## Propositional and Predicate Logic - Tutorial 1

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- 1. Consider a finite game of two alternating players. Assume the game ends after n rounds by win of one of the players, denoted by X, Y where X begins. The game is given by formula  $\varphi(x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \ldots, x_n, y_n)$  expressing that the game with moves  $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \ldots, x_n, y_n$  ends by a win of X (there are no draws). Find formulas (with use of quantifiers) that expresses
  - (a) "X cannot lose", "Y cannot lose",
  - (b) "X has a winning strategy", "Y has a winning strategy".
- 2. Assume we are given an (undirected) graph G and two his vertices u, v. Find a propositional formula that is satisfiable if and only if
  - (a) G is bipartite,
  - (b) G is 3-colorable,
  - (c) G has a perfect matching,
  - (d) there is a path between u and v in G.
- 3. Find first-order formulas (in the language of graph theory) expressing about an (undirected) graph that
  - (a) "u and v have (a / exactly one / at most one) common neighbor",
  - (b) "there are at least three mutually independent edges",
  - (c) "there is a path of length n between u and v, where given n > 0 is fixed.
- 4. Find second-order formulas (in the language of graph theory) expressing about an (undirected) graph that
  - (a) "there exists a bipartition",
  - (b) "there exists a perfect matching",
  - (c) "there exists a path between u and v".
- 5. Find first-order formulas (with the symbol  $\leq$ ) expressing about a partially ordered set
  - (a) "x is the smallest element", "x is a minimal element",
  - (b) "x has an immediate successor",
  - (c) "every two elements have the greatest common predecessor".
- 6. Find first order formulas (with use of equality) expressing for a fixed n > 0 that
  - (a) "there exist at least n elements",
  - (b) "there exist at most n elements",
  - (c) "there exist exactly n elements"

Is it possible to express with use of (possibly infinite) set of formulas that "there are infinitely many elements"?

- 7. Find a second-order formula expressing "there exist finitely many elements". Hint:
  - (a) Find first-order formulas (with a symbol f for a function) expressing "f is injective", "f is surjective".
  - (b) Find a second-order formula expressing "every function that is surjective is also injective".

- 8. Can we color the integers from 1 to n with two colors such that there is no monochromatic solution of an equation a + b = c with  $1 \le a < b < c \le n$ ? Write a proposition  $\varphi_n$  for n = 8 that is satisfiable if and only if such coloring exists.
- 9. (Pigeonhole principle). Let  $n \ge 2$  be a fixed natural number. Assume that we have n pigeons and n-1 pigeonholes. We want to express that
  - (i) Every pigeon sits in some pigeonhole,
  - (*ii*) there is no pigeonhole with more than one pigeon sitting in it.

Let  $\mathbb{P} = \{p_j^i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$  be a set of propositional variables, where  $p_j^i$  represents that "the *i*-th pigeon sits in the *j*-th pigeonhole".

- (a) Write propositions  $\varphi_i$  and  $\psi_j$  over  $\mathbb{P}$  expressing that "the *i*-th pigeon sits in some pigeonhole" and "in the *j*-th pigeonhole sits not more than one pigeon", respectively, where  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n-1$ . Write a set of propositions expressing (i) and (ii).
- 10. Three proposals are being discussed in the parliament: school charges, tax increase, restriction of smoking in restaurants.
  - (i) The party A demands that in case the party B or the party C has his demand fulfilled, there will be no school charges or no tax increase.
  - (ii) The party B wants to restrict smoking if the party C does not have his demand fulfilled or tax do not increase.
  - (iii) The party C requires that in case the party A has his demand fulfilled, there will be no tax increase and no smoking restriction.
  - (iv) In the final voting exactly two parties had their demands fulfilled.

Let the propositional letters p, q, r represent (respectively) that the proposals on *school* charges, tax increase, smoking restriction have been passed. Furthermore, let a, b, c represent (respectively) that each party's demand has been fulfilled and let  $\mathbb{P} = \{p, q, r, a, b, c\}$ .

- (a) Write propositions  $\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_2$ ,  $\varphi_3$  in the form of an equivalence and a proposition  $\varphi_4$  over  $\mathbb{P}$  that express (respectively) (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv).
- 11. (In Shakespeare's play The Merchant of Venice) those who wish to win a beautiful Portia's hand in marriage need to find out which of the three caskets, made of gold, silver, and lead, hides Portia's portrait. We know that
  - (i) Portia's portrait is in exactly one casket.
  - (*ii*) At most one of the inscriptions on the caskets is true.
  - (iii) The inscription on the golden casket says: "The portrait is not in this casket."
  - (*iv*) The inscription on the silver casket says: "If the inscription on the golden casket is true, then the portrait is in the leaden casket."
  - (v) The inscription on the leaden casket says: "The inscription on the golden casket is false."

Let the propositional letters g, s, l represent (respectively) that "the portrait is in golden / silver / leaden casket" and letters  $t_g$ ,  $t_s$ ,  $t_l$  represent (respectively) that "the inscription on golden / silver / leaden casket is true." Furthermore, let  $\mathbb{P}' = \{g, s, l, t_g, t_s, t_l\}$ .

(a) Write propositions φ<sub>1</sub>, φ<sub>2</sub> over P' expressing the statements (i), (ii), and propositions (in form of equivalences) φ<sub>3</sub>, φ<sub>4</sub>, φ<sub>5</sub> over P' representing (respectively) our knowledge from (iii), (iv), (v).