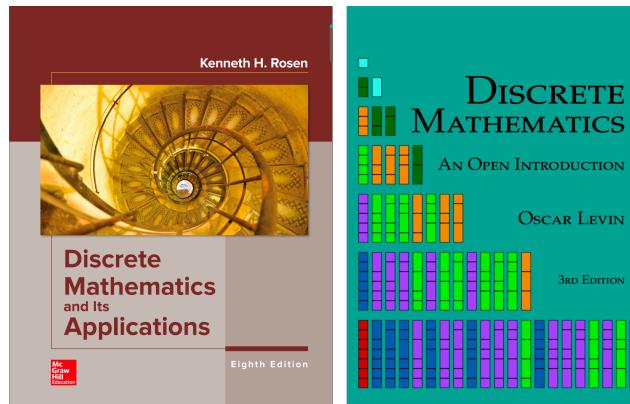




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## Session 3

### Equivalences; Predicates and Quantifiers

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# Propositional equivalences: Introduction

## DEFINITION 1

A compound proposition that is always true, no matter what the truth values of the propositions that occurs in it, is called a *tautology*.

A compound proposition that is always false is called a *contradiction*.

A compound proposition that is neither a tautology or a contradiction is called a *contingency*.

## Examples of a Tautology and a Contradiction.

$p$	$\neg p$	$p \vee \neg p$	$p \wedge \neg p$
T	F	T	F
F	T	T	F

# Logical equivalences

## DEFINITION 2

The compound propositions  $p$  and  $q$  are called *logically equivalent* if  $p \leftrightarrow q$  is a tautology. The notation  $p \equiv q$  denotes that  $p$  and  $q$  are logically equivalent.

- Compound propositions that have the same truth values in all possible cases are called **logically equivalent**.
- Example: Show that  $\neg p \vee q$  and  $p \rightarrow q$  are logically equivalent.

Truth Tables for  $\neg p \vee q$  and  $p \rightarrow q$  .

$p$	$q$	$\neg p$	$\neg p \vee q$	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T

# Propositional equivalences

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- If we use a truth table to establish such a logical equivalence of two propositional variables, we need 4 rows ( $p, q: TT, TF, FT, FF$ ).
- If we use a truth table to establish such a logical equivalence of three propositional variables, we need 8 rows ( $p, q, r: TTT, TTF, TFT, TFF, FTT, FTF, FFT, FFF$ ).
- ...Etc
- In general,  $2^n$  rows are required if a compound proposition involves  $n$  propositional variables in order to get the combination of all truth values.

# Example:

Using the truth table to show that  $p \vee (q \wedge r)$  and  $(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$  are logically equivalent.

*Solution:*

$p$	$q$	$r$	$q \wedge r$	$p \vee (q \wedge r)$	$p \vee q$	$p \vee r$	$(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	F	F	T	F	F
F	F	T	F	F	F	T	F
F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

*What happen if we have a series of variables?*

# Propositional equivalences

## Constructing new logical equivalences

- Example: Show that  $\neg(p \rightarrow q)$  and  $p \wedge \neg q$  are logically equivalent.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\neg(p \rightarrow q) &\equiv \neg(\neg p \vee q) && \text{by example on slide 3} \\ &\equiv \neg(\neg p) \wedge \neg q && \text{by the second De Morgan law} \\ &\equiv p \wedge \neg q && \text{by the double negation law}\end{aligned}$$

- Example: Show that  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$  is a tautology.

Solution: To show that this statement is a tautology, we will use logical equivalences to demonstrate that it is logically equivalent to T.

$$\begin{aligned}(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q) &\equiv \neg(p \wedge q) \vee (p \vee q) && \text{by example on slide 3} \\ &\equiv (\neg p \vee \neg q) \vee (p \vee q) && \text{by the first De Morgan law} \\ &\equiv (\neg p \vee p) \vee (\neg q \vee q) && \text{by the associative and} \\ &&& \text{communicative law for disjunction} \\ &\equiv T \vee T \\ &\equiv T\end{aligned}$$

- Note: The above examples can also be done using truth tables.

