

Chapter 4: Intro to Mathematical Logic.

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Goals: learn how to write statements more formally (w/ more symbols, fewer words)

- See how: the form of a statement suggests the form of its proof.

Recall: Def'n (intuitive): A mathematical statement (or prop'n) is a grammatically correct declarative sentence that is true or false.

↳ may consist of words and/or symbols

- "statement" can be rigorously defined, but need more formal logic

- in that context, "grammatically correct" also has precise meaning.

Ex's ① Every integer is a real number (T)

② Every real number is an integer (F)

- ③ There exists $x \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $x \notin \mathbb{Z}$ (T). ②
 ④ $1+1=2$ (T)
 ⑤ There are infinitely many twin primes (unknown ... but either T/F).

- Nonex's ① $\exists ! \pi$ (grammatically incorrect / ^{meaningless})
 ② Shakespeare (not declarative / no truth value)
 ③ $x^2+1=2$

↳ meaningful sequence of symbols asserting an equality ... but no truth value unless x is specified.
 - called a variable proposition:
 a sentence that becomes a statement once its variables are specified (or quantified over ... more on this later).

- we'll use P, Q, R, \dots for statements and $P(x), Q(x,y), \dots$ for var. prop'ns.

e.g. might say: - let P denote " $5^2+1=2$ " (F)
 - let $Q(x)$ denote " $x^2+1=2$ "

Then $Q(5)$ is the statement
 $5^2+1=2$ (F)

and $Q(1)$ is $1^2+1=2$ (T)

More var. prop'ns : ① $x^2 + 1 \leq 0$

② $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x^2 < 39$

③ $z = x + y$.

indicate when abbreviating a var. prop'n w/ multiple variables, e.g. could use $\Phi(x, y, z)$ to denote ③.

Then: $\Phi(1, 2, 3)$ is F
but $\Phi(5, 2, 3)$ is T.

Quantifiers: the other way to turn a var. prop'n into a statement is to quantify over its variables.

e.g. " $x^2 + 1 = 2$ " is a var. prop'n

but "There exists $x \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $x^2 + 1 = 2$ "

is a statement (T)

as is: "For every $x \in \mathbb{R}$ we have $x^2 + 1 = 2$ " (F)

The clauses "There exists $x \in S \dots$ "
and "For every $x \in S \dots$ "
are two types of quantification of the variable x .

- We'll use the symbols: (4)



read: "for all" or "for every"
read: "there exists"

- Given a var prop'n $P(x)$ and a set S , we have that:

"For all $x \in S$ we have $P(x)$ "

"there exists $x \in S$ such that $P(x)$ "

are statements.

- we denote these by:

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

(Book uses: $\forall x \in S. P(x)$
 $\exists x \in S. P(x)$)

respectively.

Ex's: ① $(\exists x \in \mathbb{N}) (x < 5)$

read: "there exists $x \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $x < 5$ " (T)

② $(\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (x < 5)$

"For every $x \in \mathbb{N}$, we have $x < 5$ " (F).

③ $(\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (x > 0)$ (T)

④ $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) (x > 0)$ (F)

Multiple quantifiers:

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$$\textcircled{5} (\forall x, y \in \mathbb{N}) (x + y \geq 2)$$

read: "For all x and y in \mathbb{N} , we have $x + y \geq 2$ " (T)

- can also nest \forall 's and \exists 's but beware:
order of quantifiers is important!

$$\textcircled{6} (\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (\exists y \in \mathbb{R}) (y^2 = x)$$

"For every $x \in \mathbb{N}$ there is $y \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t.
 $y^2 = x$ "

i.e. every natural number has a real square root (T)

$$\textcircled{7} (\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (\exists y \in \mathbb{N}) (y^2 = x)$$

i.e. every natural # has a square root in \mathbb{N} (F).

- what happens if we reverse the order of quantifiers in $\textcircled{6}$?

get:

$$(\exists y \in \mathbb{R}) (\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (y^2 = x)$$

i.e. "there is a real number y s.t. every natural number is equal to y^2 "

- perfectly well-written statement, but absurd and definitely false
- moral: order of quantifiers makes a big diff!

↳ can also have "inside quantifiers" e.g.

⑧ $(\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (x > 0 \text{ and } (\exists y \in \mathbb{N}) (y > x))$

⑨ $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) (\text{if } x \geq 0, \text{ then } (\exists y \in \mathbb{R}) (y^2 = x))$

are both statements (both T).

Note on quantifying set variables:

- we've insisted all quantified variables range over a ~~some~~ specific set, e.g. $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) (x^2 \geq 0)$ is meaningful
- $(\forall x) (x^2 \geq 0)$ is not.

- what if we want to quantify over variables referring to sets?

- e.g. to write:

"For every set S, we have $\emptyset \subseteq S$ "
 symbolically, might try:

$(\forall S \in (\dots)) (\emptyset \subseteq S)$
 ↖ set of all sets??

