

$$\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{4 + \dots}}}}$$

$$1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 \dots\dots\dots = ?$$

Discrete mathematics

The Foundations: Logic and Proofs

$$\exists_{x \in \mathfrak{R}} \exists_{y \in \mathfrak{R}} (x = y)$$

$$\forall_x (\mathfrak{R} / x)$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} = ?$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x = ?$$

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A collection of various objects is arranged on a light-colored, textured surface. On the left, a portion of a chessboard with a blue and brown checkered pattern is visible, featuring several chess pieces. Next to it are two medals: one with a red ribbon and a white star, and another with a blue ribbon and a white star. A small, round, silver-colored compass is located at the bottom left. A pair of thin-framed glasses with brown temples is positioned in the center, with its arms crossed. A small, silver-colored key lies near the glasses. The overall composition is a still life arrangement of these items.

Predicates and Quantifiers

Section 1.4

Section Summary

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Propositional Logic Not Enough

- ◆ If we have:
 - “All men are mortal.”
 - “Socrates is a man.”
- ◆ Does it follow that “Socrates is mortal?”
- ◆ Can’t be represented in propositional logic.
- ◆ Need a language that talks about objects, their properties, and their relations.
- ◆ Later we’ll see how to draw inferences.

Introducing Predicate Logic

- ◆ Predicate logic uses the following new features:
 - Variables: x, y, z
 - Predicates: $P(x), M(x)$
 - Quantifiers (to be covered in a few slides):
- ◆ **Propositional functions** are a generalization of propositions.
 - They contain **variables** and a **predicate**, e.g., $P(x)$
 - **Variables** can be replaced by elements from their **domain**.

Propositional Functions

- ◆ **Propositional functions** become propositions (and have truth values) when their variables are each replaced by a value from the **domain** (or **bound** by a **quantifier**, as we will see later).

A proposition, \rightarrow “x is greater than 3”

$x \rightarrow$ **variable**

is greater than 3 \rightarrow **predicate (P)**

$P(x) \rightarrow$ “x is greater than 3”

The statement $P(x)$ is also said to be the value of the propositional function P at x .

Examples

- ◆ Let “ $x + y = z$ ” be denoted by $R(x, y, z)$ and U (for all three variables) be the integers. Find these truth values:

$R(2, -1, 5) \rightarrow$ T/F/Not a proposition?

Solution: F

$R(3, 4, 7) \rightarrow$ T/F/Not a proposition?

Solution: T

$R(x, 3, z) \rightarrow$ T/F/Not a proposition?

Solution: Not a Proposition

- ◆ Now let “ $x - y = z$ ” be denoted by $Q(x, y, z)$, with U as the integers. Find these truth values:

$Q(2, -1, 3) \rightarrow$ T/F/Not a proposition?

Solution: T

$Q(3, 4, 7) \rightarrow$ T/F/Not a proposition?

Solution: F

$Q(x, 3, z) \rightarrow$ T/F/Not a proposition?

Solution: Not a Proposition

Compound Expressions

- ◆ Connectives from propositional logic carry over to predicate logic.
- ◆ If $P(x)$ denotes “ $x > 0$,” find these truth values:
 - $P(3) \vee P(-1)$ Solution: T
 - $P(3) \wedge P(-1)$ Solution: F
 - $P(3) \rightarrow P(-1)$ Solution: F
 - $P(3) \rightarrow \neg P(-1)$ Solution: T
- ◆ Expressions with variables are not propositions and therefore do not have truth values. For example,
 - $P(3) \wedge P(y)$
 - $P(x) \rightarrow P(y)$
- ◆ When used with **quantifiers** (to be introduced next), these expressions (propositional functions) become propositions.

Preconditions and postconditions

- ◆ **Predicates** are also **used** to establish the correctness of computer programs.
- ◆ The statements that describe valid input are known as **preconditions**
- ◆ The conditions that the output should satisfy when the program has run are known as **postconditions**

Consider the following program, designed to interchange the values of two variables x and y.

```
temp := x
x:=y
y := temp
```

Find predicates that we can use as the **precondition** and the **postcondition** to verify the correctness of this program. Then explain how to use them to verify that for all valid input the program does what is intended.

Preconditions and postconditions

Precondition $\rightarrow P(x,y)$ predicate \rightarrow “ $x = a$ and $y = b$,”

Postcondition $\rightarrow Q(x,y)$ predicate \rightarrow “ $x = b$ and $y = a$,”

verify

Suppose that the **precondition** $P(x,y)$ holds. “ $x = a$ and $y = b$ ” is true.