# Logical equivalence

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$$p \leftrightarrow q$$

- Compound propositions  $p$  and  $q$  are logically equivalent to each other (written  $p \leftrightarrow q$ , ) **IFF**  $p$  and  $q$  contain the same truth values as each other in all rows of their truth tables.

## Proving Equivalence via Truth Table

Ex. Prove that  $p \vee q \leftrightarrow \neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q)$ .

$p$	$q$	$p \vee q$	$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$\neg p \wedge \neg q$	$\neg(\neg p \wedge \neg q)$
F	F	F	T	T	T	F
F	T	T	T	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	T	F	T
T	T	T	F	F	F	T

At the end, the left hand side is the same as the right hand side



# Equivalence laws

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- These are similar to the arithmetic identities you may have learned in algebra, but for propositional equivalences instead.
- They provide a pattern or template that can be used to match all or part of a much more complicated proposition and to find an equivalence for it.

# Equivalence laws

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**Logic Rules** : p, q, r: propositional variables, 1 is a true value and 0 is a false value, we have the following equivalence laws:

## 1) Idempotent

$$p \wedge p \equiv p$$

$$p \vee p \equiv p$$

# Equivalence laws

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## 2) Commutative

$$p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$$

$$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$$

## 3) Associative

$$(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r) \leftrightarrow (p \wedge q \wedge r)$$

$$(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$$

## 4) Distributive

$$p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$$

$$p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$$

# Equivalence laws

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## 5) Implication

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$$

## 6) Double negation

$$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$$

## 7) Negation of De Morgan's

$$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$$

$$\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$$

$$\neg(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \neg q$$

# Equivalence laws

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## 8) Contra-positive

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$$

## 9) Equivalence

$$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$$

## 10) Identity

$$p \wedge 1 \equiv p$$

$$\text{and} \quad p \vee 0 \equiv p$$

# Equivalence laws

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## 11) Complement

$$\begin{aligned} p \wedge \neg p &\equiv 0 \\ \text{and } p \vee \neg p &\equiv 1 \end{aligned}$$

## 12) Domination

$$\begin{aligned} p \wedge 0 &\equiv 0 \\ \text{and } p \vee 1 &\equiv 1 \end{aligned}$$

# Equivalence laws

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## 13) Absorption

$$p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$$

and       $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$

ex:  $(U \vee V) \vee (U \wedge N \wedge \neg Q \wedge V)$   
 $= (U \vee V) \vee (U \wedge V \wedge N \wedge \neg Q)$   
 $= ((U \vee V)$

## 14) Simplification

$$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$$

## 15) Extension

$$p \rightarrow (p \vee q)$$

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## 16) Reduction (shortening)

$$p \wedge q \rightarrow p \equiv 1$$

$$p \rightarrow (p \wedge q) \equiv p \rightarrow q$$

$$(p \vee q) \rightarrow q \equiv p \rightarrow q$$

$$p \rightarrow (p \vee q) \equiv 1$$

# Equivalent laws - examples

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- *Identity:*  $p \wedge \mathbf{T} \equiv p$      $p \vee \mathbf{F} \equiv p$
- *Domination:*  $p \vee \mathbf{T} \equiv \mathbf{T}$      $p \wedge \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$
- *Idempotent:*  $p \vee p \equiv p$      $p \wedge p \equiv p$
- *Double negation:*  $\neg\neg p \equiv p$
- *Commutative:*  $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$      $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$
- *Associative:*  $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$   
 $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$

## More equivalence laws

- *Distributive:*  $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$   
 $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$
- *De Morgan's:*  
 $\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$   
 $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$
- *Trivial tautology/contradiction:*  
 $p \vee \neg p \equiv \mathbf{T}$        $p \wedge \neg p \equiv \mathbf{F}$

# Defining operators via equivalences

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Using equivalences, we can *define* operators in terms of other operators:

- Exclusive or:  $p \oplus q \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge \neg(p \wedge q)$   
 $p \oplus q \equiv (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (q \wedge \neg p)$
- Implies:  $p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$
- Biconditional:  $p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$   
 $p \leftrightarrow q \equiv \neg(p \oplus q)$

