



UNIT I-LOGICS AND PROOFS

PREDICATES AND QUANTIFIERS

predicate calculus. It is a part of a sentence that contains  
A declarative sentence contains subject and predicate.  
The subject describes what the subject does and the predicate describes what is done.

predicate  
A part of a declarative sentence describing the properties of an object (or) relation among object is called a predicate.

Eg: Ram is a lion.  $P(x)$   
1. Tiger is an wild animal. It is denoted by  $P(x)$ .  
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2. Sam is poor and Ram is intelligent  
It is denoted by  $P(x) \wedge I(x)$

Quantifier :

Quantifier is the one which is used to quantify the nature of variables.

Types of quantifier :

1. Universal quantifier  $(\forall x)$  or  $(x)$   
The quantifier "for all x" is called universal quantifier.

Eg: 1] for all x, x is an integer  
In symbolic form,  $\forall x, I(x)$

2] Every apple is red.

For all x, if x is an apple then x is red.  
 $(\forall x) [A(x) \rightarrow R(x)]$



2]. Existential quantifier:  $(\exists x)$   
 The quantifier "for some  $x$ " is called the existential quantifier.

Eg: Some men are intelligent  
 There exist an  $x$  such that  $x$  is a man and  $x$  is intelligent.

$$(\exists x) (M(x) \wedge I(x))$$

Bound and free variables:

The variable is said to be bound if it is concerned with either universal  $(\forall x)$  or existential  $(\exists x)$  quantifier.

Otherwise it is called free variable.  
 Eg: Scope of the quantifier is the formula following the quantifier.  
 $(\forall x) P(x, y) \Rightarrow x$  is bound variable  
 $y$  is free variable  
 $P(x, y)$  is the scope of the quantifier.

Theory of Inference for predicate calculus

1] Universal Specification [US Rule]

$$(\forall x) P(x) \Rightarrow P(y)$$

2]. Universal Generalization [UG Rule]

$$P(y) \Rightarrow (\forall x) P(x)$$

3]. Existential Specification [ES Rule]

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

4]. Existential Generalization [EG Rule]

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



1. Show that  $(\exists x) M(x)$  follows logically  
 $(x) [H(x) \rightarrow M(x)], (\exists x) H(x)$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(x) [H(x) \rightarrow M(x)]$	P
{1}	2. $H(y) \rightarrow M(y)$	US
	3. $(\exists x) H(x)$	P
{3}	4. $H(y)$	ES
	5. $M(y)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$
{2,4}	6. $(\exists x) M(x)$	EG

2. All humans are mortal. Sachin is a human  
Therefore he is mortal.

$H(x)$ :  $x$  is a human

$M(x)$ :  $x$  is mortal

$H(s)$ : Sachin is a human

The premises are,

$(\forall x) [H(x) \rightarrow M(x)], H(s)$

Conclusion:  $M(s)$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(\forall x) [H(x) \rightarrow M(x)]$	P
{1}	2. $H(s) \rightarrow M(s)$	US
	3. $H(s)$	P
{2,3}	4. $M(s)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$

3. Show that the premises, "one student in this  
class knows how to write programs in JAVA" a  
"Everyone who knows how to write program in  
JAVA can get a high-paying job" imply the  
conclusion "someone in this class can get a  
high-paying job".



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Let  $A(x)$ :  $x$  is in this class  
 $J(x)$ :  $x$  knows how to write programs in Java  
 $H(x)$ :  $x$  can get a high paying job.

The premises are,

$$\{ \exists x \} (A(x) \wedge J(x)), \quad (\forall x) (J(x) \rightarrow H(x))$$

$$\text{Conclusion: } \exists x (A(x) \wedge H(x))$$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(\exists x) (A(x) \wedge J(x))$	P
$\{1\}$ 2.	$A(y) \wedge J(y)$	ES
$\{2\}$ 3.	$A(y)$	T $A(y) \wedge J(y) \Rightarrow A(y)$
$\{2\}$ 4.	$J(y)$	T $A(y) \wedge J(y) \Rightarrow J(y)$
5.	$(\forall x) (J(x) \rightarrow H(x))$	P
$\{5\}$ 6.	$J(y) \rightarrow H(y)$	US
7.	$H(y)$	T
$\{3, 7\}$ 8.	$A(y) \wedge H(y)$	T $A(y), H(y) \Rightarrow A(y) \wedge H(y)$
9.	$(\exists x) (A(x) \wedge H(x))$	EG

Q7. Verify the validity of the following argument.  
 "Every living thing is a plant or an animal"  
 "John's gold fish is alive and it is not a plant"  
 "All animals have hearts". Therefore, "John's gold fish has a heart".

