

## Predicate and Propositional Logic - Tutorial 6

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1. Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a countable nonempty family of nonempty finite sets. We say that  $\mathcal{S}$  has a *selector* if there exists an injective  $f: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \bigcup \mathcal{S}$  such that  $f(S) \in S$  for every  $S \in \mathcal{S}$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{S}$  has a selector if and only if every nonempty finite part of  $\mathcal{S}$  has a selector.
2. Let  $\varphi$  be the proposition  $\neg(p \vee q) \rightarrow (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$ .
  - (a) Transform  $\neg\varphi$  into CNF and into set representation (clausal form).
  - (b) Find a resolution refutation of  $\neg\varphi$ ; that is, a proof of  $\varphi$ .
3. Find resolution closures  $\mathcal{R}(S)$  of the following formulas  $S$ .
  - (a)  $\{\{p, q\}, \{\neg p, \neg q\}, \{\neg p, q\}\}$
  - (b)  $\{\{p, q\}, \{p, \neg q\}, \{p, \neg q\}\}$
  - (c)  $\{\{p, \neg q, r\}, \{q, r\}, \{\neg p, r\}, \{q, \neg r\}, \{\neg q\}\}$
4. Find resolution refutations of the following propositions.
  - (a)  $(p \leftrightarrow (q \rightarrow r)) \wedge ((p \leftrightarrow q) \wedge (p \leftrightarrow \neg r))$
  - (b)  $\neg(((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow \neg q) \rightarrow \neg q)$
5. Prove by resolution that  $s$  is valid in a theory  $T = \{\neg p \rightarrow \neg q, \neg q \rightarrow \neg r, (r \rightarrow p) \rightarrow s\}$ .
6. Show that if  $S = \{C_1, C_2\}$  is satisfiable and  $C$  is a resolvent of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , then  $C$  is satisfiable as well.
7. Find the *tree of reductions* of a formula  $S = \{\{p, r\}, \{q, \neg r\}, \{\neg q\}, \{\neg p, t\}, \{\neg s\}, \{s, \neg t\}\}$ .
8. Assume that we have available MgO, H<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, C and we can perform the following chemical reactions.
  - (1)  $\text{MgO} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{Mg} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
  - (2)  $\text{C} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2$
  - (3)  $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$
  - (a) Represent the state of affairs as a proposition in a suitable language and transform it into a set representation.
  - (b) Prove by (linear input) resolution that we can produce H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>.
9. Show that in Hilbert's calculus the following is provable for every formulas  $\varphi, \psi, \chi$ .
  - (a)  $\vdash_H \varphi \rightarrow \varphi$
  - (b)  $T \vdash_H \varphi \rightarrow \chi$  where  $T = \{\varphi \rightarrow \psi, \psi \rightarrow \chi\}$
  - (c)  $T \vdash_H \psi \rightarrow \chi$  where  $T = \{\varphi, \psi \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)\}$

**Examples of questions for the midterm test on Nov 15.**

1. In the presidential elections we have two candidates, Mr. A and Mr. B.

- (i) Mr. A says: “I will be elected or Mr. B lies.”
- (ii) Mr. B says: “Mr. A will not be elected or I lie.”
- (iii) Exactly one candidate will be elected.

Let the propositional atoms  $e_A, e_B$  represent that Mr. A (resp. Mr. B) will be elected and let  $t_A, t_B$  represent that Mr. A (resp. Mr. B) speaks the truth. Let us denote  $\mathbb{P} = \{e_A, e_B, t_A, t_B\}$ .

- (a) Write propositions  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  in the form of equivalence and a proposition  $\varphi_3$  in CNF expressing (in this order) (i), (ii), (iii), all over the language  $\mathbb{P}$ . (20p)
  - (b) Let  $T = \{\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3\}$ . Prove by tableau method that  $T \models e_B$ . (40p).
  - (c) Give an example of a proposition over  $\mathbb{P}$  that is independent in theory  $T$ , or show that such proposition does not exist. (20p).
  - (d) Find a theory  $S$  over  $\{e_A, e_B\}$  such that  $T$  is a conservative extension of  $S$ . (20p)
2. (Pigeonhole principle). Let  $n \geq 2$  be a fixed natural number. Assume that we have  $n$  pigeons and  $n - 1$  pigeonholes. We want to show (by resolution) that the following two statements cannot both be true:

- (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  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n - 1$ . Using the propositions  $\varphi_i$  and  $\psi_j$  construct a theory  $T_n$  expressing (i) and (ii). (20p)
  - (b) Now let  $n = 3$  and  $T' = T_3 \cup \{p_1^1\}$ , that is, we additionally assume that “the 1st pigeon sits in the 1st pigeonhole”. Convert  $T'$  to set representation. (20p)
  - (c) Show that  $T' \vdash_R \square$ . Draw the resolution refutation in the form of a resolution tree. (40p)
  - (d) Let  $T^* = T' \setminus \{\psi_2\}$  be a theory over  $\mathbb{P}$ . Is the theory  $T'$  a conservative extension of the theory  $T^*$ ? Justify your answer. (20p)
3. Let  $T = \{(\neg p \wedge q) \rightarrow r, (q \rightarrow r) \leftrightarrow p\}$  be a theory over the language  $\mathbb{P} = \{p, q, r\}$ .

- (a) Use the tableau method to find all models of the theory  $T$ . (40p)
- (b) Axiomatize  $M^{\mathbb{P}}(T)$  by a proposition in DNF and also by a proposition in CNF. (20p)
- (c) Is  $T$  an extension of the theory  $S = \{q \rightarrow p\}$  over the language  $\{p, q\}$ ? Is  $T$  a conservative extension of  $S$ ? Justify your answers. (20p)
- (d) Determine the number of mutually inequivalent propositions over  $\mathbb{P}$  that are independent in both  $S$  and  $T$ . Justify your answer. (20p)