



First Order Logic

Next Chapter:

English-FOL Translation

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Next Topic:

Quantifier Tricky Notes



1.

Quantifiers, when Domain is empty??





NOTE:

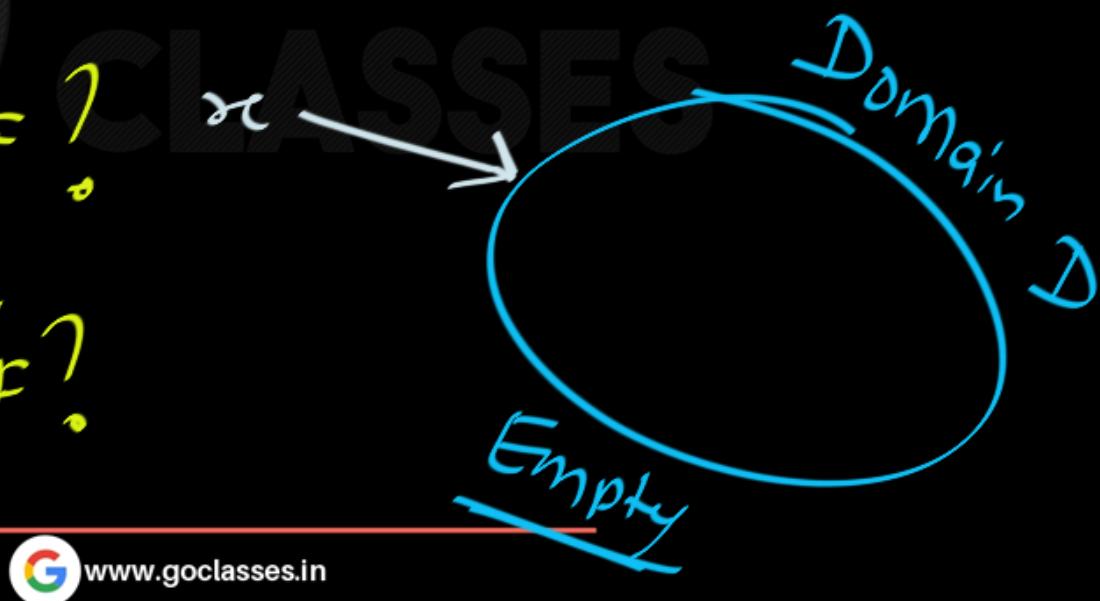
In FOL, Domain is ALWAYS Non-empty,
unless it is explicitly given as Empty.



If the domain is explicitly given as Empty,
then

How do Quantifiers behave??

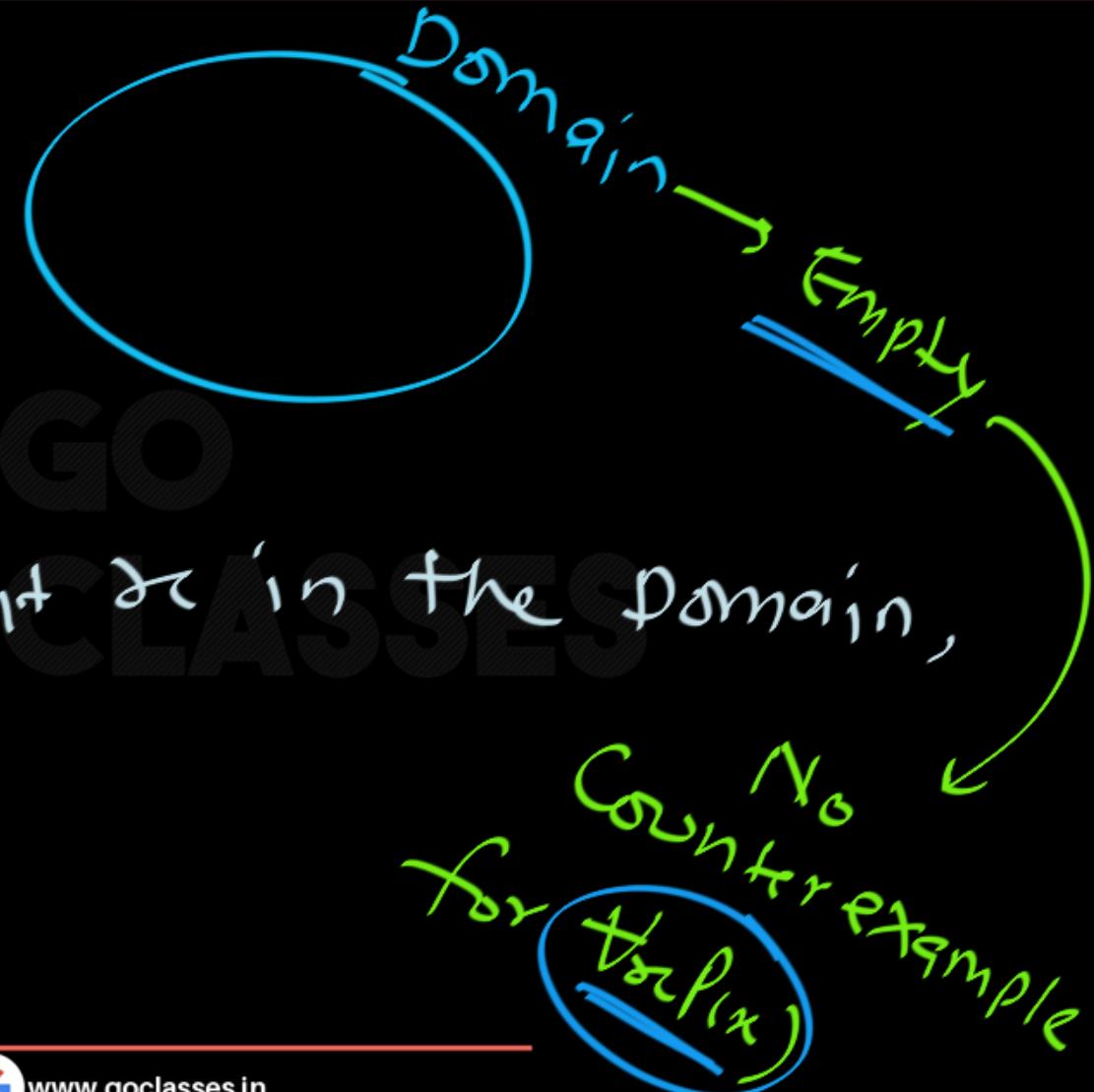
$$\forall_x P(x) = ? = T/F ?$$



Domain: Empty

$$\boxed{\forall n P(n) = \text{True}}$$

\equiv for every element n in the Domain,
 $P(n)$ is True.





Useful Intuition:

Universally-quantified statements are true if there's no counterexample.

$$\forall_n P(n) = \text{false}$$

if there is
at least one
Counterexample.



Domain: Empty ✓

$$\forall x \left(P(x) \right) = \text{True}$$

Reason: No Counterexample.



Useful Intuition:

Existentially-quantified statements are False if there's no witness.

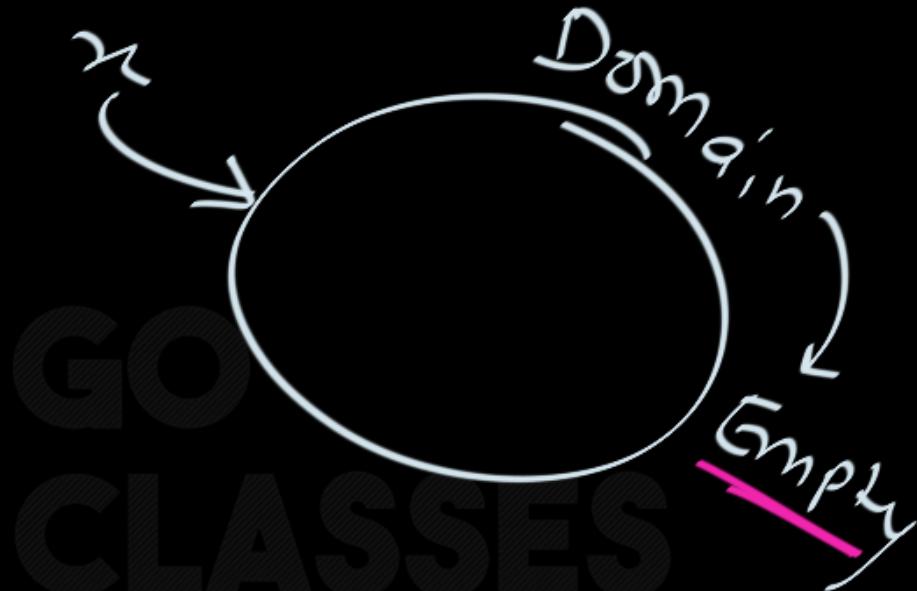
$\exists_n P(n) = \text{True}$ iff there is at least one element in the domain for which P is True.



Domain: Empty

$$\exists x P(x) \underset{\text{Empty}}{=} \text{false}$$

Existential Statement



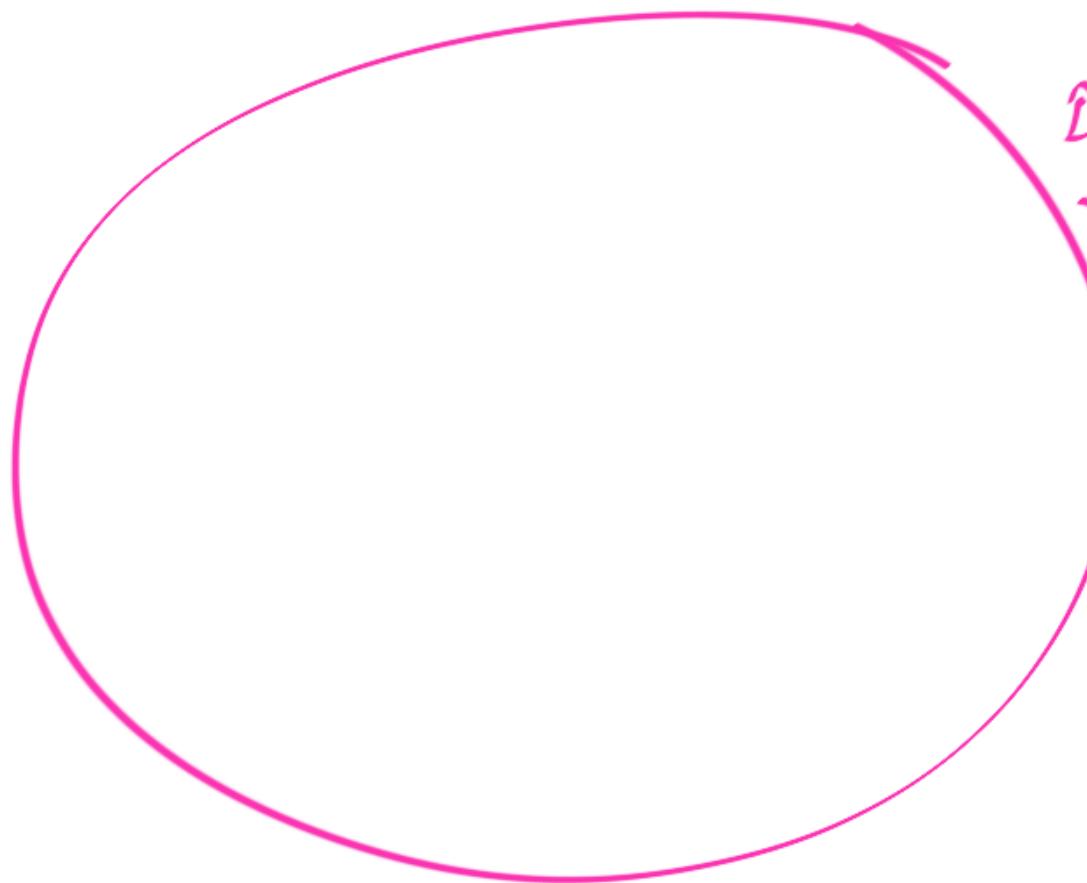


Quantifiers, when Domain is empty??

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \forall_n P(n) = \text{True} \\ \rightarrow \exists_n P(n) = \text{false} \end{array} \right\}$$



Fun with Edge Cases



$\forall x. Smiling(x) = \top / \perp$

?



Fun with Edge Cases

$\forall x. Smiling(x)$

Fun with Edge Cases

Universally-quantified statements are said to be **vacuously true** in empty worlds.

$\forall x. Smiling(x)$



Fun with Edge Cases



$\exists x. Smiling(x)$

Fun with Edge Cases

Existentially-quantified statements are false in an empty world, since nothing exists, period!

~~$\exists x. Smiling(x)$~~



2.

Quantifiers, when No free variable??



