

# Logic, Predicates, & Quantifiers

$\forall x$

$$\exists! x (x = 3)$$

$$\exists! x P(x) \rightarrow \exists x P(x)$$

$$\forall x (F(x) \rightarrow C(x))$$

$$\exists x (S(x) \wedge N(x))$$

$\exists x$

# De Morgan's Laws

De Morgan's laws for logic state:

*The negation of a conjunction is the disjunction of negations;  
likewise, the negation of a disjunction is the conjunction of negations.*

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

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

# Example

Simplify this expression using De Morgan's Laws:

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

1.  $(\neg\neg p \wedge \neg q)$

2.  $(p \wedge \neg q)$

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

# You try it

Negate the following compound proposition by adding parenthesis around the entire expression, negating it, then apply De Morgan's Laws

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

Find a match

A.  $(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge r)$

B.  $(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)$



C.  $(\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg r)$

D.  $\neg(p \vee q) \wedge \neg(p \vee \neg r)$

# Laws of Propositional Logic

Idempotent laws:	$p \vee p \equiv p$	$p \wedge p \equiv p$
Associative laws:	$(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$	$(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$
Commutative laws:	$p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$	$p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$
Distributive laws:	$p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$	$p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$
Identity laws:	$p \vee F \equiv p$	$p \wedge T \equiv p$
Domination laws:	$p \wedge F \equiv F$	$p \vee T \equiv T$
Double negation law:	$\neg \neg p \equiv p$	
Complement laws:	$p \wedge \neg p \equiv F$ $\neg T \equiv F$	$p \vee \neg p \equiv T$ $\neg F \equiv T$
De Morgan's laws:	$\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$	$\neg(p \wedge q) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q$
Absorption laws:	$p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$	$p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$
Conditional identities:	$p \rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$	$p \leftrightarrow q \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$

Consider the statement:

$$x > 5$$

Is this a proposition?

$$x + 1 > x$$

Is this a proposition?

$x$  is even

Proposition?



Each of these statements has two parts: a **variable** and a **predicate**.

A **predicate** is a T/F statement that depends on one or more **variables**.

$$P(x) = "x \text{ is even}"$$

Consider the statement:

$$x > 5$$

Let  $P(x)$  represent the predicate " $x$  is greater than 5"

Now, we can turn it into a proposition by giving  $x$  a value.

What is the truth value of:

$$P(4)?$$

$$P(6)?$$

# What is a predicate?

- A T/F statement that depends on one or more variables
- A function that returns True or False
- What are the possible inputs (AKA domain)?      It depends
- What are the possible outputs (AKA codomain)?      {true, false}

- Python Example

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seq = [0, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13]  
result = list(filter(lambda x: x%2 != 0, seq))
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- What is the predicate?

True      False





# Quantifiers

- Predicates are **not propositions** because they contain **free variables**.
- One way to turn a predicate into a proposition is by assigning values to the variables.

$$P(x): x < 5$$
$$P(4) = \text{True}$$

- Another way to create a proposition from a predicate is to assign a **range** of values rather than plugging in specific values.

# Quantifiers

- Another way to create a proposition from a predicate is to assign a **range** of values rather than plugging in specific values.

Let  $P(x)$  be the predicate "x is greater than 5"

Is  $P(x)$  true for ALL values of  $x$ ?       $\forall x P(x)$

Is  $P(x)$  true for SOME values of  $x$ ?       $\exists x P(x)$

# Quantifier Symbols

- $\forall$  Universal quantifier.  
Meaning: For every, Every, All, For all
- $\exists$  Existential quantifier.  
Meaning: There is at least one, some, for some, at least one, there is
- $\neg\forall$  Not every
- $\neg\exists$  There is not one, there are none, there are not any

LaTeX for  $\forall$  is **\forall**

LaTeX for  $\exists$  is **\exists**

Example:

Let  $P(x)$  represent the statement  $x + 1 > x$

What is the truth value of:

$\forall x P(x)$ , where the universe of discourse or **domain** is  $\mathbb{R}$

$\mathbb{R}$  = Real Numbers

We can also say:

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, P(x)$

Example:

Let  $P(x)$  represent the statement  $x > 3$

What is the truth value of:

$\forall x P(x)$ , where the **domain** is  $\mathbb{R}$

$\exists x P(x)$

Example:

Express this as a quantified statement:

*All elephants are gray.*

$\forall x (\text{Elephant}(x) \rightarrow \text{Gray}(x))$

*Some dogs are white.*

$\exists x (\text{Dog}(x) \wedge \text{White}(x))$



# De Morgan's Laws

Negate the following:

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

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For quantifiers

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

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

For Nested Quantifiers

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

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

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

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

# De Morgan's Laws - Examples

Simplify the following using De Morgan's Laws:

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

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

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

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

$$\neg \forall x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$$

$$\exists x (\neg P(x) \vee \neg Q(x))$$

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

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

$$\neg \exists x \forall y (P(x, y) \wedge Q(x))$$

$$\forall x \exists y (\neg P(x, y) \vee \neg Q(x))$$



Let's do a couple of the challenges together.

Challenge 1.9.1

Challenge 1.10.1