

#### COMP 1002

#### Intro to Logic for Computer Scientists

Lecture 5







#### Admin stuff

- First lab Jan 18<sup>th</sup> (this Wednesday).
- Lab is posted: see the webpage.



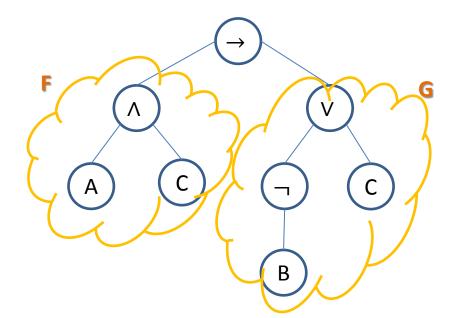
- If you do have a time conflict at 11am:
  - Come to EN-1049
- If you do not have a time conflict at 11am:
  - Come to CS-1019
- Lab quizzes count as 25% part of your mark!

## 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?
- I might like triangles, or blue things, or both.
- There is one figure I don't like, but not enough information to say which one it is. I might still like

## Simplifying formulas

- $A \wedge C \rightarrow (\neg B \vee C)$ 
  - Order of precedence:  $\rightarrow$  is the outermost, that is, the formula is of the form  $F \rightarrow G$ , where F is  $(A \land C)$ , and G is  $(\neg B \lor C)$ .



# Simplifying formulas

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

#### More useful equivalences

- For any formulas A, B, C:
  - $TRUE \lor A \equiv TRUE.$
  - $-FALSE \lor A \equiv A.$
  - $-\operatorname{AV} A \equiv A \wedge A \equiv A$

- $TRUE \land A \equiv A$  $FALSE \land A \equiv FALSE$
- Also, like in arithmetic (with V as +, ∧ as \*)
  - $-A \lor B \equiv B \lor A$  and  $(A \lor B) \lor C \equiv A \lor (B \lor C)$
  - Same holds for  $\wedge$ .
  - Also,  $(A \lor B) \land C \equiv (A \land C) \lor (B \land C)$
- And unlike arithmetic

 $-(A \land B) \lor C \equiv (A \lor C) \land (B \lor C)$ 

#### 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.

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$$\neg ((A \lor \neg B) \rightarrow (\neg A \land C))$$

- $(A \lor \neg B) \land \neg (\neg A \land C)$  (negating  $\rightarrow$ )
- $(A \lor \neg B) \land (\neg \neg A \lor \neg C)$  (de Morgan)
- $(A \lor \neg B) \land (A \lor \neg C)$  (removing  $\neg \neg$ )
- Can now simplify further, if we want to.
  - $A \lor (\neg B \land \neg C)$  (taking A outside the parentheses)





 On a mystical island, there are two kinds of people: knights and knaves. Knights always tell the truth. Knaves always lie.

 Puzzle 5: You hear a person from the island of knights and knaves say "if I am a knight, then it will rain tomorrow". What can you conclude from this?