

MATH33001, January 2013 Exam, Solutions¹

A1. This does not follow since even given the premises the truth of the conclusion depends on the meaning of ‘bird’, ‘lays eggs’ etc. To see this set $B(x)$ to mean ‘ x is a bird’, $E(x)$ to mean ‘ x lays eggs’ and $S(x)$ to mean ‘ x is a swan’. Then when the variable ranges over, say, creatures, the argument becomes

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \exists w_1 (B(w_1) \wedge E(w_1)) \\ \forall w_1 (S(w_1) \rightarrow B(w_1)) \end{array}}{\therefore \forall w_1 (S(w_1) \rightarrow E(w_1))}$$

But this conclusion is not necessarily true for any interpretation of B, E, S etc. which make the premises true (for example if we just change $E(x)$ here to mean ‘ x cannot fly’) so the ‘argument’ is not valid.

[An alternative interpretation here is to have B, E as before but treat ‘swans’ as a single species, rather than a family, and denote it by a constant symbol, s . The argument then becomes

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \exists w_1 (B(w_1) \wedge E(w_1)) \\ B(s) \end{array}}{\therefore E(s)}$$

Replacing ‘lays eggs’ by ‘cannot fly’ again shows that the argument is not valid.]

A2. (i) $f(w_1) \notin TL$ since this word contains a bound variable (w_1) and we can prove by induction on $|t|$ that no term t of L can contain a bound variable. [Not necessary to give the proof but for the record: Clearly true if t is a constant or free variable x_i and if $t = f(t_1)$ and no bound variable occurs in t_1 then none will occur in t either.]

(ii) $f)x_1 \notin TL$ since no term can end with $($. [Not necessary to give the proof but for the record: Clearly true if t is a free variable x_i and if $t = f(t_1)$ then t ends in $)$, so not in $($. Hence the assertion is true for all $t \in TL$ by induction on $|t|$.]

(iii) $\exists w_2 (R(w_2, x_1) \rightarrow \forall w_1 R(w_1, x_1)) \in FL$ since $R(x_2, x_1) \in FL$ by L1, so $\forall w_1 R(w_1, x_1) \in FL$ by L3. By L2 then $(R(x_2, x_1) \rightarrow \forall w_1 R(w_1, x_1)) \in FL$ and finally by L3 $\exists w_2 ((R(w_2, x_1) \rightarrow \forall w_1 R(w_1, x_1)) \in FL$.

(iv) $(\neg \exists w_1 R(x_1, x_1)) \notin FL$ since we can prove by induction on $|\theta|$ for $\theta \in FL$ that the number of left round brackets ‘(’ in θ equals the number of relation, function and binary connective (i.e. $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow$) symbols occurring in θ and this is not the case for $(\neg \exists w_1 R(x_1, x_1))$. [Again it is not necessary to prove this but, for the record, such a proof could go as follows: We first prove it for terms $t \in TL$ (where of course there are no relation symbols nor connectives) by induction on $|t|$. Moving on to formulae it is clearly true for $R(t_1, t_2)$ since it is true for t_1, t_2 and along with R we introduce one new ‘(’. Finally, by inspection we can see that if it holds for $\phi, \psi \in FL$ then it holds for $\neg\phi, (\phi \wedge \psi), (\phi \vee \psi), (\phi \rightarrow \psi), \exists w_j \psi(w_j/x_i)$ and $\forall w_j \psi(w_j/x_i)$ (assuming here of course that w_j does not already occur in ψ).]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v) } M \models \forall w_1 R(w_1, f(w_1)) &\iff \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}^+, \langle n, f^M(n) \rangle \in R^M \\ &\iff \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}^+, n | f^M(n) \\ &\iff \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}^+, n | n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

¹These solutions are more detailed than I would expect in the exam. That’s because I want them to also serve an educational purpose when given with ‘last year’s paper’ next year(!)

which is *not true*, for example $2 \nmid (2 + 1)$. [In your exam script it is enough to simply give an answer ‘true’/‘false’, similarly with parts (vi),(vii).]

