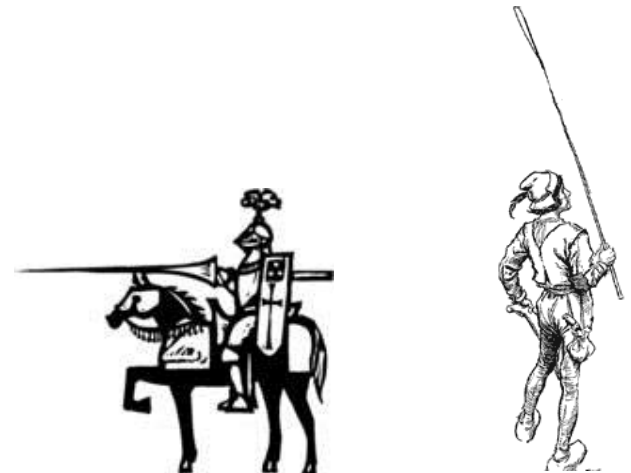


COMP 1002

Intro to Logic for Computer Scientists

Lecture 4



Admin stuff

- Labs starting next week:
 - Section 1: Thursday 9am, CS-1019
 - Section 2: Tuesday 9am, CS-1019
 - If you are on a waiting list, come to Tuesday lab.
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- Assignment 1 is posted, due Sep 25th, 10pm
 - Type it up and submit on D2L
 - If you'd like to try setting it in LaTeX, the source is available

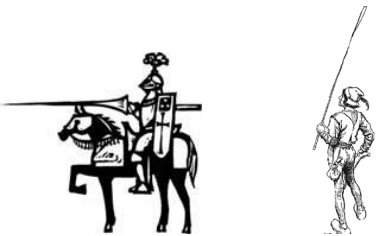




Knights and knaves



- On a mystical island, there are two kinds of people: knights and knaves. Knights always tell the truth. Knaves always lie.
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- Look at the sentence “I am a knave”. Who of the knights/knaves can say this?
- If A is “Arnold is a knight” and S is “I am a knave”, when is $S \leftrightarrow A$ (what Arnold said is true if and only if he is a knight).
- But also “I am a knave” is the same as saying $\neg A$
- $A \leftrightarrow \neg A$ is a contradiction: it is false no matter what A is.
- So Bob must be lying: Bob is a knave. And Charlie is a knight.



Logical equivalence

- Two formulas F and G are **logically equivalent** ($F \Leftrightarrow G$ or $F \equiv G$) if they have the same value for every row in the truth table on their variables.
 - $A \wedge \neg A \equiv False$ (same as saying it is a contradiction)
 - $(\neg A \vee B) \equiv (A \rightarrow B)$
 - $(A \leftrightarrow B) \equiv (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow A)$
 - \leftrightarrow is sometimes called the “biconditional”
 - \leftrightarrow often pronounced as “if and only if”, or “iff”
- Useful fact: proving that $F \equiv G$ can be done by proving that $F \leftrightarrow G$ is a tautology



Double negation



- Negation cancels negation
 - $\neg\neg A \equiv A$
 - “I do not disagree with you” = “I agree with you”
- For a human brain, harder to parse a sentence with multiple negations:
 - Alice says: “I refuse to vote against repealing the ban on smoking in public. “
 - Does Alice like smoking in public or hate it?

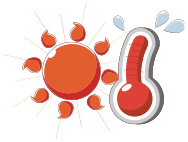




De Morgan's Laws



- Simplifying negated formulas
 - For AND: $\neg (A \wedge B)$ is equivalent to $(\neg A \vee \neg B)$
 - For OR: $\neg (A \vee B) \equiv (\neg A \wedge \neg B)$
- Example:
 - $\neg (\neg A \vee B)$ is $\neg\neg A \wedge \neg B$, same as $A \wedge \neg B$
 - So, since $(A \rightarrow B)$ is equivalent to $(\neg A \vee B)$,
 $\neg(A \rightarrow B)$ is equivalent to $A \wedge \neg B$





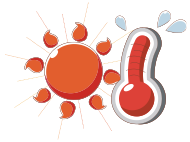
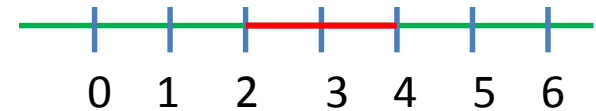
De Morgan's laws: examples



- Let A be “it’s sunny” and B “it’s cold”.
 - “It’s sunny and cold today”! -- No, it’s not!
 - That could mean
 - No, it’s not sunny.
 - No, it’s not cold.
 - No, it’s neither sunny nor cold.
 - In all of these scenarios, “It’s either not sunny or not cold” is true.



