

Assignment 2

1. Let $P(x)$ be the predicate " $\frac{x}{(x+2)^3} < 0$." Find the *truth set* of $P(x)$ if the domain of predicate variable x is the set of:
 - (a) real numbers $\mathbb{R}$, (b) positive real numbers $\mathbb{R}^+$, (c) integers $\mathbb{Z}$.
2. Let $Q(x, y)$ be the predicate "If $\frac{x}{y} < 1$ then $x^2 < y^2$ " with domain for both x and y being the set $\mathbb{R}$ of real numbers. Determine the truth value of $Q(x, y)$ when
 - (a) $x = -3, y = 1$, (b) $x = 3, y = 1$.
3. Let the set $\mathbb{Z}^+$ of all positive integers be the domain of the predicate variable x .
 - (a) Find the truth set for each predicate: " $\sqrt{x} > 2$ " and " $x^2 > 23$."
 - (b) Determine if the following statements (i) and (ii) are true or false. Give counterexamples for the statements that are false.
 - (i) $\sqrt{x} > 1 \Rightarrow x^2 > 23$, (ii) $\sqrt{x} > 2 \Leftrightarrow x^2 > 23$.
4. Let D be the set of all students who are in a math class, and for $s \in D$,

let $M(s)$ be " s is a math major,"
 let $C(s)$ be " s is a computer science student," and
 let $E(s)$ be " s is an engineering student."

Express each of the following statements using quantifiers, variables, and the predicates $M(s)$, $C(s)$, and $E(s)$.

 - (a) There is an engineering student who is a math major.
 - (b) Every computer science student is an engineering student.
 - (c) No computer science students are engineering students.
 - (d) Some computer science students are also math majors.
 - (e) Some computer science students are engineering students and some are not.
5. Write a negation for each statement.
 - (a) $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}$, if $(x - 1)(x + 1) > 0$, then $x > 1$ or $x < -1$.
 - (b) $\forall$ integers a, b and c , if $a - b$ is even and $b - c$ is even, then $a - c$ is even.
 - (c) The limit of a real-valued function $f(x)$ at point a is L , $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$, which is defined as

$$\forall \varepsilon \exists \delta \forall x (|x - a| < \delta \rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon),$$

where the domain for ε, δ, x is the set of real numbers. I.e. Find the negation of $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ (which is " $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq L$ ") in terms of multiple quantified statement.
6. The notation $\exists!$ stands for the words "there exists a unique." Thus, for instance, " $\exists! x$ such that x is prime and x is even" means that there is **one and only one** even prime number. Which of the following statements are true and which are false? Explain.
 - (a) $\exists!$ real number x such that $\forall$ real numbers y , $xy = y$.

- (b) $\exists!$ integer x such that $1/x$ is an integer.
- (c) $\forall$ real numbers x , $\exists!$ real number y such that $x + y < 0$.
7. Show that each of the following arguments is valid by **universal modus ponens** or **universal modus tollens**, or show that it is invalid from the **converse error** or the **inverse error**. In addition, use also the **diagram** to confirm that each argument is valid or invalid.
- (a) All honest people pay their taxes.
Darth is not honest.
 $\therefore$ Darth does not pay his taxes.
- (b) No vegetarians eat meat.
All vegans are vegetarian.
 $\therefore$ No vegans eat meat.