- (vi) $M \models \forall w_1 \exists w_2 (R(w_1, w_2) \wedge \neg R(w_2, w_1))$
 \iff for each $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ there is an $m \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that $\langle n, m \rangle \in R^M$ and $\langle m, n \rangle \notin R^M$
 \iff for each $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ there is an $m \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that $n \mid m$ and $m \nmid n$

which is *true* since for each $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, $n \mid 2n$ but $2n \nmid n$.

- (vii) $M \models \exists w_1 \forall w_2 \forall w_3 (R(w_2, w_1) \wedge R(w_3, w_1)) \rightarrow (R(w_2, w_3) \vee R(w_3, w_2))$
 \iff there is $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that for any $m, k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ if $\langle m, n \rangle, \langle k, n \rangle \in R^M$ then either $\langle m, k \rangle \in R^M$ or $\langle k, m \rangle \in R^M$
 \iff there is $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that for any $m, k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ if $m \mid n$ and $k \mid n$ then either $m \mid k$ or $k \mid m$.

which is *true* since for $n = 2$ it is the case that for any two divisors m, k of 2, either $m \mid k$ or $k \mid m$.

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_1(x_1) &= \forall w_1 R(x_1, w_1) \\ \theta_2(x_1, x_2) &= (R(x_1, x_2) \wedge R(x_2, x_1)) \\ \theta_3(x_1) &= \exists w_2 (\forall w_1 R(w_2, w_1) \wedge \neg R(f(w_2), x_1)) \\ \theta_4(x_1) &= \exists w_2 (\forall w_1 R(w_2, w_1) \wedge \forall w_3 (R(w_3, x_1) \rightarrow (R(w_3, w_2) \vee R(f(w_2), w_3)))) \end{aligned}$$

$\phi = \forall w_1 R(w_1, f(w_1))$ (since always $n \leq n + 1$, so this holds in K , but by (v) does not hold in M).

A3. A (formal) *proof* (in PC) is a sequence of sequents

$$\Gamma_1 \mid \phi_1, \Gamma_2 \mid \phi_2 \dots, \Gamma_m \mid \phi_m$$

where the Γ_i are finite subsets of FL , the $\phi_i \in FL$ and for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, either $\Gamma_i \mid \phi_i$ is an instance of REF or there are some $j_1, j_2, \dots, j_s < i$ such that

$$\frac{\Gamma_{j_1} \mid \phi_{j_1}, \Gamma_{j_2} \mid \phi_{j_2}, \dots, \Gamma_{j_s} \mid \phi_{j_s}}{\Gamma_i \mid \phi_i}$$

is an instance of one of the rules of proof.

A formal proof of $\forall w_1 P(w_1) \vdash \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \wedge P(w_2))$:

1	$\forall w_1 P(w_1) \mid \forall w_1 P(x_1)$	REF
2	$\forall w_1 P(w_1) \mid P(x_1)$	$\forall O$ 1
3	$\forall w_1 P(w_1) \mid P(x_2)$	$\forall O$ 1
4	$\forall w_1 P(w_1) \mid (P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2))$	AND 2, 3
5	$\forall w_1 P(w_1) \mid \forall w_2 (P(x_1) \wedge P(w_2))$	$\forall I$ 4
6	$\forall w_1 P(w_1) \mid \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \wedge P(w_2))$	$\forall I$ 5

A4. Completeness Theorem: For $\Gamma \subseteq FL$ and $\theta \in FL$, $\Gamma \vdash \theta \iff \Gamma \models \theta$.

