

2nd Week

# MAT 203E DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

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# Valid/Invalid Arguments



## Argument:

$$\begin{array}{l} p \rightarrow q \\ q \rightarrow r \\ \therefore p \rightarrow r \end{array}$$

A sequence of statements: all statements in an argument except for the final one, are called **premises** (or assumptions or hypotheses). The final statement is called the **conclusion**. The symbol  $\therefore$ , which is read “therefore,” is normally placed just before the conclusion.



# Valid / Invalid Arguments

! To say that an argument form is **valid** means that:

if the resulting premises are all true, then the conclusion is also true.

!! Otherwise the argument form is said to be **invalid**.

# Arguments.. checking validity

1. Create the truth table
2. Identify the columns of **premises** and **conclusion**.
3. Specify the «**critical rows**». (Rows where all the premises are True)
4. Look at the truth value of the conclusion at critical rows:
  - If all T : Argument is **valid**. 
  - If there is at least one F: Argument is **invalid**. 

## Example

- Determine whether the following argument forms are valid or invalid
- by drawing a truth table, indicating which columns represent the premises and which represent the conclusion,
- and annotating the table with a sentence of explanation.

$$\begin{array}{l} p \rightarrow q \\ q \rightarrow p \\ \therefore p \vee q \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} p \\ p \rightarrow q \\ \sim q \vee r \\ \therefore r \end{array}$$

**Table 2.3.1 Valid Argument Forms**

|                       |  |                                       |  |   |
|-----------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| <b>Modus Ponens</b>   | $p \rightarrow q$ $p$ $\therefore q$           | <b>Elimination</b>                    | <b>a.</b> $p \vee q$ $\sim q$ $\therefore p$                     | <b>b.</b> $p \vee q$ $\sim p$ $\therefore q$                  |
| <b>Modus Tollens</b>  | $p \rightarrow q$ $\sim q$ $\therefore \sim p$ | <b>Transitivity</b>                   | $p \rightarrow q$ $q \rightarrow r$ $\therefore p \rightarrow r$ |   |
| <b>Generalization</b> | <b>a.</b> $p$ $\therefore p \vee q$            | <b>b.</b> $q$ $\therefore p \vee q$   | <b>Proof by Division into Cases</b>                              | $p \vee q$ $p \rightarrow r$ $q \rightarrow r$ $\therefore r$ |
| <b>Specialization</b> | <b>a.</b> $p \wedge q$ $\therefore p$          | <b>b.</b> $p \wedge q$ $\therefore q$ |  |   |
| <b>Conjunction</b>    | $p$ $q$ $\therefore p \wedge q$                | <b>Contradiction Rule</b>             | $\sim p \rightarrow c$ $\therefore p$                            |   |

## #3 Predicates and Quantified Statements

- A **predicate** defines property of one or more variables.

$P(x)$  :  $x$  is cute.

$P$ : .... Being cute...

Domain( $D$ ):

Truth Set:  $\{x \in D : P(x)\}$

## Example

- Let  $P$  be the predicate  $P(x)$ : « $x$  divides 8» Find the truth sets for the given domains
  - a)  $D$ =Positive Integers
  - b)  $D$ =Integers



# Universal Quantifier ( $\forall$ )

- Let  $Q(x)$  be a predicate and  $D$  the domain of  $x$ . A universal statement is a statement of the form " $\forall x \in D, Q(x)$ ."
- It is defined to be true if, and only if,  $Q(x)$  is true for every  $x$  in  $D$ .
- It is defined to be false if, and only if,  $Q(x)$  is false for at least one  $x$  in  $D$ .
- A value for  $x$  for which  $Q(x)$  is false is called a **counterexample** to the universal statement.

$P(x)$ :  $x$  is a dog.  $Q(x)$ :  $x$  is cute.  $D$ : Zoo

$(\forall x \in D)[P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x)]$

## Examples

- $D = \{1,2,3,4,5\}, (\forall x \in D, x^2 \geq x)$ . Prove.
- $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq x)$ . Disprove.

# Existential Quantifier ( $\exists$ )

- Let  $Q(x)$  be a predicate and  $D$  the domain of  $x$ . An existential statement is a statement of the form “ $\exists x \in D$  such that  $Q(x)$ .”
- It is defined to be true if, and only if,  $Q(x)$  is true for at least one  $x$  in  $D$ .
- It is false if, and only if,  $Q(x)$  is false for all  $x$  in  $D$ .

## Examples

- $(\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : x^2 = x)$ . Prove.
- $E = \{5,6,7,8\}$ ,  $(\exists x \in E : x^2 = x)$ . Disprove.

