## 3 Propositional Practice

(a)  $(\exists x \in \mathbb{R}) \ (x \notin \mathbb{Q})$ 

True.

Consider  $x = \pi$ .  $\pi \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $\pi \notin \mathbb{Q}$ , so the proposition is true.

(b) 
$$(\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}) \left( \left( (x \in \mathbb{N}) \lor (x < 0) \right) \land \left( \neg \left( (x \in \mathbb{N}) \land (x < 0) \right) \right) \right)$$

True.

Let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so x >= 0 or x < 0, but not both.

If  $x \ge 0$ , then x is a natural number; if x < 0, then x is negative; x can't be both.

Thus, the proposition is true.

(c)  $(\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) ((6 \mid x) \Longrightarrow ((2 \mid x) \lor (3 \mid x)))$ 

True.

Let  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ , x = 6 \* k, so  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ 

So x = 2 \* (3k) where  $3k \in \mathbb{N}$ , which means that  $2 \mid x$ 

So  $((2 \mid x) \lor (3 \mid x))$  is true, which means that the proposition is true.

(d) All real numbers are complex numbers.

True

Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , so x = x + 0 \* i, and since  $x, 0 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

So by definition of complex numbers, x is a complex number.

(e) If an integer is divisible by 2 or is divisible by 3, then it is divisible by 6.

False.

Consider x = 2, so x is an integer.

Since x is divisible by 2, so it is divisible by 2 or by 3.

However, there's no such integer a such that 2 \* a = 6

So by definition, x is not divisble by 6, so the proposition is false.

(f) If a natural number is greater than 7, then it can be expressed as the sum of two natural numbers.

True

Let  $x \in \mathbb{N}, x > 7$ 

Consider a = 0, b = x, so  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ 

Thus, since a + b = 0 + x = x, so the proposition is true.