

ex3.

(i)  $(\exists x. \heartsuit(you, x)) \wedge (\exists y. \heartsuit(y, you))$

the scope of  $x$

the scope of  $y$

(ii)  $\exists x. \heartsuit(you, x) \wedge (\exists x. \heartsuit(x, you))$

(iii)  $\exists x. (\heartsuit(you, x) \wedge \heartsuit(x, you))$

the scope of  $x$

$\Rightarrow$  you are happy

(i)  $\equiv$  (ii)  $\not\equiv$  (iii)

# ⑨ Free & bound variables.

$$\forall n . A(n)$$

bound  
to  
 $A$

$$\forall n . A(n) \vee B(n)$$
$$\forall n . (\text{even}(n) \vee \text{odd}(n))$$

$$\forall n . A(n) \wedge ((x, y))$$

free

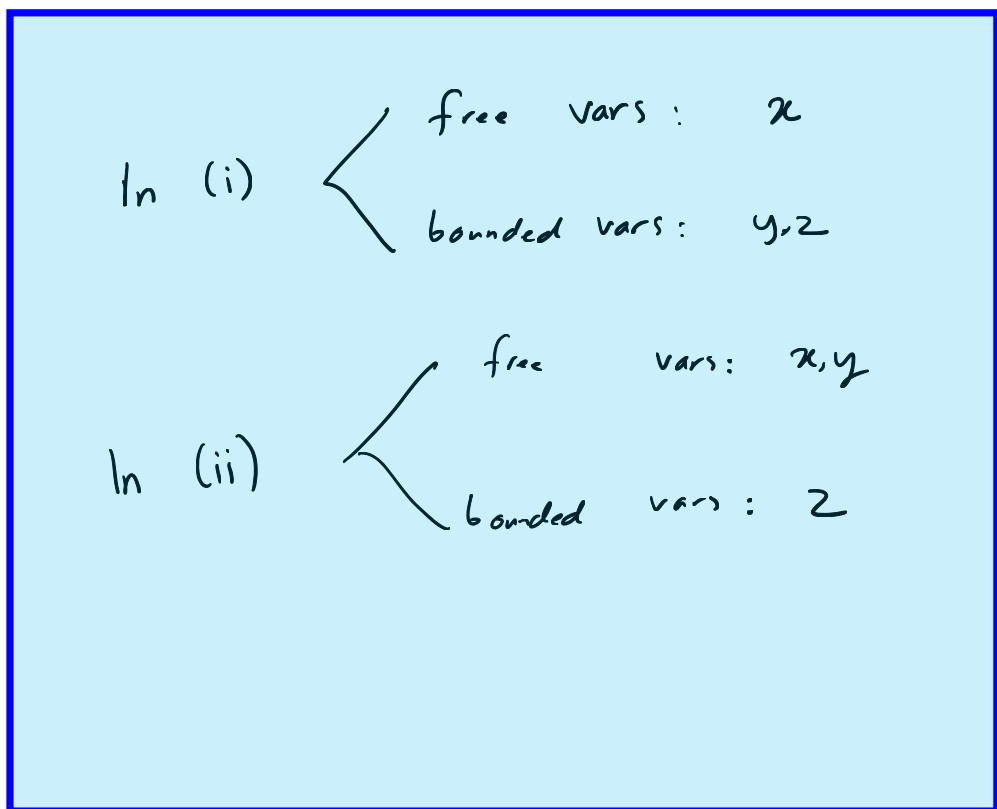
Ex.

$P(x,y) := x \text{ is a parent of } y$ .  
 $C(x,y) := x \text{ and } y \text{ are a couple.}$

Consider the following statements.

$$(i) \exists z P(x,z) \Rightarrow \exists y C(x,y)$$

$$(ii) \neg (C(x,y) \Rightarrow \exists z P(x,z) \wedge P(y,z))$$



Ex. In the statement "for every integer  $n$ ,

there is a prime number  $p$   
between  $n$  and  $2n$ "

$n$  is a bound variable and  
 $p$  is a free variable.

