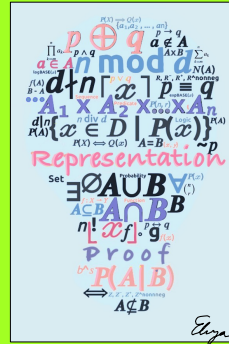


Discrete Structures



Lecture 5: Quantified propositions

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Last time

★ Validity ≠ truth

- What an argument form is and how to prove one is valid
- How to use each of many argument forms

modus ponens

$$\begin{array}{l} p \rightarrow q \\ p \\ \hline \therefore q \end{array}$$

modus tollens

$$\begin{array}{l} p \rightarrow q \\ \sim q \\ \hline \therefore \sim p \end{array}$$

disjunctive addition

$$\begin{array}{l} p \\ \hline \therefore p \vee q \end{array}$$

propositional proof by cases

$$\begin{array}{l} p \vee q \\ p \rightarrow r \\ q \rightarrow r \\ \hline \therefore r \end{array}$$

disjunctive syllogism

$$\begin{array}{ll} p \vee q & \sim p \\ \hline \therefore q & \therefore p \end{array}$$

conjunctive simplification

$$\begin{array}{ll} p \wedge q & \hline \therefore p & \therefore q \end{array}$$

hypothetical syllogism

$$\begin{array}{l} p \rightarrow q \\ q \rightarrow r \\ \hline \therefore p \rightarrow r \end{array}$$

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- Not all arguments are valid
- Basic predicate calculus
- Negation and multiple quantifiers in predicate calculus

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BEWARE: argument forms can be incorrect

Fallacy = invalid argument form that represents an error in reasoning

Common fallacies

- Ambiguous premises
- Circular reasoning assumes what is to be proved
- Jumping to a conclusion (inadequate grounds)

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An invalid argument form

$$\begin{aligned} p &\rightarrow (q \vee \sim r) \\ q &\rightarrow (p \wedge r) \\ \therefore p &\rightarrow r \end{aligned}$$

Whenever the premises are true the conclusion must also be true

p	q	r	$\sim r$	$q \vee \sim r$	$p \rightarrow (q \vee \sim r)$	$p \wedge r$	$q \rightarrow (p \wedge r)$	$p \rightarrow r$
→ T	T	T	F	T	T	T	T	T
	T	F	T	T	T	F	F	
	T	F	F	F	F	T	T	
→	T	F	T	T	T	F	T	F
	F	T	F	T	T	F	F	
	F	T	F	T	T	F	F	
→	F	F	T	F	T	F	T	T
→	F	F	F	T	T	F	T	T

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Converse error

If you do every problem in the text, you will learn discrete math. You learned discrete math. Therefore, you did every problem in the text.

p = you do every problem in the text
 q = you learn discrete math

aka **affirming the conclusion**

$p \rightarrow q$ $p \rightarrow q$ = If you do every problem in the text, you will learn discrete math.

q

$\therefore p$ q = You learned discrete math.

p = Therefore, you did every problem in the book.

NO!

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The notation in this section is required for your work.

Please ignore the notation your book uses instead.



Predicate calculus extends logical representation



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Predicates and quantifiers

- **Predicate** $P(x)$ = sentence with finitely many variables that becomes a proposition when specific values are substituted for those variables
 $P(x)$ = "x is greater than 5" $Q(x, y)$ = "x is queen-of y"
 $P(7) = 7 > 5$ $P(2) = 2 > 5$ $Q(\text{Sonja}, \text{Norway})$ $Q(\text{Sonja}, \text{USA})$
- Use capital letter for predicate with lowercase letters for variables
- **Domain of a predicate variable** = the set of all values that the variable can assume
 For $P(x)$ = "x > 5" the domain of x is some set of numbers
- **Truth set of a predicate** $P(x) = \{x \in D \mid P(x)\}$ is all elements in the domain D of predicate variable x that, when substituted for x , make $P(x)$ true
 $(\text{Sonja}, \text{Norway})$ is in the truth set of $Q(x, y)$
 What is the truth set of $P(x) = \frac{6}{x} \in \mathbb{Z}$ when the domain of x is \mathbb{Z} ?
- For a predicate P with domain D , a **quantifier** describes how much of D is in P 's truth set
- **Predicate calculus** = (aka first-order logic aka First Order Predicate Calculus or FOPC)

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Universal quantification

- **Universal quantifier** \forall for $P(x)$ with domain D
 - \forall is read "for all"
 - Indicates that all elements of D are in P 's truth set
- **Universal statement** $\forall x \in D, P(x)$ says **every element** in D makes P true
 For $D = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$, $\forall x \in D, P(x) \equiv P(a_1) \wedge P(a_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(a_n)$
 - $\forall x \in D, P(x)$ is true **iff** $P(x)$ for **every** $x \in D$
 - $\forall x \in D, P(x)$ is false **iff** for **at least one** $x \in D, P(x)$ is false
 Let H be the set of all Hunter students and $Sleepy(x)$ mean " x is sleepy"
 $\forall x \in H, Sleepy(x)$ means "All Hunter students are sleepy"
- **Counterexample** = element of D that falsifies $\forall x \in D, P(x)$
- **D is important here** Let $A(x)$ mean " $x \geq 0$ "
 If $D = \mathbb{N}$, $\forall x \in D, A(x)$ is true, but if $D = \mathbb{Z}$ $\forall x \in D, A(x)$ is false
- For **finite** D , can prove $\forall x \in D, P(x)$ by the **method of exhaustion** =
 substitute each value in D into P and show that **all the resultant**
statement are true

