

**Math/CSE 1019C:  
Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science  
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Course page:  
<http://www.cse.yorku.ca/course/1019>

## Class Time and Office Hours

- ▶ Class time:
  - Monday: 19:00pm – 22:00pm
- ▶ Class location: SLH A
- ▶ Office hours
  - Monday **2:00pm – 4:00pm** or by appointment (**TEL 3056**)
- ▶ Contact me by Email
  - Use a **York account**
  - Start your subject line with “[1019]”
  - Sign with your **full name**
  - Send messages in **plain text**

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### ▶ TA office hours? Choose Two from the following

- (1) Mon: 1–2 pm
- (2) Tue: 1–2 pm
- (3) Tue: 7–8 pm
- (4) Tue: 8–9 pm
- (5) Wed: 7–8 pm
- (6) Wed: 8–9 pm
- (7) Thu: 8–9 pm

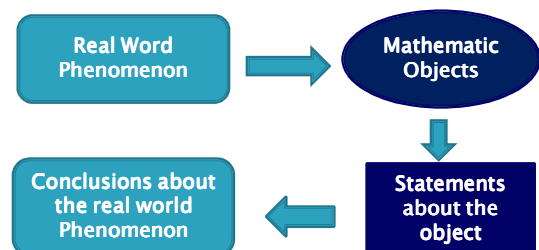
## Evaluation and Grading

- ▶ 7 assignments (15%)
- ▶ 3 Tests (45%)
  - Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, Nov 5<sup>th</sup>, Nov 26<sup>th</sup> (**tentative**)
  - **No deferred tests**
- ▶ Final Exam (40%) Dec. ?

## Assignments Policy

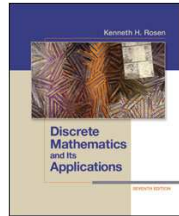
- ▶ **Academic Honesty.**
  - Solutions you hand in for homework assignments must be your own work.
  - Visit the **class webpage** for more details on academic policy.
- ▶ Use the Dropbox to submit your assignments.
  - ▶ Locates in the 1st floor of LAS (previously known as CSE)
- ▶ **Assignments submitted late will not be graded.** The solutions will be posted when the deadline is reached.
  - **Missed assignments**
    - **No reason:** graded with 0
    - **With reason:** transferred to final exam value

## Why study Mathematic?



## Textbook

Kenneth H. Rosen.  
Discrete Mathematics  
and Its Applications,  
7th Edition.  
McGraw Hill,  
2012.



## Course objectives

We will focus on two major goals:

- ▶ Basic tools and techniques in discrete mathematics
  - Propositional logic
  - Set Theory
  - Simple algorithms
  - Induction, recursion
  - Counting techniques
- ▶ Precise and rigorous mathematical reasoning
  - Writing proofs

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## List of Topics in the Textbook

- ▶ Ch 1: Logic and Proofs.
- ▶ Ch 2: Sets, functions, sequences, sums.
- ▶ Ch 3: Algorithms.
- ▶ Ch 5: Induction and recursion.
- ▶ Ch 6: Counting Techniques.
- ▶ Ch 8 Advanced counting techniques.

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## To do well you should:

- ▶ Study with pen and paper
- ▶ Ask for help immediately
- ▶ Practice, practice, practice...
- ▶ Follow along in class rather than take notes
- ▶ Ask questions in class
- ▶ Read the book, not just the slides

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## Propositional Logic

- ▶ A formal mathematical “language” for precise reasoning
  - Truth values, truth tables
  - Boolean logic:  $\vee$   $\wedge$   $\neg$
  - Implications:  $\rightarrow$   $\leftrightarrow$
- ▶ All of these are based on ideas we use daily to reason about things.

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## Propositions

- ▶ Declarative sentence
- ▶ Must be either True or False.

Propositions:

- ▶ CNN Tower is in Toronto
- ▶ Toronto is the capital of Canada.
- ▶  $1+1=2$

Not propositions:

- ▶ There are  $x$  students in this class.
  - Neither true or false
- ▶ Do you like this course?
  - Not declarative

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Propositions can be represented by variables:

- ▶  $p$ : CNN Tower is in Toronto
- ▶  $q$ : Toronto is the capital of Canada.
- ▶  $r$ :  $1+1=2$

Truth value: True or False (T or F)

- ▶  $p$ : T
- ▶  $q$ : F
- ▶  $r$ : T

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## Negation

- ▶  $\neg p$  ("not  $p$ ")
  - ▶ "It is not the case that  $p$ "
  - ▶  $p$ : Today is Monday
  - ▶  $\neg p$ : Today is not Monday
- ▶ Truth tables