Formally,

$$\forall n \exists p (\text{Prime}(p) \wedge (n \leq p) \wedge (p \leq 2n))$$

Ex. In the statement

$$a > 0 \Rightarrow \exists b (a = b^2)$$

$a$  is free and  $b$  is bounded.

The statement

$$\forall x. A(x)$$

is not at all about  $x$ .

e.g.  $\forall x. \text{even}(x) \vee \text{odd}(x)$

says

every natural number

is either even or odd;

no reference to  $x$ .

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## Change of bound variables

(i)

$$\forall x \ (\text{even}(x) \vee \text{odd}(x)) \equiv$$

$$\forall y \ (\text{even}(y) \vee \text{odd}(y))$$

$$(ii) \ \forall y \ (x \leq y) \equiv \forall z \ (x \leq z)$$

  $z$  must be a fresh variable

e.g.

$$\forall y \ (x \leq y) \neq \forall x. \ (x \leq x)$$

$$(iii) \ \underbrace{\forall y \ (x \leq y)}_{\text{statement about } x} \neq \forall y \ (w \leq y)$$

  
statement  
about  $w$

 substitution  
(i.e. change)  
of a free variable  
by a fresh  
variable results  
in different  
formula.

$$P(x) \rightsquigarrow P(x)[w/n] \equiv P(w)$$

## Binding Priorities

Earlier in the course, we learned about the binding priorities of propositions:

$$(i) \neg \quad (ii) \wedge, \vee \quad (iii) \Rightarrow$$

Now, we add quantifier in between:

$$(i) \neg \quad (ii) \forall, \wedge \quad (iii) \wedge, \vee, \quad (iv) \Rightarrow$$

For instance, the expression  $\exists x. A(x) \wedge B(x)$  is parsed as  $(\exists x. A(x)) \wedge B(x)$ .

Example. Parse the following

expressions by inserting brackets  
following the binding convention:

$$\exists x D(x) \Rightarrow \forall y D(y)$$

Answers

$$(\exists x D(x)) \Rightarrow (\forall y D(y)) \quad (1)$$

which is different

from

$$\exists x (D(x) \Rightarrow \forall y D(y)) \quad (2)$$

(1) is true if the universe of discourse is empty whereas

(2) is false in that case

# How to prove a universally quantified statement

Recall that in order to prove  
that  $\sqrt{2}$  is not rational  
we used the lemma

$$\forall a \neq 0 \exists b (b \neq 0) \Rightarrow \neg(a^2 = 2b^2)$$

To prove the latter

we start by letting

$a, b$  to be arbitrary integers.

Here is how the proof of irrationality  
of  $\sqrt{2}$  goes:

Let  $a$  and  $b$  be  
arbitrary integers.

Suppose  $b \neq 0$ , and

suppose  $a^2 = 2b^2$

⋮

Contradiction.  $\square$

Here's the last proof presented  
in natural deduction.

$$\frac{}{b \neq 0} 1 \quad \frac{}{a^2 = 2b^2} 2$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots$$

$$\frac{\perp}{\neg(a^2 = 2b^2)} 2$$

$$\frac{b \neq 0 \Rightarrow \neg(a^2 = 2b^2)}{} 1$$

$$\frac{}{\sqrt{b} (b \neq 0 \Rightarrow \neg(a^2 = 2b^2))}$$

$$\frac{}{\sqrt{a} \sqrt{b} (b \neq 0 \Rightarrow \neg(a^2 = 2b^2))}$$

Intro rule for  $\forall$



$$\frac{A(x)}{\quad} (\forall \text{ intro})$$

$$\forall x . A(x)$$

⚠  $x$  should not be free  
in any hypothesis which  
has not been cancelled!

e.g.

Not allowed!

$$\frac{\overline{P(x)}^1 \quad n \text{ free in } P(x) \\ \vdots \\ Q(x)}{\forall x . a(x)}$$

Elim rule for  $\exists$

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$$\frac{\sqrt{x} \cdot A(x)}{A(t)} \quad (\exists\text{elim})$$

$t$ : an arbitrary term (?)

$$\frac{\forall x \exists y \ y > x}{\exists y \cdot y > y+1} \quad (x=y+1)$$

truth is not preserved!  
what did we do wrong?

