

# EECS 1019/1090 – Predicate Logic - Informal Understanding & Proofs Practice

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Not to be handed in.

The oracle game is simply

- Prove  $\exists x$ : Let  $x$  be ... I must construct it.
- Prove  $\forall y$ : Let  $y$  be arbitrary.
- Assume  $\exists x$ : Assume some oracle can give an object  $x$  to you and prove the statement about it.
- Assume  $\forall y$ : You can give any object  $y$  and the oracle will assure it is true for that  $y$ .

I have not seen a single proof in the book - even the proofs by contradiction that I don't think are better when proved this way.

Challenge: Find me a proof in the book that you like better. And I find the book proves things this way and that and writes it this way and that.

I think this makes the students job of understanding harder than simply following my system.

My recommendation is that you don't fight purple table or the oracle game.

1. Multiple Choice. Which sentence relates best to the given English?

- (a) Some: a)  $\forall x$  I-can-have( $x$ ); b) **(Ans)**  $\exists x$  I-can-have( $x$ ); c) other
- (b) Can I have anything I want? a) **(Ans)**  $\forall x$  I-can-have( $x$ ); b)  $\exists x$  I-can-have( $x$ ); c) other
- (c) Is there anything that I can have? a)  $\forall x$  I-can-have( $x$ ); b) **(Ans)**  $\exists x$  I-can-have( $x$ ); c) other
- (d) Everyone is married: a) **(Ans)**  $\forall x \exists y$  loves( $x, y$ ); b)  $\exists y \forall x$  loves( $x, y$ ); c) other
- (e) Everyone loves her: a)  $\forall x \exists y$  loves( $x, y$ ); b) **(Ans)**  $\exists y \forall x$  loves( $x, y$ ); c) other
- (f) Every real has an inverse: a) **(Ans)**  $\forall x \exists y$ ; b)  $\exists y \forall x$ ; c) other
- (g) Every Hindu has God: a) **(Ans)**  $\forall x \exists y$ ; b)  $\exists y \forall x$ ; c) other
- (h) Every Christian has God: a)  $\forall x \exists y$ ; b) **(Ans)**  $\exists y \forall x$ ; c) other
- (i) Only Jeff would: a) **(Ans)**  $would(\text{Jeff}) \wedge \forall x \neq \text{Jeff} \neg would(x)$ ; b)  $would(\text{Jeff}) \wedge \exists x \neq \text{Jeff} \neg would(x)$ ; c)  $would(\text{Jeff}) \vee \forall x \neq \text{Jeff} \neg would(x)$ ; d) other
- (j) Jeff is not alone in that: a)  $would(\text{Jeff}) \wedge \forall x \neq \text{Jeff} \neg would(x)$ ; b)  $would(\text{Jeff}) \wedge \exists x \neq \text{Jeff} \neg would(x)$ ; c) **(Ans)**  $would(\text{Jeff}) \wedge \exists x \neq \text{Jeff} would(x)$ ; d) other
- (k) Would Jeff or anybody do the dishes: a)  $would(\text{Jeff}) \wedge \forall x \neq \text{Jeff} \neg would(x)$ ; b)  $would(\text{Jeff}) \vee \forall x \neq \text{Jeff} would(x)$ ; c)  $would(\text{Jeff}) \vee \exists x \neq \text{Jeff} would(x)$ ; d)  $\exists x would(x)$ ; e) **(Ans)** c & d

2. For each prove whether true or not when each variable is a real value. Be sure to play the correct game as to who is providing what value.

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| a) $\forall x \exists y x + y = 5$   | b) $\exists y \forall x x + y = 5$  |
| c) $\forall x \exists y x \cdot y = 5$   | d) $\exists y \forall x x \cdot y = 5$                                      |
| e) $\forall x \exists y x \cdot y = 0$   | f) $\exists y \forall x x \cdot y = 0$                                      |
| g) $\forall y, \exists x, y = 2x + 1$  | h) Same statement as (g) except over integers.                              |
| i) $\exists x, \forall y, y + x > y$   | j) $\exists x, \forall y, y + x > 2y$                                       |
| k) $\forall a \exists y \forall x x \cdot (y + a) = 0$   | l) $\exists a \forall x \exists y [x = a \text{ or } x \cdot y = 5]$        |
| m) $\forall x \exists y x + 2xy + 7y \neq 0$ . Hint: First try $y = 0$ and eliminate cases for $x$ . |   |
| n) $\forall x, \exists y, y = x^2$   | o) $\forall y, \exists x, y = x^2$  |
| p) $[\forall x \exists y P(x, y)] \Rightarrow [\exists y \forall x P(x, y)]$                         | q) $[\forall x \exists y P(x, y)] \Leftarrow [\exists y \forall x P(x, y)]$ |

• Answer:

- (a)  $\forall x \exists y x + y = 5$  is true. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary real value. Let  $y = 5 - x$ . Then  $x + y = 5$ .
- (b)  $\exists y \forall x x + y = 5$  is false. Let  $y$  be an arbitrary real value. Let  $x = 6 - y$ . Then  $x + y \neq 5$ .
- (c)  $\forall x \exists y x \cdot y = 5$  is false. We prove that its negation  $\exists x \forall y x \cdot y \neq 5$  is true. Let  $x = 0$ . Let  $y$  be arbitrary. Then  $x \cdot y = 0 \cdot y = 0 \neq 5$ .