Domain: D

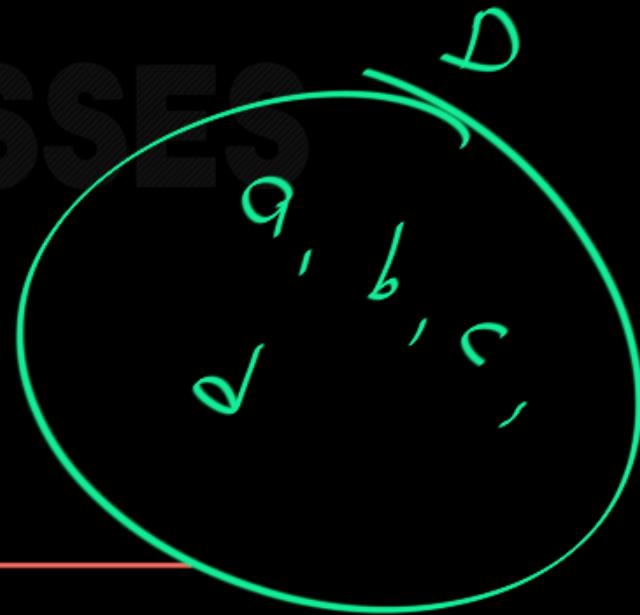
$P :$

$$\boxed{2 + 2 = 4}$$

No free Variable

proposition

$$\forall_n P \equiv \forall_n (2 + 2 = 4) \\ = T \text{ if } ?.$$



Domain: D

$P :$

$$\boxed{2 + 2 = 4}$$

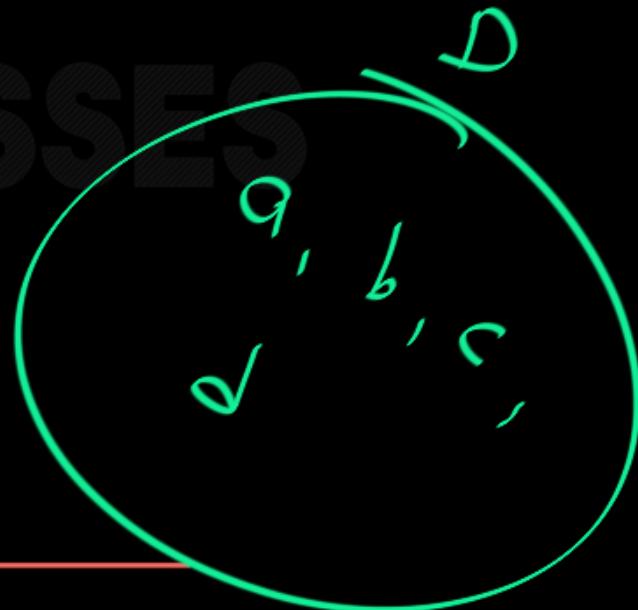
No free Variable

proposition

True

$$\forall_n P \equiv \underline{\forall_n} (2 + 2 = 4)$$

= True



Domain: D

P :

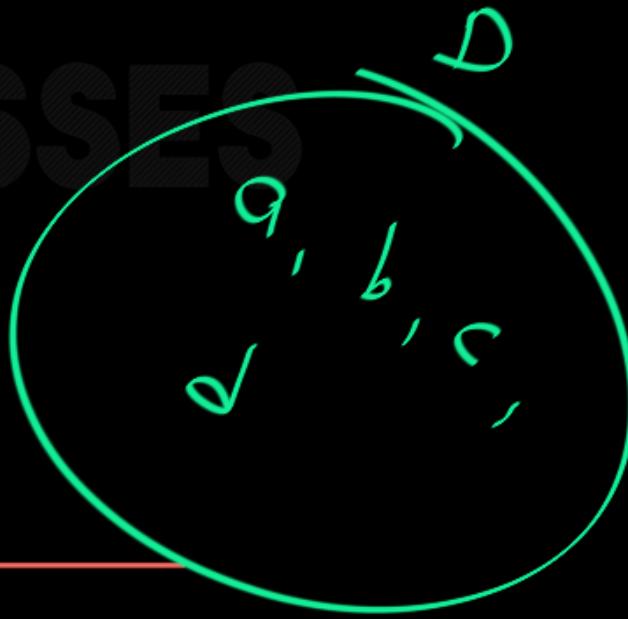
$$2 + 2 = 5$$

No free Variable

proposition

false

$\forall_n P = ? = T/F \}$



Domain: D

$P :$

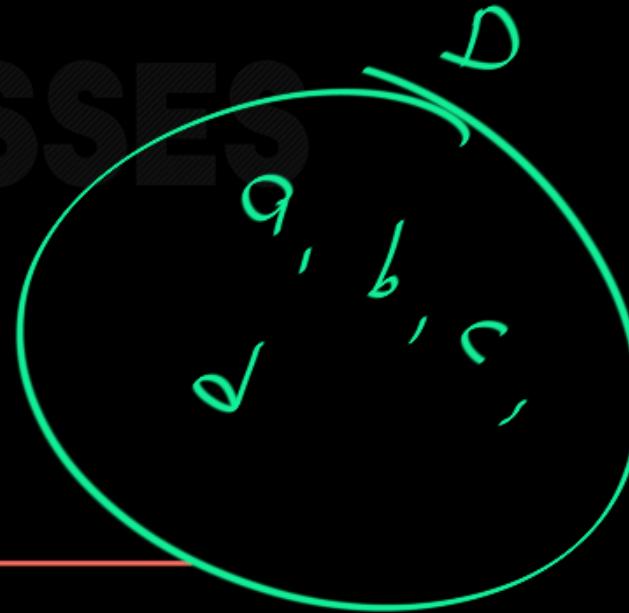
$$2 + 2 = 5$$

No free Variable

proposition

false

$$\forall_n P = \forall_n (2+2=5) \\ = \text{false.}$$



$P : \boxed{2 + 2 = 6}$ False

Propositions

$\varphi : 2 + 2 = 4$ True

$\forall_n P \equiv P = \underline{\text{false}}$

$\forall_n (\textcircled{P}) \equiv P = \underline{\text{false}}$

No free n

Domain
 q_1, q_2, \dots

$P : \boxed{2 + 2 = 6}$ False

$\varphi : 2 + 2 = 4$ True

$\forall_{\exists} P \equiv P = \underline{\text{false}}$

$\forall_{\exists} (\varphi) \equiv \varphi \equiv \underline{\text{True}}$
No free x

Domain
 q_1, q_2, \dots

$P : 2 + 2 = 6$

False

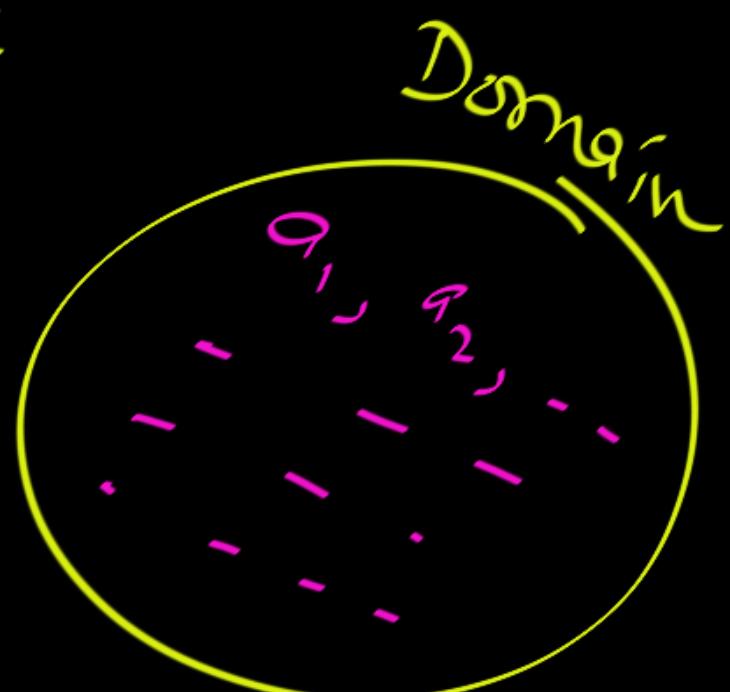
Propositions

$\varphi : 2 + 2 = 4$

True

$\exists_n P = P = \text{false} \checkmark$

$\exists_n P = \text{false} \checkmark$



$P : 2 + 2 = 6$

False

Propositions

$\varphi : \boxed{2 + 2 = 4}$

True

$\exists_x P = P = \text{false}$

$\exists_x \varphi = \text{True} \checkmark$

$\exists_x \varphi \equiv \varphi = \text{True} \checkmark$

Domain



q_1, q_2, \dots

Domain: D

P :

$$2 + 2 = 4$$

No free Variable

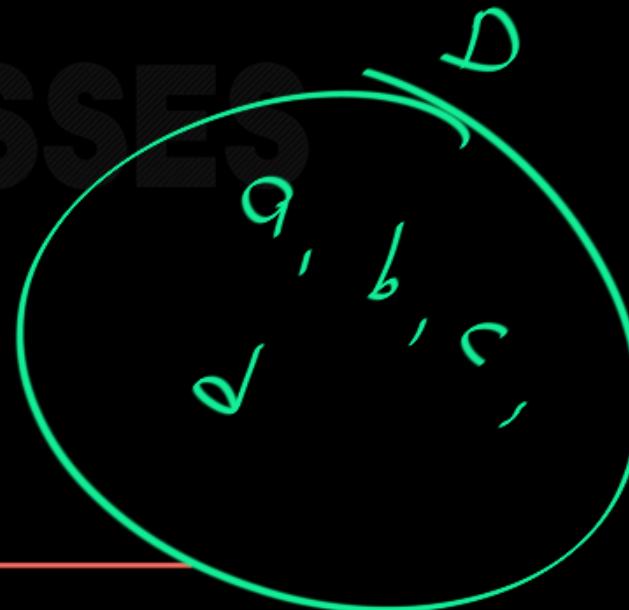
proposition

$\forall_n P$

$= P = \text{True}$

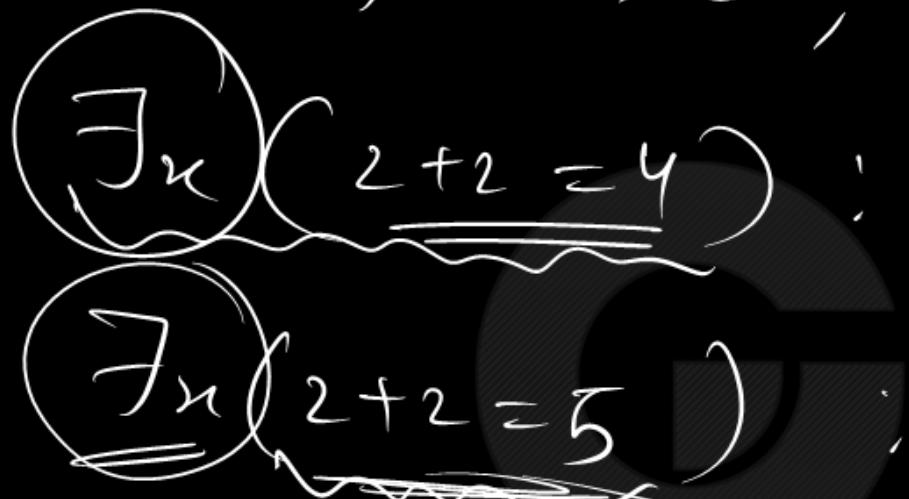
$\exists_n P$

$= P = \text{True}$





$P(n): n > 2 ; \text{ Domain} \in \mathbb{N}$



$\forall n (2+2 = 5) : \text{false}$



or P with No free \forall

P with No Variable \forall)

$\forall_n P = P$

$\exists_n P = p$



3.

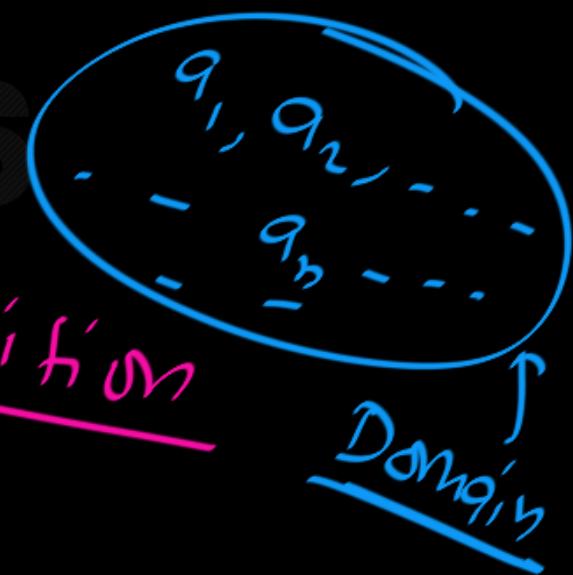
Predicate with No variable, is a proposition.



Predicate:

$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$: n-ary predicate

$P(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = \underline{\text{Proposition}}$



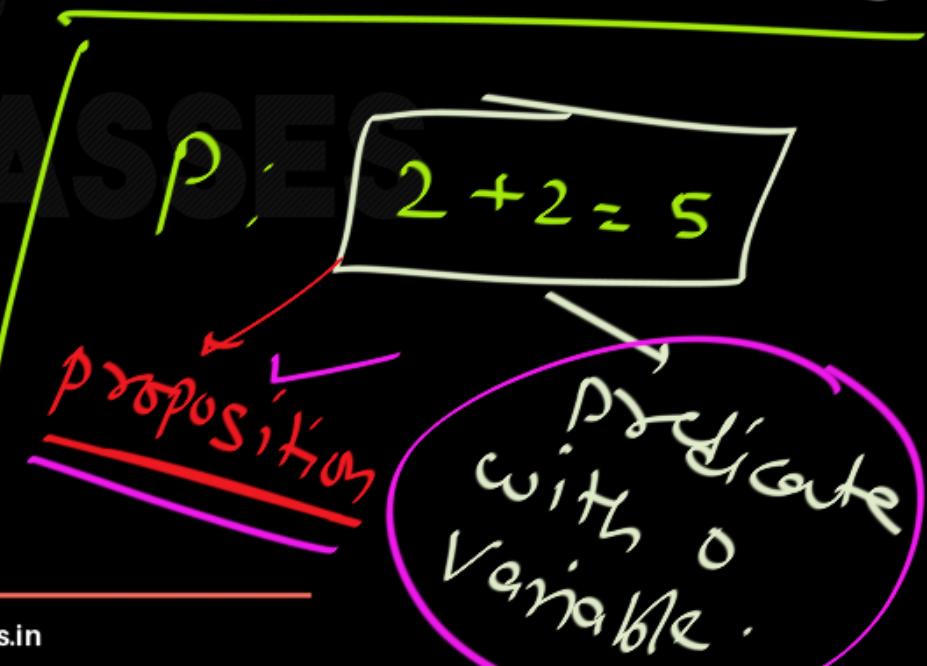
Predicate:

$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$: n-ary predicate

$P(x)$: unary predicate

$P(x, y)$: binary ..

P : Proposition



① If Empty Domain:

$$\forall_n P(n) = \text{True} ; \quad \exists_n P(n) = \text{False}$$

② If P has No free variable x :

$$\forall_n P = P ; \quad \exists_n P = P$$

③ Predicate with 0 variable, is called
Proposition.



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Example 1:

Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

Let, Predicate, $\text{cute}(x)$: x is cute.

