

## 4CCS1ELA: Tutorial list 4

**1. Formalising scenarios.** (The ambiguity of natural languages.)

Let  $S(x)$  represent 'x is a student'  
 $L(x)$  represent 'x is a lecture'  
 $A(x, y)$  represent 'x attended y'

Formalise the following sentence:

*'At least one student attended every lecture.'*

**2.** Let  $B(x)$  mean " $x$  is a bird", let  $W(x)$  mean " $x$  is a worm", let  $E(x, y)$  mean " $x$  eats  $y$ ". Using these predicates, represent in first-order logic each of the following statements:

- (i) *Every bird eats every worm.*
- (ii) *Some birds do not eat some worms.*
- (iii) *No bird is eaten by a worm.*
- (iv) *Some worms do not get eaten by birds.*
- (v) *Only birds eat worms.*

**3.** Identify which occurrences of variables in the formulas below are free and which occurrences are bound. Justify your answers.

- 1.  $y \geq 0 \wedge \forall x(N(x) \rightarrow x \geq y)$
- 2.  $x \geq 0 \wedge \forall x(N(x) \rightarrow x \geq y)$
- 3.  $\forall x(N(x) \rightarrow \exists y(N(y) \wedge x \geq y))$

Here  $N$  is a unary predicate symbol,  $\geq$  is a binary predicate symbol in infix notation, and  $x \geq y$  is an atom in infix notation.

**4.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a wff interpreted over  $D$  and  $d \in D$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}(x/d)$  denotes the wff obtained from  $\mathcal{F}$  by replacing all **free** occurrences of  $x$  by  $d$ .

Compute the following substitutions and determine the meaning (the truth-values) of the resulting sentences over natural numbers.

Here  $N(x)$  denotes " $x$  is a natural number", predicates  $\geq$  and  $>$  have their usual interpretation

- 1.  $(y \geq 0 \wedge \forall x(N(x) \rightarrow x \geq y))(y/3)$
- 2.  $(x \geq 0 \wedge \exists y(N(y) \wedge x \geq y))(x/3)$
- 3.  $(\forall x(N(x) \rightarrow \exists y(N(y) \wedge x > y)))(x/3)$
- 4.  $(\forall x(N(x) \rightarrow \exists y(N(y) \wedge y > x)))(y/3)$