# Contra-positive, inverse and converse of a quantified conditional statement

## Universal Conditional Statement

$$(\forall x \in D, P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))$$

**Contra-positive:**

$$(\forall x \in D, \sim Q(x) \Rightarrow \sim P(x))$$

**Inverse:**

$$(\forall x \in D, \sim P(x) \Rightarrow \sim Q(x))$$

**Converse:**

$$(\forall x \in D, Q(x) \Rightarrow P(x))$$

# Negations of Quantified Statements

| Quantified Statement  | Its Negation                               |
|---|--|
| Universal Statement<br>$(\forall x \in D, P(x))$                                | $(\exists x \in D, \sim P(x))$             |
| Universal Conditional Statement<br>$(\forall x \in D, P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))$   | $(\exists x \in D, P(x) \wedge \sim Q(x))$ |
| Existential Statement<br>$(\exists x \in D, P(x))$                              | $(\forall x \in D, \sim P(x))$             |
| Existential Conditional Statement<br>$(\exists x \in D, P(x) \Rightarrow Q(x))$ | $(\forall x \in D, P(x) \wedge \sim Q(x))$ |

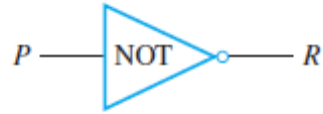
## 2.4 Application: Digital Logic Circuits

! «**Boolean Variable**»

! «**Boolean Expressions**»

# Digital Logic Circuits..Gates

NOT



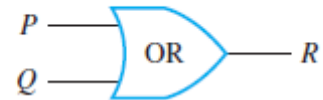
| Input    |  | Output   |
|----------|--|----------|
| <i>P</i> |  | <i>R</i> |
| 1        |  | 0        |
| 0        |  | 1        |

AND



| Input    |          | Output   |
|----------|----------|----------|
| <i>P</i> | <i>Q</i> | <i>R</i> |
| 1        | 1        | 1        |
| 1        | 0        | 0        |
| 0        | 1        | 0        |
| 0        | 0        | 0        |

OR

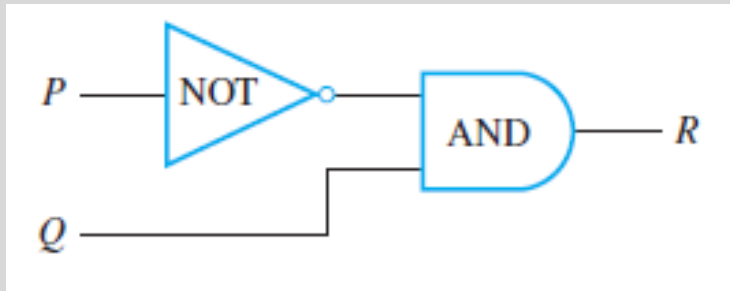


| Input    |          | Output   |
|----------|----------|----------|
| <i>P</i> | <i>Q</i> | <i>R</i> |
| 1        | 1        | 1        |
| 1        | 0        | 1        |
| 0        | 1        | 1        |
| 0        | 0        | 0        |

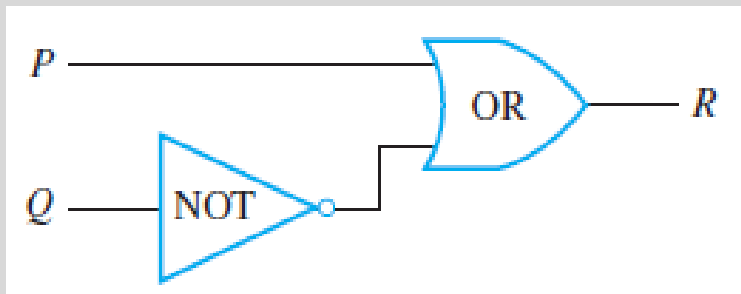


## The Boolean Expression Corresponding to a Circuit

! Combine from left to right..



## Constructing the Input/Output Table for a Circuit



| Input |     | Output |
|-------|-----|--------|
| $P$   | $Q$ | $R$    |
| 1     | 1   | 1      |
| 1     | 0   | 1      |
| 0     | 1   | 0      |
| 0     | 0   | 1      |

## The Boolean Expression Corresponding to a Circuit

1. Identify the rows where the Output is 1.
2. For each such row, construct an AND expression that produces a 1 for the exact combination of input values.
3. Use an OR connective at the end.

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



| Input    |          |          | Output   |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <i>P</i> | <i>Q</i> | <i>R</i> | <i>S</i> |
| 1        | 1        | 1        | 1        |
| 1        | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| 1        | 0        | 1        | 1        |
| 1        | 0        | 0        | 1        |
| 0        | 1        | 1        | 0        |
| 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| 0        | 0        | 1        | 0        |
| 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        |

## Finding a Circuit That Corresponds to a Given Boolean Expression

! From outer to the inner; from right to left

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