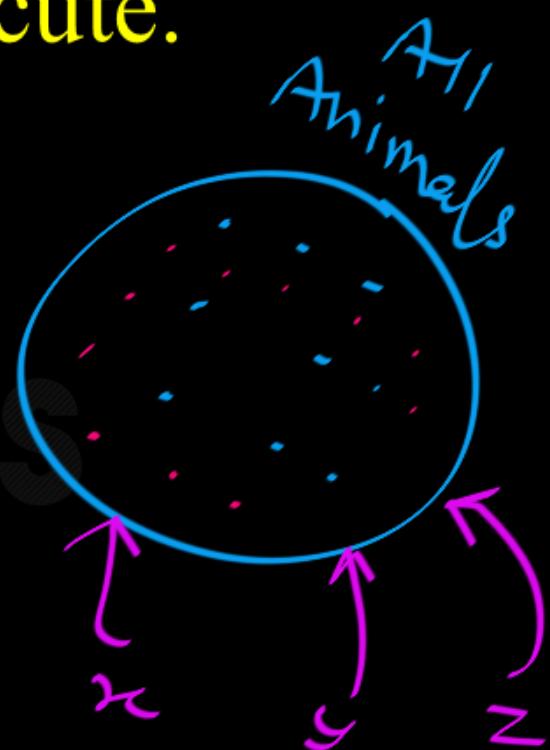
Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

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1. Every animal is cute.

$$\forall x \text{ } \text{cute}(x)$$

for all x in the Domain, x is cute.





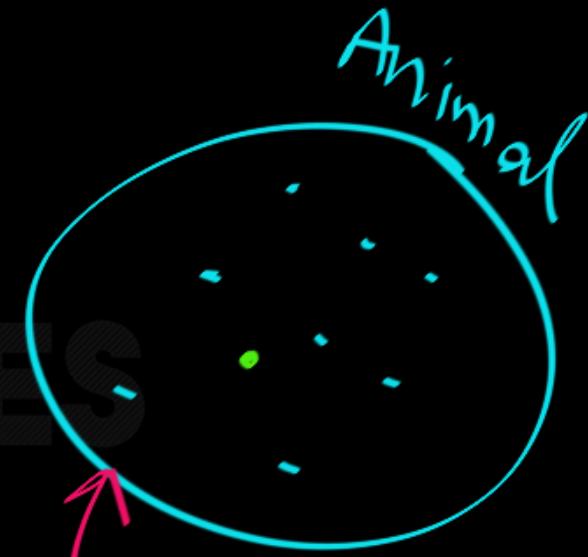
Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

Let, Predicate, $\text{cute}(x)$: x is cute.

2. Some animal is cute.

$$\exists_x \text{c}(x)$$

for some element x in the Domain, x is cute.

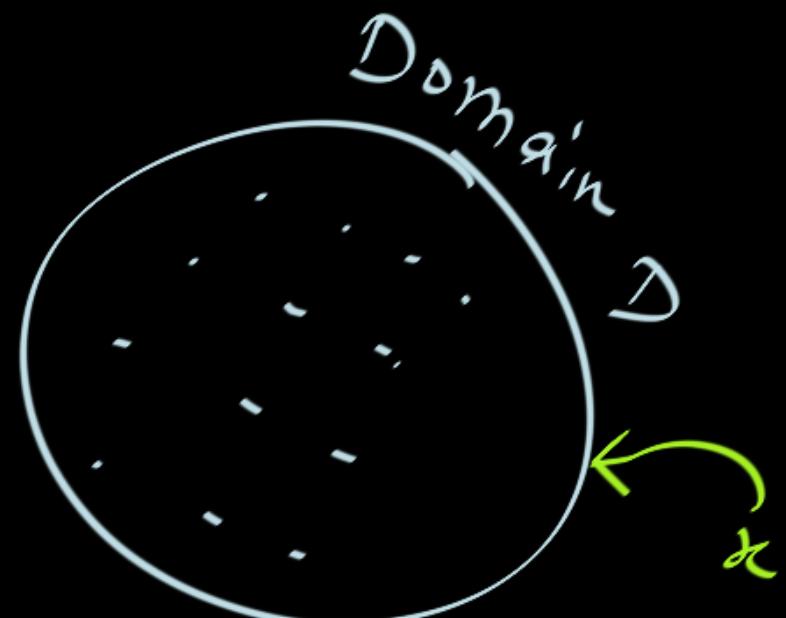


for all $\kappa \in D$, $P(\kappa)$

$$= \forall_{\kappa} P(\kappa)$$

for some $\kappa \in D$, $P(\kappa)$

$$= \exists_{\kappa} P(\kappa)$$





Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

Let, Predicate, $\text{cute}(x)$: x is cute.

3. Every rabbit is cute.

$$\boxed{\forall_n \underline{\text{cute}}} X$$

Every animal is cute.

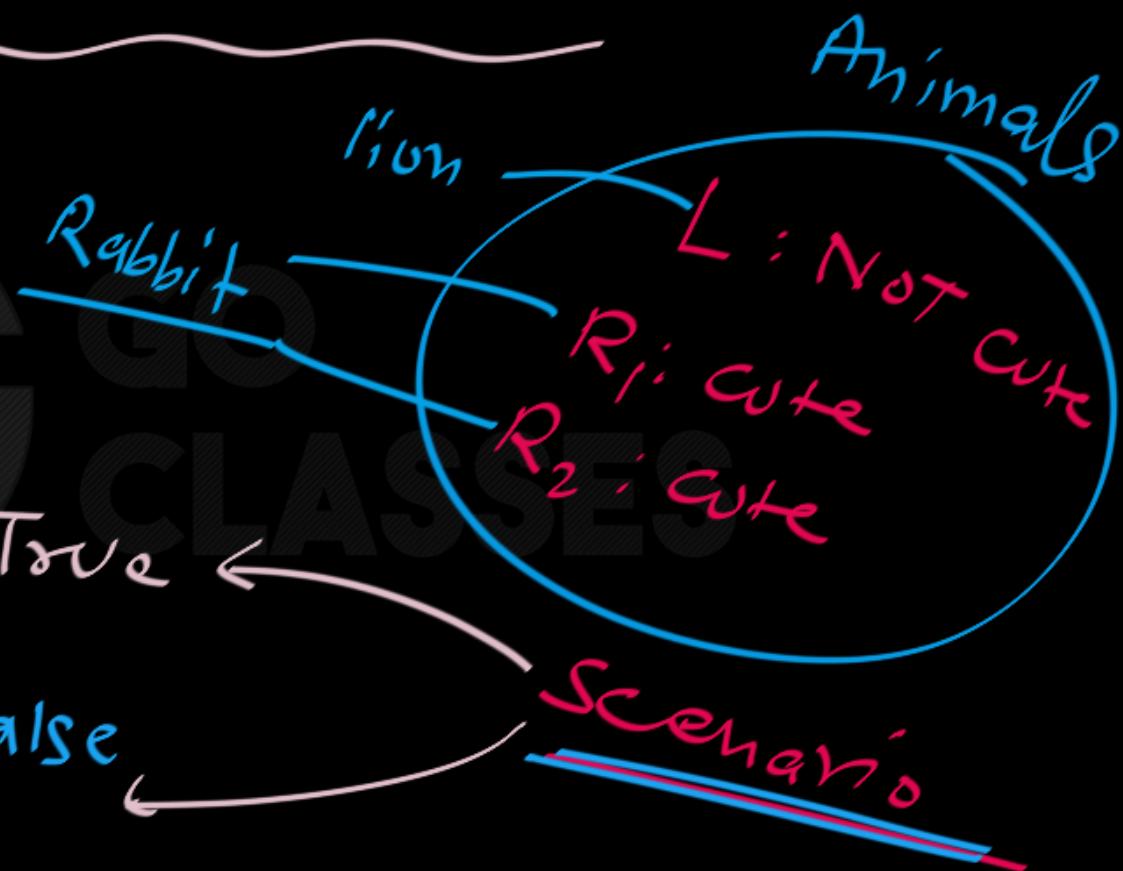


S : Every rabbit is cute.

$$E: \boxed{\forall_{x \in \text{Rabbit}} C(x)}$$

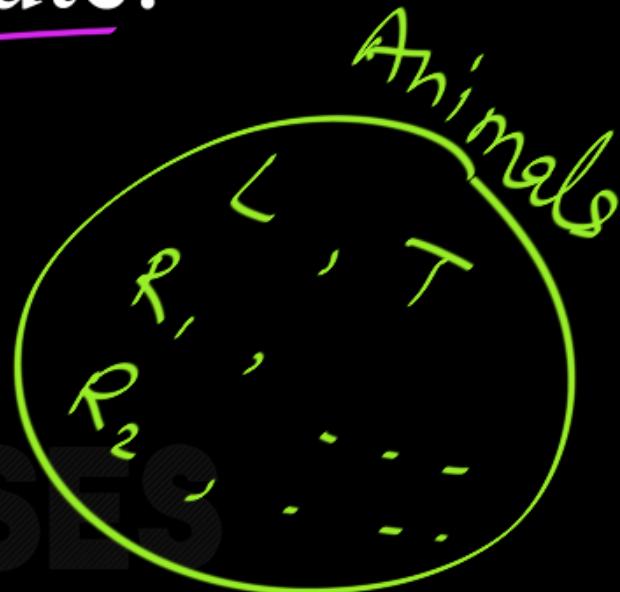
(E) does
not
Express (S)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S: \text{True} \\ E: \text{False} \end{array} \right.$$



S : Every rabbit is cute.

\equiv for every animal n ,
if n is a Rabbit then
 n is cute.

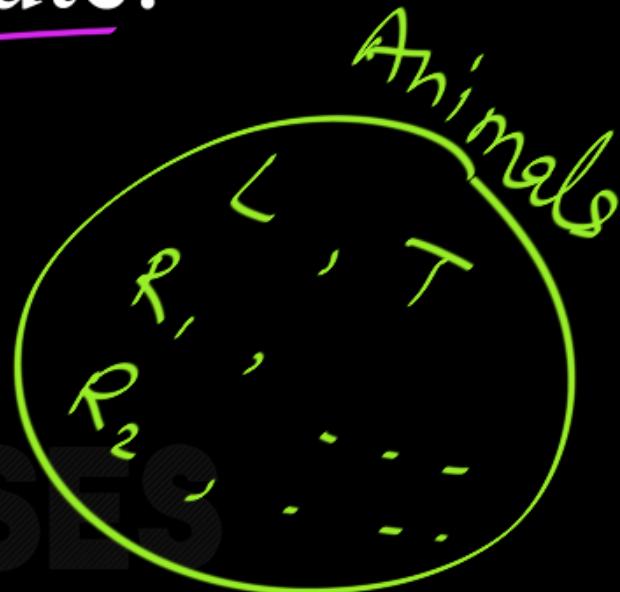


$\equiv \forall_n (Rabbit(n) \rightarrow \text{cute}(n)) \checkmark$

S : Every rabbit is cute.

\exists for every animal x ,
if x is a Rabbit then
 x is cute.

$\equiv \forall_x (\text{Rabbit}(x) \rightarrow \text{Cute}(x))$ ✓





S : Every rabbit is cute.

E : $\forall x (\text{Rabbit}(x) \wedge \text{Cute}(x))$



for every animal x , x is Rabbit & cute.

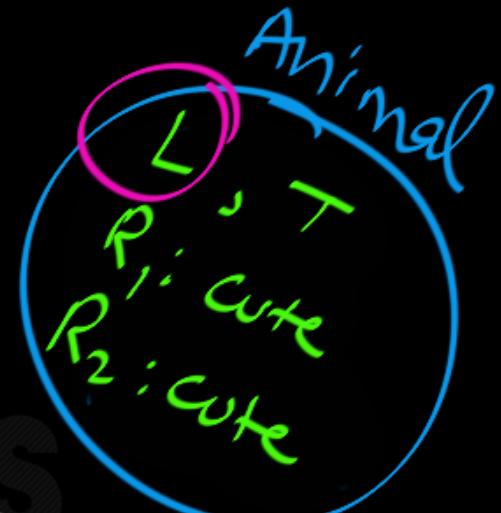
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S : Every rabbit is cute.

E : $\forall x (\text{Rabbit}(x) \wedge \text{cute}(x))$

E Does not
Express S.





\mathcal{S} : Every rabbit is cute.

① $\forall x C(x) \times$

② $\forall x (R(x) \wedge C(x)) \times$

③ $\forall x (R(x) \rightarrow C(x)) \checkmark$





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$$\exists_n \text{c}(n) \times$$

Some animal is cute.



S: Some rabbit is cute.

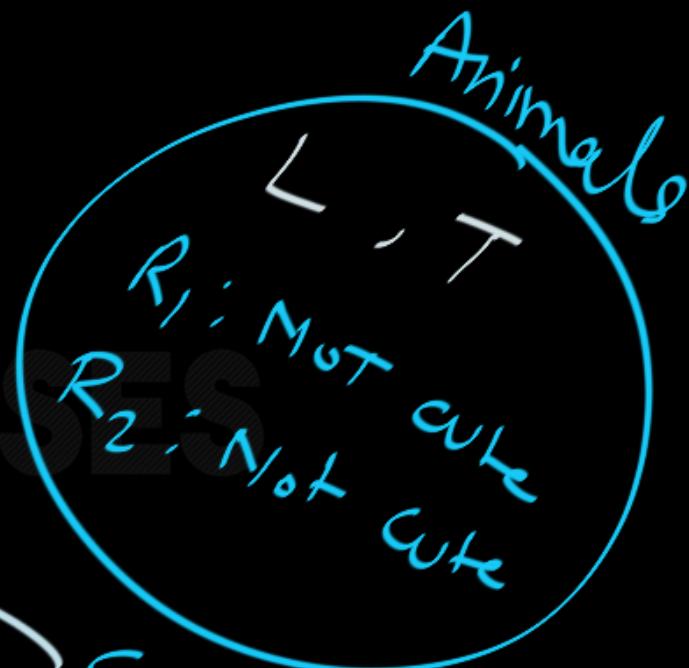
\exists for some animal κ , if κ is Rabbit
then κ is cute.

