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Time allowed: 2 hours

Answer ALL THREE questions.

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Turn over for question 1

Question 1

a) Represent the following sentence using *Propositional Logic*:

i) Unless the tap is on and the valve is open, the water will not flow. [2 marks]

b) Translate the following sentences into *Propositional Tense Logic*:

i) If you have lost your ticket, you will either be given a replacement or a refund. [2 marks]

ii) When I reached the station, I had already lost my bag. [2 marks]

c) Translate the following sentences into *First-Order Predicate Logic* (using equality where necessary):

i) John and Mary both live in the same town. [2 marks]

ii) Any person who trusts no one deceives themself. [2 marks]

iii) Tom has a friend all of whose sisters are rich. [2 marks]

d) $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}, \delta \rangle$ is a model for a first-order language with two binary relations S and T. The domain of $\mathcal{M}$ is the set $\{a, b, c, d, e\}$, and the denotations of S and T are as follows:

- $\delta(S) = \{\langle a, a \rangle\}$
- $\delta(T) = \{\langle a, b \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle, \langle a, d \rangle, \langle a, e \rangle\}$

For each of the following formulae, state whether it is satisfied by the model $\mathcal{M}$: [2 marks]

F1. $\exists x \exists y [S(x, y)]$

F2. $\exists x \forall y [S(x, y) \vee T(x, y)]$

F3. $\exists x \forall y [T(x, y)]$

F4. $\neg \forall x [\neg S(x, x)]$

e) Using the *Sequent Calculus* (as specified in the module notes), determine whether the following sequent is valid:

$$\forall x[P(x) \wedge G(x)],\ H(a) \quad \vdash \quad \forall x[F(x) \vee G(x)] \wedge H(a)$$ [6 marks]

[20 marks total]

Question 2

a) A Situation Calculus theory describes the possible actions of a cleaning robot. The vocabulary of the theory includes fluents of the forms:

$has(agent, item)$, $located(item\text{-}or\text{-}agent, room)$, $connected(room1, room2)$, $clean\text{-}floor(room)$

and constants denoting various items such as broom, litter-bin, etc..

The vocabulary also includes the following actions:

$\mathbf{pickup}(agent, item)$, $\mathbf{drop}(agent, item)$, $\mathbf{move}(agent, room1, room2)$, $\mathbf{sweep}(agent, room)$.

Among others, the theory contains the axiom:

A) $\forall\ a\ i\ [\mathsf{Holds}(has(a, i), \mathsf{result}(\mathbf{pickup}(a, i))) \ \leftarrow\ \mathsf{Poss}(\mathbf{pickup}(a, i), s)]$

i) What kind of axiom is **A**? [1 mark]

ii) Using the Poss predicate, give a suitable *precondition axiom* specifying the conditions under which an action $\mathbf{sweep}(a, r)$ is possible. [2 marks]

iii) Give a suitable *effect axiom* specifying the effect of carrying out the $\mathbf{sweep}(a, r)$ action. [2 marks]

iv) Give a *frame* axiom which specifies that: when an agent moves from one room to another, this does not affect the state of the floor of any room. [2 marks]

v) How might the $clean\text{-}floor(r)$ fluent be affected by a *ramification* of one of the actions other than $\mathbf{sweep}(a, r)$? [2 marks]

b) Translate the following sentences into *Description Logic*. You should use concept and relation names that make clear your intended interpretation of these symbols:

i) Mushrooms that are purple or green are poisonous. [2 marks]

ii) Every boy who owns a bicycle is happy. [2 marks]

c) Jane's holiday began with a stay in Paris and ended with a stay in Amsterdam. Jane's bicycle tour began immediately after she left Paris and ended when she reached Amsterdam.

i) Encode the given information in terms of the relations of *Allen's Interval Calculus* (you should give 4 interval relation facts). [2 marks]

ii) Show how *compositional reasoning* can be used to calculate that Jane's bicycle tour took place During her holiday. Give details of each composition rule that you apply and how the results of these rules are combined. Depending on your representation of the given facts you may need to convert some of your relations to their converse before applying compositional inference. If you wish, you may illustrate your calculations diagrammatically. [5 marks]

[20 marks total]

Question 3

a) Convert the following formulae into *clausal form*:

i) $(P \vee Q) \rightarrow \neg(A \wedge B)$ [2 marks]

ii) $\forall x[\exists y \exists z[R(y,z) \wedge (S(x,y) \vee S(x,z))]]$ [2 marks]

b) Give a *most general unifier* of the following pair of terms (where X, Y and Z are variables):

$$q(r(X), X) \qquad q(Y, s(Z))$$

[2 marks]

c) A *Prolog* database contains facts of the forms: `lives(X, Y)`, meaning that `X` is a person who lives in town or city `Y`; and `in_country(X, Y)`, meaning that the town or city `X` is located in the country `Y`.

Briefly explain the meaning of the predicate `xxxxxxx( X, S )` as defined below and suggest a suitable meaningful name for it. [2 marks]

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xxxxxxx( X, S ) :-
                setof( Y, (lives( X, T1 ),
                           lives( Y, T2 ),
                           in_country( T1, C ),
                           in_country( T2, C )
                          ),
                       S ).
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d) A *Default Logic* theory Θ contains the classical facts

C1 $\mathsf{Bird}(\mathsf{bob})$
C2 $\mathsf{Bird}(\mathsf{martin})$
C3 $\mathsf{Lives}(\mathsf{bob}, \mathsf{antarctic})$
C4 $\forall x[\mathsf{Bird}(x) \rightarrow \mathsf{HasWings}(x)]$
C5 $\forall x[\mathsf{Penguin}(x) \rightarrow \neg\mathsf{Flies}(x)]$

and the default rules

D1 $\mathsf{HasWings}(x) : \mathsf{Flies}(x)\ /\ \mathsf{Flies}(x)$
D2 $\mathsf{Bird}(x) \wedge \mathsf{Lives}(x, \mathsf{antarctic}) : \mathsf{Penguin}(x)\ /\ \mathsf{Penguin}(x)$

i) Is $\mathsf{Flies}(\mathsf{bob})$ true in some, all or no, *extensions* of Θ? Briefly explain your answer, mentioning which default rule or rules are applied to generate each extension. [3 marks]

ii) Which atomic facts about martin are true in all *extensions* of Θ? Briefly explain your answer. [3 marks]

e) Consider the following formulae involving topological relations of the *Region Connection Calculus* (RCC), together with the spatial sum function and the convex hull function, conv. The quantifiers range over non-empty spatial regions. For each of the following formulae, draw a configuration of the regions (labelled a, b and c as appropriate) which satisfies the formula:

i) $\exists x \exists y[\mathsf{DC}(x,y) \wedge \mathsf{EC}(x,\mathsf{a}) \wedge \mathsf{EC}(y,\mathsf{a}) \wedge \mathsf{P}(\mathsf{sum}(x,y), \mathsf{conv}(\mathsf{a}))]$ [2 marks]

ii) $\mathsf{EQ}(\mathsf{a}, \mathsf{conv}(\mathsf{a}))) \wedge \neg\mathsf{EQ}(\mathsf{b}, \mathsf{conv}(\mathsf{b})) \wedge \mathsf{TPP}(\mathsf{a}, \mathsf{b})$ [2 marks]

iii) $\forall x[\mathsf{C}(x,\mathsf{a}) \rightarrow \mathsf{O}(x,\mathsf{b})]$ [2 marks]

[20 marks total]