### Logic Exercises

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## Exercise 7.1. [(In)finite Models]

Consider predicate logic with equality. We use infix notation for equality and abbreviate  $\neg(s=t)$  by  $s \neq t$ . Moreover, we call a structure finite if its universe is finite.

- 1. Specify a finite model for the formula  $\forall x (c \neq f(x) \land x \neq f(x))$ .
- 2. Specify a model for the formula  $\forall x \forall y \ (c \neq f(x) \land (f(x) = f(y) \longrightarrow x = y)).$
- 3. Show that the second formula has no finite model.

## **Solution:**

- 1.  $U^{\mathcal{A}} = \{0, 1, 2\} \subset \mathbb{N}, c^{\mathcal{A}} = 0, f^{\mathcal{A}}(0) = 1, \text{ and } f^{\mathcal{A}}(n+1) = 2 n$
- 2.  $U^{\mathcal{A}} = \mathbb{N}$  and  $c^{\mathcal{A}} = 0$  and  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(n) = n + 1$
- 3. Assume  $\mathcal{M}$  is a finite model of the formula. By the second conjunct,  $f^{\mathcal{M}}$  is injective so  $|U_{\mathcal{M}}| \leq |f(U_{\mathcal{M}})|$ . Further,  $f(U_{\mathcal{M}}) \subseteq U_{\mathcal{M}}$  so  $|f(U_{\mathcal{M}})| = |U_{\mathcal{M}}|$  and hence  $f(U_{\mathcal{M}}) = U_{\mathcal{M}}$  (using our finiteness assumption). Thus there is  $d \in U_{\mathcal{M}}$  such that  $f(d) = c^{\mathcal{M}}$ , contradicting the first conjunct.

## Exercise 7.2. [Herbrand Structures]

Consider the formula

$$F = \forall x \forall y (P(f(x), g(y)) \land \neg P(g(x), f(y)))$$

- 1. Specify a Herbrand model for F.
- 2. Specify a Herbrand structure suitable for F that is not a model of F.

#### **Solution:**

We define  $U_{\mathcal{A}} = T(F)$ , i.e., the Herbrand universe for F. We invent a constant  $a \in T(F)$ . We define  $f^{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $g^{\mathcal{A}}$  to be the Herbrand interpretations.

- 1.  $P^{\mathcal{A}} = \{ (f(t_1), g(t_2)) \mid t_1, t_2 \in T(F) \}.$
- 2.  $P^{\mathcal{A}} = \{ (g(t_1), f(t_2)) \mid t_1, t_2 \in T(F) \}.$

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## Exercise 7.3. [Ground Resolution]

Use ground (Gilmore) resolution to prove that the following formula is valid:

$$(\forall x P(x, f(x))) \longrightarrow \exists y P(c, y)$$

#### **Solution:**

First put the formula into Skolem form:

$$\neg((\forall x P(x, f(x))) \longrightarrow \exists y P(c, y))$$

$$(\forall x P(x, f(x))) \land \neg \exists y P(c, y))$$

$$(\forall x P(x, f(x))) \land \forall y \neg P(c, y))$$

$$\forall x \forall y (P(x, f(x))) \land \neg P(c, y))$$
(Skolem-Form)

Now enumerate the Herbrand expansion:

$$CE(F) = \{ P(c, f(c)), \neg P(c, f(c)), \ldots \}$$

With resolution, we immediately get  $\square$  from the first two items in the enumeration.

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# Exercise 7.4. [Uncountable "Natural Numbers"]

We consider the following axioms in an attempt to model the natural numbers in first-order logic with equality:

- 1.  $F_1 = \forall x \forall y (f(x) = f(y) \rightarrow x = y)$
- 2.  $F_2 = \forall x (f(x) \neq 0)$
- 3.  $F_3 = \forall x(x = 0 \lor \exists y(x = f(y)))$

Give a model with an *uncountable* universe for:

- 1.  $\{F_1, F_2\}$
- 2.  $\{F_1, F_2, F_3\}$

Remember: A set S is uncountable if there is no injection from S to  $\mathbb{N}$ .

#### Solution:

- 1.  $U_{\mathcal{A}} = \mathbb{R}_0^+$ ,  $0^{\mathcal{A}} = 0$ , and  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) = x + 1$  $f^{\mathcal{A}}$  is clearly injective and there is no x such that  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) = 0$ , because  $-1 \notin U_{\mathcal{A}}$ .
- 2. We take  $U_{\mathcal{A}}$  to be the union of the positive real numbers and the non-positive whole numbers, i.e.,  $U_{\mathcal{A}} = \mathbb{R}_{>0} \cup \mathbb{Z}_{<0}$ .

Let the symbols be interpreted as follows:

$$0^{\mathcal{A}} = 0$$

$$f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } x > 0\\ x - 1 & \text{if } x \le 0 \end{cases}$$

- (a)  $f^{\mathcal{A}}$  is defined as two disjoint domains that have disjoint ranges and f is injective on both domains; hence the entire function is injective.
- (b) 0 is not in the range of  $f^{\mathcal{A}}$ : For x > 0,  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) > 0$  and for  $x \leq 0$ ,  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) \leq -1$ .
- (c) To show:  $x \neq 0 \rightarrow \exists y (x = f(y))$ . If x < 0, then  $x \leq -1$ , hence  $x = f^{\mathcal{A}}(x + 1)$ . Otherwise,  $x = f^{\mathcal{A}}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ .

