

§6 Boolean Algebra.

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• Operators: $\wedge, \vee, \neg$

A	B	$A \wedge B$	$A \vee B$	$\neg A$
T	T	T	T	F
T	F	F	T	F
F	T	F	T	T
F	F	F	F	T

• Example: calculate the value of

$$(\neg \text{FALSE} \vee \neg \text{TRUE}) \wedge \text{TRUE}$$

• Def: Two boolean expressions are logically equivalent provided that they have the same values for all possible instances of their variables.

• Prop 6.1:

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$$\neg(x \wedge y) = (\neg x) \vee (\neg y)$$

• Proof: In order to ~~compare~~ compare the above Boolean expressions in all possible situations, we construct a truth table

x	y	$x \wedge y$	$\neg(x \wedge y)$	$\neg x$	$\neg y$	$(\neg x) \vee (\neg y)$
F	F					
F	T					
T	F					
T	T					

• Proof Template 4: To show the equivalence of two Boolean expressions.

1.) Construct a truth table showing the values of the two statements ~~i~~ for all possible instances of their variables.

2.) Check that the two expressions always have the same values.

Thm 6.2 :

- 1.) $x \wedge y = y \wedge x$; $x \vee y = y \vee x$,
- 2.) $x \wedge (y \wedge z) = (x \wedge y) \wedge z$; $(x \vee y) \vee z = x \vee (y \vee z)$,
- 3.) $x \wedge \text{TRUE} = x$; $x \vee \text{FALSE} = x$,
- 4.) $\neg (\neg x) = x$
- 5.) $x \wedge x = x$; $x \vee x = x$
- 6.) $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$;
 $x \vee (y \wedge z) = (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z)$.
- 7.) $x \wedge (\neg x) = \text{FALSE}$; $x \vee (\neg x) = \text{TRUE}$
- 8.) $\neg (x \wedge y) = (\neg x) \vee (\neg y)$;
 $\neg (x \vee y) = (\neg x) \wedge (\neg y)$.

Proof: We will prove #2 part 1. ~~We~~ We will leave the proofs of the rest as an exercise. Make sure that you can do them on a test.

x	y	z	$(x \wedge y)$	$(y \wedge z)$	$(x \wedge y) \wedge z$	$x \wedge (y \wedge z)$
F	F	F				
F	F	T				
F	T	F				
F	T	T				
T	F	F				
T	F	T				
T	T	F				
T	T	T				

More Operators:

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Def: ($\longrightarrow$ & $\longleftrightarrow$).

x	y	$x \longrightarrow y$	$x \longleftrightarrow y$
F	F	T	T
F	T	T	F
T	F	F	F
T	T	T	T

Proposition 6.3:

The expressions $x \longrightarrow y$ and $(\neg x) \vee y$ are logically equivalent.

Proof:

x	y	$x \longrightarrow y$	$\neg x$	$\neg x \vee y$
F	F	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	F
T	T	T	F	T