- (d)  $\exists y \forall x x \cdot y = 5$  is false. We prove that its negation  $\forall y \exists x x \cdot y \neq 5$  is true. Let  $y$  be arbitrary. Let  $x = 0$ . Then  $x \cdot y = 0 \cdot y = 0 \neq 5$ .
- (e)  $\forall x \exists y x \cdot y = 0$  is true. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary real value. Let  $y = 0$ . Then  $x \cdot y = x \cdot 0 = 0$ .
- (f)  $\exists y \forall x x \cdot y = 0$  is true. Let  $y = 0$ . Let  $x$  be an arbitrary real value. Then  $x \cdot y = x \cdot 0 = 0$ .
- (g)  $\forall y, \exists x, y = 2x + 1$  is true over the reals. Let  $y$  be arbitrary. Let  $x$  be  $\frac{1}{2}(y - 1)$ . Then  $2x + 1 = 2[\frac{1}{2}(y - 1)] + 1 = y$ .
- (h)  $\forall y, \exists x, y = 2x + 1$  is false over the integers. We prove that its negation  $\exists y \forall x (y - 2x \neq 1)$  is true. Let  $y = 0$ . Let  $x$  be an arbitrary integer. Note that  $y - 2x$  is even but 1 is odd and hence they are not equal.
- (i)  $\exists x, \forall y, y + x > y$  is true. Let  $x$  be 1. Let  $y$  be arbitrary. Then  $y + x = y + 1 > y$ .
- (j)  $\exists x, \forall y, y + x > 2y$  is false. We prove the negation  $\forall x, \exists y, y + x \leq 2y$ . Let  $x$  be arbitrary. Let  $y$  be  $x$ . Then  $y + x = x + x = 2y$ .
- (k)  $\forall a \exists y \forall x x \cdot (y + a) = 0$  is true. Let  $a = 0$  be an arbitrary real value. Let  $y = -a$ . Let  $x$  be an arbitrary real value. Then  $x \cdot (y + a) = x \cdot ((-a) + a) = x \cdot 0 = 0$ .
- (l)  $\exists a \forall x \exists y [x = a \text{ or } x \cdot y = 5]$  is true. Let  $a = 0$ . Let  $x$  be an arbitrary real value. If  $x \neq 0$ , let  $y = \frac{1}{x}$ . Otherwise, let  $y = 5$ . Either way  $[x = a \text{ or } x \cdot y = 5]$  is true.
- (m)  $\forall x \exists y x + 2xy + 7y \neq 0$  is true. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary real value. If  $x \neq 0$ , let  $y = 0$ . In this case,  $x + 2xy + 7y = x + 2x \cdot 0 + 7 \cdot 0 = x \neq 0$ . If  $x = 0$ , let  $y = 1$ . In this case,  $x + 2xy + 7y = 0 + 2 \cdot 0 \cdot 1 + 7 \cdot 1 = 7 \neq 0$ .
- (n)  $\forall x, \exists y, y = x^2$  is true. Let  $x$  be arbitrary. Let  $y$  be  $x^2$ . Well that was easy.
- (o)  $\forall y, \exists x, y = x^2$  is false. We prove the negation  $\exists y, \forall x, y \neq x^2$ . Let  $y$  be  $-1$ . Let  $x$  be arbitrary. Whether  $x$  is positive or negative, we have that  $x^2$  is positive and hence can't be  $y = -1$ .
- (p)  $[\forall x \exists y P(x, y)] \Rightarrow [\exists y \forall x P(x, y)]$  is false. Let  $P(x, y) = [x + y = 5]$ . Then as seen above the first is true and the second is false.
- (q)  $[\forall x \exists y P(x, y)] \Leftarrow [\exists y \forall x P(x, y)]$  is true. Assume the right is true. Let  $y_0$  be the that for which  $[\forall x P(x, y_0)]$  is true. We prove the left as follows. Let  $x$  be an arbitrary real value and let  $y = y_0$ . Then  $P(x, y_0)$  is true.

### 3. Quantifiers over the reals.

- (a) What does the sentence  $\forall x \exists y [x \times y = 1]$  mean?  
 Do NOT say “For all  $x$ , there is a  $y, \dots$  — Zero marks.  
 Instead, what property does it attribute to real values  $x$ ?  
 Is the statement true?  
 If not what is a counter example?  
 Are there more than one counter examples?
- Answer: It says that every real value  $x$  has a multiplicative inverse  $\frac{1}{x}$ .  
 It is not true because it is not true for the single counter example  $x = 0$ .
- (b) What does the sentence  $\exists a \forall x \exists y [[x = a] \vee [x \times y = 1]]$  say about the real values  $a$ ?  
 Is it true? If so, what is  $a$ ?  
 Hint: The OR/ $\vee$  part may be particularly confusing. Ignore it.  
 Guess. What key role do you think  $a$  will play in the discussion we are having?
- Answer: It is true. It says that every real value  $x$  has a multiplicative inverse except for the one counter example  $a = 0$ .
- (c) Prove that the sentence is true under the reals:  
 $\exists a \forall x \exists y [[x = a] \vee [x \times y = 1]]$   
 Don't panic. Just play the game. Who gives which objects and in what order?  
 Hint: There will be two cases. Say “If case  $\dots$ , then  $\dots$ , else,  $\dots$ ”.  
 Hint: Use the notation  $c_{\vee}$  and  $c_{\exists}$ .  
 Hint: If you don't know which object to give, I personally like the object 5.

