

# LOGIC EXERCISES

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**Exercise 13.1. [Ferrante–Rackoff Elimination]**

Apply the Ferrante–Rackoff Elimination to check the following sentence:

$$\exists x(\exists y(x = 2 \cdot y) \rightarrow (2 \cdot x \geq 0 \vee 3 \cdot x < 2))$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} & \exists x(\exists y(x = 2 \cdot y) \rightarrow (2 \cdot x \geq 0 \vee 3 \cdot x < 2)) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x(\top \rightarrow (2 \cdot x \geq 0 \vee 3 \cdot x < 2)) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x(2 \cdot x \geq 0 \vee 3 \cdot x < 2) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \exists x\left(0 < x \vee x = 0 \vee x < \frac{2}{3}\right) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \left(\top \vee \top \vee \left(0 < 0 \vee 0 = 0 \vee 0 < \frac{2}{3}\right) \vee \dots\right) \\ \iff_{R_+} & \top \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 13.2.** [Presburger Arithmetic]

Eliminate the quantifiers from the following formulas according to Presburger arithmetic:

1.  $\forall y(3 < x + 2y \vee 2x + y < 3)$
2.  $\forall x(2 \mid x \rightarrow (2x \geq 0 \vee 3x < 2))$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
& \forall y(3 < x + 2y \vee 2x + y < 3) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists y \neg(3 < x + 2y \vee 2x + y < 3) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists y(3 \geq x + 2y \wedge 2x + y \geq 3) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists y(2y \leq 3 - x \wedge 3 - 2x \leq y) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists y(2y \leq 3 - x \wedge 6 - 4x \leq 2y) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists z(z \leq 3 - x \wedge 6 - 4x \leq z \wedge 2 \mid z) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg((6 - 4x \leq 3 - x \wedge 2 \mid 6 - 4x) \vee (7 - 4x \leq 3 - x \wedge 2 \mid 7 - 4x))
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \forall x(2 \mid x \rightarrow (2x \geq 0 \vee 3x < 2)) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists x \neg(2 \mid x \rightarrow (2x \geq 0 \vee 3x < 2)) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists x(2 \mid x \wedge 2x < 0 \wedge 3x \geq 2) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists x(2 \mid x \wedge 2x \leq -1 \wedge 2 \leq 3x) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists x(12 \mid 6x \wedge 6x \leq -3 \wedge 4 \leq 6x) \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \neg \exists z(12 \mid z \wedge z \leq -3 \wedge 4 \leq z \wedge 6 \mid z) \\
& \dots \\
\iff_{\mathcal{P}} & \top
\end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 13.3.** [Quantifier Elimination for  $Th(\mathbb{N}, 0, S, =)$ ]

Give a quantifier-elimination procedure for  $Th(\mathbb{N}, 0, S, =)$  where  $S$  is the successor operation on natural numbers, i.e.  $S(n) = n + 1$ .

*Hint:*  $a = b$  iff  $S^k(a) = S^k(b)$  for any  $a, b, k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Solution:**

We assume  $F = \exists x(A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n)$  where  $x$  occurs in all  $A_i$  and each  $A_i$  is of the form

$$S^k(x) = S^m(t) \text{ or } S^k(x) \neq S^m(t)$$

where  $t$  is 0 or a variable (using symmetry of  $=$ ).

If  $x$  occurs on both sides of an atom  $A_i$ , we can compare the number of successors and replace it with  $\perp$  or  $\top$ , i.e.  $Th(\mathbb{N}, 0, S) \models (S^k(x) = S^l(x)) \iff k = l$ . Hence, we can assume that  $x \neq t$ .

We have to distinguish two cases:

1. All  $A_i$  only use  $\neq$ , but not  $=$ : We can return  $\top$  because  $x$  can always be chosen to be different from finitely many natural numbers.
2. There is at least one  $A_i$  of the form  $S^m(x) = t$  where  $x \neq t$ .

We replace  $A_i$  as follows:

- If  $m > 0$ , we add the constraints  $t \neq 0 \wedge \dots \wedge t \neq S^{m-1}(0)$  to ensure that the solution for  $x$  is non-negative.
- Otherwise, replace it with  $\top$ .

The other  $A_j$  ( $i \neq j$ ) can be replaced as follows: Let  $A_j$  be  $S^k(x) = u$ . Using the hint, first increment both sides by  $m$ :  $S^{k+m}(x) = S^m(u)$ . Then, substitute  $A_i$ , resulting in  $S^k(t) = S^m(u)$ .

This works similarly for inequality, resulting in  $S^k(t) \neq S^m(u)$ .

For optimization purposes, we could also assume that either side of the equalities/inequalities contains no successor application. If they do, we can decrement until at least one side is 0 or a variable.

**Homework 13.1.** [Under Presburger]

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Perform Presburger arithmetic quantifier elimination for each of the following formulas:

