

Exercises to the lecture Logics
Sheet 5

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Exercise 5.1 [Cardinality of domains I]

For each interpretation $I = (D, I_c, I_v)$, let $|I|$ be defined as $|D|$.

- Let n be a natural number. Present a formula A in predicate logic involving “=” such that for every interpretation I , we have $I \models A$ if and only if $|I| \geq n$.
- Present a formula with the above property that, in addition, does not contain the predicate “=”.

Exercise 5.2 [Cardinality of domains II]

We say an interpretation $I = (D, I_c, I_v)$ is *finite* if the set D is finite.

- Present a formula A such that $I \models A$ if and only if $|I| = 1$.
- Let B be a formula without the predicate symbol “=”. Given a finite interpretation I with $I \models B$, how can you construct an interpretation I' with $|I'| = |I| + 1$ and $I' \models B$? A proof for $I' \models B$ is not absolutely necessary here.
- Deduce from b) that there is no formula without “=” that is equivalent to the formula A above.

Exercise 5.3 [A satisfiability check]

- Present an algorithm that, given a formula A and a finite interpretation I , decides whether $I \models A$. *Note:* This means you have shown that satisfaction under a given finite interpretation is decidable.
- Let A be a formula of the form $\exists x_1 \cdots \exists x_n B$, in which B contains no quantifier. Show: If A is satisfiable, then it has a model I with $|I| \leq n + |B|$. (We say that A exhibits a *small model property*.)
- Prove using a) and b): Given a formula $A \equiv \exists x_1 \cdots \exists x_n B$ as above, it can be decided algorithmically whether A is satisfiable.

Exercise 5.4 [Modelling]

- Describe function symbols and predicate symbols that model name, address, and preferred political party of individuals (e.g. in a database). It should be possible that for certain individuals, not all the data is available. In particular, you should specify the arity and the intended meaning of the function and predicate symbols.
- Formalize the following integrity constraint: “If a person prefers party P or L, then their name and address are available.”

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