

Assignment 3

Question 1 - Consider the following English sentences.

- *All employees are people.*
- *The SSN of an employee is the SSN of a person.*

1.1 Convert the sentences into first-order predicate logic. Be extremely careful about quantification; because not everything in the universe is a person, or an employee, or a ssn, you will need both kinds of quantification. Use the following lexicon:

Predicates

person (X) -- X is a person.

employee (X) -- X is an employee

ssn(S,X) — S is the SSN of X.

Ans 1.1 - All employees are people.

$$\forall x \text{ employee}(x) \Rightarrow \text{person}(x)$$

The SSN of an employee is the SSN of a person.

$$\forall x \forall s \text{ employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x) \Rightarrow \exists p \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, p)$$

1.2 Following the steps on text book to convert the logic statements into CNF.

Ans 1.2 - All employees are people $\forall x \text{ employee}(x) \Rightarrow \text{person}(x)$

1. Eliminate Implication using $a \Rightarrow b \equiv \neg a \vee b$
 $\forall x \neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x)$
2. Move \neg inwards – Nothing to do here as it is already inwards
 $\forall x \neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x)$
3. Standardize variables – They are already in standard form
 $\forall x \neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x)$
4. Skolemize – There is not existential quantifier to skolemize
 $\forall x \neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x)$
5. Drop universal quantifier
 $\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x)$
6. Distribute \vee over \wedge - There is no \wedge in equation
 $\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x)$

Second - The SSN of an employee is the SSN of a person.

$$\forall x \forall s \text{ employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x) \Rightarrow \exists p \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, p)$$

1. Eliminate Implication
 $\forall x \forall s \neg (\text{employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x)) \vee (\exists p \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, p))$
2. Move \neg inwards
 $\forall x \forall s (\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x)) \vee (\exists p \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, p))$

- Standardize variables – They are already in standard form

$$\forall x \forall s (\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x)) \vee (\exists p \text{person}(p) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, p))$$

- Skolemize – Remove the existential quantifier in front of person with skolem function f(s) because s is a universal quantifier and covers the scope of existential quantifier p

$$\forall x \forall s (\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x)) \vee (\text{person}(f(s)) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))$$

- Drop universal quantifier

$$(\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x)) \vee (\text{person}(f(s)) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))$$

- Distribute \vee over \wedge

$$[\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x) \vee \text{person}(f(s))] \wedge [\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x) \vee \text{ssn}(s, f(s))]$$

1.3 Using FOPL resolution prove that the second of the original sentences follows from the first. Number your clauses, and indicate explicitly step-by-step what resolves together, under what substitution.

Ans 1.3 For FOPL resolution that $KB \models \alpha$ we can prove that $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$ is unsatisfiable. By unsatisfiable we mean that we can prove that this statement turns out to be False always.

$$\alpha = (\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x) \vee \text{person}(f(s))) \wedge (\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x) \vee \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))$$

Let us convert this α into $\neg \alpha$

$$\neg [(\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x) \vee \text{person}(f(s))) \wedge (\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x) \vee \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))]$$

Let's take \neg inside and apply using De Morgan Law

$$[\neg(\neg \text{employee}(x)) \wedge \neg(\neg \text{ssn}(s, x)) \wedge \neg(\text{person}(f(s))) \vee \neg(\neg \text{employee}(x)) \wedge \neg(\neg \text{ssn}(s, x)) \wedge \neg(\text{ssn}(s, f(s)))]$$

Now use $\neg(\neg p) = p$ double negation elimination

$$(\text{employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x) \wedge \neg \text{person}(f(s))) \vee (\text{employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x) \wedge \neg \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))$$

Now with advantage of association I can put this together $(\text{employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x))$

$$((\text{employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x)) \wedge \neg \text{person}(f(s))) \vee ((\text{employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x)) \wedge \neg \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))$$

Now applying law distributivity of \wedge over \vee

$$\text{employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x) \wedge (\neg \text{person}(f(s)) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))$$

$$\neg \alpha = \text{employee}(x) \wedge \text{ssn}(s, x) \wedge (\neg \text{person}(f(s)) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))$$

Now we will have to prove that $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$ is satisfiable.

$KB \wedge \neg \alpha$:

$$\begin{aligned} &(\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x)) \\ &\text{employee}(x) \\ &\text{ssn}(s, x) \\ &(\neg \text{person}(f(s)) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, f(s))) \end{aligned}$$

Using above all the terms in $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$ we will prove satisfiability:

$(\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x))$		$(\neg \text{person}(f(s)) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, f(s)))$
	Substitute f(s)/x	
$(\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \text{person}(x))$		$(\neg \text{person}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x))$
	Resolving person predicate	
$\text{employee}(x)$		$(\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee \neg \text{ssn}(s, x))$
	Resolving employee predicate we get	
$\text{ssn}(s, x)$		$\neg \text{ssn}(s, x)$

Resolving ssn predicate we get empty clause

It is Satisfiable. Hence, we can say that second of the original sentence follows from the first.