## Examples:

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Check using a symbolic derivation whether:

$$(p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow (p \oplus r) \equiv \neg p \vee q \vee \neg r.$$

Solution:

$$(p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow (p \oplus r)$$

$$\equiv \neg(p \wedge \neg q) \vee (p \oplus r) \quad [\text{Expand definition of } \rightarrow]$$

$$\equiv \neg(p \wedge \neg q) \vee ((p \vee r) \wedge \neg(p \wedge r)) \quad [\text{Definition of } \oplus]$$

$$\equiv (\neg p \vee q) \vee ((p \vee r) \wedge \neg(p \wedge r)) \quad [\text{De Morgan's}]$$

$$\equiv (q \vee \neg p) \vee ((p \vee r) \wedge \neg(p \wedge r)) \quad [\text{Commutative}]$$

$$\equiv q \vee (\neg p \vee ((p \vee r) \wedge \neg(p \wedge r))) \quad [\text{Associative}]$$

## Examples:

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$$\equiv q \vee (((\neg p \vee (p \vee r)) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg(p \wedge r))) \text{ [Distributive]})$$

$$\equiv q \vee (((\neg p \vee p) \vee r)) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg(p \wedge r)) \text{ [Associative]}$$

$$\equiv q \vee ((\mathbf{T} \vee r) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg(p \wedge r))) \text{ [Complement]}$$

$$\equiv q \vee (\mathbf{T} \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg(p \wedge r))) \text{ [Domination]}$$

$$\equiv q \vee (\neg p \vee \neg(p \wedge r)) \text{ [Identity]}$$

$$\equiv q \vee (\neg p \vee (\neg p \vee \neg r)) \text{ [De Morgan's]}$$

$$\equiv q \vee ((\neg p \vee \neg p) \vee \neg r) \text{ [Associative]}$$

$$\equiv q \vee (\neg p \vee \neg r) \text{ [Idempotent]}$$

$$\equiv (q \vee \neg p) \vee \neg r \text{ [Associative]}$$

$$\equiv \neg p \vee q \vee \neg r \text{ [Commutative]}$$

finish

# Review: propositional logic

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- Atomic propositions:  $p, q, r, \dots$
- Boolean operators:  $\neg \wedge \vee \oplus \rightarrow \leftrightarrow$
- Compound propositions:  $s := (p \wedge \neg q) \vee r$
- Equivalences:  $p \wedge \neg q \equiv \neg(p \rightarrow q)$
- Proving equivalences using:
  - Truth tables.
  - Symbolic derivations.  $p \equiv q \equiv r \dots$
- Next: PREDICATES and QUANTIFIERS

# Predicates: examples

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Which statements are propositions:

- Minh loves ice cream.
- $X$  loves ice cream.
- Everyone loves ice cream.
- Someone loves ice cream.

YES

NO

YES

YES

## Examples

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Which statements are propositions:

$$3 + 4 = 7$$

YES

$$X + 4 = 5$$

NO

$$X + 2 = 5 \text{ for any choice of } X \text{ in } \{1, 2, 3\}$$

YES

$$X + 2 = 5 \text{ for some } X \text{ in } \{1, 2, 3\}$$

YES

# Proposition, YES or NO?

$12 > 7$

YES

$X > 4$

NO

$X > 4$  for any choice of  $X$  in  $\{3, 4, 5\}$

YES

$X > 4$  for some  $X$  in  $\{1, 2, 3\}$

YES

## The efficiency of predicates.

Nam eats pizza at least once a week.

Viet eats pizza at least once a week.

John eats pizza at least once a week.

Minh eats pizza at least once a week.

Thu eats pizza at least once a week.

Hai eats pizza at least once a week.

Khoa eats pizza at least once a week.

# The efficiency of predicates.

An eats pizza at least once a week.

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**Define:**

$P(x)$  = “ $x$  eats pizza at least once a week.”