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The universal conditional

Let $P(x) = x > 10$ and $Q(x) = x^3 > 1000$

Universal conditional: $\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$ If $x > 10$ then $x^3 > 1000$

Contrapositive: $\forall x \in D, \sim Q(x) \rightarrow \sim P(x)$ If $x^3 \leq 1000$ then $x \leq 10$

Converse: $\forall x \in D, Q(x) \rightarrow P(x)$ If $x^3 > 1000$ then $x > 10$

Inverse: $\forall x \in D, \sim P(x) \rightarrow \sim Q(x)$ If $x \leq 10$ then $x^3 \leq 1000$

- **Universal conditional is logically equivalent to its contrapositive:**
 $\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x) \equiv \forall x \in D, \sim Q(x) \rightarrow \sim P(x)$
- But **not** to its converse or its inverse

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Universal necessity and sufficiency

Let $P(x) = x > 10$ and $Q(x) = x^3 > 1000$
 $\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$ If $x > 10$ then $x^3 > 1000$

$\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$ means that

- $\forall x \in D, P(x)$ is a **sufficient condition** for $Q(x)$
 $x > 10$ is sufficient for $x^3 > 1000$
 but so are lots of other conditions $x > 98$ $17 \leq x \leq 28$
- $\forall x \in D, Q(x)$ is a **necessary condition** for $P(x)$
 $x^3 > 1000$ is necessary for $x > 10$
 but so are lots of other conditions $x^3 > 1001$ $\sqrt{x} > \sqrt{100}$
- $P(x)$ **only if** $Q(x)$ $x > 10$ only if $x^3 > 1000$

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Existential quantification

- Existential quantifier** \exists for $P(x)$ with domain D
 - \exists is read "there exists" or "for some"
 - \exists indicates that some element of D is in P 's truth set
 - \nexists is read "there does not exist"
 - Existential statement** $\exists x \in D, P(x)$ states that **some element** in D makes P true
 - $\exists x \in D, P(x)$ is true iff for **some** $x \in D$ $P(x)$ is true
 - $\exists x \in D, P(x)$ is false iff **no** $x \in D$ makes $P(x)$ true
- Let H be the set of all Hunter students and $Sleepy(x)$ mean " x is sleepy"
- $\exists x \in H, Sleepy(x)$ means "Some Hunter student is sleepy"
- D is important here Consider $Q(x)$ means " $x < 0$ "
 If $D = \mathbb{N}$, $\exists x \in D, Q(x)$ is false, but if $D = \mathbb{Q}$, $\exists x \in D, Q(x)$ is true
 - For any **finite** D , can prove $\exists x \in D, P(x)$ by the **method of exhaustion** =
 substitute each $x \in D$ into P **until** some resultant statement is true
 $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}, P(x)$ where $P(x)$ means " $x = x^3$ but $x \neq x^2$ "

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Logic to English

Which of these is a correct translation of $\forall x \in B, x \in T$?

Let $B = \{x | x \text{ is a basketball player}\}$

Let $T = \{x | x \text{ is a tall person}\}$

- | | |
|--|----------------------------|
| a. Every basketball player is tall. | correct |
| b. Among all the basketball players, some are tall. | $\exists x \in B, x \in T$ |
| c. Some tall people are basketball players. | $\exists x \in T, x \in B$ |
| d. Anyone who is tall is a basketball player. | $\forall x \in T, x \in B$ |
| e. All people who are basketball players are tall. | correct |
| f. Anyone who is a basketball player is a tall person. | correct |

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English to logic

Let $E = \{x | x \text{ is an equilateral triangle}\}$

Let $I = \{x | x \text{ is an isosceles triangle}\}$

$T = \{x | x \text{ is a triangle}\}$

All equilateral triangles are isosceles.

$\forall x \in T, x \in E \rightarrow x \in I$

$\forall x \in E, x \in I$

Let $H = \{x | x \text{ is a hatter}\}$

Let $M = \{x | x \text{ is mad}\}$

Some hatters are mad

$\exists x \in H, x \in M$

$\exists x x \in H \wedge x \in M$

If $E'(x)$ means "x is an equilateral triangle"

If $I'(x)$ means "x is an isosceles triangle"

All equilateral triangles are isosceles.

