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1- Precedence in BNF [20 pts]

Consider a simple grammar for describing first order predicate logic with *connectives* \leftrightarrow , \rightarrow , \wedge , \vee , and \neg ; quantifiers \forall , \exists and parentheses. The following rules are available in this BNF:

- An atomic expression is in the form of `predicate(variable_list)`, such as `P(x)`, or `Q(x,y)`. Variables in this list are limited to x and y.
- The precedence of the connectives from highest to lowest are \neg , \wedge , \vee , \rightarrow , \leftrightarrow .
- Quantifiers \forall , \exists have precedence just below \neg , and higher than all the other four connectives.
- As always, you can use parentheses to change the priority.

For example,

$\neg \exists x (P(x) \rightarrow \forall y \neg (\exists z R(y, z) \vee S(y) \wedge Q(x)))$ is parsed as

`[$\neg \exists x$] [P(x) \rightarrow [$\forall y$ [\neg [$\exists z R(y, z)$] \vee [S(y) \wedge Q(x)]]]]]`

- a) In the following lines, the grammar is given in BNF. Complete the grammar by filling in the blanks with the correct expression ID (exp1, exp2, exp3, exp4, or exp5) for the grammar to satisfy the precedence order of the rules described above. Note that, all the operators are left associative. **Be careful, as the connectives and quantifiers are placed in random order.**

`<atomic_exp> ::= <predicate> (<var_list>)`

`<var_list> ::= <var> | <var_list> , <var>`

`<var> ::= x | y`

`<predicate> ::= P | Q | R | S`

`<exp> ::= (<_____>) | \neg <_____> | <atomic_exp>`

`<exp1> ::= \forall <var> <_____> | \exists <var> <_____>`

`<exp2> ::= <exp2> \wedge <_____> | <_____>`

`<exp3> ::= <exp3> \vee <_____> | <_____>`

`<exp4> ::= <exp4> \rightarrow <_____> | <_____>`

`<exp5> ::= <exp5> \leftrightarrow <_____> | <_____>`

- b) Construct the parse tree for the following sentence

$\neg \exists x (P(x) \rightarrow \forall y \neg (\exists z R(y, z) \vee S(y) \wedge Q(x)))$

2- BNF for simple Prolog [20 pts]

A list in Prolog is either an empty list or a list of elements which can be atoms, atomic propositions, or other terms including lists. A list is enclosed in square brackets and elements of the list are separated by commas. Lists can also be represented using the Head and the Tail of the list as `[Head | Tail]`.

In this question, for simplicity, assume that elements are restricted to digits or other lists. Some possible lists are:

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[ ]  
[ 1 , 2 ]  
[ 1 , [ ] , [ 2 , [ 3 , 4 ] ] ]  
[ 1 | [ 2 | [ 3 | [ 4 , 1 ] ] ] ]  
[ 1 , 2 , [ 3 | 4 ] | [ ] ]
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Write a grammar using the BNF to describe lists in Prolog. Do not use EBNF notation.

3- Prolog [15 pts]

Consider the following database in Prolog.

male(tom) .	parent(jane, jill) .
male(jack) .	parent(jane, mary) .
male(bob) .	parent(tom, mary) .
male(mike) .	parent(tom, jill) .
male(david) .	parent(jill, fred) .
male(fred) .	parent(jill, david) .
	parent(jack, fred) .
female(jane) .	parent(jack, david) .
female(jill) .	parent(mary, alice) .
female(mary) .	parent(mary, mike) .
female(alice) .	parent(bob, mike) .
	parent(bob, alice) .

a) Write a rule **same_gender(X,Y)** for finding the people whose gender is the same.

b) Now, consider the following query which tries to find the people whose sibling has the same gender as himself/ herself.

parent(X,Y) , parent(X,Z) , same_gender(Y,Z) , Y\==Z .

Write the first 6 answers to this query by instantiating the variables X, Y and Z with the correct constants in correct order.

	X=	Y =	Z=
1st			
2nd			
3rd			
4th			
5th			
6th			

c) Write a query that corresponds to the following question.

Whose mother is Alice's aunt?