

## CSE541 Midterm 1 SOLUTIONS Spring 2011

### QUESTION 1

**Remark** This question was designed to check if you have studied Exercise 0 and its solutions AND Midterm Practice Solutions!

1. Use Dedekind theorem to prove that the set  $R$  of real numbers is infinite.

**Solution** There are many 1 – 1 functions that map  $R$  onto its proper subset, I repeat the same as I gave you in the solutions of Exercise 0:  $f(x) = 2^x$ .

2. Find a function  $f$  that is 1 – 1 and maps  $R$  ONTO  $R - \{1, 8, 10\}$ .

**Solution** There are many ways to construct the function  $f$ , but all constructions must follow the one presented (general case in the solution of Exercise 0. Idea: you must define 3 DISJOINT, 1 – 1 sequences  $a_n, b_n$  and  $c_n$  of real numbers and apply the definition of  $f$  from Exercise 0, Question 3.

For example, let  $n \geq 1$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n}, \quad b_n = 1 + \frac{1}{n}, \quad c_n = 2 + \frac{1}{n}.$$

We define  $f$  as follows:

$$f(1) = a_1, \quad f(a_n) = a_{n+1}, \quad \text{all } n \geq 1,$$

$$f(8) = b_1, \quad f(b_n) = b_{n+1} \quad \text{all } n \geq 1,$$

$$f(10) = c_1, \quad f(c_n) = c_{n+1} \quad \text{all } n \geq 1,$$

$$\text{and } f(x) = x \quad \text{for all other } x \in R.$$

**QUESTION 2** Here are some definitions; some of them are known to you and put as a reminder.

**Definition 1** By a **m-valued semantics**  $S_m$ ,  $m \geq 2$  for a propositional language  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cap, \cup, \Rightarrow\}}$  we understand any definition of of connectives  $\neg, \cap, \cup, \Rightarrow$  as operations on a set  $V_m = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$ ,  $m \geq 2$  of logical values.

We assume that  $v_1 \leq v_2 \leq \dots \leq v_m$ , i.e.  $V_m$  is totally ordered by a certain relation  $\leq$  with  $v_1, v_m$  being smallest and greatest elements, respectively. We denote  $v_1 = F$ ,  $v_m = T$  and call them (total) False and Truth, respectively.

**Example** Let  $m = 2$ ,  $V_2 = \{F, T\}$ ,  $F \leq T$ . Semantics  $C_2$  is called a **classical semantics** if it is defined by classical Truth Tables, i.e. we put, for any  $a, b \in V_2$ ,  $a \cup b = \max\{a, b\}$ ,  $a \cap b = \min\{a, b\}$ ,  $\neg T = F$ ,  $\neg F = T$ , and  $a \Rightarrow b = \neg a \cup b$ .

**Definition 2** Let  $VAR$  be a set of propositional variables of  $\mathcal{L}$  and let  $S_m$  be any  $m$ -valued semantics for  $\mathcal{L}$ . A truth assignment  $v : VAR \rightarrow V_m$  is called a  $S_m$  **model** for a formula  $A$  of  $\mathcal{L}$  iff  $v(A) = T$  and logical value  $v(A)$  is evaluated accordingly to the semantics  $S_m$ . We denote it symbolically as

$$v \models_{S_m} A.$$

Any  $v$  such that  $v$  is **not** a  $S_m$  **model** for a formula  $A$  is called a **counter-model** for  $A$ .

**Definition 3** A formula  $A$  of  $\mathcal{L}$  is called a  $S_m$  **tautology** iff  $v \models_{S_m} A$ , for all  $v$ . We denote it by  $\models_{S_m} A$ , and  $\models A$  for **classical semantics tautologies**.

**Definition 4** A proof system  $S$  is **complete** with respect to a semantics  $S_m$  iff for any formula  $A$ , the following holds:

$A$  is provable in  $S$  iff  $A$  is  $S_m$  tautology.

## Q2 Part one

**Remark** This is a very straight forward problem; I wanted to stress the fact that connectives in extensional semantics are defined as ANY functions on proper sets of logical values and to remind you of the basic definitions of model, counter model, tautology in a given semantics even if very similar to classical s 2 valued semantics, are slightly different.

Let  $S_3$  be a 3-valued semantics for  $\mathcal{L}_{\{\neg, \cap, \cup, \Rightarrow\}}$  defined as follows.  
 $V_3 = \{F, U, T\}$ , for  $F \leq U \leq T$  and

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| U | F | U | T |
| F | F | U | T |
| U | U | U | U |
| T | T | U | T |

|        |   |   |   |
|--------|---|---|---|
| $\neg$ | F | U | T |
|        | T | F | U |

$$a \cap b = \min\{a, b\}, \quad a \Rightarrow b = \neg a \cup b, \quad \text{for any } a, b \in V_3.$$

Consider the following classical tautologies:

$$A_1 = (A \cup \neg A), \quad A_2 = (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A)).$$

- (a) Find  $S_3$  counter-models for  $A_1, A_2$ , if exist. Use shorthand notation.

