

### Logical connectives (operators)

Name Compound proposition	Truth value	Corresponding English expressions
Negation $\neg p$	true <i>if and only if</i> $p$ is false	“not $p$ ” “it is not the case that $p$ ”
Conjunction $p \wedge q$	true <i>if and only if</i> both $p$ and $q$ are true	“ $p$ and $q$ ” “ $p$ but $q$ ”
Disjunction $p \vee q$	false <i>if and only if</i> both $p$ and $q$ are false	“ $p$ or $q$ (or both)”
Exclusive or $p \oplus q$	true <i>if and only if</i> exactly one of $p$ and $q$ is true	“either $p$ or $q$ ” “ $p$ or $q$ but not both”
Biconditional $p \leftrightarrow q$	true <i>if and only if</i> $p$ and $q$ have the same truth value	“ $p$ if and only if $q$ ” “ $p$ is necessary and sufficient for $q$ ” “if $p$ , then $q$ , and conversely”
Implication $p \rightarrow q$	false <i>if and only if</i> $p$ is true and $q$ is false	“ $p$ implies $q$ ” “if $p$ , then $q$ ” “ $p$ only if $q$ ” “ $p$ is sufficient for $q$ ” “ $q$ follows from $p$ ” “ $q$ if $p$ ” “ $q$ when(ever) $p$ ” “ $q$ is necessary for $p$ ” “ $q$ unless not $p$ ” “ $q$ or else not $p$ ”

Note: We will not be using *exclusive or* very frequently, since  $p \oplus q \equiv \neg(p \leftrightarrow q)$ .

#### Precedence of logical operators:

1)  $\neg$ ; 2)  $\wedge$ ; 3)  $\vee$ ; 4)  $\rightarrow$ ; 5)  $\leftrightarrow$

#### More about the implication:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 p & \rightarrow & q \\
 \text{(hypothesis or premise)} & & \text{(conclusion or consequence)}
 \end{array}$$

#### Propositions related to the implication $p \rightarrow q$ :

- The **converse** of  $p \rightarrow q$ :  $q \rightarrow p$
- The **contrapositive** of  $p \rightarrow q$ :  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- The **inverse** of  $p \rightarrow q$ :  $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$

#### Equivalences:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p \\
 q \rightarrow p \equiv \neg p \rightarrow \neg q \\
 p \rightarrow q \not\equiv q \rightarrow p
 \end{array}$$