

Introduction to Logic

PHIL 170

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Announcements

- ▶ read Chapter 10.
- ▶ Do the practice problems!
- ▶ Quiz is due **Friday Nov. 13 at 11.59pm.**
- ▶ Lab is due on **Monday, Nov. 16 at 11.59pm.**
- ▶ In-class quiz in Sections. Translations (see the examples on ELMS)

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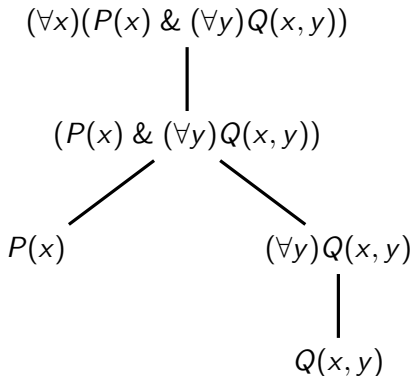
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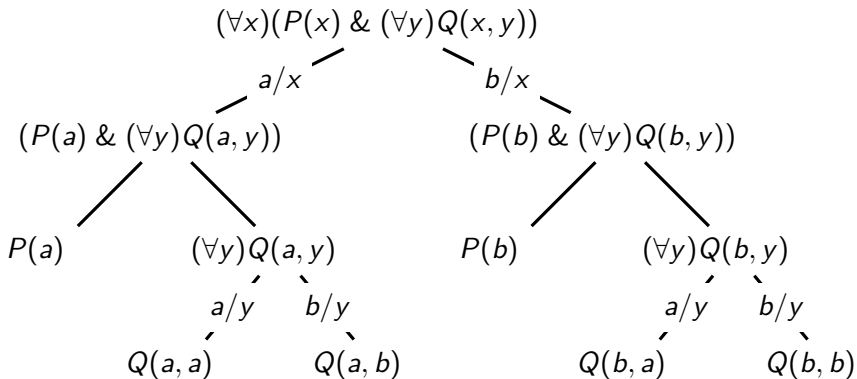
