

Chapter-1 (Summary)

Logic and Proof - II

Week-4

PREDICATE:- Consider the statement " $x > 3$ "
When the value of x is not specified, then
the statement is neither true nor false.

Here x is called as variable and " x is greater
than 3" is called as Predicate (Subject of Statement
can have).

This is denoted by $P(x)$ where x is variable and P
stand for the predicate "is greater than 3".
NOTE:- $P(x)$ is a statement and once a value
is assigned to variable x , it becomes
Proposition and has a truth value.

(Eg) Let $P(x)$ be the statement " $x > 3$ "
then $P(4)$ is True ($\because 4 > 3$)
 $P(2)$ is False ($\because 2 \not> 3$).

(2) Let $P(x, y)$ be the statement " $x = y + 3$ "
then $P(1, 2)$ is False ($\because 1 \neq 2 + 3$)
 $P(3, 0)$ is True ($\because 3 = 0 + 3$).

(3) Let $P(x, y, z)$ be the statement " $x + y = z$ "
then $P(1, 2, 3)$ is True ($\because 1 + 2 = 3$)
 $P(0, 0, 1)$ is False ($\because 0 + 0 \neq 1$)

QUANTIFIERS:- The statement $P(x)$ becomes a
Proposition when x is assigned a value and has
certain truth value.
gs $P(x)$ is true/false for all values of x ?
gf $P(x)$ is true/false for atleast one value of x ?

QUANTIFICATION expresses the extent to which a predicate is true over a range of elements

UNIVERSAL Quantifier:-

The universal quantification of $P(x)$ is the statement " $P(x)$ for all values of x in the domain". This is denoted by $\forall x P(x)$ read as "for all $x P(x)$ ".

Here \forall is called the universal quantifier. (\forall) "for every $x P(x)$ ".

Eg 1 Let $P(x)$ be the statement " $x+1 > x$ " what is the truth value of the quantification $\forall x P(x)$, when the domain is set of all real numbers.

Ans. $\forall x P(x)$ is true (\because For any real number x , $x+1 > x$.)

(2) Let $P(x)$ be the statement " $x < 2$ " what is the truth value of the quantification $\forall x P(x)$ when the domain is set of all real numbers.

Ans. $\forall x P(x)$ is false (\because For any real number x , $x < 2$ ($\text{eg } x=4 \Rightarrow 4 < 2$))

(3) Let $P(x)$ be " $x^2 > 0$ " and the domain is set of all integers.

Ans. $\forall x P(x)$ is false (\because $x = -1$ is an integer, $x^2 = (-1)^2 = 1 > 0$ true, $x = 0$ is an integer, $x^2 = 0^2 = 0 \not> 0$ false)

(4) $P(x)$ is " $x^2 \leq 10$ " domain is positive integers not exceeding 4.
Ans. $\forall x P(x)$ is false (since domain $x = 1, 2, 3, 4$, $1^2 \leq 10, 2^2 \leq 10, 3^2 > 10, 4^2 > 10$)

(5) $P(x)$ is $x^2 \geq x$ domain is all real numbers.
Ans. $\forall x P(x)$ is false (since domain x is all real nos, let $x = 0.5$; $x^2 = (0.5)^2 = 0.25 \not\geq x = 0.5$)
When domain is integers then $\forall x P(x)$ is true.

EXISTENTIAL Quantifier

The existential quantification of the statement $P(x)$ is the proposition "There exists an element x in the domain such that $P(x)$ ".
 This is denoted by $\exists x P(x)$. Here \exists is called the existential quantifier.

NOTE: $\exists x P(x)$ means
 There is an x such that $P(x)$
 There is at least one x such that $P(x)$
 For some x $P(x)$

NOTE:- $\forall x P(x)$ $\xrightarrow{\text{True}}$ $P(x)$ is true for every x .
 $\xrightarrow{\text{False}}$ There is an x for which $P(x)$ is false

$\exists x P(x)$ $\xrightarrow{\text{True}}$ There is an x for which $P(x)$ is true
 $\xrightarrow{\text{False}}$ There is no x for which $P(x)$ is true
 i.e., $P(x)$ is false for every x .

