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## Week 06 Exercises with Solutions

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### Background Definitions

Consider the following definitions:

1.  $\Sigma_{\text{stack}} = (\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P}, \tau)$  where:
  - a.  $\mathcal{B} = \{\text{Element}, \text{Stack}\}$ .
  - b.  $\mathcal{C} = \{\text{error}, \text{bottom}\}$ .
  - c.  $\mathcal{F} = \{\text{push}, \text{pop}, \text{top}\}$ .
  - d.  $\mathcal{P} = \emptyset$ .
  - e.  $\tau(\text{error}) = \text{Element}$ .
  - f.  $\tau(\text{bottom}) = \text{Stack}$ .
  - g.  $\tau(\text{push}) = \text{Element} \times \text{Stack} \rightarrow \text{Stack}$ .
  - h.  $\tau(\text{pop}) = \text{Stack} \rightarrow \text{Stack}$ .
  - i.  $\tau(\text{top}) = \text{Stack} \rightarrow \text{Element}$ .
2.  $\Sigma_{\text{grp}} = (\{G\}, \{e\}, \{*, \text{inv}\}, \emptyset, \tau)$  where  $\tau(e) = G$ ,  $\tau(*) = G \times G \rightarrow G$ , and  $\tau(\text{inv}) = G \rightarrow G$ .
3. Let  $\Gamma_{\text{grp}}$  be the following set of  $\Sigma$ -sentences:

Assoc  $\forall x, y, z : G . (x * y) * z = x * (y * z)$ .  
IdLeft  $\forall x : G . e * x = x$ .  
IdRight  $\forall x : G . x * e = x$ .  
InvLeft  $\forall x : G . \text{inv}(x) * x = e$ .  
InvRight  $\forall x : G . x * \text{inv}(x) = e$ .
4. A *partition* of a set  $S$  is a nonempty set  $U$  of subsets of  $S$  such that, for all  $x \in S$ ,  $x$  is a member of exactly one member of  $U$ . Hence (1) the members of  $U$  are disjoint and (2) their union equals  $S$ .

5. A *lattice* is a weak partial order  $(U, \leq)$  such that each pair of elements of  $U$  has both a least upper bound and a greatest lower bound.
6. Let  $M_1 = (D_1, e_1, *_1)$  and  $M_2 = (D_2, e_2, *_2)$  be two monoids. A *monoid homomorphism* from  $M_1$  to  $M_2$  is a function  $h : D_1 \rightarrow D_2$  such that:
  - a.  $h(x *_1 y) = h(x) *_2 h(y)$  for all  $x, y \in D_1$ .
  - b.  $h(e_1) = e_2$ .

## Exercises

1. Construct in MSFOL a theory  $T = (\Sigma_{\text{stack}}, \Gamma_{\text{stack}})$  of stacks.  $\Gamma_{\text{stack}}$  should contain axioms that say:
  - a. The top of the bottom stack is the error element.
  - b. Let  $s$  be a stack obtained by pushing an element  $e$  onto a stack  $s'$ . The top of  $s$  is  $e$ .
  - c. Pop of the bottom stack is the bottom stack.
  - d. Let  $s$  be a stack obtained by pushing an element  $e$  onto a stack  $s'$ . The pop of  $s$  is  $s'$ .

### Solution:

$\Sigma_{\text{stack}}$  is defined in Background Definitions.

$\Gamma_{\text{stack}}$  contains the following:

- a.  $\text{top}(\text{bottom}) = \text{error}$
- b.  $\forall e : \text{Element}, s' : \text{Stack} . \text{top}(\text{push}(e, s')) = e$
- c.  $\text{pop}(\text{bottom}) = \text{bottom}$
- d.  $\forall e : \text{Element}, s' : \text{Stack} . \text{pop}(\text{push}(e, s')) = s'$

2. A *group* is a monoid with an inverse operation.  $T_{\text{grp}} = (\Sigma_{\text{grp}}, \Gamma_{\text{grp}})$  is a theory of groups. Show that models of  $T_{\text{grp}}$  can be directly derived from  $(\mathbb{Z}, 0, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Q}, 1, *)$  but not from  $(\mathbb{N}, 0, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}, 1, *)$ .

### Solution:

In each case, we must show/argue that the function provided for  $*$  is associative, that the constant provided for  $e$  is a left and right identity for that operator, and provide a function for  $\text{inv}$  which is a right and left inverse of the function for  $*$ .