**Solution** Any  $v$  such that  $v^*(A) = v^*(B) = U$  is a counter-model for both,  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .

- (b) Define a 2-valued semantics  $S_2$  for  $\mathcal{L}$ , such that **none of**  $A_1, A_2$  is a  $S_2$  tautology. Verify your results. Use shorthand notation.

**Solution** This is not the only solution, but it is the simplest and most obvious! Here it is.

We define  $\neg a = F$ ,  $a \Rightarrow b = F$  for all  $a, b \in \{F, T\}$ , and  $a \cap b, a \cup b$  can be defined in the same, or any other way, as these connectives do not appear in our formulas.

- (c) Define a 3-valued semantics  $C_3$  for  $\mathcal{L}$ , such that both  $A_1$ , and  $A_2$  are a  $C_3$  tautologies. Verify your results. Use shorthand notation.

**Solution** This is not the only solution, but it is the simplest and most obvious! Here it is (it follows the idea from (b)).

We define  $\neg a = F$ ,  $a \Rightarrow b = F$  for all  $a, b \in \{F, T\}$ ,  $a \cap b, a \cup b$  can be defined in the same, or any other way, as these connectives do not appear in our formulas.

We define  $\neg a = T$ ,  $a \Rightarrow b = T$  for all  $a, b \in \{F, U, T\}$ , and  $a \cap b, a \cup b$  can be defined in the same, or any other way, as these connectives do not appear in our formulas.

**Q2 Part Two** Let  $S = (\mathcal{L}, \mathbf{A1}, \mathbf{A2}, \mathbf{A3}, MP)$  be a proof system with axioms:

**A1**  $(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A))$ ,

**A2**  $((A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C)))$ ,

**A3**  $((\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A) \Rightarrow ((\neg B \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow B))$ ,

The system  $S$  is **complete** with respect to classical semantics.

**Verify** whether  $S$  is complete with respect to 3-valued semantics  $S_3$ , as defined at the beginning of this question.

**Solution** (This is a kind of a "free points" problem! ) System  $S$  is not complete because is not sound, as we have shown in (a).

### QUESTION 3

**Remark** This problem is taken straight from the BOOK and your exercises solutions! I write the solution to spare your time!

Let  $S$  be from QUESTION 2, PART 2. The following Lemma holds in the system  $S$ .

**LEMMA** For any  $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}$ ,

- (a)  $(A \Rightarrow B), (B \Rightarrow C) \vdash_H (A \Rightarrow C)$ ,

(b)  $(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \vdash_H (B \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$ .

**Complete the proof sequence** (in  $S$ )

$$B_1, \dots, B_9$$

by providing comments how each step of the proof was obtained.

**Solution**

$$B_1 = (A \Rightarrow B)$$

Hypothesis

$$B_2 = (\neg\neg A \Rightarrow A)$$

Already PROVED

$$B_3 = (\neg\neg A \Rightarrow B)$$

Lemma **a** for  $A = \neg\neg A, B = A, C = B$

$$B_4 = (B \Rightarrow \neg\neg B)$$

Already PROVED

$$B_5 = (\neg\neg A \Rightarrow \neg\neg B)$$

Lemma **a** for  $A = \neg\neg A, B = B, C = \neg\neg B$

$$B_6 = ((\neg\neg A \Rightarrow \neg\neg B) \Rightarrow (\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A))$$

Already PROVED

$$B_7 = (\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A)$$

$B_5, B_6$  and MP

$$B_8 = (A \Rightarrow B) \vdash (\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A)$$

$B_1 - B_7$

$$B_9 = ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A))$$

Deduction Theorem

#### QUESTION 4

**Remark** This question is designed to check if you understand the notion of completeness, monotonicity, application of Deduction Theorem and use of some basic tautologies.

Consider any proof system  $S$ ,

$$S = (\mathcal{L}_{\{\cap, \cup, \Rightarrow, \neg\}}, AX, (MP) \frac{A, (A \Rightarrow B)}{B})$$

that is **complete** under classical semantics.

**Definition 1** Let  $X \subseteq F$  be any subset of the set  $F$  of formulas of the language  $\mathcal{L}_{\{\cap, \cup, \Rightarrow, \neg\}}$  of  $S$ .

We define a set  $Cn(X)$  of all **consequences** of the set  $X$  as follows

$$Cn(X) = \{A \in F : X \vdash_S A\},$$

i.e.  $Cn(X)$  is the set of all formulas that can be proved in  $S$  from the set  $(AX \cup X)$ .

