

Propositional Logic

Section 1.1

Definition

- A proposition is a declarative sentence that is either true or false but not both nor neither
- Any proposition has a truth value $\{T, F\}$

Examples

Statement	Prop	Truth Value
Today is Friday	yes	F
$1+1 = 2$		
I know that you hate this course		
Is that correct?		
Do not answer quickly		
I'm a liar		
$X+ 2 = 0$		

Examples

Statement	Prop	Truth Value
Today is Friday	Yes	F
$1+1 = 2$	Yes	T
I know that you hate this course	Yes	T
Is that correct?	No	
Do not answer quickly	No	
I'm a liar	No	
$X+ 2 = 0$	No	

Proposition Types

- A proposition could be either simple or compound.
- **Simple:** without logical operators
- **Compound:** with logical operators (connectives)

Logical Operators

- Let p & q be propositions, then the following are compound propositions:
- Negation of p : $\neg p$ = not p
- Conjunction: $p \wedge q$ = p AND q
- Disjunction: $p \vee q$ = p OR q
- Exclusive OR: $p \oplus q$ = p XOR q
- Implication: $p \rightarrow q$ = if p then q
- Biconditional: $p \leftrightarrow q$ = p iff q

Negation

- p = It is raining
- $\neg p$ = It is **not** raining
= it is **not the case** that it is raining
- Truth table

P	$\neg p$
T	F
F	T

Conjunction

- p = it is Friday
- q = it is raining
- $p \wedge q$ = it is Friday and it is raining
- Truth Table:

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

Disjunction

- $p = 1 > 0$
- $q = \text{monkeys can fly}$
- $p \vee q = 1 > 0 \text{ or monkeys can fly}$
- Truth Table:

p	q	$p \vee q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

Conditional Statement: Implication

- $p = \text{I think}$
- $q = \text{I exist}$
- $p \rightarrow q = \text{if I think then I exist}$
- Truth Table:

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

If p , then q

- p = hypothesis
- q = conclusion (consequence)
- There are many ways to write a conditional statement

Other Rephrasing of Implication

- If p , then q
- If p , q
- q if p
- p is sufficient for q
 - a sufficient condition for q is p
- a necessary condition for p is q
- in order to have p true, q has to be true also
- q when p

Other Rephrasing of Implication

- $p \rightarrow q$
- p implies q
- p only if q
 - p is true only if q is also true
- q follows from p

Examples of Implication

- If you get 98% then I'll give you A+
- 98% is sufficient for A+
- If you get A+ then it doesn't mean you have 98%
- A+ is necessary for 98%
- 98% however is not necessary for A+
- 98% only if A+
- A+ follows from 98%
- 98% doesn't follow from A+

Examples of Implication

- Notice that if p is true then q must be true, however if p is not true then q may or may not be true.

Examples of Implication

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- (59) قَالُوا مَنْ فَعَلَ هَذَا بِآلِهَتِنَا إِنَّهُ لَمِنَ الظَّالِمِينَ
- (60) قَالُوا سَمِعْنَا فَتَى يَدُكُرُهُمْ يُقَالُ لَهُ إِبْرَاهِيمُ
- (61) قَالُوا فَأْتُوا بِهِ عَلَى أَعْيُنِ النَّاسِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَشْهَدُونَ
- (62) قَالُوا أَنْتَ فَعَلْتَ هَذَا بِآلِهَتِنَا يَا إِبْرَاهِيمُ
- (63) قَالَ بَلْ فَعَلَهُ كَبِيرُهُمْ هَذَا فَاسْأَلُوهُمْ إِنْ كَانُوا يَنْطِقُونَ
- (64) فَرَجَعُوا إِلَى أَنفُسِهِمْ فَقَالُوا إِنَّكُمْ أَنْتُمُ الظَّالِمُونَ
- (65) ثُمَّ نُكِسُوا عَلَى رُؤُوسِهِمْ لَقَدْ عَلِمْتَ مَا هَؤُلَاءِ يَنْطِقُونَ
- (66) قَالَ أَفَتَعْبُدُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ مَا لَّا يَنْفَعُكُمْ شَيْئًا وَلَا يَضُرُّكُمْ
- (67) أَفَ لَكُمْ وَلِمَا تَعْبُدُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ أَفَلَا تَعْقِلُونَ
- (68) قَالُوا حَرِّقُوهُ وَانصُرُوا آلِهَتَكُمْ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ فَاعِلِينَ

Examples of Implication

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- It is very clear that the prophet Ebrahim didn't lie because he said that
If they speak, then the biggest one did it

BiConditional Statement

- $p = 1 < 0$
- $q = \text{monkeys can fly}$
- $p \leftrightarrow q = 1 < 0$ if and only if monkeys can fly
- Truth Table:

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

BiConditional Statement

- $p \leftrightarrow q = p$ if and only if q
= p if q and p only if q
= “ $q \rightarrow p$ ” and “ $p \rightarrow q$ ”
= “ $p \rightarrow q$ ” \wedge “ $q \rightarrow p$ ”
- p is necessary & sufficient for q
- p and q always have the same truth value

Theorem

- p and q are logically equivalent, i.e.,
 $p \equiv q$ if and only if $p \leftrightarrow q$ is always true

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

Example

Logically equivalent
 $\neg p \vee q \equiv p \rightarrow q$

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

Precedence of Logical Operators

- The following operators are sorted according to their precedence

\neg , \wedge , \vee , \rightarrow , \leftrightarrow

- This means for example

$$\left(\left((p \wedge (\neg q)) \vee p \vee q \right) \rightarrow q \right) \leftrightarrow \left((p \wedge (\neg q)) \vee p \right)$$