

**Formal Methods for High-Assurance Software  
Engineering**

HomeWork Assignment 06

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**Problem 1.** Do Exercise 7 in fode. Write the wff's for the first-order definability of gcd in two different ways.

**Solution.** In this solution we use what proved in Exercise 4 where it's showed  $\varphi_{<}(x, y)$  first-order definable in  $(\mathbb{N}; +, 0)$ .

$$\varphi_{gcd}(x, y, v) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (v|x) \wedge (v|y) \wedge \forall w \left( \left( (w|x) \wedge (w|y) \right) \implies (w \approx (v \vee \varphi_{<}(w, v)) \right) \quad (1)$$

$$\varphi'_{gcd}(x, y, v) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall w \left( \left( (w|x) \wedge (w|y) \right) \iff (w|v) \right)$$

**Problem 2.**

**Solution.**

**Exercise 10**

Show that the predicate  $\text{prime} : \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \{T, F\}$  is first-order definable in the structure  $(\mathbb{N}; |, +, 0)$ .

In Exercise 9 we defined  $\varphi'_x(x, y, z)$  in  $(\mathbb{N}; |, +, 0)$ . Note that at the end of exercise, it is showed that  $\text{succ}$  which used in that definition, is definable using only  $\{+, 0\}$  based on what happened in Exercise 8. Hence just like what

is done in other excercises, we take it for granted that  $\varphi'_x(x, y, z)$  is definable in  $\varphi'_x(x, y, z)$ .

Here's the definition of the predicate **prime**:  $\mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \{T, F\}$ :

$$\varphi_{prime}(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \neg \left( \exists z \exists y \left( \left( \varphi'_x(z, y, x) \right) \wedge \left( \neg(x \approx x) \wedge \neg(y \approx x) \right) \right) \right) \quad (2)$$

Another definition:

$$\varphi_{prime}(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left( \varphi_{<}(1, x) \right) \wedge \forall y \left( (y|x) \implies ((y \approx 1) \vee (y \approx x)) \right) \quad (3)$$

### Exercise 11

Show that the predicate coprime :  $\mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \{T, F\}$  is first-order definable in the structure  $(\mathbb{N}; |, +, 0)$

Here, we kindly use the definition of gcd we provided in Problem 1 of this homework.

$$\varphi'_{gcd}(x, y, v) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall w \left( \left( (w|x) \wedge (w|y) \right) \iff (w|v) \right) \quad (4)$$

$$\varphi_{coprime}(x, y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varphi'_{gcd}(x, y, 1) \quad (5)$$

### Problem 3.

#### 12.a

**Solution.** Answer: **invalid**

We provide an example model which does not satisfy it:

In the model  $\mathcal{M} = (a, b, S)$  Let  $S^{\mathcal{M}} : \{(a, b)(b, a)(a, a)\}$  Then, in the following formula:

$$(\forall x \forall y (S(x, y) \implies S(y, x)) \implies (\forall x \neg S(x, x))) \quad (6)$$

For any given pair, it's reverse is in the defined relation. This makes the left hand side valid. Hence the right hand side is not valid since by letting  $x \equiv a$ ,  $S(x, x) \equiv S(a, a)$  is in the model while according to the right hand side it shouldn't be.

#### 12.b

**Solution.** Answer: **valid**

$$\exists y(((\forall x P(x)) \implies P(y)) \quad (7)$$

Semantically speaking, it is intuitive since the left hand side is independent of  $y$ , hence we can consider two cases.

- There exists a  $y_0$  which makes  $P(y_0)$  false, hence by picking this  $y_0$  the right hand side becomes equivalent to FALSE which makes the formula valid.
- Otherwise, if there isn't any  $y_0$  which makes  $P(y_0)$  false,  $P(y)$  should be a tautology which makes the formula equivalent to  $T \implies T$  which is also valid.

More formal proof:

|   |  |                      |
|---|--|----------------------|
| 1 | $P(x)$                                       | assume               |
| 2 | $y_0$  | fresh                |
| 3 | $\forall x P(x)$                             | assume               |
| 4 | $P(y_0)$                                     | 1, 3                 |
| 5 | $(\forall x P(x)) \implies P(y_0)$           | $\rightarrow i, 2-4$ |
| 6 | $\exists y(((\forall x P(x)) \implies P(y))$ | $\exists y i 2-5$    |

**12.c**

**Solution.** Answer: **valid**

$$(\forall x (P(x) \implies \exists y Q(y))) \implies (\forall x \exists y (P(x) \implies Q(y))) \quad (8)$$

|    |  |                        |
|----|--|------------------------|
| 1  | $(\forall x (P(x) \implies \exists y Q(y)))$   | assume                 |
| 2  | $y_0$  | fresh                  |
| 3  | $P(x) \implies \exists y Q(y)$   | $\forall x e 1$        |
| 4  | $P(x)$   | assume                 |
| 5  | $\exists y Q(y)$   | $\rightarrow e, 3, 4$  |
| 6  | $Q(y_0)$   | $\exists x e, 2, 5$    |
| 7  | $P(x) \implies Q(y_0)$   | $\rightarrow i, 4 - 6$ |
| 8  | $\exists y (P(x) \implies Q(y))$   | $\exists y i 7$        |
| 9  | $\forall x \exists y (P(x) \implies Q(y))$   | $\forall x i, 2 - 8$   |
| 10 | $(\forall x (P(x) \implies \exists y Q(y))) \implies (\forall x \exists y (P(x) \implies Q(y)))$ | $\rightarrow i, 1 - 9$ |

**Problem 4.** Show that “ $\uparrow$ ” (exponentiation) is first-order definable in the model  $(\mathbb{N}, \approx, <, +, \cdot, S, 0)$ .

**Solution.** In this solution we used two hints provided by Prof. Kfoury:  
(1) Assume the existence of a binary function  $D$  on the natural numbers which can encode finite sequences of natural numbers, in the following sense: For every finite sequence  $(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n)$  of length  $n$ , there is an  $s$  such that  $D(s, i) = a_i$  for every  $i \leq n$ .

(2) With the function  $D$  you can define exponentiation  $\uparrow$  as follows:  
 $a \uparrow b = \{ \text{the smallest } s \text{ such that } D(s, 0) = 1 \text{ and for every } i < b \text{ it is the case that } D(s, i + 1) = D(s, i) \times a \}.$

$$\varphi_{\uparrow}(x, y, z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \exists u \left( \left( \forall v \forall t \left( (v < y) \wedge \varphi_D(u, v, t) \implies \varphi_D(u, v+1, z.t) \right) \right) \wedge \varphi_D(u, y, z) \wedge \varphi_D(u, 0, 1) \right)$$

**Problem 5.**

**Solution.** <https://github.com/ro0zkhosh/CS511/blob/master/HW6/problem5.py>

**Problem 6.**

**Solution.** <https://github.com/ro0zkhosh/CS511/blob/master/HW6/problem6.py>