

Predicate Logic Models / Interpretations

- we will build models from relational databases.

- A relational database is a domain set D and

a relation over D for each relation symbol in the language.
↳ given in answer to "question Q "

(each relation symbol has a known
arity : # of expected arguments)

↳ a subset of D^n for relation of arity n .
↳ set of n -tuples drawn from D ,

Relational Database, interpreting $>$, \geq , $=$, and prime

Example $D = \{0, 1, 2\}$

$x > y = \{(1, 0), (2, 0), (2, 1)\}$

$x \geq y = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2), (1, 0), (2, 0), (2, 1)\}$

$x = y = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2)\}$

$\text{prime}(x) = \{2\} \doteq \{2\}$

$|D^2| = |D \times D| = 9$
 $|P(D^2)| = 2^9$
choices for a binary relation over two D

Symbols being interpreted by the database

Defining Predicate Logic

Q0) what symbols will we use?

- a set of relation symbols, each with given arity.
 $\text{Likes}(x, y)$ $\text{Tall}(x)$ $>(x, y)$
- a set of constant symbols
 John Mary 5
- a set of variables
 x, y, z, \dots
- the familiar Boolean operation symbols $\wedge \vee \neg \rightarrow \leftrightarrow$
- \forall, \exists
"for all" "there exists"

Q1) what are the formulas of predicate logic?

A term is either a constant symbol or a variable.

An atomic formula is the application of a relation symbol to the appropriate number of terms, given by the arity of the relation symbol

$>(5,0)$

$>(5,x)$
 $5 > x$

Tall(Mary)

$R(\text{Mary}, \text{John})$

Prime(5)

A formula is either

- an atomic formula, or

- a Boolean combination of formulas

- a quantified formula $\forall x \phi$ or $\exists x \phi$ for
any variable x and subformula ϕ

$\text{Prime}(x) \rightarrow \text{Likes}(\text{Mary}, x)$

$\text{Likes}(\text{Mary}, \exists x)$

$\forall x \text{Prime}(x) \rightarrow \text{Likes}(\text{Mary}, x)$