

2. Fundamentals of Logic

Primitive statement:

a statement that can not be broken down into simpler form and it is either *true* or *false* but can not be both.

Example:

p : John is a student

q : UK is a university

Compound statement:

a statement that is formed of primitive statements with *logical connectives* such as

1. Negation: \bar{p} (or, $\neg p$)

2. Conjunction: $p \wedge q$ (p and q)

3. Disjunction: $p \vee q$ (p or q)

4. Implication: $p \rightarrow q$ (p implies q)

5. Equivalence: $p \leftrightarrow q$ (p if and only if q)

"If $x = 3$ then $x^2 = 9$ " is a *true* statement

"If $x = 5$ then $x + 2 = 11$ " is a *false* statement

Truth Table: 1: *true* 0: *false*

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|-----|-----------|
| p | \bar{p} |
| 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 |

| p | q | $p \wedge q$ | $p \vee q$ | $p \rightarrow q$ | $p \leftrightarrow q$ |
|-----|-----|--------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Note: Two statements are equivalent if their truth tables are the same.

Note: $(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\bar{p} \vee q)$

$p \rightarrow q$ (not true only if the
implication is violated)

If the hypothesis is not satisfied, then no matter what truth value q has, the implication is not violated

Tautology: a statement that is always true

$$p \vee \bar{p}$$

Contradiction: a statement that is always false

$$p \wedge \bar{p}$$

Notations:

T_o : tautology

F_o : contradiction

Theorem: a (mathematical) statement that can be shown to be true.

Example: $p \vee \bar{p}$ is a tautology

| p | \bar{p} | $p \vee \bar{p}$ |
|-----|-----------|------------------|
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |

$p \rightarrow (p \vee q)$ is a tautology

| p | q | $p \vee q$ | $p \rightarrow (p \vee q)$ |
|-----|-----|------------|----------------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Logical Equivalence: The Laws of Logic:

- use truth tables and propositions to determine when two statements are functionally equivalent

Def: Two statements s_1 and s_2 are said to be logically equivalent, denoted $s_1 \Leftrightarrow s_2$, when the truth tables for s_1 and s_2 are the same.

Examples:

$$(p \rightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow (\bar{p} \vee q)$$

$$(p \leftrightarrow q) \Leftrightarrow (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$$

DeMorgan's Law

$$\overline{p \wedge q} \Leftrightarrow \bar{p} \vee \bar{q}$$

$$\overline{p \vee q} \Leftrightarrow \bar{p} \wedge \bar{q}$$

Distributive Law

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

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

Commutative Law

$$p \vee q \Leftrightarrow q \vee p$$

$$p \wedge q \Leftrightarrow q \wedge p$$

Associative Law

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

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

Idempotent Law

$$p \vee p \Leftrightarrow p ; \quad p \wedge p \Leftrightarrow p$$

Identity Law

$$p \vee F_o \Leftrightarrow p ; \quad p \wedge T_o \Leftrightarrow p$$

Inverse Law

$$p \vee \bar{p} \Leftrightarrow T_o ; \quad p \wedge \bar{p} \Leftrightarrow F_o$$

Domination Law

$$p \vee T_o \Leftrightarrow T_o ; \quad p \wedge F_o \Leftrightarrow F_o$$

Absorption Law

$$p \vee (p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow p ; \quad p \wedge (p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow p$$

Law of Double Negation

$$\overline{\bar{p}} \Leftrightarrow p$$

Example: Prove the following is true
 $(\bar{p} \vee q) \wedge (p \wedge (p \wedge q)) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q)$

$$LHS \Leftrightarrow (\bar{p} \vee q) \wedge ((p \wedge p) \wedge q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\bar{p} \vee q) \wedge (p \wedge q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\bar{p} \wedge (p \wedge q) \vee (q \wedge (p \wedge q)))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow ((\bar{p} \wedge p) \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge q)$$

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

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

$$\Leftrightarrow p \wedge q$$

s : statement involving only \wedge , \vee

s^d : dual of s , by replacing \wedge , \vee , T_o ,

F_o with \vee , \wedge , F_o , T_o

Example:

$$s: p \vee \bar{p}$$

$$s^d: p \wedge \bar{p}$$

Theorem 2.1: (The Principle of Duality)

s, t : statements

If $s \Leftrightarrow t$ then $s^d \Leftrightarrow t^d$

Proof can be proved using Boolean algebra. However, we will not prove it until Chapter 15.

Substitution Rule:

(1) P : compound statement and a tautology

If p is a statement that appears in P and we replace each occurrence of p with the same statement q then the resulting compound statement Q is also a tautology

Proof. If p is replaced with q , then the same truth values can be applied to q as well. Since with these truth values, P is a tautology, Q must be a tautology too.

(2) P : compound statement

p : a statement appears in P

If q is a statement such that $p \Leftrightarrow q$ then if we replace each occurrence of p in P with q then the resulting compound statement $Q \Leftrightarrow P$

Proof. Similar to the above case.

