

Random Notes

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1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. (a) a
(b) b
(c) We want to translate the following sentence:

Eventually, all natural numbers are not prime gaps.

First we want to quantify "eventually, all natural numbers". By definition of *eventually true*, we want to quantify $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for any $n > n_0$, n is not a prime gap. This is equivalent to

$$\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n > n_0 \implies n \text{ is not a prime gap.} \quad (1)$$

Now let us move onto translating " n is not a prime gap." We do this by negating n is a prime gap.

By definition of **prime gap**, we say a is a prime gap if

- there exists prime p : $\exists p \in \mathbb{N}, \text{Prime}(p)$
- with such p , $p + a$ is also prime: $\text{Prime}(p + a)$
- for all number d between p and $p + a$ exclusively, d is not prime. This is equivalent to saying "If d is between p and $p + a$, then d is not prime." Hence we can translate this into

$$\forall d \in \mathbb{N}, p < d < p + a \implies \neg \text{Prime}(d)$$

Now we combine these and get

$$\exists p \in \mathbb{N}, \text{Prime}(p) \wedge \text{Prime}(p + a) \wedge (\forall d \in \mathbb{N}, p < d < p + a \implies \neg \text{Prime}(d)) \quad (2)$$

Back to predicate (1). We want to express that n is not a prime gap, hence we negate predicate (2) and get

$$\forall p \in \mathbb{N}, \neg \text{Prime}(p) \vee \neg \text{Prime}(p + a) \vee (\exists d \in \mathbb{N}, p < d < p + a \wedge \text{Prime}(d)). \quad (3)$$

Putting (3) to (1) yields

$$\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n > n_0 \implies \left(\forall p \in \mathbb{N}, \neg \text{Prime}(p) \vee \neg \text{Prime}(p + a) \vee \left(\exists d \in \mathbb{N}, p < d < p + a \wedge \text{Prime}(d) \right) \right)$$