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# Mathematical tools applied to Computer Science

## Ch1 : Elements of Logic

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## Example (Mathematical Statements and Assertions)

"For all real numbers  $x$ , if  $x > 2$ , then  $x^2 > 4$ ."

This statement uses both words ("for all real numbers") and mathematical symbols ( $x > 2$ ,  $x^2 > 4$ ) to express a mathematical assertion.

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## Example (Use of Logic in Proving Theorems or Developing Algorithms)

- **Mathematics:** To prove the Pythagorean theorem, a mathematician uses logical steps, such as defining a right triangle, applying the properties of similar triangles, and deducing that  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ .
  
- **Computer Science:** When developing an algorithm to sort a list of numbers, a programmer uses logical reasoning to decide how to compare elements, swap them if needed, and repeat the process until the list is sorted.

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## Example (Applying a Logical System to Determine Consequences)

Given the statements "If it rains, the ground will be wet" and "It is raining," you can logically conclude that "The ground is wet."

In **mathematical logic**, this is an example of the **modus ponens** rule, where if "A implies B" and "A is true," then "B must also be true."

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## Example (Familiarity with Arithmetic and Algebra Rules)

- **Arithmetic:** When adding two numbers, such as  $3 + 5$ , you use the rule that the sum is 8. This follows the commutative property of addition, which states that  $a + b = b + a$ .
- **Algebra:** In solving the equation  $2x + 3 = 7$ , you apply algebraic rules to isolate  $x$  (subtract 3 from both sides and then divide by 2) to find that  $x = 2$ .

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## Example (Logic Using Symbols and Rules)

For instance, if  $p$  represents "It is raining," and  $q$  represents "The ground is wet," then the expression  $p \rightarrow q$  can be read as "If it is raining, then the ground is wet."

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• In logic and mathematics, statements are used to express propositions, assertions, or claims that can be evaluated for their truth value.

## Example

The following sentences are not statements:

- ① Your place or mine?
- ② What's your name?
- ③ Knock before entering!
- ④  $x - y = y - x$ . IT IS NOT A STATEMENT BECAUSE IT IS NEITHER **true** NOR **false**.

• Note that the last sentences can be turned into a statement if we specify the symbols.

$$x - y = y - x \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R},$$

then this is a false proposition. If the intention is

$$x - y = y - x \text{ for all } x, y \in \{0\},$$

then this is a true statement.



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- $P$ : If it is not raining then I will go outside and eat my lunch.

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$p$ : It is raining

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The statement is TRUE. Therefore, we must prove it.

Consider  $x^2 = 1$ .

Adding  $-1$  to both sides gives  $x^2 - 1 = 0$ .

Factorising this equation, we have  $(x - 1)(x + 1) = 0$ .

Therefore,  $x - 1 = 0$  or  $x + 1 = 0$ .

- Case 1:  $x - 1 = 0$ . Add  $1$  to both sides and we have  $x = 1$ .

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The statement is FALSE. Therefore, we must demonstrate it.

$$5 - (3 - 2) = 5 - 1 = 4$$

$$(5 - 3) - 2 = 2 - 2 = 0$$

**Therefore**  $5 - (3 - 2) \neq (5 - 3) - 2$



☞ **Wooclap 1.** Determine which of the following sentences are statements. For those which are statements, determine their truth value.

1	$2 + 3 = 5$		
2	It is hot and sunny outside.		
3	$2 + 3 = 6$		
4	Is it raining?		
5	Go away!		
6	There exists an even prime number.		
7	There are six people in this room.		
8	For some real number $x$ , $x < 2$		
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► **Conclusion:** Predicates allow us to create logical expressions whose truth can be evaluated once the variables are specified. They are essential for formalizing reasoning in mathematics and logic.

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Consider the predicate " $x$  is greater than 5," where " $x$ " is a variable:

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It is foundational in fields like artificial intelligence, database querying, and formal verification of software.

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If we have a **predicate** " $x$  is an even number," the domain for the variable " $x$ " would consist of all integers since we want to check if any integer value can satisfy the predicate.

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Let  $P(x)$  be the predicate “ $x^2 > x$ ” with  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , meaning the domain is the set of all real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- ▶ Write down  $P(2)$ ,  $P(1)$ ,  $P(-2)$  and indicate which are true and which are false.
- ▶ Determine the truth set of  $P(x)$

## Solution

- ▶ Evaluate the predicate for specific values:

$$P(2) : 2^2 > 2 \Rightarrow 4 > 2 \quad (\text{True})$$

$$P(1) : 1^2 > 1 \Rightarrow 1 > 1 \quad (\text{False})$$

$$P(-2) : (-2)^2 > -2 \Rightarrow 4 > -2 \quad (\text{True})$$

- ▶ Determine the truth set of  $P(x)$ :

The truth set consists of all real numbers  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  for which  $x^2 > x$ . To find this, solve the inequality for  $x$ .