Example:

$$\text{Simplify } \overline{(P \wedge q) \rightarrow r}$$

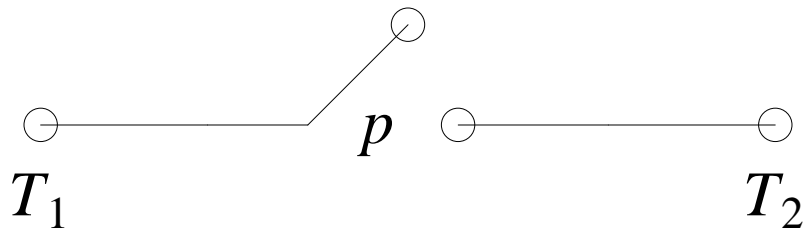
$$\Leftrightarrow \overline{\overline{(p \wedge q)} \vee r}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \overline{\overline{(p \wedge q)} \wedge \bar{r}}$$

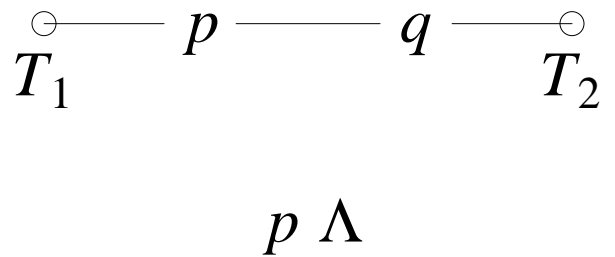
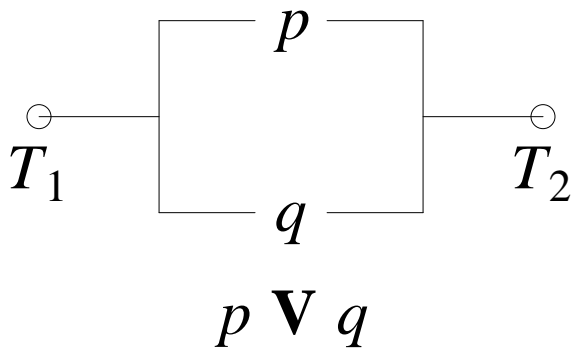
$$\Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \wedge \bar{r}$$

How to use logic laws to simplify logic circuits:

Example: Network with one switch:

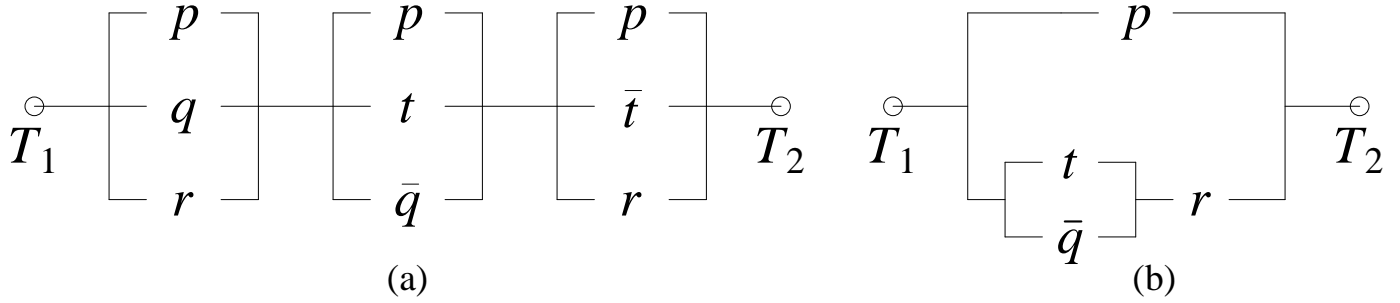


Current flows from T_1 to T_2 if the switch p is closed.



In the first case, current flows from T_1 to T_2 if either of the switches p , q is closed. In the second case, current flows from T_1 to T_2 if both switches are closed.

In the following, prove that (a) and (b) are equivalent.



$$(p \mathbf{V} q \mathbf{V} r) \Lambda (p \mathbf{V} t \mathbf{V} \bar{q}) \Lambda (p \mathbf{V} \bar{t} \mathbf{V} r)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p \mathbf{V} ((q \mathbf{V} r) \Lambda (t \mathbf{V} \bar{q}) \Lambda (\bar{t} \mathbf{V} r))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p \mathbf{V} ((t \mathbf{V} \bar{q}) \Lambda ((q \Lambda \bar{t}) \mathbf{V} r))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p \mathbf{V} ((t \mathbf{V} \bar{q}) \Lambda (\overline{(\bar{q} \Lambda t)} \mathbf{V} r))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p \mathbf{V} (((t \mathbf{V} \bar{q}) \Lambda \overline{(\bar{q} \Lambda t)}) \mathbf{V} ((t \mathbf{V} \bar{q}) \Lambda r))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p \mathbf{V} (F_o \mathbf{V} ((t \mathbf{V} \bar{q}) \Lambda r))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p \mathbf{V} ((t \mathbf{V} \bar{q}) \Lambda r)$$