Question 2 - Convert $\exists x \forall y ([P(x, y) \Rightarrow \forall z Q(y, z)]) \Rightarrow [\exists u \exists v (P(x, v) \wedge R(y, v))]$ to CNF, show exactly the conversion steps as those listed in the textbook.

Answer-

1. Eliminate Implication

$$\exists x \forall y \neg([P(x, y) \Rightarrow \forall z Q(y, z)]) \vee [\exists u \exists v (P(x, v) \wedge R(y, v))]$$

Now apply implication to $([P(x, y) \Rightarrow \forall z Q(y, z)])$

$$\exists x \forall y (\neg[\neg P(x, y) \vee \forall z Q(y, z)]) \vee [\exists u \exists v (P(x, v) \wedge R(y, v))]$$

2. Move \neg inwards

$$\exists x \forall y ([\neg(\neg P(x, y)) \wedge \neg(\forall z Q(y, z))] \vee [\exists u \exists v (P(x, v) \wedge R(y, v))])$$

Apply $\neg(\neg p) = p$ and $\neg(\forall x q(x)) = \exists x \neg q(x)$

$$\exists x \forall y ([P(x, y) \wedge \neg(\forall z Q(y, z))] \vee [\exists u \exists v (P(x, v) \wedge R(y, v))])$$

3. Standardize variables – They are already in standard form

$$\exists x \forall y ([P(x, y) \wedge \neg(\forall z Q(y, z))] \vee [\exists u \exists v (P(x, v) \wedge R(y, v))])$$

4. Skolemize – Remove the existential quantifiers $\exists x$ by a constant X and $\exists v$ by skolem function F(y), we use 'y' as parameter of skolem function because y is a universal quantifier covering scope of existential quantifier v

$$\forall y ([P(X, y) \wedge \neg(\forall z Q(y, z))] \vee [(P(X, F(y)) \wedge R(y, F(y))])]$$

5. Drop universal quantifier

$$([P(X, y) \wedge \neg Q(y, z)] \vee [(P(X, F(y)) \wedge R(y, F(y))])]$$

6. Distribute \vee over \wedge -

$$[(P(X, y) \wedge \neg Q(y, z)) \vee P(X, F(y))] \wedge [(P(X, y) \wedge \neg Q(y, z)) \vee R(y, F(y))]$$

Now applying distributivity law again inside brackets

$$[P(X, y) \vee P(X, F(y))] \wedge [\neg Q(y, z) \vee P(X, F(y))] \wedge [P(X, y) \vee R(y, F(y))] \wedge [\neg Q(y, z) \vee R(y, F(y))]$$

Question 3 - Let a be a constant symbol, f be a function symbol, P be a ternary predicate symbol, and b, c, y, z be variables. Use resolution to determine whether the following CNF sentence is satisfiable or unsatisfiable:

$$R(a, b, b) \wedge (\neg R(c, y, z) \vee R(f(f(c)), y, f(z))) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))$$

Answer -

- 1) Using associativity of \wedge we can write the above equation as :

$$R(a, b, b) \wedge [(\neg R(c, y, z) \vee R(f(f(c)), y, f(z))) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))]$$

- 2) Now use law of distributivity \wedge over \vee inside the $[]$ brackets:

$$R(a, b, b) \wedge [(\neg R(c, y, z) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))) \vee (R(f(f(c)), y, f(z)) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a)))]$$

- 3) We will now substitute $c/a, y/a, z/a$ and we get

$$R(a, b, b) \wedge [(\neg R(a, a, a) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))) \vee (R(f(f(a)), a, f(a)) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a)))]$$

- 4) As we observe last term of above equation are equal $[R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))]$ but one is negation of the other and we know that $\alpha \wedge \neg \alpha$ will always be False and we can for now write false for that statement.
 $R(a, b, b) \wedge [(\neg R(a, a, a) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))) \vee (False)]$
- 5) Now we will use law of distributivity \vee over \wedge
 $[R(a, b, b) \wedge (\neg R(a, a, a) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a)))] \vee [R(a, b, b) \wedge (False)]$
- 6) Now again if we observe the last term of above equation it comes as False as $[anything \wedge False]$ will always will be False and we can write the statement as:
 $[R(a, b, b) \wedge (\neg R(a, a, a) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a)))] \vee [False]$
- 7) Now we will use law of associativity in our first term of above equation
 $[(R(a, b, b) \wedge \neg R(a, a, a)) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))] \vee [False]$
- 8) Now we will substitute b/a
 $[(R(a, a, a) \wedge \neg R(a, a, a)) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))] \vee [False]$
- 9) Now in above equation you see the first terms are same, except the fact that one equation is negation of another which means that this term will always be false, and we can write false for that for ease. Using $\alpha \wedge \neg \alpha$ is always false rule.
 $[(False) \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))] \vee [False]$
- 10) Now in above equations first term we see that we have a $False \wedge \neg R(f(f(a)), a, f(a))$. This term will always be False as we can use ***False \wedge anything*** is always false rule. We will substitute False value of this term as well.
 $[False] \vee [False]$
- 11) Above equation is always False and hence we can say that the original equation is unsatisfiable.