

## Vocabulary

- open sentence	- logically equivalent
- converse	- contrapositive
- if and only if	- De Morgan's Laws

## Definitions and Notation

- A sentence whose truth depends on the value of one or more variables is called an **open sentence**. An **open sentence** is not a statement.
- The statement  $Q \Rightarrow P$  is called the **converse** of  $P \Rightarrow Q$ .
- NOTE: A conditional statement and its converse express entirely different things!*
- $P \Leftrightarrow Q$  means  $(P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P)$ . It is read “P if and only if Q”.
- List of alternative phrases, all of which mean “ $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ ”
  - P if and only if Q
  - P is a necessary and sufficient condition for Q.
  - For P is it necessary and sufficient that Q.
  - If P, then Q, and conversely.
- Two statements are **logically equivalent** if their truth values match up line-for-line in a truth table. In symbols, we express this using the equals sign.
- RULE: We are allowed to replace a statement with a logically equivalent statement
- The **contrapositive** of  $P \Rightarrow Q$  is  $(\sim Q) \Rightarrow (\sim P)$ .

$$x+7=1$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2(x+7) &= \\ 2x + 14 &= \end{aligned}$$

## Example 1: Truth table for $P \Leftrightarrow Q$

		$P \Leftrightarrow Q$ $(P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P)$
P	Q	
T	T	
T	F	
F	T	
F	F	

## Common Logical Equivalences

- contrapositive:  $P \Rightarrow Q = (\sim Q) \Rightarrow (\sim P)$
- De Morgans Laws: a)  $\sim(P \wedge Q) = (\sim P) \vee (\sim Q)$   
b)  $\sim(P \vee Q) = (\sim P) \wedge (\sim Q)$

## Example 3

- a) Write an expression that means “Either P or Q is true, but not both”.  
 b) Complete the truth table for the expression below.

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

## Example 4

Consider the statement

S: The product  $xy$  equals zero if and only if  $x = 0$  or  $y = 0$ .

- a) Express S in symbols as a combination of the three simple statements P, Q and R, where  
 $P: xy = 0 \quad Q: x = 0 \quad R: y = 0$
- b) Write a truth table for the expression you created above.

HINT: start with columns for P, Q, and R, and consider all combinations of T and F for these three statements.

## Example 5

Determine whether the statements  $P \wedge (Q \vee R)$  and  $(P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R)$  are logically equivalent.

# Logic

Statement - can be true or false

Operators

Λ conjunction, "and"

∨ disjunction, "or"

~ negation, "not"

$P \rightarrow Q$  conditional "if... then"

$P \leftrightarrow Q$  biconditional "if and only if"

→ shorthand for:

$P \rightarrow Q$   
and  
 $Q \rightarrow P$

$$x+3=5$$

**Example 1: Truth table for  $P \leftrightarrow Q$**

		$P \leftrightarrow Q$		
		$(P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P)$		
P	Q	T	<b>T</b>	T
T	T	F	<b>F</b>	T
T	F	F	<b>F</b>	F
F	T	T	<b>F</b>	F
F	F	T	<b>T</b>	T

Example:

"Dogs can bark if and only if pigs can fly"

Is this statement true?

**false**

"If I'm elected president then I will create universal health care"  
- some politician

Question is

$$P \leftrightarrow Q = (P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge \neg Q)$$

claim: these are logically equivalent

To show this is true, show the truth tables match up row for row.

We want to know if this is true  
 (the politician kept his word)  
 or false  
 (the politician lied)

P	Q	$P \leftrightarrow Q$	$(P_1 Q) \vee (\neg P_1 \neg Q)$
T	T	T	T T F F F
T	F	F	F F F F T
F	T	F	F F T F F
F	F	T	F T T T T

Thus  $P \leftrightarrow Q$  is logically equivalent to  $(P_1 Q) \vee (\neg P_1 \neg Q)$  □

Recall the conditional  $P \rightarrow Q$

Then  $Q \rightarrow P$  is called the converse.

