

# MODULE ONE PROBLEM SET

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Directions: Type your solutions into this document and be sure to show all steps for arriving at your solution. Just giving a final number may not receive full credit.

## Problem 1

In the following question, the domain of **discourse** is a set of male patients in a clinical study. Define the following predicates:

• P(x): x was given the placebo

• D(x): x was given the medication

• M(x): x had migraines

Translate each of the following statements into a logical expression. Then negate the expression by adding a negation operation to the beginning of the expression. Apply De Morgan's law until each negation operation applies directly to a predicate and then translate the logical expression back into English.

Sample question: Some patient was given the placebo and the medication.

- $\exists x (P(x) \land D(x))$
- Negation:  $\neg \exists x (P(x) \land D(x))$
- Applying De Morgan's law:  $\forall x (\neg P(x) \lor \neg D(x))$
- English: Every patient was either not given the placebo or not given the medication (or both).



(a) Every patient was given the medication or the placebo or both.

**Logical expression:**  $\forall x (D(x) \lor P(x))$ 

**Negation:**  $\neg \forall x (D(x) \lor P(x))$ 

**Applying De Morgan's law:**  $\exists x (\neg D(x) \land \neg P(x))$ 

English: Some patient was not given the medication and not given the

placebo.

(b) Every patient who took the placebo had migraines. (Hint: you will need to apply the conditional identity,  $p \to q \equiv \neg p \lor q$ .)

**Logical Expression:**  $\forall x (P(x) \longrightarrow M(x))$ 

**Negation:**  $\neg \forall x (P(x) \longrightarrow M(x))$ 

Conditional Identity:  $\neg \forall x (\neg P(x) \lor M(x))$ 

Applying De Morgan's law:  $\exists x (\neg \neg P(x) \land \neg M(x))$ 

**Double negation law:**  $\exists x (P(x) \land \neg M(x))$ 

English: Some patient was given the placebo but does not have a mi-

graines.

(c) There is a patient who had migraines and was given the placebo.

**Logical Expression:**  $\exists x (M(x) \land P(x))$ 

**Negation:**  $\neg \exists x (M(x) \land P(x))$ 

Applying De Morgan's law:  $\forall x (\neg M(x) \lor \neg P(x))$ 

English: Every patient who does not have migraines was not given the

placebo.



Use De Morgan's law for quantified statements and the laws of propositional logic to show the following equivalences:

(a) 
$$\neg \forall x \ (P(x) \land \neg Q(x)) \equiv \exists x \ (\neg P(x) \lor Q(x))$$

$$\exists x (\neg P(x) \lor \neg \neg Q(x))$$
 De Morgan's Law  $\exists x (\neg P(x) \lor Q(x))$  Double negation law

(b) 
$$\neg \forall x \ (\neg P(x) \to Q(x)) \equiv \exists x \ (\neg P(x) \land \neg Q(x))$$

$$\exists x (\neg \neg P(x) \longrightarrow \neg Q(x))$$
 De Morgan's Law  $\exists x (P(x) \longrightarrow \neg Q(x))$  Double negation law  $\exists x (\neg P(x) \lor \neg Q(x))$  Conditional identity

(c) 
$$\neg \exists x \left( \neg P(x) \lor (Q(x) \land \neg R(x)) \right) \equiv \forall x \left( P(x) \land (\neg Q(x) \lor R(x)) \right)$$

$$\forall x(\neg \neg P(x) \land \neg (Q(x) \land \neg R(x)))$$
De Morgan's law  $\forall x(P(x) \land \neg (Q(x) \land \neg R(x)))$ Double negation laws

$$\forall x (P(x) \land (\neg Q(x) \lor \neg \neg R(x)))$$
**De Morgan's law**

$$\forall x (P(x) \land (\neg Q(x) \lor R(x)))$$
 Double negation laws



The domain of **discourse** for this problem is a group of three people who are working on a project. To make notation easier, the people are numbered 1, 2, 3. The predicate M(x, y) indicates whether x has sent an email to y, so M(2, 3) is read "Person 2 has sent an email to person 3." The table below shows the value of the predicate M(x, y) for each (x, y) pair. The truth value in row x and column y gives the truth value for M(x, y).

M	1	2	3
1	T	T	T
2	T	F	T
3	T	T	F

Determine if the quantified statement is true or false. Justify your answer.

(a) 
$$\forall x \, \forall y \, (x \neq y) \rightarrow M(x, y)$$
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(true) No matter the person, when not including themselves, they had send the email to everyone else.

(b) 
$$\forall x \exists y \ \neg M(x, y)$$

(false) The table is negated, leaving person 1 not sending an email to anyone.

(c) 
$$\exists x \, \forall y \, M(x, y)$$

(true) Person 1 has sent the email to everyone.



Translate each of the following English statements into logical expressions. The domain of **discourse** is the set of all real numbers.

(a) The reciprocal of every positive number less than one is greater than one.

$$\forall x (1 > x > 0 \to \frac{1}{x} > 1)$$

(b) There is no smallest number.

$$\neg \exists x \forall y (x \le y)$$

(c) Every number other than 0 has a multiplicative inverse.

$$\forall x \exists y (x \neq 0 \to (xy = 1))$$



The sets A, B, and C are defined as follows:

$$A = tall, grande, venti$$
  
 $B = foam, no - foam$   
 $C = non - fat, whole$ 

Use the definitions for A, B, and C to answer the questions. Express the elements using n-tuple notation, not string notation.

- (a) Write an element from the set  $A \times B \times C$ . (grande,foam,whole)
- (b) Write an element from the set  $B \times A \times C$ . (no-foam,tall,non-fat)
- (c) Write the set  $B \times C$  using roster notation.

$$B \times C = \{(foam, non - fat), (foam, whole), (no - foam, non - fat), (no - foam, whole)\}$$