





KS091201 MATEMATIKA DISKRIT (DISCRETE MATHEMATICS)

# PREDICATE & QUANTIFIER

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#### **Outline**

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#### **Propositional Functions**

- Consider P(x), as a symbolic notation of x > 5
  - P(x): propositional function P at x (fungsi proposisi P untuk x)
  - x is subject
  - > 5 is predicate
  - $\circ$  P(x) has no truth value when x is unknown
  - P(x) become a proposition when we assigned certain value to x
  - The value given to x is taken from certain universe of discourse or domain (himpunan semesta)

#### Propositional Functions (cont.)

• Example:

Consider 
$$P(x) = x < 5$$

- P(x) has no truth values (x is not given a value)
- P(1) is true: The proposition 1<5 is true
- P(10) is false: The proposition 10<5 is false
- Let P(x) = x + 3 > x
  - For what values of x is P(x) true?

#### Function with Multiple Variables

$$P(x,y) = x + y = 0$$

• P(1,2) is false, P(1,-1) is true

$$\circ$$
  $P(x,y,z) = x + y = z$ 

• P(3,4,5) is false, P(1,2,3) is true

$$P(x_1, x_2, x_3 \dots x_n) = \dots$$

#### Quantifier

- A quantifier is "an operator that limits the variables of a proposition"
- In some cases, it's a more accurate way to describe things than Boolean propositions
- Process of bounding the variable x with a quantifier is called quantification
- Two types of quantifier will be discussed:
  - Universal quantifier
  - Existential quantifier

#### **Universal Quantifier**

- Represented by an upside-down A: ∀
  - It means "for all"
  - Let P(x) = x+1 > x
- We can state the following:
  - $\circ \forall x P(x)$
  - English translation: "for all values of x, P(x) is true"
  - English translation: "for all values of x, x+1>x is true"

# **Universal Quantifier (cont.)**

- But is that always true?
  - $\circ \forall x P(x)$
- Let x = the character 'a'
  - Is 'a'+1 > 'a'?
- Let x = the state of East Java
  - Is East Java+1 > East Java?
- Don't forget to specify your universe!
  - What values x can represent
  - Called the "domain" or "universe of discourse"

# **Universal Quantifier (cont.)**

- Let the universe be the real numbers.
- Let P(x) = x/2 < x
  - Not true for the negative numbers! (Called as counterexample)
  - Thus,  $\forall x P(x)$  is false
    - When the domain is all the real numbers
- In order to prove that a universal quantification is true, it must be shown for ALL cases
- In order to prove that a universal quantification is false, it must be shown to be false for only ONE case

# **Universal Quantifier (cont.)**

- Given some propositional function P(x)
- And values in the universe  $x_1 \dots x_n$
- The universal quantification  $\forall x P(x)$  implies:

$$P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2) \wedge ... \wedge P(x_n)$$

#### **Existensial Quantifier**

- Represented by an backwards E: ∃
  - It means "there exists"
  - Let  $P(x) = x^2 > 10$
- We can state the following:
  - $\circ$   $\exists x P(x)$
  - English translation: "there exists (a value of) x such that P(x) is true"
  - English translation: "for at least one value of x,  $x^2 > 10$  is true"
- Note that you still have to specify your universe

# Existensial Quantifier (cont.)

- Let P(x) = x+1=x
  - There is no numerical value x for which x+1=x
  - Thus,  $\exists x P(x)$  is false
- Let P(x) = x+1 = 0
  - There is a numerical value for which x+1=0
  - Thus,  $\exists x P(x)$  is true
- In order to show an existential quantification is true, you only have to find ONE value
- In order to show an existential quantification is false, you have to show it's false for ALL values

## Existensial Quantifier (cont.)

- Given some propositional function P(x)
- And values in the universe  $x_1 \dots x_n$
- The existential quantification  $\exists x P(x)$  implies:

$$P(x_1) \vee P(x_2) \vee ... \vee P(x_n)$$

#### Conclusion

| Statement | When True                            | When False                            |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ∀x P(x)   | P(x) is TRUE for every x             | There is an x for which P(x) is FALSE |
| ∃ x P(x)  | There is an x for which P(x) is TRUE | P(x) is FALSE for every x             |

