



predicate calculus It is a part of a sentence that contains
A declarative sentence contains subject and predicate.

predicate A part of a declarative sentence describing the properties of an object (or) relation among object is called a predicate.

- Eg: Ram is a boy $P(x)$
1. Tiger is an wild animal. It is denoted by $P(x)$.
2. Sam is poor and Ram is intelligent
It is denoted by $P(x) \wedge I(x)$

Quantifier :

Quantifier is the one which is used to quantify the nature of variables.

Types of quantifier :

1. Universal quantifier $(\forall x)$ or (x)
The quantifier "for all x " is called universal quantifier.

Eg: 1] for all x , x is an integer
In symbolic form, $\forall x, I(x)$

2. Every apple is red.

For all x , if x is an apple then x is red.
 $(\forall x) [A(x) \rightarrow R(x)]$



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2]. Existential quantifier: $(\exists x)$
The quantifier "for some x " is called
the existential quantifier.

Eg: Some men are intelligent
There exist an x such that x is a man
and x is intelligent.

$$(\exists x) (M(x) \wedge I(x))$$

Bound and free variables:

The variable is said to be bound if
it is concerned with either universal $(\forall x)$ or
existential $(\exists x)$ quantifier.

Otherwise it is called free variable.
Eg: Scope of the quantifier is the formula following the quantifier
 $(\forall x) P(x, y) \Rightarrow x$ is bound variable
 y is free variable
 $P(x, y)$ is the scope of the
quantifier.

Theory of Inference for predicate calculus

1]. Universal specification [US Rule]

$$(\forall x) P(x) \Rightarrow P(y)$$

2]. Universal Generalization [UG Rule]

$$P(y) \Rightarrow (\forall x) P(x)$$

3]. Existential specification [ES Rule]

$$(\exists x) P(x) \Rightarrow P(y)$$

4]. Existential Generalization [EG Rule]

$$P(y) \Rightarrow (\exists x) P(x)$$

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1. Show that $(\exists x) M(x)$ follows logically
from $[H(x) \rightarrow M(x)], (\exists x) H(x)$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(x) [H(x) \rightarrow M(x)]$	P
{1}	2. $H(y) \rightarrow M(y)$	US
	3. $(\exists x) H(x)$	P
{3}	4. $H(y)$	ES
	5. $M(y)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$
{2,4}	6. $(\exists x) M(x)$	EG

2. All humans are mortal. Sachin is a human
Therefore he is mortal.

$H(x)$: x is a human

$M(x)$: x is Mortal

$H(s)$: Sachin is a human

The premises are,

$(\forall x) [H(x) \rightarrow M(x)], H(s)$

Conclusion: $M(s)$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(\forall x) [H(x) \rightarrow M(x)]$	P
{1}	2. $H(s) \rightarrow M(s)$	US
	3. $H(s)$	P
{2,3}	4. $M(s)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$

3. Show that the premises, "one student in this
class knows how to write programs in JAVA" &
"Everyone who know how to write program in
JAVA can get a high-paying job" imply the
conclusion "someone in this class can get a
high-paying job".

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Let $A(x)$: x is in this class
 $J(x)$: x knows how to write programs in Java
 $H(x)$: x can get a high paying job.

The premises are,

$$\{\exists x\} (A(x) \wedge J(x)), \quad (\forall x) (J(x) \rightarrow H(x))$$

Conclusion: $\exists x (A(x) \wedge H(x))$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(\exists x) (A(x) \wedge J(x))$	P
$\{1\}$ 2.	$A(y) \wedge J(y)$	ES
$\{2\}$ 3.	$A(y)$	T $A(y) \wedge J(y) \Rightarrow A(y)$
$\{2\}$ 4.	$J(y)$	T $A(y) \wedge J(y) \Rightarrow J(y)$
5.	$(\forall x) (J(x) \rightarrow H(x))$	P
$\{5\}$ 6.	$J(y) \rightarrow H(y)$	US
7.	$H(y)$	T
$\{3, 7\}$ 8.	$A(y) \wedge H(y)$	T $A(y), H(y) \Rightarrow A(y) \wedge H(y)$
9.	$(\exists x) (A(x) \wedge H(x))$	EG

41. Verify the validity of the following argument.
 "Every living thing is a plant or an animal"
 "John's gold fish is alive and it is not a plant"
 "All animals have hearts". Therefore, "John's gold fish has a heart".

