

\forall = for all

\exists = there exists

Defn

$f : A \rightarrow B$ is 1:1 iff $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ implies $x_1 = x_2$.

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Hypothesis: $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$. Conclusion $x_1 = x_2$.

Hypothesis implies conclusion.

p implies q .

$p \Rightarrow q$.

Note a statement, $p \Rightarrow q$, is true if whenever the hypothesis p holds, then the conclusion q also holds.

To prove that a statement is true:

(1) Assume the hypothesis holds.

(2) Prove the conclusion holds.

Ex: To prove a function is 1:1:

(1) Assume $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

(2) Do some algebra to prove $x_1 = x_2$.

$[p \Rightarrow q]$ is equivalent to $[\forall p, q \text{ holds}]$.

That is, for everything satisfying the hypothesis p , the conclusion q must hold.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex: } f(x) &= 2x \\ \text{Assume } f(x_1) &= f(x_2) \\ 2x_1 &= 2x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 \end{aligned}$$

A statement is false if the hypothesis holds, but the conclusion need not hold.

$f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ implies $x_1 = x_2$.

Hypothesis does not imply conclusion.

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Hypothesis implies conclusion.

That is there exists a specific case where the hypothesis holds, but the conclusion does not hold.

To prove that a statement is false:

Find an example where the hypothesis holds, but the conclusion does not hold.

Ex: To prove a function is not 1:1, find specific x_1, x_2 such that $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$, but $x_1 \neq x_2$.

$\sim [p \Rightarrow q]$ is equivalent to $\sim [\forall p, q \text{ holds}]$.

Thus if $p \Rightarrow q$ is false, then it is not true that $[\forall p, q \text{ holds}]$.

That is, $\exists p$ such that q does not hold.