#### **Notes**

- $\circ$  Recall that P(x) is a propositional function
  - Let P(x) be "x > 0"
- Recall that a proposition is a statement that is either true or false
  - P(x) is not a proposition
- There are two ways to make a propositional function into a proposition:
  - Assign a certain value
    - $\circ$  For example, P(-1) is false, P(1) is true
  - Provide a quantification
    - For example,  $\forall x P(x)$  is false and  $\exists x P(x)$  is true
      - Let the universe of discourse be the real numbers

## **Binding Variable**

- Let P(x,y) be x > y
- Consider:  $\forall x P(x,y)$ 
  - This is not a proposition!
  - What is y?
    - If it's 5, then  $\forall x P(x,y)$  is false
    - If it's x-1, then  $\forall x P(x,y)$  is true
- Note that y is not "bound" by a quantifier

# Binding Variable (cont.)

- $\circ$  ( $\exists x P(x)$ )  $\vee$  Q(x)
  - The x in Q(x) is not bound; thus not a proposition
- $\bullet$  ( $\exists x P(x)$ )  $\lor$  ( $\forall x Q(x)$ )
  - Both x values are bound; thus it is a proposition
- $(\exists x P(x) \land Q(x)) \lor (\forall y R(y))$ 
  - All variables are bound; thus it is a proposition
- $(\exists x P(x) \land Q(y)) \lor (\forall y R(y))$ 
  - The y in Q(y) is not bound; this not a proposition

# **Negating Quantifiers**

- Consider the statement:
  - All students in this class have Acer Laptop
- What is required to show the statement is false?
  - There exists a student in this class that does NOT has Acer Laptop
- To negate a universal quantification:
  - You negate the propositional function
  - AND you change to an existential quantification

# **Negating Quantifiers (cont.)**

- Consider the statement:
  - There is a student in this class with Acer Laptop.
- What is required to show the statement is false?
  - All students in this class do not have Acer Laptop.
- Thus, to negate an existential quantification:
  - negate the propositional function
  - AND change to a universal quantification

#### Conclusion

| Proposition      | Negation          | TRUE  | FALSE  |
|------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| –∃x <b>P(</b> x) | ∀x ¬P(x)          | For all x, P(x) is false                      | There is a value of x for which P(x) is true |
| ¬∀x P(x)         | ∃x ¬ <b>P</b> (x) | There is a value of x for which P(x) is false | For all x, P(x) is true                      |

- What about if the universe of discourse is all people?
  - S(x) be "x is a student in this class"
  - C(x) be "x has studied Calculus"
  - Every student in this class has studied Calculus.
  - $\bullet \forall x (S(x) \land C(x))$ 
    - This is wrong! Why?
    - It means that "All people are students in this class and have studied Calculus"
  - $\bullet$   $\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow C(x))$ 
    - It means that "For every person x, if x is student in this class, then x has studied Calculus"

- Consider:
  - "Every student in this class has visited Manado or Cianjur"
- Let:
  - S(x) be "x is a student in this class"
  - M(x) be "x has visited Manado"
  - C(x) be "x has visited Cianjur"

- Consider: "Some students have visited Manado"
  - Rephrasing: "There exists a student who has visited Manado"
- ∃x M(x)
  - True if the universe of discourse is all students
- What about if the universe of discourse is all people?
  - $\bullet$   $\exists x (S(x) \rightarrow M(x))$ 
    - This is wrong! Why?
    - The statement is true although there is someone not in the class
  - $\bullet$   $\exists x (S(x) \land M(x))$ 
    - There is a person x who is a student in this class and who has visited Manado

- Consider: "Every student in this class has visited Cianjur or Manado"
- $\bullet \forall x (M(x) \lor C(x))$ 
  - When the universe of discourse is all students in this class
- $\circ \forall x (S(x) \rightarrow (M(x) \lor C(x))$ 
  - When the universe of discourse is all people