$L(x)$: x is a living thing $L(j)$: j is alive
 $P(x)$: x is a plant $P(j)$: j is not a plant
 $A(x)$: x is an animal
 $H(x)$: x is a heart $H(j)$: j has a heart

Given: $(\forall x) [L(x) \rightarrow P(x) \vee A(x)]$
 $L(j) \wedge \neg P(j), (\forall x) [A(x) \rightarrow H(x)]$

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Conclusion: $H(j)$

Step	Propositions	Rule
1.	$(\forall x) [L(x) \rightarrow P(x) \vee A(x)]$	P
{1} 2.	$L(j) \rightarrow P(j) \vee A(j)$	US
3.	$L(j) \wedge \neg P(j)$	P
{3} 4.	$L(j)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow P$
{2,4} 5.	$P(j) \vee A(j)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$
{5} 6.	$\neg P(j) \rightarrow A(j)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow \neg P \vee Q$
7.	$(\forall x) [A(x) \rightarrow H(x)]$	P
{8} 8.	$A(j) \rightarrow H(j)$	US
9.	$\neg P(j) \rightarrow H(j)$	T
{3} 10.	$\neg P(j)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow P, Q$
11.	$H(j)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$

5]. "All local music is loud music", "Some local music exist" therefore "Some local music exist"

$R(x)$: x is a local music
 $L(x)$: x is a loud music

Given: $(\forall x) [R(x) \rightarrow L(x)], (\exists x) R(x)$

Conclusion: $(\exists x) L(x)$

1.	$(\forall x) (R(x) \rightarrow L(x))$	P
{1} 2.	$R(y) \rightarrow L(y)$	US
3.	$(\exists x) R(x)$	P
{3} 4.	$R(y)$	ES
{2,4} 5.	$L(y)$	T
6.	$(\exists x) L(x)$	EG

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- 6]. Establish the validity of argument.
- All integers are rational nos.
 - Some integers are power of three.
 - Therefore some rational numbers are power of 3.

$I(x)$: x is an integer

$R(x)$: x is an rational number

$P(x)$: x is power of 3.

Given: $(\forall x) (I(x) \rightarrow R(x)), (\exists x) (I(x) \wedge P(x))$

Conclusion: $(\exists x) [R(x) \wedge P(x)]$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(\forall x) [I(x) \rightarrow R(x)]$	P
{1} 2.	$I(y) \rightarrow R(y)$	US
2	$(\exists x) [I(x) \wedge P(x)]$	P
{2} 4.	$I(y) \wedge P(y)$	ES
{1} 5.	$I(y)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow P$
{2, 5} 6.	$R(y)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$
{4} 7.	$P(y)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow Q$
{6, 7} 8.	$R(y) \wedge P(y)$	T $P, Q \Rightarrow P \wedge Q$
9.	$(\exists x) [R(x) \wedge P(x)]$	EG

7]. Show that $(x) [P(x) \vee Q(x)] \Rightarrow (x) P(x) \vee (\exists x) Q(x)$
by indirect proof.

Premises: $(x) [P(x) \vee Q(x)]$

Conclusion: $(x) P(x) \vee (\exists x) Q(x)$

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Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(x) [P(x) \vee Q(x)]$	P
{2}	$P(y) \vee Q(y)$	US
3.	$\neg [(x) P(x) \vee (\exists x) Q(x)]$	Negation of conclusion
{3}	$(\exists x) \neg P(x) \wedge (\exists x) \neg Q(x)$	T $\neg(P \wedge Q) \Leftrightarrow \neg P \vee \neg Q$
{4}	$(\exists x) \neg P(x)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow P$
{4}	$\neg P(y)$	ES
{5}	$(x) \neg Q(x)$	T $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow Q$
7.	$\neg Q(y)$	US
{7}	$\neg P(y) \wedge \neg Q(y)$	T $P, Q \Rightarrow P \wedge Q$
{6,8}	$\neg (P(y) \vee Q(y))$	T $\neg P \wedge \neg Q \Leftrightarrow \neg (P \vee Q)$
{9}	$[P(y) \vee Q(y)] \wedge \neg [P(y) \vee Q(y)]$	T $P, Q \Rightarrow P \wedge Q$
{9,10}	F	T $P \wedge \neg P \Leftrightarrow F$
{11}		

8]. Using CP rule, obtain the following implication
 $(\forall x) [P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)], (\forall x) [R(x) \rightarrow \neg Q(x)] \Rightarrow R(x) \rightarrow \neg P(x)$

Step	Premises	Rule
1.	$(\forall x) [P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)]$	P
2.	$(\forall x) [R(x) \rightarrow \neg Q(x)]$	P
{3}	$R(y) \rightarrow \neg Q(y)$	US
4.	$R(y)$	pl assumed
{3,4}	$\neg Q(y)$	T $P, P \rightarrow Q \Rightarrow Q$
{5}	$P(y) \rightarrow Q(y)$	US
{5}	$\neg P(y)$	T $P \rightarrow Q, \neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$
{6}		



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{4,7} 8. $R(y) \rightarrow \neg P(y)$ CP
{8} 9. $(\forall x) [R(x) \rightarrow \neg P(x)]$ UG

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