

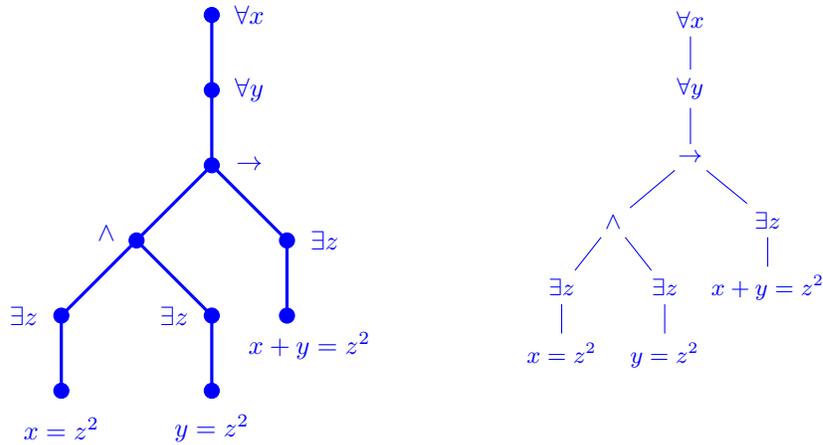
Solutions to HW 7.

1. This problem concerns the formal sentence

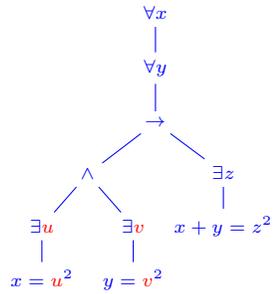
$$(\forall x)(\forall y)((\exists z)(x = z^2) \wedge ((\exists z)(y = z^2))) \rightarrow ((\exists z)(x + y = z^2)).$$

(a) Draw the formula tree for this sentence.

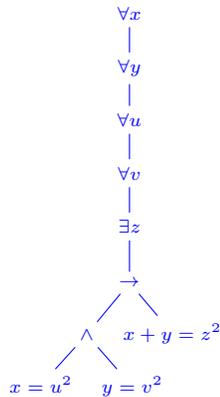
[Two Latex versions! The first uses “tikz” and the second uses the “forest” package.]



(b) Standardize the variables apart.



(c) Write the sentence in prenex form.



$$(\forall x)(\forall y)(\forall u)(\forall v)(\exists z)((x = u^2) \wedge (y = v^2)) \rightarrow (x + y = z^2)$$

2. This problem also concerns the formal sentence from Problem 1.

(a) Is the sentence true in the natural numbers, \mathbb{N} ? **No!**

Give a winning strategy for the appropriate quantifier. (Appropriate quantifier is \forall .)

- \forall chooses $x = 1$.
- \forall chooses $y = 1$.
- \forall chooses $u = 1$.
- \forall chooses $v = 1$.
- To win, \exists would have to choose z so that $z^2 = 2$. There is no such $z \in \mathbb{N}$, so \exists loses.

(b) Is the sentence true in the real numbers, \mathbb{R} ? **Yes!**

Give a winning strategy for the appropriate quantifier. (Appropriate quantifier is \exists .)

- \forall chooses any x .
- \forall chooses any y .
- \forall chooses any u .
- \forall chooses any v .

\forall has already lost, unless the choices made satisfy $x = u^2$ and $y = v^2$, so assume that these equalities hold.

- To win, \exists would have to choose z so that $z^2 = x + y = u^2 + v^2$. So \exists can win by choosing $z = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2}$. This choice is possible, since in \mathbb{R} squares are nonnegative, so $u^2, v^2 \geq 0$. Also, in \mathbb{R} , a sum of nonnegative numbers is nonnegative, from which we get $u^2 + v^2 \geq 0$. Finally, any nonnegative real number has a real square root, so it is possible to choose a real number z satisfying $z = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2}$.

3. Negate the sentence from Problem 1 and then rewrite the negation so that it is in prenex form.

$$\neg(\forall x) (\forall y) (\forall u) (\forall v) (\exists z) (((x = u^2) \wedge (y = v^2)) \rightarrow (x + y = z^2)).$$

$$(\exists x) (\exists y) (\exists u) (\exists v) (\forall z) \neg(((x = u^2) \wedge (y = v^2)) \rightarrow (x + y = z^2)).$$

You can take this further, if you choose:

$$(\exists x) (\exists y) (\exists u) (\exists v) (\forall z) (((x = u^2) \wedge (y = v^2)) \wedge \neg(x + y = z^2)).$$