

# CSI 30 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

## Topic 1: Introduction and Propositional Logic

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### OUTLINE

(References: 1.1, 1.2, 1.3)

1. Introduction
  2. Propositional Logic
  3. Applications and Terminology
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#### 1. Math and Computer Science

- (a) Discrete math versus other math
- (b) Computer programming - mathematics in action
- (c) How do we make imprecise world precise for a machine? Logic! (our starting point)

#### 2. General Mathematical Introduction

- (a) Basic development in mathematics:
  - i. Definition.
  - ii. Theorem (or Lemma or Claim or ...)
  - iii. Proof
- (b) Example:
  - i. How might you define the terminology “even” and “odd”?
  - ii. Theorem: The addition of two evens is even.
- (c) Example:
  - i. DEF: a *Word* is any finite sequence of the 26 letters from the English alphabet.
  - ii. DEF: Say a word is *BRONX* if its length is odd, its first letter is B and its last letter is X.
  - iii. DEF: Given any words, their *concatenation* is the formation of a single word by putting the words one after another.
  - iv. Theorems? - Concatenating 2 *BRONX* words is *BRONX*? Etc?

#### 3. Propositions

- (a) *Proposition*: sentence that declares a fact (is either true or false)
- (b) Examples: See Rosen (8th Ed): Section 1.1.2 (page 2)

#### 4. Propositional Logic: Propositional Letters and Connectives

- (a) Makes thinking about propositions formal and precise
- (b) Use letters to represent propositions - each can be true (T) or false (F)
- (c) Have *connectives*: OR, AND, NOT, IMPLICATION, EQUIVALENCE

- (d) Examples of connectives in English: See section 1.1.2 (pages 3 - 5, 7)
- (e) Consider some unusual examples:
  - i. Absurd implications! (page 8)
  - ii. Unusual OR: “I open the door OR you open the door”
- (f) Truth Table Definitions of connectives  
**(and do in Python, where implication is a function)**
- (g) Question: When does order of the propositional variables matter?
- (h) DEF: The *converse* of an implication is ...

## 5. Propositional Logic: Compound Propositions

- (a) Truth Tables
- (b) **Do it in Python**

## 6. Propositional Logic: Terminology

- (a) Tautology
  - i. Example:  $A \vee \neg A$
  - ii. Example:  $A \rightarrow (A \vee B)$
- (b) Contradiction
  - i. Example:  $X \wedge \neg X$
- (c) Consistent
  - i. Example:  $(P \vee Q) \rightarrow (P \wedge Q)$

## 7. Propositional Equivalences

- (a) Example:  $\neg\neg P$  equivalent to  $P$
- (b) Example:  $\neg(P \vee Q)$  equivalent to  $\neg P \wedge \neg Q$
- (c) Rules
  - i. Double Negation:  $\neg\neg P \equiv P$
  - ii. De Morgan’s Law
  - iii. Implication equivalence:  $A \rightarrow B \equiv \neg A \vee B$
  - iv. Equivalence (or if and only if):  $A \leftrightarrow B \equiv (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (B \rightarrow A)$

## 8. Propositional Logic Applications

- (a) System Specification
  - i. Convert to propositional logic. Then find an assignment which makes the conjunction true.
  - ii. Do Example 4 and 5 in Section 1.2 (page 18)
- (b) Circuits
  - i. Do Example 10 in Section 1.2 (page 22)
  - ii. Do Example 11 in Section 1.2 (page 23)