

**Problem 1** (*Algebras and semantics*) (3 + 4 + 4 = 11 points)

Let  $\Sigma = (\Omega, \Pi)$  be a signature such that  $\Omega$  contains at least one constant symbol; let

$$\mathcal{A} = (U, (f_{\mathcal{A}} : U^n \rightarrow U)_{f/n \in \Omega}, (p_{\mathcal{A}} \subseteq U^m)_{p/m \in \Pi})$$

be a  $\Sigma$ -algebra. An element  $a \in U$  is called *term-generated*, if there exists a ground  $\Sigma$ -term  $t$  such that  $a = \mathcal{A}(\beta)(t)$  for some assignment  $\beta$ . (Note that, if  $t$  is ground, then  $\mathcal{A}(\beta)(t) = \mathcal{A}(\beta')(t)$  for all assignments  $\beta$  and  $\beta'$ .) The set of all term-generated elements of  $U$  is denoted by  $\hat{U}$ .

**Part (a)**

Prove: If  $f/n \in \Omega$ , then  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \hat{U}$  implies  $f_{\mathcal{A}}(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \hat{U}$ .

**Part (b)**

For  $f/n \in \Omega$  and  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \hat{U}$  define  $f_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}}(a_1, \dots, a_n) = f_{\mathcal{A}}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ ; for  $p/m \in \Pi$  define  $p_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}} = p_{\mathcal{A}} \cap \hat{U}^m$ . By part (a),

$$\hat{\mathcal{A}} = (\hat{U}, (f_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}} : \hat{U}^n \rightarrow \hat{U})_{f/n \in \Omega}, (p_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}} \subseteq \hat{U}^m)_{p/m \in \Pi})$$

is a  $\Sigma$ -algebra. A trivial proof by induction shows that  $\mathcal{A}(\beta)(G) = \hat{\mathcal{A}}(\beta)(G)$  for every quantifier-free  $\Sigma$ -formula  $G$  and every assignment  $\beta : X \rightarrow \hat{U}$ . Use this result to prove the following proposition: If  $F$  is a closed prenex  $\Sigma$ -formula without existential quantifiers, then  $\mathcal{A} \models F$  implies  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \models F$ .

**Part (c)**

The property given in part (b) does *not* hold for formulas *with existential quantifiers*. Give an example of a signature  $\Sigma$ , a  $\Sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ , and a closed prenex  $\Sigma$ -formula  $F$  such that  $\mathcal{A} \models F$ , but  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \not\models F$ .

**Problem 2** (*Formula transformations, SML*) (6 points)

A quantifier  $Qx$  in a formula  $QxG$  is superfluous, if all occurrences of  $x$  in  $G$  are bound in  $G$ , or in other words, if there is no occurrence of  $x$  in the formula that is bound by  $Qx$  itself. For instance, the two underlined quantifiers in the formula

$$\forall y \exists \underline{x} (p(y) \vee \underline{\forall z} \forall x q(y, x))$$

are superfluous. Write an SML-function `dropquant : wff -> wff` that takes a formula  $F$  as argument and replaces every subformula  $QxG$  in  $F$  by  $G$  if  $Qx$  is a superfluous quantifier. You may use the data types and auxiliary functions from the sample solution to tutorial exercise 1.5 (see the appendix).

**Problem 3** (*Resolution*) (6 points)

Use the resolution calculus to prove the validity of the following formula:

$$\left( \forall x \forall y \left( p(y, f(f(x))) \rightarrow p(y, x) \right) \right) \rightarrow \left( \left( \exists x \neg p(x, f(x)) \right) \vee \left( \forall x p(f(x), x) \right) \right)$$

**Problem 4** (*Herbrand interpretations*) (2 + 3 = 5 points)

Let  $\Sigma = (\Omega, \Pi)$  with  $\Omega = \{b/0, c/0\}$  and  $\Pi = \{p/1, q/2\}$ .

**Part (a)**

How many different Herbrand interpretations over  $\Sigma$  do exist? Explain briefly.

**Part (b)**

How many different Herbrand models over  $\Sigma$  does the universally quantified clause  $\forall x (\neg p(c) \vee q(x, b))$  have? Explain briefly.

**Problem 5** (*Redundancy*) (8 points)

Prove: If  $N$  is a (possibly infinite) set of ground clauses, and every clause in  $N$  is redundant in  $N$ , then every clause in  $N$  is a tautology.

**Problem 6** (*Orderings, redundancy*) (2 + 3 + 3 = 8 points)

Let  $N$  be the following set of ground clauses:

$$\neg p_2 \vee p_1 \quad (1)$$

$$\neg p_3 \vee \neg p_1 \quad (2)$$

$$p_4 \vee p_4 \vee p_1 \quad (3)$$

$$p_2 \vee \neg p_1 \vee p_1 \quad (4)$$

$$\neg p_4 \vee \neg p_3 \vee \neg p_2 \quad (5)$$

**Part (a)**

Let the ordering on atoms be defined by  $p_4 \succ p_3 \succ p_2 \succ p_1$ . Sort the clauses in  $N$  with respect to  $\succ_C$ .

**Part (b)**

Let  $\succ$  be defined as in Part (a). Which clauses in  $N$  are redundant in  $N$  and which are not redundant with respect to  $\succ$ ?

**Part (c)**

Find another total atom ordering  $\succ'$  such that clause (2) is maximal and clause (3) is minimal in  $N$  with respect to  $\succ'_C$ .