Universe of Discourse -  $x$  is a student in Discrete Math class

- Note that  $P(x)$  is not a proposition,  $P(\text{Binh})$  is.

# Predicates

**Definition:** A predicate, or propositional function, is a function defined on a set  $U$  and returns a proposition as its value.

The set  $U$  is called the ***universe of discourse***.

- We often denote a predicate by  $P(x)$
- Note that  $P(x)$  is not a proposition, but  $P(a)$  where  $a$  is some fixed element of  $U$  is a proposition with well determined truth value

# Subjects and predicates

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- In the sentence “The dog is sleeping”:
  - The phrase “**the dog**” denotes the *subject* - the *object* or *entity* that the sentence is about.
  - The phrase “is sleeping” denotes the *predicate*- a property that is true **of** the subject.
- In predicate logic, a *predicate* is modeled as a *function*  $P(\cdot)$  from objects to propositions.
  - $P(x) =$  “*x* is sleeping” (where *x* is any object).

# More about predicates

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- Convention: Lowercase variables  $x, y, z\dots$  denote objects/entities; uppercase variables  $P, Q, R\dots$  denote predicates.
- Keep in mind that the *result of applying* a predicate  $P$  to an object  $x$  is the *proposition*  $P(x)$ . But the predicate  $P$  **itself** (e.g.  $P$ =“is sleeping”) is **not** a proposition (not a complete sentence).
  - E.g. if  $P(x)$  = “ $x$  is a prime number”,  $P(3)$  is the *proposition* “3 is a prime number.”

## Example:

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For instance, consider the statement " $x = y + 3$ ". We can denote this statement by  $Q(x, y)$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  are variables and  $Q$  is the predicate. When values are assigned to the variables  $x$  and  $y$ , the statement  $Q(x, y)$  has a true value.

- Let  $Q(x, y)$  denote the statement " $x = y + 3$ ". What are the true values of the propositions  $Q(1, 2)$  and  $Q(3, 0)$ ?
- Solution: To obtain  $Q(1, 2)$ , set  $x = 1$  and  $y = 2$  in the statement  $Q(x, y)$ . Hence,  $Q(1, 2)$  is the statement " $1 = 2 + 3$ ", which is false. The statement  $Q(3, 0)$  is the proposition " $3 = 0 + 3$ ", which is true.

# Practical applications of predicate logic

- It is the basis for clearly expressed formal specifications for any complex system.
- It is the basis for *automatic theorem provers* and many other Artificial Intelligence systems.
  - *E.g.* automatic program verification systems.
- Predicate-logic like statements are supported by some of the more sophisticated *database query engines* and *container class libraries*
  - these are types of programming tools.

# Universes of Discourse (U.D.s)

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- The power of distinguishing objects from predicates is that it lets you state things about *many* objects at once.
- E.g., let  $P(x) = "x+1 > x"$ . We can then say, “For *any* number  $x$ ,  $P(x)$  is true” instead of  $(\mathbf{0}+1 > \mathbf{0}) \wedge (\mathbf{1}+1 > \mathbf{1}) \wedge (\mathbf{2}+1 > \mathbf{2}) \wedge \dots$
- The collection of values that a variable  $x$  can take is called  $x$ ’s *universe of discourse*.

# Quantifier expressions

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- *Quantifiers* provide a notation that allows us to *quantify* (count) *how many* objects in the universal of discourse (ud). satisfy a given predicate.
- “ $\forall$ ” is the FOR ALL or *universal* quantifier.  
 $\forall x P(x)$  means *for all*  $x$  in the u.d.,  $P$  holds.
- “ $\exists$ ” is the EXISTS or *existential* quantifier.  
 $\exists x P(x)$  means there exists an  $x$  in the ud (that is, 1 or more) such that  $P(x)$  is true.

# The universal quantifier

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Let  $P(x)$  be a predicate on some universe of discourse  $U$ .

Consider the statement

“ $P(x)$  is true for all  $x$  in the universe of discourse.”

