

**Teaching goals:** After completing, the student

- understands the notion of substructure, generated substructure, expansion, reduct and can find them
- understands the notion of expansion and reduct of a structure, can define them formally and give examples
- understands the notions of [simple, conservative] extension, can formulate the definitions and the corresponding semantic criterion (for both expansions and reducts), and apply it to an example
- understands the notion of extension by definition, can define it formally and give examples
- can decide whether a given theory is a extension by definition, construct an extension by a given definition
- understands the notion of definability in a structure, can find definable subsets/relations

#### IN-CLASS PROBLEMS

**Problem 1.** Consider  $\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_4 = \langle \{0, 1, 2, 3\}; +, -, 0 \rangle$  where  $+$  is binary addition modulo 4 and  $-$  is the unary function returning the *inverse* for  $+$  with respect to the *neutral* element 0.

- Is  $\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_4$  a model of the theory of groups (i.e. is it a *group*)?
- Determine all substructures  $\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_4 \langle a \rangle$  generated by some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_4$ .
- Does  $\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_4$  contain any other substructures?
- Is every substructure of  $\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_4$  a model of the theory of groups?
- Is every substructure of  $\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_4$  elementarily equivalent to  $\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_4$ ?

**Problem 2.** Let  $\underline{\mathbb{Q}} = \langle \mathbb{Q}; +, -, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle$  be the field of rationals with the standard operations.

- Is there a reduct of  $\underline{\mathbb{Q}}$  that is a model of the theory of groups?
- Can the reduct  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \cdot, 1 \rangle$  be extended to a model of the theory of groups?
- Does  $\underline{\mathbb{Q}}$  contain a substructure that is not elementarily equivalent to  $\underline{\mathbb{Q}}$ ?
- Let  $\text{Th}(\underline{\mathbb{Q}})$  denote the set of all sentences true in  $\underline{\mathbb{Q}}$ . Is  $\text{Th}(\underline{\mathbb{Q}})$  a complete theory?

**Problem 3.** Consider the theory  $T = \{x = c_1 \vee x = c_2 \vee x = c_3\}$  in the language  $L = \langle c_1, c_2, c_3 \rangle$  with equality.

- Is  $T$  complete?
- How many simple extensions of  $T$  are there, up to equivalence? How many are complete? Write down all complete ones and at least three incomplete ones.
- Is the theory  $T' = T \cup \{x = c_1 \vee x = c_4\}$  in the language  $L' = \langle c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 \rangle$  an extension of  $T$ ? Is  $T'$  a simple extension of  $T$ ? Is  $T'$  a conservative extension of  $T$ ?

**Problem 4.** Let  $T'$  be an extension of  $T = \{(\exists y)(x + y = 0), (x + y = 0) \wedge (x + z = 0) \rightarrow y = z\}$  in the language  $L = \langle +, 0, \leq \rangle$  with equality by definitions of  $<$  and unary  $-$  with axioms

$$\begin{aligned} -x = y &\leftrightarrow x + y = 0 \\ x < y &\leftrightarrow x \leq y \wedge \neg(x = y) \end{aligned}$$

Find formulas in the language  $L$  that are equivalent in  $T'$  to the following formulas.

- $(-x) + x = 0$
- $x + (-y) < x$
- $-(x + y) < -x$

**Problem 5.** Let the language  $L = \langle F \rangle$  with equality, where  $F$  is a binary function symbol. Find formulas defining the following sets (without parameters):

- (a) the interval  $(0, \infty)$  in  $\mathcal{A} = \langle \mathbb{R}, \cdot \rangle$  where  $\cdot$  is multiplication of real numbers
- (b) the set  $\{(x, 1/x) \mid x \neq 0\}$  in the same structure  $\mathcal{A}$
- (c) the set of all at-most-singleton subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  in  $\mathcal{B} = \langle \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}), \cup \rangle$
- (d) the set of all prime numbers in  $\mathcal{C} = \langle \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}, \cdot \rangle$

## EXTRA PRACTICE

**Problem 6.** Let  $T = \{\neg E(x, x), E(x, y) \rightarrow E(y, x), (\exists x)(\exists y)(\exists z)(E(x, y) \wedge E(y, z) \wedge E(x, z) \wedge \neg(x = y \vee y = z \vee x = z)), \varphi\}$  be a theory in the language  $L = \langle E \rangle$  with equality, where  $E$  is a binary relation symbol and  $\varphi$  expresses that “there are exactly four elements.”

- (a) Consider the expansion  $L' = \langle E, c \rangle$  of the language by a new constant symbol  $c$ . Determine the number (up to equivalence) of theories  $T'$  in  $L'$  that are extensions of  $T$ .
- (b) Does  $T$  have any *conservative* extension in the language  $L'$ ? Justify your answer.

**Problem 7.** Let  $T = \{x = f(f(x)), \varphi, \neg c_1 = c_2\}$  be a theory in the language  $L = \langle f, c_1, c_2 \rangle$  with equality, where  $f$  is a unary function symbol,  $c_1, c_2$  are constant symbols, and the axiom  $\varphi$  expresses that “there are exactly three elements.”

- (a) Determine how many pairwise nonequivalent simple complete extensions the theory  $T$  has. Write down two of them. (3 points)
- (b) Let  $T' = \{x = f(f(x)), \varphi, \neg f(c_1) = f(c_2)\}$  be a theory in the same language, with  $\varphi$  as above. Is  $T'$  an extension of  $T$ ? Is  $T$  an extension of  $T'$ ? If so, is it a conservative extension? Provide justification. (2 points)

**Problem 8.** Consider  $L = \langle P, R, f, c, d \rangle$  with equality and the following two formulas:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi : \quad & P(x, y) \leftrightarrow R(x, y) \wedge \neg x = y \\ \psi : \quad & P(x, y) \rightarrow P(x, f(x, y)) \wedge P(f(x, y), y)\end{aligned}$$

Consider the following  $L$ -theory:

$$\begin{aligned}T = \{ & \varphi, \psi, \neg c = d, \\ & R(x, x), \\ & R(x, y) \wedge R(y, x) \rightarrow x = y, \\ & R(x, y) \wedge R(y, z) \rightarrow R(x, z), \\ & R(x, y) \vee R(y, x)\}\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find an expansion of the structure  $\langle \mathbb{Q}, \leq \rangle$  to the language  $L$  that is a model of  $T$ .
- (b) Is the sentence  $(\forall x)R(c, x)$  true/false/independent in  $T$ ? Justify all three answers.
- (c) Find two nonequivalent complete simple extensions of  $T$ , or justify why they do not exist.
- (d) Let  $T' = T \setminus \{\varphi, \psi\}$  be a theory in the language  $L' = \langle R, f, c, d \rangle$ . Is the theory  $T$  a conservative extension of the theory  $T'$ ? Provide justification.

## FOR FURTHER THOUGHT

**Problem 9.** Let  $T_n = \{\neg c_i = c_j \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$  denote the theory of the language  $L_n = \langle c_1, \dots, c_n \rangle$  with equality, where  $c_1, \dots, c_n$  are constant symbols.

- (a) For a given finite  $k \geq 1$ , count  $k$ -element models of the theory  $T_n$  up to isomorphism.
- (b) Determine the number of countable models of the theory  $T_n$  up to isomorphism.
- (c) For which pairs of values  $n$  and  $m$  is  $T_n$  an extension of  $T_m$ ? For which pairs is it a conservative extension? Justify your answer.