

Logic in Computer Science Midterm

1. Induction and Recursion

Consider augmenting the alphabet of propositional logic with two new symbols: \top and \perp , where \top is a symbol that can be used wherever a propositional symbol can be used but always evaluates to true and \perp is a similar symbol except that it always evaluates to false.

- (a) Give an inductive definition of propositional formulas including \top and \perp . You may restrict the usual set of five Boolean connectives to any complete set. The formulas should be freely generated (but you don't have to prove that they are).
- (b) Let W_{tf} be the set of propositional formulas defined inductively in part (a). Define a recursive function *simp* which maps formulas in W_{tf} to a logically equivalent formula in $W \cup \{\top, \perp\}$, where W is the subset of formulas in W_{tf} that do not contain \top and \perp (i.e. *simp* either returns a formula that does not contain \top or \perp or it returns \top or \perp).

2. Decidability and Semi-Decidability

- (a) Prove that the union of two effectively enumerable sets is again effectively enumerable.
- (b) Prove that the intersection of two effectively enumerable sets is again effectively enumerable.

3. First-Order Logic: Proofs and Models

Following are several instances of $\Gamma \vdash \phi$. For each instance, either prove that $\Gamma \vdash \phi$ (either give an actual formal deduction or prove that one exists) or give a model and variable assignment which satisfies Γ but not ϕ (showing that $\Gamma \not\vdash \phi$ and therefore, by soundness, $\Gamma \not\vdash \phi$).

- (a) $\emptyset \vdash \neg \forall y \exists x (Py \wedge \neg Px)$
- (b) $\forall x (x = a) \vdash \forall y \forall z (y = z)$
- (c) $\forall x (Px \rightarrow \neg Qx) \vdash (\exists y Qy \rightarrow \exists z \neg Pz)$
- (d) $\forall x \forall y \forall z (Pxy \rightarrow Pyz \rightarrow Pxz) \vdash \forall x \forall y (Pxy \rightarrow Pyx)$

4. Homomorphisms and Definability

- (a) Show that if A is a substructure of B and $\models_A \phi[s]$ for some quantifier-free formula ϕ and variable assignment s , then $\models_B \phi[s]$.
- (b) A formula is *existential* if it is of the form $\exists x_1 \cdots \exists x_n \theta$, where θ is quantifier-free. Show that if A is a substructure of B and $\models_A \phi[s]$ for some existential formula ϕ and variable assignment s , then $\models_B \phi[s]$.
- (c) Let Σ be a signature with equality and a single binary predicate symbol: $<$. Let M be a Σ -model whose domain is the set of positive integers and which interprets $<$ as follows: $x <^M y$ iff x divides y . Show that the set of prime numbers is definable in M .

5. First-Order Compactness

- (a) Suppose that Γ is a set of sentences and τ is a sentence. Show that if $\text{Mod}\Gamma = \text{Mod}\tau$, then there is a finite $\Gamma_0 \subseteq \Gamma$ such that $\text{Mod}\Gamma_0 = \text{Mod}\tau$.
- (b) Recall that a class \mathcal{K} of models is first-order definable iff $\mathcal{K} = \text{Mod}\tau$ for some sentence τ . Show that the class of all infinite groups is not first-order definable. You may use the fact that there are arbitrarily large finite groups.