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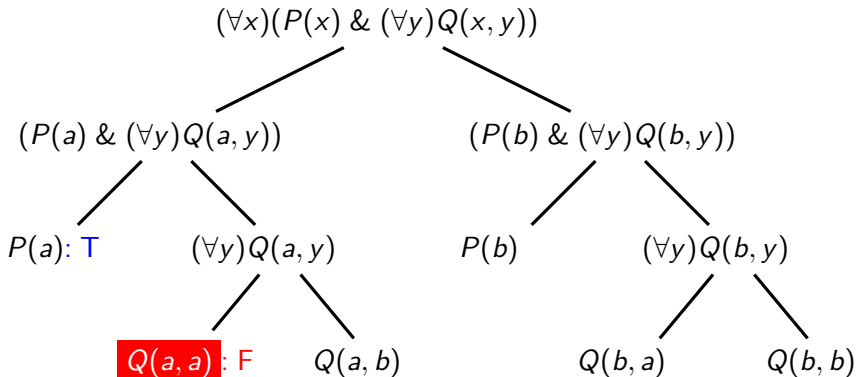
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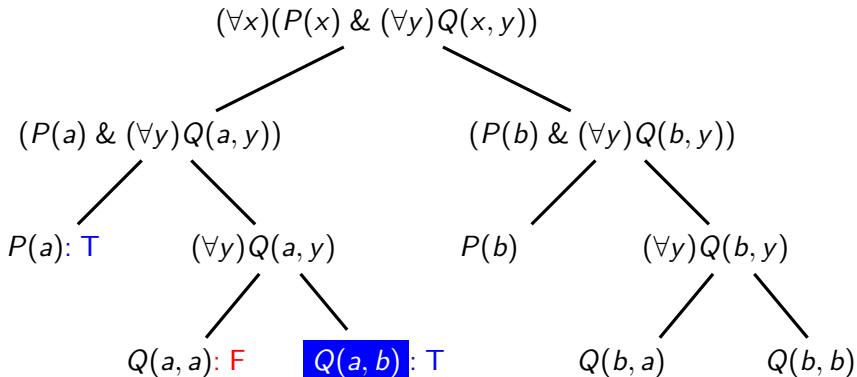
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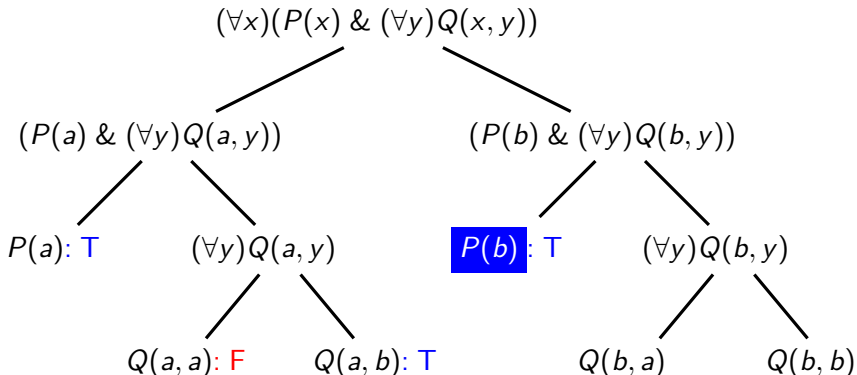
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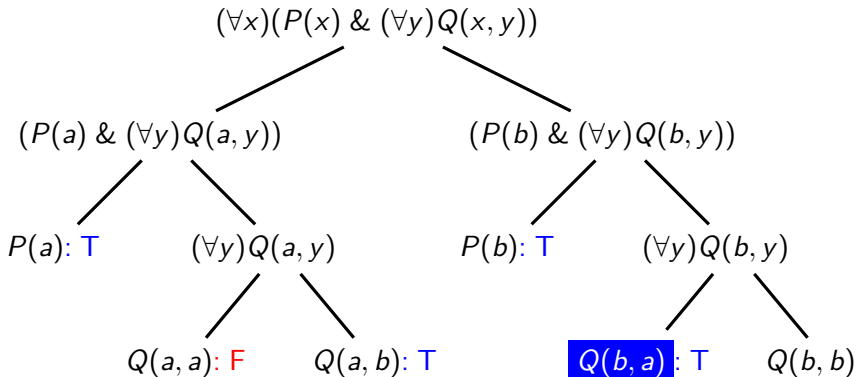
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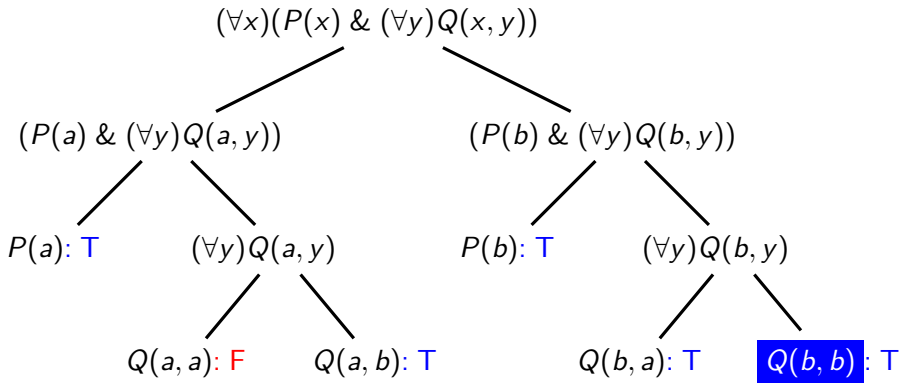