- Answer: Prove  $\exists a \forall x \exists y [[x=a] \vee [x \times y=1]]$   
 Let  $a_{\exists} = 0$  (constructed by the prover)  
 Let  $x_{\forall}$  be an arbitrary real number (given to us by the adversary)  
 If  $x_{\forall} \neq 0$ , then let  $y_{\exists} = \frac{1}{x_{\forall}}$   
 Else let  $y_{\exists} = 5$  (a fine number constructed by the prover)  
 Now we need to verify  $[[x_{\forall}=a_{\exists}] \vee [x_{\forall} \times y_{\exists}=1]]$   
 If  $x_{\forall} \neq 0$ , then  $x_{\forall} \times y_{\exists} = x_{\forall} \times \frac{1}{x_{\forall}} = 1$   
 Else  $x_{\forall} = 0 = a_{\exists}$   
 Either way the OR is true.  
 Prover can always win. Hence, the statement is true.  
 “Every real value  $x$  has a multiplicative inverse except for the one counter example  $a = 0$ .”

4. Define  $Even(x) \equiv [\exists k, x = 2k]$ . Prove  $\forall x, [Even(x) \rightarrow Even(x + 2)]$

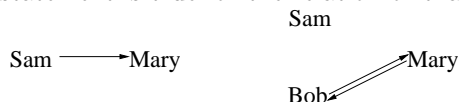
- Answer:

- 1) Let  $x$  be arbitrary.
- 2) Deduction Goal:  $Even(x) \rightarrow Even(x + 2)$
- 3)  $Even(x)$  Assumption/Premise
- 4)  $\exists k, x = 2k$  Definition
- 5)  $x = 2k_{\exists}$  That assumed to exist in 4
- 6) Let  $k'_{\exists} = k_{\exists} + 1$
- 7)  $(x + 2) = 2k_{\exists} + 2 = 2(k_{\exists} + 1) = 2k'_{\exists}$
- 8)  $Even(x + 2)$  Definition
- 9)  $Even(x) \rightarrow Even(x + 2)$  Conclude deduction.

5. Let  $Loves(b, g)$  denote that boy  $b$  loves girl  $g$ . If Sam loves Mary and Mary does not love Sam back, then we say that “Sam loves in vain.”

- Express the following statements using universal and existential quantifiers. Move any negations to the right.
  - “Sam has loved in vain.”
  - “There is a boy who has loved in vain.”
  - “Every boy has loved in vain.”
  - “No boy has loved in vain.”

(b) For each of the above statements and each of the two relations below either prove that the statement is true for the relation or that it is false.



(c) Use  $Loves(p_1, p_2, t)$  to add in the time at which it is occurring. Express the statement “Everyone has loved in vain at some point.”

- Answer:  $\forall p_1 \exists p_2 \exists t Loves(p_1, p_2, t)$  and not  $Loves(p_2, p_1, t)$

(d) Sketch how the game would go to prove this statement.

- Answer: The adversary supplies  $p_1$ . I supply  $p_2$  and  $t$ . Then I prove  $Loves(p_1, p_2, t)$  and not  $Loves(p_2, p_1, t)$ .

6. Here is a question the book proved by contradiction. Jeff NOT does like proof by contradiction because it turns things around unnecessarily. Also it is not constructive.

You are now to prove it using the prover adversary game.

Prove that every set  $S = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  of numbers contains a number that is at least the average of the numbers, namely

$\forall \text{ sets } S, \exists x \in S, x \geq a_{avg}$ .

Hint: Let  $a_{avg} = \frac{1}{n}[a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n]$  denote the average.

Hint: Let  $a_{max}$  denote the maximum in the set, i.e., that which is at least as big as each of the  $a_i$ .

Hint: Just play the game. There are three clear lines in the proof. What are they?

4 sentences

• Answer:

1) Let  $S$  be an arbitrary set of values.

2) Let  $x$  be  $a_{max}$ , its maximum value.

3)  $a_{avg} = \frac{1}{n}[a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n] \leq \frac{1}{n}[a_{max} + a_{max} + \dots + a_{max}] = \frac{1}{n} \times n \times a_{max} = a_{max}$

Since the prover wins, it must be true.

7. Minimum Value (Forall Exists Game): Let  $S^+ = \{x \in \text{Reals} \mid x > 0\}$  denote the set of positive reals.

(a) Which is true about the minimum value in  $S^+$ ?

i. It is like 0.00001 but has an infinite description.

ii. It is zero.

iii. **(Ans)** It does not exist.

iv. It is 1.

(b) Which of these say something different?

i.  $\exists x \in S^+, \forall y \in S^+, x \leq y$ .

ii. **(Ans)**  $\forall x \in S^+, \exists y \in S^+, y < x$ .

iii.  $x$  is the minimum in  $S^+$ .

iv.  $x$  is in  $S^+$  and other values in  $S^+$  are bigger.

v. They all say the same thing.

(c) Let  $S^+ = \{x \in \text{Reals} \mid x > 0\}$  denote the set of positive reals. Explain what the following means and give a game proof of it:  $\forall x \in S^+, \exists y \in S^+, y < x$ .

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• Answer: Each  $x$  fails to be the minimum in  $S^+$  because there is a  $y$  in  $S^+$  that is smaller. Hence, the set  $S^+$  has no minimum  $x$ .

Proof:

– Let  $x$  be an arbitrary value in  $S^+$ .

