



UNIVERSE or Domain of Discourse

Quantifiers

Existential \exists "there exists"

Universal \forall "for all"

$\exists x E(x)$ "there is some even nat"

$\forall x E(x)$ "all nats are even"

if universe is finite x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n

$\exists x E(x) \equiv E(x_1) \vee E(x_2) \vee \dots \vee E(x_n)$

$\forall x E(x) \equiv E(x_1) \wedge E(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge E(x_n)$

To show " $\exists x P(x)$ "

find ~~one~~ example x_0 st $P(x_0)$

to show " $\forall x P(x)$ "

to prove that $P(x)$ holds
for every x in domain

to show " $\neg \forall x P(x)$ "

find x_0 in domain st $\neg P(x_0)$

Counterexample

E even \mathbb{N}
 C composite
 $G(x, y) : x > y$
 $\forall x E(x)$
 $\forall x (E(x) \rightarrow C(x))$
 $\forall x ((G(x, 2) \wedge E(x)) \rightarrow C(x))$

Digression
 why should

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F \rightarrow T \\ F \rightarrow F \end{array} \right\}$ be true? $\odot *$

A common case: a rule with exceptions
 "all even numbers are composite, except 0, 2"
 "all numbers are composite, except odd or ≤ 2 "

convenient:

$\forall x (\underbrace{\text{Unexceptional}(x)}_{\text{false for exceptions}} \rightarrow \text{Rule}(x))$

true for exceptions by $\odot *$
 (indp. of Rule(x))

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nested Quantifiers

$$\forall x (\forall y P(x, y)) \dots$$

$$\forall x Q(x)$$

where $Q(x) = \forall y P(x, y)$

$$\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$$

free variable

bound variables

For all pairs x, y $P(x, y)$ is true

$$\forall x \forall y P(x, y) \equiv \forall y \forall x P(x, y)$$

$$\exists x (\forall y P(x, y))$$

\neq

$$\forall y (\exists x P(x, y))$$

Domain \mathbb{N}

$$\exists x \forall y \quad y < x \quad \leftarrow \quad F$$

$$\forall y \exists x \quad y < x \quad \leftarrow \quad T \quad (\text{eg } x = y + 1)$$

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two formulas are logically
equivalent if they have the
same truth value for all
domains and all predicates

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall x [P(x) \vee Q(x)] \\ \equiv & \forall x P(x) \vee \forall x Q(x) \\ \equiv & \forall x P(x) \vee \forall y (Q(y)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \\ \neq & \forall x (P(x)) \vee \forall x (Q(x)) \end{aligned}$$

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 P = even
 Q = odd