

Logical Connectives (2A)

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List of Logical Connectives

Commonly used logical connectives include

- Negation (not): \neg , N (prefix), \sim
- Conjunction (and): \wedge , K (prefix), $\&$, \bullet
- Disjunction (or): \vee , A (prefix)
- Material implication (if...then): \rightarrow , C (prefix), \Rightarrow , \supset
- Biconditional (if and only if): \leftrightarrow , E (prefix), \equiv , $=$

Alternative names for biconditional are "iff", "xnor" and "bi-implication".

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logical_connective

Examples

For example, the meaning of the statements *it is raining* and *I am indoors* is transformed when the two are combined with logical connectives. For statement $P = \textit{It is raining}$ and $Q = \textit{I am indoors}$:

- It is **not** raining ($\neg P$)
- It is raining **and** I am indoors ($P \wedge Q$)
- It is raining **or** I am indoors ($P \vee Q$)
- **If** it is raining, **then** I am indoors ($P \rightarrow Q$)
- **If** I am indoors, **then** it is raining ($Q \rightarrow P$)
- I am indoors **if and only if** it is raining ($P \leftrightarrow Q$)

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Tautology and Contradiction

It is also common to consider the *always true* formula and the *always false* formula to be connective:

- True formula (\top , 1, \vee [prefix], or T)
- False formula (\perp , 0, \circ [prefix], or F)

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Truth Table and Venn Diagram

Name / Symbol		Truth table		Venn
		$P =$		diagram
Truth/Tautology	\top	1	1	
Proposition P		0	1	
False/Contradiction	\perp	0	0	
Negation	\neg	1	0	

Binary connectives		$P =$	$Q =$	
Conjunction	\wedge	0 0 1 1	0 1 0 1	
Alternative denial	\uparrow	1 1 1 0		
Disjunction	\vee	0 1 1 1		
Joint denial	\downarrow	1 0 0 0		
Material conditional	\rightarrow	1 1 0 1		
Exclusive or	\leftrightarrow	0 1 1 0		
Biconditional	\leftrightarrow	1 0 0 1		
Converse implication	\leftarrow	1 0 1 1		
Proposition P		0 0 1 1		
Proposition Q		0 1 0 1		

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Precedence

Order of precedence [\[edit \]](#)

As a way of reducing the number of necessary parentheses, one may introduce **precedence rules**: \neg has higher precedence than \wedge , \wedge higher than \vee , and \vee higher than \rightarrow . So for example, $P \vee Q \wedge \neg R \rightarrow S$ is short for $(P \vee (Q \wedge (\neg R))) \rightarrow S$.

Here is a table that shows a commonly used precedence of logical operators.^[15]

Operator	Precedence
\neg	1
\wedge	2
\vee	3
\rightarrow	4
\leftrightarrow	5

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Properties

- **Associativity:** Within an expression containing two or more of the same associative connectives in a row, the order of the operations does not matter as long as the sequence of the operands is not changed.
- **Commutativity:** The operands of the connective may be swapped preserving logical equivalence to the original expression.
- **Distributivity:** A connective denoted by \cdot distributes over another connective denoted by $+$, if $a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$ for all operands a, b, c .
- **Idempotence:** Whenever the operands of the operation are the same, the compound is logically equivalent to the operand.
- **Absorption:** A pair of connectives \wedge, \vee satisfies the absorption law if $a \wedge (a \vee b) = a$ for all operands a, b .

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Associativity

Truth functional connectives [edit]

Associativity is a property of some **logical connectives** of truth-functional **propositional logic**. The following **logical equivalences** demonstrate that associativity is a property of particular connectives. The following are truth-functional **tautologies**.

Associativity of disjunction:

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

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

Associativity of conjunction:

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

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

Associativity of equivalence:

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

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

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Associative_property

Commutativity

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Commutativity is a property of some **logical connectives** of truth functional **propositional logic**. The following **logical equivalences** demonstrate that commutativity is a property of particular connectives. The following are truth-functional **tautologies**.

Commutativity of conjunction

$$(P \wedge Q) \leftrightarrow (Q \wedge P)$$

Commutativity of disjunction

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

Commutativity of implication (also called the law of permutation)

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

Commutativity of equivalence (also called the complete commutative law of equivalence)

$$(P \leftrightarrow Q) \leftrightarrow (Q \leftrightarrow P)$$

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Distributivity (1)

Truth functional connectives [edit]

Distributivity is a property of some logical connectives of truth-functional [propositional logic](#). The following logical equivalences demonstrate that distributivity is a property of particular connectives. The following are truth-functional [tautologies](#).

Distribution of conjunction over conjunction

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

Distribution of conjunction over disjunction

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

Distribution of disjunction over conjunction

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

Distribution of disjunction over disjunction

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

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Distributivity (2)

Distribution of implication over equivalence

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

Distribution of disjunction over equivalence

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

Double distribution

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

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

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Logical Conjunction

In logic, mathematics and linguistics, And (\wedge) is the truth-functional operator of **logical conjunction**; the *and* of a set of operands is true if and only if *all* of its operands are true. The logical connective that represents this operator is typically written as \wedge or \cdot .