We write it  $\forall x P(x)$ , and say “for all  $x$ ,  $P(x)$  ”

The proposition  $\forall x P(x)$  is

- TRUE if  $P(a)$  is true when we substitute  $x$  by any element  $a$  in  $U$
- FALSE if there is an element  $a$  in  $U$  for which  $P(a)$  is false.

## Examples:

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- Let  $P(x)$  be the predicate  $x + 1 > x$ , where the universe of discourse are the real numbers.

Then  $\forall x P(x)$  is a TRUE proposition because for all real number  $x$ ,  $x + 1$  is always greater than  $x$

- Let  $Q(x)$  be the predicate  $x < 1$ , where the universe of discourse are the real numbers.

Then  $\forall x Q(x)$  is a FALSE proposition because we can find a real number, say 3 such that  $3 < 1$  is a FALSE proposition.

## Examples:

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In the special case that the universe of discourse,  $U$ , is finite, say  $U = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n\}$ . Then

$\forall x P(x)$  corresponds to the proposition:

$$P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(x_n)$$

We can write a program to loop through the elements in the universe and check each for truthfulness. If all are true, then the proposition is true. Otherwise it is false!

# The existential quantifier

The *existential quantifier* of  $P(x)$  is the proposition:

“There exists an element  $x$  in the universe of discourse such that  $P(x)$  is true.”

We write it  $\exists x P(x)$ , and say “for some  $x$ ,  $P(x)$ ”

$\exists x P(x)$  is FALSE if  $P(x)$  is false for every single  $x$ .

$\exists x P(x)$  is TRUE if there is an  $x$  for which  $P(x)$  is true.

## Examples:

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- Let  $P(x)$  be the predicate  $x > 3$ , where the universe of discourse are the real numbers.  
Then  $\exists x P(x)$  is a TRUE proposition because we can find a real number, say 4 such that  $4 > 3$  is a TRUE proposition
- Let  $Q(x)$  be the predicate  $x = x + 1$ , where the universe of discourse are the real numbers.  
Then  $\exists x Q(x)$  is a FALSE proposition because for all real number  $x$ ,  $x$  and  $x + 1$  are distinct real numbers.

## Examples:

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In the special case that the universe of discourse,  $U$ , is finite, say  $U = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n\}$ . Then

$\exists x P(x)$  corresponds to the proposition:  
 $P(x_1) \vee P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee P(x_n)$

We can write a program to loop through the elements in the universe and check each for truthfulness.

# Predicates - not so boring examples

Universe of discourse is all creatures, define:

$L(x)$  = “ $x$  is a lion.”

$F(x)$  = “ $x$  is fierce.”

$C(x)$  = “ $x$  drinks coffee.”

All lions are fierce.

$$\forall x (L(x) \rightarrow F(x))$$

Some lions don't drink coffee.

$$\exists x (L(x) \wedge \neg C(x))$$

Some fierce creatures  
don't drink coffee.

$$\exists x (F(x) \wedge \neg C(x))$$

# Negations

## Example:

$B(x)$  = “ $x$  is a hummingbird.”

$L(x)$  = “ $x$  is a large bird.”

$H(x)$  = “ $x$  lives on honey.”

$R(x)$  = “ $x$  is richly colored.”

All hummingbirds are richly colored.

$$\forall x (B(x) \rightarrow R(x))$$

No large birds live on honey.

$$\neg \exists x (L(x) \wedge H(x))$$

Birds that do not live on honey are  
dully colored.

$$\forall x (\neg H(x) \rightarrow \neg R(x))$$

# Negations

No large birds live on honey.

$$\neg \exists x (L(x) \wedge H(x))$$

$\forall x P(x)$  means “ $P(x)$  is true for every  $x$ .”

What about  $\neg \forall x P(x)$  ?

Not[“ $P(x)$  is true for every  $x$ .”]

“There is an  $x$  for which  $P(x)$  is not true.”

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

So,  $\neg \forall x P(x)$  is the same as  $\exists x \neg P(x)$ .

## Predicates - quantifier negation

No large birds live on honey.

$$\neg \exists x (L(x) \wedge H(x))$$

$\exists x P(x)$  means " $P(x)$  is true for some  $x$ ."