$p$	$\neg p$
T	F
F	T

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## Conjunction

- ▶ Conjunction:  $p \wedge q$  ("p and q")
  - $p$ : It is blew freezing.
  - $q$ : It is snowing
  - $p \wedge q$ : It is blew freezing and snowing.
- ▶  $p \wedge q$  is true if and only if both  $p$  and  $q$  are true and false otherwise

$p$	$q$	$p \wedge q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

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## Disjunction

- ▶  $p \vee q$  ("p or q")
  - $p$ : A student taking 1019 is from CSE Department
  - $q$ : A student taking 1019 is from Math Department
  - $p \vee q$ : A student taking 1019 is from CSE Department or Math Department.
- ▶  $p \vee q$  is false when both  $p$  and  $q$  are false and is true otherwise

$p$	$q$	$p \vee q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

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## Exclusive OR (XOR)

- ▶  $p \oplus q$  ("p or q, but not both")
  - In a steak house, you can either choose a salad or a soup, but not both
- ▶  $p \oplus q$  is true if  $p$  and  $q$  have different truth values and is false otherwise

$p$	$q$	$p \oplus q$
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

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## Conditional

- ▶ Conditional  $p \rightarrow q$  ("if  $p$  then  $q$ ")
- ▶  $p$ : *hypothesis*,  $q$ : *conclusion*
  - If you turn in a homework late, it will not be graded
- ▶  $p \rightarrow q$  is false when  $p$  is true and  $q$  is false, and true otherwise.

$p$	$q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$\neg p \vee q$
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T

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## Logical Equivalence

- ▶  $p \rightarrow q$  and  $\neg p \vee q$  are logically equivalent.
- ▶  $p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$
- ▶ Truth tables are the simplest way to prove such facts.
- ▶ We will learn other ways later.

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## Contrapositive

- ▶ Contrapositive of  $p \rightarrow q$  is  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
- ▶ Any conditional and its contrapositive are logically equivalent (have the same truth table) - Check by writing down the truth table.
  - If you turn in a homework late, it will not be graded.
  - If your homework is graded, you do not turn in the home work late.

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## Converse

- ▶ Converse of  $p \rightarrow q$  is  $q \rightarrow p$
- ▶ Not logically equivalent to conditional
  - If you won the lottery, you are rich.

## Inverse:

- ▶ Inverse of  $p \rightarrow q$  is  $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$

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- ▶ Compare using Truth table: Conditional, Contrapositive, Converse, and Inverse

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$	$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$	$q \rightarrow p$	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
T	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	T	F	F
F	F	T	T	T	T

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## Biconditional

- ▶  $p \leftrightarrow q$  ("p if and only if q", "iff")
- ▶ True if p,q have same truth values, false otherwise. Q: How is this related to XOR?
- ▶ Can also be defined as  $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$

p	q	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

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## Compound Propositions

- ▶ Formed from existing propositions using logic operators
- ▶ Example:  $p \wedge q \vee r$ : Could be interpreted as  $(p \wedge q) \vee r$  or  $p \wedge (q \vee r)$
- ▶ precedence order:  $\neg \wedge \vee \rightarrow \leftrightarrow$
- ▶ (Overruled by parentheses)
- ▶ We use this order to compute truth values of compound propositions.

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## Tautology

- ▶ A compound proposition that is always TRUE.
  - $q \vee \neg q$
  - $p \vee \top$
- ▶ **Logical equivalence redefined:**  $p, q$  are logical equivalences if  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is a tautology.  
$$p \equiv q$$
- ▶ “ $\leftrightarrow$ ” is sometimes used instead of “ $\equiv$ ”
- ▶ Intuition:  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is true precisely when  $p, q$  have the same truth values.
- ▶ We will learn other ways later

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## Manipulating Propositions

- ▶ Compound propositions can be simplified by using simple rules.
- ▶ Read page 25 – 28.
- ▶ Some are obvious, e.g. Identity, Domination, Idempotence, double negation, commutativity, associativity
- ▶ Less obvious: Distributive, De Morgan’s laws, Absorption

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## Distributive Laws

$$p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$$

Intuition (not a proof!) – For the LHS to be true:  $p$  must be true and  $q$  or  $r$  must be true. This is the same as saying  $p$  and  $q$  must be true or  $p$  and  $r$  must be true.

$$p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$$

Intuition (less obvious) – For the LHS to be true:  $p$  must be true or both  $q$  and  $r$  must be true. This is the same as saying  $p$  or  $q$  must be true and  $p$  or  $r$  must be true.

Proof: use truth tables.

