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Question 1

- (a) Let $\varphi = Px$, $\psi = Qx$ and $\Sigma = \{\exists x\varphi, \exists x\psi\}$. It is clear that $\Sigma \models \exists x\varphi$ and $\Sigma \models \exists x\psi$. But $\Sigma \not\models \exists x(\varphi \wedge \psi)$ as we can take the structure \mathfrak{A} with $|\mathfrak{A}| = \{0, 1\}$, $P^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{0\}$ and $Q^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{1\}$.
- (b) Let $\varphi = \forall yx \not\approx y$ and $t = y$. Then $\varphi_t^x = \forall yy \not\approx y$. Clearly $\forall x\varphi \rightarrow \varphi_t^x$ is not valid.
- (c) Let the language consist only of the binary relation $<$. Take $\mathfrak{A} = (\mathbb{Q}, <_{\mathbb{Q}})$ and $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathbb{R}, <_{\mathbb{R}})$. From the lecture, we have $\mathfrak{A} \equiv \mathfrak{B}$ but $\mathfrak{A} \not\cong \mathfrak{B}$.
- (d) Let the language consist of 2010 predicates $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_{2010}$. Take a structure \mathfrak{A} with $|\mathfrak{A}| = \{1, 2, \dots, 2010\}$ and $P_i^{\mathfrak{A}} = \{i\}$. Then \mathfrak{A} has 2010 elements and each of them is definable: $\{i\}$ is defined by the formula $P_i x$.
- (e) Consider the structure $\mathfrak{A} = (\mathbb{Z}, <)$ over the language with only the binary relation $<$. All the automorphisms over this structures are "translations" i.e mapping of form

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_z : \mathbb{Z} &\rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\ x &\mapsto x + z \end{aligned}$$

where $z \in \mathbb{Z}$. So we have a countably infinitely many automorphisms over this structure.

Question 2

- (a) We have

$$\begin{aligned} &\exists x\varphi \vdash \exists x\psi \\ \iff &\neg \forall x\neg\varphi \vdash \neg \forall x\neg\psi \\ \iff &\forall x\neg\psi \vdash \forall x\neg\varphi \\ \iff &\vdash \forall x\neg\psi \rightarrow \forall x\neg\varphi \end{aligned}$$

Note that $\varphi \vdash \psi$ implies $\vdash \varphi \rightarrow \psi$. So $\vdash \neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi$ (rule T) and hence $\vdash \forall x(\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi)$ by generalization theorem. Then from axiom group 3, one has $\vdash \forall x(\neg\psi \rightarrow \neg\varphi) \rightarrow \forall x\neg\psi \rightarrow \forall x\neg\varphi$ and then we can use MP to deduce $\vdash \forall x\neg\psi \rightarrow \forall x\neg\varphi$. Now, reversing the iff of the above, we get what we want.

- (b) Let $\delta_k = \bigwedge_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} x_i \not\approx x_j$. Now, notice that

$$\delta_{k+1} = \delta_k \wedge \bigwedge_{1 \leq i \leq k} x_i \not\approx x_{k+1}$$

and that we have $\alpha \wedge \beta \rightarrow \alpha$, so we can deduce

$$\delta_{k+1} \vdash \delta_k$$

Applying the above result, we have:

$$\exists x_{k+1} \delta_{k+1} \vdash \exists x_{k+1} \delta_k.$$

Since x_{k+1} does not appear in δ_k , we also have

$$\exists x_{k+1} \delta_k \vdash \delta_k.$$

(The above is equivalent to $\neg \forall x_{k+1} \neg \delta_k \vdash \delta_k$. By contrapositive, we get its equivalence $\forall x_{k+1} \neg \delta_k \vdash \neg \delta_k$. This is true by generalization theorem and the fact that x does not occur free in δ_k .) From this we get

$$\exists x_{k+1} \delta_{k+1} \vdash \delta_k.$$

Now, applying the above with φ and ψ being the LHS and RHS of the above k times, we get

$$\lambda_{k+1} \vdash \lambda_k.$$

Question 3

Suppose that $|\mathfrak{A}| = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} \tau := & \left(\bigwedge_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} x_i \not\approx x_j \wedge \forall y \bigwedge_{i=1}^n y \approx x_i \right. \\ & \wedge \bigwedge_{(a_i, a_j) \in P^{\mathfrak{A}}} P x_i x_j \wedge \bigwedge_{(a_i, a_j) \notin P^{\mathfrak{A}}} \neg P x_i x_j \\ & \left. \wedge \bigwedge_{f^{\mathfrak{A}}(a_i) = a_j} f x_i \approx x_j \wedge \bigwedge_{f^{\mathfrak{A}}(a_i) \neq a_j} f x_i \not\approx x_j \right) \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following sentence:

$$\sigma = \exists x_1 \exists x_2 \dots \exists x_n \tau$$

This sentence describes fully the structure \mathfrak{A} and it is true in \mathfrak{A} if one assign $x_i \mapsto a_i$. Since $\mathfrak{A} \equiv \mathfrak{B}$, it must be the case that $\models_{\mathfrak{B}} \sigma$. Notice that this validity will be unravelled to $\models_{\mathfrak{B}} \tau[s]$ for some assignment s .

Consider the mapping: $h : |\mathfrak{A}| \rightarrow |\mathfrak{B}|, a_i \mapsto x_i \mapsto s(x_i)$. We claim that this map is an isomorphism between \mathfrak{A} and \mathfrak{B} .