What about  $\neg \exists x P(x)$  ?

Not[" $P(x)$  is true for some  $x$ ."]

" $P(x)$  is not true for all  $x$ ."

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

So,  $\neg \exists x P(x)$  is the same as  $\forall x \neg P(x)$ .

# Predicates - quantifier negation

No large birds live on honey.

$$\neg \exists x (L(x) \wedge H(x))$$

- $\neg \forall x P(x)$  is the same as  $\exists x \neg P(x)$ .
- $\neg \exists x P(x)$  is the same as  $\forall x \neg P(x)$ .

**General rule:** to negate a quantifier, move negation to the right, changing quantifiers as you go.

# Predicates - quantifier negation

No large birds live on honey.

$$\neg \exists x (L(x) \wedge H(x)) \equiv \forall x \neg(L(x) \wedge H(x)) \quad \text{Negation rule}$$

$$\equiv \forall x (\neg L(x) \vee \neg H(x)) \quad \text{DeMorgan's}$$

$$\equiv \forall x (L(x) \rightarrow \neg H(x)) \quad \text{Subst for } \rightarrow$$

Large birds do not live on honey.

## More Example: Negating Quantified Expressions

What are the negations of the statements  $\forall x(x^2 > x)$  and  $\exists x(x^2 = 2)$ ?

**Solution:**

The negation of  $\forall x(x^2 > x)$  is the statement  $\neg \forall x(x^2 > x)$ , which is equivalent to  $\exists x \neg(x^2 > x)$ . This can be rewritten  $\exists x(x^2 \leq x)$ . The negation of  $\exists x(x^2 = 2)$  is the statement  $\neg \exists x(x^2 = 2)$ , which is equivalent to  $\forall x \neg(x^2 = 2)$ . This can be rewritten as  $\forall x(x^2 \neq 2)$ . The truth values of these statements depend on the domain.

# Biding variables

A variable is *bound* if it is known or quantified.  
Otherwise, it is *free*.

## Examples:

- $P(x)$                      $x$  is free
- $P(5)$                      $x$  is bound to 5
- $\forall x P(x)$              $x$  is bound by quantifier

Reminder: in a proposition, all variables must be bound.

# Predicates - multiple quantifiers

To bind many variables, use many quantifiers.

**Example:**  $P(x,y) = "x > y"$

- $\forall x P(x,y)$  NOT a proposition
- $\forall x \forall y P(x,y)$  FALSE proposition
- $\forall x \exists y P(x,y)$  TRUE proposition
- $\forall x P(x, 3)$  FALSE proposition

# Predicates - the meaning of multiple quantifiers

Example:  $N(x,y)$  = “ $x$  is sitting next to  $y$ ”

$\forall x \forall y N(x,y)$  - everyone is sitting next to everyone else.

False

$\exists x \exists y N(x,y)$  - there are two people sitting next to each other.

True?

$\forall x \exists y N(x,y)$  - every person is sitting next to somebody.

True?

$\exists x \forall y N(x,y)$  - a particular person is sitting next to everyone else.

False

## Still more conventions

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- Sometimes the universe of discourse is restricted within the quantification, *e.g.*,
  - $\forall x > 0 P(x)$  is shorthand for  
“For all  $x$  that are greater than zero,  
 $P(x)$ . ”  
 $= \forall x (x > 0 \rightarrow P(x))$
  - $\exists x > 0 P(x)$  is shorthand for  
“There is an  $x$  greater than zero such  
that  $P(x)$ . ”  
 $= \exists x (x > 0 \wedge P(x))$

# More to know about binding

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- $\forall x \exists x P(x)$  -  $x$  is not a free variable in  $\exists x P(x)$ , therefore the  $\forall x$  binding isn't used.
- $(\forall x P(x)) \wedge Q(x)$  - The variable  $x$  is outside of the *scope* of the  $\forall x$  quantifier, and is therefore free. Not a complete proposition!
- $(\forall x P(x)) \wedge (\exists x Q(x))$  - This is legal, because there are 2 different  $x$ 's!