First step:

temp:=x

Holds $x = a$, $\text{temp} = a$, and $y = b$

Second Step:

x:=y

Holds $x = b$, $\text{temp} = a$, and $y = b$

Third Step:

y:=temp

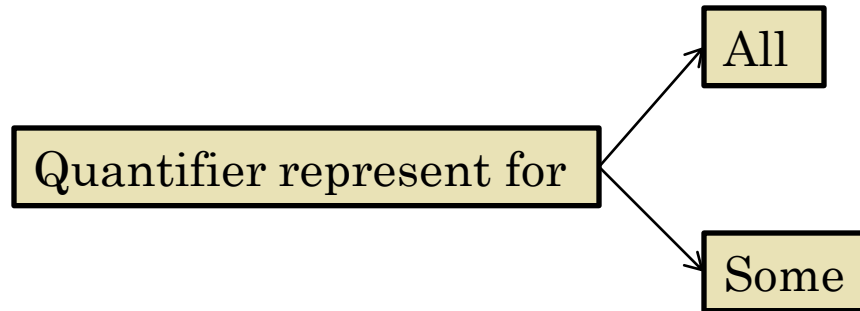
Holds $x = b$, $\text{temp} = a$, and $y = a$

The **postcondition** $Q(x, y)$ holds, that is, the statement “ $x = b$ and $y = a$ ” is true.

Quantifiers



Charles
Peirce
(1839-1914)



- ◆ “All men are Mortal.”
- ◆ “Some cats do not have fur.”

The two most important quantifiers are:

Universal Quantifier, “For all,” symbol: \forall

Existential Quantifier, “There exists,” symbol: \exists

We write as in $\forall x P(x)$ and $\exists x P(x)$.

$\forall x P(x)$ asserts $P(x)$ is true for every x in the *domain*.

$\exists x P(x)$ asserts $P(x)$ is true for some x in the *domain*.

Universal Quantifier

- $\forall x P(x)$ is read as “For all x , $P(x)$ ” or “For every x , $P(x)$ ”

Examples:

If $P(x)$ denotes “ $x > 0$ ” and U is the integers, then $\forall x P(x) = ?$

Solution: false.

If $P(x)$ denotes “ $x > 0$ ” and U is the positive integers, then $\forall x P(x) = ?$

Solution: true.

If $P(x)$ denotes “ x is even” and U is the integers, then $\forall x P(x) = ?$

Solution: false.

Existential Quantifier

$\exists x P(x)$ is read as “For some x , $P(x)$ ”, or as “There is an x such that $P(x)$,” or “For at least one x , $P(x)$.”

Examples:

If $P(x)$ denotes “ $x > 0$ ” and U is the integers, then $\exists x P(x) = ?$

Solution: true.

If $P(x)$ denotes “ $x < 0$ ” and U is the positive integers, then $\exists x P(x) = ?$

Solution: false.

If $P(x)$ denotes “ x is even” and U is the integers, then $\exists x P(x) = ?$

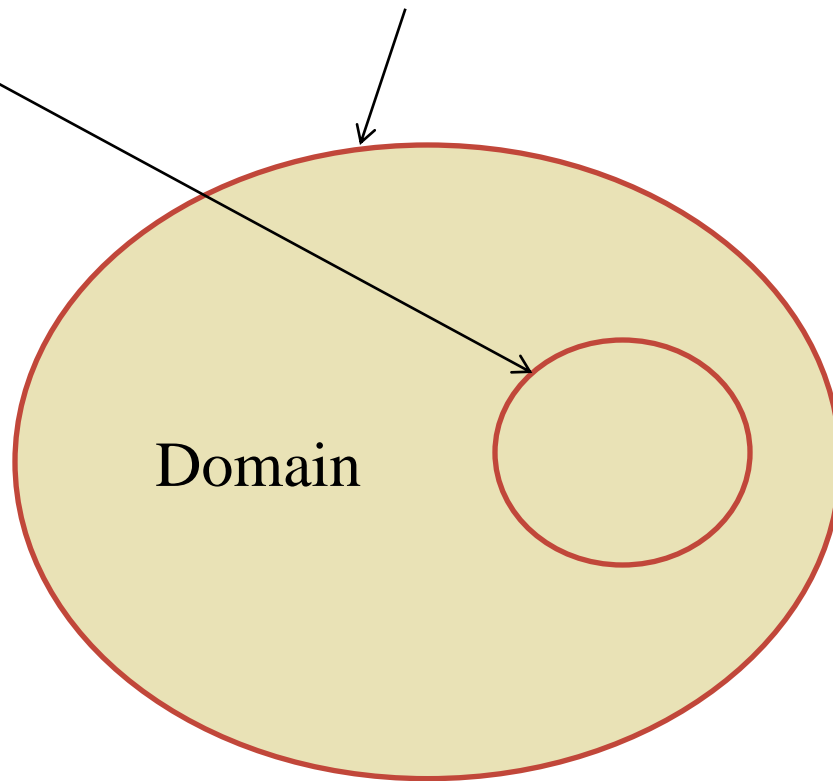
Solution: true.

