1. Mention the three key components of an expert system.

Answer:

- Knowledge base
- Inference algorithm
- User interface/communication
- 2. From "Horses are animals" it follows that "The head of a horse is the head of an animal."

Translate the premise and the conclusion into the language of first-order logic. Use three predicates: HeadOf(h, x) (meaning "h is the head of x"), Horse(x), and Animal(x). Note: We discussed two systems of logic, (a) propositional logic involving statements that are true or false, and (b) first-order or predicate logic that involves working with truth values of functions applied to objects.

Answer:

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\forall x Horse(x) \Rightarrow Animal(x)
\forall x, h Horse(x) \land HeadOf(h, x) \Rightarrow \existsy Animal(y) \land HeadOf(h, y)
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3. Here are two sentences in the language of first-order logic:

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(A) \forall a \exists b (a \ge b)
(B) \forall b \exists a (a \ge b)
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Assume that the variables range over all the natural numbers $0, 1, 2,...,\infty$ and that the " \geq " predicate means "is greater than or equal to." Under this interpretation, translate (A) and (B) into English.

Answer: (A) translates to "For every natural number there is some other natural number that is smaller than or equal to it." (B) translates to "There is a particular natural number that is smaller than or equal to any natural number."

- 4. Case-based reasoning uses fact matching to infer the solution to a new problem.
 - a. True
 - b. False

Answer: using previous cases as evidence to find solutions to new cases is equivalent to considering old cases and their solutions as a matter of fact.

5. List 4 steps that case-based reasoning follows in order to find a possible solution to a new case.

Answer:

- a. Case representation as features
- b. Case similarity by feature matching
- c. Solution adaptation

- d. Solution evaluation and knowledge update
- 6. Select the correct statement(s).
 - a. Backward chaining fails when the knowledge base is cyclical.
 - b. Forward chaining fails when the knowledge base is cyclical.
 - c. Rule based systems can work with an incomplete base.
 - d. Case based systems learn over time.

Answer:

- Loops in a knowledge bases will lead to incompleteness and repeated states.
- Since case-based systems also store the solutions to new cases once they are solved, it essentially builds the knowledge base and learns more information and accurate solutions over time.
- 7. What is the form of algorithm that best describes solving for backwards chaining?
 - a. Parallelization
 - b. Sequential
 - c. Iteration
 - d. Recursion

Answer: because backward chaining follows a bottom up approach, it is easy to represent it using recursion.

8. List the two main types of knowledge bases.

Answer: procedural and declarative

9. List three systems of calculation that we discussed for rule building.

Answer:

- a. Propositional logic
- b. Predicate logic
- c. Bayesian calculus