

# LOGICS EXERCISE

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**Submission of homework:** Before tutorial on 29.05.2018. Until further notice, homework has to be submitted in groups of two students.

## Exercise 7.1. [Herbrand Models]

Given the formula

$$F = \forall x \forall y (P(f(x), g(y)) \wedge \neg P(g(x), f(y)))$$

1. Specify a Herbrand model for  $F$ .
2. Specify a Herbrand structure suitable for  $F$ , which is not a model of  $F$ .

### Solution:

We define  $U_{\mathcal{A}} = T(F)$ , i.e., the Herbrand universe for  $F$ . We invent a constant  $a \in T(F)$ . We define  $f^{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $g^{\mathcal{A}}$  to be the Herbrand interpretations.

1.  $P^{\mathcal{A}} = \{(f(t_1), g(t_2)) \mid t_1, t_2 \in T(F)\}$ .
2.  $P^{\mathcal{A}} = \{(g(t_1), f(t_2)) \mid t_1, t_2 \in T(F)\}$ .

**Exercise 7.2.** [(In)finite Models]

1. Show that any model (for a formula of predicate logic) with a universe of size  $n$  can be extended to a model of size  $m$  for any  $m \geq n$ . Can it also be extended to an *infinite* model?
2. Now consider the extension of predicate logic with equality. Does above property still hold?

**Solution:**

1. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a model. We pick any  $d \in U_{\mathcal{A}}$  as an element to “clone”  $m - n$  times.

The precise construction works as follows: We define  $D = \{(d, k) \mid k \in \mathbb{N} \wedge k < m - n\}$ . Now, we extend  $U_{\mathcal{A}}$  with  $D$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A}'$  be a structure with the universe  $U_{\mathcal{A}'} = U_{\mathcal{A}} \uplus D$ . All functions and predicate symbols are interpreted identically to  $\mathcal{A}$ , with the extension that all elements  $(d, k)$  are treated as  $d$ .

We interpret a unary predicate  $P$  as follows:

$$P^{\mathcal{A}'} = \begin{cases} P^{\mathcal{A}} & \text{if } d \notin P^{\mathcal{A}} \\ P^{\mathcal{A}} \cup D & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The construction can be extended for  $n$ -ary predicates, by looking at each position separately.

Similarly, we can give the modified interpretation for a unary function symbol  $f$ :

$$f^{\mathcal{A}'}(x) = \begin{cases} f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) & \text{if } x \notin D \\ f^{\mathcal{A}}(d) & \text{if } x = (d, k) \in D \end{cases}$$

Extending to an infinite model works in exactly the same way, except for adding infinitely many copies of  $d$  by dropping the  $k < m - n$  condition.

2. This does not work, because the  $=$  predicate allows one to distinguish between different elements.

Counterexample: The formula  $F = \forall x \forall y (x = y)$  has a trivial model  $\mathcal{A}$  with cardinality 1. Obviously, there cannot be any larger model.

**Exercise 7.3.** [Natural Numbers and FOL]

We consider the following axioms in an attempt to model the natural numbers in predicate logic:

1.  $F_1 = \forall x \forall y (f(x) = f(y) \rightarrow x = y)$
2.  $F_2 = \forall x (f(x) \neq 0)$
3.  $F_3 = \forall x (x = 0 \vee \exists y (x = f(y)))$

Give a model with an *uncountable* universe for:

1.  $\{F_1, F_2\}$
2.  $\{F_1, F_2, F_3\}$

*Hint:* A set  $S$  is uncountable if there is no bijection between  $S$  and  $\mathbb{N}$ .

**Solution:**

1.  $U_{\mathcal{A}} = \mathbb{R}_0^+$ ,  $0^{\mathcal{A}} = 0$ , and  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) = x + 1$   
 $f^{\mathcal{A}}$  is clearly injective and there is no  $x$  such that  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) = 0$ , because  $-1 \notin U_{\mathcal{A}}$ .
2. We take  $U_{\mathcal{A}}$  to be the union of the positive real numbers and the non-positive whole numbers, i.e.,  $U_{\mathcal{A}} = \mathbb{R}_{>0} \cup \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}$ .

Let the symbols be interpreted as follows:

$$0^{\mathcal{A}} = 0$$

$$f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ x - 1 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

- (a)  $f^{\mathcal{A}}$  is defined as two disjoint domains that have disjoint ranges. Both domains are injective, hence the entire function is injective.
- (b) 0 is not in the range of  $f^{\mathcal{A}}$ : For  $x > 0$ ,  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) > 0$  and for  $x \leq 0$ ,  $f^{\mathcal{A}}(x) \leq -1$ .
- (c) To show:  $x \neq 0 \rightarrow \exists y (x = f(y))$ .  
 If  $x < 0$ , then  $x \leq -1$ , hence  $x = f^{\mathcal{A}}(x + 1)$ .  
 Otherwise,  $x = f^{\mathcal{A}}(\frac{x}{2})$ .

**Homework 7.1. [Invalid Herbrand Models]** (8 points)

Recall the fundamental theorem from the lecture: “Let  $F$  be a closed formula in Skolem form. Then  $F$  is satisfiable iff it has a Herbrand model”.

Explain “what goes wrong” if the precondition is violated: when  $F$  is not closed or not in Skolem form. Describe both cases.

**Homework 7.2. [Proof of the Fundamental Theorem]** (6 points)

Recall the fundamental theorem: Let  $F$  be a closed formula in Skolem form. Then  $F$  is satisfiable iff it has a Herbrand model. Give the omitted proof for the base case (slide 6,  $\mathcal{A}(G) = \mathcal{T}(G)$ ).

**Homework 7.3. [Herbrand Models]** (6 points)

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