\equiv
$$\exists \kappa (R(\kappa) \rightarrow C(\kappa))$$

E:

S : Some rabbit is cute.

E : $\exists_n (R(n) \rightarrow C(n))$



E Does not Express S.

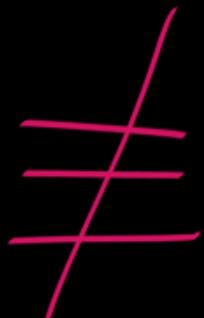
S : False

E : True

Scenario



Some rabbit is cute.



there is some animal n ,
if n is rabbit, n is cute.



Some rabbit is cute.

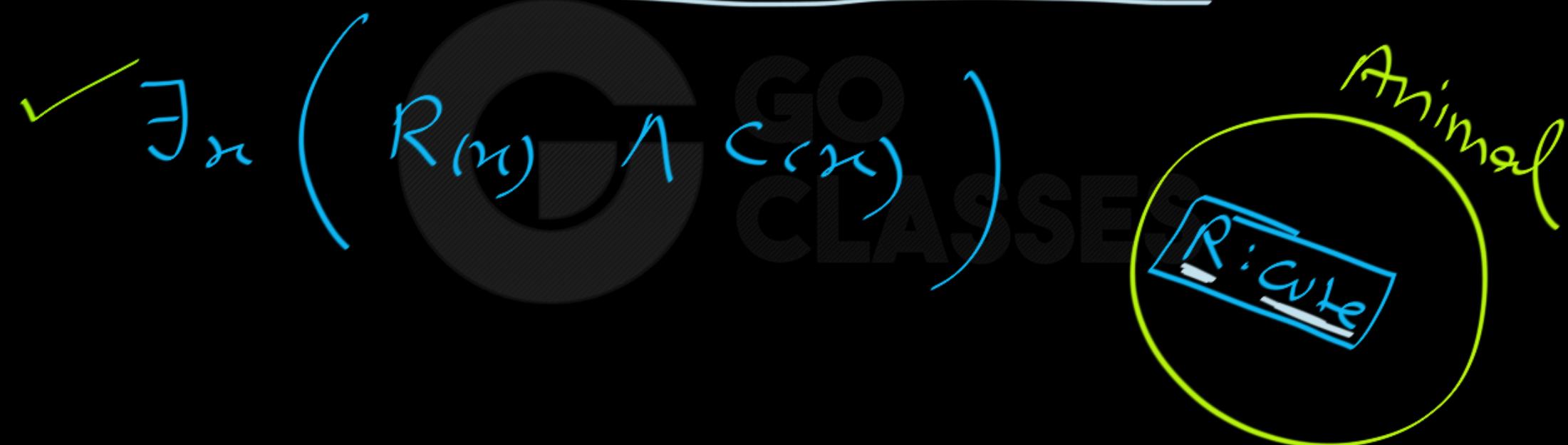
$$\exists_n \left(R(n) \rightarrow C(n) \right) X$$

A mathematical expression is shown in green and blue. It consists of the existential quantifier \exists , followed by a variable n , a parenthesis, and a conditional statement $R(n) \rightarrow C(n)$. A green curly brace groups the entire expression $\exists n (R(n) \rightarrow C(n))$. To the right of the expression is a large blue 'X' with a green curved arrow pointing towards it, indicating that the statement is false.



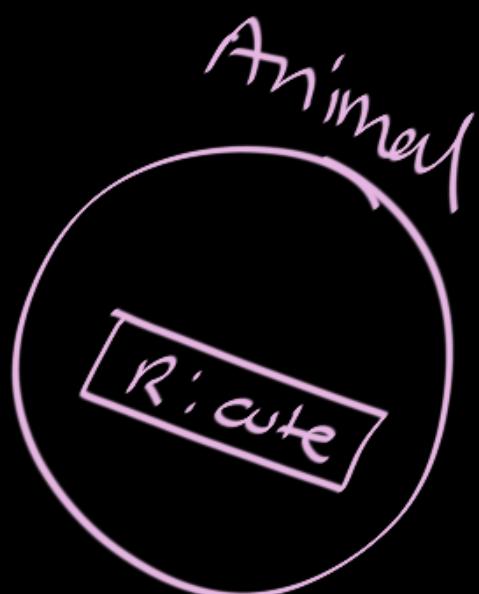
Some rabbit is cute.

\exists At least one Rabbit is cute.



Some Rabbit is cute.

- ① $\exists_n C(n) \times$
- ② $\exists_n (R(n) \rightarrow C(n)) \times$
- ③ $\boxed{\exists_n (R(n) \wedge C(n))} \checkmark$





Using the predicates

- $\text{Happy}(x)$, which states that x is happy, and
- $\text{WearingHat}(x)$, which states that x is wearing a hat,

write a sentence in first-order logic that says

every happy person wears a hat.



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$$\forall x \left(\underline{\text{happy}(x) \longrightarrow \text{WearingHat}(x)} \right) \checkmark$$



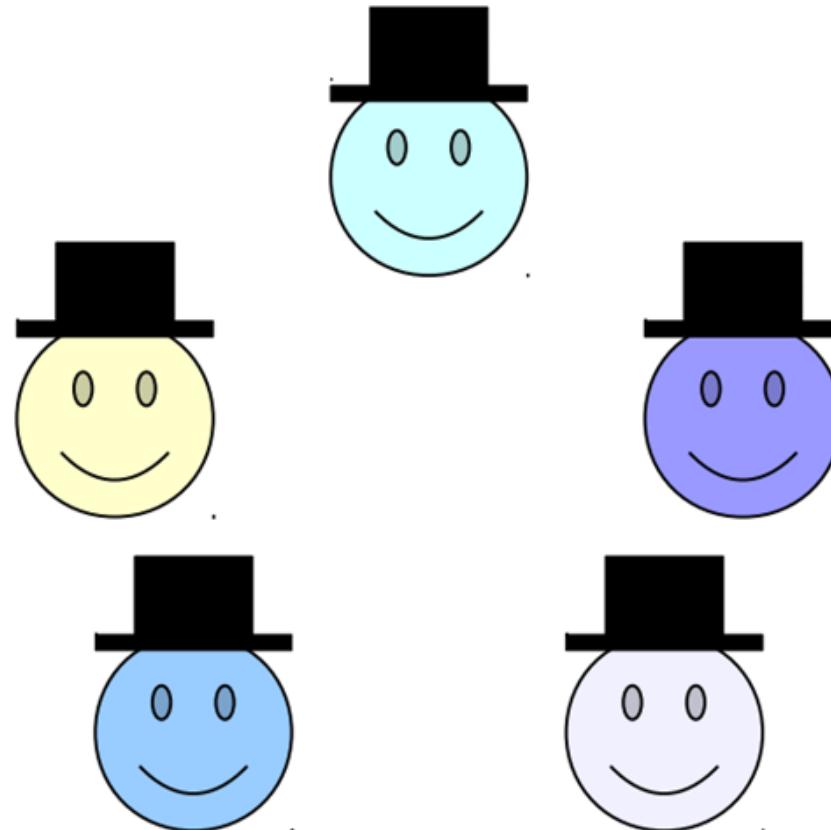
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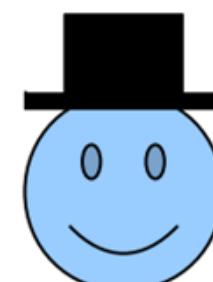
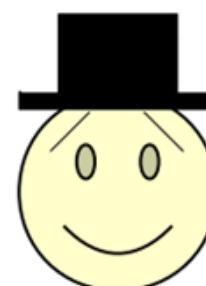
$$\forall x \left(\text{happy}(x) \wedge \text{wearingHat}(x) \right) \times$$



“Every happy person wears a hat.” **True**

$\forall x. (Happy(x) \wedge WearingHat(x))$ **True**

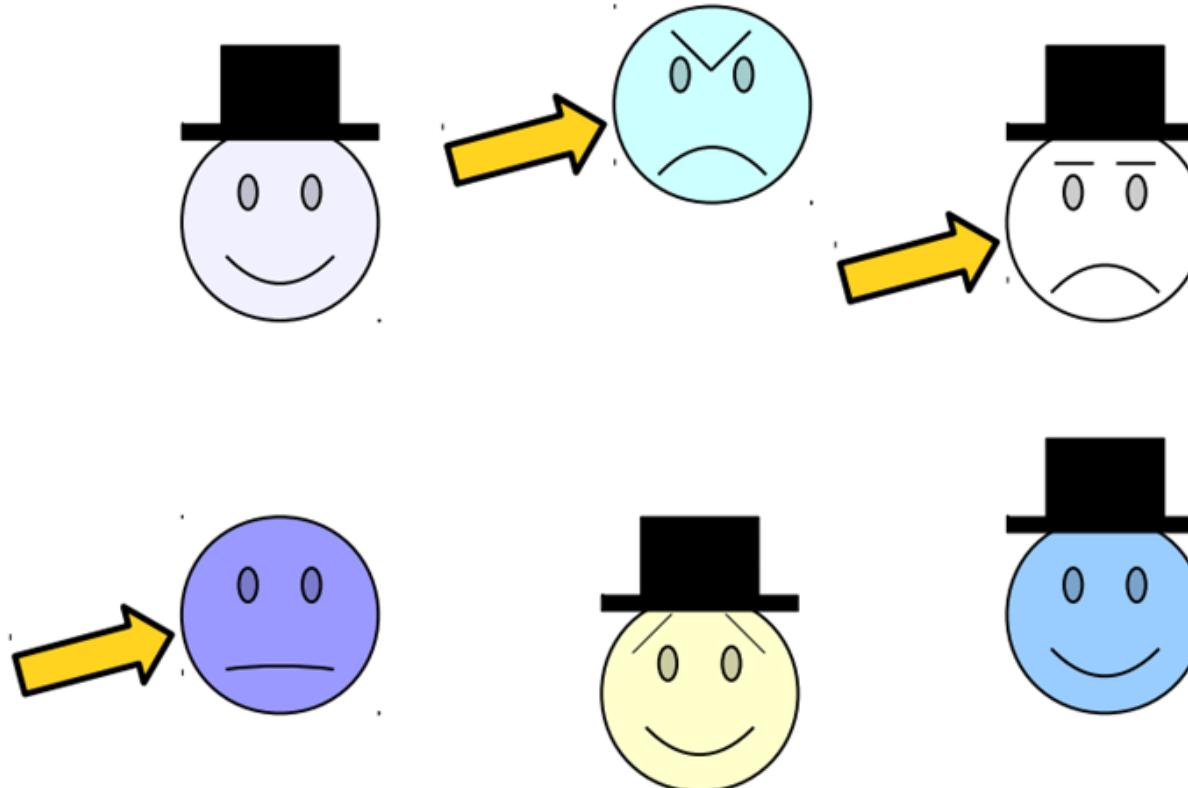
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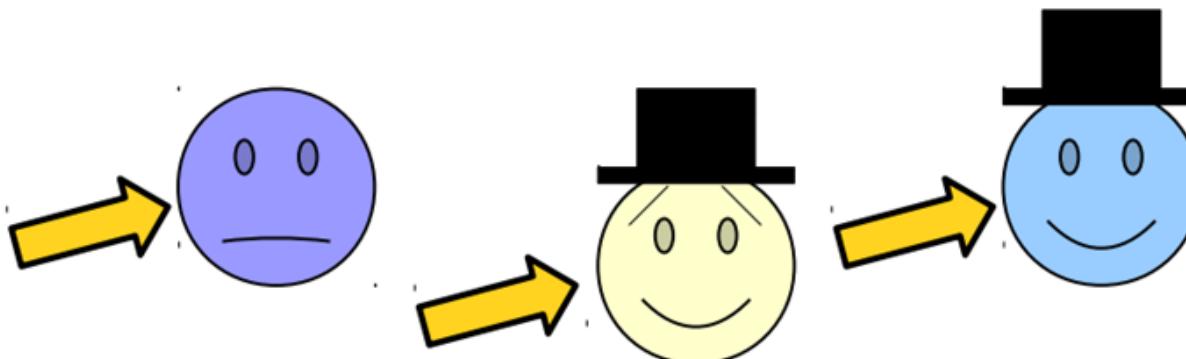
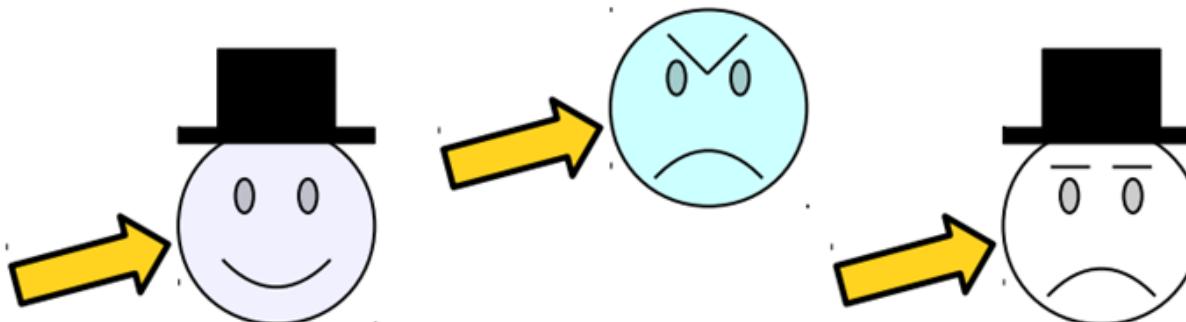
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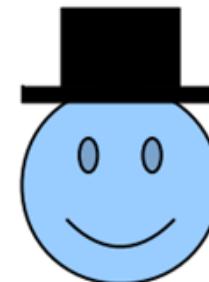
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~~$\forall x. (\text{Happy}(x) \wedge \text{WearingHat}(x))$~~ **False**

$\forall x. (\text{Happy}(x) \rightarrow \text{WearingHat}(x))$ **True**



“All P 's are Q 's”

translates as

$$\forall x. (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$$

Useful Intuition:

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$$\forall x. (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$$

If x is a counterexample, it must have property P but not have property Q .

