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Logic in Computer Science: Foundations
Exercise 10
Solutions

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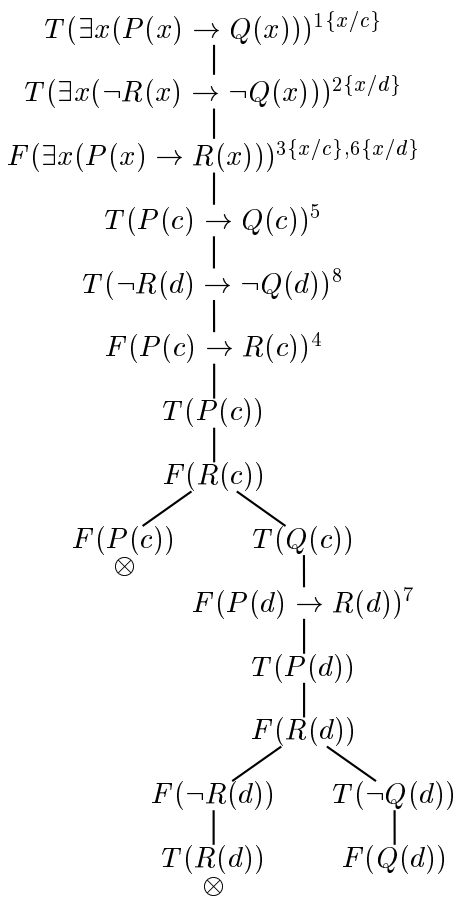

From the open branch we can read the counter-example:

$$\mathcal{A} = \{c, d\}$$
$$P^{\mathcal{A}} = \{c, d\}$$
$$R^{\mathcal{A}} = \emptyset$$
$$Q^{\mathcal{A}} = \{c\}$$

2. a) Define predicates $R_n(x, y)$ as follows:

$$\begin{gathered}
\forall x R_0(x, x) \\
\forall x \forall y \forall z (R_0(x, y) \wedge K(y, z) \rightarrow R_1(x, z)) \\
\forall x \forall y \forall z (R_1(x, y) \wedge K(y, z) \rightarrow R_2(x, z)) \\
\vdots \\
\forall x \forall y \forall z (R_{k-1}(x, y) \wedge K(y, z) \rightarrow R_k(x, z))
\end{gathered}$$

The rules mean that each node has a route of length 0 to itself, and if there is a route of length $k-1$ from node x to node y and there is an edge from y to z, then there is a route of length k from x to z.

Graph:

$$a \quad \begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} \quad b \quad \longrightarrow \quad c$$

can be formalized as follows:

$$\begin{gathered}
K(a, b) \\
K(b, a) \\
K(b, c)
\end{gathered}$$

b) To use resolution we have to transform the set of sentences into clausul form.

From the definition of the graph we get clauses

$$\{K(a, b)\}, \{K(b, a)\}, \{K(b, c)\}$$

Because we want to examine routes of length 3 we have to define predicates R_n only up to value $n = 3$.

$$\begin{gathered}
\{R_0(x, x)\} \\
\{\neg R_0(x, y), \neg K(y, z), R_1(x, z)\} \\
\{\neg R_1(x, y), \neg K(y, z), R_2(x, z)\} \\
\{\neg R_2(x, y), \neg K(y, z), R_3(x, z)\}
\end{gathered}$$

Finally add the negation of the desired consequence to the graph

$$\begin{aligned}
& \neg \exists x (R_2(x, x) \wedge R_3(x, c)) \\
\equiv \quad & \forall x \neg (R_2(x, x) \wedge R_3(x, c)) \\
\equiv \quad & \forall x (\neg R_2(x, x) \vee \neg R_3(x, c)) \\
\Rightarrow \quad & \{\neg R_2(x, x), \neg R_3(x, c))\}
\end{aligned}$$

Informally, the desired consequence is "there is some node such that there is a loop of length 2 back to the node and a path of length 3 to the node c". When we look at the graph we see that node b fulfills this condition. The easiest way to construct the proof is by doing it in following steps:

1. Prove that there is a route of length 1 from b to a.
2. Prove that there is a route of length 2 from b to b.
3. Prove that there is a route of length 3 from b to c.

1	$\{K(b,a)\}$	P
2	$\{\neg R_0(x_1,y_1), \neg K(y_1,z_1), R_1(x_1,z_1)\}$	P
3	$\{\neg R_0(x_1,b), R_1(x_1,a)\}$	$[1,2]$ MGU: $\{y_1/b, z_1/a\}$
4	$\{R_0(x_2,x_2)\}$	P
5	$\{R_1(b,a)\}$	$[3,4]$ MGU: $\{x_1/b, x_2/b\}$
6	$\{\neg R_1(x_3,y_3), \neg K(y_3,z_3), R_2(x_3,z_3)\}$	P
7	$\{\neg K(a,z_3), R_2(b,z_3)\}$	$[5,6]$ MGU: $\{x_3/b, y_3/a\}$
8	$\{K(a,b)\}$	P
9	$\{R_2(b,b)\}$	$[7,8]$ MGU: $\{z_3/b\}$
10	$\{\neg R_2(x,y), \neg K(y,z), R_3(x,z)\}$	P
11	$\{\neg K(b,z_4), R_3(b,z_4)\}$	$[9,10]$ MGU: $\{x_4/b, y_4/b\}$
12	$\{K(b,c)\}$	P
13	$\{R_3(b,c)\}$	$[11,12]$ MGU: $\{z_4/c\}$
14	$\{\neg R_2(x_5,x_5), \neg R_3(x_5,c)\}$	P
15	$\{\neg R_3(b,c)\}$	$[9,14]$ MGU: $\{x_5/b\}$
16	$\square$	$[13,15]$