

Math 270 - Basic Discrete Mathematics
Practice Quiz on Section 3.1
Solutions

Directions: Answer the problems given below.

1. Rewrite the following statements into the form \forall _____, _____.

a. Every integer is even or odd.

\forall integer n , n is even or odd.

b. All whales live in the ocean.

\forall whale W , W lives in the ocean.

c. The number -1 is not the square of any real number.

\forall real x , $x^2 \neq -1$.

2. Find a counterexample to show the following statement is false:

$$\forall \text{ real numbers } x \text{ and } y, \sqrt{x+y} \neq \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}.$$

Counterex: Let $x = 0$, $y = 0$.

$$\text{Then } \sqrt{0+0} = \sqrt{0} = 0 = 0+0 = \sqrt{0} + \sqrt{0}.$$