All

A's are B's

for every element \forall_n , if $A_{(n)}$ then $B_{(n)}$

$$\equiv \forall_n (A_{(n)} \rightarrow B_{(n)}) \checkmark$$



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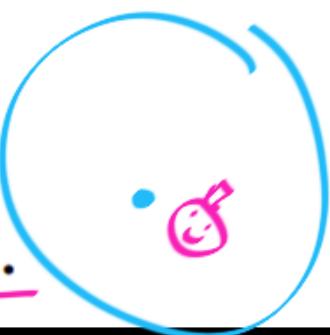
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$$\equiv \exists n \left(\underline{\text{happy}(n)} \wedge \underline{\text{wearhat}(n)} \right)$$





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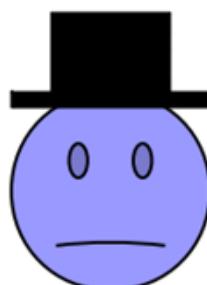
false \rightarrow some happy person wears a hat.

True

$\exists x$

$(\text{H}(n) \rightarrow \omega_{\text{H}}(n)) \times$

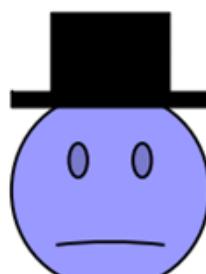




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$$\exists x. (\text{Happy}(x) \wedge \text{WearingHat}(x))$$

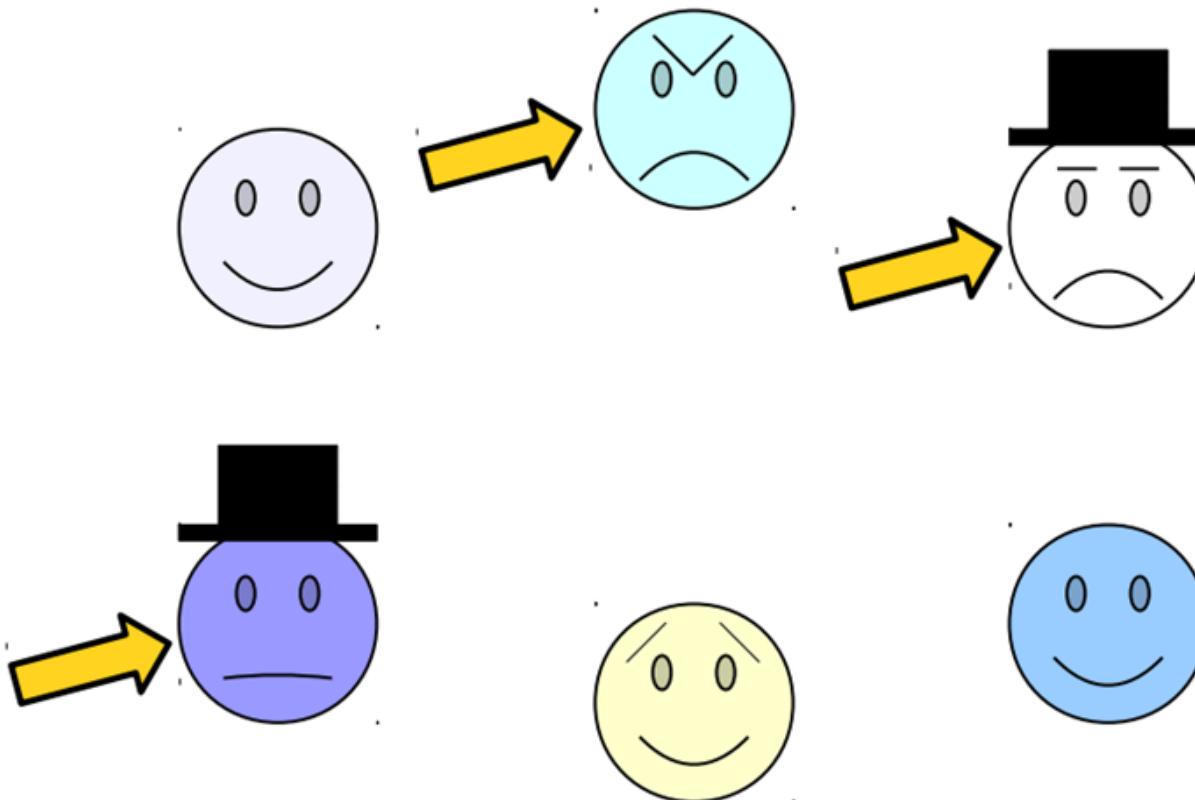
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"Some happy person wears a hat." **False**

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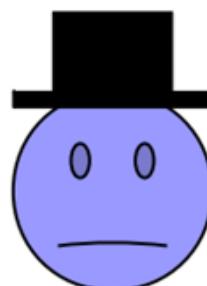
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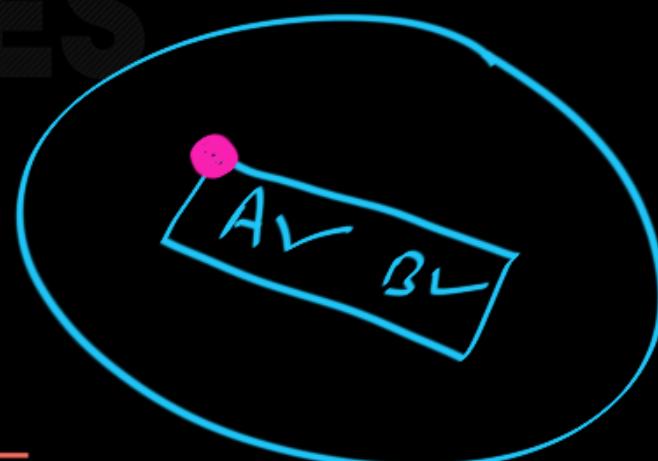
$\exists x. (Happy(x) \rightarrow WearingHat(x))$ **True**



Some A's are B's

\exists At least one A must be B.

$\exists n (A_{(n)} \wedge B_{(n)})$





“Some P is a Q ”

translates as

$$\exists x. (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$$

Useful Intuition:

Existentially-quantified statements are false unless there's a positive example.

$$\exists x. (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$$

If x is an example, it must have property P on top of property Q .



Every A is B .

$$\forall_n (A_{(n)} \rightarrow B_{(n)})$$

Some

A is B .

$$\exists_n (A_{(n)} \wedge B_{(n)})$$



Every A is B .

$$\forall_n (A_{(n)} \rightarrow B_{(n)})$$

Some A is B .

$$\exists_n (A_{(n)} \wedge B_{(n)})$$



Good Pairings

- The \forall quantifier *usually* is paired with \rightarrow .

$$\forall x. (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$$

- The \exists quantifier *usually* is paired with \wedge .

$$\exists x. (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$$



8. Translate these statements into English, where $R(x)$ is “ x is a rabbit” and $H(x)$ is “ x hops” and the domain consists of all animals.
- a) $\forall x(R(x) \rightarrow H(x))$
 - b) $\forall x(R(x) \wedge H(x))$
 - c) $\exists x(R(x) \rightarrow H(x))$
 - d) $\exists x(R(x) \wedge H(x))$



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- a) $\forall x(R(x) \rightarrow H(x))$
- c) $\exists x(R(x) \rightarrow H(x))$

Every Rabbit hops.

- b) $\forall x(R(x) \wedge H(x))$
- d) $\exists x(R(x) \wedge H(x))$

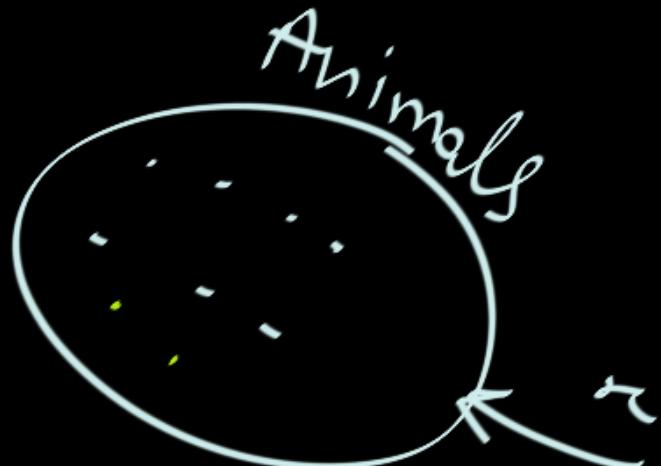
Every animal is a Rabbit & Hops.

$$@ \forall x (R(x) \rightarrow H(x))$$

\equiv for every animal x ,
if $R(x)$ then x hops.

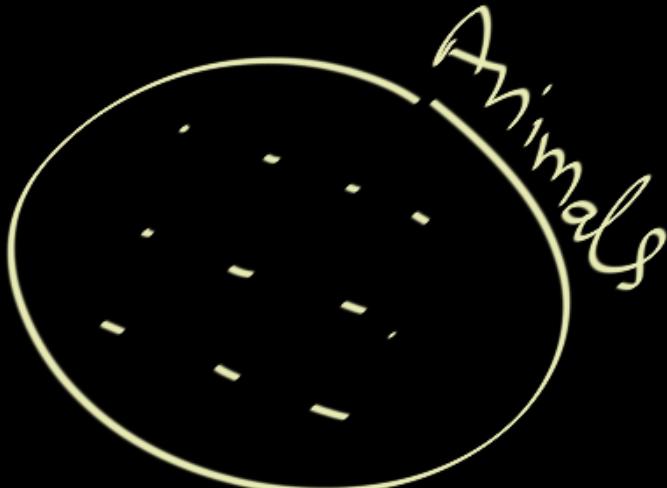
\equiv Every Rabbit Hops

$$\equiv \forall x (R(x) \rightarrow H(x))$$



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= for every animal x ,
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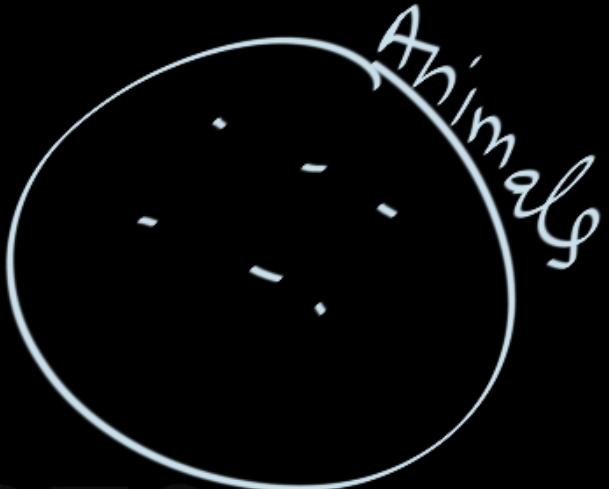
$$\equiv \forall x (R(x) \rightarrow H(x)) \checkmark$$
$$\forall x (R(x) \wedge H(x)) \times$$

④ $\exists_n (R(n) \rightarrow H(n))$

Some Rabbit Hops.

~~$\exists_n (R(n) \wedge H(n))$~~

~~$\exists_n (R(n) \rightarrow H(n))$~~

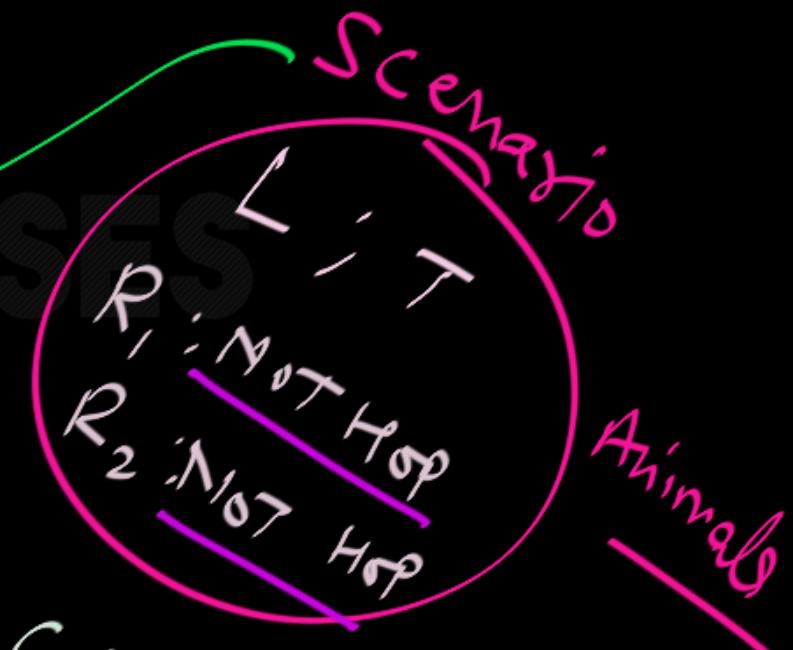


④ $\exists \alpha : R_{(\alpha)} \rightarrow H_{(\alpha)}$

S: Some Rabbit Hops

{ S: false }
C: True }

$\Rightarrow C$ is Not Correct Exp for S.



$$\textcircled{c} \quad \exists x \left(R(x) \rightarrow H(x) \right)$$

$$\equiv \exists x \left(\overline{R(x)} \vee H(x) \right)$$

Some animal is "Not rabbit" OR hops.