– Let  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$ ,

– Note  $y \in S^+$  and  $y < x$ .

– Hence  $x$  (and all values) is not the minimum value in  $S^+$ .

8. Let  $A$  denote the sentence  $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$  and let  $B$  denote  $\exists y \forall x \neg P(x, y)$ .

Our goal is to either construct a  $P$  for which both are true,

or to prove that for every evaluation of the relation  $P$ , they can't both be true.

(a) As one does for “proof by contradiction”, let's start by assuming that  $A$ , i.e.,  $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$  is true. Let's determine what this says about  $P$ .

Assume that you have an oracle  $A$  that assures you that it is true.

Remember Jeff's oracle game.

- What are you allowed to give her? What then does she assure?

- What will she give you? What then does she assure?

Use the notation  $c_{\langle A, \forall \rangle}$  and  $c_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}$ .

• Answer: With  $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$ , she is assuring  $\exists x$ . Hence, she gives you such an object, which we will denote  $x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}$  for which she assures  $\forall y P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y)$ . Now she is assuring  $\forall y$ . Hence, you can give her any object, which we will denote  $y_{\langle A, \forall \rangle}$  for which she assures  $P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle A, \forall \rangle})$ .

(b) Fill in as much of the first table that you know.

In the first row and column, put in the names of the objects  $c_{\langle A, \forall \rangle} / c_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}$  that you know.

• Answer:

A	$x_1$		$x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}$	
$y_1$			T	
			T	
$y_{\langle A, \forall \rangle} = y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle}$			T	
			T	

B	$x_1$		$x_{\langle B, \forall \rangle} = x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}$	
$y_1$				
$y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle}$	F	F	F	F

(c) Now assume that you have an oracle  $B$  that assures you that  $\exists y \forall x \neg P(x, y)$  is true.

Repeat the previous two questions. Use the second table this time.

- Answer: With  $\exists y \forall x \neg P(x, y)$ , she is assuring  $\exists y$ . Hence, she gives you such an object, which we will denote  $y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle}$  for which she assures  $\forall x \neg P(x, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$ . Now she is assuring  $\forall x$ . Hence, you can give her any object, which we will denote  $x_{\langle B, \forall \rangle}$  for which she assures  $\neg P(x_{\langle B, \forall \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$ .

(d) Can both of these statements be true at the same time? Yes or No?

If Yes, your tables should be showing such an example.

If No, reveal to us a contradiction.

Use the oracles again. Give and receive objects from them, until oracle A assures us of some fact and oracle B assures us of a different fact and these contradict each other, i.e.,  $\beta \wedge \neg \beta$ .

- Answer: No. They cannot both be true.  
By way of contradiction assume that both are true.  
We begin with the first half of each of the previous games.  
Oracle A gives you  $x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}$  and Oracle B gives you  $y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle}$ .  
Oracle A is assuring that  $\forall y P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y)$ . Hence, you can give her any object  $y_{\langle A, \forall \rangle}$ . You give her  $y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle}$ . She then assures  $P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$ .  
Oracle B is assuring that  $\forall x \neg P(x, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$ . Hence, you can give her any object  $x_{\langle B, \forall \rangle}$ . You give her  $x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}$ . She then assures  $\neg P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$ .  
These  $P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$  and  $\neg P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$  contradict each other.  
Hence, the sentence  $[\exists x \forall y P(x, y)] \wedge [\exists y \forall x \neg P(x, y)]$  can never be true.

(e) Redo your previous proof more formally without mention of oracles.

- Answer: No. They cannot both be true.

0) Proof by contradiction goal:  $\neg(A \wedge B)$

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| 1) $A \wedge B$  | assumption/premise                             |
| 2) $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$   | Separating And (1)                             |
| 3) $\exists y \forall x \neg P(x, y)$  |  |
| 4) $\forall y P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y)$  | Names the value of $x$ claimed to exist in (2) |
| 5) $\forall x \neg P(x, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$   | Names the value of $y$ claimed to exist in (3) |
| 6) $P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$   | (4) true forall $y$ so true for this one       |
| 7) $\neg P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$  | (5) true forall $x$ so true for this one       |
| 8) $P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle}) \wedge \neg P(x_{\langle A, \exists \rangle}, y_{\langle B, \exists \rangle})$ | Build And (6) & (7)                            |
| 9) Contradiction   | Excluded Middle (8)                            |
| 10) By way of contradiction, they cannot both be true.   |  |

9. A computational problem is a function  $P$  from inputs  $I$  to required output  $P(I)$ . An algorithm is a function  $A$  from inputs  $I$  to actual output  $A(I)$ .

(a) Use universal and existential quantifiers to express the following (in standard form).

