

§1.4. Predicates and Quantifiers

Recall: $P(x)$

Quantifiers: ① Universal Quantifier: \forall "For all", "For every"

Counter example: Ex. $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \ x^2 > 0$ F b/c $x = 0$.

Common Notation.

$\mathbb{R} \equiv \{x \mid x \text{ is a real \#}\}$ Ex. 1, 2, -5, $\sqrt{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, π , e
 \uparrow is defined as

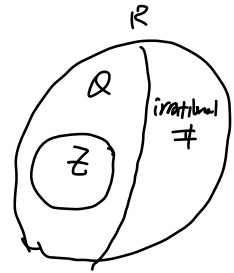
$\mathbb{R}^+ \equiv \{x \mid x \text{ is a positive real \#}\}$

$\mathbb{Q} \equiv \{x \mid x \text{ is a rational \#}\}$

def: Rational #: $\frac{a}{b}$ a, b are integers, $b \neq 0$

Ex. $\frac{1}{2}$, $10 \rightarrow \frac{10}{1}$, $-0.\overline{33} = -\frac{1}{3}$, $0 = \frac{0}{10}$

Irrational #: π , e , $\sqrt{2}$, $-\sqrt{5}$



$\mathbb{Z} \equiv \{x \mid x \text{ is an integer}\}$ Ex. -10, 0, 1, 100

Ex. Non-negative integer: $\mathbb{Z}^+ \cup \{0\}$ $x \geq 0$ and x is integer

3. Existential Quantifier: \exists : "there exists", "For some", "There is at least one ...".

Ex. $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}^+, x^2 = 100$ True $x = 10$
 $x = \pm 10$

$\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}^+, x^2 = 5$ False $\Rightarrow \exists x \in \mathbb{R}, \boxed{x^2 = 5}$
 $x = \pm\sqrt{5} \notin \mathbb{Z}^+$ $\Delta \quad \Delta \quad x = \pm\sqrt{5} \in \mathbb{R}$ True

Note: As a loop. $\forall x$: loop through all x .

$\exists x$: loop through all x , if at some steps, $P(x)$ is true
 then $\exists x$ is true and loop terminates

4. Negatively quantified expressions.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \neg \forall x P(x) = \exists x \neg P(x)$$

All students have computers.

Neg: not all students have computers = some students don't have computers.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \neg \exists x P(x) = \forall x \neg P(x)$$

There is an honest politician.

Neg: There is not an honest politician. = All politicians are not honest.

Ex. Negations of the statements.

$$1) \quad \forall x (x^2 > x)$$

$$2) \quad \exists x (x^2 = 2)$$

$$\text{Neg: } \exists x (x^2 \leq x)$$

$$\forall x (x^2 \neq 2)$$

Note: ** quantifiers \forall and \exists have higher precedence than all the logical operators.

$$\text{Ex show that } \neg \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)) \equiv \exists x (P(x) \wedge \neg Q(x))$$

$$= \exists x \neg (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$$

$$\stackrel{\text{C.E.}}{=} \exists x \neg (\neg P(x) \vee Q(x))$$

$$\stackrel{\text{DM}}{=} \exists x . (P(x) \wedge \neg Q(x))$$

5. Translating.

① "Every student in this class has studied pre-calc."

$$\forall x [C(x) \rightarrow P(x)]$$

② some students in this class has taken calculus.

$$\exists x [C(x) \wedge L(x)]$$