Example (i) Let $P(x)$ be the statement " $x > 2$ "
 where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\exists x P(x)$ is ~~false~~ true
 Reason:- ~~There is an x say $3 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $3 > 2$~~
 ~~$3 = 2 + 1$~~

(ii) Let $P(x)$ be " ~~$3 = x + 1$~~ " where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\exists x P(x)$
 is false
Reason:- No real number = real number + 1

(4)

(3) Let $P(x)$ be " $x^2 > 10$ " where the domain is integers greater than 4.
 Then $\exists x P(x)$ is true
Reason $x=5$ and $5^2 = 25 > 10$.

Precedence of Quantifiers.

$\forall x P(x) \vee Q(x)$ means $(\forall x P(x)) \vee Q(x)$

but not $\forall x (P(x) \vee Q(x))$

The quantifiers \forall and \exists have higher precedence than $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \oplus$.

Logical equivalence involving Quantifiers:-

$\forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$ and $\forall x P(x) \wedge \forall x Q(x)$ are logically equivalent.

i.e., $\forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \equiv \forall x P(x) \wedge \forall x Q(x)$

Negating Quantified expressions.

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

Example (i) Negate the statement every student in your class has taken a course in Calculus.

Solution: Let $P(x)$ be the statement " x has taken a course in Calculus"
 Domain is. students in your class

Now $\neg \forall x P(x)$ means it is not the case.

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that every student in your class has taken a course in calculus.

It means that there is atleast one student who has not taken a course in calculus

$$\Rightarrow \exists x \neg P(x)$$

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

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

Example 1

$$\neg \forall x (x^2 > x)$$

Ans $\exists x \neg (x^2 > x)$

$$\Rightarrow \exists x (x^2 \leq x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists x (x^2 \leq x)$$

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

Ans $\forall x \neg (x^2 = 2)$

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

Example Show that $\neg \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$ and $\exists x (P(x) \wedge \neg Q(x))$ are logically equivalent.

Solution $\neg \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)) \equiv \exists x \neg (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$

$$\equiv \exists x \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{It is not the case} \\ \text{that if } P(x) \text{ then } Q(x) \end{array} \right)$$

$$\equiv \exists x (P(x) \wedge \neg Q(x))$$



Example Suppose domain has two elements say x_1 and x_2

$$\neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \neg (P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2))$$

$$\equiv \neg P(x_1) \vee \neg P(x_2)$$

$$\neg \exists x P(x) \equiv \neg (P(x_1) \vee P(x_2))$$

$$\equiv \neg P(x_1) \wedge \neg P(x_2)$$

Translating sentences in English into logical expression (6)
Expressing statements using Predicates and Quantifiers

Example (1) Express the statement

"Every student in this class has studied Calculus"

Ans $\forall x C(x)$ where $C(x)$ is the statement
"x has studied Calculus" and the domain
for x is students in this class.

Example (2) "Some students in this class has
visited Mexico"

Sol:- Let $M(x)$ be the statement that
"x has visited Mexico" where the
domain x is students in this class.

Then given statement is $\exists x M(x)$.

Example (3) Every student in this class has
visited either Canada or Mexico

Sol Let $C(x)$ be the statement that
"x has visited Canada"

Let $M(x)$ be the statement that
"x has visited Mexico" where the
domain x is students in this class

Then given statement is $\forall x (C(x) \vee M(x))$

Example (4) Consider the statements

- "All lions are fierce"
- "Some lions do not drink coffee"
- "Some fierce creatures do not drink coffee"

Sol: Let $P(x)$ be the statement
"x is a lion"

Let $Q(x)$ be the statement
"x ~~is fierce~~ is fierce"

Let $R(x)$ be the statement
"x drinks coffee"

Where the domain x is all creatures.

Now

All lions are fierce $\Rightarrow \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$

Some lions do not drink coffee $\Rightarrow \exists x (P(x) \wedge \neg R(x))$

Some fierce creatures do not drink coffee $\Rightarrow \exists x (Q(x) \wedge \neg R(x))$

* NOTE

Some lions do not drink coffee. We cannot write this $\exists x (P(x) \rightarrow \neg R(x))$

Reason: ~~When we write~~ $P(x) \rightarrow \neg R(x)$ is true when $P(x)$ is false.