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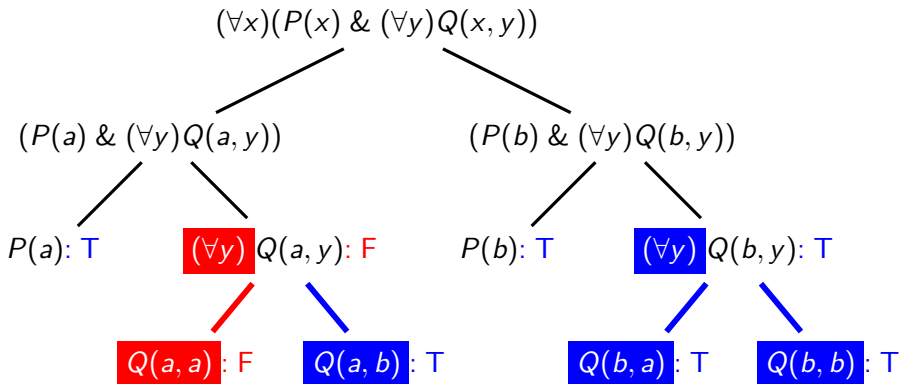
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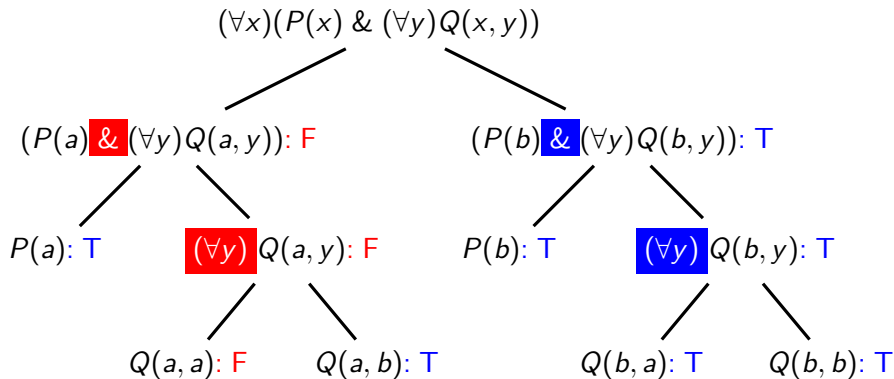
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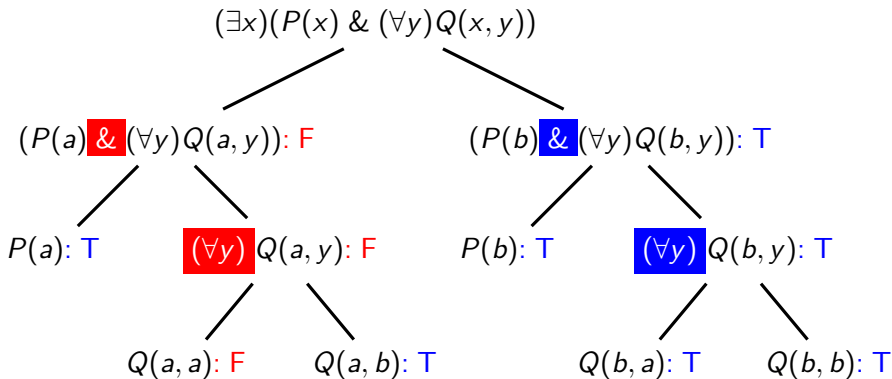
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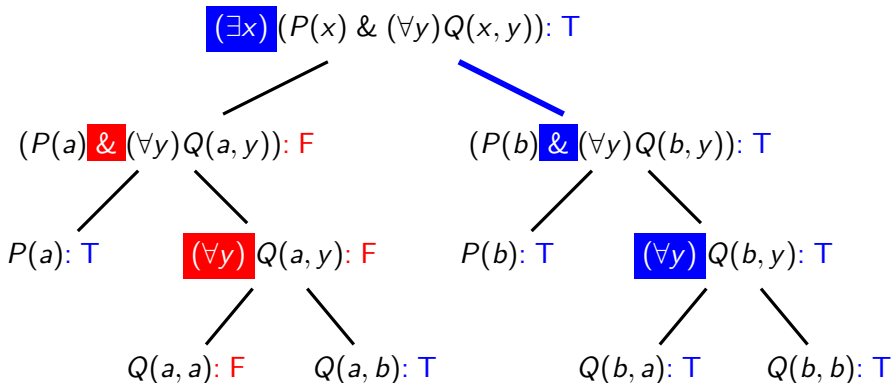
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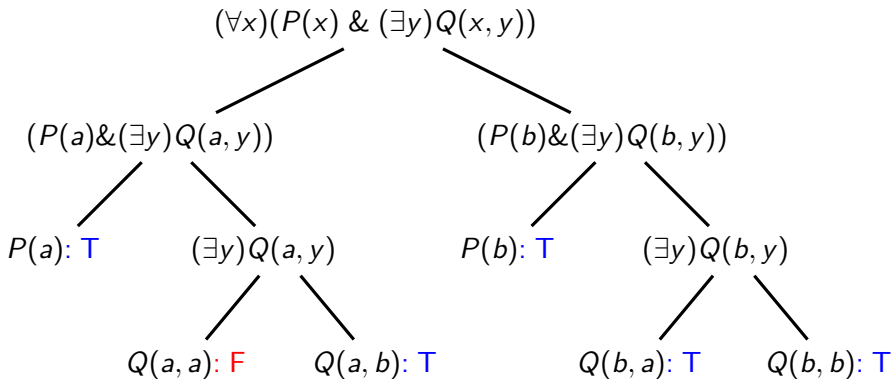