Question 4

(a) We call a formula whose connectives are all from C to be C -formula. We prove this by induction on the C -formula α .

- Base case: If α is a sentential symbol then $G_\alpha := \alpha$ and so, $G_\alpha(F) = F \leq G_\alpha(T) = T$. If $\alpha = \top$ or $\alpha = \perp$ then G_α is constant and hence, clearly monotonic.

- Induction: Suppose that α, β are C -formula and that G_α, G_β are monotonic. We need to show that $G_{\alpha \wedge \beta}$ and $G_{\alpha \vee \beta}$ are also monotonic. First, we extend G_α and G_β to \bar{G}_α and \bar{G}_β which are the same Boolean function but cover all the variables that appear in both α and β . These functions are still monotonic.

Then $G_{\alpha \wedge \beta} = \bar{G}_\alpha \wedge \bar{G}_\beta$ and $G_{\alpha \vee \beta} = \bar{G}_\alpha \vee \bar{G}_\beta$. We can clearly check these cases.

So by principle of induction, we conclude that if α is a C -formula then G_α is monotonic.

- (b) We will prove this by induction again. In this problem, I shall use the notation \bar{A} where A is a sentential symbol to denote the values assigned to A instead of $v(A)$. Also we will abuse the notation by using $\alpha \wedge \beta$ instead of $v(\alpha \wedge \beta)$.

- Base case $n = 0$: If $n = 0$ then f is constant function and it can be realized by either \top or \perp depending on its values.
- Induction: Suppose that the property holds for all monotonic Boolean function of $n = k$ variables. Consider the case of a monotonic function f with $k + 1$ variables A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{k+1} . Note that $f(A_1, \dots, A_k, T)$ and $f(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k, F)$ are monotonic functions with k variables and hence, by induction hypothesis, should be realizable by C -formulae α and β respectively. We claim that the formula $\gamma = (\alpha \wedge A_{k+1}) \vee \beta$ realizes f i.e $f \equiv G_\gamma$ as functions. Note that $G_\gamma(\bar{A}_1, \bar{A}_2, \dots, \bar{A}_{k+1}) = (f(\bar{A}_1, \bar{A}_2, \dots, \bar{A}_k, T) \wedge \bar{A}_{k+1}) \vee f(\bar{A}_1, \bar{A}_2, \dots, \bar{A}_k, F)$. We have two cases. If $\bar{A}_{k+1} = F$ then $f(\bar{A}_1, \bar{A}_2, \dots, \bar{A}_k, T) \wedge \bar{A}_{k+1} = F$ and hence, G_γ and f agree with each other. If $\bar{A}_{k+1} = T$ then if $f(\bar{A}_1, \bar{A}_2, \dots, \bar{A}_k, F) = F$, we have what we want (G_γ and f agrees). If not, then due to monotonicity, we must have $f(\bar{A}_1, \bar{A}_2, \dots, \bar{A}_k, F) = f(\bar{A}_1, \bar{A}_2, \dots, \bar{A}_k, T) = T$ and so G_γ and f also agree. Hence, in any case, G_γ and f are identical (as boolean functions). This proves that γ realizes f .

So by principle of mathematical induction, any monotonic function is realizable by a C -formula.

- (c) First, C is incomplete. The reason is that \neg is not monotonic and hence, is not expressible by a C -formula due to the earlier part. To prove its maximal incompleteness, we need to prove that given any g not realizable, $C \cup \{g\}$ can realize the negation.

Suppose that g is not realizable. Then g is not monotonic. That is to say there are truth-values (i.e T or F) $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_i, \dots, x_n$ such that $g(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, F, x_i, \dots, x_n) = T$ and $g(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, T, x_i, \dots, x_n) = F$. Hence, $g \bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2 \dots \alpha \bar{x}_{i+1} \dots \bar{x}_n$ realizes $\neg \alpha$ where $\bar{x}_j = \top$ if $x_j = T$ and $\bar{x}_j = \perp$ if $x_j = F$. So $C \cup \{g\}$ is complete.

Question 5

First, we add to the language the new constants symbols which are labelled by the rational numbers $\{c_r : r \in \mathbb{Q}\}$. Then consider the set of sentences

$$\Sigma = \text{Th}\mathfrak{A} \cup \{c_r < c_s : r, s \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ \& } r < s\}.$$

Σ is finitely satisfiable: if Σ_0 is a finite subset of Σ then it contains finitely many sentences of form $c_r < c_s$. Let all the rational labels appearing in Σ_0 to be $r_1 < r_2 < \dots < r_k$. Then \mathfrak{A} together with the interpretation $c_{r_i} \mapsto i$ for $i = 1..k$ and $c_q \mapsto 0$ if $q \notin \{r_1, \dots, r_k\}$ satisfy Σ_0 .

By Compactness Theorem, Σ is satisfiable. Let \mathfrak{B} be a model for Σ in which we ignore all the interpretations of constants. Then $\mathfrak{B} \equiv \mathfrak{A}$ because \mathfrak{B} is a model for $\text{Th}\mathfrak{A}$. Also, we can embed \mathbb{Q} into \mathfrak{B} by the injection such that:

$$r \mapsto c_r^{\mathfrak{B}}.$$

This embedding preserves ordering of \mathbb{Q} due to the requirement $c_r < c_s$ for $r < s$. We proved the assertion.