$L(x)$ :  $x$  is a living thing       $L(j)$ :  $j$  is alive  
 $P(x)$ :  $x$  is a plant               $P(j)$ :  $j$  is not a plant  
 $A(x)$ :  $x$  is an animal  
 $H(x)$ :  $x$  is a heart               $H(j)$ :  $j$  has a heart

$$\text{Givn: } (\forall x) [L(x) \rightarrow P(x) \vee A(x)]$$

$$L(j) \wedge \neg P(j), \quad (\forall x) [A(x) \rightarrow H(x)]$$

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Conclusion:  $H(j)$

Step	Propositions	Rule
1.	$(\forall x) [L(x) \rightarrow P(x) \vee A(x)]$	P
{1} 2.	$L(j) \rightarrow P(j) \vee A(j)$	US
3.	$L(j) \wedge \neg P(j)$	P
{3} 4.	$L(j)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow P$
{2,4} 5.	$P(j) \vee A(j)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$
{5} 6.	$\neg P(j) \rightarrow A(j)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow \neg P \vee Q$
7.	$(\exists x) [A(x) \rightarrow H(x)]$	P
{8} 8.	$A(j) \rightarrow H(j)$	US
9.	$\neg P(j) \rightarrow H(j)$	T
{3} 10.	$\neg P(j)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow P, Q$
11.	$H(j)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$

5]. "All rock music is loud music", "Some rock music exist" therefore "Some loud music exist"

$R(x)$  :  $x$  is a rock music  
 $L(x)$  :  $x$  is a loud music

Given:  $(\forall x) [R(x) \rightarrow L(x)]$ ,  $(\exists x) R(x)$

Conclusion:  $(\exists x) L(x)$

1.	$(\forall x) (R(x) \rightarrow L(x))$	P
{1} 2.	$R(y) \rightarrow L(y)$	US
3.	$(\exists x) R(x)$	P
{3} 4.	$R(y)$	ES
{2,4} 5.	$L(y)$	T
6.	$(\exists x) L(x)$	EG



- 6]. Establish the validity of argument.
- i). All integers are rational nos.
  - ii) Some integers are power of three.
  - iii) Therefore some rational numbers are power of 3.

$I(x)$ :  $x$  is an integer  
 $R(x)$ :  $x$  is an rational number  
 $P(x)$ :  $x$  is power of 3.

Given:  $(\forall x) (I(x) \rightarrow R(x)), (\exists x) (I(x) \wedge P(x))$

Conclusion:  $(\exists x) [R(x) \wedge P(x)]$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(\forall x) [I(x) \rightarrow R(x)]$	P
{1} 2.	$I(y) \rightarrow R(y)$	US
2	$(\exists x) [I(x) \wedge P(x)]$	P
{2} 4.	$I(y) \wedge P(y)$	ES
{4} 5.	$I(y)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow P$
{2, 5} 6.	$R(y)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$
{4} 7.	$P(y)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow Q$
{6, 7} 8.	$R(y) \wedge P(y)$	T $P, Q \Rightarrow P \wedge Q$
9.	$(\exists x) [R(x) \wedge P(x)]$	EG

7]. Show that  $(x) [P(x) \vee Q(x)] \Rightarrow (x) P(x) \vee (\exists x) Q(x)$   
 by indirect proof.

Premises:  $(x) [P(x) \vee Q(x)]$

Conclusion:  $(x) P(x) \vee (\exists x) Q(x)$



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Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(x) [P(x) \vee Q(x)]$	P
{1} 2.	$P(y) \vee Q(y)$	US
3.	$\neg [(x) P(x) \vee (\exists x) Q(x)]$	Negation of conclusion
{3} 4.	$(\exists x) P(x) \wedge (x) Q(x)$	T $\neg(P \vee Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg P \wedge \neg Q$
{4} 5.	$(\exists x) P(x)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow P$
{5} 6.	$\neg P(y)$	ES
7.	$(x) \neg Q(x)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow Q$
{7} 8.	$\neg Q(y)$	US
{6,8} 9.	$\neg P(y) \wedge \neg Q(y)$	T $P, Q \Rightarrow P \wedge Q$
{9} 10.	$\neg (P(y) \vee Q(y))$	T $\neg P \wedge \neg Q \Leftrightarrow \neg(P \vee Q)$
{9,10} 11.	$[P(y) \vee Q(y)] \wedge \neg [P(y) \vee Q(y)]$	T $P, Q \Rightarrow P \wedge Q$
{11} 12.	F	T $P \wedge \neg P \Leftrightarrow F$

8]. Using CP rule, obtain the following implication  
 $(\forall x) [P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)], (\forall x) [R(x) \rightarrow \neg Q(x)] \Rightarrow R(x) \rightarrow \neg P(x)$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(\forall x) [P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)]$	P
2.	$(\forall x) [R(x) \rightarrow \neg Q(x)]$	P
{2} 3.	$R(y) \rightarrow \neg Q(y)$	US
4.	$R(y)$	pl assumed
{3,4} 5.	$\neg Q(y)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$
{5} 6.	$P(y) \rightarrow Q(y)$	US
{5,6} 7.	$\neg P(y)$	T $P \rightarrow Q, \neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$

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{4,7} 8.  $R(y) \rightarrow \neg P(y)$  CP

{8} 9.  $(\forall x) [R(x) \rightarrow \neg P(x)]$  UG

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