

Solutions to Problem 1 of Homework 5 (2 Points)

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Collaborators:

Let D be a domain consisting of individual animals, species, and time periods. Let L be the first-order language over D with the following primitives:

- $\text{Animal}(a)$ — Predicate. a is an animal.
- $\text{SpeciesOf}(a,s)$ — Predicate. Animal a belongs to species s .
- $\text{Living}(a,t)$ — Predicate. Animal a was alive at time t .
- $\text{Extinct}(s,t)$ — Predicate. Species s was extinct at time t .
- $\text{Parent}(p,c)$ — Predicate. Animal p is a parent of animal c .
- RinTinTin , Dog , Mammoth , 1918 — Constants with the obvious meanings.

Represent the following sentences in L :

1. If p is a parent of c and c belongs to species s then p also belongs to species s .
2. A species s is extinct at time t if and only if no animal belonging to s is alive at t .
3. No mammoths were alive in 1918.
4. Mammoths were extinct in 1918.

Solution:

So, the given sentences would be represented as follows:

1. $\forall p, c, s [\text{Parent}(p, c) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(c, s)] \implies \text{SpeciesOf}(p, s)$
2. $\forall s, t \text{Extinct}(s, t) \iff \neg[\exists a \text{Animal}(a) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \wedge \text{Living}(a, t)]$
3. $\neg[\exists a \text{Animal}(a) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \wedge \text{Living}(a, 1918)]$
4. $\text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$

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Solutions to Problem 2 of Homework 5 (8 Points)

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Using resolution theorem proving, prove d. as a consequence of b., c.. You must show the intermediate stages of Skolemization. You must show all the clauses generated.

Solution:

The given sentences in L in the previous part were:

1. $\forall p, c, s [Parent(p, c) \wedge SpeciesOf(c, s)] \implies SpeciesOf(p, s)$
2. $\forall s, t Extinct(s, t) \iff \neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, s) \wedge Living(a, t)]$
3. $\neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, Mammoth) \wedge Living(a, 1918)]$
4. $Extinct(Mammoth, 1918)$

To Prove: $2. \wedge 3. \implies 4.$

Proof (by contradiction): Suppose the negation is true. That is to say, suppose the following holds. true:

$$\neg[2. \wedge 3. \implies 4.]$$

which is equivalent to

$$2. \wedge 3. \wedge \neg 4.$$

So, our new set of sentences are:

1. $\forall s, t Extinct(s, t) \iff \neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, s) \wedge Living(a, t)]$
2. $\neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, Mammoth) \wedge Living(a, 1918)]$
3. $\neg Extinct(Mammoth, 1918)$

Converting to CNF...

- **Before Step 1:** The given set of sentences:

1. $\forall s, t Extinct(s, t) \iff \neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, s) \wedge Living(a, t)]$
2. $\neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, Mammoth) \wedge Living(a, 1918)]$
3. $\neg Extinct(Mammoth, 1918)$

- **Step 1:** \iff

1. $\forall s, t (Extinct(s, t) \implies \neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, s) \wedge Living(a, t)]) \wedge (\neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, s) \wedge Living(a, t)] \implies Extinct(s, t))$
2. $\neg[\exists a Animal(a) \wedge SpeciesOf(a, Mammoth) \wedge Living(a, 1918)]$
3. $\neg Extinct(Mammoth, 1918)$

• **Step 2:** \Rightarrow

1. $\forall s, t (\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee \neg [\exists a \text{ Animal}(a) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \wedge \text{Living}(a, t)]) \wedge$
 $(\neg \neg [\exists a \text{ Animal}(a) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \wedge \text{Living}(a, t)] \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t))$
2. $\neg [\exists a \text{ Animal}(a) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \wedge \text{Living}(a, 1918)]$
3. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$

• **Step 3:** \neg

1. $\forall s, t (\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee [\forall a \neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, t)]) \wedge$
 $([\exists a \text{ Animal}(a) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \wedge \text{Living}(a, t)] \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t))$
2. $\forall a \neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
3. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$

• **Step 4:** \exists (Skolemization)

1. $\forall s, t (\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee [\forall a \neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, t)]) \wedge$
 $([\text{Animal}(\text{Sk0}(s, t)) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \wedge \text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t)] \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t))$
2. $\forall a \neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
3. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$

• **Step 5:** \forall

1. $(\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee \neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, t)) \wedge$
 $([\text{Animal}(\text{Sk0}(s, t)) \wedge \text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \wedge \text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t)] \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t))$
2. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
3. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$

• **Step 6:** Distribution

1. $[\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee \neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, t)] \wedge$
 $[\text{Animal}(\text{Sk0}(s, t)) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)] \wedge [\text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)] \wedge$
 $[\text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)]$
2. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
3. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$

• **Step 7:** Split:

1. $\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee \neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, t)$
2. $\text{Animal}(\text{Sk0}(s, t)) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
3. $\text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
4. $\text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
5. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
6. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$

The CNF obtained is as follows:

1. $\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee \neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, t)$
2. $\text{Animal}(\text{Sk0}(s, t)) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
3. $\text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
4. $\text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
5. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
6. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$

Now, following the resolution theorem:

- Substituting $a \rightarrow \text{Sk0}(s, t)$ in 1. and unifying 1. and 2. with $\text{Animal}(\text{Sk0}(s, t))$ as the unifier, we get:

$$\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$$

1. $\text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
2. $\text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
3. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
4. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$
5. $\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$

- Refactor 5. and unify $\neg \text{Extinct}(s, t)$ and $\text{Extinct}(s, t)$:

1. $\text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
2. $\text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
3. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
4. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$
5. $\neg \text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), s) \vee \neg \text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t)$

- Unify 1. and 5. with the unifier $\text{SpeciesOf}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t)$:

1. $\text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t) \vee \text{Extinct}(s, t)$
2. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
3. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$
4. $\text{Extinct}(s, t) \vee \neg \text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t)$

- Unify 1. and 4. with the unifier $\text{Living}(\text{Sk0}(s, t), t)$:

1. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
2. $\neg \text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$
3. $\text{Extinct}(s, t)$

- Substitute $s \rightarrow \text{Mammoth}$, $t \rightarrow 1918$ and unify 2. with 3. with $\text{Extinct}(\text{Mammoth}, 1918)$ as the unifier:

1. $\neg \text{Animal}(a) \vee \neg \text{SpeciesOf}(a, \text{Mammoth}) \vee \neg \text{Living}(a, 1918)$
2. $[\text{null sentence}]$

Thus, we have received a null sentence and proved our hypothesis by contradiction.
Hence Proved.

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