When we write $\exists x (P(x) \rightarrow \neg R(x))$ then this is true for some creature that is not a lion, even if every lion drinks coffee.

| P | Q | $P \rightarrow Q$ |
|---|---|-------------------|
| T | T | T |
| T | F | F |
| F | T | T |
| F | F | T |

Nested Quantifiers

Let $P(x, y)$ be a statement.

$\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$ means for all x , for all y such that $P(x, y)$

$\forall y \forall x P(x, y)$ means for all y , for all x such that $P(x, y)$

$\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$ means for all x , there is a y such that $P(x, y)$

* $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$ means there exists an x such that $P(x, y)$ for all y

$\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$ } means there is a pair x, y such
 $\exists y \exists x P(x, y)$ } that $P(x, y)$.

Examples Translate into English from logic

1) $\forall x \forall y (x+y = y+x)$ where the domain for x and y are all real numbers.

Ans For ^{all} real number x and for all real numbers y
 $x+y = y+x$ (Commutative law for addition)

2) $\forall x \exists y (x+y = 0)$

Ans For all real numbers x , there is a real number y such that $x+y = 0$ (Additive Inverse).

3) $\forall x \forall y \forall z (x+(y+z) = (x+y)+z)$

Ans For all real numbers x, y, z , $x+(y+z) = (x+y)+z$
(Associative law for addition)

4) Translate into English

$$\forall x \forall y ((x > 0) \wedge (y < 0) \rightarrow (xy < 0))$$

where domain for x and y is \mathbb{R}

Ans. For every real number x and for every real number y , if $x > 0$ and $y < 0$ then $xy < 0$

5) Let $P(x, y)$ be the statement " $x + y = y + x$ "
What is the truth value of the quantifications
(i) $\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$ (ii) $\forall y \forall x P(x, y)$.
where domain for x and y is \mathbb{R}

Ans $\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$ means for all real numbers x and for all real numbers y , $x + y = y + x$.

$\Rightarrow \forall x \forall y P(x, y)$ is true (\because For real numbers $x + y = y + x$)

Similarly $\forall y \forall x P(x, y)$ is true.

6) Let $P(x, y)$ be the statement " $x + y = 0$ " what are the truth values of the quantifications (i) $\exists y \forall x P(x, y)$ (ii) $\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$ where domain for x and y is \mathbb{R} .

Sol (i) $\exists y \forall x P(x, y)$ means there is ~~at least one y~~ such that $x + y = 0$ for every x .
 $\Rightarrow \exists y \forall x P(x, y)$ is ~~True~~ **False** (\because there is ^{only one} $y = -x$ for every x such that $x + y = 0$ when $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$)

(ii) $\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$ means for all x there is a y such that $x + y = 0$.
 $\Rightarrow \forall x \exists y P(x, y)$ is True (\because For every x , there is $y = -x$ such that $x + y = 0$)

7) Let $P(x, y, z)$ be the statement " $x + y = z$ "
 what are the truth values of

(i) $\forall x \forall y \exists z P(x, y, z)$

(ii) $\exists z \forall x \forall y P(x, y, z)$

where domain of x, y, z is \mathbb{R}

Sol

(i) $\forall x \forall y \exists z P(x, y, z)$ means for every x and
 for every y there is atleast one z
 such that $x + y = z$

$\Rightarrow \forall x \forall y \exists z P(x, y, z)$ is True.

(ii) $\exists z \forall x \forall y P(x, y, z)$ means there exists
 atleast one z such that $x + y = z$ for
 every x and for every y

$\Rightarrow \exists z \forall x \forall y P(x, y, z)$ is False.