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Let  $Q(n)$  be the predicate “ $n$  is factor of 8”. Then the truth set of  $Q(n)$  if  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  is

$$\{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : "n \text{ is a factor of } 8"\} = \{1, 2, 4, 8\}.$$

⌚ **Wooclap 2. Predicate Analysis with Integers** Let  $P(x)$  be the predicate “ $x^3 > x$ ” with  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  i.e. domain the set of integers,  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

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⌚ **Wooclap 3. Factors and Divisibility** Let  $Q(n)$  be the predicate “ $n$  is factor of 6”. Determine the truth set of  $Q(n)$  if  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

⌚ **Wooclap 4. Creating New Predicates** Create new predicates and define appropriate domains.

- Define a predicate  $S(x)$ .
- Specify the domain of  $x$ .
- Determine the truth set for their predicate.

⌚ **Wooclap 5. Real-World Scenario Predicate** Create a predicate  $R(y)$ , such as " $y$  is a person who is eligible to vote," and define a suitable domain (e.g.,  $y \in$  set of all people).

- Determine the conditions for  $R(y)$  to be true.
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- ▶ A predicate becomes a statement when we assign it fixed values.
- ▶ However, another way to make a predicate into a statement is to quantify it. That is, the predicate is true (or false) for all possible values in the universe of discourse or for some value(s) in the universe of discourse.
- ▶ Such quantification can be done with two quantifiers: the universal quantifier and the existential quantifier.
- ▶ Quantifiers are words that refer to quantities such as "all", "every", "any", "there is" or "some" and tell for how many elements a given predicate is true.

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"  $P(x)$  IS TRUE FOR ALL VALUES OF  $x$  IN THE UNIVERSE OF DISCOURSE"

We use the notation

$$\forall x \in D, P(x).$$

- ▶ It is defined to be true if, and only if,  $P(x)$  is true for every  $x \in D$ .
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## Example

Let  $P(x)$  be "x is an even number." The universal statement  $\forall x \in \mathbb{N}, P(x)$  reads "every natural number is even," which is **false**.

- ▶ *Counter example:*  $x = 1$  (since 1 is not an even number).

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### Significance:

- ▶ Universal quantifiers are essential in mathematics, logic, and computer science for formulating theorems, writing proofs, and defining algorithmic constraints.
- ▶ The universal quantifier ( $\forall$ ) is often contrasted with the *existential quantifier* ( $\exists$ ), which denotes "there exists at least one."

 **Wooclap 6. Expressing Statements with the Universal Quantifier** Write the following statements using the universal quantifier. Determine whether each statement is true or false.

- "All human beings are mortal".
- "All dogs are animals".
- "The square of any real number is positive".
- "Every integer is a rational number".

 **Wooclap 7. Translating Quantified Statements into Words** Translate the following mathematical statements into words and determine whether each statement is true or false:

- $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, x + 1 > x$ .
- $\forall x \in \mathbb{Q}, x^2 \geq 0$ .
- $\forall x \in \mathbb{N}, 2x \geq x$ .
- $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x + (-x) = 0$ .

 **Wooclap 8. Identifying Counterexamples** For each of the following universal statements, determine if the statement is true or false. If false, provide a counterexample:

- "For all  $x \in \mathbb{N}, x^2 - x + 2 > 0$ ."
- "For all  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq x$ ."
- "For all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}, n + n = 2n$ ."
- "For all  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x + 1 \geq x$ ."

 **Wooclap 9. Constructing Your Own Universal Statements** Create your own universal statement using the quantifier  $\forall$ :

- Choose a domain for your variable (e.g., integers, real numbers, natural numbers).
- Write a predicate involving your variable.
- Determine whether your universal statement is true or false. If false, provide a counterexample.

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## ★ Existential Quantifier ★

### Definition (Existential Statement)

Let  $P(x)$  be a predicate and  $D$  the domain of  $x$ . The *existential quantification* of  $P(x)$  is the statement

"THERE EXISTS AN X IN THE UNIVERSE OF DISCOURSE SUCH THAT  $P(x)$  IS TRUE."

We use the notation

$$\exists x \in D, P(x)$$

- ▶ It is defined to be true if, and only if,  $P(x)$  is true for at least one  $x$  in  $D$ .
- ▶ It is defined to be false if, and only if,  $P(x)$  is false for all  $x$  in  $D$ .

⌚ **Wooclap 10.** Write the following statements using the existential quantifier.

Determine whether each statement is true or false.

- "Some people are vegetarians".
- "Some cats are black".
- "There is a real number whose square is negative".
- "Some programs are structured".

⌚ **Wooclap 11.** Write the following statements in words. Determine whether each statement is true or false.