## Homework 7.1. [Model Sizes]

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- 1. Specify a satisfiable formula F (one with and one without equality) such that for all models  $\mathcal{A}$  of F, we have  $|U_{\mathcal{A}}| \geq 4$ .
- 2. Can you also specify a satisfiable formula F such that for all models  $\mathcal{A}$  of F, we have  $|U_{\mathcal{A}}| \leq 4$ ? Again, consider both predicate logic with and without equality.
- 3. Specify a satisfiable formula F with equality such that for all finite models  $\mathcal{A}$  of F, we have  $|U_{\mathcal{A}}| \in 2\mathbb{N}_{>0}$ .

#### **Solution:**

- 1.  $\exists x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4. x_1 \neq x_2 \land x_1 \neq x_3 \land x_1 \neq x_4 \land x_2 \neq x_3 \land x_2 \neq x_4 \land x_3 \neq x_4$ Without equality, one can use two predicates  $B_1$  and  $B_0$  representing bits and 4 constants  $a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3$  and for each  $a_i$ , encode i in binary using  $B_1$  and  $B_0$ , i.e.  $\neg B_1(a_0) \land \neg B_1(a_0) \land \neg B_1(a_1) \land B_1(a_1) \land B_1(a_2) \land \neg B_1(a_2) \cdots$ .
- 2.  $\forall x \forall y. x = y$

Without equality, no limit on the model size can be given: assume there is a finite model  $\mathcal{M}$ . Take an arbitrary element e of  $\mathcal{M}$ . We can add a new element  $e_1$  that behaves exactly the same as e to  $\mathcal{M}$  without changing the set of formula satisfied by  $\mathcal{M}$  (proof by structural induction on formulas). We continue this process iteratively to obtain a model of arbitrary, countable size. Indeed, we could even add an infinite number of copies of e and obtain models of arbitrary size.

3. 
$$\forall x \neg P(x, x) \land \forall x \exists y P(x, y) \land \forall x \forall y \forall z (P(x, y) \land P(y, z) \rightarrow (x = z))$$

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# Homework 7.3. [Preconditions Are Here To Stay]

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Recall the fundamental theorem from the lecture: "Let F be a closed formula in Skolem form. Then F is satisfiable iff it has a Herbrand model".

Explain: what goes wrong if the precondition is violated, that is when F is not closed or not in Skolem form. Describe both cases.

#### **Solution:**

 $\exists x. (P(x) \land \neg P(a))$ ; there is no Herbrand model because there is only the constant a and no functionals but we need at least two elements for the formula to be satisfiable. The same problems arises for  $P(x) \land \neg P(a)$ .

## Homework 7.4. [Ground resolution]

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Execute ground resolution to show that the following formula is unsatisfiable:

$$\forall x \forall y ((P(x) \land \neg Q(y,y)) \rightarrow Q(x,y)) \land \neg \exists x (P(x) \land \exists y (Q(y,y) \land Q(x,y))) \land \exists y (P(y))$$

#### **Solution:**

Algorithmic.

# Homework 7.5. [Proof of the Fundamental Theorem] (++)

Recall the fundamental theorem: Let F be a closed formula in Skolem form. Then F is satisfiable iff it has a Herbrand model. Give the omitted proof for the base case (slide 6,  $\mathcal{A}(G) = \mathcal{T}(G)$ ).

### **Solution:**

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an arbitrary model of F. We define a Herbrand structure  $\mathcal{T}$  as follows (according to the lecture):

$$U_{\mathcal{T}} = T(F) \qquad f^{\mathcal{T}}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$$
  
$$(t_1, \dots, t_n) \in P^{\mathcal{T}} \text{ iff } (\mathcal{A}(t_1), \dots, \mathcal{A}(t_n)) \in P^{\mathcal{A}}$$

Additionally, if F contains no constant:  $a^{A} = u$  for some arbitrary  $u \in U_{A}$ .

We now prove the omitted case for the following stronger proposition: For every closed formula G in Skolem form such that all function and predicate symbols in G occur in F, if  $A \models G$  then  $\mathcal{T} \models G$ . The proof proceeds by induction on the number n of universal quantifiers in G.

• Base case: n = 0. G has no quantifiers (because it is in Skolem form).

Claim:  $\mathcal{A}(G) = \mathcal{T}(G)$ .

Proof by induction on the structure of G.

- Base case:  $G = P(t_1, \ldots, t_k)$ 

We know that  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{T}(t)) = \mathcal{A}(t)$ , because  $\mathcal{T}(t) = t$ .

$$\mathcal{T} \models P(t_1, \dots, t_k) \text{ iff } (\mathcal{T}(t_1), \dots, \mathcal{T}(t_k)) \in P^{\mathcal{T}}$$

$$\text{iff } (\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{T}(t_1)), \dots, \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{T}(t_k))) \in P^{\mathcal{A}}$$

$$\text{iff } (\mathcal{A}(t_1), \dots, \mathcal{A}(t_k)) \in P^{\mathcal{A}}$$

$$\text{iff } \mathcal{A} \models P(t_1, \dots, t_k)$$

- Induction step:  $G = H_1 \wedge H_2$ Induction hypotheses:  $\mathcal{A}(H_i) = \mathcal{T}(H_i)$  for  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ 

$$\mathcal{A}(H_1 \wedge H_2)$$
 iff  $\mathcal{A}(H_1)$  or  $\mathcal{A}(H_2)$   
iff  $\mathcal{T}(H_1)$  or  $\mathcal{T}(H_2)$   
iff  $\mathcal{T}(H_1 \wedge H_2)$ 

- Other induction steps are similar.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Logic takes care of itself; all we have to do is to look and see how it does it.} \\ --- \text{Ludwig Wittgenstein} \end{array}$