- Let A be “ $x < 2$ ”, B be “ $x > 4$ ”.
 - “Either $x < 2$ or $x > 4$ ” – No, it is not!
 - Then $2 \leq x \leq 4$



More examples



- Let A be “I play” and B “I win”.
 - $A \rightarrow B$: “If I play, then I win”
 - Equivalent to $\neg A \vee B$: “Either I do not play, or I win”.
- Negation: $\neg(A \rightarrow B)$: “It is not so that if I play then I win”.
 - By de Morgan’s law: $\neg(\neg A \vee B) \equiv (\neg\neg A \wedge \neg B)$
 - By double negation: $(\neg\neg A \wedge \neg B) \equiv (A \wedge \neg B)$
 - So negation of “If I play then I win” is “I play **and** I **don’t** win”.

Longer example of negation

- Start with the outermost connective and keep applying de Morgan's laws and double negation.
- Stop when all negations are on variables.
- $\neg ((A \vee \neg B) \rightarrow (\neg A \wedge C))$
 - $(A \vee \neg B) \wedge \neg(\neg A \wedge C)$ (negating \rightarrow)
 - $(A \vee \neg B) \wedge (\neg\neg A \vee \neg C)$ (de Morgan)
 - $(A \vee \neg B) \wedge (A \vee \neg C)$ (removing $\neg\neg$)

Simplifying formulas

- $A \wedge C \rightarrow (\neg B \vee C)$
 - $\text{By}(F \rightarrow G) \equiv (\neg F \vee G)$
 - equivalent to $\neg(A \wedge C) \vee (\neg B \vee C)$
 - De Morgan's law
 - $\neg(A \wedge C)$ is equivalent to $(\neg A \vee \neg C)$
 - So the whole formula becomes
 - $\neg A \vee \neg C \vee \neg B \vee C$
 - But $\neg C \vee C$ is always true!
 - So the whole formula is a tautology.

More useful equivalences

- For any formulas A, B, C :
 - $A \vee \neg A \equiv \text{True}$ $A \wedge \neg A \equiv \text{False}$
 - $\text{True} \vee A \equiv \text{True}$. $\text{True} \wedge A \equiv A$
 - $\text{False} \vee A \equiv A$. $\text{False} \wedge A \equiv \text{False}$
 - $A \vee A \equiv A \wedge A \equiv A$
- Also, like in arithmetic (with \vee as $+$, \wedge as $*$)
 - $A \vee B \equiv B \vee A$ and $(A \vee B) \vee C \equiv A \vee (B \vee C)$
 - Same holds for \wedge .
 - Also, $(A \vee B) \wedge C \equiv (A \wedge C) \vee (B \wedge C)$
- And unlike arithmetic
 - $(A \wedge B) \vee C \equiv (A \vee C) \wedge (B \vee C)$

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- Can now simplify further, if we want to.
 - $A \vee (\neg B \wedge \neg C)$ (taking A outside the parentheses)

Puzzle 4

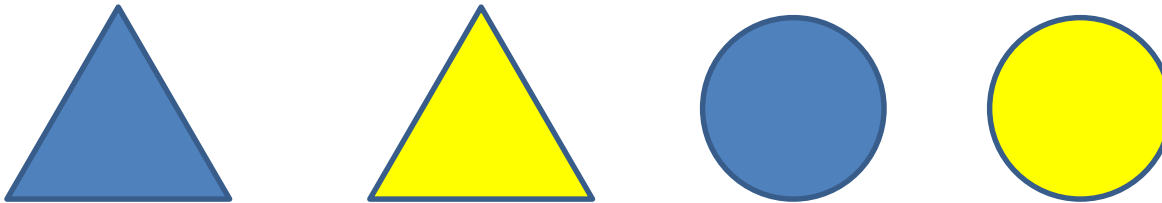
- I like one of the shapes.



- I like one of the colours.



- I like a figure if it has either my favourite shape or my favourite colour.



- I like  . What can you say about the rest?