(a) Let M be a structure for L and suppose that

$$M \models \exists w_1 \forall w_2 (R(w_1, w_2) \vee R(w_2, w_1)),$$

so for some $a \in |M|$,

$$M \models \forall w_2 (R(a, w_2) \vee R(w_2, a)),$$

equivalently for all $b \in |M|$, $M \models R(a, b) \vee R(b, a)$. Taking $b = a$ here gives $M \models R(a, a) \vee R(a, a)$ so $M \models R(a, a)$ and $M \models \exists w_1 R(w_1, w_1)$. This shows that

$$\exists w_1 \forall w_2 (R(w_1, w_2) \vee R(w_2, w_1)) \models \exists w_1 R(w_1, w_1)$$

and so by the Completeness Theorem,

$$\exists w_1 \forall w_2 (R(w_1, w_2) \vee R(w_2, w_1)) \vdash \exists w_1 R(w_1, w_1).$$

(b) Let M be the structure for L such that $|M| = \{0, 1\}$, $R^M = \{\langle 0, 1 \rangle, \langle 1, 0 \rangle\}$. Then $M \models R(0, 1)$ and $M \models R(1, 0)$ so $M \models \exists w_2 R(0, w_2)$ and $M \models \exists w_2 R(1, w_2)$, and hence since $|M| = \{0, 1\}$, $M \models \forall w_1 \exists w_2 R(w_1, w_2)$. However since $\langle 0, 0 \rangle, \langle 1, 1 \rangle \notin R^M$, $M \not\models R(0, 0)$ and $M \not\models R(1, 1)$ and hence $M \not\models \exists w_1 R(w_1, w_1)$. This shows that

$$\forall w_1 \exists w_2 R(w_1, w_2) \not\models \exists w_1 R(w_1, w_1)$$

and by the Completeness Theorem it follows that

$$\forall w_1 \exists w_2 R(w_1, w_2) \not\vdash \exists w_1 R(w_1, w_1).$$

It is not the case that $R(x_1, x_1) \equiv R(x_2, x_2)$ since let M be the structure with $|M| = \{1, 2\}$ and $R^M = \{\langle 1, 1 \rangle\}$. Then for the assignment $x_1 \mapsto 1$, $x_2 \mapsto 2$ $R(x_1, x_1)$ is true in M but $R(x_2, x_2)$ is not. Hence $R(x_1, x_1) \not\equiv R(x_2, x_2)$.

B5. (i)+(ii) $\not\equiv$ (iii): Let M be the structure for L such that $|M| = \{0\}$ and $P^M = \{0\}$, $f^M(0) = 0$. Then (i) is true in M since $M \models P(f(0))$, so $M \models P(0) \rightarrow P(f(0))$. Also $M \models$ (ii) since $M \models P(f(0))$, so $M \models \neg P(0) \vee P(f(0))$. However (iii) fails to hold in M since $f(0) = 0$ and $M \models P(f(0))$ so $M \not\models \exists w_1 \neg P(f(w_1))$.

(i)+(iii) $\not\equiv$ (ii): Let M be the structure for L with $|M| = \{0, 1, 2\}$ and $P^M = \{1\}$, $f^M(0) = f^M(1) = 1$, $f^M(2) = 2$. Then $M \models$ (i) since $M \not\models P(0)$, $M \not\models P(2)$ so $M \models P(0) \rightarrow P(f(0))$, $M \models P(2) \rightarrow P(f(2))$, and $M \models P(f(1))$ so $M \models P(1) \rightarrow P(f(1))$. Also $M \models$ (iii) since $M \models \neg P(f(2))$. However $M \not\models$ (ii) since $M \not\models P(0)$ and $M \not\models \neg P(f(0))$ (because $f(0) = 1$ and $M \models P(1)$).

(ii)+(iii) $\not\equiv$ (i): Let M be the structure for L with $|M| = \{0, 1\}$ and $P^M = \{0\}$, $f^M(0) = f^M(1) = 1$. Then $M \models P(0)$ and $M \models \neg P(f(1))$ (since $f^M(1) = 1$ and $M \not\models P(1)$) so $M \models P(0) \vee \neg P(f(0))$ and $M \models P(1) \vee \neg P(f(1))$. Hence $M \models$ (ii). Also $M \models$ (iii) since $M \models \neg P(f(1))$. However $M \models P(0)$ and $M \not\models P(f(0))$ (since $f(0) = 1$) so $M \not\models P(0) \rightarrow P(f(0))$ and in turn $M \not\models$ (i).

