

Discrete Math
Quiz 8

Name: _____

You have 10 minutes to complete this quiz. You may not use any unauthorized sources and you may not communicate with others about the exam. If you have a question raise your hand and remain seated. In order to receive full credit your answer must be **complete**, **legible** and **correct**. Show your work, and give adequate explanations.

1. Write

(\diamond) $((\exists x)P(x) \rightarrow ((\forall x)Q(x)))$

in prenex form.

$$\begin{aligned} ((\exists x)P(x) \rightarrow ((\forall x)Q(x))) &\equiv ((\exists x)P(x) \rightarrow ((\forall y)Q(y))) && \text{Standardize variables} \\ &\equiv ((\neg(\exists x)P(x)) \vee ((\forall y)Q(y))) && \text{Prop. Logic} \\ &\equiv ((\forall x)\neg P(x)) \vee ((\forall y)Q(y)) && \neg\exists \equiv \forall\neg \\ &\equiv (\forall x)(\forall y)((\neg P(x)) \vee Q(y)) && \text{Move quantifiers to front} \end{aligned}$$

Another valid answer is $(\forall x)(\forall y)(P(x) \rightarrow Q(y))$. (Use Propositional Logic to convert $(\neg P) \vee Q$ to $P \rightarrow Q$.)

2. Write an English sentence that has the logical structure of the displayed sentence (\diamond) from Problem 1.

If there is a leprechaun, then everyone has a chance of finding a pot of gold.

Here I am taking $P(x)$ to be “ x is a leprechaun” and $Q(x)$ to be “ x has a chance of finding a pot of gold”.