

Theorem 1. If P and Q are propositions, then $\neg(P \leftrightarrow Q) \equiv (P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee \neg Q)$.

Proof. We assume P and Q are propositions, and show via truth tables that $\neg(P \leftrightarrow Q) \equiv (P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee \neg Q)$. The truth table for $\neg(P \leftrightarrow Q)$ is ...

| P | Q | $P \leftrightarrow Q$ | $\neg(P \leftrightarrow Q)$ |
|-----|-----|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| T | T | T | F |
| T | F | F | T |
| F | T | F | T |
| F | F | T | F |

Similarly, the truth table for $(P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee \neg Q)$ is ...

| P | Q | $\neg P$ | $\neg Q$ | $P \vee Q$ | $\neg P \vee \neg Q$ | $(P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee \neg Q)$ |
|-----|-----|----------|----------|------------|----------------------|--|
| T | T | F | F | T | F | F |
| T | F | F | T | T | T | T |
| F | T | T | F | T | T | T |
| F | F | T | T | F | T | F |

Since the final columns of both tables are the same, we have proven that if P and Q are propositions, then $\neg(P \leftrightarrow Q) \equiv (P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee \neg Q)$. \square

Theorem 2. If P , Q , and R are propositions, then $\neg(P \rightarrow (Q \vee R)) \equiv P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R$.

Proof. We assume that P , Q , and R are propositions, and show via Boolean algebra that $\neg(P \rightarrow (Q \vee R)) \equiv P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R$. Specifically, from the negation of a conditional and one of De Morgan's laws we see ...

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(P \rightarrow (Q \vee R)) &\equiv P \wedge \neg(Q \vee R) \\ &\equiv P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R \end{aligned}$$

We have thus shown that if P , Q , and R are propositions, then $\neg(P \rightarrow (Q \vee R)) \equiv P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R$. \square