

谓词逻辑

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谓词逻辑定义

引入 Predicate 谓词 Constant 常量 Variable 变量 Quantifier 量词

相关概念

Truth set

辨析与命题逻辑的区别

Predicates

- The statement $P(x)$ is **not a proposition** since there are **more objects** that it can be applied to.
- But **the difference** is:
 - ◇ predicate logic allows us to **explicitly manipulate and substitute for the objects**
 - ◇ predicate logic permits **quantified sentences** where variables are substituted for statements about the group of objects

$P(x)$ 带有变量，会因为 x 的选值不同真值发生改变，因此不是命题

然而：加上全称和特称量词之后 就会成为命题

◇ Is $P(x)$ a proposition? **No**. Many possible substitutions.

◇ Is $\forall x P(x)$ a proposition?

Yes. True if for all x from the universe $P(x)$ is true.



量词

1.取值不仅依赖于量词，还依赖于**Universe**

■ Sentence: All SUSTech students are smart.

◇ universe: SUSTech students

translation: $\forall x \text{ Smart}(x)$

◇ universe: all students

translation: $\forall x (\text{At}(x, \text{SUSTech}) \rightarrow \text{Smart}(x))$

◇ universe: people

translation: $\forall x (\text{Student}(x) \wedge \text{At}(x, \text{SUSTech}) \rightarrow \text{Smart}(x))$

2. 全称量词和 特称量词作用相当于 整体合取 和 整体析取

■ Suppose that the elements in the universe can be enumerated as x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n then:

- ◇ $\forall x P(x)$ is true whenever $P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(x_n)$ is true
- ◇ $\exists x P(x)$ is true whenever $P(x_1) \vee P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee P(x_n)$ is true.

3. 量词的否定: 量词的德摩根定律

Conclusion: $\neg \forall x P(x)$ is equivalent to $\exists x \neg P(x)$

注意易错点

translation: $\forall x (\text{At}(x, \text{SUSTech}) \rightarrow \text{Smart}(x))$

translation: $\exists x (\text{At}(x, \text{SUSTech}) \wedge \neg \text{Smart}(x))$

4. 量词 嵌套

相同量词可以交换顺序, 不同量词不能交换顺序