

## Laws of Logical Equivalences and Implications

Let  $p$ ,  $q$  and  $r$  be atomic statements,  $T$  be a tautology and  $F$  be a contradiction. Suppose the variable  $x$  has no free occurrences in  $\xi$  and is substitutable for  $x$  in  $\xi$ . Then

1. Double negative law:  $\sim(\sim p) \equiv p$ .
2. Idempotent laws:  $p \wedge p \equiv p$ ;  $p \vee p \equiv p$ .
3. Universal bound laws:  $p \vee T \equiv T$ ;  $p \wedge F \equiv F$ .
4. Identity laws:  $p \wedge T \equiv p$ ;  $p \vee F \equiv p$ .
5. Negation laws:  $p \vee \sim p \equiv T$ ;  $p \wedge \sim p \equiv F$ .
6. Commutative laws:  $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$ ;  $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$ .
7. Absorption laws:  $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$ ;  $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$ .
8. Associative laws:  $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$ ;  
 $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$ .
9. Distributive laws:  $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ ;  
 $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ .
10. De Morgan's laws:  $\sim(p \wedge q) \equiv \sim p \vee \sim q$ ;  
 $\sim(p \vee q) \equiv \sim p \wedge \sim q$ .
11. Implication law:  $p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim p \vee q$
12. Biconditional law:  $p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$ .
13. Modus Ponens (MP in short):  $p \rightarrow q, p \models q$
14. Modus Tollens (MT in short):  $p \rightarrow q, \sim q \models \sim p$
15. Generalisation:  $p \models p \vee q$ ;  $q \models p \vee q$
16. Specialisation:  $p \wedge q \models p$ ;  $p \wedge q \models q$
17. Conjunction:  $p, q \models p \wedge q$
18. Elimination:  $p \vee q, \sim q \models p$ ;  $p \vee q, \sim p \models q$
19. Transitivity:  $p \rightarrow q, q \rightarrow r \models p \rightarrow r$
20. Contradiction Rule:  $\sim p \rightarrow F \models p$
21. Quantified de Morgan laws:  $\sim \forall x \phi \equiv \exists x \sim \phi$ ;  $\sim \exists x \phi \equiv \forall x \sim \phi$ ;
22. Quantified conjunctive law:  $\forall x(\phi \wedge \psi) \equiv (\forall x \phi) \wedge (\forall x \psi)$ ;
23. Quantified disjunctive law:  $\exists x(\phi \vee \psi) \equiv (\exists x \phi) \vee (\exists x \psi)$ ;
24. Universal quantifiers swapping law:  $\forall x \forall y \phi \equiv \forall y \forall x \phi$ ;
25. Existential quantifiers swapping law:  $\exists x \exists y \phi \equiv \exists y \exists x \phi$ ;
26. Independent quantifier law:  $\xi \equiv \forall x \xi \equiv \exists x \xi$ ;
27. Variable renaming laws:  $\forall x \phi \equiv \forall y \phi[y/x]$ ;  $\exists x \phi \equiv \exists y \phi[y/x]$ ;

28. Free variable laws:  $\forall x(\xi \wedge \psi) \equiv \xi \wedge (\forall x\psi)$ ;  $\exists x(\xi \wedge \psi) \equiv \xi \wedge (\exists x\psi)$ ;  
 $\forall x(\xi \vee \psi) \equiv \xi \vee (\forall x\psi)$ ;  $\exists x(\xi \vee \psi) \equiv \xi \vee (\exists x\psi)$ ;
29. Universal instantiation:  $\forall x\phi \Rightarrow \phi[a/x]$ ;
30. Universal generalisation:  $\phi[a/x] \Rightarrow \forall x\phi$ ;
31. Existential instantiation:  $\exists x\phi \Rightarrow \phi[s/x]$ ;
32. Existential generalisation:  $\phi[s/x] \Rightarrow \exists x\phi$ .

## Rules of Inference

Let  $\phi, \psi, \xi$  be any well-formed formulae. Then

1.  $\wedge$ -introduction:  $\phi, \psi \vdash \phi \wedge \psi$
2.  $\wedge$ -elimination:  $\phi \wedge \psi \vdash \phi$  or  $\phi \wedge \psi \vdash \psi$
3.  $\rightarrow$ -introduction:  $\boxed{\phi, \dots, \psi} \vdash (\phi \rightarrow \psi)$
4.  $\rightarrow$ -elimination:  $\phi \rightarrow \psi, \phi \vdash \psi$
5.  $\vee$ -introduction:  $\phi \vdash \phi \vee \psi$  or  $\psi \vdash \phi \vee \psi$
6.  $\vee$ -elimination:  $\phi \vee \psi, \boxed{\phi, \dots, \xi}, \boxed{\psi, \dots, \xi} \vdash \xi$
7.  $\neg$ -introduction or  $\sim$ -introduction:  $\boxed{\sim \phi, \dots, \perp} \vdash \phi$  or  $\boxed{\phi, \dots, \perp} \vdash \sim \phi$
8.  $\neg$ -elimination or  $\sim$ -elimination:  $\phi, \sim \phi \vdash \perp$
9.  $\perp$ -elimination:  $\perp \vdash \phi$
10.  $\forall$ -introduction:  ${}^t\phi(t) \vdash \forall x\phi(x)$
11.  $\forall$ -elimination:  $\forall x\phi(x) \vdash \phi(t)$
12.  $\exists$ -introduction:  $\phi(s) \vdash \exists x\phi(x)$
13.  $\exists$ -elimination:  $\exists x\phi(x), \boxed{\phi(s) \dots \xi} \vdash \xi$

The term  $t$  is free with respect to  $x$  in  $\phi$  and  $[t/x]$  means “ $t$  replaces  $x$ ”.