# Quantifier equivalence laws

- Definitions of quantifiers: If  $u.d.=a,b,c,\dots$

$$\forall x P(x) \equiv P(a) \wedge P(b) \wedge P(c) \wedge \dots$$

$$\exists x P(x) \equiv P(a) \vee P(b) \vee P(c) \vee \dots$$

- From those, we can prove the laws:  
 $\forall x P(x) \equiv \neg \exists x \neg P(x)$   
 $\exists x P(x) \equiv \neg \forall x \neg P(x)$
- Which *propositional* equivalence laws can be used to prove this?

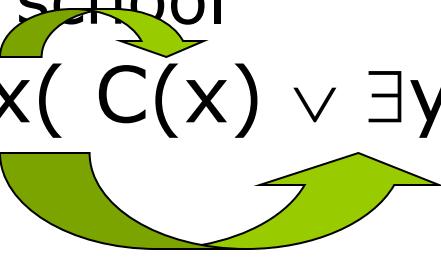
# More equivalence laws

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- $\forall x \forall y P(x,y) \equiv \forall y \forall x P(x,y)$   
 $\exists x \exists y P(x,y) \equiv \exists y \exists x P(x,y)$
- $\forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \equiv (\forall x P(x)) \wedge (\forall x Q(x))$   
 $\exists x (P(x) \vee Q(x)) \equiv (\exists x P(x)) \vee (\exists x Q(x))$
- Exercise:
  - See if you can prove these yourself.
  - What propositional equivalences did you use?

## Example

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- $\forall x( C(x) \vee \exists y( C(y) \wedge F(x,y) ) )$  where
  - $C(x)$ : “ $x$  has a computer”
  - $F(x,y)$ : “ $x$  and  $y$  are friend”
  - U.d. for  $x$  and  $y$  are all students in school
- $\forall x( C(x) \vee \exists y( C(y) \wedge F(x,y) ) )$ 
  - For all  $x$ ,  $x$  has a computer OR
  - There exist a  $y$  who has a computer AND  $x$  and  $y$  are friends

## Another example

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- If a person is female and is a parent, then this person is someone's mother.
- $F(x)$ : “ $x$  is female”,  $P(x)$ : “ $x$  is a parent”
- $M(x,y)$ :  $x$  is mother of  $y$
- For every person  $x$ , if  $x$  is a parent, then  $x$  is someone's mother.
- $\forall x ( ( F(x) \wedge P(x) ) \rightarrow \exists y M(x,y) )$

# Translating from English

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- Consider “For every student in this class, that student has studied calculus”
- Rephrased: “For every student  $x$  in this class,  $x$  has studied calculus”
  - Let  $C(x)$  be “ $x$  has studied calculus”
  - Let  $S(x)$  be “ $x$  is a student”
- $\forall x C(x)$ 
  - True if the universe of discourse is all students in this class

## Translating from English 2

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- What about if the universe of discourse is all students (or all people?)
  - $\forall x (S(x) \wedge C(x))$ 
    - This is wrong! Why?
  - $\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow C(x))$
- Another option:
  - Let  $Q(x,y)$  be “ $x$  has studied  $y$ ”
  - $\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow Q(x, \text{calculus}))$

# Translating from English 3

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- Consider:
  - “Some students have visited Mexico”
  - “Every student in this class has visited Canada or Mexico”
- Let:
  - $S(x)$  be “ $x$  is a student in this class”
  - $M(x)$  be “ $x$  has visited Mexico”
  - $C(x)$  be “ $x$  has visited Canada”

## Translating from English 4

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- Consider: “Some students have visited Mexico”
  - Rephrasing: “There exists a student who has visited Mexico”
  - $\exists x M(x)$ 
    - True if the universe of discourse is all students
- What about if the universe of discourse is all people?
  - $\exists x (S(x) \rightarrow M(x))$ 
    - This is wrong! Why?
  - $\exists x (S(x) \wedge M(x))$

## Translating from English 5

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- Consider: “Every student in this class has visited Canada or Mexico”
- $\forall x (M(x) \vee C(x))$ 
  - When the universe of discourse is all students
- $\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow (M(x) \vee C(x)))$ 
  - When the universe of discourse is all people
- Why isn’t  $\forall x (S(x) \wedge (M(x) \vee C(x)))$  correct?