#### **Multiple Quantifiers**

- You can have multiple quantifiers on a statement
- $\circ \forall x \exists y P(x, y)$ 
  - "For all x, there exists a y such that P(x,y)"
  - Example:  $\forall x \exists y (x+y=0)$
- $\circ$   $\exists x \forall y P(x,y)$ 
  - There exists an x such that for all y P(x,y) is true"
  - Example:  $\exists x \forall y (x^*y = 0)$

#### Order of quantifiers

- $\bullet$   $\exists x \forall y$  and  $\forall x \exists y$  are not equivalent!
- $\circ \exists x \forall y P(x,y)$ 
  - P(x,y) = (x+y=0) is false
- $\circ \forall x \exists y P(x,y)$ 
  - P(x,y) = (x+y = 0) is true

#### Negating multiple quantifiers

- Recall negation rules for single quantifiers:
  - $\circ \neg \forall x P(x) = \exists x \neg P(x)$
  - $\circ \neg \exists x P(x) = \forall x \neg P(x)$
  - Essentially, you change the quantifier(s), and negate what it's quantifying
- Examples:

#### Negating multiple quantifiers (cont.)

- Consider  $\neg(\forall x \exists y \ P(x,y)) = \exists x \forall y \ \neg P(x,y)$ 
  - The left side is saying "for all x, there exists a y such that P is true"
  - To disprove it (negate it), you need to show that "there exists an x such that for all y, P is false"
- Consider  $\neg (\exists x \forall y \ P(x,y)) = \forall x \exists y \ \neg P(x,y)$ 
  - The left side is saying "there exists an x such that for all y, P is true"
  - To disprove it (negate it), you need to show that "for all x, there exists a y such that P is false"

- Let N(x) be the statement "x has visited North Dakota", where he domain consist of the students in your school. Express each of these quantifications in English.
  - a)  $\exists x \ N(x)$ Some students in the school have visited North Dakota. There exists a student in the school who has visited N.D.
  - b)  $\forall x \, N(x)$ Every student in the school has visited North Dakota. All students in the school have visited North Dakota.
  - c) ¬∃x N(x): negation of part a)
    No student in the school has visited North Dakota.
    There does not exist a student in the school who has visited N.D.

- Let N(x) be the statement "x has visited North Dakota", where he domain consist of the students in your school. Express each of these quantifications in English.
  - d)  $\exists x \neg N(x)$

Some students in the school have not visited North Dakota. There exists a student in the school who has not visited N.D.

- e) ¬ ∀x N(x): negation of part b)

  It is not true that every student in the school has visited N.D.

  Not all students in the school have visited N.D.
- f)  $\forall x \neg N(x)$

All students in the school have not visited North Dakota. (common English sentence takes this sentence, incorrectly, the answer of part e)

Note: c) and f) are equivalent; d) and e) are also equivalent. But both pairs are not equivalent to each other.

Note: The domain is all integers

- The product of two negative integers is positive
  - $\bullet$   $\forall x \forall y ((x < 0) \land (y < 0) \rightarrow (xy > 0))$
  - Why conditional instead of and?
- The average of two positive integers is positive
  - $\forall x \forall y ((x>0) \land (y>0) → ((x+y)/2 > 0))$
- The difference of two negative integers is not necessarily negative
  - $\bullet \exists x \exists y ((x<0) \land (y<0) \land (x-y\geq 0))$
  - Why and instead of conditional?
- The absolute value of the sum of two integers does not exceed the sum of the absolute values of these integers
  - $\bullet$   $\forall x \forall y (|x+y| \le |x| + |y|)$

Note:The domain is all real numbers

- - There exists an additive identity for all real numbers
- - A non-negative number minus a negative number is greater than zero
- - The difference between two non-positive numbers is not necessarily non-positive (i.e. can be positive)
- - The product of two non-zero numbers is non-zero if and only if both factors are non-zero