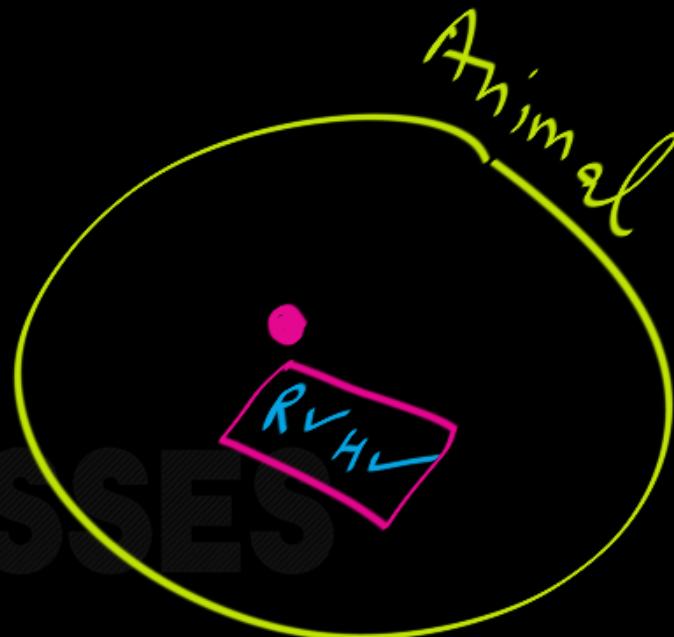
$$\alpha \rightarrow \beta \equiv \alpha \vee \beta$$

(D)

$$\exists x (R(x) \wedge H(x))$$

≡ Some animal is Rabbit & Hops

≡ Some Rabbit Hops. ✓





First Order Logic

Next Topic:

English – FOL Translation

Variations



Example 1:

Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

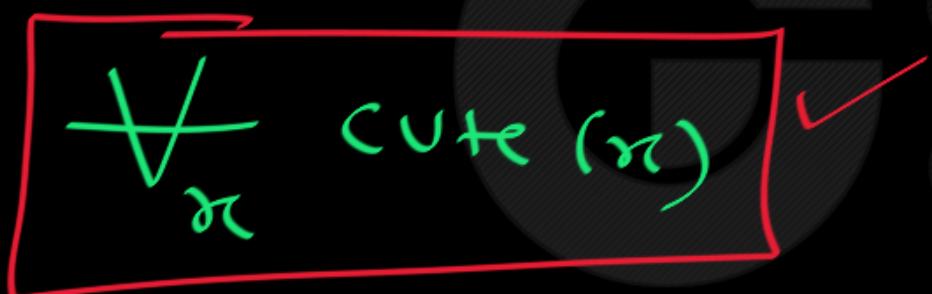
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$$\exists_x \text{cute}(x)$$



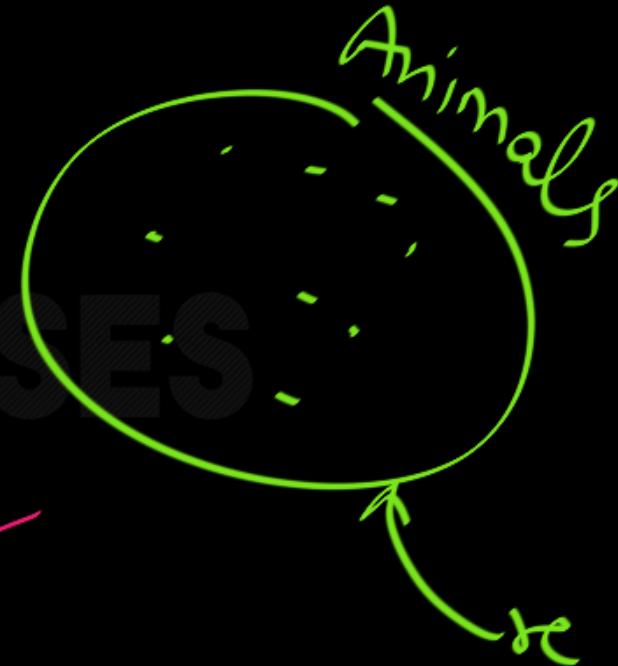


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3. Every rabbit is cute.

$$\forall_n \text{cute}(n) \quad \checkmark$$
$$\forall_n (R(n) \rightarrow \text{cute}(n)) \quad \checkmark$$



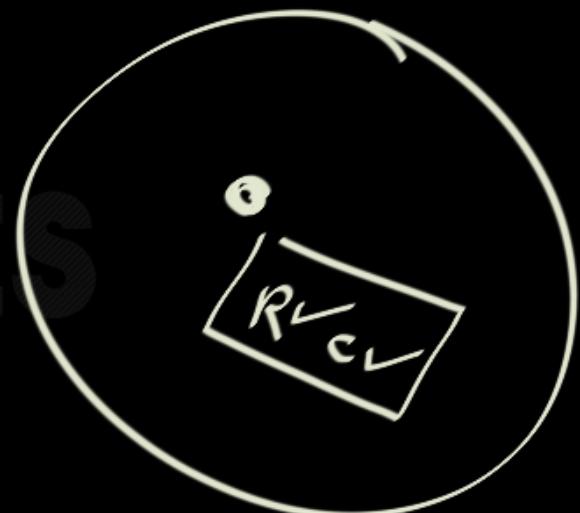


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4. Some rabbit is cute.

$$\exists x \left(R(x) \wedge \text{cute}(x) \right)$$





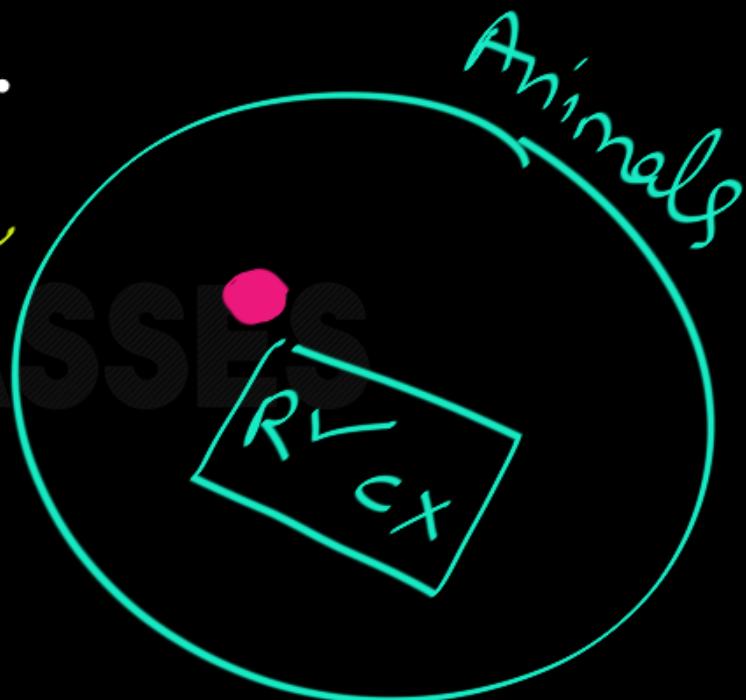
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But



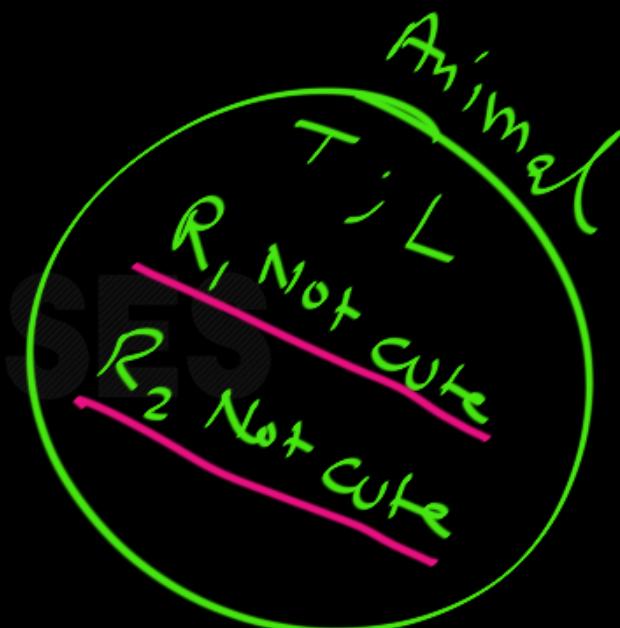


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6. All rabbits are non-cute.

$$\forall_n (R(n) \rightarrow \neg \text{cute}(n))$$





Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

Let, Predicate, $\text{cute}(x)$: x is cute.

7. It is not the case that some rabbit is cute.

$$\neg \exists_x (R_{(n)} \wedge \text{cute}_{(n)})$$



Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

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$$\forall_x (X_{(x)} \rightarrow Y_{(x)})$$



$$\exists_x (X_{(x)} \wedge Y_{(x)})$$



No P 's are Q 's.

$$\equiv \forall_{\kappa} \left(P_{(\kappa)} \rightarrow \neg Q_{(\kappa)} \right) \checkmark$$

$$\equiv \neg \exists_{\kappa} \left(P_{(\kappa)} \wedge Q_{(\kappa)} \right) \checkmark$$



No Rabbit is Cute.

≡ All Rabbits are Non-cute.

≡ $\forall x (R(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{Cute}(x))$



No Rabbit is Cute.

$\equiv \underline{\text{It is not the case that}} \underline{\text{Some Rabbit}}$
is cute.

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No Rabbit is Cute.

$$\equiv \forall x (R(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{cute}(x)) \checkmark$$

$$\equiv \neg \exists n (R(n) \wedge \text{cute}(n)) \checkmark$$



“All *P*s are *Q*s.”

“Some *P*s are *Q*s.”

“No *P*s are *Q*s.”

“Some *P*s aren't *Q*s.”



All Ps are Qs.

$$\forall_n (P(n) \rightarrow Q(n))$$

No Ps are Qs.

$$\forall_n (P(n) \rightarrow \neg Q(n))$$

Some Ps are Qs.

$$\exists_n (P(n) \wedge Q(n))$$

Some Ps aren't Qs.

$$\exists_n (P(n) \wedge \neg Q(n))$$



“All A's are B's”

translates as

$\forall x. (A(x) \rightarrow B(x))$



“Some A is a B”

translates as

$$\exists x. (A(x) \wedge B(x))$$



"All P s are Q s."

$$\forall x. (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$$

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"No P s are Q s."

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Some muggle is intelligent.

$$\exists x (M(x) \wedge I(x))$$



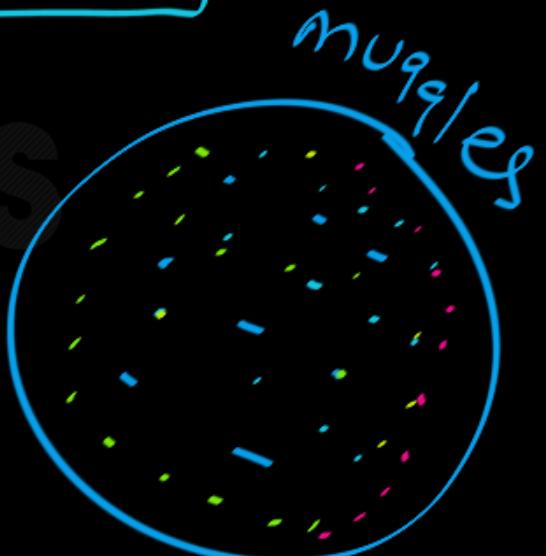
Domain : Set of muggles

for every element
m is true.

Some muggle is intelligent.

$$\checkmark \exists x (M(x) \wedge I(x))$$

$$\checkmark \exists x I(x)$$



Some muggle is intelligent.

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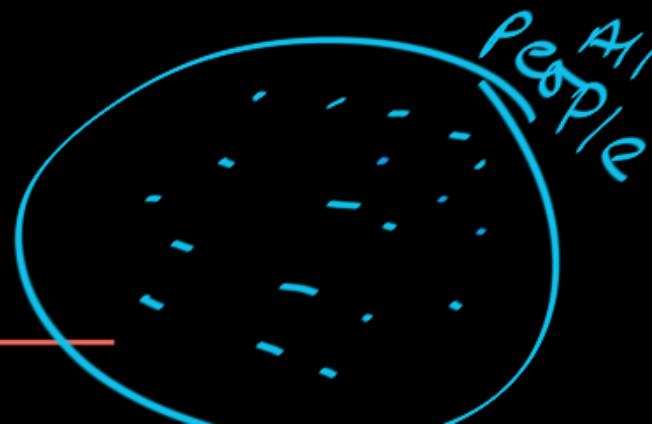
$$\exists_x I_{(x)}$$

$$\exists_n (M_{(n)} \wedge I_{(n)})$$

Domain : Unrestricted(by default, if domain is not given in the question)

$$\exists_x I_{(x)}$$

$$\exists_n (m_{(n)} \wedge I_{(n)})$$



Some muggle is intelligent.

$$\exists m. (Muggle(m) \wedge Intelligent(m))$$


\exists is the **existential quantifier** and says “for some choice of m , the following is true.”

“All As are Bs”

$\forall x. (A(x) \rightarrow B(x))$

“No As are Bs”

$\forall x. (A(x) \rightarrow \neg B(x))$

“Some As are Bs”

$\exists x. (A(x) \wedge B(x))$

“Some As aren’t Bs”

$\exists x. (A(x) \wedge \neg B(x))$

It is worth committing these patterns to memory. We'll be using them throughout the day and they form the backbone of many first-order logic translations.



First Order Logic

Next Topic:

English – FOL Translation

MORE Variations



Domain: Set of all people

Male(x): x is a male. ; Army(x): x is in army.

Only males are in army.