Example. We construct a natural deduction proof of

$$\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow \forall x B(x) \Rightarrow \forall y (A(y) \wedge B(y))$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{}{\forall x A(x)} \quad 1 \\
 \frac{}{\forall x B(x)} \quad 2 \\
 \hline
 \frac{\frac{A(y)}{(\exists E)} \quad \frac{\frac{B(y)}{(\exists E)}}{\hline \quad (\wedge I)}}{\hline \quad A(y) \wedge B(y)} \\
 \hline
 \frac{\frac{A(y) \wedge B(y)}{(\wedge I)}}{\frac{\frac{\forall y (A(y) \wedge B(y))}{(\forall I)}}{\hline \quad \forall x B(x) \rightarrow \forall y (A(y) \wedge B(y))}} \\
 \hline
 \frac{\forall x A(x) \rightarrow \forall x B(x) \rightarrow \forall y (A(y) \wedge B(y))}{\forall x A(x) \rightarrow \forall y (A(y) \wedge B(y))}
 \end{array}$$

Ex. In a town there is a barber that shaves all and only the men who do not shave themselves. Show that this is a contradiction.

Define  $S(x,y) = x \text{ shaves } y$ .

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\sqrt{x. (S(b,x) \Leftrightarrow \neg S(x,x))}}{S(b,b)} \quad \frac{\sqrt{x. (S(b,x) \Leftrightarrow \neg S(x,x))}}{\neg S(b,b)} \\
 \frac{\frac{S(b,b)}{1} \quad \frac{\neg S(b,b)}{2}}{\perp} \quad \frac{\frac{\neg S(b,b)}{1} \quad \frac{\frac{\sqrt{x. (S(b,x) \Leftrightarrow \neg S(x,x))}}{S(b,b)} \Leftrightarrow \neg S(b,b)}}{\neg S(b,b)} \\
 \frac{\neg S(b,b) \vee \neg S(b,b)}{(LEM)} \quad \frac{\perp}{\perp} \quad \frac{\perp}{\perp} \quad 1
 \end{array}$$

Ex. Suppose  $E$  and  $O$  are predicates with one variable ranging over natural numbers. Suppose also that

(i)  $\forall n. (\neg E(n) \Rightarrow O(n))$

Prove that  $\forall n. O(n) \vee E(n)$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\neg \forall n. (\neg E(n) \rightarrow O(n))}{\neg \forall n. \neg E(n)} \quad 1} \\
 \frac{\neg E(n)}{O(n)} \quad 2}{\neg E(n) \rightarrow O(n)} \quad 3}{\forall n. O(n)} \quad 4}{O(n) \vee E(n)} \quad 5 \\
 \hline
 O(n) \vee E(n) \\
 \hline
 \frac{\forall n. O(n) \vee E(n)}{\forall n. O(n) \vee E(n)}
 \end{array}$$

$E(n) \vee \neg E(n)$

# Intro rule for $\exists$

$$\frac{A(t)}{\exists x A(x)}$$

Not quite correct!

$$\frac{\forall y (y=y)}{\exists x \forall y (y=x)}$$

Caveat. The term  $t$  in  $A(t)$   
should not clash with  
bound variables in  $A$ .

Elim rule for  $\exists$

$$\frac{\exists x \ A(x) \quad \overline{A(y)}^?}{B} \quad \vdots$$

Note:  $y$  should not  
be free in  $B$ .

Ex. Let's prove

$$\exists x (A(x) \vee B(x)) \Rightarrow \exists x A(x) \vee \exists x B(x)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{}{A(y)} \quad \frac{}{B(y)} \\ \hline \frac{\exists x A(x)}{\exists x (A(x) \vee B(x))} \quad \frac{\exists x B(x)}{\exists x (A(x) \vee B(x))} \\ \hline \frac{\exists x (A(x) \vee B(x))}{\exists x A(x) \vee \exists x B(x)} \end{array}$$

$$\exists x (A(x) \vee B(x)) \Rightarrow \exists x A(x) \vee \exists x B(x)$$

Recall  $\frac{\exists x P(x)}{Q}$

$\overline{P(y)} \uparrow$

What if the domain of quantification  
is empty ??

