

Formal Proof

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Statements given to us in the problem are as follows:

- a. I am a human being
- b. I am good
- c. Good graders study well
- d. Humans love graders
- e. Every human does not study well

Given claim to validate: *Is every human good grader?*

Algorithm that need to be followed in order to validate the claim via **statement proving via resolution**.

- 1. Convert to first order predicate logic
- 2. Convert to conjunctive normal form
- 3. Resolution proof procedure

(i) First order predicate logic form

<u>Natural Language form</u>	<u>First order predicate logic</u>
I am a human being	Human(x)
I am good	Good(x)
Good graders study well	Good(graders) \Rightarrow Study(x)
Humans love graders	Love(human,graders)
Every human does not study well	$\forall (x)$ Human(x) \Rightarrow \neg Study(x)

(ii) Conjunctive normal form

To convert to conjunctive normal form negate the FOPL and replace 'implies with' (\rightarrow) with ' \vee ' (conjunction).

<u>First order predicate logic</u>	<u>Conjunctive Normal Form</u>
Human(x)	Human(x)
Good(x)	Good(x)
Good(graders) \Rightarrow Study(x)	\neg Good(graders) \vee Study(x)
Love(human,graders)	Love(human,graders)
\forall (x) Human(x) \Rightarrow \neg Study(x)	\neg Human(x) \vee \neg Study(x)

(iii) Resolution proof procedure

Statement to validate: *Is every human good grader?* or \forall (x) Human(x) \rightarrow Good(grader) or \neg Human(x) \vee Good(grader) (in CNF form)

We can use the method of **proof by contradiction** to arrive to the result.

Goal statement (negation of statement to validate): Human(x) \wedge \neg Good(grader)

$$(\neg \text{Good(graders)} \vee \text{Study(x)}) + (\neg \text{Human(x)} \vee \neg \text{Study(x)})$$

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$$\neg \text{Good(graders)} \vee \neg \text{Human(x)} \text{ (Negating terms are cancelled)}$$

When we combine this statement with our goal statement we find that the resulting statement is **TRUE**.

This means that if the negation of a statement has truth value TRUE or 1, its original (non-negated statement) will have truth value FALSE

Thus we can safely assume that the given statement given to validate is **FALSE**