

MATH 290 - B01

1.1 Propositions and Connectives

Deductive reasoning

Drawing correct conclusions from assumptions

Inductive reasoning

Postulating general principles based on observations

Laws of deductive reasoning based on a propositional calculus

Definitions

① Proposition: A statement that is either true or false

e.g. $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

$$1+1=5$$

It is raining.

(NB: There can be no ambiguity in a proposition)

If it is raining then I will bring an umbrella.

This statement is false. (not a prop)

$$x^2 = 36$$

Designate propositions by $P, Q, R, \text{etc...}$

② Connectives

- conjunction (and) denoted $P \wedge Q$
- disjunction (or) " $P \vee Q$
- negation (not) " $\sim P$

Propositional form - a valid string of propositions linked by connectives

$P \wedge Q$ is true whenever both P and Q are true and false otherwise.

Truth table

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

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

③ Equivalent forms

Two forms are equivalent if they have same truth values

e.g. #2 p.9

(h) $\sim(P \wedge Q)$

P	Q	$\sim(P \wedge Q)$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	T

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

P	Q	$(\sim P) \vee (\sim Q)$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	T

#3 (h) $(S \wedge R) \vee (S \wedge T)$
false

S false
T false
R true

#4 (h) $(P \vee Q) \vee R$

$P \vee (Q \vee R)$

P	Q	R	$(P \vee Q) \vee R$	$P \vee (Q \vee R)$
T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	T
T	F	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	T
F	F	F	F	F

Forms are equivalent

#8 (e)

tautology - prop form whose value is always T

contradiction - prop form whose value is always F

$P \vee (\sim P)$ tautology

$P \wedge (\sim P)$ contradiction

$(Q \wedge \sim P) \wedge [\sim(P \wedge R)]$

P	Q	R	$(Q \wedge \sim P) \wedge [\sim(P \wedge R)]$
T	T	T	F
T	T	F	F
T	F	T	F
T	F	F	F
F	T	T	T
F	T	F	⋮
F	F	T	⋮
F	F	F	⋮

④ Denial of a proposition

A proposition equivalent to $\sim S$ is a denial of S .

#10 (f) " $x < y$ or $m^2 < 1$ " is P

Q is " $x < y$ " R is " $m^2 < 1$ "

$$P = Q \vee R$$

$\sim P = \sim(Q \vee R)$ = "It is not the case that $x < y$ or $m^2 < 1$."

$\sim P = (\sim Q) \wedge (\sim R)$ = "It is not the case that $x < y$ and it is not the case that $m^2 < 1$."

$$\sim P = "x \geq y \text{ and } m^2 \geq 1"$$

(d) $P = "641, 371 \text{ is a composite integer}"$

$\sim P = "641, 371 \text{ is prime.}"$

(e) $\sim P = "roses ~~are~~ not red and violets are ~~not~~ blue"$

= "roses are not red or violets are not blue"

De Morgan's Laws

$$\sim(P \wedge Q) \text{ equiv. to } \sim P \vee \sim Q$$

$$\sim(P \vee Q) \text{ equiv to } \sim P \wedge \sim Q$$

$$\cancel{P \wedge Q} P \wedge (Q \vee R) \text{ equiv. to}$$

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

$$P \vee (Q \wedge R) \text{ equiv to } (P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee R)$$

1.2 Conditionals + Biconditionals

① $P \Rightarrow Q$ "P implies Q"

"If P then Q"

If P is true then Q is true

If P is false I know nothing about Q

Truth table

P	Q	$P \Rightarrow Q$	$\sim P \vee Q$
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T

② Converse of $P \Rightarrow Q$ is $Q \Rightarrow P$

P	Q	$P \Rightarrow Q$	$Q \Rightarrow P$
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	T	F
F	F	T	T

Not equivalent.

③ Contrapositive of $P \Rightarrow Q$ is

$$\sim Q \Rightarrow \sim P$$

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

$$\sim P \vee Q \quad (P \Rightarrow Q)$$

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

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

$$\sim Q \Rightarrow \sim P$$

Equivalent!

④ $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ "P if and only if Q"

"P iff Q"

means $(P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P)$

$P \Leftrightarrow Q$ holds only when P and Q always have same truth value.

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

#1 p.17 (f) $(f \text{ integrable}) \Rightarrow (f \text{ bounded})$

(h) ~~$(\text{moon full}) \Rightarrow (\text{fish will bite})$~~

fish will bite \Rightarrow moon is full

moon not full \Rightarrow fish will not bite

(i) Olympic team \Rightarrow 3 min 48 sec
or less

$P \Rightarrow Q$ "P is sufficient for Q"

"Q is necessary for P"

("for P to hold it is necessary
that Q also hold")

#2 (f) converse: $f \text{ bounded} \Rightarrow f \text{ integrable}$
if f is bounded then it is integrable

contrapositive: $f \text{ not bounded} \Rightarrow$
 $f \text{ not integrable}$

#4 (f) True (i) True

#5 (f) True (h) True

#8 (h) $6 \geq n-3$ only if $n > 4$ or $n > 10$

$$\overline{(n > 4) \vee (n > 10)} \Rightarrow \overline{(6 \geq n-3)}$$

$$(6 \geq n-3) \Rightarrow (n > 4) \vee (n > 10)$$

1.3 Quantifiers

$$P = "x^2 = 36"$$

can be true or false depending on x
we write $P(x)$

$$Q = "S \text{ works in NYC}"$$

write $Q(S)$

- ① The truth set of $P(x)$ is the set of all x for which $P(x)$ is true
To define such a set a universe of discourse is assumed.

For us, universe is usually

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

\mathbb{Q} = rational numbers

\mathbb{R} = real numbers

(\mathbb{C} = complex numbers)

e.g. $P(x) = "x^2 = 36"$

If universe is \mathbb{N} then truth set
of $P(x)$ is $\{6\}$

If univ. is \mathbb{R} the truth set is
 $\{-6, 6\}$

② Existential quantifier

$(\exists x) P(x) \rightarrow$ "there exists x
(in the universe)
such that $P(x)$ "

\rightarrow means the truth set
of $P(x)$ is not empty.

e.g. $(\exists x)(x^2 = 36)$ is true
(univ. is \mathbb{R})

③ Universal quantifier.

$(\forall x) P(x) \rightarrow$ "for all x (in the universe) $P(x)$ "

\rightarrow means truth set of $P(x)$
is the entire universe

$(\forall x)(x^2=36)$ is false

(univ is $\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$ or \mathbb{R})