# Diskrete Mathematik

# Solution 13

13.1 Free Variables

i)  $\forall x \forall y \ (P(x, y) \lor P(x, \underline{z}))$ 

- ii)  $(\forall x (\exists x P(x) \land P(x)) \lor P(\underline{x}))$ In the first occurrence of P(x), x is bound by  $\exists x$  and in the second occurrence it is bound by  $\forall x$ .
- iii) There are no free variables in this formula.

## 13.2 Interpretations

a) i) A is a model for F, because for all positive natural numbers x, y, z we have:

$$x \mid xy \land y \mid xy \land (y \nmid x \to yz \nmid x).$$

ii) A is not a model for F, because there exist positive natural numbers x, y, z, for which the following does not hold:

$$x \mid x^y \land y \mid x^y \land (y \nmid x \to y^z \nmid x).$$

The counterexample is x = 2, y = 3 (note that  $y \nmid x^y$ ).

**iii)**  $\mathcal{A}$  is a model for *F*, because for all subsets *A*, *B*, *C* of  $\mathbb{N}$  we have:

 $A \cap B \subseteq A \land A \cap B \subseteq B \land (A \not\subseteq B \to A \not\subseteq B \cap C).$ 

- **b)** There are many correct solutions. Below we give an example.
  - i) The structure  $\mathcal{A}$  that defines only the universe:  $U^{\mathcal{A}} = \{0\}$ .
  - ii) The structure  $\mathcal{A}$  with  $U^{\mathcal{A}} = \{0\}$  and  $P^{\mathcal{A}}(0,0) = 0$ .  $\mathcal{A}$  is not a model, because  $\forall x \exists y \ P(x,y)$  is false (since P(x,y) is always false).
  - iii) The structure  $\mathcal{A}$  with  $U^{\mathcal{A}} = \mathbb{Z}_3$  and  $P^{\mathcal{A}}(x, y) = 1$  if and only if  $x + 1 \equiv_3 y$ .  $\mathcal{A}$  is a model for G, because (1) for any x there exists a  $y = R_3(x+1)$  such that  $x+1 \equiv_3 y$  and similarly for any y there exists an  $x = R_3(y-1)$  such that  $x + 1 \equiv_3 y$ , and (2) if  $x + 1 \equiv_3 y$  then  $y + 1 \equiv_3 x + 2 \neq_3 x$ .

### 13.3 Predicate Logic with Equality

- a) An interpretation  $\mathcal{A}$  is a model for F if and only if  $|U^{\mathcal{A}}| = 1$ . If  $|U^{\mathcal{A}}| = 1$ , then clearly for all elements x, y of the universe, we have x = y and  $\mathcal{A}$  is a model for F. On the other hand, if  $U^{\mathcal{A}}$  contains at least two different elements, then  $\mathcal{A}$  is not a model, because there exists x and y such that  $\neg(x = y)$ .
- **b)** An interpretation  $\mathcal{A}$  is a model for G if and only if  $|U^{\mathcal{A}}| > 1$ . If  $|U^{\mathcal{A}}| > 1$ , then there exist two different elements x, y of the universe and  $\mathcal{A}$  is a model for G. On the other hand, if  $|U^{\mathcal{A}}| = 1$ , then  $\mathcal{A}$  is not a model, because for all x, y, we have x = y.
- c) An example of such formula *H* is  $\exists x \exists y \exists z (\neg(x = y) \land \neg(y = z) \land \neg(x = z))$ . If  $|U^{\mathcal{A}}| \geq 3$ , then there exist three different elements x, y, z of the universe. These elements satisfy  $\neg(x = y) \land \neg(y = z) \land \neg(x = z)$ . If  $|U^{\mathcal{A}}| < 3$ , then, by the pigeonhole principle, at least two among three elements chosen from the universe must be equal. Hence, at least one of  $\neg(x = y), \neg(y = z)$  and  $\neg(x = z)$  must be false and  $\mathcal{A}(H) = 0$ .

#### 13.4 Statements About Formulas

a) The statement is true.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be any interpretation suitable for both  $\forall x \ (F \land G)$  and  $(\forall x \ F) \land G$ , such that  $\mathcal{A} \ (\forall x \ (F \land G)) = 1$ . According to the semantics of  $\forall$ , we have  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(F \land G) = 1$  for all  $u \in U$ . According to the semantics of  $\land$ , we further have (1)  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(F) = 1$  for all  $u \in U$  and (2)  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(G) = 1$  for all  $u \in U$ .

