

## Review

**Def.** Two statements  $\tilde{P}$  and  $\tilde{Q}$  are **(logically) equivalent** provided they have the same truth value for each possible combinations of truth values for all the atoms appearing in  $\tilde{P}$  and  $\tilde{Q}$ . §2.2  
 We denote  $\tilde{P}$  is (logically) equivalent to  $\tilde{Q}$  (i.e.,  $\tilde{P}$  and  $\tilde{Q}$  are (logically) equivalent) by:  $\tilde{P} \equiv \tilde{Q}$ . p43  
 Note,  $\equiv$  is used between statements while  $=$  is used between numbers.

**Def.** • The **converse** of the conditional statement  $P \Rightarrow Q$  is the conditional statement  $Q \Rightarrow P$ . p44  
 • The **contrapositive** of the conditional statement  $P \Rightarrow Q$  is the condition statement  $(\sim Q) \Rightarrow (\sim P)$ .  
 • **Rmk.** We have already seen that:  $[P \Rightarrow Q] \not\equiv [Q \Rightarrow P]$  but  $[P \Rightarrow Q] \equiv [(\sim Q) \Rightarrow (\sim P)]$ .

**Def.** A **negation** (also called **denial**) of a statement  $P$  is  $\sim P$ . p33

**Recall.** The priority of connectives is:  $\sim$  (high, so do first),  $\wedge$ ,  $\vee$ ,  $\Rightarrow$ ,  $\Leftrightarrow$  (low, so do last).  
 So  $\sim P \vee \sim Q$  is an abbreviation for  $(\sim P) \vee (\sim Q)$ .

## Important Logical Equivalencies

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and  $R$  be statements.

Thm 2.8  
 §2.2  
 p48

Double Negation:

$$[\sim(\sim P)] \equiv P. \quad (1)$$

Biconditional Statement:

$$[P \Leftrightarrow Q] \equiv [(P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P)]. \quad (2)$$

De Morgans Laws:

$$[\sim(P \wedge Q)] \equiv [(\sim P) \vee (\sim Q)] \quad (3)$$

$$[\sim(P \vee Q)] \equiv [(\sim P) \wedge (\sim Q)]. \quad (4)$$

Distributive Laws:

$$[P \vee (Q \wedge R)] \equiv [(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee R)] \quad (5)$$

$$[P \wedge (Q \vee R)] \equiv [(P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R)]. \quad (6)$$

Conditional Statements:

$$[P \Rightarrow Q] \equiv [(\sim Q) \Rightarrow (\sim P)] \quad (\text{contrapositive}) \quad (7)$$

$$[P \Rightarrow Q] \equiv [(\sim P) \vee Q] \quad (\text{how do you keep a promise?}) \quad (8)$$

$$[\sim(P \Rightarrow Q)] \equiv [P \wedge (\sim Q)] \quad (\text{how do you break a promise?}) \quad (9)$$

$$[\sim(P \wedge Q)] \equiv [P \Rightarrow (\sim Q)]. \quad (\text{not in book}) \quad (10)$$

Conditionals with Disjunctions:

$$[(P \vee Q) \Rightarrow R] \equiv [(P \Rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow R)] \quad (11)$$

$$[P \Rightarrow (Q \vee R)] \equiv [(P \wedge (\sim Q)) \Rightarrow R]. \quad (12)$$