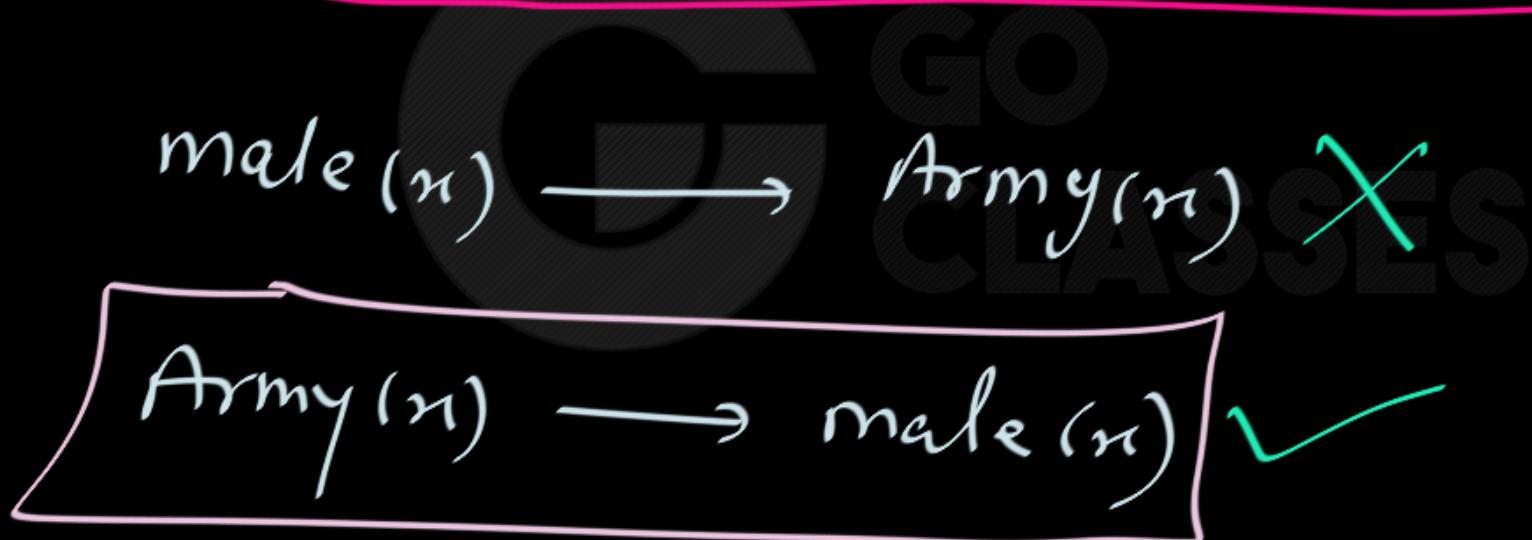




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$$\boxed{\neg \text{male}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{Army}(x)}$$

$$\equiv \boxed{\text{Army}(x) \rightarrow \text{male}(x)}$$



Domain: Set of all people

Male(x): x is a male. ; Army(x): x is in army.

Only males are in army.

\equiv for every x , if x is in Army then x is a male.

$\equiv \forall x (Army(x) \rightarrow male(x))$



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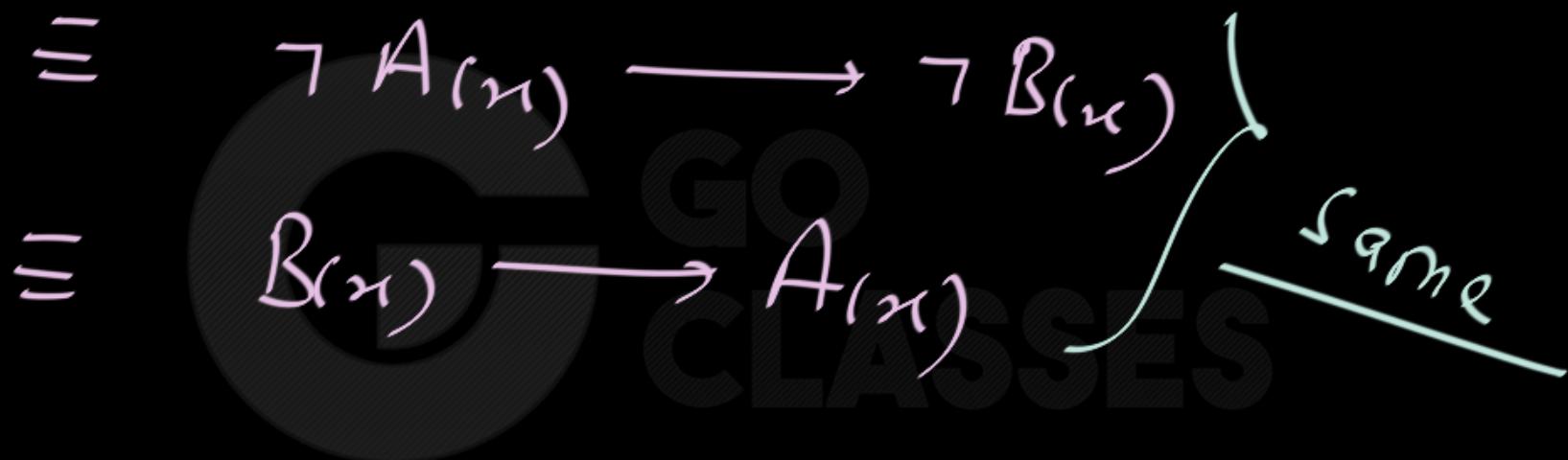
Only males are in army.

$$\equiv \forall x \left(\text{Army}(x) \rightarrow \text{Male}(x) \right)$$
$$\equiv \forall x \left(\neg \text{Male}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{Army}(x) \right)$$

Some



Only A's are B's.





Only A's are B's.

$$\equiv \forall n \left(B_n \rightarrow A_n \right) \checkmark$$

$$\equiv \forall n \left(\neg A_n \rightarrow \neg B_n \right) \checkmark$$



Only males are in Army.

$\equiv \forall n (\text{Army}(n) \rightarrow \text{male}(n))$

\equiv Every army person is a male.

Same



Domain: Set of all people

Male(x): x is a male. ; Army(x): x is in army.

Only males are in army.

$$\forall_n (\text{Army}(n) \rightarrow \text{male}(n))$$

All males are in army.

$$\forall_n (\text{male}(n) \rightarrow \text{Army}(n))$$



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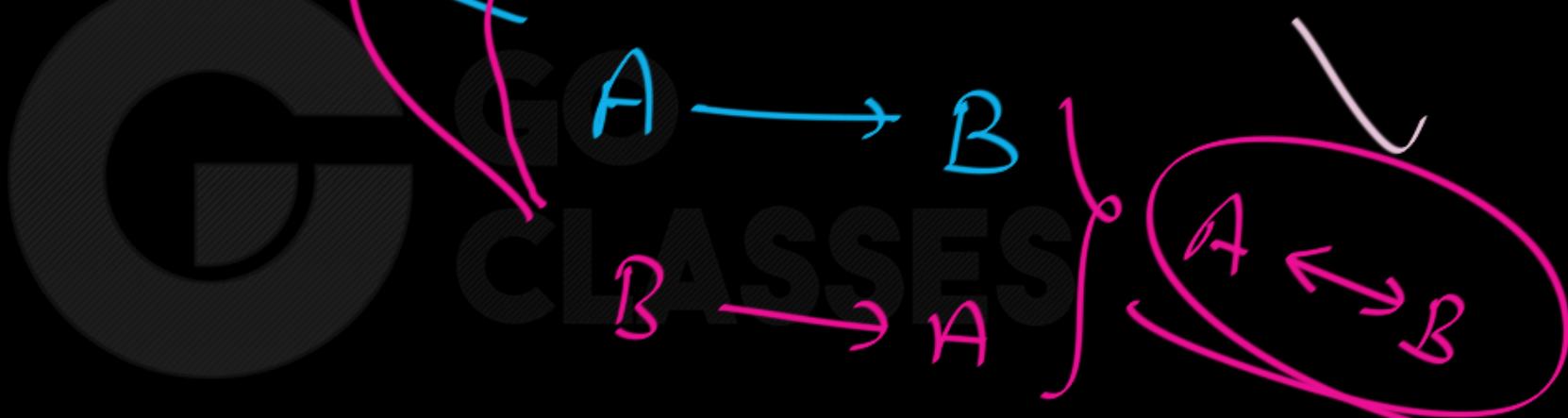
Male(x): x is a male. ; Army(x): x is in army.

All & Only males are in army.

$$\forall_n \left(\text{male}(n) \leftrightarrow \text{Army}(n) \right)$$

$\equiv \forall_n \left(\text{male}(n) \longleftrightarrow \text{Army}(n) \right) \checkmark$

All & Only A's are B's.





All & Only A's are B's.

$$\equiv \forall_n (A_{(n)} \leftrightarrow B_{(n)})$$



Only A's are B's.

$$\equiv \forall_n (B_n \rightarrow A_n) \checkmark$$

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2. Some animal is cute.

$$\exists_x \text{cute}(x)$$



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$$\forall_n \left(R(n) \rightarrow \text{cute}(n) \right)$$



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8. It is not the case that all rabbits are non-cute.

$$\neg \forall n (R(n) \rightarrow \neg \text{cute}(n))$$



Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

Let, Predicate, $\text{cute}(x)$: x is cute.

9. Only rabbits are cute.

$$\forall x \left(\neg R(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{cute}(x) \right)$$

$$\equiv \forall x \left(\text{cute}(x) \rightarrow R(x) \right) \checkmark$$



Let, Domain: Set of All Animals.

Let, Predicate, $\text{cute}(x)$: x is cute.

10. All & Only rabbits are cute.

$$\forall x \left(R(x) \leftrightarrow \text{cute}(x) \right)$$



First Order Logic

Next Topic:

English – FOL Translation

MORE Practice

***Available Predicates:***

Orange(x)
Cat(x)
Fluffy(x)

Imagine that we have these predicates available to us
to use...





Every orange cat is fluffy.

$$\forall_n \left(\text{OrangeCat}(n) \rightarrow \text{fluffy}(n) \right)$$
$$\equiv \forall_n \left((\underline{\text{orange}(n) \wedge \text{cat}(n)}) \rightarrow \text{fluffy}(n) \right)$$



No A^1 's are B^1 's.

$A(n) \rightarrow \neg B(n)$





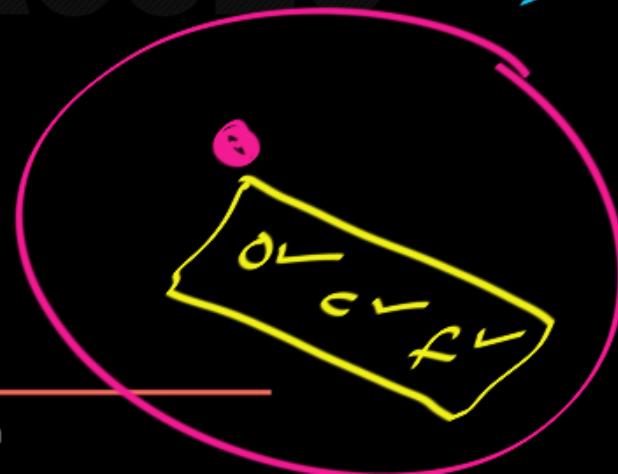
No orange cat is fluffy

$$\forall x \left(\text{orange}(x) \wedge \text{cat}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{fluffy}(x) \right)$$



Some orange cats are fluffy

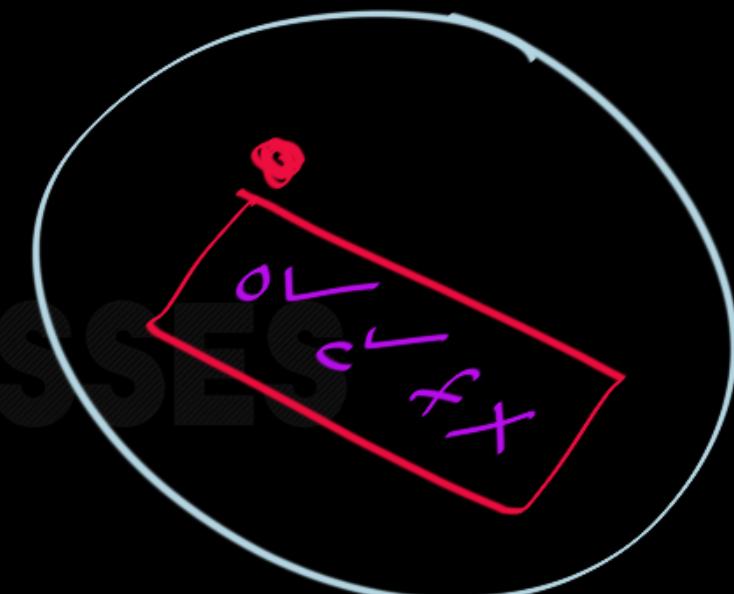
$$\exists n \left(\text{orange}(n) \wedge \text{cat}(n) \wedge \text{fluffy}(n) \right)$$





Some orange cats are not fluffy

$$\exists n \left(\text{Orange}(n) \wedge \text{Cat}(n) \wedge \neg \text{fluffy}(n) \right)$$





Not all cats are fluffy.

≡ Some cat is not fluffy.

≡ $\exists n (Cat(n) \wedge \neg fluffy(n))$



Not all A's are B's.

\equiv Some A is not B

$\equiv \exists_n (A_{(n)} \wedge \neg B_{(n)})$



Not all orange cats are fluffy

≡ Some orange cat is not fluffy.

≡ $\exists n (orange(n) \wedge cat(n) \wedge \neg fluffy(n))$



Only orange cats are fluffy

$$\forall_n \left(\text{fluffy}(n) \rightarrow (\text{orange}(n) \wedge \text{cat}(n)) \right)$$



All and only orange cats are fluffy

$$\forall n \left(\text{Orange}(n) \wedge \text{Cat}(n) \right) \longleftrightarrow \text{fluffy}(n)$$



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$$\forall n \left(\text{student}(n) \rightarrow \text{Calculus}(n) \right)$$



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Solution: First, we rewrite the statement so that we can clearly identify the appropriate quantifiers to use. Doing so, we obtain:

“For every student in this class, that student has studied calculus.”

Next, we introduce a variable x so that our statement becomes

“For every student x in this class, x has studied calculus.”



Express the statements “Some student in this class has visited Mexico” and “Every student in this class has visited either Canada or Mexico” using predicates and quantifiers.

Solution: The statement “Some student in this class has visited Mexico” means that

“There is a student in this class with the property that the student has visited Mexico.”

We can introduce a variable x , so that our statement becomes

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$$\exists x (\text{student}(x) \wedge \text{mexicol}(x))$$

Note:



Domain is Not given,

then Assume that Domain

Contains everything.

Translating from English to Logic

Example 1: Translate the following sentence into predicate logic: “Every student in this class has taken a course in Java.”

Solution:

First decide on the domain U .

Solution 1: If U is all students in this class, define a propositional function $J(x)$ denoting “ x has taken a course in Java” and translate as $\forall x J(x)$.

Solution 2: But if U is all people, also define a propositional function $S(x)$ denoting “ x is a student in this class” and translate as $\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow J(x))$.