The fact (1) implies (3)  $\mathcal{A}(\forall x F) = 1$ , according to the semantics of  $\forall$ . Furthermore, note that if x appears free in G, then it also appears free in  $(\forall x F) \land G$ , and since  $\mathcal{A}$  is suitable for  $(\forall x F) \land G$ , it must assign a value to x. We now define  $u^*$  as follows: if x appears free in G, then  $u^*$  is the value assigned to x by  $\mathcal{A}$ , else  $u^*$  is arbitrary. By the definition of  $u^*$ , we have  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to u^*]}(G) = \mathcal{A}(G)$ , so by (2), we have (4)  $\mathcal{A}(G) = 1$ . The facts (3) and (4) imply that  $\mathcal{A}((\forall x F) \land G) = 1$ .

**b)** The statement is false.

*Counterexample.* Let F = P(x) and G = Q(x). Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the interpretation with the universe  $U^{\mathcal{A}} = \{0, 1\}$ , which defines:

- $P^{\mathcal{A}}(0) = 1$  and  $P^{\mathcal{A}}(1) = 1$
- $Q^{\mathcal{A}}(0) = 1$  and  $Q^{\mathcal{A}}(1) = 0$
- $x^{\mathcal{A}} = 1$

We then have  $\mathcal{A}(\exists x \ (P(x) \land Q(x))) = 1$ , because  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to 0]}(P(x) \land Q(x)) = 1$ . However,  $\mathcal{A}((\exists x \ P(x)) \land Q(x)) = 0$ , because  $\mathcal{A}(Q(x)) = 0$ .

#### 13.5 More Statements About Formulas

a) The statement is true. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be any interpretation suitable for  $\forall x \ (F \rightarrow G)$  and  $(\forall x \ F) \rightarrow (\forall x \ G)$ . Assume  $\mathcal{A}(\forall x \ (F \rightarrow G)) = 1$ . Case distinction:

- $\mathcal{A}(\forall x F) = 0$ . Then,  $\mathcal{A}(\neg(\forall x F)) = 1$ .
- $\mathcal{A}(\forall x F) = 1$ . Let  $u \in U^{\mathcal{A}}$  be arbitrary. We have  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(F) = 1$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}(\forall x \; (F \to G)) &= 1 \\ \Longrightarrow \mathcal{A}(\forall x \; (\neg F \lor G)) &= 1 & (\text{def.} \to) \\ \Longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(\neg F \lor G) &= 1 & (\text{sem.} \; \forall) \\ \Longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(\neg F) &= 1 \text{ or } \mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(G) &= 1 & (\text{sem.} \; \lor) \\ \Longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(F) &= 0 \text{ or } \mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(G) &= 1 & (\text{sem.} \; \neg) \\ \Longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(G) &= 1. & (\mathcal{A}_{[x \to u]}(F) &= 1) \end{split}$$

Since *u* was arbitrary, we obtain  $\mathcal{A}(\forall x G) = 1$ .

Combining both cases, we obtain  $\mathcal{A}((\forall x \ F) \rightarrow (\forall x \ G)) = \mathcal{A}(\neg(\forall x \ F) \lor (\forall x \ G)) = 1$ by the semantics of  $\lor$ . Hence,  $\forall x \ (F \rightarrow G) \models (\forall x \ F) \rightarrow (\forall x \ G)$ .

**b)** The statement is false. As a counterexample, consider the formulas F = P(x) and  $G = \neg P(x)$ , and the interpretation  $\mathcal{A}$  with  $U^{\mathcal{A}} = \{0, 1\}, P^{\mathcal{A}}(x) = 1 \iff x = 1$ . Observe that  $\mathcal{A}(\forall x F) = 0$  since  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to 0]}(P(x)) = 0$  and therefore  $\mathcal{A}(\neg(\forall x F)) = 1$ . Thus, the semantics of  $\lor$  implies  $\mathcal{A}((\forall x F) \to (\forall x G)) = \mathcal{A}(\neg(\forall x F) \lor (\forall x G)) = 1$ . Moreover, we have  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to 1]}(\neg F \lor G) = \mathcal{A}_{[x \to 1]}(\neg P(x) \lor \neg P(x)) = \mathcal{A}_{[x \to 1]}(\neg P(x)) = 0$ (as  $\mathcal{A}_{[x \to 1]}(P(x)) = 1$ ). Thus,  $\mathcal{A}(\forall x (F \to G)) = \mathcal{A}(\forall x (\neg F \lor G)) = 0$ . Hence,  $(\forall x F) \to (\forall x G) \not\models \forall x (F \to G)$ .