## Translating from English 6

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- Note that it would be easier to define  $V(x, y)$  as “ $x$  has visited  $y$ ”
  - $\forall x (S(x) \wedge V(x, \text{Mexico}))$
  - $\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow (V(x, \text{Mexico}) \vee V(x, \text{Canada})))$

# Translating from English 7

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- Translate the statements:
  - “All hummingbirds are richly colored”
  - “No large birds live on honey”
  - “Birds that do not live on honey are dull in color”
  - “Hummingbirds are small”
- Assign our propositional functions
  - Let  $P(x)$  be “ $x$  is a hummingbird”
  - Let  $Q(x)$  be “ $x$  is large”
  - Let  $R(x)$  be “ $x$  lives on honey”
  - Let  $S(x)$  be “ $x$  is richly colored”
- Let our universe of discourse be all birds

# Translating from English 8

- Our propositional functions
  - Let  $P(x)$  be “ $x$  is a hummingbird”
  - Let  $Q(x)$  be “ $x$  is large”
  - Let  $R(x)$  be “ $x$  lives on honey”
  - Let  $S(x)$  be “ $x$  is richly colored”
- Translate the statements:
  - “All hummingbirds are richly colored”
    - $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow S(x))$
  - “No large birds live on honey”
    - $\neg \exists x (Q(x) \wedge R(x))$
    - Alternatively:  $\forall x (\neg Q(x) \vee \neg R(x))$
  - “Birds that do not live on honey are dull in color”
    - $\forall x (\neg R(x) \rightarrow \neg S(x))$
  - “Hummingbirds are small”
    - $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow \neg Q(x))$

# References: .. equivalence

Equivalence	Name
$p \wedge T \equiv p; p \vee F \equiv p$	Identity Laws
$p \wedge F \equiv F; p \vee T \equiv T$	Domination Laws
$p \wedge p \equiv p; p \vee p \equiv p$	Idempotent Laws
$\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$	Double Negation Law
$p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p; p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$	Commutative Laws
$(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$ $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$	Associative Laws [no need for parens]
$p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$	Distributive Laws
$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$	De Morgan's Laws [generalizes]
$p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p; p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$	Absorption Laws
$p \vee \neg p \equiv T; p \wedge \neg p \equiv F$	Negation Laws

## References: .. equivalence

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$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$$

$$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$$

$$p \vee q \equiv \neg p \rightarrow q$$

$$p \wedge q \equiv \neg(p \rightarrow \neg q) \quad [\text{Transform}]$$

$$\neg(p \rightarrow q) \equiv p \wedge \neg q$$

$$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \equiv p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$$

$$(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \equiv (p \vee q) \rightarrow r$$

$$(p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow r) \equiv p \rightarrow (q \vee r)$$

$$(p \rightarrow r) \vee (q \rightarrow r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \rightarrow r$$

# References: .. equivalence

## Rules of Inference

Modus Ponens

$$\frac{p}{p \rightarrow q}$$

Addition

$$\frac{p}{p \vee q}$$

Simplification

$$\frac{p \wedge q}{p}$$

Modus Tollens

$$\frac{\neg q}{p \rightarrow q}$$

Resolution

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \\ \neg p \vee r \end{array}}{q \vee r}$$

Conjunction

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \\ q \end{array}}{p \wedge q}$$

Hypothetical Syllogism

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \rightarrow q \\ q \rightarrow r \end{array}}{p \rightarrow r}$$

Disjunctive Syllogism

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \\ \neg p \end{array}}{q}$$

## **Homework 2:**

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Doing the following exercises: 6, 8, 10, 12,  
16, 18, 24, 32, 34, 36 (start from pages: 38)

**Submit your solutions to the blackboard on 12/9/2022  
before 10:00 PM.**