B6. A formal proof of

$$\forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \vdash \exists w_1 \neg P(w_1) \rightarrow \forall w_2 Q(w_2) :$$

1	$\forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2))$	REF
2	$\forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid \forall w_2 (P(x_1) \vee Q(w_2))$	$\forall O$, 1
3	$\forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid P(x_1) \vee Q(x_2)$	$\forall O$, 2
4	$\neg Q(x_2), \neg P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid \neg P(x_1)$	REF
5	$\neg Q(x_2), P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid P(x_1)$	REF
6	$P(x_1), \neg P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid \neg \neg Q(x_2)$	NIN, 4, 5
7	$P(x_1), \neg P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid Q(x_2)$	NNO, 6,
8	$Q(x_2), \neg P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid Q(x_2)$	REF
9	$P(x_1) \vee Q(x_2), \neg P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid Q(x_2)$	DIS, 7, 8
10	$\neg P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid (P(x_1) \vee Q(x_2)) \rightarrow Q(x_2)$	IMR, 9
11	$\neg P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid Q(x_2)$	MP, 3, 10
12	$\neg P(x_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid \forall w_2 Q(w_2)$	$\forall I$, 11
13	$\exists w_1 \neg P(w_1), \forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid \forall w_2 Q(w_2)$	$\exists O$, 12
14	$\forall w_1 \forall w_2 (P(w_1) \vee Q(w_2)) \mid \exists w_1 \neg P(w_1) \rightarrow \forall w_2 Q(w_2)$	IMR, 12

B7. The Compactness Theorem: For $\Gamma \subseteq FL$, Γ is satisfiable in a structure for L iff every finite subset of Γ is satisfiable in a structure for L .

Assume on the contrary that such a sentence θ did exist and consider the set of sentences of L :

$$\Gamma = \{\theta\} \cup \left\{ \neg \exists w_1, \dots, w_n \forall w_{n+1}, w_{n+2} \bigvee_{i=1}^n T(w_{n+1}, w_i, w_{n+2}) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \right\}.$$

We first show that every finite subset of Γ is satisfiable. Let $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$ be finite. So there is an $m \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that if

$$\neg \exists w_1, \dots, w_n \forall w_{n+1}, w_{n+2} \bigvee_{i=1}^n T(w_{n+1}, w_i, w_{n+2})$$

appears in Δ then $n \leq m$. Let K be the finite structure for L with $|K| = \{1, 2, \dots, m, m+1\}$ and

$$T^K = \{\langle i, j, j \rangle \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq m+1\}.$$

Clearly K is finitely separated, by the set $A = \{1, 2, \dots, m+1\}$, and indeed this is the only set which effects the separation since for each $1 \leq j \leq m+1$ the only n for which $K \models T(j, n, j)$ is j itself. Hence $K \models \theta$ and

$$K \models \neg \exists w_1, \dots, w_n \forall w_{n+1}, w_{n+2} \bigvee_{i=1}^n T(w_{n+1}, w_i, w_{n+2})$$

for each $n \leq m$. So $K \models \Delta$ and Δ is satisfiable.

By the Compactness Theorem then Γ has a model, M say. Since $M \models \theta$, M is finitely separated, by $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \subseteq |M|$ say. Then

$$M \models \forall w_{n+1}, w_{n+2} \bigvee_{i=1}^n T(w_{n+1}, a_i, w_{n+2})$$

so

$$M \models \exists w_1, \dots, w_n \forall w_{n+1}, w_{n+2} \bigvee_{i=1}^n T(w_{n+1}, w_i, w_{n+2}).$$

But this is a contradiction since $M \models \Gamma$ and

$$\neg \exists w_1, \dots, w_n \forall w_{n+1}, w_{n+2} \bigvee_{i=1}^n T(w_{n+1}, w_i, w_{n+2}) \in \Gamma.$$

Hence no such θ can exist.