- $(\mathbb{Z}, 0, +)$ :  $+$  is associative, 0 is the identity for  $+$ , and for  $\text{inv}$  we may take the unary  $-$ , since  $x + -x = 0$  and  $-x + x = 0$ .
- $(\mathbb{Q}, 1, *)$ : Take  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$  as  $G$ , rather than  $\mathbb{Q}$ , because there is no multiplicative inverse for 0. Then,  $*$  is associative, 1 is the identity for  $*$ , and for  $\text{inv}$  we may take the unary “recipricol”, since  $x * \frac{1}{x} = 1$  and  $\frac{1}{x} * x = 1$  (since we have removed 0).

- $(\mathbb{N}, 0, +)$ : while  $+$  is associative and 0 is the identity for  $+$ , we cannot provide an inverse for plus; this can be seen because e.g.  $1 + y \neq 0$  for any  $y$ .
- $(\mathbb{Z}, 1, *)$ : while  $*$  is associative and 1 is the identity for  $*$ , we cannot provide an inverse for  $*$ ; this can be seen because e.g.  $1 + y \neq 0$  for any  $y$ .
3. Let  $\Sigma = (\alpha, p : \alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{B}, q : \alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{B})$  be a signature of MSFOL. What should  $\Gamma$  be so that each model for the theory  $T = (\Sigma, \Gamma)$  is a set of values partitioned into two components defined by  $p$  and  $q$ .

**Solution:**

Let  $\Gamma$  contain the following  $\Sigma$ -sentences:

- a.  $\forall x : \alpha . \neg(p x \wedge q x)$ .
- b.  $\forall x : \alpha . p x \vee q x$ .

Let  $\mathcal{M} = (\{D_\alpha\}, I)$  be a model for  $T$ . Then clearly the two sets

$$\{d \in D_\alpha \mid V_{\phi[x:\alpha \mapsto d]}^M p(x : \alpha) = T\}$$

and

$$\{d \in D_\alpha \mid V_{\phi[x:\alpha \mapsto d]}^M q(x : \alpha) = T\}$$

are a partition of  $D_\alpha$ .

4. Let  $\Sigma_{\text{pairs}}$  be the signature  $(\mathcal{B}, \emptyset, \mathcal{F}, \emptyset, \tau)$  where:

- a.  $\mathcal{B} = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ .
- b.  $\mathcal{F} = \{\text{mkPair}, \text{left}, \text{right}\}$  where  $\tau(\text{mkPair}) = \alpha \times \beta \rightarrow \gamma$ ,  $\tau(\text{left}) = \gamma \rightarrow \alpha$ , and  $\tau(\text{right}) = \gamma \rightarrow \beta$ .

What should  $\Gamma_{\text{pairs}}$  be so that  $T_{\text{pairs}} = (\Sigma_{\text{pairs}}, \Gamma_{\text{pairs}})$  is a theory of mathematical structures that contain (1) sets  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  where  $C$  is a set of values that have the same structure as ordered pairs of members of  $A$  and  $B$  and (2) functions to construct and destruct the pairs in  $C$ ?

**Solution:**

$\Gamma_{\text{pairs}}$  should consist of the following sentences:

- a.  $\text{OnlyPairs } \forall z : \gamma . \exists x : \alpha, y : \beta . \text{mkPair } x \ y = z$
- b.  $\text{mkPairInj } \forall x, x' : \alpha, y, y' : \beta . \text{mkPair } x \ y = \text{mkPair } x' \ y' \Rightarrow (x = x' \wedge y = y')$
- c.  $\text{IsLeftProj } \forall x : \alpha, y : \beta . \text{left } (\text{mkPair } x \ y) = x$
- d.  $\text{IsRightProj } \forall x : \alpha, y : \beta . \text{right } (\text{mkPair } x \ y) = y$

5. Let  $\Sigma_{\text{lattice}} = (\{U\}, \emptyset, \emptyset, \{\leq\}, \tau)$  where  $\tau(\leq) = U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ . Construct in MSFOL a theory  $T = (\Sigma_{\text{lattice}}, \Gamma_{\text{lattice}})$  of lattices.

*Solution.*

$\Sigma_{\text{lattice}}$  is defined in Background Definitions.

$\Gamma_{\text{lattice}}$  contain the following:

- a.  $\forall x \in U . x \leq x$
  - b.  $\forall x, y \in U . (x \leq y \wedge y \leq x) \Rightarrow x = y$
  - c.  $\forall x, y, z \in U . (x \leq y \wedge y \leq z) \Rightarrow x \leq z$
  - d.  $\forall x, y \in U . \exists z \in U .$   
 $x \leq z \wedge y \leq z \wedge (\forall w \in U . x \leq w \wedge y \leq w \Rightarrow z \leq w).$
  - e.  $\forall x, y \in U . \exists z \in U .$   
 $z \leq x \wedge z \leq y \wedge (\forall w \in U . w \leq x \wedge w \leq y \Rightarrow w \leq z).$
6. Explain why it is not possible to construct a theory of well-founded relations in MSFOL.

