

Homework 5 . Predicate Logic: Syntax and Semantics

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Submit your solution in PDF file (and Latex source file if you use Latex) to the folder of "assignment" of Piazza by **11:59pm Sun Nov 19**. (If you need more time, no later than 3pm Monday Nov 20.).

1. Consider the following sentence.

Every number greater than or equal to 4 can be written as the sum of two prime numbers.

- (a) Write *a language* (as defined in Def 2.1) such that some formula of the language can be used to represent the sentence above.

Answer:

Variables: x, y, z

Constants: 4

Connectives: $\vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, \iff, \neg$

Quantifiers: \forall, \exists

Predicate Symbols: P, R, S

Function Symbols: f

Punctuation: $, .) ($

- (b) Write a formula of your language that should reflect the meaning of the sentence above.

Answer:

$((\forall z)(P(z, 4)))$ where z is a number.

$((\forall x)(\forall y)(R(x) \wedge R(y)))$ where $R(x)$ and $R(y)$ are primes.

$((\forall x)(\forall y)(R(x) \wedge R(y)) \rightarrow (S(f(x, y), z) \wedge P(z, 4)))$

- (c) In terms of your language, write two example terms, two example atomic formulas, and two example formulas.

Answer:

Terms: x, y, z

Atomic Formulas: $S(f(x, y), z), R(x), R(y), P(z, 4)$

Formulas: $((\forall x)(\forall y)(R(x) \wedge R(y))), (S(f(x, y), z) \wedge P(z, 4)), ((\forall x)(\forall y)(R(x) \wedge R(y)) \rightarrow (S(f(x, y), z) \wedge P(z, 4)))$

2. Write a formula to represent the following information. Your formula should be as close as possible to the intended meaning of these sentences.

- (a) *There is a mother to all children.*

Answer: $((\exists m)(\forall c)Mother(m, c))$

- (b) ALL ITEMS NOT AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES.

Answer: $((\forall i)(\forall s)notAvailable(i, s))$

Note, the sentence above is a disclaimer in the weekly flyer of specials of a grocery store chain.

3. Given the language defined in Def 2.1, which of the following are formulas by Def 2.5 (i.e., follow the definition strictly)?

- (a) $f(x, c)$
- (b) $R(c, f(d, z))$
- (c) $\forall x(P(x))$
- (d) $((\exists x)((\forall y)P(z)) \rightarrow R(x, y))$

Answer:

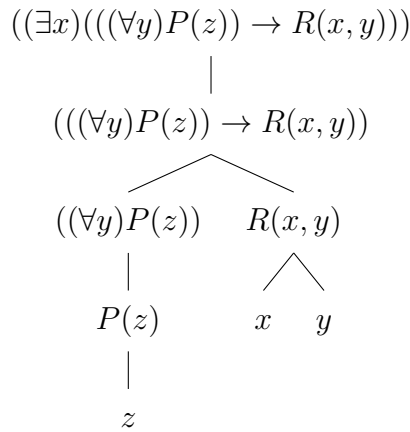
(b) $R(c, f(d, z))$ and (d) $((\exists x)((\forall y)P(z)) \rightarrow R(x, y))$ are the formulas defined by Def 2.5.

4. Given

$$((\exists x)((\forall y)P(z)) \rightarrow R(x, y)),$$

(a) Draw its formation tree.

Answer:



(b) List two of its subformulas.

Answer:

- i. $((\forall y)P(z))$
- ii. $P(z)$
- iii. $R(x, y)$
- iv. $((\forall y)P(z)) \rightarrow R(x, y)$
- v. $((\exists x)((\forall y)P(z)) \rightarrow R(x, y))$

5. Which of the following terms are substitutable for x in the corresponding formulas?

(a) $f(z, y)$ in $((\exists y)(P(y) \wedge R(x, z)))$.

Answer: Not Substitutable.

Because after substitution the variables of term are getting bounded.

(b) $g(f(z, y), a)$ in $((\exists x)(P(x) \wedge R(x, y)))$.

Answer: Not substitutable.

Because x is not a free variable and it is bounded by $\exists x$.

6. Let $A = \{1, 2\}$. a) List all functions from A to A in the form of sets of pair. For example, one function is $\{(1, 1), (2, 2)\}$. If we let the function be named g . Then in the example function, $g(1)$ is 1 and $g(2)$ is 2. b) List all unary relations on A . Your relations must be represented as sets.

Answer:

(a) List all functions from A to A in the form of sets of pair

i. $g = \{(1, 1), (2, 2)\}$. where $g(1) = 1$ and $g(2) = 2$

ii. $g = \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$. where $g(1) = 2$ and $g(2) = 1$

(b) List all unary relations on A . Your Relations must be represented as sets.

i. $\{\}$

ii. $\{1\}$

iii. $\{2\}$

iv. $\{1, 2\}$

7. Prove that $\mathcal{A} \models \neg \exists x \varphi(x)$ if and only if $\mathcal{A} \models \forall x \neg \varphi(x)$. You have to follow the proof format we used earlier. Follow the working backward methodology. You have to be able to apply the definitions.

Answer:

(a) Assume that the sentence φ of language L satisfies structure \mathcal{A} for $L^{\mathcal{A}}$ to define $\mathcal{A} \models \varphi$ for sentences φ of L . (From Definition 4.3)

(b) $\mathcal{A} \models \neg \exists x \varphi(x)$ for some ground term t , $\mathcal{A} \models \neg \varphi$ i.e., $\mathcal{A} \not\models \varphi(t)$. (From Definition 4.3 (ii) and (vii))

(c) $\mathcal{A} \models \forall x \neg \varphi(x)$ for some ground term t , $\mathcal{A} \models \neg \varphi(t)$ (i.e., $\mathcal{A} \not\models \varphi(t)$). (From Definition 4.3 (ii) and (viii))

(d) we can conclude that; $\mathcal{A} \models \neg \exists x \varphi(x) \iff \mathcal{A} \models \forall x \neg \varphi(x)$. (By (2) and (3))