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## De Morgan’s Laws

$$\neg(q \vee r) \equiv \neg q \wedge \neg r$$

Intuition – For the LHS to be true: neither  $q$  nor  $r$  can be true. This is the same as saying  $q$  and  $r$  must be false.

$$\neg(q \wedge r) \equiv \neg q \vee \neg r$$

Intuition – For the LHS to be true:  $q \wedge r$  must be false. This is the same as saying  $q$  or  $r$  must be false.

Proof: use truth tables.

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## Using the laws

- ▶ Q: Is  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q)$  a tautology?
- ▶ Can use truth tables
- ▶ Can write a compound proposition and simplify

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- ▶ Limitations of Propositional Logic
  - Refer to (Constant) objects
  - How about “ $x > 0$ ”?
- ▶ A more general language: Predicate logic

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## Predicate Logic

- ▶ A predicate is a proposition that is a function of one or more variables.
  - $P(x)$ :  $x$  is larger than 0.
  - $P(1)$  is true,  $P(-2)$  is false,....
- ▶ “ $x$ ”: variable
- ▶  $P(x)$ : the value of the propositional function  $P$  at  $x$
- ▶ Multiple variables
  - $P(x,y)$ :  $x + y = 5$
  - $P(2,3)$  is true,  $P(4,0)$  is false,....

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## Quantifiers

- ▶ Describes the values of a variable that make the predicate true.
- ▶ Determines the truth value of the predicate
- ▶ Domain or universe: a property is true for all values in a particular domain.
- ▶ Two Popular Quantifiers
  - Universal
  - Existential

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## Universal Quantifier

- ▶ Universal:  $\forall x P(x)$  – “ $P(x)$  is true for all  $x$  in the domain”
  - Also called: “for all...”, “for every...”, “for each...”, “all of ...”,...
  - $\forall x P(x)$  is true when  $P(x)$  is true for every  $x$  in the domain
  - $\forall x P(x)$  is false when  $P(x)$  is not always true when  $x$  is in the domain (there exists a value of  $x$  that  $P(x)$  is false: use counterexample)
  - Domain: real numbers
    - $(\forall x > 2)(x^2 > 4)$
    - $(\forall x > 0)(x^2 > 1)$

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## Existential Quantifier

- ▶ Existential:  $\exists x P(x)$  – “ $P(x)$  is true for some  $x$  in the domain”
  - Also called “There exists...”, “There is...”, “For some...”, “For at least one...”
  - $\exists x P(x)$  is true when there is an  $x$  in the domain for which  $P(x)$  is true.
  - $\exists x P(x)$  is false when  $P(x)$  is false for every  $x$  in the domain.
  - Domain: real numbers
    - $\exists x (x > 1)$
    - $(\exists x > 1) (x = x + 1)$

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## Scope of Quantifiers

- ▶  $\forall \exists$  have higher precedence than operators from Propositional Logic; so  $\forall x P(x) \vee Q(x)$  is not logically equivalent to  $\forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$
- ▶ Logical Equivalence:  $P \equiv Q$  iff they have same truth value no matter which domain is used and no matter which predicates are assigned to predicate variables.

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## Negation of Quantifiers

- ▶  $\neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$
- ▶  $\neg \exists x P(x) \equiv \forall x \neg P(x)$ 
  - “There is no student who can answer this question.”
  - “All Americans eat cheeseburger.”
- ▶ Careful: The negation of “All Americans eat cheeseburger.” is NOT “No Americans eat cheeseburger”!

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## Nested Quantifiers

- ▶ Allows simultaneous quantification of many variables.
- ▶ E.g. - domain integers,  
 $\exists x \exists y \exists z x^2 + y^2 = z^2$
- ▶ Domain real numbers:  
 $\forall x \forall y \exists z (x < z < y) \vee (y < z < x)$

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## Nested Quantifiers

- ▶ The order of quantifiers
- ▶ In the real domain:
  - $\forall x \exists y (x+y=0)$ : "For every real number  $x$  there is a real number  $y$  such that,  $x+y=0$ "
  - $\exists y \forall x (x+y=0)$ : "There is a real number  $y$  such that for every real number  $x$ ,  $x+y=0$ "

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## Readings and notes

- ▶ Read [Ch1.1-1.5](#)
- ▶ Practice translating English sentences to propositions and predicates
- ▶ Practice to use truth tables
- ▶ Practice proving logical equivalence by manipulating compound propositions
- ▶ Understand the difference and relationship between propositions, predicates and quantifications.
- ▶ Recommended Exercises are listed on the website

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- ▶ Part of the course contents come from [Prof. Eric Ruppert](#), [Prof. Suprakash Datta](#), and [Jing Yang](#), who have taught this course previously.

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