Ques: Is the converse logically equivalent to the original conditional?  
 $(P \rightarrow Q = Q \rightarrow P)$

$P \mid Q$	$P \rightarrow Q$	$Q \rightarrow P$
T   T	T	T
T   F	F	T
F   T	T	F
F   F	T	T

Not logically equivalent  
"they don't mean the same thing"

$$P \rightarrow Q \neq Q \rightarrow P$$

↓  
what is this equivalent to?

is  $P \rightarrow Q$  equivalent to:

$Q \rightarrow P$  converse NO

$$\sim P \rightarrow Q$$

$$P \rightarrow \sim Q$$

$$\sim P \rightarrow \sim Q$$

$$\boxed{\sim Q \rightarrow \sim P}$$
 contrapositive.

Fact  $P \rightarrow Q$  is logically  
equiv. to the contrapositive  
 $(\sim Q) \rightarrow (\sim P)$

$$P \rightarrow Q = (\neg Q) \rightarrow (\neg P)$$

$P \mid Q$	$P \rightarrow Q$	$\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$
T   T	T	F   T   F
T   F	F	T   F   F
F   T	T	F   T   T
F   F	T	T   T   T

Yes, logically equivalent!

Thus, we can always replace  $P \rightarrow Q$  with the contrapositive  $\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$ ,

they mean the same thing!

**Example 4**

Consider the statement

S: The product  $xy$  equals zero if and only if  $x = 0$  or  $y = 0$ .

- a) Express S in symbols as a combination of the three simple statements P, Q and R, where

P:  $xy = 0$       Q:  $x = 0$       R:  $y = 0$

- b) Write a truth table for the expression you created above.

HINT: start with columns for P, Q, and R, and consider all combinations of T and F for these three statements.

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

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

$x = 0$   
 $y = 0$   
 $xy = 0$

~~$x = 5$~~   
 $x = 5$   
 $y = 5$   
 $xy = 25$

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1. Suppose  $A_1 = \{a, b, d, e, g, f\}$ ,  $A_2 = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $A_3 = \{b, d, a\}$  and  $A_4 = \{a, b, h\}$ .  
 (a)  $\bigcup_{i=1}^4 A_i =$       (b)  $\bigcap_{i=1}^4 A_i =$

2. Suppose  $\begin{cases} A_1 = \{0, 2, 4, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24\}, \\ A_2 = \{0, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24\}, \\ A_3 = \{0, 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24\}. \end{cases}$   
 (a)  $\bigcup_{i=1}^3 A_i =$       (b)  $\bigcap_{i=1}^3 A_i =$

3. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $A_n = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ .  
 (a)  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i =$       (b)  $\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i =$

4. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\tilde{A}_n = \{-2n, 0, 2n\}$ .  
 (a)  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i =$       (b)  $\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i =$

5. (a)  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} [i, i+1] =$       (b)  $\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} [i, i+1] =$

6. (a)  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} [0, i+1] =$       (b)  $\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} [0, i+1] =$

$$\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, i\}$$

3. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $A_n = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ .

(a)  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$       (b)  $\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i = \{0, 1\}$

What can  $i$  equal?

$i=1 \quad A_0 = \{0, 1\}$

$i=2 \quad A_2 = \{0, 1, 2\}$

$i=3 \quad A_3 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

$A_4$

$\vdots \quad \vdots$

$i=100 \quad A_{100} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 100\}$   
 $\vdots$

5. (a)  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} [i, i+1] =$       (b)  $\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} [i, i+1] =$

$A_i = \text{closed interval } [i, i+1], A_i = [i, i+1]$

$\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i$

$i=1, \quad A_1 = [1, 2] \quad \xleftarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \bullet \bullet \rightarrow$

$i=2, \quad A_2 = [2, 3] \quad \xleftarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \bullet \bullet \rightarrow$

$A_3 = [3, 4] \quad \xleftarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \bullet \bullet \rightarrow$

$A_{100} = [100, 101] \quad \xleftarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \bullet \bullet \rightarrow$

$\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} [i, i+1] = \boxed{\xleftarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \bullet \bullet \rightarrow}$   
 $= \boxed{[1, \infty)}$

$\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} [i, i+1] = \{ ? \} = \emptyset$

$\bigcup_{i \in N} [0, r_i] = \mathbb{R} - \emptyset$