

# Exam – Computational Logic - Subjects -2023-2024

## I Propositional logic

1. Using a proof method:

- semantic method** (truth table, semantic tableau, conjunctive normal form)
- syntactic method** (resolution, definition of deduction, the theorem of deduction and its reverse)
- direct method** (truth table, conjunctive normal form, definition of deduction, the theorem of deduction and its reverse)
- refutation method** (resolution, semantic tableau)

prove the validity of some propositional formulas:

- A2 – the second axiom of propositional logic
- A3- the third axiom, „modul tollens”
- the syllogism rule, the permutation/ reunion/ separation of the premises law
- the distributivity of a connective over another connective

2. Check the following logical/syntactic consequence:

$$U_1, \dots, U_n \models V \quad (|-)$$

- build the deduction of V from the hypothesis  $U_1, \dots, U_n$  using the axiomatic system and the definition of deduction;
- semantic tableau for:  $U_1 \wedge \dots \wedge U_n \wedge \neg V$ ;
- resolution for:  $\text{CNF}(U_1 \wedge \dots \wedge U_n \wedge \neg V)$ .

3. Decide the type (consistent, contingent, inconsistent, tautology) of the propositional formula U and write the models and anti-models of U.

- from the truth table of U;
- the models of U are provided by the open branches of the semantic tableau of U;
- the anti-models of U are provided by the open branches of the semantic tableau of  $\neg U$
- the anti-models of U are provided by the clauses of  $\text{CNF}(U)$  which are not tautologies
- the models of U are provided by the cubes of  $\text{DNF}(U)$  which are not inconsistent ;

4. Prove the inconsistency of a set of clauses using:

- general resolution + transformations used to simplify the initial set of clauses
- level saturation strategy, lock resolution
- linear resolution(‘unit’ / ‘input’)

5. Check the consistency/inconsistency of a set of clauses using:

- level saturation strategy
- lock resolution + level saturation strategy
- linear resolution - backtracking.

6. The theorems of soundness and completeness of the proof methods:

The properties of propositional logic: coherence, non-contradiction, decidability.

The theorem of soundness for propositional logic:

If  $\vdash U$  then  $\models U$  (a theorem is a tautology).

The theorem of completeness for propositional logic:

If  $\models U$  then  $\vdash U$  (a tautology is a theorem).

The theorem of deduction and its reverse.

7. Definitions: tautology, theorem, logical consequence, syntactic consequence, logical equivalence, consistent/contingent/valid/inconsistent formula, interpretation, model, anti-model.

The axiomatic system of propositional logic.

The axiomatic system of propositional resolution.

8. Propositional reasoning modeling

## II First-order (predicate) logic

1. Evaluation of a closed predicate formula under a given (proposed by the student) interpretation, with a finite/infinite domain.

2. Build a model/ anti-model of a closed predicate formula:

- the models of  $U$  are provided by the open branches of the semantic tableau of  $U$
- the anti-models of  $U$  are provided by the open branches of the semantic tableau of  $\neg U$
- a proposed interpretation which evaluates the formula  $U$  as true/false is a model/ anti-model of  $U$ .

3. Check the property of distributivity of a quantifier ( $\exists, \forall$ ) over a connective ( $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow$ ):

**Ex: distributivity of „ $\exists$ ” over „ $\rightarrow$ ”:**

$(\exists x)(A(x) \rightarrow B(x)) \equiv (\exists x)A(x) \rightarrow (\exists x)B(x)$  if and only if

$\models (\exists x)(A(x) \rightarrow B(x)) \leftrightarrow ((\exists x)A(x) \rightarrow (\exists x)B(x))$  if and only if

$\models (\exists x)(A(x) \rightarrow B(x)) \rightarrow ((\exists x)A(x) \rightarrow (\exists x)B(x))$  and  $\models ((\exists x)A(x) \rightarrow (\exists x)B(x)) \rightarrow (\exists x)(A(x) \rightarrow B(x))$

4. Using a proof method:

- semantic method (semantic tableaux method)
- syntactic method (resolution, definition of deduction, the theorem of deduction and its reverse)
- direct method (definition of deduction, the theorem of deduction and its reverse)
- refutation method (resolution, semantic tableaux method)

prove that some predicate formulas are tautologies/theorems.

