

Question 1

Prove the following formula using Resolution Calculus:

$$\exists X.\forall Y.\exists Z.\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(Y) \wedge R(X, b)))$$

First, We label the formula with F and apply CNF rules.

$$(\exists X.\forall Y.\exists Z.\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(Y) \wedge R(X, b))))^F$$

We apply \exists^F

$$X1 \notin \text{free}(\forall Y.\exists Z.\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(Y) \wedge R(X, b)))). \quad X1 \notin \{X\}$$

$$(\forall Y.\exists Z.\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(Y) \wedge R(X1, b))))^F$$

We apply \forall^F

$$\text{free}(\forall Y.\exists Z.\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(Y) \wedge R(X1, b)))) = \{X1\}$$

$$(\exists Z.\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(f(X1)) \wedge R(X1, b))))^F$$

We apply \exists^F

$$Z1 \notin \text{free}(\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(f(X1)) \wedge R(X1, b)))). \quad Z1 \notin \{Z, X1\}$$

$$(\exists W.((\neg P(Z1) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(f(X1)) \wedge R(X1, b))))^F$$

We apply \exists^F

$$W1 \notin \text{free}((\neg P(Z1) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(f(X1)) \wedge R(X1, b))). \quad W1 \notin \{Z1, W, X1\}$$

This gives us:

$$((\neg P(Z1) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W1, a) \vee (P(f(X1)) \wedge R(X1, b)))^F$$

The formula is a bunch of ORs. To be False, we need all terms to be False.

$$(\neg P(Z1) \wedge \neg R(b, a))^F \wedge (\neg R(a, b))^F \wedge (R(W1, a))^F \wedge (P(f(X1)) \wedge R(X1, b))^F$$

For an AND to be False we need either one term to be False. And remember, $(\neg A)^F \equiv A^T$

$$(P(Z1)^T \vee R(b, a)^T) \wedge R(a, b)^T \wedge R(W1, a)^F \wedge (P(f(X1))^F \vee R(X1, b)^F)$$

Final clause set:

$P(Z1)^T \vee R(b, a)^T$	1
$R(a, b)^T$	2
$R(W1, a)^F$	3
$P(f(X1))^F \vee R(X1, b)^F$	4

Now we start resolving:

- We resolve 2 with 4 under $\sigma = [a/X1]$ we get $P(f(a))^F$. (clause 5)
- We resolve 5 with 1 under $\sigma = [a/Z1]$ we get $R(b, a)^T$ (clause 6)
- We resolve 6 with 3 under $\sigma = [b/W1]$ we get $\{\phi\}$

Explaining the Trick:

$$\exists X.\forall Y.\exists Z.\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(Y) \wedge R(X, b)))$$

First, We negate.

$$\neg(\exists X.\forall Y.\exists Z.\exists W.((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(Y) \wedge R(X, b))))$$

We push the negation inside:

$$\forall X.\exists Y.\forall Z.\forall W.\neg((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(Y) \wedge R(X, b)))$$

A universally bounded Variable we leave as it is. An existentially bounded Variable is Skolemized.

- If before \exists there is a \forall We Skolemize by new function taking the universally quantified variables before the \exists
- If no \forall before \exists , we just skolemize with a new Skolem constant

In our case, this leaves us with:

$$\neg((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(f(X)) \wedge R(X, b)))$$

Which is equiv to

$$((\neg P(Z) \wedge \neg R(b, a)) \vee \neg R(a, b) \vee R(W, a) \vee (P(f(X)) \wedge R(X, b)))^F$$

We continue as usual

Another Example:

$$\exists X.\forall Y.\exists W.\exists Z.\neg((R(Z, Y) \vee \neg P(Z)) \wedge (\neg Q(d) \vee P(c)) \wedge (Q(d) \vee \neg P(c)) \wedge (\neg R(Z, Y) \vee \neg P(W) \vee \neg Q(X)) \wedge P(c))$$