i.  $A$  computes  $P$

- Answer:  $\forall I A(I) = P(I)$

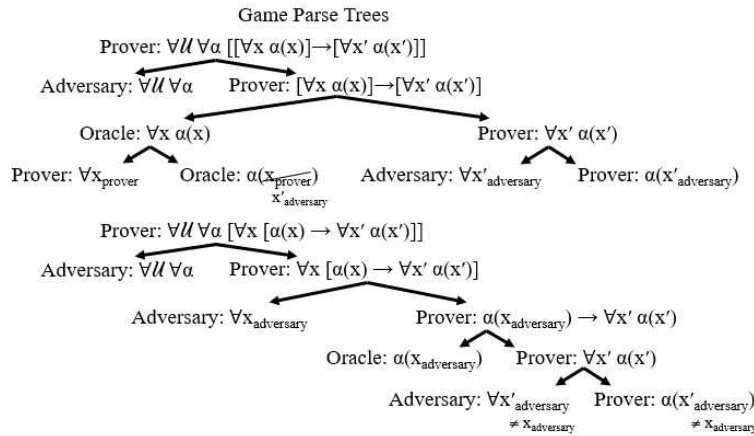
- ii.  $A$  does not compute  $P$ 
    - Answer:  $\exists I A(I) \neq P(I)$
  - iii.  $P$  is computable
    - Answer:  $\exists A \forall I A(I) = P(I)$
  - iv.  $P$  is not computable
    - Answer:  $\forall A \exists I A(I) \neq P(I)$
- (b) How does the adversarial game proceed to prove that  $P$  is not computable?
- Answer: The adversary gives you an algorithm  $A$  that he claims solves the problem. You as the prover give an input  $I$  that you think is hard for his algorithm. You prove that his program does not work for your input, i.e.  $A(I) \neq P(I)$ .
- (c)  $P$  is computable
- Answer: You as the prover give an algorithm  $A$  that you claim solves the problem. The adversary gives you an input  $I$  that he thinks is hard for your algorithm. You prove that your program works for this input, i.e.  $A(I) = P(I)$ .
- (d) The computational problem  $HALT$  is an uncomputable problem. (It asks if  $I$ , when viewed as a program, halts on input 0.) Prove the following true or false  $\forall I \exists A A(I) = HALT(I)$ .
- Answer: It is true. Consider any input  $I$ .  $I$  is some fixed string.  $HALT(I)$  has some fixed output. Let  $A$  be the algorithm that does not look at the input but simply outputs the answer  $HALT(I)$ . This algorithm gives the correct answer on input  $I$ .
10. A computational problem is a function  $P$  from inputs  $I$  to required output  $P(I)$ . An algorithm is a function  $A$  from inputs  $I$  to actual output  $A(I)$ .  $Time(A, I)$  gives the running time for algorithm  $A$  on input  $I$ . Use universal and existential quantifiers (in standard form) to express the following. How does the prover-adversary game proceed to prove this statement.
- (a)  $P$  is computable in time  $3n^2$ .
- Answer:  $\exists A \forall I [A(I) = P(I) \text{ and } Time(A, I) \leq 3|I|^2]$
- (b)  $P$  is computable in polynomial time.
- Answer:  $\exists c \exists A \forall I [A(I) = P(I) \text{ and } Time(A, I) \leq |I|^c]$   
The prover provides a  $c$  and an algorithm  $A$ . The adversary provides an input  $I$ . The prover wins if  $A$  give the correct answer and runs takes at most time  $|I|^c$ .
- (c)  $P$  is not computable in polynomial time.
- Answer:  $\forall c \forall A \exists I [A(I) \neq P(I) \text{ or } Time(A, I) > |I|^c]$   
The adversary provides a  $c$  and an algorithm  $A$ . You must find an input  $I$  for which either  $A$  give the wrong answer or runs slower than  $|I|^c$ .
- (d) Let  $P$  be the Halting problem. Note it is uncomputable. Argue whether or not the following is true.  $\exists I \forall A A(I) \neq HALTING(I)$
- Answer: It is not true. We argued in class that the complement  $\forall I \exists A A(I) = HALTING(I)$  is true. The reason is that the algorithm that always says “Yes” solves the problem for  $I$  if  $P(I) = \text{“Yes”}$ . Otherwise, the algorithm that always says “No” solves it.
- (e) Use universal and existential quantifiers to express the following. The computational class “Exponential Time” is strictly bigger than the computational class “Polynomial Time,” i.e. something can be done in “Exponential Time” that cannot be done in “Polynomial Time.” (Be careful how you use  $c$  and  $n$ .)
- Answer:  $\exists P [\exists c > 0 \exists A \forall I A(I) = P(I) \text{ and } Time(A, I) \leq 2^{c|I|}] \text{ and } [\forall c \forall A \exists I A(I) \neq P(I) \text{ or } Time(A, I) > |I|^c]$

11. The formal definition of  $f(n) \in n^{\Theta(1)}$  is  $\exists c_1, c_2, n_0, \forall n \geq n_0, n^{c_1} \leq f(n) \leq n^{c_2}$ . Formally prove that if  $f(n)$  and  $g(n) \in n^{\Theta(1)}$ , then  $f(n) \cdot g(n) \in n^{\Theta(1)}$ . What is this class of functions called?

- Answer: These functions are polynomials.  
 It includes  $f(n) = n^2 \log n$  because it is bounded between  $n^2$  and  $n^3$ .  
 Because  $f(n)$  and  $g(n) \in n^{\Theta(1)}$ , we know that  
 $\exists c_{(f,1)}, c_{(f,2)}, n_{(f,0)}, \forall n \geq n_{(f,0)}, n^{c_{(f,1)}} \leq f(n) \leq n^{c_{(f,2)}}$   
 $\exists c_{(g,1)}, c_{(g,2)}, n_{(g,0)}, \forall n \geq n_{(g,0)}, n^{c_{(g,1)}} \leq g(n) \leq n^{c_{(g,2)}}$   
 Consider some such constants  $c_{(f,1)}, c_{(f,2)}, n_{(f,0)}, c_{(g,1)}, c_{(g,2)}$ , and  $n_{(g,0)}$ .  
 Our goal is to now prove  $f(n) \cdot g(n) \in n^{\Theta(1)}$ , i.e.  
 $\exists c_1, c_2, n_0, \forall n \geq n_0, n^{c_1} \leq f(n) \cdot g(n) \leq n^{c_2}$ .  
 Let  $c_1 = c_{(f,1)} + c_{(g,1)}, c_2 = c_{(f,2)} + c_{(g,2)}$ , and  $n_0 = \max(n_{(f,0)}, n_{(g,0)})$ .  
 Let  $n$  any value (given by an adversary) such that  $n \geq n_0 = \max(n_{(f,0)}, n_{(g,0)})$ .  
 Because  $n \geq n_{(f,0)}$ , we have that  $n^{c_{f,1}} \leq f(n) \leq n^{c_{f,2}}$   
 Because  $n \geq n_{(g,0)}$ , we have that  $n^{c_{g,1}} \leq g(n) \leq n^{c_{g,2}}$   
 Because these are all positive, we can multiply the above two lines together giving  
 $n^{c_1} = n^{c_{(f,1)}} \cdot n^{c_{(g,1)}} \leq f(n) \cdot g(n) \leq n^{c_{(f,2)}} \cdot n^{c_{(g,2)}} = n^{c_2}$ .

12. Building the parse tree for  $[\forall x \alpha(x)] \rightarrow [\forall x' \alpha(x')]$  and for  $\forall x [\alpha(x) \rightarrow \forall x' \alpha(x')]$ . Play the proof game for each.

- Answer:



- For each of the following either play the logic game to prove the statement is true or find a counter example, i.e. a table  $\alpha(x, y)$  in which the left hand side is true and the right hand side is false.
  - $\forall x \alpha(x) \rightarrow \exists y \alpha(y)$
  - $\exists y \alpha(y) \rightarrow \forall x \alpha(x)$
  - $\exists y \forall x \alpha(x, y) \rightarrow \exists y' \alpha(y', y')$
  - $\forall x \exists y \alpha(x, y) \rightarrow \exists y' \alpha(y', y')$
  - $\forall y \alpha(y, y) \rightarrow \forall x' \exists y' \alpha(x', y')$

– Answer:

- The oracle assures the prover that  $\forall x \alpha(x)$  is true. In order to prove  $\exists y \alpha(y)$ , the prover must produce some value of  $y_{prover}$  for which  $\alpha(y_{prover})$  is true. In this case, he can let  $y_{prover}$  be anything he wants. His oracle assuring  $\forall x \alpha(x)$ , lets the prover provide any value of  $x_{prover}$  that he wants and she will assure him of  $\alpha(x_{prover})$  for this value. In this case, the prover provides his  $y_{prover}$ . The oracle assures that  $\alpha(y_{prover})$  is true for this value. This completes the prover's game.
- This statement is false when  $\alpha(0)$  is true and  $\alpha(1)$  is false, because this makes  $\exists y \alpha(y)$  true and  $\forall x \alpha(x)$  false.

(c) The oracle assures the prover that  $\exists y \forall x \alpha(x, y)$  is true. In order to prove  $\exists y' \alpha(y', y')$ , the prover needs to find a value  $y'_{prover}$  for which  $\alpha$  is true on this diagonal. His oracle assuring  $\exists y \forall x \alpha(x, y)$  gives the prover a value  $y_{oracle}$  for which  $\forall x \alpha(x, y_{oracle})$  is true. Assuring him of  $\forall x \alpha(x, y_{oracle})$ , the oracle allows the prover to give her his favorite  $x_{prover}$  and she will assure  $\alpha(x_{prover}, y_{oracle})$  for this value. He gives her for  $x_{prover}$  this same value  $y_{oracle}$ , i.e.  $x_{prover} = y_{oracle}$ . Hence, what she assures him of is  $\alpha(y_{oracle}, y_{oracle})$  is true. In order to prove  $\exists y' \alpha(y', y')$ , the prover sets  $y'_{prover}$  to be this value  $y_{oracle}$ ,  $y'_{prover} = y_{oracle}$  giving him as needed that  $\alpha(y'_{prover}, y'_{prover})$ . This completes the prover's game.

(d) This is not true for the following  $\alpha$ .

$\alpha$	$x = 0$	1	2	3
$y = 0$	F	T	T	T
1	T	F		
2			F	
3				F

Note that  $\forall x \exists y \alpha(x, y)$  is true because each column (value of  $x$ ) has a row (value of  $y$ ) for which  $\alpha$  is true. Note that  $\exists y' \alpha(y', y')$  is not true because every diagonal is false.

(e) The oracle assures the prover that  $\forall y \alpha(y, y)$  is true. In order to prove  $\forall x' \exists y' \alpha(x', y')$ , the prover gets from his adversary a value for  $x'_{adversary}$  and he must prove  $\exists y' \alpha(x'_{adversary}, y')$  for this value. Because his oracle assures him of  $\forall y \alpha(y, y)$ , he can give this value  $y_{prover} = x'_{adversary}$  and she will assure him of  $\alpha(x'_{adversary}, x'_{adversary})$ . In order to prove  $\exists y' \alpha(x'_{adversary}, y')$ , he choose  $y'_{prover}$  to be  $x'_{adversary}$ . Because his oracle assures him of  $\alpha(x'_{adversary}, x'_{adversary})$  and  $y'_{prover} = x'_{adversary}$ , he knows that  $\alpha(x'_{adversary}, y'_{prover})$ . This completes his game.