**Solution:**

Recall the definition of a well founded relation: a binary relation  $R$  on a set  $U$  is well founded if every non-empty subset of  $U$  has an  $R$ -minimal element.

Since it is not possible to quantify over subsets of a sort in MSFOL, it is not possible to construct a theory of well-founded relations in MSFOL.

7. Construct in MSFOL a theory of vector spaces.

**Solution:** Let  $T_{vs} = (\Sigma_{vs}, \Gamma_{vs})$  where  $\Sigma_{vs}$  contains the following:

- $\mathcal{B} = \{F, V\}$
- $\mathcal{C} = \{1, \vec{0}\}$
- $\mathcal{F} = \{*, \cdot, +, +_F, -\}$
- $\mathcal{P} = \{F, V\}$
- $\tau$  has:
  - $\tau(1) = F$
  - $\tau(\vec{0}) = V$
  - $\tau(*) = F \times F \rightarrow F$
  - $\tau(\cdot) = F \times V \rightarrow V$
  - $\tau(+) = V \times V \rightarrow V$
  - $\tau(+_F) = F \times F \rightarrow F$
  - $\tau(-) = V \rightarrow V$

and  $\Gamma_{vs}$  contains the following axioms:

- $\forall \vec{x}, \vec{y} : V . \vec{x} + \vec{y} = \vec{y} + \vec{x}$
- $\forall \vec{x}, \vec{y}, \vec{z} : V . (\vec{x} + \vec{y}) + \vec{z} = \vec{x} + (\vec{y} + \vec{z})$
- $\forall \vec{x} : V . \vec{0} + \vec{x} = \vec{x}$
- $\forall \vec{x} : V . \vec{x} + \vec{0} = \vec{x}$
- $\forall \vec{x} : V . \vec{x} + (-\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$
- $\forall r, s : F, \vec{x} : V . r . (s \cdot \vec{x}) = (r * s) \cdot \vec{x}$
- $\forall r, s : F, \vec{x} : V . (r +_F s) \cdot \vec{x} = r \cdot \vec{x} + s \cdot \vec{x}$
- $\forall r : F, \vec{x}, \vec{y} : V . r \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = r \cdot \vec{x} + r \cdot \vec{y}$
- $\forall \vec{x} : V . 1 \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{x}$

8. Construct in MSFOL a theory  $T$  of monoid homomorphisms where each model for  $T$  contains a monoid homomorphism.

**Solution:**

Let  $\Sigma = (\{M_1, M_2\}, \{e_1, e_2\}, \{\circ_1, \circ_2, h\}, \emptyset, \tau)$  where  $\tau$  is defined as follows:

- a.  $\tau e_1 = M_1.$
- b.  $\tau e_2 = M_2.$
- c.  $\tau \circ_1 = M_1 \times M_1 \rightarrow M_1.$
- d.  $\tau \circ_2 = M_2 \times M_2 \rightarrow M_2.$
- e.  $\tau h = M_1 \rightarrow M_2.$

Let  $T = (\Sigma, \Gamma)$  where  $\Gamma$  contains the following  $\Sigma$ -sentences:

- a.  $\forall x, y, z : M_1 . (x \circ_1 y) \circ_1 z = x \circ_1 (y \circ_1 z).$
- b.  $\forall x : M_1 . e \circ_1 x = x.$
- c.  $\forall x : M_1 . x \circ_1 e = x.$
- d.  $\forall x, y, z : M_2 . (x \circ_2 y) \circ_2 z = x \circ_2 (y \circ_2 z).$
- e.  $\forall x : M_2 . e \circ_2 x = x.$
- f.  $\forall x : M_2 . x \circ_2 e = x.$
- g.  $\forall x, y : M_1 . h(x \circ_1 y) = (h x) \circ_2 (h y).$
- h.  $h e_1 = e_2.$

If  $\mathcal{H} = (\{D_{M_1}, D_{M_2}\}, I)$  is a model for  $T$ , then clearly  $I h$  is a monoid homomorphism. If  $g$  is a monoid homomorphism in some mathematical model, then clearly there is a  $\Sigma$ -interpretation  $\mathcal{H} = (\{D_{M_1}, D_{M_2}\}, I)$  such that  $g = I h$ . Therefore,  $T$  is a theory of monoid homomorphisms.