

## 1 Lab: Predicates and Quantifiers

1. (3 points) Let  $Q(x, y)$  be " $x > y$ " and the universe be all integers.

(a) Write the statement "For all  $x$ , there exists a  $y$  such that  $x > y$ " using quantifiers and  $Q(x, y)$ .

(b) Write the statement "There exists an  $x$  such that for all  $y$ ,  $x > y$ " using quantifiers and  $Q(x, y)$ .

(c) Determine the truth value of the statement in (a).

2. (3 points) Determine if the following argument is valid: "All programmers are logical thinkers." "Alice is a programmer." "Therefore, Alice is a logical thinker." Explain your reasoning.

3. (2 points) Use predicates and quantifiers to express this statement: "Every student has access to at least one online resource for each course they are taking."

4. (3 points) Find a universe for variables  $x, y, z$  for which the statement  $\forall x \forall y ((x \neq y) \rightarrow \exists z (x < z < y))$  is true and another universe in which it is false. (Assume  $<$  is a standard order).

5. (3 points) Find a counterexample, if possible, to this universally quantified statement, where the universe for all variables consists of all positive integers:  $\forall x \forall y (x^2 - y^2 \neq 1)$

6. (5 points) Let  $P(n)$  be the predicate:

$$P(n) : \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 2^n \geq n + 1$$

Prove that  $\forall n \geq 1, P(n)$  holds

7. (5 points) Prove that for all natural numbers  $N$ , if  $n^2$  is even, then  $n$  is also even.