

Homework 9

Assigned on: Monday April 17, 2005.

Due: Friday April 21, 2005.

This is a pen-and-paper homework, to be returned in class.
The whole homework is worth 105 points.

1. Using the inference rules for logic **(10 points)**
prove that “ $\exists xZ(x)$ follows from the givens.” Be sure to justify your steps by stating the inference rule used, along with the previous line(s) to which it was applied and the unifications used.

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| (a) | $P(1)$ | given |
| (b) | $W(1) \wedge W(2) \wedge W(3)$ | given |
| (c) | $\forall x[P(x) \Rightarrow \neg R(x)]$ | given |
| (d) | $\forall x[Q(x) \vee R(x)]$ | given |
| (e) | $\forall x[(Q(x) \wedge W(x)) \Rightarrow Z(x)]$ | given |

2. AIMA 8.4, page 268. **(2 points)**
3. AIMA 8.6, page 268. **(22 points)**
4. AIMA 8.7, page 269. **(4 points)**
5. Axioms in FOL (*Adapted from AIMA, first edition*) **(15 points)**

Using the following:

$\text{Child}(x,y)$, $\text{Sibling}(x,y)$, $\text{Female}(x)$, $\text{Male}(x)$, and $\text{Spouse}(x, y)$:

- (10 points) Write axioms describing the predicates: **GrandChild**, **GreatGrandParent**, **Brother**, **Sister**, **Daughter**, **Son**, **Aunt**, **Uncle**, **BrotherInLaw**, **SisterInLaw**, and **FirstCousin**. We want these axioms to be definitions, so use \Leftrightarrow instead of \Rightarrow .
 - (5 points) Knowing that a second cousin is a child of one’s parent first cousin, write the definition of a N^{th} -cousin, as a recursive expression in terms of the predicates defined above. Hint: Let N^{th} -cousin be a ternary predicate, that takes as input n , and two persons p_1 and p_2 .
6. AIMA 9.3, page 315. **(3 points)**
7. AIMA 9.4, page 316. **(4 points)**

8. AIMA 9.9, page 316. (12 points)

9. AIMA 9.10, page 317. (12 points)

For question (d), it is useful to check the following reference: Smith, D.E., Gene-
sereth, M.R., and Ginsberg, M.L. (1986). *Controlling recursive inference*. Artificial
Intelligence, Volume 30 (3), pages 343–389. (Page 1036, AIMA2e)

10. First-Order Logic (20 points)

Consider the following axioms:

- (a) Anyone who rides any Harley is a rough character.
- (b) Every biker rides [something that is] either a Harley or a BMW.
- (c) Anyone who rides any BMW is a yuppie.
- (d) Every yuppie is a lawyer.
- (e) Any nice girl does not date anyone who is a rough character.
- (f) Mary is a nice girl, and John is a biker.
- (g) (Conclusion) If John is not a lawyer, then Mary does not date John.

- Choose appropriate predicates to write the above axioms in first-order logic,
clearly indicating the arguments and arity of each predicate: (2 points)

- Write each of the above axioms in first-order logic. Use scratch paper if necessary,
and *neatly* report your results below. (10 points)

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

(f)

(g)

- Transform each of the above sentences into a conjunctive normal form. Clearly state the Skolem functions and clearly number the statements. (4 points)
- Establish the conclusion using the axioms by applying refutation resolution. Clearly show the variable bindings at each step and clearly number the statements. (4 points)

Negation of conclusion: