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# Negation of universal conditionals

- $\sim$ ( $\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$ )  $\equiv \exists x \in D, \sim$ ( $P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$ )
- ~( $\forall x \in D, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$ ) =  $\exists x \in D, P(x) \land ~Q(x)$
- For all people x, if x is rich then x is happy
  There is one person who is rich and is not happy
  - There is one person who is rich but not happy

∀ and ∧
Given a predicate P(x) and values in the domain {x<sub>1</sub>, ..., x<sub>n</sub>}

• The universal quantification  $\forall x P(x)$  implies:

$$\mathsf{P}(\mathsf{x}_1) \land \mathsf{P}(\mathsf{x}_2) \land \ldots \land \mathsf{P}(\mathsf{x}_n)$$

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 $\exists$  and  $\lor$ 

- Given a predicate P(x) and values in the domain  $\{x_1,\,...,\,x_n\}$
- The existential quantification  $\exists x P(x)$  implies:

 $\mathsf{P}(x_1) \lor \mathsf{P}(x_2) \lor \ldots \lor \mathsf{P}(x_n)$ 

# Translate the statements: "All hummingbirds are richly colored" "No large birds live on honey" "Birds that do not live on honey are dull in color" "Hummingbirds are small" Assign our predicates Let P(x) be "x is a hummingbird" Let Q(x) be "x is large" Let R(x) be "x is richly colored" Let S(x) be "x is richly colored" Let our domain be all birds



# Restricted Quantifiers

- Arbitrary domain
- Universal
  - $\forall x \ \mathsf{P}(x) \to \mathsf{Q}(x) \text{ versus } \forall x \ \mathsf{P}(x) \land \mathsf{Q}(x)$
- Existential

   ∃x P(x) ∧ Q(x) versus ∃x P(x) → Q(x)
- There exists a red dragon
- $\exists x \operatorname{dragon}(x) \rightarrow \operatorname{red}(x)$
- What if x is human? or duck?
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#### Translating between English and quantifiers

- · The product of two negative integers is positive  $-\forall x \forall y (x < 0) \land (y < 0) \rightarrow (xy > 0)$
- · The average of two positive integers is positive  $- \forall x \forall y (x>0) \land (y>0) \rightarrow ((x+y)/2 > 0)$
- · The difference of two negative integers is not necessarily negative
- ∃x∃y (x<0) ∧ (y<0) ∧ (x-y≥0) · The absolute value of the sum of two integers does not exceed the sum of the absolute values of these integers
  - $\forall x \forall y | x+y | \le |x| + |y|$

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#### Translating between English and quantifiers

- $\exists x \forall y x + y = y$ - There exists an additive identity for all real numbers
- $\forall x \forall y ((x \ge 0) \land (y < 0)) \rightarrow (x y > 0)$ 
  - A non-negative number minus a negative number is greater than zero
- $\exists x \exists y ((x \le 0) \land (y \le 0)) \land (x y > 0)$ 
  - The difference between two non-positive numbers is not necessarily non-positive (i.e. can be positive)
- $\forall x \forall y ((x \neq 0) \land (y \neq 0)) \leftrightarrow (xy \neq 0)$ 
  - The product of two numbers is non-zero if and only if
- 1/31/17 both factors are non-zero

# Negating multiple quantifiers

- · Recall negation rules for single quantifiers:
  - $\sim (\forall x P(x)) \equiv \exists x \sim P(x)$
  - $\sim (\exists x P(x)) \equiv \forall x \sim P(x)$
  - Essentially, you change the quantifiers, and negate what it's quantifying
- · Examples:
  - $\sim (\forall x \exists y P(x,y))$ 
    - ≡ ∃x ~(∃y P(x,y))
       ≡ ∃x∀y ~P(x,y)

  - ~ $(\forall x \exists y \forall z P(x,y,z))$
  - ≡∃x ~(∃y∀z P(x,y,z))  $\equiv \exists x \forall y \sim (\forall z P(x,y,z))$
- <sub>1/31/17</sub> ≡∃x∀y∃z ~P(x,y,z)

# Negating multiple quantifiers 2

- Consider  $\sim (\forall x \exists y P(x,y)) \equiv \exists x \forall y \sim P(x,y)$ 
  - The left side is saying "for all x, there exists a y such that P is true'
  - To disprove it (negate it), you need to show that "there exists an x such that for all y, P is false"
- Consider ~ $(\exists x \forall y P(x,y)) \equiv \forall x \exists y ~P(x,y)$ 
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- 2.  $\sim (\forall x \exists y P(x,y)) \land \sim (\forall x \exists y Q(x,y))$
- 3.  $\exists x \sim (\exists y P(x,y)) \land \exists x \sim (\exists y Q(x,y))$
- 4.  $\exists x \forall y \sim P(x,y) \land \exists x \forall y \sim Q(x,y)$

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## Negation

- There is a secret agent who appeals to all women
- Negation?
- For every secret agent there is a woman he doesn't appeal to.
- Common mistake: There is a secret agent who doesn't appeal to all women

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## Vacuous Truth

- Presently, all men on the moon are happy.
- $\forall x \text{ OnTheMoon}(x) \rightarrow \text{Happy}(x)$
- There is no man on the moon presently.
- $\forall x \text{ OnTheMoonPresently}(x) \rightarrow \text{Happy}(x)$
- The statement is vacuously true.
- Presently, all men on the moon are dinosaurs.

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### **Universal Instantiation**

- ∀x ∈ D, P(x)
- x<sub>0</sub> ∈ D
- P(x<sub>0</sub>)
- Example:
- · All men are mortal.
- · Socrates is a man.
- · Socrates is mortal.

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Universal Modus Ponens  

$$p \qquad P(a)$$

$$\underline{p \rightarrow q} \qquad \forall x, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$$

$$\therefore q \qquad \therefore Q(a)$$

















