

Problem Set 4

Notation: $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ denotes the set of nonnegative integers.

1. Given: $\varphi = \forall x \exists y R(x, y) \wedge \exists y \forall x \neg R(x, y)$.

φ is satisfiable over the following structure: $\mathcal{A} = (\mathbb{N}, R^{\mathcal{A}})$, where $R^{\mathcal{A}} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{N}^2 : y = x + 1\}$. Note that \mathbb{N} is infinite and countable.

It is clear that given any x , if we choose $y = x + 1$, then $y \in \mathbb{N}$ and we have that $R(x, y)$.

Also, given $y = 0 \in \mathbb{N}$, and given any $x \in \mathbb{N}$, it is not true that $R(x, 0)$. (There is no natural number n such that $n + 1 = 0$.)

2.

(i) $\varphi_B(x, y) = (\forall z [P(z, x) \leftrightarrow P(z, y)]) \wedge \neg F(x) \wedge \neg(x = y)$.

(All parents of x are parents of y and vice-versa and x is not a female. Moreover, x is not a brother of x .)

(ii) $\varphi_A(x, y) = F(x) \wedge \left(\forall z (P(z, y) \rightarrow \exists w [P(z, w) \wedge P(w, y)]) \right)$

(x is a female and given any parent of x , that parent is the grandparent of y . I have assumed aunt to either be father's sister or mother's sister.)

(iii) $\varphi_C(x, y) = \forall g \forall p ([P(g, p) \wedge P(p, x)] \rightarrow [\exists p' (P(g, p') \wedge P(p', y) \wedge \neg p = p')])$.

(Note that I've assumed first cousin.)

(iv) $\varphi_O(x) = \forall p \forall x' (P(p, x) \rightarrow x = x')$.

(If p is a parent of x and x' is a human such that p is a parent of x' , then x and x' must be the same.)

(v) Guess - $\varphi_H(x, y)$ which says that " x is a husband of y " cannot be defined.

3.

(i) $\text{Zero}(a) = \forall z [a + z = z] \equiv \exists z [a + z = z]$.

(ii) $\text{One}(a) = \forall z [a \times z = z]$.

Note that in this case, the above is not equivalent to the formula obtained for replacing ' \forall ' with ' \exists .' (Why?)

(iii) $\text{Even}(a) = \exists z [z + z = a]$.

(iv) $\text{Odd}(a) = \neg \text{Even}(a)$.

(v) $\text{Prime}(a) = \neg \text{One}(a) \wedge \forall x \forall y [(x \times y = a) \rightarrow (\text{One}(x) \wedge \text{One}(y))]$

(vi) Before tackling Goldbach's conjecture, let us first define the following formula:

$\text{Two}(a) = \exists z [\text{One}(z) \wedge z + z = a]$.

$$\forall n [(\text{Even}(n) \wedge \neg \text{Zero}(n) \wedge \neg \text{Two}(n)) \rightarrow (\exists p \exists q (\text{Prime}(p) \wedge \text{Prime}(q) \wedge n = p + q))].$$

4. Let \mathcal{A} be a structure of τ . Let $c_{\mathcal{A}}$ denote the fixed element that is assigned to c .

(A1) $\forall x \forall y \forall z [op(x, op(y, z)) = op(op(x, y), z)]$.

(A2) $\forall x (op(x, c_{\mathcal{A}}) = x)$.

(A3) $\forall x \exists y (op(x, y) = c_{\mathcal{A}})$.

(A4) $\forall x \forall y \forall z [op(x, z) = op(y, z) \rightarrow x = y]$.

5.

(i) Take the structure \mathcal{A} whose universe just consists of 0. It trivially satisfies ψ .

(ii) Let \mathcal{A} be the structure with universe as $\{0, 1\}$ and $+$ defined as:

$$0 + 0 = 0, 0 + 1 = 0, 1 + 0 = 0, 1 + 1 = 0.$$

This clearly does not satisfy φ_2 .

(iii) No, that is not the case. For example, take \mathcal{A} whose universe consists of all 2×2 invertible matrices with

real entries with $+$ defined to multiplication and 0 to be the identity element. Then, it is clear that this \mathcal{A} satisfies ψ but not α as there exist invertible matrices which do not commute.

A simpler (but more abstract) is the S_3 group. You may look it up.

(iv) (a) Let $\mathcal{A} = \{0, 1\}$ and let $+$ be defined as

$$0 + 0 = 0, 0 + 1 = 1, 1 + 0 = 1, 1 + 1 = 1.$$

This satisfies $\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$ but not ψ .

(b) Let $\mathcal{A} = \{0, 1, 2\}$ and let $+$ be defined as

$+$	0	1	2
0	0	1	2
1	1	0	1
2	2	1	0

Then, \mathcal{A} satisfies $\varphi_2 \wedge \varphi_3$ but not ψ as $1 + (1 + 2) = 1 + 1 = 0 \neq 2 = 0 + 2 = (1 + 1) + 2$.

(c) Let \mathcal{A} be the structure with universe as $\{0, 1\}$ and $+$ defined as:

$$0 + 0 = 0, 0 + 1 = 0, 1 + 0 = 0, 1 + 1 = 0.$$

This satisfies $\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_3$ but not ψ .

7. Let the structure be \mathcal{G} with $u(\mathcal{G}) = \{1, 2\}$. And $E^{\mathcal{G}} = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1)\}$.

This satisfies the latter but not the former.

It does not satisfy the former as one can take $x = 2$, then no matter what y is, z takes all possible values. In particular, z takes the value 2. As $(2, 2) \notin E^{\mathcal{G}}$, we have it that $E(x, z)$ is not true. Thus, the former sentence is not true.

For the latter sentence, choose $x = 1$. For $y = 1$, choose $z = 1$ and for $y = 2$, choose $z = 1$. Thus, we are done.

6. The above example illustrates the difference.

8. (a) $\varphi_{45} = (\exists^{\geq 45} x(x = x)) \wedge \neg(\exists^{\geq 46} x(x \neq x))$.

(b) $\forall x_1 \forall x_2 \dots \forall x_{n-1} \exists x_n [(x_n = x_n) \wedge (x_n \neq x_1) \wedge (x_n \neq x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge (x_n \neq x_{n-1})]$.

9. By 8. (b), we have shown that $\exists^{\geq n}$ can actually be written as a FO formula. Thus, we can use it freely. So, the answer is simply $(\exists^{\geq n} x(x = x)) \wedge \neg(\exists^{\geq (m+1)} x(x \neq x))$.