- $\exists m \in \mathbb{Z}, m^2 = m.$
- $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 = -1.$
- $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}, \frac{1}{x} \notin \mathbb{Q}.$

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## Definition

Let  $P(x)$  be a predicate and  $D$  the domain of  $x$ . In logic, the negation of quantifiers changes the statement's form:

- ▶ The negation of a **universal statement** of the form:  $\forall x \in D, P(x)$  is logically equivalent to an existential statement where the predicate is negated:

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These logical equivalences can be applied to various mathematical statements. Consider the following examples:

## Example

$$\neg (\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 + 1 \geq 2x) \iff \exists x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 + 1 < 2x.$$

This equivalence states that if it is not true that  $x^2 + 1 \geq 2x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then there exists some  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  for which  $x^2 + 1 < 2x$ .

$$\neg (\exists x \in \mathbb{Q}, x^2 = 2) \iff \forall x \in \mathbb{Q}, x^2 \neq 2.$$

This equivalence tells us that if there does not exist an  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x^2 = 2$ , then for all  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $x^2 \neq 2$ .

☞ **Wooclap 12.** Write down the negation of the following statement.

- $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq 0.$
- $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}, (y \neq 0 \implies \frac{y+1}{y} < 1).$
- Every real number is either positive or negative.
- The square of any integer is positive.
- $\exists z \in \mathbb{Z}, (z \text{ is odd}) \vee (z \text{ is even})$
- $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}, (n \text{ is even}) \wedge (\sqrt{n} \text{ is prime})$

☞ **Wooclap 13.** Let  $P(x)$  be the statement "*x spends more than five hours every weekday in class*" where the domain for  $x$  consists of all students. Express each of these quantifications in English.

- $\exists x P(x)$
- $\forall x P(x)$
- $\exists x \neg P(x)$
- $\forall x \neg P(x)$

☞ **Wooclap 14.** Let  $P(x)$  be the statement " $x = x^2$ ". If the domain consists of the integers, what are these truth values?

- $P(0)$
- $P(1)$
- $P(2)$
- $P(-1)$
- $\exists x P(x)$
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When a statement contains multiple quantifiers, the order in which they appear is crucial and can significantly affect the truth set of the statement.

## Example

- ▶ Everybody loves somebody.

Let  $H$  be the set of people.

Statement:  $\forall x \in H, \exists y \in H, x \text{ loves } y.$

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☞ **Wooclap 15.** Write the following statements using quantifiers:

- a. Everybody loves everybody.
- b. The Commutative Law of Addition for  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
- c. Everyone had a mother.
- d. There is an oldest person.

☞ **Wooclap 16.** Write the following statements without using quantifiers:

- a.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \exists y \in \mathbb{R}, x + y = 0$ .
- b.  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R} \forall y \in \mathbb{R}, x + y = y$ .
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- Statement:  $\forall x, \forall y, P(x, y)$

Meaning: For all possible pairs  $(x, y)$ , the predicate  $P(x, y)$  is true.

### Example

Let  $P(x, y)$  be " $x + y > 0$ ," where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+$  (the set of all positive real numbers).

**True** When: For all positive real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $x + y > 0$ . This is always true.

**False** When: If we change the domain to  $\mathbb{R}$  (all real numbers), there exists a pair (e.g.,  $x = -1, y = -2$ ) for which  $x + y > 0$  is false, since  $-1 + (-2) = -3 \leq 0$ .

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$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists y \in \mathbb{R}, P(x, y)$  is " $x + y = 5$ ".

**True** When: For every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , there exists a  $y = 5 - x$  such that  $x + y = 5$ . This is always true because for any  $x$ , we can find a corresponding  $y$ .

**False** When: If  $P(x, y)$  is " $x + y = 5$ " and the domain of  $y$  is restricted to only positive numbers greater than 5, then for some  $x$ , there is no  $y$  that satisfies the condition (e.g.,  $x = 1, y > 5$ , no  $y$  makes  $1 + y = 5$ ).

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$\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall y \in \mathbb{R}, P(x, y)$  is " $x$  is less than or equal to  $y$ ".

**True** When: If  $x = 0$ , for all  $y \geq 0$ ,  $0 \leq y$  is always true.

**False** When: If  $P(x, y)$  is " $x > y$ ," there does not exist any  $x$  such that  $x > y$  for all  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ , since for any chosen  $x$ , there is always a larger  $y$ .

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$\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists y \in \mathbb{R}, P(x, y)$  is " $x \cdot y = 4$ ".

**True** When: There exist pairs such as  $(2, 2)$  or  $(-2, -2)$  for which  $x \cdot y = 4$ .

**False** When: If  $P(x, y)$  is " $x \cdot y = -1$ ," and the domain is restricted to non-negative real numbers  $x, y \geq 0$ , then no such pair exists because the product of two non-negative numbers cannot be negative.

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⌚ Wooclap 17. Express the statement "*there is a number  $x$  such that when it is added to any number, the result is that number, and if it is multiplied by any number, the result is  $x$* " as a logical expression.

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To negate statements involving multiple quantifiers, negate each quantifier and negate the predicate.

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✉ **Wooclap 18.** Write the negation of the following statement:

- Statement:  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists y \in \mathbb{R}, x + y = 0$ .
- Statement:  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall y \in \mathbb{R}, xy = 1$ .
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A photograph of a beach scene. In the foreground, several thatched umbrellas are set up on a sandy area. Some small tables are visible under the umbrellas. To the right, a red flag flies from a pole. The background shows the ocean with waves and a cloudy sky.

Thank you! Questions?