

# Homework 4

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## Problem 9.10

The riddle can be expressed in first-order logic as:

$Male(m) \wedge$

$(\neg \exists s : Brother(s, I) \vee Sister(s, I)) \wedge (\exists f : Son(f, Father(I)) \wedge f = Father(m))$

Where  $I$  represents the speaker in the riddle, and  $m$  represents “that man”. From this, we can use the axioms of the kinship domain to deduce the identity of “that man”:

$$\begin{aligned} & Male(m) \wedge \\ & (\neg \exists s : Brother(s, I) \vee Sister(s, I)) \wedge \\ & (\exists f : Son(f, Father(I)) \wedge f = Father(m)) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & Male(m) \wedge \\ & (\neg \exists s : (Sibling(s, I) \wedge Male(s)) \vee (Sibling(s, I) \wedge Female(s))) \wedge \\ & (\exists f : Son(f, Father(I)) \wedge f = Father(m)) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & Male(m) \wedge \\ & (\neg \exists s : Sibling(s, I) \wedge (Male(s) \vee Female(s))) \wedge \\ & (\exists f : Son(f, Father(I)) \wedge f = Father(m)) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & Male(m) \wedge \\ & (\neg \exists s : Sibling(s, I)) \wedge \\ & (\exists f : Son(f, Father(I)) \wedge f = Father(m)) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & Male(m) \wedge \\ & (\neg \exists s : Sibling(s, I)) \wedge \\ & (\exists f : Son(f, Father(I)) \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f)) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& Male(m) \wedge \\
& (\neg \exists s : Sibling(s, I)) \wedge \\
& (\exists f : Child(f, Father(I)) \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f))
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& Male(m) \wedge \\
& (\neg \exists s : s \neq I \wedge (\exists p : Parent(p, s) \wedge Parent(p, I))) \wedge \\
& (\exists f : Child(f, Father(I)) \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f))
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& Male(m) \wedge \\
& (\forall s : s = I \vee \neg(\exists p : Parent(p, s) \wedge Parent(p, I))) \wedge \\
& (\exists f : Child(f, Father(I)) \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f))
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& Male(m) \wedge \\
& (\forall s : s = I \vee \neg(\exists p : Parent(p, s) \wedge Parent(p, I))) \wedge \\
& (\exists f, g : g = Father(I) \wedge Child(f, g) \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f))
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& Male(m) \wedge \\
& (\forall s : s = I \vee \neg(\exists p : Parent(p, s) \wedge Parent(p, I))) \wedge \\
& (\exists f, g : Parent(g, I) \wedge Child(f, g) \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f) \wedge Male(g))
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& Male(m) \wedge \\
& (\forall s : s = I \vee \neg(\exists p : Parent(p, s) \wedge Parent(p, I))) \wedge \\
& (\exists f, g : Parent(g, I) \wedge Parent(g, f) \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f) \wedge Male(g))
\end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& Male(m) \wedge \\
& (\forall s : (\exists p : Parent(p, s) \wedge Parent(p, I)) \rightarrow s = I) \wedge \\
& (\exists f, g : Parent(g, I) \wedge Parent(g, f) \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f) \wedge Male(g))
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& Male(m) \wedge \\
(\forall s : (\exists p : Parent(p, s) \wedge Parent(p, I)) \rightarrow s = I) \wedge & \quad (13) \\
& (\exists f : f = I \wedge Parent(f, m) \wedge Male(f))
\end{aligned}$$

$$Male(m) \wedge Parent(I, m) \wedge Male(I) \quad (14)$$

$$Male(m) \wedge Child(m, I) \quad (15)$$

$$Son(m, I) \quad (16)$$

From this, we can conclude that “that man” is, in fact, the speaker’s son.

In prenex normal form, the original riddle can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\exists f : \forall s : (\neg Brother(s, I) \vee \neg Son(f, Father(I)) \vee \neg f = Father(m) \vee \\
\neg Male(m)) \wedge (\neg Sister(s, I) \vee \neg Son(f, Father(I)) \vee \neg f = Father(m) \vee \\
\neg Male(m))
\end{aligned}$$

### Problem 9.23

- a. Premise:  $\forall h : Horse(h) \rightarrow Animal(h)$   
Conclusion:  $\forall c, q : (HeadOf(c, q) \wedge Horse(q)) \rightarrow \exists a : (HeadOf(c, a) \wedge Animal(a))$
- b. Premise:  $\neg Horse(h) \vee Animal(h)$   
Conclusion:  $HeadOf(C, Q) \wedge Horse(Q) \wedge (\neg HeadOf(C, a) \vee \neg Animal(a))$
- c. 
$$\frac{(\neg HeadOf(C, Q) \vee \neg Animal(Q)), HeadOf(C, Q)}{\neg Animal(Q)}$$

$$\frac{\neg Animal(Q), (\neg Horse(h) \vee Animal(h))}{\neg Horse(Q)}$$

$$\frac{\neg Horse(Q), Horse(Q)}{\perp}$$