

CSC165 Lecture notes

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1.1 Predicate Logic

Allow you to have a domain of objects that you want to talk about, we want to be express reason about this domain.

Predicate Simplest kind of Predicate Logical Formula is called a **predicate**. A predicate is a function with range $\{0, 1\}$.

Examples

1. *Less-than-or-equal-to:* $\leq: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
2. *Equality:* $=: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
3. *Prime:* $Prime: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
4. Define: $R: \{a, b\} \times \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ as $R(a, 1) = R(b, 1) = R(c, 1) = 1, R = 0$ otherwise.

When you specify/define a predicate you have to specify the domain.

Quantifiers Introduce two quantifiers, **exists:** \exists and **for all:** \forall , that let us express,

$\exists x \in \text{DOMAIN}$: There is at least one element in domain of predicate that is true.

equivalently, represent as \vee ,

$$"\exists" \equiv p(x_0) \vee p(x_1) \vee p(x_2) \dots$$

$\forall x \in \text{DOMAIN}$: All element in domain of predicate satisfy the predicate.

equivalently, represented as \wedge ,

$$"\forall" \equiv p(x_0) \wedge p(x_1) \wedge p(x_2) \dots$$

Negation of quantifier statements

$$\neg(\exists x \in \mathbb{D}, \text{ s.t. } p(x)) \equiv \forall x \in \mathbb{D}, \neg p(x)$$

$$\neg(\forall x \in \mathbb{D}, \text{ s.t. } p(x)) \equiv \exists x \in \mathbb{D}, \neg p(x)$$

Nested quantifier more than one variable quantified.

Example

For every natural number x , if x is a power of 2 then $2x$ is a power of 2.

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{N}, (\exists k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } x = 2^k) \implies (\exists k' \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } 2^{k'} = 2x)$$