

# CS 441 Discrete Mathematics for CS

## Lecture 1

### Propositional logic

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# Logic

- **Logic:**
  - defines a formal language for logical reasoning
- A tool that helps us to understand how to construct a valid argument
- **Logic Defines:**
  - the meaning of statements
  - the rules of logical inference

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## Composite statements

- More complex propositional statements can be build from the elementary statements using **logical connectives**.
- **Logical connectives:**
  - Negation
  - Conjunction
  - Disjunction
  - Exclusive or
  - Implication
  - Biconditional

## Negation

- **Defn:** Let  $p$  be a proposition. The statement "It is not the case that  $p$ ." is another proposition, called the **negation of  $p$** . The negation of  $p$  is denoted by  $\neg p$  and read as "not  $p$ ."
- **Examples:**
  - It is **not the case** that Pitt is located in the Oakland section of Pittsburgh.
  - $5 + 2 \neq 8$ .
  - 10 is **not** a prime number.
  - It is **not** the case that buses stop running at 9:00pm.

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## Negation

- A **truth table** displays **the relationships between truth values** (T or F) of propositions.

p	$\neg p$
T	F
F	T

## Conjunction

- **Definition:** Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The proposition "**p and q**" denoted by  $p \wedge q$ , is true when both  $p$  and  $q$  are true and is false otherwise. The proposition  $p \wedge q$  is called the **conjunction** of  $p$  and  $q$ .
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  - It is raining today **and** 2 is a prime number.
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  - 13 is a perfect square **and** 9 is a prime.

## Disjunction

- **Definition:** Let  $p$  and  $q$  be propositions. The proposition "**p or q**" denoted by  $p \vee q$ , is false when both  $p$  and  $q$  are false and is true otherwise. The proposition  $p \vee q$  is called the **disjunction** of  $p$  and  $q$ .
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  - $p$  only if  $q$
  - $p$  is sufficient for  $q$
  - $q$  whenever  $p$
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- The **converse** of  $p \rightarrow q$  is  $q \rightarrow p$ .
- The **contrapositive** of  $p \rightarrow q$  is  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- The **inverse** of  $p \rightarrow q$  is  $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
- **Examples:**
  - If it snows, the traffic moves slowly.
  - $p$ : it snows    $q$ : traffic moves slowly.
  - $p \rightarrow q$
- **The converse:**

If the traffic moves slowly then it snows.

  - $q \rightarrow p$

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  - If it snows, the traffic moves slowly.
- **The contrapositive:**
  - If the traffic does not move slowly then it does not snow.
  - $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- **The inverse:**
  - If does not snow the traffic moves quickly.
  - $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$