#### Q4 Part 1

(i) Prove that for any subsets  $X, Y$  of the set  $F$  of formulas the following **monotonicity property** holds.

If  $X \subseteq Y$ , then  $Cn(X) \subseteq Cn(Y)$

**Solution** Let  $C \in Cn(X)$ , it means that  $X \vdash_S C$ , i.e.  $C$  has a formal proof from  $X \cup AX$ , but  $X \subseteq Y$ , hence also this proof is also a proof from  $Y \cup AX$ , i.e.  $Y \vdash_S C$  and  $C \in Cn(Y)$ . This proves that  $Cn(X) \subseteq Cn(Y)$ .

(ii) Prove that for any  $X \subseteq F$ , the set  $\mathbf{T}$  of all propositional classical tautologies is a subset of  $Cn(X)$ , i.e.

$$\mathbf{T} \subseteq Cn(X).$$

**Solution** The proof system  $S$  is complete, i.e.  $\mathbf{T} = \{A : \vdash_S A\}$ . By definition of the consequence,  $\{A \in F : \vdash_S A\} = Cn(\emptyset)$  and hence by completeness,  $Cn(\emptyset) = \mathbf{T}$ .

For any set  $X$ ,  $\emptyset \subseteq X$  so by monotonicity proved in (i),

$$\mathbf{T} \subseteq Cn(X).$$

**Part two** Prove that for any  $A, B \in F$ ,  $X \subseteq F$ ,

$$(A \cap B) \in Cn(X) \text{ iff } A \in Cn(X) \text{ and } B \in Cn(X)$$

**Hint:** Use the Monotonicity and Completeness of  $S$  i.e. the fact that any tautology you might need is provable in  $S$ .

**Solution** Assume  $(A \cap B) \in Cn(X)$ , i.e.  $X \vdash_S (A \cap B)$ .

From Monotonicity (Part 1), completeness, and the fact that  $\models ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow A), \models ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow B)$  we get that

$$X \vdash_S ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow A), \quad X \vdash_S ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow B).$$

We have hence the following.

$$\begin{aligned} & X \vdash_S (A \cap B), \quad (\text{assumption}), \\ & X \vdash_S ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow A) \quad (\text{completeness, monotonicity}), \\ & X \vdash_S A, \quad \text{MP.} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $X \vdash_S (A \cap B)$ , (assumption),  $X \vdash_S ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow B)$  (completeness, monotonicity), and so we get  $X \vdash_S B$  by MP.

Hence  $A \in Cn(X)$  and  $B \in Cn(X)$ .

Assume now that  $A \in Cn(X)$  and  $B \in Cn(X)$ . I.e.  $X \vdash_S A$ , and  $X \vdash_S B$ . From Completeness of  $S$  and the fact that  $\models (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \cap B)))$ , and monotonicity (proved in Part 1) we get that

$$X \vdash_S (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \cap B))).$$

From above we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned} & X \vdash_S A \quad (\text{assumption}), \quad X \vdash_S B \quad (\text{assumption}), \\ & X \vdash_S (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow (A \cap B))) \quad (\text{completeness, monotonicity}), \\ & X \vdash_S (B \Rightarrow (A \cap B)) \quad \text{MP}, \quad X \vdash_S (A \cap B) \quad \text{MP.} \end{aligned}$$

This proves that  $(A \cap B) \in Cn(X)$ .

**Part Three:** Prove that for any  $A, B \in F$ ,

$$Cn(\{A, B\}) = Cn(\{(A \cap B)\})$$

**Hint:** Use Deduction Theorem and Completeness of  $S$ .

**Solution** Assume  $C \in Cn(\{A, B\})$ , i.e.  $\{A, B\} \vdash_S C$ , what we usually write as  $A, B \vdash_S C$ .

By Deduction Theorem applied twice we get that

$$\vdash_S (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)).$$

We use completeness of  $S$ , monotonicity and the fact that

$$\models (((A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C)))$$

to construct the following.

$$\begin{aligned} & \vdash_S (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \text{ (assumption and Deduction Theorem),} \\ \vdash_S & (((A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C)), \text{(completeness, monotonicity),} \\ & \vdash_S ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C) \text{ MP,} \\ & (A \cap B) \vdash_S C, \text{ (Deduction Theorem).} \end{aligned}$$

i.e. we have proved that  $C \in Cn(\{(A \cap B)\}) = Cn(A \cap B)$ .

**Assume now** that  $C \in Cn(\{(A \cap B)\})$ , i.e.  $(A \cap B) \vdash_S C$ .

By Deduction Theorem,  $\vdash_S((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C)$ .