– Answer:

(a) The following are fields: *Reals*; *Complex Numbers*; and *Rationals/Fractions*. The set of *Integers* is not because the multiplicative inverse of 2 is  $\frac{1}{2}$  which is not an integer. The *Invertible Square Matrices* is not because it is not multiplicatively commutative, i.e.  $M \times N$  might be different than  $N \times M$  because spinning an object 90 degrees along the  $z$  and then 90 degrees along the  $x$  results in a different orientating than doing them in the reverse order.

(b)  $3 \times 4 = (1+1+1) \times (1+1+1+1) = ((1+1)+1) \times (1+1+1+1) = (1+1) \times (1+1+1+1) + 1 \times (1+1+1+1) = 1 \times (1+1+1+1) + 1 \times (1+1+1+1) + 1 \times (1+1+1+1) = 1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1 = 12$ .

(c) To prove  $a \times 0 = 0$ , lets start in the middle with the distributive law,  $a \times (0+1) = (a \times 0) + (a \times 1)$ . The *LHS* =  $a \times (1) = a$  and the *RHS* =  $(a \times 0) + (a)$ . Adding  $-a$  to both sides gives *LHS* =  $a + (-a) = 0$  and the *RHS* =  $(a \times 0) + a + (-a) = a \times 0$ . This gives the result.

(d) If  $a = \frac{1}{0}$  is zero's multiplicative inverse, then by definition  $0 \times a = 1$ . Commutativity then gives  $a \times 0 = 1$ . But our last proof shows that  $a \times 0 = 0$ . This can be resolved by having  $1 = 0$ . But then by the  $\times$  identity  $\forall a \ a \times 0 = a$ . But again we just proved that  $a \times 0 = 0$ . This can be resolved by having  $a = 0$ , for all values  $a$ . This makes a fine field with one element 0.

Even if  $\infty$  is added to your set of objects, you better have  $\infty \times 0 = 0$ .

(e) In the integers mod 7, the multiplicative inverse of 3 is 5 because  $3 \times 5 = 15 = 7+7+1 =_{mod\ 7} 0+0+1 = 1$ .

The problem that arises with  $2 \times 3 = 6 =_{mod\ 6} 0$  is that if 2 has a multiplicative inverse  $\frac{1}{2}$ , then multiplying both sides by it gives that  $3 = 0$ .

• For which  $\alpha$  and  $f$  are the following true and for which is is false?

(a)  $(\forall y \alpha(y)) \rightarrow (\forall x \alpha(f(x)))$

(b)  $(\forall x \alpha(f(x))) \rightarrow (\forall y \alpha(y))$

(c) Answer the previous question knowing that  $\forall y' \exists x' \ y' = f(x')$ .

(d)  $(\exists x \alpha(f(x))) \rightarrow (\exists y \alpha(y))$



(e)  $(\forall x \alpha(f(x))) \rightarrow (\exists y \alpha(y))$

• Answer:

- (a) This is true for every  $\alpha$  and every  $f$ . The oracle assures the prover that  $\forall y \alpha(y)$  is true. The prover proves  $\forall x \alpha(f(x))$  by getting his adversary to give him a value for  $x_{adversary}$  and then proving  $\alpha(f(x_{adversary}))$  for this value. Because his oracle assures him  $\forall y \alpha(y)$ , the prover can give the value  $f(x_{adversary})$  to her for  $y_{prover}$  and she will assure  $\alpha(y_{prover})$  for his value, namely she assures him of  $\alpha(f(x_{adversary}))$  as needed. This completes his game.
- (b) This is not true when  $\forall x f(x)=0$  and  $\alpha(y)$  is true only for  $y=0$  because  $\forall x \alpha(f(x))$  is then true and  $\forall y \alpha(y)$  is false.  
The statement is only true when function  $f$  is *onto*, namely every value of  $y$  has some value of  $x$  for which  $y=f(x)$ , i.e.  $\forall y' \exists x' y' = f(x')$ .
- (c) The first oracle assures the prover that  $\forall y' \exists x' y' = f(x')$  is true and the second that  $\exists x \alpha(f(x))$  is true. In order to prove  $\forall y \alpha(y)$ , the prover gets from his adversary a value  $y_{adversary}$  and he must prove  $\alpha(y_{adversary})$  for this value. Because his first oracle assures him of  $\forall y' \exists x' y' = f(x')$ , he can give her this value  $y_{adversary}$  for  $y'_{prover}$  and she assures him of  $\exists x' y_{adversary} = f(x')$ . Assuring him of this, she gives him a value  $x'_{oracle}$  such that  $y_{adversary} = f(x'_{oracle})$ . Because his second oracle assures him of  $\forall x \alpha(f(x))$ , he can give her this value  $x'_{oracle}$  for  $x_{prover}$  and she assures him of  $\alpha(f(x'_{oracle}))$ . Because  $y_{adversary} = f(x'_{oracle})$ , he knows  $\alpha(y_{adversary})$  as needed. This completes his game.
- (d) This is true for every  $\alpha$  and every  $f$ . The oracle assures the prover that  $\exists x \alpha(f(x))$  is true. In order to prove  $\exists y \alpha(y)$ , the prover must construct a value for  $y_{prover}$  and prove  $\alpha(y_{prover})$  for this value. Because his oracle assures him of  $\exists x \alpha(f(x))$ , she gives him a value  $x_{oracle}$  for which  $\alpha(f(x_{oracle}))$  is true. The prover sets  $y_{prover}$  to be  $f(x_{oracle})$  which gives him  $\alpha(y_{prover})$  as needed. This completes his game.
- (e) Exercise ??1 proved  $\forall x \alpha(x) \rightarrow \exists y \alpha(y)$ . This is almost the same as  $(\forall x \alpha(f(x))) \rightarrow (\exists x \alpha(f(x)))$ . The last question proves  $(\exists x \alpha(f(x))) \rightarrow (\exists y \alpha(y))$ . Transitivity then gives us what we want.

