

CSE 015: Discrete Mathematics
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Homework #02
Solution

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1. Question 1:

- (a) $P(2), x < x^3$
 $(2 < 2^3) = (2 < 8)$
True, because 2 is less than 8.
- (b) $P(-1), x < x^3$
 $(-1 < -1^3) = (-1 < -1)$
False, because -1 is not less than -1. They are equal.
- (c) $\forall xP(x), x < x^3$
 $P(0): (0 < 0^3) = (0 < 0)$
 $P(-4): (-4 < -4^3) = (-4 < -64)$
False, because $P(x)$ where x is equal to 1 or less is false, so it can't all be true.
- (d) $\exists xP(x), x < x^3$
 $P(4): (4 < 4^3) = (4 < 64)$
True because $P(4)$ is one example of it being true.
- (e) $\exists! xP(x), x < x^3$
 $P(4): (4 < 4^3) = (4 < 64)$
 $P(2): (2 < 2^3) = (2 < 8)$
False, because $P(x)$ where x is equal to 2 or greater is true, so there is more than one outcome where it will be true.

2. Question 2:

- (a) $\neg \forall x(S(m) \wedge M(x))$
- (b) $\forall x(S(m) \vee M(x))$
- (c) $\exists x(S(x) \wedge \neg M(x))$

3. Question 3:

- (a) $\forall x(A(x) \wedge B(x)) \equiv \forall (A(x) \rightarrow B(x))$

$\forall x(A(x) \wedge B(x))$:

$\mathbf{A(x)}$	$\mathbf{B(x)}$	$\mathbf{A(x) \wedge B(x)}$	$\mathbf{\forall x(A(x) \wedge B(x))}$
F	F	F	F
F	T	F	F
T	F	F	F
T	T	T	T

$\forall \mathbf{x(A(x) \wedge B(x))}$ is false

$\forall (A(x) \rightarrow B(x))$:

$\mathbf{A(x)}$	$\mathbf{B(x)}$	$\mathbf{A(x) \rightarrow B(x)}$	$\mathbf{\forall (A(x) \rightarrow B(x))}$
F	F	T	T
F	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
T	T	T	T

$\forall (\mathbf{A(x) \rightarrow B(x)})$ is false

Both statements are logically equivalent because all the outcomes contain one or more false statements, therefore making them both false.

4. Question 4:

(a) $\exists x \forall y A(x, y)$

There exists a real number x for every real number y that $xy = 0$.

$$(1)(0) = 0$$

$$(1)(1) = 1$$

False

(b) $\exists x \exists y B(x, y)$

There exists a real number x for a real number y that $x + y = 0$.

$$-4 + 4 = 0$$

True

(c) $\forall x \exists y A(x, y)$

For every real number x , there exists a real number y that $xy = 0$.

$$(1)(0) = 0$$

$$(2)(0) = 0$$

True

(d) $\exists x \forall y (A(x, y) \wedge B(x, y))$

There exists a real number x for all real numbers y that $xy = 0$ and $x + y = 0$.

$$(0)(1) = 0 \text{ and } 0 + 1 = 1$$

False

(e) $\exists x \exists y (A(x, y) \wedge \neg B(x, y))$

There exists a real number x for a real number y that $xy = 0$ and $x + y \neq 0$.

$$(4)(0) = 0 \text{ and } 4 + 0 \neq 0$$

True

5. Question 5:

(a) $\neg \exists x \exists y (P(x) \rightarrow Q(y))$

$$P(y) = \exists y (P(x) \rightarrow Q(y)), \text{ so } \neg \exists x P(y)$$

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

$$\neg P(y) = \neg \exists y (P(x) \rightarrow Q(y)), \text{ so } \forall y \neg (P(x) \rightarrow Q(y))$$

$$\text{Answer: } \forall x \forall y (\neg P(x) \rightarrow \neg Q(y))$$

- (b) $\neg \exists y (\exists x A(x, y) \vee \forall x B(x, y))$
 $N(x) = \exists x A(x, y); S(x) = \forall x B(x, y)$, so $\neg \exists y (N(x) \vee S(x))$
 $\neg \exists y (N(x) \vee S(x)) \equiv \forall y \neg (N(x) \vee S(x))$
 $\neg (N(x) \vee S(x)) \equiv (\neg \exists x A(x, y) \wedge \neg \forall x B(x, y))$
 $(\neg \exists x A(x, y) \wedge \neg \forall x B(x, y)) \equiv (\forall x \neg A(x, y) \wedge \exists x \neg B(x, y))$
Answer: $\forall y (\forall x \neg A(x, y) \wedge \exists x \neg B(x, y))$