We want to prove that  $C \in Cn(\{A, B\})$ , what is equivalent, by the Deduction Theorem applied twice to proving that

$$\vdash_S(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)).$$

The proof as in the previous case. We use completeness of  $S$ , and the fact that

$$\models (((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)))$$

to get that  $\vdash_S(A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C))$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} & \vdash_S ((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C) \text{ (assumption and Deduction Theorem),} \\ & \vdash_S (((A \cap B) \Rightarrow C) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C))), \text{ (completeness),} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vdash_S (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)), \text{ MP,}$$

what ends the proof.

**QUESTION 5** Given a tautology  $A$ , and the set  $V_A$  of all truth assignment restricted to  $A$ , the Proof 1 of the Completeness Theorem for the system  $S$  defines a method of efficiently combining  $v \in V_A$  to construct a proof of  $A$  in  $S$ .

Let consider the following tautology  $A = A(a, b)$

$$A = ((a \Rightarrow b) \Rightarrow (\neg b \Rightarrow \neg a))$$

**Write down** all steps of the construction of the proof of  $A$  as described in the Proof 1 with justification why they are correct.

**Solution** The proof follows EXACTLY the Proof 1 and the Solution of Question 6 from PRACTICE MIDTERM for the shorter CASE of  $A = A(a, b)$ . **This question was designed just to check if you did study the Solutions of the Practice Midterm!** not to mention the Proof 1, as I have asked you to do. I repeat the solution here - as yet another exercise.

By the Main Lemma and the assumption that  $\models A(a, b)$  any  $v \in V_A$  defines formulas  $B_a, B_b$  such that

$$B_a, B_b \vdash A. \quad (1)$$

The proof is based on a method of using all  $v \in V_A$  (there is 4 of them) to define a process of elimination of all hypothesis  $B_a, B_b$  in (1) to construct the proof of  $A$  in  $S$  i.e. to prove that  $\vdash A$ .

**Step 1: elimination of  $B_b$ .**

Observe that by definition,  $B_b$  is  $b$  or  $\neg b$  depending on the choice of  $v \in V_A$ . We choose two truth assignments  $v_1 \neq v_2 \in V_A$  such that

$$v_1|\{a\} = v_2|\{a\} \quad (2)$$

and  $v_1(b) = T$  and  $v_2(b) = F$ .

**Case 1:**  $v_1(b) = T$ , by definition  $B_b = b$ . By the property (2), assumption that  $\models A$ , and the Main Lemma applied to  $v_1$

$$B_a, b \vdash A.$$

By Deduction Theorem we have that

$$B_a \vdash (b \Rightarrow A). \quad (3)$$

**Case 2:**  $v_2(b) = F$  hence by definition  $B_b = \neg b$ . By the property (2), assumption that  $\models A$ , and the Main Lemma applied to  $v_2$

$$B_a, \neg b \vdash A.$$

By the Deduction Theorem we have that

$$B_a \vdash (\neg b \Rightarrow A). \quad (4)$$

By the assumed provability of the formula A8 for  $A = b, B = A$  we have that

$$\vdash ((b \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow ((\neg b \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A)).$$

By monotonicity we have that

$$B_a \vdash ((b \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow ((\neg b \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A)). \quad (5)$$



Applying Modus Ponens twice to the above property (5) and properties (3), (4) we get that

$$B_a \vdash A. \quad (6)$$

and hence we have eliminated  $B_b$ .

**Step 2: elimination** of  $B_a$  from (6). We repeat the Step 1.

As before we have 2 cases to consider:  $B_a = a$  or  $B_a = \neg a$ . We choose from  $V_A$  two truth assignments  $g_1 \neq g_2 \in V_A$  such that

$$g_1(a) = T \text{ and } g_2(a) = F. \quad (7)$$

**Case 1:**  $g_1(a) = T$ , by definition  $B_a = a$ . By the property (7), assumption that  $\models A$ , and the Main Lemma applied to  $g_1$

$$a \vdash A.$$

By Deduction Theorem we have that

$$\vdash (a \Rightarrow A). \quad (8)$$

**Case 2:**  $g_2(a) = F$  hence by definition  $B_a = \neg a$ . By the property (7), assumption that  $\models A$ , and the Main Lemma applied to  $g_2$

$$\neg a \vdash A.$$

By the Deduction Theorem we have that

$$\vdash (\neg a \Rightarrow A). \quad (9)$$

By the assumed provability of the formula (??) for  $A = a, B = A$  we have that

$$\vdash ((a \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow ((\neg a \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow A)). \quad (10)$$

Applying Modus Ponens twice to the above property (10) and properties (8), (9) we get that

$$\vdash A. \quad (11)$$

and hence we have eliminated  $B_a$  and  $B_b$ .