"A and B" is true only if A is true and B is true.

An operand of a conjunction is a **conjunct**.

Truth table [\[edit \]](#)

The truth table of $A \wedge B$:

INPUT		OUTPUT
A	B	$A \wedge B$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

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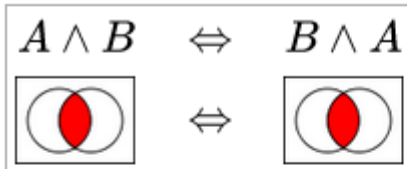
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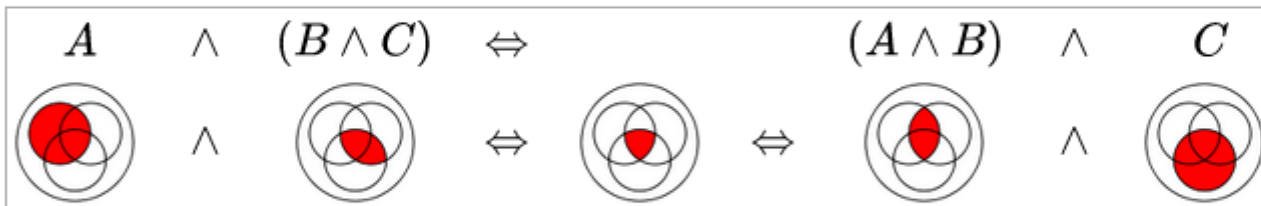
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Properties of Conjunction

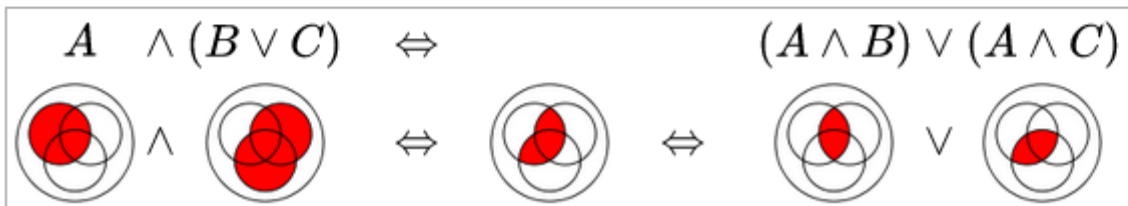
commutativity: yes



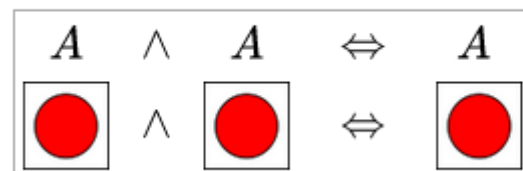
associativity: yes



distributivity: with various operations, especially with *or*



idempotency: yes



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Conjunction in boolean algebra

Applications in computer engineering [edit]

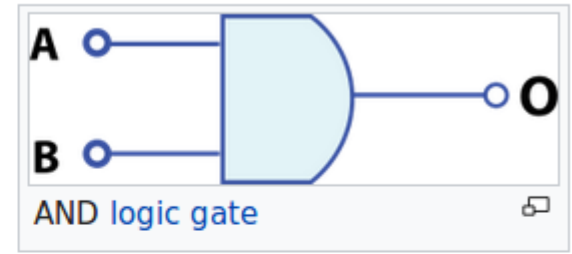
In high-level computer programming and [digital electronics](#), logical conjunction is commonly represented by an infix operator, usually as a keyword such as "AND", an algebraic multiplication, or the ampersand symbol "&". Many languages also provide [short-circuit](#) control structures corresponding to logical conjunction.

Logical conjunction is often used for bitwise operations, where `0` corresponds to false and `1` to true:

- `0 AND 0 = 0`,
- `0 AND 1 = 0`,
- `1 AND 0 = 0`,
- `1 AND 1 = 1`.

The operation can also be applied to two binary [words](#) viewed as [bitstrings](#) of equal length, by taking the bitwise AND of each pair of bits at corresponding positions. For example:

- `11000110 AND 10100011 = 10000010`.



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Disjunction

Logical disjunction is an operation on two logical values, typically the values of two propositions, that has a value of *false* if and only if both of its operands are false. More generally, a disjunction is a logical formula that can have one or more literals separated only by 'or's. A single literal is often considered to be a degenerate disjunction.

Truth table [\[edit \]](#)

The truth table of $A \vee B$:

INPUT		OUTPUT
A	B	$A \vee B$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Distributive_property

Properties of disjunction

- **associativity:** $a \vee (b \vee c) \equiv (a \vee b) \vee c$
- **commutativity:** $a \vee b \equiv b \vee a$
- **distributivity:** $(a \vee (b \wedge c)) \equiv ((a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c))$
 $(a \vee (b \vee c)) \equiv ((a \vee b) \vee (a \vee c))$
 $(a \vee (b \equiv c)) \equiv ((a \vee b) \equiv (a \vee c))$
- **idempotency:** $a \vee a \equiv a$

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Disjunction in boolean algebra

Applications in computer science [edit]

Operators corresponding to logical disjunction exist in most programming languages.