- but the collection of all sets is not a set (Russell's paradox) ⑦

- Convention: when quantifying set variables we'll write sentences verbally:

i.e. "For every set S, \dots "

"For all sets A, B, \dots "

Connectives and Truth Tables

- Connectives are symbols used to combine multiple statements into one.

- all our connectives will be binary (combine two statements into one) except negation which is unary.

- Truth tables tell us how truth of connected statements depends on truth of the original constituent statements.

Conjunction ("and")

- conjunction of statements P, Q is written $P \wedge Q$ ("P and Q")

- $P \wedge Q$ is true iff both P, Q true.

P	Q	$P \wedge Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

Ex's: Let P denote:

$$(\forall x \in \mathbb{Z})(x+1 > x)$$

Let Q be:

97 is prime

Let R be:

$$2^2 = 5$$

Then P, Q are (T) but R is (F).

Hence $P \wedge Q$ is (T)

but $P \wedge R$ and $Q \wedge R$ are both (F).

- written out, $P \wedge Q$ is:

$$(\forall x \in \mathbb{Z})(x+1 > x) \wedge (97 \text{ is prime})$$

↖ ↗
inserting parentheses
can clarify an
expression.

Disjunction ("or")

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- disjunction of P, Q written $P \vee Q$ ("P or Q")
- $P \vee Q$ is true iff at least one of P, Q true:

P	Q	$P \vee Q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

e.g.: $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R})(x^2 \geq 0)$ \vee (96 is prime)
is (T), but
 $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R})(x \geq 0)$ \vee (96 is prime)
is (F).

Negation ("not")

- only unary connective we'll use
- negation of P written $\neg P$
- $\neg P$ true iff P is false:

P	$\neg P$
T	F
F	T

Ex 5: ① $(\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (\exists y \in \mathbb{N}) (y^2 = x)$

is (F), hence:

② $\neg(\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (\exists y \in \mathbb{N}) (y^2 = x)$

is (T), hence:

③ $\neg\neg(\forall x \in \mathbb{N}) (\exists y \in \mathbb{N}) (y^2 = x)$

is (F) again.

④ for any statement P , the
statement $P \vee \neg P$ is (T),
whereas $P \wedge \neg P$ is (F).

e.g. $(96 \text{ is prime}) \vee \neg(96 \text{ is prime})$ is (T)
but $(96 \text{ is prime}) \wedge \neg(96 \text{ is prime})$ is (F)

↳ can use connectives in var. prop'ns too

e.g. let $P(x, y)$ denote:

$(x > 0) \wedge (y \text{ is prime})$

then $P(3, 5)$ is true

while $P(3, 6)$ is false.

and $(\exists x, y \in \mathbb{N}) P(x, y)$ is true

while $(\forall x, y \in \mathbb{N}) P(x, y)$ is false.

↳ can also use in def'ns, set-builder notation etc.

- e.g. if A, B are subsets of a universal set U then.

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$$A \cap B = \{x \in U \mid x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$$

$$A \cup B = \{x \in U \mid x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

$$\bar{A} = \{x \in U \mid \neg(x \in A)\}$$

- we'll explore connections between set operations and connectives more later.

Implication:

- Given statements P, Q the statement $P \Rightarrow Q$ is read "P implies Q" or "if P, then Q."

- $P \Rightarrow Q$ is true iff whenever P is true, Q is also true.

P	Q	$P \Rightarrow Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

- notice: $P \Rightarrow Q$ is always true when P is false, which is often confusing when first learning this connective

- $P \Rightarrow Q$ is only (F) when P is (T) but Q is (F).

- statements of form $P \Rightarrow Q$ are called conditional statements.

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- Ex's:
- ① " $1+1=2 \Rightarrow (1+1)+1=3$ " is true
 - ② " $1+1=2 \Rightarrow (1+1)+1=4$ " is false
 - ③ " $1+1=2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{N}$ " is true

even though the P and Q in this example are not apparently related statements.

- ④ "My name is Sally \Rightarrow my name begins with S." is true.

- both the premise P and conclusion Q in this case are (F), but the conditional $P \Rightarrow Q$ is true.

- illustration (fun) "false implies false" is true.

- ⑤ "Tomorrow is Sunday \Rightarrow my name is Garrett" is also true.
("false \Rightarrow true" is true)

- ⑥ $(\exists x \in \mathbb{R})(x^2 = -1) \Rightarrow 1+1=3$ is true! Automatically since premise $(\exists x \in \mathbb{R})(x^2 = -1)$ is false, despite fact it has no apparent relation to conclusion.

⑦ can also use \Rightarrow in var prop'n

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e.g.

$$x \geq 2 \Rightarrow x^2 \geq 4$$

is a well-formed var. prop'n and

$$(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) (x \geq 2 \Rightarrow x^2 \geq 4)$$

is true, because:

for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, either $x \geq 2$, in which case $x^2 \geq 4$ (i.e. $x \geq 2 \Rightarrow x^2 \geq 4$ holds because "true \Rightarrow true" is true); or $x < 2$ in which case $x \geq 2 \Rightarrow x^2 \geq 4$ holds automatically (because "false \Rightarrow ..." is true).

⑧ OTOH: $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) (x^2 \geq 4 \Rightarrow x \geq 2)$

is false because there is a real number x (e.g. $x = -3$) such that

$$\begin{array}{l} x^2 \geq 4 \quad \text{is true, but} \\ x \geq 2 \quad \text{is false.} \end{array}$$

Equivalence

Given statements P, Q the statement $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ (read: "P if and only if Q" or: "P iff Q")

is true if and only if P, Q have the same truth value.

P	Q	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T

ex's: ① $(1+1=2) \Leftrightarrow (1+1+1=3) \quad \cup \quad (F)$

② $(1+1=3) \Leftrightarrow (1+1+1=4) \quad \cup \quad (F)$

③ $(\forall x \in \mathbb{N})(x > 0) \Leftrightarrow (1+1=2) \quad \cup \quad (F)$

④ $(1+1=2) \Leftrightarrow (2+2=5) \quad \cup \quad (F)$

⑤ $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R})(x \geq 0) \Leftrightarrow (\exists y \in \mathbb{R})(x=y^2) \quad \cup \quad (T)$



why: For any fixed x_0 in \mathbb{R} , the statements " $x_0 \geq 0$ " and " $(\exists y \in \mathbb{R})(y^2=x_0)$ " are either: both true, or both false.

P, Q need not be related!

Def'n Two statements P, Q are said to be logically equivalent, if $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ is true. (15)

- e.g. $1+1=2$ and $1+1+1=3$ are logically equiv.
- we're more interested in logically equiv. forms for connected (esp. negated) and quantified statements.

Negating Quantified Statements:

- Sp's $P(x)$ is a var. prop'n, and S is a set.

- Consider the negated statements:

$$\textcircled{1} \neg (\forall x \in S) P(x)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \neg (\exists x \in S) P(x)$$

observe: $\textcircled{1}$ is true iff there is an $x \in S$ s.t. $P(x)$ is false, i.e. iff $(\exists x \in S) \neg P(x)$ is true.

have $\textcircled{2}$ is true iff for every $x \in S$ we have $P(x)$ is false, i.e. iff $(\forall x \in S) \neg P(x)$ is true.

this shows:

$$\neg (\forall x \in S) P(x) \Leftrightarrow (\exists x \in S) \neg P(x)$$

is always true (regardless of the prop'n $P(x)$)
i.e. that $\neg (\forall x \in S) P(x)$ and $(\exists x \in S) \neg P(x)$ are
logically equiv.

likewise:

$$\neg (\exists x \in S) P(x) \Leftrightarrow (\forall x \in S) \neg P(x)$$

is always true.

→ these equivalences are often useful
when trying to prove quantified statements
by contradiction.

Ex's: ① $\neg (\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) (x \in \mathbb{N})$

"not all reals
are naturals"

is equiv. to:

$$(\exists x \in \mathbb{R}) \neg (x \in \mathbb{N})$$

"there is a real
which is not
a natural"

(note: we'll often write $\neg (x \in \mathbb{N})$ as
 $x \notin \mathbb{N}$, $\neg (x=y)$ as $x \neq y$, etc....)

② $\neg (\exists x \in \mathbb{R}) (x+1=0)$

"there is no additive
inverse to 1 in \mathbb{R} "

is equiv. to

$$(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) (x+1 \neq 0)$$

"every real is
not an additive inverse
for 1."

(in this case: both statements are false)

3) For multiple quantifiers, just iterate the process...

$\neg (\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) (\exists y \in \mathbb{R}) (xy = 1)$ → "not every real has a multiplicative inverse"

is equiv to: $(\exists x \in \mathbb{R}) \neg (\exists y \in \mathbb{R}) (xy = 1)$

is equiv to: $(\exists x \in \mathbb{R}) (\forall y \in \mathbb{R}) (xy \neq 1)$ → "there is a real w/o a multiplicative inverse"

In this case: all are true since $x=0$ has no inverse.

Negating connected statements

Prop'n For any statements P, Q the following logical equivalences hold (i.e. the following statements are always true).

- ① $\neg \neg P \Leftrightarrow P$
- ② $\neg (P \wedge Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg P \vee \neg Q$
- ③ $\neg (P \vee Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg P \wedge \neg Q$

Pf: to prove, we'll use truth tables.

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P	$\neg P$	$\neg \neg P$	$\neg \neg P \Leftrightarrow P$
T	F	T	T
F	T	F	T

↔ always true

