

Computational Thinking

# Discrete Mathematics

Number Theory

Topic 02 : Logic

Logic

## Lecture 03 : Quantifiers

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Collections

### Outline

- Universal and Existential Qualifiers
- Qualifiers and Negation

Enumeration

Relations & Functions

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## 1. Introduction

- We use quantifier in everyday speech, but parsing and representing them using symbolic logic takes effort. So we begin this topic with some examples to motivate our discussion.

# Motivation



Quantifiers are propositions about elements in a collection.

students                      class

Student  $s$  is wearing a hat

**Universal**  
“for all”  $\forall$

All students in this class are wearing hats  
 $\forall s$  (this class) [Student  $s$  is wearing a hat]

**To Prove:** We NEED to check that proposition is **True** for EVERY element in the collection

**To Disprove:** We ONLY NEED find ONE EXAMPLE with proposition is **False**

**Existence**  
“there exists”  $\exists$

At least one student in this class is wearing a hat  
 $\exists s$  (this class) [Student  $s$  is wearing a hat]

**To Prove:** We ONLY NEED find ONE EXAMPLE with proposition is **True**

**To Disprove:** We NEED to check that proposition is **False** for EVERY element in the collection