Uniqueness Quantifier

- ◆ $\exists!x P(x)$ means that $P(x)$ is true for one and only one x in the universe of discourse.
- ◆ This is commonly expressed in English in the following equivalent ways:
 - “There is a unique x such that $P(x)$.”
 - “There is one and only one x such that $P(x)$ ”
- ◆ Examples:
 - If $P(x)$ denotes “ $x + 1 = 0$ ” and U is the integers, then $\exists!x P(x) = ?$
Solution: true.
 - But if $P(x)$ denotes “ $x > 0$,” then $\exists!x P(x) = ?$
Solution: false.

Quantifiers with Restricted Domains

- ◆ Used to restrict the domain of a quantifier.
- ◆ Examples:
 - $\forall x < 0 (x^2 > 0)$, x is the real numbers?



Quantifiers with Restricted Domains

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?

“The square of a negative real number is positive.”

→ **Equivalent Statement:** $\forall x (x < 0 \rightarrow x^2 > 0)$

“The cube of every nonzero real number is nonzero.”

→ **Equivalent Statement :** $\forall y (y \neq 0 \rightarrow y^3 \neq 0).$

“There is a positive square root of 2.”

→ **Equivalent Statement :** $\exists z (z > 0 \wedge z^2 = 2)$

Precedence of Quantifiers

The quantifiers \forall and \exists have higher precedence than all logical operators from propositional calculus.

Binding Variables

→When a quantifier is used on the variable x , we say that this occurrence of the variable is **bound**.

→An occurrence of a variable that is not bound by a quantifier or set equal to a particular value is said to be **free**.

$$\exists x(x + y = 1)$$

- The variable x is **bound** by the existential quantification $\exists x$,
- The variable y is **free**

Thinking about Quantifiers

- ◆ When the domain of discourse is finite, we can think of quantification as looping through the elements of the domain.
- ◆ To evaluate $\forall x P(x)$ loop through all x in the domain.
 - If at every step $P(x)$ is true, then $\forall x P(x)$ is true.
 - If at a step $P(x)$ is false, then $\forall x P(x)$ is false and the loop terminates.
- ◆ To evaluate $\exists x P(x)$ loop through all x in the domain.
 - If at some step, $P(x)$ is true, then $\exists x P(x)$ is true and the loop terminates.
 - If the loop ends without finding an x for which $P(x)$ is true, then $\exists x P(x)$ is false.
- ◆ Even if the domains are infinite, we can still think of the quantifiers this fashion, but the loops will not terminate in some cases.

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

Example 2: Translate the following sentence into predicate logic: “Some 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, translate as

$$\exists x J(x)$$

Solution 2: But if U is all people, then translate as $\exists x (S(x) \wedge J(x))$

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

Equivalences in Predicate Logic

- ◆ Statements involving predicates and quantifiers are *logically equivalent* if and only if they have the same truth value
 - for every predicate substituted into these statements and
 - for every domain of discourse used for the variables in the expressions.
- ◆ The notation $S \equiv T$ indicates that S and T are logically equivalent.
- ◆ **Example:** $\forall x(P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \equiv \forall xP(x) \wedge \forall xQ(x)$.

Thinking about Quantifiers as Conjunctions and Disjunctions

- ◆ If U consists of the integers 1, 2, and 3:
$$\forall x P(x) \equiv P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge P(3)$$
$$\exists x P(x) \equiv P(1) \vee P(2) \vee P(3)$$

Negating Quantified Expressions

- ◆ Consider $\forall x J(x)$

“Every student in your class has taken a course in Java.”

– $J(x)$ is “x has taken a course in Java”

– The domain is students in your class.

- ◆ Negating the original statement gives “It is not the case that every student in your class has taken Java.” This implies that “There is a student in your class who has not taken Java.”
- ◆ The negation of $\forall x J(x)$ is $\exists x \neg J(x)$
Symbolically $\neg \forall x J(x) \equiv \exists x \neg J(x)$

De Morgan's Laws for Quantifiers

- ◆ The reasoning in the table shows that:

$$\neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$$

$$\neg \exists x P(x) \equiv \forall x \neg P(x)$$

- ◆ These are important. You will use these.

