

Handout for 1.4 & 1.5

- Predicate logic uses the following new features:
 - Variables: x, y, z
 - Predicates: $P(x), M(x)$
 - Quantifiers
- *Propositional functions* are a generalization of propositions.
 - They contain variables and a predicate, e.g., $P(x)$
 - Variables can be replaced by elements from their *domain*.
 - Propositional functions become propositions (and have truth values) when their variables are each replaced by a value from the *domain* (or *bound* by a quantifier, as we will see later).
- We need *quantifiers* to express the meaning of English words including *all* and *some*
- The two most important quantifiers are:
 - *Universal Quantifier*, "For all," symbol: \forall
 - *Existential Quantifier*, "There exists," symbol: \exists
- The quantifiers \forall and \exists have higher precedence than all the logical operators.

TABLE 2 De Morgan's Laws for Quantifiers.			
<i>Negation</i>	<i>Equivalent Statement</i>	<i>When Is Negation True?</i>	<i>When False?</i>
$\neg\exists x P(x)$	$\forall x\neg P(x)$	For every x , $P(x)$ is false.	There is an x for which $P(x)$ is true.
$\neg\forall x P(x)$	$\exists x\neg P(x)$	There is an x for which $P(x)$ is false.	$P(x)$ is true for every x .

- Statements involving predicates and quantifiers are *logically equivalent* if and only if they have the same truth value
 - for every predicate substituted into these statements and
 - for every domain of discourse used for the variables in the expression

Statement	When True?	When False
$\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$ $\forall y \forall x P(x, y)$	$P(x,y)$ is true for every pair x,y .	There is a pair x, y for which $P(x,y)$ is false.
$\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$	For every x there is a y for which $P(x,y)$ is true.	There is an x such that $P(x,y)$ is false for every y .
$\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$	There is an x for which $P(x,y)$ is true for every y .	For every x there is a y for which $P(x,y)$ is false.
$\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$ $\exists y \exists x P(x, y)$	There is a pair x, y for which $P(x,y)$ is true.	$P(x,y)$ is false for every pair x,y