

Logic (mathematical language)

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1) Propositions

Definition: A proposition, or statement is a declarative sentence that is either true (T) or false (F)

Examples:

<u>Sentence</u>	<u>Proposition or not</u>	<u>Truth value.</u>
$1+1=2$	Yes	True
$1+4=3$	Yes	False
Today is Sunday	Yes	Don't know
$x+3=2$	No	
I am lying now		

Notation

P

a proposition, T or F

Table of truth:

P
T
F

Compound proposition

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1) Negation : Let p be a proposition.

The sentence "It is not the case that p " is another proposition, called the negation of p , denoted $\neg p$ ($\sim p$). It is read "not p ".

Truth table

p	$\neg p$
T	F
F	T

2) Conjunction : The conjunction of two propositions p and q is the compound proposition that we write $p \wedge q$, and read " p and q ", which is only true if p is true and q is true.

Table of truth:

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

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Disjunction : The disjunction of 2 propositions p and q is the compound proposition written as $p \vee q$, and read " p or q " that is true if either p is true, or q is true, or both are true.

P	q	$P \wedge q$	$P \vee q$	$P \oplus q$
T	T	T	T	F
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	F	T	T
F	F	F	F	F

Exclusive or : $p \oplus q$

Logical equivalence :

Two propositions p and q are logically equivalent if they always have the same truth values. Notation: we write $p \Leftrightarrow q$

Statement For 2 propositions p and q

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

Truth table:

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

Show that $\neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge \neg q$

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

Table of truth:

P	q	$\neg P$	$P \wedge q$	$P \vee q$	$P \oplus q$
T	T	F	T	T	F
T	F	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	T
F	F	T	F	F	F

$$P \oplus q \Leftrightarrow (P \vee q) \wedge (\neg (P \wedge q))$$

De Morgan's laws:

$$\neg (P \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow \neg P \vee \neg q$$

$$\neg (P \vee q) \Leftrightarrow \neg P \wedge \neg q$$

$$P \wedge \neg P \Leftrightarrow F$$

A contradiction is a statement that is always false.

$$P \vee \neg P \Leftrightarrow T$$

A tautology is a statement that is always true.

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Show that $(p \vee q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$
is a tautology.

Proof by logical equivalence:

$$(p \vee q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \vee \neg(p \vee q) \quad \text{De Morgan's law}$$

Let us define $A = p \vee q$

Then

$$(p \vee q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \Leftrightarrow A \vee \neg A \\ \Leftrightarrow T$$

$$a * (b + c) = a * b + a * c$$

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

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

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

You arrive on Smullyan's island
and you meet Bill and Sally.

Bill: "The two of us are knights."

Sally: "Bill is a knave."

Bill	Sally	Statement/Bill	Statement/Sally
Knight	Knight	T	F
Knight	Knave	F	F
Knave	Knight	F	T ✓
Knave	Knave	F	T

- ① : Sally is a knight that would lie.
② Bill is a knight that would lie.
④ Sally is a knave that would tell the truth.

Bill: I am a knave or Sally is a knight.

Sally: I am a knight.

Bill	Sally	P_B	P_S	
Knight	Knight	T	T	✓
Knight	Knave	F	F	
Knave	Knight	T	T	
Knave	Knave	T	F	

Bill: We are the same kind
Sally: We are of different kind.

Bill	Sally	P_B	P_S	
Knight	Knight	T	F	
Knight	Knave	F	T	
Knave	Knight	F	T	✓
Knave	Knave	T	F	