1.  $\forall x \forall y (0 < y \wedge x < y \rightarrow x + 1 < 2y)$
2.  $\forall x (\exists y (x = 2y \wedge 2 \mid y) \rightarrow 4 \mid x)$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
& \forall x \forall y (0 < y \wedge x < y \rightarrow x + 1 < 2y) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \exists y \neg (0 < y \wedge x < y \rightarrow x + 1 < 2y) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \exists y (0 < y \wedge x < y \wedge x + 1 \geq 2y) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \exists y (1 \leq y \wedge x + 1 \leq y \wedge 2y \leq x + 1) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \exists z (2 \leq z \wedge 2x + 2 \leq z \wedge z \leq x + 1 \wedge 2 \mid z) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x ((2x + 2 \leq 2 \wedge 2 \leq x + 1 \wedge 2 \mid 2) \vee (2x + 2 \leq 3 \wedge 3 \leq x + 1 \wedge 2 \mid 3) \\
& \quad \vee (2 \leq 2x + 2 \wedge 2x + 2 \leq x + 1 \wedge 2 \mid 2x + 2) \vee (2 \leq 2x + 3 \wedge 2x + 3 \leq x + 1 \wedge 2 \mid 2x + 3)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x ((2x \leq 0 \wedge 1 \leq x) \vee (0 \leq 2x \wedge x \leq -1 \wedge 2 \mid 2x + 2) \vee (-1 \leq 2x \wedge x \leq -2 \wedge 2 \mid 2x + 3)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x ((2x \leq 0 \wedge 2 \leq 2x) \vee (0 \leq 2x \wedge 2x \leq -2 \wedge 2 \mid 2x + 2) \vee (-1 \leq 2x \wedge 2x \leq -4 \wedge 2 \mid 2x + 3)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists z ((z \leq 0 \wedge 2 \leq z \wedge 2 \mid z) \\
& \quad \vee (0 \leq z \wedge z \leq -2 \wedge 2 \mid z + 2 \wedge 2 \mid z) \vee (-1 \leq z \wedge z \leq -4 \wedge 2 \mid z + 3 \wedge 2 \mid z)) \\
\iff_P & \neg ((2 \leq 0 \wedge 2 \mid 2) \vee (3 \leq 0 \dots)) \\
& \quad \vee (0 \leq -2 \wedge 2 \mid 2 \wedge 2 \mid 0) \vee (1 \leq -2 \dots) \vee (-1 \leq -4 \dots) \vee (0 \leq -4 \dots) \\
\iff_P & \neg \perp \\
\iff_P & \top
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \forall x (\exists y (x = 2y \wedge 2 \mid y) \rightarrow 4 \mid x) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \neg (\exists y (x = 2y \wedge 2 \mid y) \rightarrow 4 \mid x) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x (\exists y (x = 2y \wedge 2 \mid y) \wedge \neg (4 \mid x)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \exists y (x = 2y \wedge 2 \mid y \wedge \neg (4 \mid x)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \exists y (x \leq 2y \wedge 2y \leq x \wedge 2 \mid y \wedge \neg (4 \mid x)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \exists y (x \leq 2y \wedge 2y \leq x \wedge 4 \mid 2y \wedge \neg (4 \mid x)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x \exists z (x \leq z \wedge z \leq x \wedge 4 \mid z \wedge 2 \mid z \wedge \neg (4 \mid x)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \exists x (x \leq x \wedge 4 \mid x \wedge 2 \mid x \wedge \neg (4 \mid x)) \\
\iff_P & \neg \bigvee_{i=1}^3 \exists x (4 \mid x \wedge 2 \mid x \wedge 4 \mid x + i) \\
\iff_P & \neg \bigvee_{i=1}^3 \bigvee_{j=0}^3 (4 \mid j \wedge 2 \mid j \wedge 4 \mid j + i) \\
\iff_P & \neg \perp \\
\iff_P & \top
\end{aligned}$$

**Homework 13.2.** [Quantifier Elimination for  $Th(\mathbb{Z}, 0, S, P, =, <)$ ] (+++)

Give a quantifier-elimination procedure for  $Th(\mathbb{Z}, 0, S, P, =, <)$  where  $S$  is the successor and  $P$  the predecessor operation on integers, i.e.  $S(n) = n + 1$  and  $P(n) = n - 1$ . Do not use Presburger arithmetic; give a direct algorithm.

**Solution:**

At any point, we normalise any term  $t$  such that it might contain  $S$  or  $P$  but not both:

1. If  $t = S^k(P^m(u))$ , replace  $t$  by  $P^{m-k}(u)$  if  $k \leq m$  and  $S^{k-m}(u)$  otherwise.
2. Case  $t = P^k(S^m(u))$ : analogous.

Moreover, we apply the following transformations:

1. Replace  $\neg(t < u)$  by  $t = u \vee u < t$ .
2. Replace  $t = u$  by  $t < S(u) \wedge u < S(t)$ .
3. Replace  $t \neq u$  by  $t < u \vee u < t$ .

We can then assume that we have some  $F = \exists x(A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n)$  where  $x$  occurs in all  $A_i$  and each  $A_i$  is of the form

$$f^k(x) < g^m(t) \text{ or } f^k(t) < g^m(x)$$

where  $t$  is 0 or a variable and  $f, g \in \{S, P\}$ . First consider the case  $t = x$ :

1. Replace  $S^k(x) < S^m(x)$  by  $\top$  if  $k < m$  and  $\perp$  otherwise.
2. Replace  $P^k(x) < P^m(x)$  by  $\top$  if  $k > m$  and  $\perp$  otherwise.
3. Replace  $P^k(x) < S^m(x)$  by  $\top$ .
4. Replace  $S^k(x) < P^m(x)$  by  $\perp$ .

Let  $F_x$  be the conjunction of all these atoms. We then bring all remaining  $A_i$  into canonical form for  $x$ :

1. Replace  $S^k(x) < g^m(t)$  by  $x < P^k(g^m(t))$
2. Replace  $P^k(x) < g^m(t)$  by  $x < S^k(g^m(t))$
3. Replace  $f^k(t) < S^m(x)$  by  $P^m(f^k(t)) < x$
4. Replace  $f^k(t) < P^m(x)$  by  $S^m(f^k(t)) < x$

Let  $U$  be the set of these atoms. We then replace  $F$  by

$$F_x \wedge \bigwedge_{(l < x) \in U} \bigwedge_{(x < u) \in U} S(l) < u.$$

It is always easy to be logical.

It is almost impossible to be logical to the bitter end.

— Albert Camus