We negate:

$$\neg(\exists X.\forall Y.\exists W.\exists Z.\neg((R(Z, Y) \vee \neg P(Z)) \wedge (\neg Q(d) \vee P(c)) \wedge (Q(d) \vee \neg P(c)) \wedge (\neg R(Z, Y) \vee \neg P(W) \vee \neg Q(X)) \wedge P(c)))$$

We push negation inside:

$$\forall X.\exists Y.\forall W.\forall Z.((R(Z, Y) \vee \neg P(Z)) \wedge (\neg Q(d) \vee P(c)) \wedge (Q(d) \vee \neg P(c)) \wedge (\neg R(Z, Y) \vee \neg P(W) \vee \neg Q(X)) \wedge P(c))$$

Skolemization:

$$((R(Z, f(X)) \vee \neg P(Z)) \wedge (\neg Q(d) \vee P(c)) \wedge (Q(d) \vee \neg P(c)) \wedge (\neg R(Z, f(X)) \vee \neg P(W) \vee \neg Q(X)) \wedge P(c))^T$$

For a bunch of ANDs to be true. All terms must be true.

$$(R(Z, f(X)) \vee \neg P(Z))^T \wedge (\neg Q(d) \vee P(c))^T \wedge (Q(d) \vee \neg P(c))^T \wedge (\neg R(Z, f(X)) \vee \neg P(W) \vee \neg Q(X))^T \wedge P(c)^T$$

The CNF form is:

$$(R(Z, f(X))^T \vee P(Z)^F) \wedge (Q(d)^F \vee P(c)^T) \wedge (Q(d)^T \vee P(c)^F) \wedge (R(Z, f(X))^F \vee P(W)^F \vee Q(X)^F) \wedge P(c)^T$$

Question 2 (Solved using the Trick)

Prove Using Resolution:

$$\forall X \forall Y \forall Z \exists U \exists V \exists W [(P(X, Y) \Rightarrow (P(Z, a) \Rightarrow R(a))) \Rightarrow ((P(U, V) \wedge P(W, a)) \Rightarrow R(a))]$$

We Negate and push negation inside

$$\neg(\forall X \forall Y \forall Z \exists U \exists V \exists W [(P(X, Y) \Rightarrow (P(Z, a) \Rightarrow R(a))) \Rightarrow ((P(U, V) \wedge P(W, a)) \Rightarrow R(a))])$$

$$\exists X \exists Y \exists Z \forall U \forall V \forall W \neg[(P(X, Y) \Rightarrow (P(Z, a) \Rightarrow R(a))) \Rightarrow ((P(U, V) \wedge P(W, a)) \Rightarrow R(a))]$$

We Skolemize:

$$[(P(c_x, c_y) \Rightarrow (P(c_z, a) \Rightarrow R(a))) \Rightarrow ((P(U, V) \wedge P(W, a)) \Rightarrow R(a))]^F$$

$$(P(c_x, c_y) \Rightarrow (P(c_z, a) \Rightarrow R(a)))^T \wedge ((P(U, V) \wedge P(W, a)) \Rightarrow R(a))^F$$

$$(P(c_x, c_y)^F \vee (P(c_z, a) \Rightarrow R(a))^T) \wedge ((P(U, V) \wedge P(W, a))^T \wedge R(a)^F)$$

$$(P(c_x, c_y)^F \vee P(c_z, a)^F \vee R(a)^T) \wedge (P(U, V)^T \wedge P(W, a)^T \wedge R(a)^F)$$

$P(c_x, c_y)^F \vee P(c_z, a)^F \vee R(a)^T$	1
$P(U, V)^T$	2
$P(W, a)^T$	3
$R(a)^F$	4

The clauses are:

- 1 with 2 with $\sigma = [c_x/U], [c_y/V] \rightarrow P(c_z, a)^F \vee R(a)^T$ (clause 5)
- 5 with 3 with $\sigma = [c_z/W] \rightarrow R(a)^T$ (clause 6)
- 6 with 4 $\rightarrow \{\phi\}$