# Assessment 1 Logic and Regular Languages

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## **Propositional Logic**

1. Model as a propositional formal the poroperty that the inital state cannot be reached from c or b

## Answer:

$$model \rightarrow \neg((c \rightarrow a') \lor (b \rightarrow a'))$$

2. Prove the following sequent:

$$a \to b'.b \to c'.c \to b' \vdash (a \lor b) \to (b' \lor c')$$

- 1.  $a \rightarrow b'.b \rightarrow c'.c \rightarrow b'$  [premise]
- 2.  $(a \to b') \land (b \to c') \land (c \to b') \land_i$
- 3.  $(a \to b') \land (c \to b') \land (b \to c')$  commutativity of  $\land$
- 4.  $((a \wedge c) \rightarrow b') \wedge (b \rightarrow c')$  distributivity of  $\rightarrow$

3. Model the property that the automate can only be in one stat at a time via a defintion of a propositional function

## Answer:

$$goodState(a, b, c) \equiv (a \rightarrow b') \oplus (b \rightarrow c') \oplus (c \rightarrow b')$$

4. Negate the formula and convert it to CNF

$$((a \to b') \land (a \land \neg b) \land (b' \land \neg a')) \to (b \to \neg a')$$

- 1.  $\neg(((a \to b') \land (a \land \neg b) \land (b' \land \neg a')) \to (b \to \neg a'))$  negation of the formula
- 2.  $\neg(((\neg a \lor b') \land (a \land \neg b) \land (b' \land \neg a')) \rightarrow (\neg b \lor a'))$
- 3.  $\neg(\neg((\neg a \lor b') \land (a \land \neg b) \land (b' \land \neg a')) \lor (\neg b \lor a'))$
- 4.  $\neg((\neg(a \lor b') \lor \neg(a \land \neg b) \lor \neg(b' \land \neg a')) \lor (\neg b \lor a'))$
- 5.  $\neg(\neg(a \lor b') \lor \neg(a \land \neg b) \lor \neg(b' \land \neg a')) \land \neg(\neg b \lor a')$
- 6.  $(a \lor b') \land (a \land \neg b) \land (b' \land \neg a') \land \neg (\neg b \lor a')$
- 7.  $(a \lor b') \land \neg(\neg a \lor b) \land \neg(\neg b' \lor a') \land \neg(\neg b \lor a')$

- 8.  $(a \lor b') \land \neg(\neg a \lor b) \land \neg(\neg b' \lor a') \land \neg(\neg b \lor a')$  commutativity
- 9.  $(a \lor b') \land \neg(\neg a \lor b) \land \neg(\neg b' \lor a') \land \neg(\neg b \lor a')$
- 10.  $(a \lor b') \land a \land \neg b \land \neg (\neg b' \lor a') \land \neg (\neg b \lor a')$
- 11.  $(a \lor b') \land a \land \neg b \land b' \land \neg a' \land \neg (\neg b \lor a')$
- 12.  $(a \lor b') \land a \land \neg b \land b' \land \neg a' \land b$

$$(a \lor b') \land a \land \neg b \land b' \land \neg a' \land b$$

# 5. Explain the principle of unit propagation from DPLL, and use it to show that CNF formula of the previous question is unsatisfiable.

## Answer:

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Unit propagation refers to a technique that is used to simplify logical formulas. When we have a clause that only contains a single literal such as x, in all other clauses that contain x, we can substitute it for True.

#### Answer:

b

We can use it to show that the previous formula is unsatisfiable by demonstrating that it is a contradiction. We simplify it and continue to substitute True for single literal clauses. When we rearrange the formula, it becomes clear that we have  $b \land \neg b$ , this is a contradiction.

$$(True \lor b') \land True \land \neg b \land b' \land \neg a' \land b$$

$$(True \lor True) \land True \land \neg b \land True \land \neg a' \land b$$

$$\neg b \land True \land \neg a' \land b$$

$$\neg b \land \neg a' \land b$$

$$\neg b \land b \land \neg a'$$

## 6. Comment on the validity of the original formula.

## Answer:

The formula is not satisfiable and therefore not valid as satisfiability is a prerequisite for validity. In other words, because that logical statement was a contradiction (assumed something can be False and True at the same time), there was no way in which it could have been true and because of that it is not valid.

## First Order Logic

1. Write a formula in first-order logic, using the parent relation, that states that two entities x and y are siblings if they share a parent

### Answer:

 $\forall i. \forall j. siblings(i_0, j_0) \equiv (parent(x, i_0) = parent(x, j_0))$ 

2. Assuming there is an equality relation  $\equiv$  on P such that  $x \equiv y$  means x and y are the same entity, write a formula in first order logic stating that every entity has two distinct parents.

### Answer:

 $\forall i.\exists! y.\exists! x (parent(x,i) \land parent(y,i) \land \neg (x \equiv y))$ 

3. Prove that the following sequent is valid:

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parent(p,q). \forall x. \forall y (parent(x,y) \rightarrow \exists z. parent(z,x)) \vdash \exists. parent(z,p)
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- 1.  $parent(p,q). \forall x. \forall y (parent(x,y) \rightarrow \exists z. parent(z,x))$  [premise]
- 2. —
- 3.  $\exists .parent(z, p)$  [conclusion] 1 ?

## 4. Interpret the following formula into simple English statement

## Answer:

 $\forall x. \exists y. parent(y, x) \rightarrow \forall a. \exists b. parent(a, b)$ 

### Answer:

If all children have a parent, then all parents have a child.

5. The sequent below is not valid. Show this by proving a counter-example: a concrete definition of the universe P (a set) and the relation parent. Explain why this is a counterexample.

$$\vdash \forall x. \exists y. parent(y,x) \rightarrow \forall a. \exists b. parent(a,b)$$

## In English

if all children have a parent then all parents have a child.

- 1.  $\forall x. \exists y.parent(y, x) \rightarrow \forall a. \exists b.parent(a, b)$  [premise]
- 2.  $P = \{ x \mid x \}$
- 3. False [conclusion]

# 6. What is the smallest possible counterexample universe P and relation parent. Explain your reasoning.

7. Prove that the following sequent is valid.

$$\forall x. \forall y. parent(x,y) \rightarrow \neg(x \equiv y) \vdash \neg \exists x. parent(x,x)$$

ie. if someone is a parent and has a child, then that child cannot be it's parent.

- 1.  $\forall x. \forall y. parent(x, y) \rightarrow \neg (x \equiv y)$  [premise]
- 2.  $parent(x_i, y_j) \rightarrow \neg (x_i \equiv y_j) \ \forall_e \ 1$
- 3.  $\neg parent(x_i, y_j) \vee \neg (x_i \equiv y_j)$  because  $P \to Q \equiv \neg P \vee Q$
- 4.  $\neg(parent(x_i, y_j) \land (x_i \equiv y_j))$  De Morgan's Law
- 5.  $\neg \exists x.parent(x, x)[conclusion]$

## Regular Lanugages and Finite Automata

- 1. For the reular expression (A|AB|ABB)\* do the following steps:
  - a) translate it into an NFA

Answer:

- b) remove (semantic preserving) the  $\epsilon$  transitions
- c) create the corresponding DFA
- d) translate it into an NFA

Justify the steps.

- 2. Consider the following language: a word is in the language if and only if it contains an even number of As an odd number of Bs and precisely one C.
  - a) Design a DFA for this language
  - b) Explain your design (what information do you "store" in your states?)