13. For each either play the logic game to prove the statement is true or find a counter example, i.e. a tables  $\alpha(x)$  and  $\beta(x)$  in which the left hand side is true and the right hand side is false.

- (a)  $[\forall x (\alpha(x) \rightarrow \beta(x))] \rightarrow [\forall x \alpha(x) \rightarrow \forall x \beta(x)]$   
 (b)  $[\forall x \alpha(x) \rightarrow \forall x \beta(x)] \rightarrow [\forall x (\alpha(x) \rightarrow \beta(x))]$   
 (c)  $[\exists x(\alpha(x) \vee \beta(x))] \rightarrow [(\exists x\alpha(x)) \vee (\exists x\beta(x))]$   
 (d)  $[(\exists x\alpha(x)) \vee (\exists x\beta(x))] \rightarrow [\exists x(\alpha(x) \vee \beta(x))]$   
 (e)  $[\exists x(\alpha(x) \wedge \beta(x))] \rightarrow [(\exists x\alpha(x)) \wedge (\exists x\beta(x))]$   
 (f)  $[(\exists x\alpha(x)) \wedge (\exists x\beta(x))] \rightarrow [\exists x(\alpha(x) \wedge \beta(x))]$

14. A *Field* has a universe  $U$  of values, two operations:  $+$  and  $\times$ , and the following axioms.

**+ Identity:**  $\exists 0 \forall a a+0=a$

**$\times$  Identity:**  $\exists 1 \forall a a \times 1=a$

**Associative:**  $a+(b+c) = (a+b)+c$  and  $a \times (b \times c) = (a \times b) \times c$

**Commutative:**  $a+b = b+a$  and  $a \times b = b \times a$

**Distributive:**  $a \times (b+c) = (a \times b) + (a \times c)$

**+ Inverse:**  $\forall a \exists b a+b = 0$ , i.e.  $b=-a$

**$\times$  Inverse:**  $\forall a \neq 0 \exists b a \times b = 1$ , i.e.  $b = \frac{1}{a}$

- (a) Which of these are fields: *Reals; Complex Numbers; Rationals/Fractions; Integers; and Invertible Square Matrices?*
- (b) Let “3” be a short form notation for  $1+1+1$ . Prove from the above axioms that  $3 \times 4 = 12$ .

- (c) Does it follow from these axioms that  $a \times 0 = 0$ ? Warning: The proof is hard. Be sure not to use any facts about the reals that is not listed above. There is no rule that mentions both  $\times$  and 0. All rules are paired giving a symmetry between  $\langle +, 0 \rangle$  and  $\langle \times, 1 \rangle$  except the distributive law which tie the two together. The same symmetry ties  $a \times 0 = 0$  and  $a + 1 = 1$ . Clearly the later is not true. Hence, any proof of  $a \times 0 = 0$  must use the distributive law.
- (d) What goes wrong with these axioms if zero also has a multiplicative inverse?
- (e) The integers mod prime  $p$  form a field with only the objects  $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ . From the additional axiom that  $7 \equiv_{\text{mod } 7} 0$ , find the multiplicative inverse of 3.  
The integers mod 6 do not form a field.  $2 \times 3 \equiv_{\text{mod } 6} 0$  is called a *zero divisor*. What problems arise from this?

15. Define:

A: “Computational problem P is computable by a Java Program,” namely

$$\exists \text{ Java } M \forall \text{ ASCII } I \exists \text{ time } t \ P(I) = M(I) \text{ and } \text{Time}(M, I) = t$$

B: “The computational problem P treats inputs the same whether in binary or ASCII,” namely

$$\forall \text{ binary } I' \ P(I') = P(I) \text{ where } B(\text{binary}) = \text{ASCII} \text{ and } I = B(I')$$

C: “Java programs can be simulated by TM” and

“The TM takes the square of whatever time Java program takes,” namely

$$\begin{aligned} \forall \text{ Java } M \exists \text{ TM } M' \forall \text{ binary } I' \ M'(I') = M(I) \\ \text{where } M' = \text{Compile}_{\text{JAVA} \Rightarrow \text{TM}}(M) \\ \text{and } \forall t \ [\text{Time}(M, B(I')) = t \rightarrow \text{Time}(M', I') \leq t^2] \end{aligned}$$

Z: “Computational problem P is computable by a TM,” namely

$$\exists \text{ TM } M' \forall \text{ binary } I' \exists \text{ time } t' \ P(I') = M'(I') \text{ and } \text{Time}(M', I') = t'$$

Prove  $\langle A, B, C \rangle \rightarrow Z$

- (a) Using the prover/adversary/oracle game. Fancy parsing is not required. Prover Z and the three oracles A, B, and C each play their game by reading their statement left to right. These four games merge together. Focus on who gives whom what when.
- (b) Using our formal proof system.