

1. Problems

Exercise 1

1. Prove or disprove $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists y \in \mathbb{R} : x - y^3 = 0$

• This statement is true

* To prove the first statement true ($P(x)$), we need to show that for any x chosen from the real numbers, there exists a real number y such that $x - y^3 = 0$. This can be proved by providing a general argument that ensures there's always a y satisfying the equation for any x .

Since $Q(x, y)$ is true for the given $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$, and $P(x)$ is true for any x due to the nature of cube roots, both statements are statements are indeed true.

2. Prove or disprove $\exists y \in \mathbb{R}, \forall x \in \mathbb{R} : x - y^3 = 0$

• This statement is false

* To prove the second statement false ($Q(x, y)$) we need to provide a counter example showing that there exists at least one real number x for which the equation $x - y^3 = 0$ does not hold true for all y . This counter example can depend on the value of y .

To show $Q(x, y)$ false, consider $x = y^3 + 1$. If we plug this into the equation $x - y^3 = 0$, we get $(y^3 + 1) - y^3 = 1 \neq 0$ so $Q(x, y)$ is false for this x and y .

Prove or disprove $\forall x \in \mathbb{N}, \exists y \in \mathbb{N} : x - y^3 = 0$

★ This statement is false

* We can take $x=2$. For any $y \in \mathbb{N}$, y^3 cannot be equal to 2 because the cube root of 2 is not a natural number.

To prove the statement false ($\forall x, y$), we need to show that there's no single natural number y for which the equation $x - y^3 = 0$ holds true for all natural numbers x . This is because the cube root of some natural numbers may not be a natural number itself.

Prove or disprove $\exists y \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x \in \mathbb{N} : x - y^3 = 0$

This statement is false.

* To prove the statement false ($\forall x, y$), we need to provide a counter example showing that there's at least one natural number x for which the equation $x - y^3 = 0$ does not hold true for a particular natural number y .

To show $\forall x, y$ false, consider $x = y^3 + 1$. If we plug this into the equation $x - y^3 = 0$, we get $(y^3 + 1) - y^3 = 1 \neq 0$; so $\forall x, y$ is false for this particular x and y .

09 Prove or disprove $\forall x \in \mathbb{N}, \exists y \in \mathbb{N} : (x+y)^2 = x^2 + 6xy + y^2$

• This statement is true

* To prove statement true ($Q(x,y)$), we just need to provide an example of such a y for any given x , and this example can depend on the value of x . Here, the example provided is $y=3$

Since $(x+y)^2 = (x+3)^2 = x^2 + 6x + 9$ we see that $Q(x,y)$ is true for $y=3$.

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* To prove statement true ($Q(x,y)$) we need to provide a general argument showing that for any natural number x , the equation $(x+y)^2 = x^2 + 6xy + y^2$ holds true for particular natural number

This equation holds true for all natural numbers x , therefore, $Q(x,y)$ is true for $y=3$

07 Prove or disprove $\exists y \in \mathbb{N}, \exists x \in \mathbb{N} : x-y=0$

• This statement is true.

* To prove the statement true ($Q(x,y)$) we can provide an example where $x-y=0$ holds. We take $x=0$, and indeed for any $y, 0-y=0$ so $Q(x,y)$ is true

* ($P(y)$), we can provide an example where $x-y=0$ holds. We take $y=0$ and indeed for $x=0, 0-0=0$ so $P(y)$ is true.

08/ Prove or disprove $\forall y \in \mathbb{N}, \exists x \in \mathbb{N} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is true.

* To prove this statement true we need to show that for any natural number y , there exists a natural number x such that $x - y = 0$. This is true because we can always choose $x = y$. Then $x - y = y - y = 0$.

($\mathcal{Q}(x, y)$) we can provide an example where $x - y = 0$ holds. We can take $x = y$ and indeed $x - y = y - y = 0$ so $\mathcal{Q}(x, y)$ is true for $x = y$.

09/ Prove or disprove $\forall y \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x \in \mathbb{N} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is false.

* To prove this statement false ($\mathcal{P}(y)$), we need to find a counterexample where $x - y \neq 0$ for some natural number y .

We can take $y = 0$. For any x in \mathbb{N} , $x - 0 = x$ and it's evident that not all numbers equal zero.

To prove the second statement false ($\mathcal{Q}(x, y)$), we need to find a counterexample where $x - y \neq 0$ for some natural number x any $y = 1$. We can take $x = 1$. Then $\mathcal{Q}(1, 1)$ becomes $1 - 1 = 0$.

10/ Prove or disprove $\exists x \in \mathbb{N}, \forall y \in \mathbb{N} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is false

* To prove this statement false ($\neg Q(x, y)$) we need to provide a counter example where $x - y \neq 0$ for some natural number x and $y = x - 1$. We can take $y = x - 1$. Then $Q(x, x - 1)$ becomes $x - (x - 1) = 1$ which is false.

11/ Prove or disprove $\exists y \in \mathbb{R}, \exists x \in \mathbb{N} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is true.

* To prove this statement true ($Q(x, y)$) we can provide an example where $x - y = 0$ holds. We can take $x = 0$, and indeed for any real number y , $0 - y = 0$ so $Q(x, y)$ is true for $x = 0$

12/ Prove or disprove $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}, \exists x \in \mathbb{N} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is false.

* To prove this statement false ($\neg Q(x, y)$) we need to provide a general argument showing that $x - y = 0$ is always false. For $(x, \frac{1}{2})$, the equation $x - \frac{1}{2} = 0$ implies $x = \frac{1}{2}$. But $\frac{1}{2}$ is not a natural number ($\frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{N}$), so the statement is always false.

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14/ Prove or disprove $\exists x \in \mathbb{N}, \forall y \in \mathbb{R} : x - y = 0$

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* To prove the statement false ($\exists x, y$), we need to find a counter example where $x - y \neq 0$ for some real number y . We can take $y = x - 1$. Then $Q(x, x-1)$ becomes $x - (x-1) = 1$

15/ Prove or disprove $\exists y \in \mathbb{N}, \exists x \in \mathbb{R} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is true

* To prove the statement true ($\exists x, y$), we can provide an example where $x - y = 0$ holds. We can take $x = 0$ and indeed for any real number y , $0 - y = 0$ so $Q(x, y)$ is true for $x = 0$

16/ Prove or disprove $\forall y \in \mathbb{N}, \exists x \in \mathbb{R} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is true.

* To prove the statement ($\forall y$), we need to show that for any natural number y , there exists a real number x such that $x - y = 0$. This is indeed true because for any y in \mathbb{N} , we can simply choose $x = y$. Then $x - y = y - y = 0$

17/ Prove or disprove $\forall y \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x \in \mathbb{R} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is false.

* To prove the second statement false ($\forall x, y$), we need to provide a counter example where $x - y \neq 0$ for some real number x and $y = 1$. We can take $x = 1$. Then $Q(1, 1)$ becomes $1 - 1 = 0$ which is false.

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18/ Prove or disprove $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall y \in \mathbb{N} : x - y = 0$

• This statement is false.

* To prove the statement false ($\exists x \forall y$), we need to provide a counter example where $x - y \neq 0$ for some natural number y . We can take $y = x - 1$. Then $Q(x, x - 1)$ becomes $x - (x - 1) = 1$ which is false.