

Discrete Mathematical Structures CS 3233 Lecture Two

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Business

- Questions???
- Read Sections 1.1 by Thursday
- Homework due Thursday 8/30
 - Section 1.1: 6d, 6e, 6g, 10, 26, 28a-d
 - Hand in at beginning of class. Work alone.
- Your TA in this course is Wanying Zhao, who you can call Kallen
 - Her email is kallenzwy@hotmail.com
- Recall that attendance is required
 - This goes for recitation, too.

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Implications Related to $p \rightarrow q$

- *Contrapositive*: $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- *Converse*: $q \rightarrow p$
- *Inverse*: $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$

p	q	$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$	$q \rightarrow p$	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
T	T	F	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	T	F	F
F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T

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Exclusive Or

- Def: Given propositions p and q, $p \oplus q$ denotes the exclusive or of p and q
 - $p \oplus q$ means “p or q, but not both”
- Truth table for $p \oplus q$:

p	q	$p \oplus q$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

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Biconditionals

- Def: Given propositions p and q, $p \leftrightarrow q$ is a *biconditional*
 - $p \leftrightarrow q$ means “p if and only if q”
- Truth table for $p \leftrightarrow q$:

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

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Translating English to Logic

- Fred can access the wireless network only if Fred has paid his tuition
 - Let a represent “Fred can access wireless”
 - Let t represent “Fred has paid his tuition”

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Translating English to Logic

- Winsborough will not finish his reviewing on time unless he hurries
 - Let h represent “Winsborough hurries”
 - Let f represent “Winsborough finishes on time”
- Is this statement true when Winsborough is already late?

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Syntax of Propositional Formulas

- Definition of *propositional formula*:
 - A propositional variable p is a propositional formula
 - The constants **T** and **F** are propositional formulas
 - If ϕ and ψ are propositional formulas, then the following are also propositional formulas:
 - (ϕ)
 - $\neg\phi$
 - $\phi \wedge \psi$
 - $\phi \vee \psi$
 - $\phi \rightarrow \psi$
 - $\phi \leftrightarrow \psi$
 - $\phi \oplus \psi$

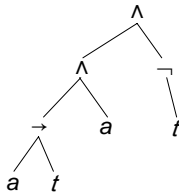
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Expression Trees

- Example: $((a \rightarrow t) \wedge a) \wedge \neg t$



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Precedence

- Should $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ be interpreted as
 - $(\neg q) \rightarrow (\neg p)$, or as
 - $\neg(q \rightarrow (\neg p))$?
- Precedence gives rules for implicit parentheses

Op	Prec
\neg	1
\wedge	2
\vee	3
\rightarrow	4
\leftrightarrow	5

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A More Concise Truth Table

$((a \rightarrow t) \wedge a) \wedge \neg t$	a	t
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	F
F	F	F

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A More Concise Truth Table

$(a \rightarrow t)$	a	$\neg t$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	F
F	F	T

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A More Concise Truth Table

$((a \rightarrow t) \wedge a) \wedge \neg t$	a	\neg	t
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	T	F
F	T	F	F

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A More Concise Truth Table

$((a \rightarrow t) \wedge a) \wedge \neg t$	a	\neg	t
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	T	F
F	T	F	F

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Tautologies and Contradictions

- A compound proposition that is true for all truth assignments is called a *tautology*
 - E.g., $(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$
- One that is false for all assignments is a *contradiction*
- Given propositional formulas ϕ and ψ , if the biconditional $\phi \leftrightarrow \psi$ is a tautology, then ϕ and ψ are *logically equivalent* (this is an alternate definition)
 - In this case we write $\phi \equiv \psi$
 - e.g., $(\phi \rightarrow \psi) \equiv (\neg \psi \rightarrow \neg \phi)$
 - Note that \equiv is not a logical connective (i.e., a logical operator), so $\phi \equiv \psi$ is not a (compound) proposition
 - \equiv is part of the *meta-language* we use for discussing formulas in the *object language* of propositional calculus

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Some Important Logical Equivalences

$\phi \wedge \mathbf{T} \equiv \phi$ $\phi \vee \mathbf{F} \equiv \phi$	Identity laws
$\phi \vee \mathbf{T} \equiv \mathbf{T}$ $\phi \wedge \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Domination laws
$\phi \vee \phi \equiv \phi$ $\phi \wedge \phi \equiv \phi$	Idempotency laws
$\neg(\neg \phi) \equiv \phi$	Double negation law
$\phi \vee \psi \equiv \psi \vee \phi$ $\phi \wedge \psi \equiv \psi \wedge \phi$	Commutivity laws

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More Equivalences

$(\phi \vee \psi) \vee \theta \equiv \phi \vee (\psi \vee \theta)$ $(\phi \wedge \psi) \wedge \theta \equiv \phi \wedge (\psi \wedge \theta)$	Associativity laws
$\phi \vee (\psi \wedge \theta) \equiv (\phi \vee \psi) \wedge (\phi \vee \theta)$ $\phi \wedge (\psi \vee \theta) \equiv (\phi \wedge \psi) \vee (\phi \wedge \theta)$	Distributivity laws
$\neg(\phi \wedge \psi) \equiv \neg \phi \vee \neg \psi$ $\neg(\phi \vee \psi) \equiv \neg \phi \wedge \neg \psi$	De Morgan's laws
$\phi \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) \equiv \phi$ $\phi \wedge (\phi \vee \psi) \equiv \phi$	Absorption laws
$\phi \vee \neg \phi \equiv \mathbf{T}$ $\phi \wedge \neg \phi \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Negation laws

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Semantics of Propositional Formulas

- A formula defines a function from truth assignments to truth values
 - A truth assignment gives a truth value for each variable
- Questions:
 - What is a function?
 - Why does this justify substituting one subformula by another equivalent subformula within a larger formula and then claiming the result is equivalent to the starting formula?

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Exercises

- Give a propositional formula that is equivalent to $\phi \rightarrow \psi$, but that does not use \rightarrow
- Draw an expression tree for $p \rightarrow q \vee \neg r \wedge t$
- Which of the following are propositional formulas?
 - pq
 - $((p))$
 - $q \vee \neg \neg \neg r$
 - $p \vee \rightarrow q$
- Exercises 1.1: 5, 9, 25, 27