

UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO

**Computer Science 2209b, Winter 2013-2014**  
**Applied Logic for Computer Science**

ASSIGNMENT 5

Given: Monday, March 31st, Due: Monday, April 7, 5:30pm

(1). Use **formal deduction** to prove the validity of the following argument:

Premise 1:  $\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$

Premise 2:  $\exists x(R(x) \wedge \neg Q(x))$

Premise 3:  $\forall x(R(x) \rightarrow P(x) \vee S(x))$

Conclusion:  $\exists x(R(x) \wedge S(x))$

(2). Use **resolution for propositional calculus with the set of support strategy** to show that the following argument is valid:

Premise 1:  $\neg R \rightarrow S$

Premise 2:  $R \rightarrow P$

Premise 3:  $P \vee S \rightarrow Q$

Conclusion:  $Q$

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(3). Consider that by translating an argument into the language of propositional calculus, and by adding the negation of the conclusion to the set of premises we obtained the set  $\mathcal{S}$  of clauses:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \{Q, \neg S\} & \{\neg Q, T\} & \{\neg Q, P\} & \{Q, R, T\} \\ \{\neg Q, \neg S\} & \{\neg R, \neg P\} & \{\neg R, S, P\} & \{Q, S, \neg T\} \\ \{S, \neg T, \neg P\} & & & \end{array}$$

Apply the **Davis-Putnam procedure** to find out whether or not the original argument was valid, i.e. whether or not the set  $\mathcal{S}$  is satisfiable. Show in detail all the intermediary steps. In particular, for each elimination of a variable, show which are the sets  $S_i$ ,  $S'_i$ ,  $T_i$  and  $U_i$ . For each resolvent indicate what the parent clauses are. Eliminate the variables in the order  $Q, R, S, T, P$ .

(4). Prove the validity of the following argument by using **resolution for predicate calculus**. Use the method described in class.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Premise 1: } \exists x[P(x) \wedge \forall y(Q(y) \rightarrow R(x, y))] \\ \text{Premise 2: } \forall x \forall y(P(x) \wedge R(x, y) \rightarrow S(y)) \\ \text{Premise 3: } \forall x(S(x) \rightarrow Q(x)) \\ \text{Conclusion: } \forall x(Q(x) \leftrightarrow S(x)) \end{array}$$