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.”

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

System Specification Example

- ◆ Predicate logic is used for specifying properties that systems must satisfy.
- ◆ For example, translate into predicate logic:
 - “Every mail message larger than one megabyte will be compressed.”
 - “If a user is active, at least one network link will be available.”
- ◆ Decide on predicates and domains (left implicit here) for the variables:
 - Let $L(m, y)$ be “Mail message m is larger than y megabytes.”
 - Let $C(m)$ denote “Mail message m will be compressed.”
 - Let $A(u)$ represent “User u is active.”
 - Let $S(n, x)$ represent “Network link n is state x .”

- ◆ Now we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall m (L(m, 1) \rightarrow C(m)) \\ & \exists u A(u) \rightarrow \exists n S(n, available) \end{aligned}$$

Lewis Carroll Example

- ♦ The first two are called *premises* and the third is called the *conclusion*.
 1. “All lions are fierce.”
 2. “Some lions do not drink coffee.”
 3. “Some fierce creatures do not drink coffee.”

Let $P(x)$, $Q(x)$, and $R(x)$ be the propositional functions “ x is a lion,” “ x is fierce,” and “ x drinks coffee,” respectively. Assuming that the domain consists of all creatures, express the statements in the argument using quantifiers and $P(x)$, $Q(x)$, and $R(x)$.

Solution:

- $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$
- $\exists x (P(x) \wedge \neg R(x))$
- $\exists x (Q(x) \wedge \neg R(x))$

$\exists x (P(x) \rightarrow \neg R(x))$

$\exists x (Q(x) \rightarrow \neg R(x)).$

WHY?

Logic Programming (optional)

- ◆ Prolog (from *Programming in Logic*) is a programming language developed in the 1970s by researchers in artificial intelligence (AI).
- ◆ Prolog programs include *Prolog facts* and *Prolog rules*.
- ◆ As an example of a set of Prolog facts consider the following:

```
instructor(chan, math273).  
instructor(patel, ee222).  
instructor(grossman, cs301).  
enrolled(kevin, math273).  
enrolled(juana, ee222).  
enrolled(juana, cs301).  
enrolled(kiko, math273).  
enrolled(kiko, cs301).
```
- ◆ Here the predicates
 - *instructor(p,c)* represents “professor *p* is the instructor of course *c*.”
 - *enrolled(s,c)* represents “student *s* is enrolled in course *c*.”

Logic Programming (cont)

- ◆ In Prolog, names beginning with an uppercase letter are variables.
- ◆ If we have a predicate *teaches(p,s)* representing “professor *p* teaches student *s*,” we can write the rule:

teaches(P,S) :- instructor(P,C), enrolled(S,C).

- ◆ This Prolog rule can be viewed as equivalent to the following statement in logic (using our conventions for logical statements).

$$\forall p \forall c \forall s (I(p,c) \wedge E(s,c)) \rightarrow T(p,s)$$

Logic Programming (cont)

- ◆ Prolog programs are loaded into a *Prolog interpreter*. The interpreter receives *queries* and returns answers using the Prolog program.
- ◆ For example, using our program, the following query may be given:

```
?enrolled(kevin,math273).
```
- ◆ Prolog produces the response:

```
yes
```
- ◆ Note that the ? is the prompt given by the Prolog interpreter indicating that it is ready to receive a query.

Logic Programming (cont)

- ♦ The query:

`?enrolled(X,math273).`

produces the response:

`X = kevin;`

`X = kiko;`

`no`

- ♦ The query:

`?teaches(X,juana).`

produces the response:

`X = patel;`

`X = grossman;`

`no`

- The Prolog interpreter tries to find an instantiation for X. It does so and returns X = kevin.

- Then the user types the ; indicating a request for another answer.

- When Prolog is unable to find another answer it returns no.

Logic Programming (cont)

- ◆ The query:

`?teaches(chan,X) .`

produces the response:

`X = kevin;`

`X = kiko;`

`no`

- ◆ A number of very good Prolog texts are available. *Learn Prolog Now!* is one such text with a free online version at <http://www.learnprolognow.org/>
- ◆ There is much more to Prolog and to the entire field of logic programming.

Query???



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$$\exists_{x \in \mathfrak{R}} \exists_{y \in \mathfrak{R}} (x = y) = ?$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x = ?$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} = ?$$

$$\forall_x (\mathfrak{R} / x) = ?$$

$$\exists_{x \in \mathfrak{R}} \exists_{y \in \mathfrak{R}} (x = y) = ?$$



$$\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{4 \dots}}}} = ?$$

$$1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 \dots \dots = ?$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} = ?$$