$\forall x (S(x) \wedge J(x))$ is not correct. What does it mean?

Translating from English to Logic

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Solution:

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$$\exists x J(x)$$

Solution 2: But if U is all people, then translate as

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Translation from English to Logic

Examples:

1. “Some student in this class has visited Mexico.”
2. “Every student in this class has visited Canada or Mexico.”



Translation from English to Logic

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$$\exists x (s(x) \wedge m(x))$$

2. "Every student in this class has visited Canada or Mexico."

$$\forall x (s(x) \rightarrow (c(x) \vee m(x)))$$

Translation from English to Logic

Examples:

1. “Some student in this class has visited Mexico.”

Solution: Let $M(x)$ denote “ x has visited Mexico” and $S(x)$ denote “ x is a student in this class,” and U be all people.

$$\exists x (S(x) \wedge M(x))$$

2. “Every student in this class has visited Canada or Mexico.”

Solution: Add $C(x)$ denoting “ x has visited Canada.”

$$\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow (M(x) \vee C(x)))$$



All p 's are q 's.

"Whenever $P(x)$, then $Q(x)$ "

translates as

$\forall x. (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$



Some p is φ ;

“There is some $P(x)$ where
 $Q(x)$ ”

translates as

$\exists x. (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$



The Takeaway Point

- Be careful when translating statements into first-order logic!
- \forall is usually paired with \rightarrow .
- \exists is usually paired with \wedge .



All A's are B's

$$\subseteq \forall_n (A_{(n)} \rightarrow B_{(n)})$$

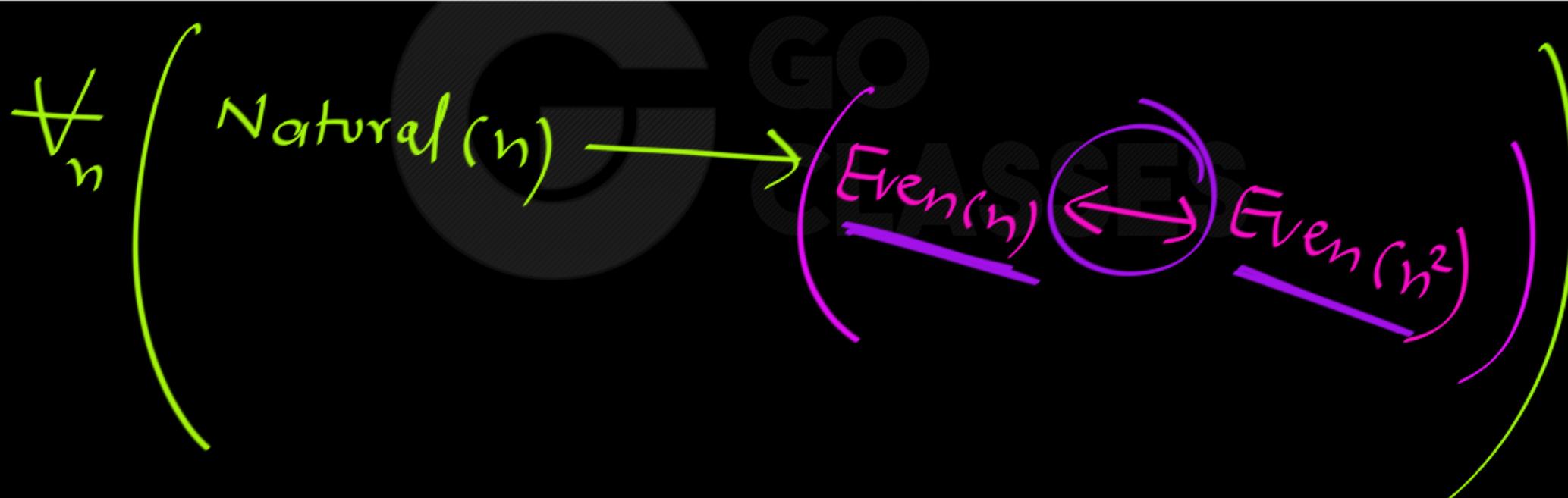


“For any natural number n ,
 n is even if and only if n^2 is even”





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 n is even if and only if n^2 is even”

$$\forall n. (n \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (\text{Even}(n) \leftrightarrow \text{Even}(n^2)))$$

\forall is the ***universal quantifier***
and says “for any choice of n ,
the following is true.”

- $S(x)$: x is a student
 - $I(x)$: x is intelligent
 - $M(x)$: x likes music
- For anything, if it is a student, then it is intelligent $\Leftrightarrow (\forall x)[S(x) \rightarrow I(x)]$
- There is something that is intelligent and it is a student and it likes music $\Leftrightarrow (\exists x)[I(x) \wedge S(x) \wedge M(x)]$
- Write wffs than express the following statements:
- All students are intelligent.
 - Some intelligent students like music.
 - Everyone who likes music is a stupid student.
 - Only intelligent students like music.
- For anything, if that thing likes music, then it is a student and it is not intelligent $\Leftrightarrow (\forall x)(M(x) \rightarrow S(x) \wedge [I(x)])'$
- For any thing, if it likes music, then it is a student and it is intelligent $\Leftrightarrow (\forall x)(M(x) \rightarrow S(x) \wedge I(x))$



First Order Logic

Next Topic:

English – FOL Translation

One Final Variation... I promise

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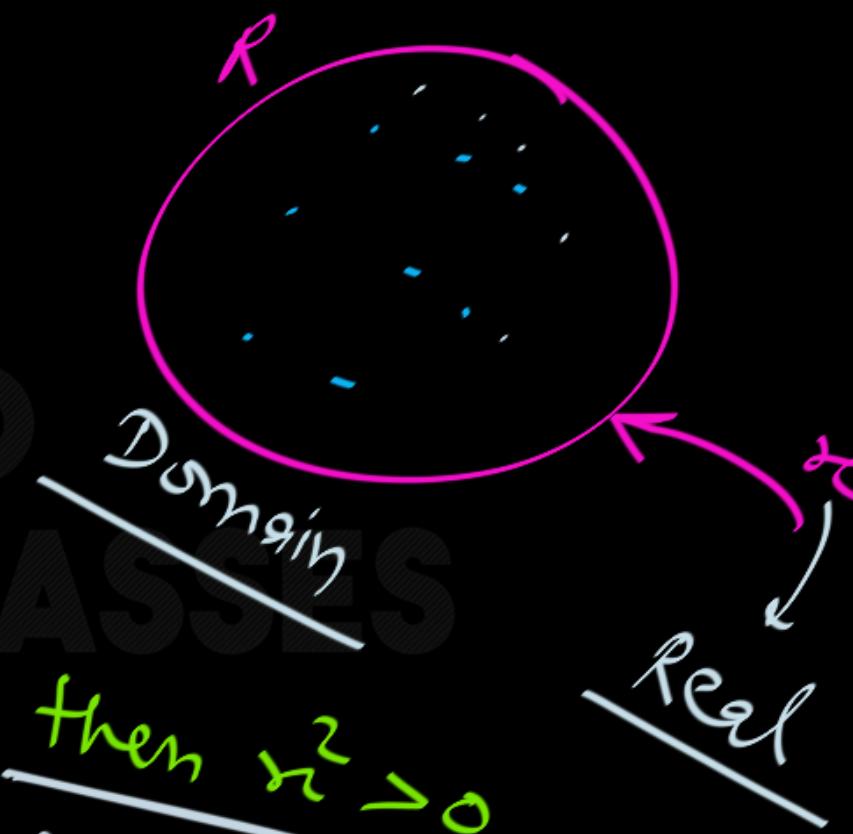
Domain: \mathbb{R}



a) $\forall_{x < 0} (x^2 > 0)$

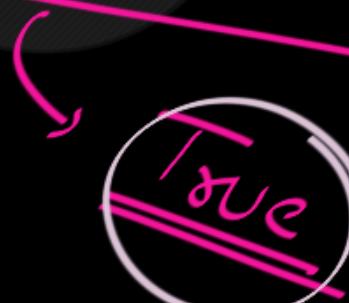
for all $x < 0$; if $x < 0$ then $x^2 > 0$

$\equiv \forall_x (x < 0 \rightarrow x^2 > 0)$



$$\forall_{x < 0} (x^2 > 0) \equiv \forall_x (x < 0 \rightarrow x^2 > 0)$$

for all real x , if $x < 0$
then $x^2 > 0$



Domain: \mathbb{R}



$$\forall_{P(\kappa)} \left(Q_{(\kappa)} \right) \equiv \forall_{\kappa} \left(P_{(\kappa)} \rightarrow Q_{(\kappa)} \right)$$

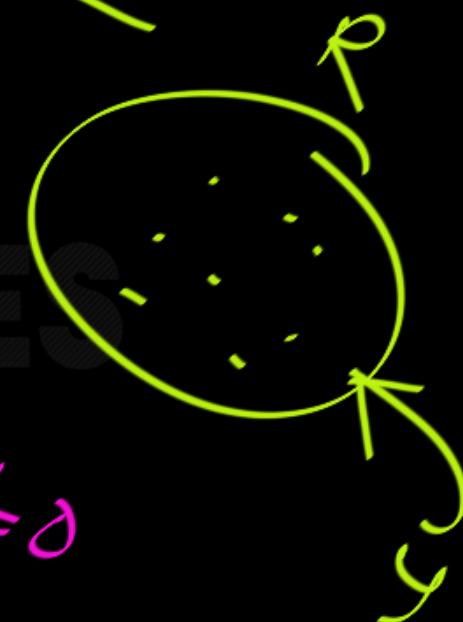


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(b)

$$\forall y \left(\begin{array}{c} y \neq 0 \\ \text{or} \\ y^3 \neq 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Domain:



for all $y \neq 0$, $y^3 \neq 0$.

\equiv for all y , if $y \neq 0$ then $y^3 \neq 0$

$$\equiv \forall y (y \neq 0 \rightarrow y^3 \neq 0)$$



$$\forall_{y \neq 0} (y^3 \neq 0)$$

\equiv for all real y , if $y \neq 0$, then $y^3 \neq 0$

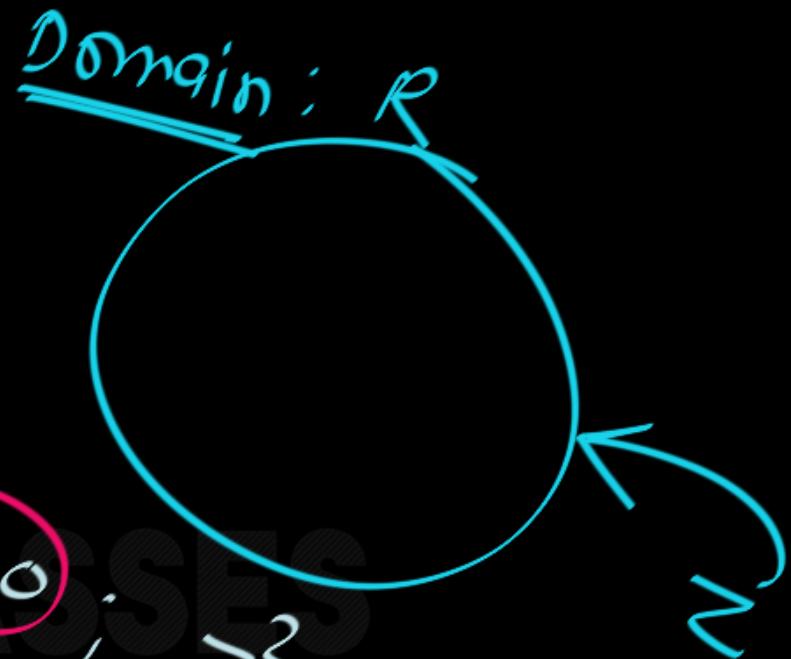
True



$$\forall_{P(n)} (\varphi_{(n)}) \equiv \forall_n (P(n) \rightarrow \varphi_{(n)})$$

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(c) $\exists_{z>0} (z^2 = 2)$



\equiv there is some real $z > 0$ such that $z^2 = 2$.

\equiv there is some real z_j such that $z_j > 0$ and $z_j^2 = 2$.

$$\exists \underline{z \geq 0} \left(\underline{z^2 = 2} \right) : \text{True}$$

witness:

$$\sqrt{2}$$

$$\equiv \exists z \left(z \geq 0 \wedge z^2 = 2 \right)$$



$$\exists_{P(n)} (Q(n)) \equiv \exists_n (P(n) \wedge Q(n))$$
$$\forall_{P(n)} (Q(n)) \equiv \forall_n (P(n) \rightarrow Q(n))$$

What do the statements $\forall x < 0 (x^2 > 0)$, $\forall y \neq 0 (y^3 \neq 0)$, and $\exists z > 0 (z^2 = 2)$ mean, where the domain in each case consists of the real numbers?

Solution: The statement $\forall x < 0 (x^2 > 0)$ states that for every real number x with $x < 0$, $x^2 > 0$. That is, it states “The square of a negative real number is positive.” This statement is the same as $\forall x (x < 0 \rightarrow x^2 > 0)$.

The statement $\forall y \neq 0 (y^3 \neq 0)$ states that for every real number y with $y \neq 0$, we have $y^3 \neq 0$. That is, it states “The cube of every nonzero real number is nonzero.” Note that this statement is equivalent to $\forall y (y \neq 0 \rightarrow y^3 \neq 0)$.

Finally, the statement $\exists z > 0 (z^2 = 2)$ states that there exists a real number z with $z > 0$ such that $z^2 = 2$. That is, it states “There is a positive square root of 2.” This statement is equivalent to $\exists z (z > 0 \wedge z^2 = 2)$. 

Note that the restriction of a universal quantification is the same as the universal quantification of a conditional statement. For instance, $\forall x < 0 (x^2 > 0)$ is another way of expressing $\forall x (x < 0 \rightarrow x^2 > 0)$. On the other hand, the restriction of an existential quantification is the same as the existential quantification of a conjunction. For instance, $\exists z > 0 (z^2 = 2)$ is another way of expressing $\exists z (z > 0 \wedge z^2 = 2)$.



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