

Theoretical Computer Science - Bridging Course

Winter Term 2016

Exercise Sheet 12

Hand in (electronically or hard copy) before your weekly meeting but not later than
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Exercise 1: Predicate Logic: Interpretations (2+2+2+2 points)

In *predicate logic* or *first order* a formula φ is given with respect to a *signature* $\mathcal{S} = \langle \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{R} \rangle$ which introduces the basic components that φ consists of. The components are: The variable symbols \mathcal{V} , constant symbols \mathcal{C} , function symbols \mathcal{F} and the set of relation symbols \mathcal{R} . The elements of the sets $\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}$ are used to formulate *terms*, while the relations in \mathcal{R} compare terms with each other.¹

These components must be combined in a *well-formed* manner with logical connectives (\wedge, \vee, \neg , etc.), quantifiers (\forall, \exists), and the '=' symbol which is a relation that represents equality of terms. Consult the lecture for the detailed inductive definition of first order formulae.

As it was the case in propositional logic, we require *interpretations* in order to evaluate first order formulae to true or false. An interpretation $I = \langle \mathcal{D}, \cdot^I \rangle$ has a *domain* \mathcal{D} that represents the set of all values that variables can assume.

Furthermore an interpretation has a mapping \cdot^I which assigns constant symbols $\mathbf{c} \in \mathcal{C}$ a fixed value $\mathbf{c}^I \in \mathcal{D}$ from the domain. A function symbol $f \in \mathcal{F}$ is assigned an explicit function $f^I : \mathcal{D}^k \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$. A relation symbol $R \in \mathcal{R}$ is assigned an explicit relation $R^I \subseteq \mathcal{D}^k$. The parameter k is called *arity*.

If a formula φ has *free variables* (variables that are not bound by a quantifier: \forall, \exists) then I requires an additional variable *assignment function* $\alpha : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ assigning each free variable a value from the domain. An interpretation I is called a model of a first order formula φ , if an assignment function α *exists* (!) such that $\varphi^{I, \alpha}$ evaluates to true (see lecture for details on how to evaluate φ with I, α).

Evaluate the given formulae with the given interpretations. Make clear why or why not an interpretation is a model for the formula.

- (a) $\varphi_1 := \forall x \exists y f(y) \doteq x$, $I_1 := \langle \mathbb{Z}, \cdot^{I_1} \rangle$, $I_2 := \langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot^{I_2} \rangle$ where $f^{I_1}(a) := f^{I_2}(a) := 2 \cdot a$.
- (b) $\varphi_2 := \forall x \exists y f(y, y) \doteq x$, $I_1 := \langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot^{I_1} \rangle$, $I_2 := \langle \mathbb{C}, \cdot^{I_2} \rangle$ where $f^{I_1}(a, b) := f^{I_2}(a, b) := a \cdot b$.
- (c) $\varphi_3 := (\forall x f(x, z) \doteq x) \wedge (\forall x \exists y f(x, y) \doteq z)$, $I_1 := \langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot^{I_1} \rangle$, $I_2 := \langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot^{I_2} \rangle$ where $f^{I_1}(a, b) := a + b$, $f^{I_2}(a, b) := a \cdot b$. *Hint: First determine which z satisfies the first condition.*
- (d) $\varphi_4 := \forall x \forall y \forall z f(x, f(y, z)) \doteq f(f(x, y), z)$. Give a model and an interpretation that is no model.

¹In the following the signature is given implicitly via the symbols that are given in a formula. By convention bold symbols \mathbf{c} represent constants, lowercase letters f functions and capital letters R relations.

Exercise 2: Predicate Logic: Construct Formulae (1+1+1+1 points)

Let $\mathcal{S} = \langle \{x\}, \emptyset, \emptyset, \{P, Q, R, S\} \rangle$ be a signature. Express each of the following statements as first order formula over \mathcal{S} . Use $P(x)$, $Q(x)$, $R(x)$, and $S(x)$ as statements “ x is a duck”, “ x is one of my poultry”, “ x is an officer”, and “ x is willing to waltz” respectively.

- (a) No ducks are willing to waltz.
- (b) No officers ever decline to waltz.
- (c) All my poultry are ducks.
- (d) My poultry are not officers.

Exercise 3: Predicate Logic: Entailment (2+2+2+2 points)

Let φ, ψ be first order formulae over signature \mathcal{S} . Similar to propositional logic, in predicate logic we write $\varphi \models \psi$ if every model of φ is also a model for ψ . We write $\varphi \equiv \psi$ if both $\varphi \models \psi$ and $\psi \models \varphi$. A *knowledge base* KB is a set of formulae. A model of KB is model for all formulae in KB . We write $KB \models \varphi$ if all models of KB are models of φ . Show or disprove the following entailments.

- (a) Let KB be the formulae derived in 2 a), b), c) and φ the one derived in d). Show $KB \models \varphi$.
- (b) $(\exists x R(x)) \wedge (\exists x P(x)) \models \exists x R(x) \wedge P(x)$.
- (c) $(\forall x \forall y f(x, y) \doteq f(y, x)) \wedge (\forall x f(x, \mathbf{c}) \doteq x) \models \forall x f(\mathbf{c}, x) \doteq x$.
- (d) $(\forall x R(x, x)) \wedge (\forall x \forall y R(x, y) \wedge R(y, x) \rightarrow x \doteq y) \wedge (\forall x \forall y \forall z R(x, y) \wedge R(y, z) \rightarrow R(x, z)) \models \forall x \forall y R(x, y) \vee R(y, x)$.

Hint: Consider order relations. E.g., $a \leq b$ (a less-equal b) and $a|b$ (a divides b).