

Homework 3 : First-order logic

Due: March 14th, 11 : 59PM

Please read the rules for assignments on the course web page. Please use Piazza for questions and Gradescope to turn in the assignment. If you want to use L^AT_EX that is great. If you write by hand and scan, please make sure that your handwriting is clear; illegible/ambiguous handwriting will receive no points. Please make sure that your answers are clear and be careful with parentheses and symbols. For problems 3 and 4, please include the steps you took.

In your gradescope submission, please submit each section as a separate page, making it a total of four pages. It is acceptable to have multiple pages for a problem.

1 Convert the following English sentences to first-order logic

(4 * 5 = 20 points)

1. Every thing that is an enemy of some thing that is an enemy of me is a friend of me (“the enemy of my enemy is my friend”).
2. Every person who is smart and studies hard will get a higher score than every person who is not smart and does not study hard.
3. A silver medal is worth more than a bronze medal, if they are medals in the same event.
4. Every thing that walks like a duck and talks like a duck is either a duck or a human imitating a duck.

2 Choose all correct first-order logic options for given English sentences. Some questions have multiple correct options; choose all options that are correct (4 * 5 = 20 points)

1. No one who cheats wins.
 - (a) $\neg\exists x (\text{cheats}(x) \wedge \text{wins}(x))$
 - (b) $\forall x (\neg\text{cheats}(x) \Rightarrow \text{wins}(x))$
 - (c) $\neg\exists x (\text{cheats}(x) \Rightarrow \text{wins}(x))$
 - (d) $\forall x (\text{cheats}(x) \Rightarrow \neg\text{wins}(x))$

2. If anyone is noisy, everyone is annoyed.

- (a) $\forall y ((\forall x \text{noisy}(x)) \Rightarrow \text{annoyed}(y))$
- (b) $\forall x \forall y (\text{noisy}(x) \Rightarrow \text{annoyed}(y))$
- (c) $(\exists x \text{noisy}(x)) \Rightarrow \forall y \text{annoyed}(y)$
- (d) $\forall y \exists x (\text{noisy}(x) \Rightarrow \text{annoyed}(y))$

3. Mary does not hate anyone.

- (a) $\neg \exists x \text{hate}(\text{Mary}, x)$
- (b) $\exists x \neg \text{hate}(\text{Mary}, x)$
- (c) $\forall x \neg \text{hate}(\text{Mary}, x)$
- (d) $\neg \forall x \text{hate}(\text{Mary}, x)$

4. Some boys in the class are taller than all the girls.

- (a) $(\exists x) (\text{boy}(x) \Rightarrow (\forall y) (\text{girl}(y) \wedge \text{taller}(x, y)))$
- (b) $(\exists x) (\text{boy}(x) \wedge (\forall y) (\text{girl}(y) \wedge \text{taller}(x, y)))$
- (c) $(\exists x) (\text{boy}(x) \Rightarrow (\forall y) (\text{girl}(y) \Rightarrow \text{taller}(x, y)))$
- (d) $(\exists x) (\text{boy}(x) \wedge (\forall y) (\text{girl}(y) \Rightarrow \text{taller}(x, y)))$

3 Apply resolution to obtain the most general conclusion possible

(20 points)

Write the conclusion both in first-order logic and in English.

- $\forall x, y : \text{LovesTheCombinationOf}(\text{John}, x, y) \vee \text{MakesSick}(x, \text{John}) \vee \text{RuinsTasteOf}(y, x)$
- $\forall v, w : \neg \text{LovesTheCombinationOf}(v, \text{Rice}, w) \vee \text{Flavorful}(w)$

For brevity, use: LTCO = LovesTheCombinationOf, MS = MakesSick, RTO = RuinsTasteOf, F = Flavorful
Hint: Set up the knowledge base. Use substitutions and resolution to arrive at the conclusion.

4 Enemies and Friends (40 points)

Suppose you know the following.

1. For any x , any enemy of any enemy of x is a friend of x . (stated more naturally in English, in 1.1)
2. If x is an enemy of y , then y is an enemy of x .
 $\forall x, y : \text{enemyOf}(x, y) \Rightarrow \text{enemyOf}(y, x)$
3. Every x has at least two enemies.
 $\forall x : \exists y, z : \neg(y = z) \wedge \text{enemyOf}(x, y) \wedge \text{enemyOf}(x, z)$

Formally prove that Alice has at least one friend that is not equal to herself.

Hint: An informal proof outline goes as follows: Alice has an enemy; that enemy in turn has two enemies; because there are two of them, one of them is not equal to Alice; and that one must be Alice's friend. You can use Skolemization and transitivity of equality ($a = b$ and $b = c$ implies $a = c$) as needed.