$\forall x, E'(x) \rightarrow I'(x)$

If $H'(x)$ means "x is a hatter"

If $M'(x)$ means "x is mad"

Some hatters are mad

$\exists x H'(x) \wedge M'(x)$

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Uniqueness quantification

\exists means "such that"

- **Uniqueness quantifier $\exists!$** for $P(x)$ with domain D
 - $\exists!$ is read "there exists exactly one" of
 - Indicates that a **single element** of D is in P 's truth set
- $\exists! x \in D, P(x)$ where $D = \{d \mid d \text{ is a dog}\}$, $P(x)$ means "I like"
- I like exactly 1 dog
- There is only 1 dog I like
- $\exists! x P(x) \equiv \exists x \in D \exists P(x) \wedge \forall y P(y) \rightarrow (x = y)$
- **Uniqueness proof for $\exists! P(x)$ always has 2 parts**
 - $\exists x \in D, P(x)$
 - For $a, b \in D$ when $P(a)$ and $P(b)$, then $a = b$
- $\exists! x \in \mathbb{Z} \exists P(x)$ where $P(x)$ means " $x = x^3$ but $x \neq x^2$ "
- There is only 1 integer that is equal to its cube not equal to its square

$=$ is not an operator in predicate calculus

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Vacuous truth

$\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$ is **vacuously true** (aka **true by default**)
iff $\forall x \in D, \sim P(x)$

Let $P(n) = \text{if } n > 1 \text{ then } n^2 > n$ with $D = \mathbb{Z}$

Is $P(0)$ true?

$P(0) = \text{if } 0 > 1 \text{ then } 0^2 > 0$

Because $0 > 1$ is false, $P(0)$ is true **why?**

$P(n) = \text{if } 10 \leq n \leq 15 \text{ is a perfect square, then } n \text{ is a perfect cube}$
with $D = \mathbb{Z}$

There is no such n , so $P(n)$ is true

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Translation

- Read carefully, the quantifier may be implicit
if $x < 0$, $x^3 < 0$ is really $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}^+ x^3 < 0$

Highly recommended: Chapter 3's translation examples

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3.2.1 — 3.2.3

3.3.3 — 3.3.6



Any questions?

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Negation of a universal statement

Logical equivalence \equiv in FOPC means that the statement is true for any predicates with their associated domains

In domain $D = \{x | x \text{ is a person}\}$

$P(x)$ means "x loves ice cream"

$Q(x)$ means "x loves cake"

Universal statement: $\forall x \in D, P(x)$ Everyone loves ice cream

Negated universal: $\sim[\forall x \in D, P(x)] \equiv [\exists x \in D \ni \sim P(x)]$

Not everyone loves ice cream \equiv Someone does not love ice cream

Universal conditional: $\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$

Anyone who loves ice cream also loves cake

Negated universal conditional

$\sim[\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)] \equiv [\exists x \in D \ni \sim(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))]$ why?

$\equiv [\exists x \in D \ni \sim(\sim P(x) \vee Q(x))]$ why?

$\equiv [\exists x \in D \ni \sim \sim P(x) \wedge \sim Q(x)]$ why?

$\equiv [\exists x \in D, \ni P(x) \wedge \sim Q(x)]$ why?

It is not true that anyone who loves ice cream also loves cake \equiv

Someone loves ice cream but does not love cake

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Negation of an existential statement

In domain $D = \{x | x \text{ is a person}\}$

$P(x)$ means "likes cats"

$Q(x)$ means "likes dogs"

Existential statement: $\exists x \in D \ni P(x)$ Someone likes cats

Negated existential: $\sim[\exists x \in D \ni P(x)] \equiv [\forall x \in D, \sim P(x)]$

There is not someone who likes cats \equiv Everyone dislikes cats

Existential conditional: $\exists x \in D \ni P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$

There is someone who, if they like cats, necessarily likes dogs

Negated existential conditional

$\sim[\exists x \in D, \ni P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)] \equiv [\forall x \in D, \sim(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))]$ why?

$\equiv [\forall x \in D, \sim(\sim P(x) \vee Q(x))]$ why?

$\equiv [\forall x \in D, \sim \sim P(x) \wedge \sim Q(x)]$ why?

$\equiv [\forall x \in D, P(x) \wedge \sim Q(x)]$ why?

It is not true that there is someone who, if they like cats also likes dogs

\equiv Everyone likes cats but dislikes dogs.

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Proving quantified statements

- To prove $\exists x \in D \ni P(x)$, find an element in D for which P is true
 There is an integer $n > 5$ such that $2^n - 1$ is prime
- First, be suspicious
 For all real numbers a and b , if $a < b$ then $a^2 < b^2$
 $-3 < 2$ but $(-3)^2 > 2^2$

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Proof methods (so far)

Truth table

Sequence of statements with reasons

Valid argument forms (modus ponens, modus tollens,...)

Method of exhaustion

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What you should know

- ★ Predicate calculus extends logical representation
- ★ Validity \neq truth

- Invalid argument forms
- How to express facts in predicate calculus
- How to translate both ways between English and predicate calculus
- How to negate quantified statements
- How to demonstrate uniqueness

Next up: *More on predicate calculus*

Time to finish up that Opening sheet!

Any questions?

Problem set 5,6 is due on Thursday, September 21 at 11PM

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