

G53KRR 2018 Answer to the Informal Exercise 1

1. Express the following sentences in first order logic:

S1 Tony, Mike and John belong to the Alpine Club.

A1 $Member(tony), Member(mike), Member(john)$
(or $Member(tony) \wedge Member(mike) \wedge Member(john)$)

S2 Every member of the Alpine Club who is not a skier is a mountain climber.

A2 $\forall x (Member(x) \wedge \neg Skier(x) \supset Climber(x))$

S3 Mountain climbers do not like rain, and anyone who does not like snow is not a skier.

A3 $\forall x (Climber(x) \supset \neg Like(x, rain)), \forall x (\neg Like(x, snow) \supset \neg Skier(x))$

S4 Mike dislikes whatever Tony likes, and likes whatever Tony dislikes.

A4 $\forall x (Like(tony, x) \supset \neg Like(mike, x)), \forall x (\neg Like(tony, x) \supset Like(mike, x))$

S5 Tony likes rain and snow.

A5 $Like(tony, rain), Like(tony, snow)$

S6 There is a member of Alpine Club who is a mountain climber but not a skier.

A6 $\exists x (Member(x) \wedge Climber(x) \wedge \neg Skier(x))$

2. Consider an interpretation where the domain consists of Ann, Bob, and Carol, and there is a relation Older, which holds exactly for the set of pairs $\{(Ann, Bob), (Ann, Carol), (Bob, Carol)\}$ (Ann is older than Bob and Carol, and Bob is older than Carol; the relation does not hold for any other pairs). Are the following first order sentences true or false in this interpretation (and why):

- (a) $\forall x \exists y Older(x, y)$: false because for $x = Carol$ there is no y such that $Older(carol, y)$ holds
- (b) $\forall x \neg Older(x, x)$: true because none of the pairs $(Ann, Ann), (Bob, Bob), (Carol, Carol)$ is in the relation Older.
- (c) $\exists x \forall y (\neg(x = y) \supset Older(x, y))$: true because for $x = Ann$, any value of y which is not Ann satisfies $Older(Ann, y)$.
- (d) $\forall x \exists y (Older(x, y) \vee Older(y, x))$: true because for every x there is a y such that either (x, y) or (y, x) is in Older relation.