3) operation: conditional

conditional (implication)

notation: $P \Rightarrow Q$ (other: $P \rightarrow Q$)

Read: 'if P , then Q '

'if P is true, then Q
is also true'

<u>hypothesis</u>		<u>conclusion</u>
P	Q	$P \Rightarrow Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

False only in the case that hypothesis is true and conclusion false.

Ex. $P =$ 'it is sunny today'

$Q =$ 'I will take you to the beach'

Read $P \Rightarrow Q$ as :

'if P , then Q '

' Q , if P '

' P implies Q '

' Q whenever P '

' P only if Q '

' Q is necessary for P '

' P is sufficient for Q '

Propositions Related to $P \Rightarrow Q$

- Converse : $Q \Rightarrow P$
- Contrapositive : $\neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$
- Inverse : $\neg P \Rightarrow \neg Q$

note : $\neg$ has higher precedence than any other logical op.

Ex $\neg P \Rightarrow Q$ means $(\neg P) \Rightarrow Q$,
it does not mean $\neg (P \Rightarrow Q)$

(2.4) operation: biconditional

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biconditional (iff, it and only if)

notation $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ (also $P \leftrightarrow Q$)

P	Q	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

True only when
both operands have
same truth value.

Read $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ as:

' P if and only if Q '

' P is equivalent to Q '

' P is necessary and sufficient
for Q '

(2.5) Truth tables

- Atomic statements: $P, Q, R, \dots$
- Compound statements:
statements built from atomic stmts.
using logical operators.

$$P \Rightarrow Q$$

$$\neg P \Rightarrow (R \vee S)$$

$$(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow (\neg R \vee \neg Q)$$

note: # rows in a truth table for
a compound Prop. is

$$2^{(\text{\# of variables})}$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} (P \Leftrightarrow Q) \vee (\sim Q \Rightarrow R)$$

P	Q	R	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$	$\sim Q$	$\sim Q \Rightarrow R$	$(P \Leftrightarrow Q) \vee (\sim Q \Rightarrow R)$
0	0	0	1	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	0	1	1

Ex $\sim(P \vee Q)$

P	Q	$P \vee Q$	$\sim(P \vee Q)$
0	0	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0

Ex $\sim P \wedge \sim Q$

P	Q	$\sim P$	$\sim Q$	$(\sim P) \wedge (\sim Q)$
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
1	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	0

same

evidently: $\sim(P \vee Q) = \sim P \wedge \sim Q$

Know: $P \Rightarrow Q \neq Q \Rightarrow P$

what about: $P \Rightarrow (Q \Rightarrow R) \stackrel{?}{=} (P \Rightarrow Q) \Rightarrow R$

P	Q	R	$Q \Rightarrow R$	$P \Rightarrow (Q \Rightarrow R)$	$P \Rightarrow Q$	$(P \Rightarrow Q) \Rightarrow R$
0	0	0	1	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1

different!!

∴ $P \Rightarrow (Q \Rightarrow R) \neq (P \Rightarrow Q) \Rightarrow R$

∴ $P \Rightarrow Q \Rightarrow R$ is meaningless

Exercise

show that $\neg P \vee Q \wedge \neg R$ is meaningless by constructing truth tables for $(\neg P \vee Q) \wedge \neg R$ and $\neg P \vee (Q \wedge \neg R)$.

(2.6) Logical Equivalence

Defn

A tautology is a (compound) Proposition that is true for any assignment of truth values to its propositional variables.

Ex. $\neg P \vee \neg \neg P$