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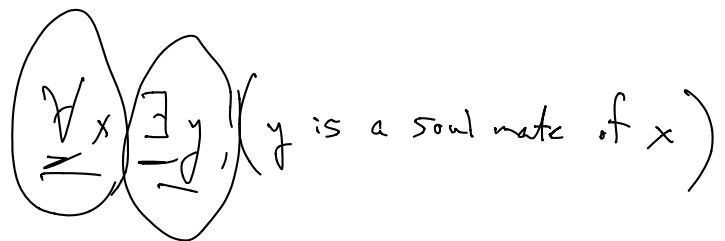
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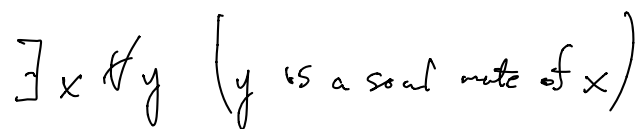
Topic:: Nested quantifiers

Read:: Rosen 1.5

HW:: PS04 due Fri.



In Section 1.3, go over Numbers 12 and 62(?)



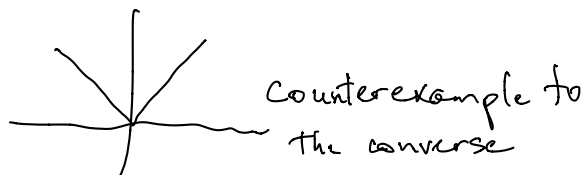
Nested quantifiers: like nested loops

Counterexample: how it disproves a universally-quantified statement

→ Every function differentiable at  $x=a$  is continuous at  $x=a$ . Thm. in Calculus

Every function continuous at  $x=a$  is differentiable at  $x=a$ . Converse

```
for i = 1:10
  for j = 5:10
    (
  end
end
```



No smallest real:

$$\forall x \exists (y < x)$$

$$\forall s (\exists x_1 S(x_1, s) \rightarrow \exists x_2 \underbrace{(x_1 \neq x_2 \wedge R(x_2, s))})$$

MATH 251 Notes

## Nested quantifiers

$S(x, s)$ : Person  $x$  knows secret  $s$

$R(x, t)$ : Secret  $t$  can be revealed to  $x$

- There is a supervisor who oversees every process in this factory
- Every process in this factory is overseen by some person.
- There is a positive integer that is smallest (i.e., at least as small as any other).
- There is a real number that has no reciprocal (multiplicative inverse).
- There is no smallest real number. [Try to write this both with and without a negation symbol.]
- Any secret any person knows can be revealed to the right person.

Rewrite the statement in as simple an English statement as possible. Then write the negation of that statement.

- $\forall$  colors  $C$ ,  $\exists$  an animal  $A$  such that  $A$  is colored  $C$ .
- $\exists$  a book  $b$  such that  $\forall$  people  $p$ ,  $p$  has read  $b$ .
- $\forall$  odd integers  $n$ ,  $\exists$  an integer  $k$  such that  $n = 2k + 1$ .
- $\exists$  real  $x$  such that for all real  $y$ ,  $x + y = 0$ .

$\forall$  people  $\exists$  book . . .

## Negating nested quantifiers

- $\neg \forall x \exists y P(x, y) \equiv \exists x \forall y \neg P(x, y)$
- $\neg \exists x \forall y P(x, y) \equiv \forall x \exists y \neg P(x, y)$
- $\neg \forall x \forall y P(x, y) \equiv \exists x \exists y \neg P(x, y)$
- $\neg \exists x \exists y P(x, y) \equiv ?$
- $\neg \forall x \exists y \forall z P(x, y, z) \equiv ?$

## ProLog

### Basic structures

- names
  - valid characters in names include most any on a keyboard; a name can even contain a space, if the entire name is enclosed in quotation marks.
  - names *beginning* with an upper-case letter or an underscore are reserved for variables
  - *atoms* (or constants) include words beginning with a lower-case letters used in isolation.
  - *predicates* (procedures) include words beginning with a lower-case letters and requiring (as indicated by parentheses) inputs.
- **Conditionals:** if  $p$  then  $q$  is coded as  $q : -p$ .
- **Conjunctions:**  $p \wedge q$  is coded as  $p, q$ .

Together, the code

$$r : -p, q$$

means  $p \wedge q \rightarrow r$ .

- **Disjunctions:**  $p \vee q$  is coded as  $p; q$ .
- **Negation:**  $\neg p$  is coded as  $\backslash +p$ , meaning the non-negated statement is not provable.

### Other important items:

- *Program* files, often referred to as "knowledge bases", can be created separately using a text editor.
- Commands in prolog end with a period (.) character.
- Sample rules:

```
husband(luke, mara) :- wife(mara, luke).  
    expresses wife(mara, luke)  $\rightarrow$  husband(luke, mara)  
    modus ponens  
ownsLightSaber(X) :- jedi(X).  
    expresses  $\forall X(\text{jedi}(X) \rightarrow \text{ownsLightSaber}(X))$   
husband(X, Y) :- wife(Y, X).  
    expresses  $\forall X \forall Y(\text{wife}(Y, X) \rightarrow \text{husband}(X, Y))$ 
```

- Sample queries:

```
jedi(dooku).  
    evaluates as True since this is a fact in the knowledge base.  
master(sidious, X).  
    expresses "Is  $\exists X$  for which master(sidious, X) is true?" All instances are listed.
```

## Practice

Websites:

<http://scofield.site/courses/m251/worksheets/sWars.txt>

[https://www.tutorialspoint.com/execute\\_prolog\\_online.php](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/execute_prolog_online.php)

1. Write queries for
  - (a) whether luke is a child of leia.
  - (b) all children of leia.
  - (c) all sons of leia.
  - (d) all uncles of jacen.
  - (e) all grandchildren of anakin
  - (f) all names of "force-sensitive" characters (whether sith or jedi)
  - (g) all names of characters who are both sith and jedi
2. Write rules for
  - (a) mother(X), so that the mother of X is sought/found
  - (b) nephew(X)
  - (c) isForceSensitive(X)
  - (d) isForceSensitive(X)
  - (e) grandfather(X)
3. Add information to the knowledge base so that there is a person named owen who appears in response to the query `uncle(luke)`.

