## **Some Useful Equivalences - A Cheat Sheet**



Commutative:

$$P \wedge Q \equiv Q \wedge P$$
$$P \vee Q \equiv Q \vee P$$

Distributive:

$$P \wedge (Q \vee R) \equiv (P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R)$$
  
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Associative:

$$P \wedge (Q \wedge R) \equiv (P \wedge Q) \wedge R$$
  
 $P \vee (Q \vee R) \equiv (P \vee Q) \vee R$ 

Less intuitive:

Contrapositive:

$$P \Rightarrow Q \equiv (\neg Q) \Rightarrow (\neg P) \tag{1}$$

DeMorgan's Laws:

$$\neg (P \land Q) \equiv (\neg P) \lor (\neg Q)$$
$$\neg (P \lor Q) \equiv (\neg P) \land (\neg Q)$$

**Negating Quantifiers:** 

$$eg(\forall x \in X, P(x)) \equiv \exists x \in X, \neg P(x) \\
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Negating conditionals:

$$\neg (P \Rightarrow Q) \equiv P \land \neg Q \tag{2}$$