$P(x)$  : predicate with variable  
 $x$  ranging over  $X = \emptyset$ .

$\exists x. P(x)$  is  $\perp$  (false)

$\forall x. P(x)$  is  $T$  (true)

But, why ?.

$$\frac{\exists x. A(x)}{B}$$

$A(y)$

$\vdots$

$B$

this holds trivially for any  $y$

therefore,

$\frac{\exists x. A(x)}{B}$

similar to  $\frac{\perp}{B}$

Q. Can we derive

$$\frac{\forall x. A(x)}{\exists x. A(x)}$$

$$\frac{\forall x. A(x)}{\frac{A(y)}{\exists x. A(x)}}$$

Aristotle thought we can.

But what if the domain/universe of discourse  
of A is empty? We get

non-sense!

$$\frac{T}{\perp}$$

Most likely, Aristotle must have excluded  
empty universes of discourse.

Let's prove

$$(\exists x P(x) \Rightarrow Q) \Leftrightarrow \forall x (P(x) \Rightarrow Q)$$

$$\frac{\frac{(\exists x P(x) \Rightarrow Q)}{\frac{\frac{\overline{P(y)}}{P(y)}^2}{\exists y P(y)}}}{Q} (\Rightarrow E)$$

(2)

$$\frac{Q}{\forall x (P(x) \Rightarrow Q)}$$

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$$(\exists x P(x) \Rightarrow Q) \Rightarrow \forall x (P(x) \Rightarrow Q) \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\overline{P(x)}}{P(x)}^3}{\frac{\overline{P(x) \Rightarrow Q}}{P(x) \Rightarrow Q}}}{Q} (\Rightarrow E)$$

(3) ( $\exists E$ )

$$\frac{Q}{\exists x P(x) \Rightarrow Q} \quad (2)$$

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$$\forall x (P(x) \Rightarrow Q) \Rightarrow \exists x P(x) \Rightarrow Q$$

## Many Sorted Logic

So far, in each example we have considered our variables range over the same universe of discourse.

$\forall x \exists y \ x \leq y$  where  $x, y$  are integers.

$\exists x \forall y \ \heartsuit(y, x)$  where  $x, y$  are humans.

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Consider the following example from Euclidean geometry:

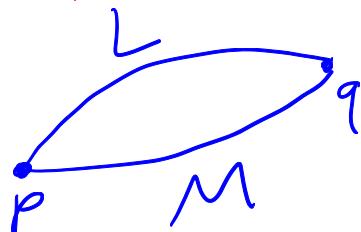
Suppose we want to say that for any two distinct points on the Euclidean plane there is a unique line which passes through them.

$$\forall p \forall q \forall L \forall M$$

$$(\text{Point}(p) \wedge \text{Point}(q) \wedge \text{Line}(L) \wedge \text{Line}(M) \wedge \text{On}(p, L) \wedge \text{On}(q, L) \wedge \text{On}(p, M) \wedge \text{On}(q, M))$$

$$\Rightarrow (p \neq q) \Rightarrow L = M$$

This is very  
tedious!



Instead, we introduce Sorts.

In the previous example,

Instead of writing

Point(p), Point(q), ... and

Line(L), Line(M), ... we

simply introduce two sorts

Point and Line.

When we write  $p: \text{Point}$

we mean Point(p)

When we write  $L: \text{Line}$

we mean Line(L).

