CS1101 Discrete Mathematics 1

Chapter 01

The Foundations: Logic



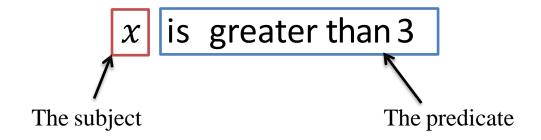
Today's Topics

•1.4 Predicates and Quantifiers

Predicate:

x is greater than 3

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We can denote the statement "x is greater than 3" by P(x)

where P denotes the predicate "is greater than 3" and x is the variable.

The statement P(x) is also said to be the value of the **propositional function** P at x. Once a value has been assigned to the variable x, the statement P(x) becomes a proposition and has a truth value.

Example1:

Let P(x) denote the statement "x > 3."

What are the truth values of P(4) and P(2)?

Solution

We obtain the statement P(4) by setting x = 4 in the statement "x > 3." Hence, P(4), which is the statement "4 > 3," is true. However, P(2), which is the statement "2 > 3," is false.

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- c) P(true) d) P(false)

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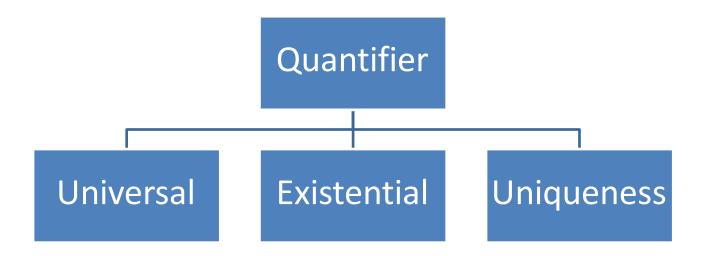
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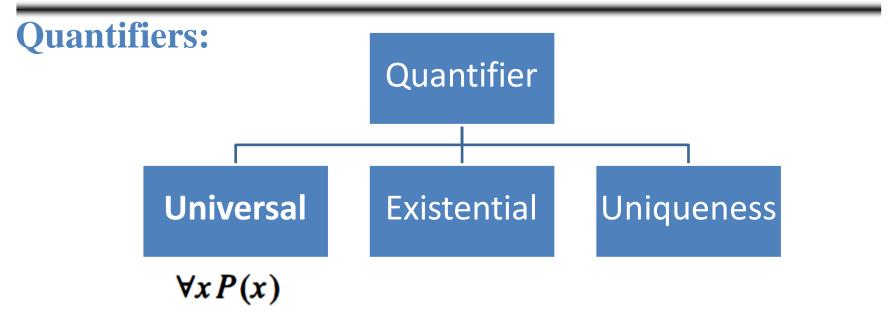
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Quantifiers:

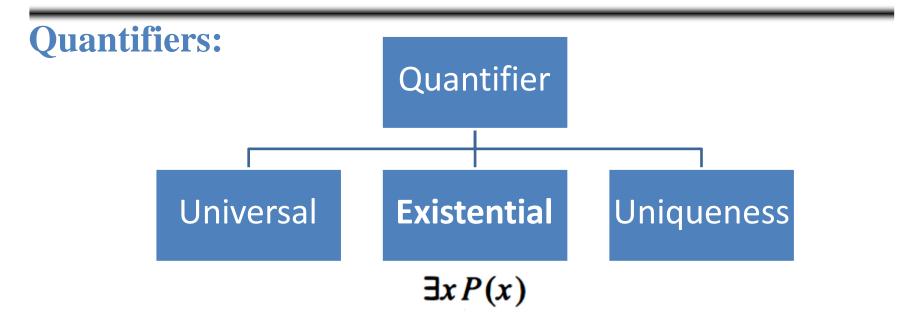
Expresses the extent to which a predicate is true over a range of elements.





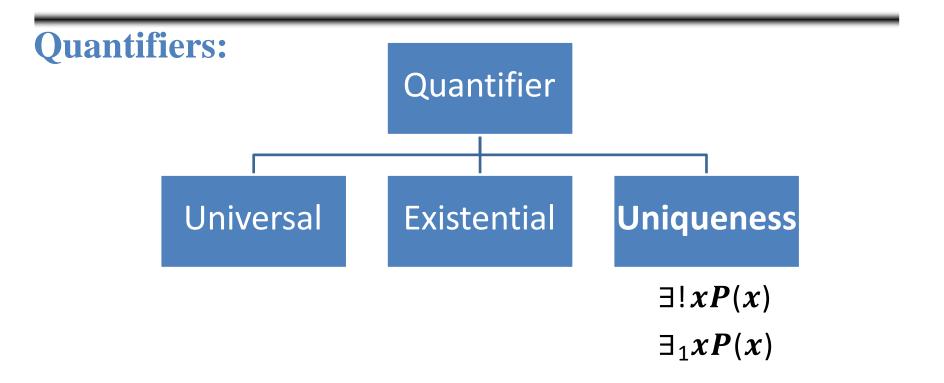
The universal quantification of P(x) is the statement

"P(x) for all values of x in the domain."



