

# LOGICS EXERCISE

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**Submission of homework:** Before tutorial on 27.06.2017. You have to do the homework yourself; no teamwork allowed.

## Exercise 8.1. [Decidability]

1. Resolution for first-order logic is sound and complete.
2. Satisfiability and validity for first-order logic are undecidable.

How do you reconcile these two facts?

## Exercise 8.2. [Ground Resolution]

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

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

## Exercise 8.3. [Barber Paradox]

Consider the following facts:

1. Every barber shaves those who do not shave themselves.
2. No barber shaves anyone who shaves themself.

Show with resolution that there are no barbers by resolution.

**Homework 8.1. [Restricted Resolution]** (8 points)

In the resolution procedure as defined in the lecture slides, we can unify arbitrarily many literals from two clauses. Consider a modified resolution procedure, where exactly one literal is picked. We add another rule (“collapsing rule”): For a clause  $C = \{L_1, \dots, L_n\}$ , where  $\{L_i, L_j\}$  can be unified using a mgu  $\delta$ , add another clause  $C' = (C - L_i)\delta$ .

For example, given the clause

$$C = \{\neg W(x), \neg W(f(y)), T(x, y), \neg W(f(c))\}$$

we can apply the collapsing rule as follows:

$$L_1 = \neg W(x), L_2 = \neg W(f(y)), \delta = \{x \mapsto f(y)\}, C' = \{\neg W(f(y)), T(f(y), y), \neg W(f(c))\}$$

(Note that there are multiple possible ways to apply the collapsing rule to  $C$ .)

Prove that our modified resolution calculus, including collapsing rule, can be simulated by the original resolution calculus, and vice versa.

**Homework 8.2. [Resolution]** (8 points)

Show with resolution that:

1.  $\forall x(\neg R(x) \longrightarrow R(f(x))) \longrightarrow \exists x(R(x) \wedge R(f(f(x))))$  is valid
2.  $\exists x(P(x) \wedge \neg P(f(f(x)))) \wedge \forall x(P(x) \longrightarrow P(f(x)))$  is unsatisfiable

**Homework 8.3. [Equality]** (4 points)

We consider how to model equality in predicate logic. In the lecture slides, the following axiom schema for congruence is used:

$$\frac{Eq(x_i, y)}{Eq(f(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n), f(x_1, \dots, y, \dots, x_n))}$$

Assume that this schema is replaced by:

$$\frac{Eq(x_1, y_1) \quad \dots \quad Eq(x_n, y_n)}{Eq(f(x_1, \dots, x_n), f(y_1, \dots, y_n))}$$

Reflexivity, symmetry and transitivity stay unchanged. Show that the above modified schemas is equivalent to the schemas from the lecture.

*Hint:* Simulate the modified schema with the original one and vice versa.