(Reason: there is no value of z
 which satisfies $x + y = z$ for all
 values of x and y)

Translate into logic from English

Example ① "The sum of two positive integers is always positive"

Translate this to logic

Solution $\forall x \forall y ((x > 0) \wedge (y > 0) \rightarrow (x + y > 0))$
where the domain for x and y is \mathbb{Z}^+

② "Every real number except zero has a multiplicative inverse"

Solution

$$\forall x ((x \neq 0) \rightarrow \exists y (xy = 1))$$

(Definition of multiplicative inverse)
A multiplicative inverse of a real number x is a real number y such that xy = 1

Negating Nested Quantifiers

Negate the statement $\forall x \exists y (xy = 1)$

Sol $\neg \forall x \exists y (xy = 1) \equiv \exists x \neg \exists y (xy = 1)$
 $\equiv \exists x \forall y \neg (xy = 1)$
 $\equiv \exists x \forall y (xy \neq 1)$

Problems (Important conclusions).

- 1) The universal quantification $\forall x P(x)$ is true when $P(x)$ is true for every x .
- 2) The universal quantification $\forall x P(x)$ is false when there is an x for which $P(x)$ is false.
- 3) The existential quantifier $\exists x P(x)$ is true when there is an x for which $P(x)$ is true.
- 4) The existential quantifier $\exists x P(x)$ is false when $P(x)$ is false for every x .
- 5) $\neg \exists x (P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \equiv \forall x \neg (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$
 $\equiv \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow \neg Q(x))$

- 6) NOTE
- 1) $P \rightarrow Q \equiv \neg P \vee Q$
 - 2) $P \rightarrow Q \equiv \neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$
 - 3) $P \vee Q \equiv \neg P \rightarrow Q$
 - 4) $P \wedge Q \equiv \neg (P \rightarrow \neg Q)$
 - 5) $\neg (P \rightarrow Q) \equiv P \wedge \neg Q$

7) Consider the statements. Let $P(x)$ be the statement that x is even, $Q(x)$ be the statement that x is a prime number and $R(x)$ be the statement that 5 divides x .
 Then translate 1) $\exists x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$ 2) $\forall x ((P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \rightarrow R(x))$
 into English statements. Where the domain is integers.

Ans 1) $\exists x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$ - There exist at least one integer such that x is even and x is prime
 2) $\forall x ((P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \rightarrow R(x))$ - For all integers x , if x is even and prime then 5 divides x



Rules of Inference for Propositional Logic

Rule of Inference

Tautology

1) Premises $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} p \\ p \rightarrow q \end{array} \right.$
 Conclusion $\therefore q$

$$(p \wedge (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow q$$

2) $\neg q$
 $p \rightarrow q$
 $\therefore \neg p$

$$(\neg q \wedge (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow \neg p$$

3) $p \rightarrow q$
 $q \rightarrow r$
 $\therefore p \rightarrow r$

$$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$$

4) $p \vee q$
 $\neg p$
 $\therefore q$

$$((p \vee q) \wedge \neg p) \rightarrow q$$

5) p
 $\therefore p \vee q$

$$p \rightarrow (p \vee q)$$

6) $p \wedge q$
 $\therefore p$

$$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow p$$

7) p
 q
 $\therefore p \wedge q$

$$((p) \wedge (q)) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$$

8) $p \vee q$
 $\neg p \vee r$
 $\therefore q \vee r$

$$((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)) \rightarrow (q \vee r)$$

Introduction to Proofs:-

Definitions

- 1) Theorem: A theorem is a statement that can be shown to be true
- 2) Proof: A proof is a valid argument that establishes the truth of a theorem.
- 3) Lemma: A less important theorem that is helpful in the proof of other results is called a lemma
- 4) Corollary: A Corollary is a theorem that can be established directly from a theorem that has been proved
- 5) Conjecture: A conjecture is a statement that is being proposed to be a true statement, usually on the basis of some partial evidence or the intuition of an expert.
When a proof of a conjecture is found, the conjecture becomes a theorem.

Methods of Proving Theorems

- 1) Direct Proofs
- 2) Indirect Proofs - Proof by Contradposition.
- 3) Proofs by Contradiction.

Direct Proof of Conditional Statement $P \rightarrow Q$

In a direct proof, we assume that P is true and we use axioms and other related properties to show that Q must also be true.

