



# Foundations of Computing I

## Even and Odd

### Predicate Definitions

 $\text{Even}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y)$ 
 $\text{Odd}(x) \equiv \exists y (x = 2y + 1)$ 

### Domain of Discourse

Integers

Prove: "The square of every even number is even."

Formal proof of:  $\forall x (\text{Even}(x) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x^2))$

1. Let  $a$  be arbitrary Defining  $a$ 
  - 2.1.  $\text{Even}(a)$  Assumption
  - 2.2.  $\exists y (a = 2y)$  Definition of Even by 2.1
  - 2.3.  $a = 2c$   $\exists$  Elim: 2.2
  - 2.4.  $a^2 = 4c^2 = 2(2c^2)$  Algebra
  - 2.5.  $\exists y (a^2 = 2y)$   $\exists$  Intro: 2.4
  - 2.6.  $\text{Even}(a^2)$  Definition of Even by 2.5
2.  $\forall x (\text{Even}(x) \rightarrow \text{Even}(x^2))$  Direct Proof Rule

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Initialize variables.  
[Header/Intro of the proof]

{ Let  $a$  be an arbitrary even number.

Explain why  $a^2$  is even.  
[Body of the proof]

{ Then,  $a = 2c$  for some  $c$ , by definition of even.  
Squaring both sides, we see  $a^2 = 4c^2 = 2(2c^2)$ .

Conclude the sub-proof  
["Return" "Inner Result"]

{ It follows that  $a^2$  is even by definition of even.

Conclude the proof  
["What have we shown?"]

{ Since  $a$  was arbitrary, we've shown the square of every even number is even.

Now, Prove "The square of every odd number is odd."

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Prove: "The square of every odd number is odd."

Let  $x$  be an arbitrary odd number.

Then,  $x = 2k+1$  for some integer  $k$  (depending on  $x$ ).

Therefore,  $x^2 = (2k+1)^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 = 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1$ .

Since  $2k^2+2k$  is an integer,  $x^2$  is odd.

## Counterexamples

To disprove  $\forall x P(x)$  prove  $\neg \forall x P(x)$  :

- $\neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$
- To prove the existential, find an  $x$  for which  $P(x)$  is **false**
- This example is called a **counterexample**.

## Counterexample...example

Disprove "Every non-negative integer has another number smaller than it."

 $\forall x \exists y (y < x)$ 

Tell the reader that we're about to use a "counterexample". { We claim  $\forall x \exists y (y < x)$  is false. So, we show the negation,  $\exists x \forall y (y \geq x)$ , is true.

Use  $\exists$  Intro.

{ Consider  $x = 0$ .

Use  $\forall$  Intro.

{ Let  $y$  be arbitrary.

Prove the  $\forall$  statement.

{ Since  $y$  is non-negative,  $y \geq 0$ . So, the claim is true.

Conclude the proof.

{ Thus, the original claim is false.

## Reminder for HW

For Elim  $\exists$ ...

Your "c" has to be new (e. g. cannot be used previously in the proof)

You should say what variables your "c" depends on.

The order you use Elim  $\exists$  and Elim  $\forall$  in **DOES** matter!

Reminder:  $\exists x \forall y P(x,y)$  IS DIFFERENT FROM  $\forall y \exists x P(x,y)$

## Proof by Contrapositive: One Strategy for implications

If we assume  $\neg q$  and derive  $\neg p$ , then we have proven  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ , which is the same as  $p \rightarrow q$ .

1.1.  $\neg q$  Assumption

...

1.3.  $\neg p$

1.  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$  Direct Proof Rule

2.  $p \rightarrow q$  Contrapositive: 1

## Proof by Contradiction: One way to prove $\neg p$

If we assume  $p$  and derive  $F$  (a contradiction), then we have proven  $\neg p$ .

1.1.  $p$  Assumption

...

1.3.  $F$

1.  $p \rightarrow F$  Direct Proof rule

2.  $\neg p \vee F$  Law of Implication: 4

3.  $\neg p$  Identity: 5

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### Domain of Discourse

Integers

Prove: "No integer is both even and odd."

English proof:  $\neg \exists x (\text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(x))$

$\equiv \forall x \neg (\text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Odd}(x))$

We go by contradiction. Let  $x$  be any integer and suppose that it is both even and odd. Then  $x=2k$  for some integer  $k$  and  $x=2m+1$  for some integer  $m$ . Therefore  $2k=2m+1$  and hence  $k=m+\frac{1}{2}$ .

But two integers cannot differ by  $\frac{1}{2}$  so this is a contradiction. So, no integer is both even and odd.

## Rational Numbers

Domain of Discourse  
Real Numbers

- A real number  $x$  is *rational* iff there exist integers  $p$  and  $q$  with  $q \neq 0$  such that  $x=p/q$ .

$\text{Rational}(x) \equiv \exists p \exists q ((x=p/q) \wedge \text{Integer}(p) \wedge \text{Integer}(q) \wedge q \neq 0)$

## Rationality

Domain of Discourse  
Real Numbers

### Predicate Definitions

$\text{Rational}(x) \equiv \exists p \exists q ((x = \frac{p}{q} \wedge \text{Integer}(p) \wedge \text{Integer}(q) \wedge q \neq 0)$

Prove: "If  $x$  and  $y$  are rational then  $xy$  is rational."

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be rational numbers. Then,  $x = a/b$  for some integers  $a, b$ , where  $b \neq 0$ , and  $y = c/d$  for some integers  $c, d$ , where  $d \neq 0$ .

Note that  $xy = (ac)/(bd)$ .