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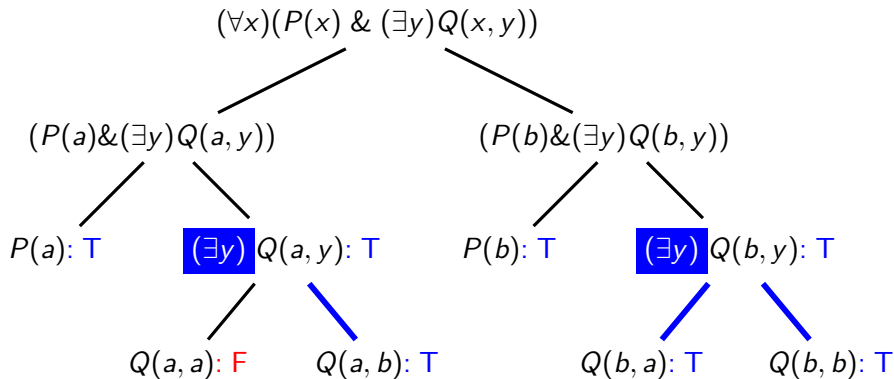
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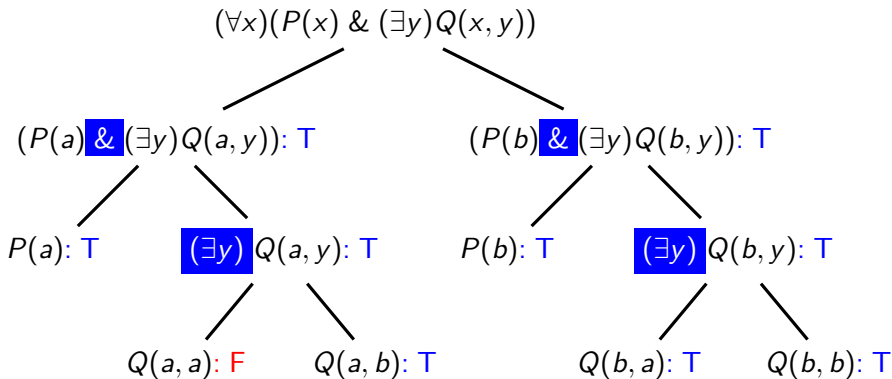
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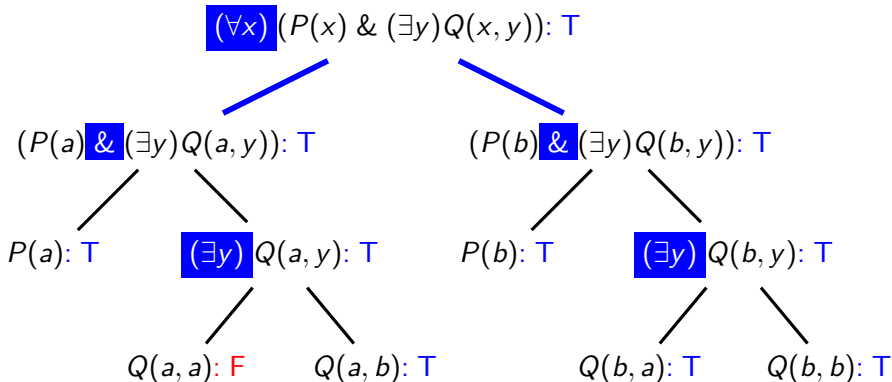
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If I is an interpretation, then $I[a/u]$ is the interpretation that is just like I except the variable u is assigned the element a .