Bitwise operation [edit]

Disjunction is often used for bitwise operations. Examples:

- $0 \text{ or } 0 = 0$
- $0 \text{ or } 1 = 1$
- $1 \text{ or } 0 = 1$
- $1 \text{ or } 1 = 1$
- $1010 \text{ or } 1100 = 1110$

The `or` operator can be used to set bits in a `bit field` to 1, by `or`-ing the field with a constant field with the relevant bits set to 1. For example, `x = x | 0b00000001` will force the final bit to 1 while leaving other bits unchanged.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logical_disjunction

Material conditional

The **material conditional** (also known as material implication, *material consequence*, or simply *implication*, *implies*, or *conditional*) is a **logical connective** (or a **binary operator**) that is often symbolized by a forward arrow " \rightarrow ". The material conditional is used to form **statements** of the form $p \rightarrow q$ (termed a *conditional statement*) which is read as "if p then q ". Unlike the English construction "if...then...", the material conditional statement $p \rightarrow q$ does not specify a **causal relationship** between p and q . It is merely to be understood to mean "if p is true, then q is also true" such that the statement $p \rightarrow q$ is false only when p is true and q is false.^[1] The material conditional only states that q is true when (but not necessarily only when) p is true, and makes no claim that p causes q .

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Material_conditional

Disjunction in boolean algebra

As a truth function [edit]

In [classical logic](#), the compound $p \rightarrow q$ is logically equivalent to the negative compound: not both p and not q . Thus the compound $p \rightarrow q$ is *false if and only if* both p is true and q is false. By the same stroke, $p \rightarrow q$ is *true* if and only if either p is false or q is true (or both). Thus \rightarrow is a function from pairs of [truth values](#) of the components p, q to truth values of the compound $p \rightarrow q$, whose truth value is entirely a function of the truth values of the components. Hence, this interpretation is called *truth-functional*. The compound $p \rightarrow q$ is logically equivalent also to $\neg p \vee q$ (either not p , or q (or both)), and to $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ (if not q then not p). But it is not equivalent to $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$, which is equivalent to $q \rightarrow p$.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Material_conditional

Disjunction in boolean algebra

Truth table [edit]

The truth table associated with the material conditional $p \rightarrow q$ is identical to that of $\neg p \vee q$. It is as follows:

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

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Logical Equivalence

In **logic**, statements p and q are **logically equivalent** if they have the same logical content. This is a **semantic** concept; two statements are equivalent if they have the same **truth value** in every **model** (Mendelson 1979:56). The logical equivalence of p and q is sometimes expressed as $p \equiv q$, $\mathbf{E}pq$, or $p \iff q$. However, these symbols are also used for **material equivalence**; the proper interpretation depends on the context. Logical equivalence is different from material equivalence, although the two concepts are closely related.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logical_equivalence

Laws of logical equivalence (1)

Equivalence	Name
$p \wedge \mathbf{T} \equiv p$ $p \vee \mathbf{F} \equiv p$	Identity laws
$p \vee \mathbf{T} \equiv \mathbf{T}$ $p \wedge \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Domination laws
$p \vee p \equiv p$ $p \wedge p \equiv p$	Idempotent laws
$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$	Double negation law
$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$ $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$	Commutative laws
$(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$ $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$	Associative laws
$p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$	Distributive laws

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Laws of logical equivalence (2)

$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$	De Morgan's laws
$p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$ $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$	Absorption laws
$p \vee \neg p \equiv \mathbf{T}$ $p \wedge \neg p \equiv \mathbf{F}$	Negation laws

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Logical equivalence and conditionals

Logical equivalences involving conditional statements:

1. $p \implies q \equiv \neg p \vee q$
2. $p \implies q \equiv \neg q \implies \neg p$
3. $p \vee q \equiv \neg p \implies q$
4. $p \wedge q \equiv \neg(p \implies \neg q)$
5. $\neg(p \implies q) \equiv p \wedge \neg q$
6. $(p \implies q) \wedge (p \implies r) \equiv p \implies (q \wedge r)$
7. $(p \implies q) \vee (p \implies r) \equiv p \implies (q \vee r)$
8. $(p \implies r) \wedge (q \implies r) \equiv (p \vee q) \implies r$
9. $(p \implies r) \vee (q \implies r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \implies r$

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Logical equivalence and bi-conditionals

Logical equivalences involving biconditionals:

$$1. p \iff q \equiv (p \implies q) \wedge (q \implies p)$$

$$2. p \iff q \equiv \neg p \iff \neg q$$

$$3. p \iff q \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$$

$$4. \neg(p \iff q) \equiv p \iff \neg q$$

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logical_equivalence

Logical equivalence and bi-conditionals

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logical_disjunction

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