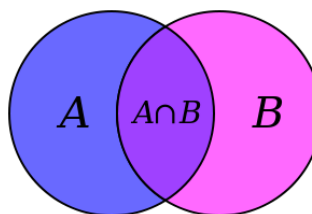
Since  $b$  and  $d$  are both non-zero, so is  $bd$ ; furthermore,  $ac$  and  $bd$  are integers. It follows that  $xy$  is rational, by definition of rational.

## Proofs

- Formal proofs follow simple well-defined rules and should be easy to check
  - In the same way that code should be easy to execute
- English proofs correspond to those rules but are designed to be easier for humans to read
  - Easily checkable in principle
- Simple proof strategies already do a lot
  - Later we will cover a specific strategy that applies to loops and recursion (mathematical induction)

## CSE 311: Foundations of Computing

### Lecture 9: Set Theory



## Sets

- Mathematical sets are a lot like Java sets:
  - `Set<T> s = new HashSet<T>();`
  - ...with the following exceptions:
    - They are untyped: {"string", 123, 1.2} is a valid set
    - They are immutable: you can't add/remove from them
    - They are built differently
    - They have one fundamental operation:
      - Contains:  $x \in S$

### Some Common Sets

$\mathbb{N}$  is the set of **Natural Numbers**;  $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$   
 $\mathbb{Z}$  is the set of **Integers**;  $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$   
 $\mathbb{Q}$  is the set of **Rational Numbers**; e.g.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $-17$ ,  $\frac{32}{48}$   
 $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of **Real Numbers**; e.g.  $1$ ,  $-17$ ,  $\frac{32}{48}$ ,  $\pi$   
 $[n]$  is the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  when  $n$  is a natural number  
 $\{\} = \emptyset$  is the **empty set**; the *only* set with no elements

**EXAMPLES**  
Are these sets?  
 $A = \{1, 1\}$   
 $B = \{1, 3, 2\}$   
 $C = \{\square, 1\}$   
 $D = \{\{\}, 17\}$   
 $E = \{1, 2, 7, \text{cat}, \text{dog}, \emptyset, \alpha\}$

We say  $2 \in E$ ;  $3 \notin E$ .

They're all sets.  
Note  $\{1\} = \{1, 1\}$ .

### Definition: Equality

A and B are *equal* if they have the same elements

$$A = B \equiv \forall x (x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B)$$

```
boolean equal(Set A, Set B) {
    boolean result = true;
    for (x : A) {
        if (x ∉ B) { result = false; }
    }
    for (x : B) {
        if (x ∉ A) { result = false; }
    }
    return result;
}
```

$A = \{4, 3, 3\}$   
 $B = \{3, 4, 3\}$   
 $C = \{3, 4\}$

Are any of  
A, B, C  
equal?

They all are!  
(dups, order don't matter!)

### Definition: Subset

A is a *subset* of B if every element of A is also in B

$$A \subseteq B \equiv \forall x (x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$$

```
boolean subset(Set A, Set B) {
    boolean result = true;
    for (x : A) {
        if (x ∉ B) { result = false; }
    }
    return result;
}
```

$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$   
 $B = \{3, 4, 5\}$   
 $C = \{3, 4\}$

#### QUESTIONS

$\emptyset \subseteq A$ ? Yes. In fact,  $\emptyset \subseteq X$  for any set X.  
 $A \subseteq B$ ? No.  $3 \in A$ , but that's not true for B.  
 $C \subseteq B$ ? Yes,  $3 \in B$ ,  $4 \in B$ .

## Definitions

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- Note:  $(A = B) \equiv (A \subseteq B) \wedge (B \subseteq A)$

## Building Sets from Predicates

- The following says "S is the set of all x's where P(x) is true."

$$S = \{x : P(x)\}$$

- The following says "those elements of A for which P(x) is true."

$$S = \{x \in A : P(x)\}$$

- "All the real numbers less than one."
  - $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x < 1\}$
- "All the powers of two that happen to be odd."
  - $\{x \in \mathbb{N} : \exists k (x = 2k+1) \wedge \exists j (x = 2^j)\}$
- "All natural numbers between 1 and n" ("brackets n")
  - $[n] = \{x \in \mathbb{N} : 1 \leq x \leq n\}$

## Set Operations

$$A \cup B = \{x : (x \in A) \vee (x \in B)\} \quad \text{Union}$$

$$A \cap B = \{x : (x \in A) \wedge (x \in B)\} \quad \text{Intersection}$$

$$A \setminus B = \{x : (x \in A) \wedge (x \notin B)\} \quad \text{Set Difference}$$

A = {1, 2, 3}  
B = {4, 5, 6}  
C = {3, 4}

### QUESTIONS

Using A, B, C and set operations, make...

[6] =  $A \cup B = A \cup B \cup C$   
 $\{3\} = C \setminus B = A \setminus B = A \cap B$   
 $\{1, 2\} = A \setminus C = (A \cup B) \setminus C$

## More Set Operations

$$A \oplus B = \{x : (x \in A) \oplus (x \in B)\} \quad \text{Symmetric Difference}$$

$$\bar{A} = \{x : x \notin A\} \quad \text{Complement (with respect to universe U)}$$

A = {1, 2, 3}  
B = {1, 4, 2, 6}  
C = {1, 2, 3, 4}

### QUESTIONS

Let S = {1, 2}.

If the universe is A, then  $\bar{S}$  is...  $A \setminus S = \{3\}$   
 If the universe is B, then  $\bar{S}$  is...  $B \setminus S = \{4, 6\}$   
 If the universe is C, then  $\bar{S}$  is...  $C \setminus S = \{3, 4\}$