Truth/Falsity

- ▶ If φ is of the form $\psi(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n)$ where ψ is an n -place predicate letter (with $n > 0$), and $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n$ are n terms, then φ is **true on I** just in case $\langle I(\tau_1), \dots, I(\tau_n) \rangle$ is in $I(\psi)$, and false otherwise.
- ▶ If φ is of the form $(\forall u)\psi$, then φ is **true on I** just in case, for each member a of the domain of discourse, ψ is true on $I[a/u]$, and false otherwise.
- ▶ If φ is of the form $(\exists u)\psi$, then φ is **true on I** just in case, there is at least one member a of the domain of discourse such that ψ is true on $I[a/u]$, and false otherwise.

Read the example on pg. 144.

- ▶ **Tautology:** A formula of predicate logic is a tautology just in case it is true on every interpretation.
- ▶ **Contradictory Formula:** A formula of predicate logic is a contradictory just in case it is false on every interpretation.
- ▶ **Contingent Formula:** A formula of predicate logic is contingent just in case it is true on some interpretations, and false on others.

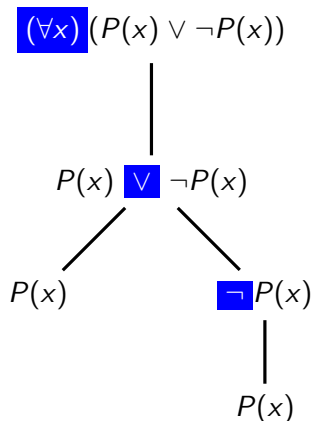
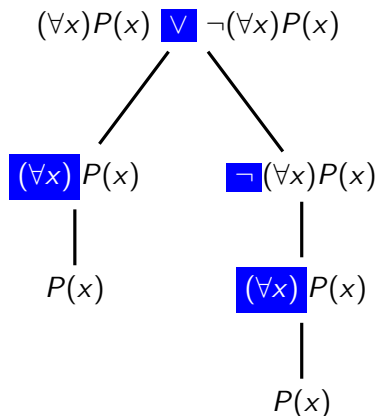
Are the following formulas a tautology, contradictory or contingent?

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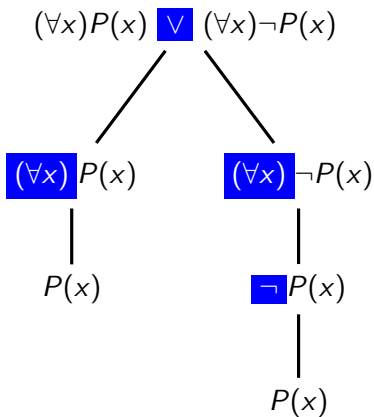
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Tautologies



Contingent Formula



An argument of predicate logic is **quantificationally valid** just in case there is no interpretation that makes all the premises of the argument true and the conclusion false.

Which arguments are quantificationally valid?

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$$\begin{array}{l} (\forall x)(H(x) \rightarrow M(x)) \\ 2. \quad \neg H(a) \\ \hline \therefore \neg M(a) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (\exists x)(S(x) \& C(x)) \\ 3. \quad (\exists x)(S(x) \& D(x)) \\ \hline \therefore (\exists x)(S(x) \& (D(x) \& C(x))) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)) \\ 4. \quad (\forall x)(Q(x) \rightarrow R(x)) \\ \hline \therefore (\forall x)(P(x) \rightarrow R(x)) \end{array}$$

Truth-trees for predicate logic

$(\varphi \& \psi)$

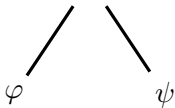
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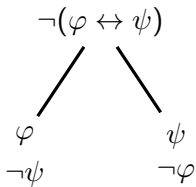
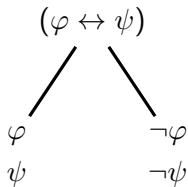
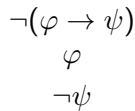
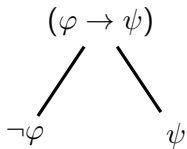
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A truth-tree is **completed** once any formula on an open branch is either an atomic formula, the negation of an atomic formula, checked off, or a universally quantified formula that has been instantiated with every admissible term.

Which arguments are quantificationally valid?

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