5. Transform a predicate formula into **prenex**, **Skolem** and **clausal normal forms**.

6. Check the following logical/syntactic consequence:

$$U_1, \dots, U_n \models V \quad (|-)$$

- build the deduction of  $V$  from the hypothesis  $U_1, \dots, U_n$  using the axiomatic system;
- **semantic tableau for:  $U_1 \wedge \dots \wedge U_n \wedge \neg V$** ;
- **resolution for:  $U_1^C \wedge \dots \wedge U_n^C \wedge (\neg V)^C$** .

7. Definitions: **substitutions**, **the most general unifier of 2 atoms - algorithm**.

8. Prove the inconsistency of a set of predicate clauses using:

- **general resolution**
- **level saturation strategy**
- **lock resolution**
- **linear resolution('unit' or 'input')**

9. The theorems of soundness and completeness of the proof methods:

The properties of propositional logic: **coherence, non-contradiction, semi-decidability (Church)**.

The theorem of soundness for first-order logic:

If  $\vdash U$  **then**  $\models U$  (a theorem is a tautology).

The theorem of completeness for first-order logic:

If  $\models U$  **then**  $\vdash U$  (a tautology is a theorem).

The theorem of deduction and its reverse.

10. Definitions: tautology, theorem, logical consequence, syntactic consequence, logical equivalence, consistent/contingent/valid/inconsistent formula, interpretation, model, anti-model.

The axiomatic system of first-order logic.

The axiomatic system of first-order resolution.

11. **Transformation of a natural language sentence into a predicate formula.**

**Predicate reasoning modeling.**

### III Boolean algebras, Boolean functions, logic circuits

#### 1. Boolean algebra: definition+examples

Using “nand”/”nor” express the operations “and”, “not”, “or”.

Definitions: Boolean function, “minterm”, “maxterm”, „factorization”, “maximal monom”, „central monom”, „simplification of a Boolean function”.

#### 2. Build the conjunctive/disjunctive canonical form of a Boolean function (of 2,3,4 variables) given by its table of values.

Examples of minterms and maxterms (of 2,3,4 variables): notations, expressions, tables of values.

#### 3. Simplification of Boolean functions of 2, 3, 4 variables using Quine’s method, Veitch/Karnaugh diagrams, Moisisil’s method. A Boolean function is given:

- in disjunctive canonical form (DCF) using the standard notations for the minterms:

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = m_0 \vee m_3 \vee m_4 \vee m_5 \vee m_6 \vee m_7;$$

- in disjunctive canonical form (DCF) using the expressions for the minterms:

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1 x_2 \bar{x}_3 \bar{x}_4 \vee x_1 x_2 x_3 \bar{x}_4 \vee x_1 x_2 \bar{x}_3 x_4 \vee x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 \vee \bar{x}_1 x_2 \bar{x}_3 \bar{x}_4 \vee \bar{x}_1 x_2 \bar{x}_3 x_4 \vee \bar{x}_1 x_2 x_3 \bar{x}_4 \vee \bar{x}_1 x_2 x_3 x_4;$$

- by an expression:

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_3(\bar{x}_1 \vee x_2) \vee x_1(x_2 \vee \bar{x}_2 \bar{x}_3) \vee \bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2 \bar{x}_3,$$

or

$$f(x, y, z) = x(\bar{y} \oplus z) \vee y(\bar{x} \oplus z) \vee \bar{x}(\bar{y} \downarrow z) \vee (\bar{x} \downarrow y)z;$$

- apply transformations (distributivity, replace  $\downarrow$ ,  $\oplus$ , ...) to obtain the DCF

- by its table of values,

$x$	$y$	$z$	$f$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

- from the values 1 of the function the DCF is built

- by its values 1:

$$f_1(1,1,1,1) = f_1(1,1,0,1) = f_1(0,1,1,1) = f_1(1,1,0,0) = f_1(0,1,0,0) = f_1(0,0,0,0) = f_1(0,0,0,1) = f_1(0,0,1,1) = 1; \quad \text{DCF is built}$$

- by its values 0:  $f_0(0,1,0) = f_0(0,1,1) = f_0(1,0,1) = 0$ ,

- from the values 1 of the function the DCF is built

Simplification of Boolean functions of 2, 3, 4 variables, given in CCF, using Veitch/Karnaugh diagrams and a dual simplification algorithm.

4. a) Using basic and derived gates draw the logic circuit corresponding to a Boolean function given by a Boolean expression.  
b) Write the expression of the Boolean function which models the functionality of a logic circuit with basic and derived gates.
5. Examples of logic circuits used in the hardware: *encoder, decoder, comparator, adder, subtractor*.  
The combinational logic circuit corresponding to the *electronic display of the decimal digits using 7 segments (LEDs)*.