Example:- Prove that "if n is odd integer, then n^2 is odd."

Solution. Assume that n is odd.

$$\Rightarrow n = 2k + 1$$

To show that n^2 is odd.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } n^2 &= (2k + 1)^2 \\ &= 4k^2 + 4k + 1 \\ &= 2(2k^2 + 2k) + 1 \\ &= \text{Even integer} + 1 \\ &= \text{odd integer.} \end{aligned}$$

NOTE:-
Even integer n
means $n = 2k$
odd integer n
means $n = 2k + 1$
for some integer k

NOTE:- Some times direct proofs will not work for all problems.

For example Prove that "if n^2 is odd, then n is odd"

Q1 Assume that n^2 is odd

$$\Rightarrow n^2 = 2k + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \pm \sqrt{2k + 1}$$

So we cannot conclude what type of n is this.

In such cases we use indirect proof called Proof by Contraposition.

* The Conditional statement $P \rightarrow Q$ is equivalent to its contrapositive $\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$.

Example Prove that "if n^2 is odd, then n is odd" for any integer n .

Sol Let p be the statement " n^2 is odd"
 q be the statement " n is odd".

Then "if n^2 is odd, then n is odd"

$$\Rightarrow p \rightarrow q$$

The contraposition is $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$.

That means we have to prove that
 "if n is even then n^2 is even"

Assume that n is even

$$\Rightarrow n = 2k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } n^2 &= (2k)^2 \\ &= 4k^2 \\ &= 2(2k^2) \\ &= \text{Even} \end{aligned}$$

We have proved "if n is even then n^2 is even"

The Contraposition is "if n^2 is odd then n is odd"

Example:- Prove that sum of two rational numbers is rational.

Sol Rational number means a number in the form of $\frac{p}{q}$ where $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $q \neq 0$.

Direct Proof Attempt

Let $r = \frac{p}{q}$ and $s = \frac{l}{m}$ be two rational numbers where $q \neq 0, m \neq 0$

$$\text{then } r + s = \frac{p}{q} + \frac{l}{m}$$

$$r+s = \frac{mp+ql}{qm}$$

$\Rightarrow r+s =$ Rational number. (Since $q \neq 0, m \neq 0$
 $\Rightarrow qm \neq 0$)

\Rightarrow Sum of two rational numbers is rational number.

Proof by CONTRADICTION:-

Suppose we want to prove that p is true.

If we can find a contradiction q such that $\neg p \rightarrow q$ is true, then p will be true.

(The reason is: $\neg p \rightarrow q$ is true means $\neg p$ must be false as q is false.

As $\neg p$ is false $\Rightarrow p$ is true)

| p | q | $\neg p \rightarrow q$ |
|-----|-----|------------------------|
| T | T | F |
| T | F | F |
| F | T | T |
| F | F | T |

Example:- Prove that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational by giving a proof by contradiction.

Solution: Let p be the Proposition " $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational".

Proof by contradiction

Suppose that $\neg p$ is true.

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2}$ is rational

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2} = \frac{a}{b}$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b \neq 0$

\Rightarrow Squaring on both sides

$$2 = \frac{a^2}{b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2b^2 = a^2$$

$\Rightarrow a^2$ is even (since $2b^2$ is even).

As a^2 is even

$\Rightarrow a$ is even

$\Rightarrow a = 2k$

Now $2b^2 = a^2$

$$\Rightarrow 2b^2 = (2k)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2b^2 = 4k^2$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 2k^2$$

$\Rightarrow b^2$ is even (Since $2k^2$ is always even)

$\Rightarrow b$ is even.

As both a and b are even, 2 divides both a and b .

But $\sqrt{2} = \frac{a}{b}$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $b \neq 0$ and a and b have no common factor

~~$\sqrt{2}$ is an even number~~
~~Even number~~

$\Rightarrow 2$ does not divide both a and b .

This is a contradiction to the fact that

$\sqrt{2}$ is rational.

$\Rightarrow \neg p$ is false.

$\Rightarrow p$ is true

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2}$ is irrational