

$P(x)$      $x \in \mathbb{N}$     is Even ( $x$ )  
 $\downarrow$      $\downarrow$   
 $T$      $F$      $x \in \mathbb{Z}$

## Quantifiers

$\forall$  for all, universal quantifier

$\forall x \in S : P(x)$  "for all  $x$  in  $S$ ,  $P(x)$  is true"

$T$  iff  $P(x)$  is  $T$  for every  $x \in S$

$\exists$  there exists, existential quantifier

$\exists x \in S : P(x)$  "there exists  $x$  in  $S$  s.t.  $P(x)$  is true"

$T$  iff  $P(x)$  is  $T$  for some ( $\geq 1$ )  $x \in S$ .

Def A fully quantified expression in predicate logic is a tautology iff it is  $T$  for every possible meaning of its predicates (akin to a tautology)

Thm (3.39) let  $S$  be any set.  $\forall x \in S : [P(x) \vee \neg P(x)]$   $\forall S$

ex  $P(x) = \text{isEven}(x)$ ,  $S = \mathbb{Z}$ . implied  $\forall P$

$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z} : [\text{isEven}(x) \vee \neg \text{isEven}(x)]$

Pf For any  $x \in S$ ,  $P(x)$  is defined, and  $P(x) = T$  or  $P(x) = F$  def. of predicate

For any  $x \in S$ ,  $P(x) \vee \neg P(x)$  def. of  $\vee, \neg$   
 $\forall x \in S : [P(x) \vee \neg P(x)]$  def. of  $\forall$

Non-Thm (3.40)

$[\forall x \in S : P(x)] \vee [\forall x \in S : \neg P(x)]$   
note: implied  $\forall S, \forall P$

disproof

$[\forall x \in \mathbb{Z} : \text{is Even}(x)] \vee [\forall x \in \mathbb{Z} : \neg \text{is Even}(x)]$

↙

Consider  $x=3$

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Consider  $x=2$

Def Fully quantified expressions  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are logically equivalent ( $\phi \equiv \psi$ ,  $\phi \Leftrightarrow \psi$ ) iff " $\phi \Leftrightarrow \psi$ " is a theorem — that is, they have the same meaning under every interpretation of predicates.

Thm (3.41)  $\neg [\forall x \in S : P(x)] \Leftrightarrow [\exists x \in S : \neg P(x)]$

ex to disprove  $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z} : \text{is Even}(x)$ , we found  $x \in S : \neg \text{is Even}(x)$  ( $x=3$ )

This theorem explains why disproof by counterexample works!

Intuition behind proof:

Let  $S = \{s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots\}$ . Then:

$$\neg [\forall x \in S : P(x)] \quad \text{given}$$

$$\equiv \neg [P(s_1) \wedge P(s_2) \wedge P(s_3) \dots] \quad \text{elt of } \forall$$

$$\equiv \neg P(s_1) \vee \neg P(s_2) \vee \neg P(s_3) \vee \dots \quad \text{de Morgan's Law}$$

$$\equiv \exists x \in S : \neg P(x) \quad \text{elt of } \exists \quad \square$$

suppose  $S = \emptyset$ .  $P(x)$  is generic.

$$\begin{array}{cc} \neg [\forall x \in S : P(x)] & [\exists x \in S : \neg P(x)] \\ F & F \end{array}$$

Thm (3.42)  $\neg [\exists x \in S : Q(x)] \Leftrightarrow [\forall x \in S : \neg Q(x)]$

pf let  $P(x) = \neg Q(x)$ .

$$\neg [\forall x \in S : P(x)] \Leftrightarrow [\exists x \in S : \neg P(x)] \quad 3.41$$

$$\forall x \in S : P(x) \Leftrightarrow \neg [\exists x \in S : \neg P(x)] \quad \text{negating both sides}$$

$$\forall x \in S : \neg Q(x) \Leftrightarrow \neg [\exists x \in S : Q(x)] \quad \text{subs. } \square$$

ex  $\neg (\exists x \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 + 1 = 0) \equiv \forall x \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 + 1 \neq 0$

Thm (3.43) For  $S \neq \emptyset$ ,  $[\forall x \in S : P(x)] \Rightarrow [\exists x \in S : P(x)]$

"if it's true for all, it's true for one"

"if everybody's doing it, then somebody's doing it"

ex  $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z} : \text{is Even}(2x) \Rightarrow \exists x \in \mathbb{Z} : \text{is Even}(2x)$

pf (direct)

Assume  $\forall x \in S : P(x)$ . WTS  $\exists x \in S : P(x)$ .

$\exists a \in S$

since  $S \neq \emptyset$

$P(a)$  true

$a \in S$  and assumed  
 $\forall x \in S : P(x)$

$\exists x \in S : P(x)$

it's a!

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thm  $\forall x \in \emptyset : P(x)$  "  $P(x)$  is vacuously true "

pf Aiming for a contradiction, suppose the claim is false.

$\neg [\forall x \in \emptyset : P(x)]$

assumption

$\exists x \in \emptyset : \neg P(x)$

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which is a contradiction, since there are no elements in  $\emptyset$ .

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