The existential quantification of P(x) is the proposition

"There exists an element x in the domain such that P(x)."



"There exists a unique x such that P(x) is true."

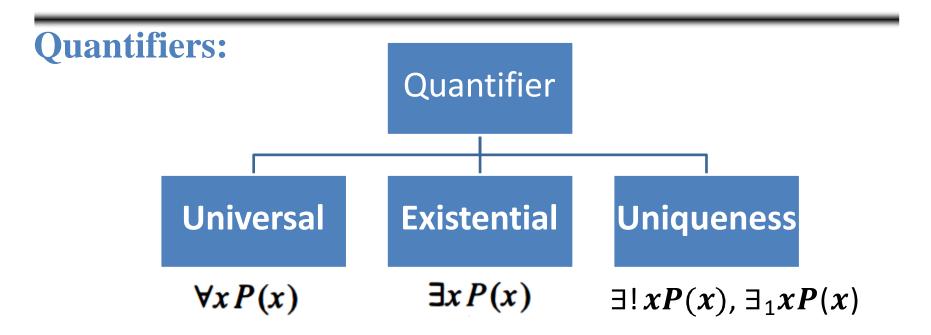


TABLE 1 Quantifiers.		
Statement	When True?	When False?
$\forall x P(x)$ $\exists x P(x)$	P(x) is true for every x . There is an x for which $P(x)$ is true.	There is an x for which $P(x)$ is false. P(x) is false for every x.

Translate into English – Example1:

Express the statement "Every student in this class has studied calculus.

Solution P(x): x has studied calculus.

S(x): x is in this class.

The statement can be expressed as $\forall x(S(x) \rightarrow P(x))$

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Solution: Because P(x) is true for all real numbers x, the quantification

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is true.

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Solution: Q(x) is not true for every real number x, because, for instance, Q(3) is false. That is, x = 3 is a counterexample for the statement $\forall x Q(x)$. Thus $\forall x Q(x)$ is false.

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Solution: Because "x > 3" is sometimes true—for instance, when x = 4—the existential quantification of P(x), which is $\exists x P(x)$, is true.

Example4:

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Solution: Because the domain is $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, the proposition $\exists x P(x)$ is the same as the disjunction $P(1) \lor P(2) \lor P(3) \lor P(4)$.

Because P(4), which is the statement " $4^2 > 10$," is true,

it follows that $\exists x P(x)$ is true.

Example6:

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

- **a)** P(0) **b)** P(1) **c)** P(2) **d)** P(-1) **e)** $\exists x P(x)$ **f)** $\forall x P(x)$

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Translate into English – Example2:

Translate the statement $\forall x(C(x) \lor \exists y(C(y) \land F(x,y)))$ into English, where C(x) is "x has a computer", F(x,y) is "x and y are friends," and both x and y is the set of all students in your school.

Solution

Every student in your school has a computer or has a friend who has a computer.

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a)
$$\forall x (C(x) \rightarrow F(x))$$

Answer

a) Every comedian is funny.

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b)
$$\forall x (C(x) \land F(x))$$

Answer

b) Every person is a funny comedian.

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c)
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Answer

c) There exists a person such that if she or he is a comedian, then she or he is funny.

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d) $\exists x (C(x) \land F(x))$

Answer

d) Some comedians are funny.

Translate into Logical Expression – Example 1:

Translate each of these statements into logical expressions using predicates, quantifiers, and logical connectives.

Let
$$P(x)$$
 be "x is perfect"

let F(x) be "x is your friend"

the domain be all people

a) No one is perfect.

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

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b) Not everyone is perfect.

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c) All your friends are perfect.

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d) At least one of your friends is perfect.

d)
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Precedence of Quantifiers:

The quantifiers ∀ and ∃ have higher precedence then all logical operators from propositional calculus.

For example, $\forall x P(x) \lor Q(x)$ is the disjunction of $\forall x P(x)$ and Q(x). In other words,

it means $(\forall x P(x)) \lor Q(x)$ rather than $\forall x (P(x) \lor Q(x))$.

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- 2) Then, P(x) is true for all values x in the domain. And Q(x) is true for all values x in the domain.
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$$\forall x(x^2 \neq 2)$$

Next Class

•1.5 Nested Quantifiers