$\forall p \forall q \forall L \forall M$

$(\text{Point}(p) \wedge \text{Point}(q) \wedge \text{Line}(L) \wedge \text{Line}(M)$   
 $\wedge \text{On}(p, L) \wedge \text{On}(q, L) \wedge \text{On}(p, M) \wedge \text{On}(q, M))$

$\Rightarrow (p \neq q) \Rightarrow L = M$

$\forall p, q : \text{Point} \quad \forall L, M : \text{Line}$

$\text{On}(p, L) \wedge \text{On}(q, L) \wedge \text{On}(p, M), \text{On}(q, M)$

$\Rightarrow (p \neq q) \Rightarrow L = M$

Using equality in logic we

can express statements like

(i) there are at least two elements  $x$  for which  $A(x)$  is true.

$$\exists x, y \ ( \neg(x=y) \wedge A(x) \wedge A(y) )$$

(ii) there are at most one element  $x$  for which  $A(x)$  is true.

$$\forall x, y \ (A(x) \wedge A(y) \Rightarrow x=y)$$

(iii) there are at most  $n$  elements  $x$  for which  $A(x)$  is true.

$$\sqrt{x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}} \ (A(x_1) \wedge \dots \wedge A(x_{n+1})) \Rightarrow$$

$$(x_1=x_2) \vee \dots \vee (x_1=x_{n+1})$$

$$\vee (x_2=x_3) \vee \dots \vee (x_2=x_{n+1})$$

$$\vee \dots \quad (x_n=x_{n+1})$$

# Special notation for unique existence

We denote the statement that  
there is a unique  $x$  such that  
 $A(x)$  is true by  $\exists!x A(x)$ .

Note that

$$\exists!x A(x) \equiv$$

$$(\exists x A(x)) \wedge (\forall x \forall y (A(y) \wedge A(y) \Rightarrow x=y))$$

$$\equiv$$

$$\exists x (A(x) \wedge \forall y (A(y) \Rightarrow x=y))$$

## Counterexamples

Given a formula of the form

$$\forall x. A(x)$$

a counterexample is a term  $t$

such that  $\neg A(t)$ .

Example. Find counterexamples

to the statements

below

(i) Every prime integer is odd.

(ii) Every integer has a prime factor.

(iii) Every perfect number is even.

$$6 = 1 + 2 + 3$$

A counterexample is a proof  
of  $\neg \forall x. A(x)$  because

$$\neg \forall x. A(x) \Leftrightarrow \exists x. \neg A(x)$$

is a tautology, Using the law of double negation.

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{}{\neg A(x)}^3 \\ \frac{}{\neg \exists x. \neg A(x)}^2 \quad \frac{}{\exists x. \neg A(x)} \\ \hline \frac{\perp}{\perp}^3 \\ \frac{}{\neg \neg A(x)} \\ \frac{}{A(x)} \\ \hline \frac{}{\forall x. A(x)} \\ \hline \frac{}{\neg \forall x. A(x)}^1 \\ \hline \frac{\perp}{\neg \neg \exists x. \neg A(x)}^2 \\ \hline \frac{}{\exists x. \neg A(x)} \\ \hline \frac{}{\neg \forall x. A(x) \Rightarrow \exists x. \neg A(x)} \end{array}$$

(DN)

Conversely,

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\exists x. \neg A(x)}{\neg \forall x. A(x)}_1}{\perp}_2}{\neg \forall x. A(x)}_3$$
$$\exists x. \neg A(x) \Rightarrow \neg \forall x. A(x)$$

Exercise. Prove the  
dual equivalence  
yourself.

Suppose variable  $x$  is not free in  $B$ .

We prove the equivalence

$$\exists x (A(x) \Rightarrow B) \Leftrightarrow (\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow B)$$

(1) First, let's prove  $\exists x (A(x) \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (\forall x A(x)) \Rightarrow B$

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\exists x (A(x) \Rightarrow B)}{1}}{A(y) \Rightarrow B}^3}{\frac{\frac{B}{\forall x A(x) \Rightarrow B}^2}{\forall x A(x)}}^2}{A(y)}^2}{\forall x A(x)}^3 \\ \hline \exists x (A(x) \Rightarrow B) \end{array}$$

Cor. (Drinker's paradox)

$$\exists x (D(x) \Rightarrow \forall x D(x)) \Leftarrow (\forall x D(x) \Rightarrow \forall x D(x))$$