

COMP 340-08B

Reasoning about Programs

Assignment 4

Exercise 1 (5 marks)

Download the $\mathcal{JVP}\exists$ theory file `comp340-ass4.jt` from the COMP 340-08B course home page in Moodle at

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and use $\mathcal{JVP}\exists$ to prove all the conjectures in it.

Exercise 2 (1+1 marks)

The following proofs in the system of natural deduction are both incorrect. Please explain which lines are incorrect, and why they are incorrect.

- a)
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| 1: | $\exists x \text{ brillig}(x)$ | premise |
| 2: | $\forall x (\text{brillig}(x) \rightarrow (\text{slithy}(x) \vee \text{tove}(x)))$ | premise |
| 3: | $\forall x (\text{slithy}(x) \rightarrow \text{mimsy}(x))$ | premise |
| 4: | $\text{brillig}(c)$ | assumption |
| 5: | $\text{brillig}(c) \rightarrow (\text{slithy}(c) \vee \text{tove}(c))$ | \forall -elim 2 |
| 6: | $\text{slithy}(c) \vee \text{tove}(c)$ | \rightarrow -elim 5,4 |
| 7: | $\text{slithy}(c)$ | \vee -elim 6 |
| 8: | $\text{slithy}(c) \rightarrow \text{mimsy}(c)$ | \forall -elim 3 |
| 9: | $\text{mimsy}(c)$ | \rightarrow -elim 8,7 |
| 10: | $\exists x \text{ mimsy}(x)$ | \exists -intro 9 |
| 11: | $\exists x \text{ mimsy}(x)$ | \exists -elim 1,4-10 |
- b)
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| 1: | $\exists x \text{ brillig}(x) \wedge \exists x \text{ tove}(x)$ | premise |
| 2: | $\forall x (\text{brillig}(x) \wedge \text{tove}(x) \rightarrow \text{mimsy}(x))$ | premise |
| 3: | $\forall x (\text{mimsy}(x) \rightarrow \text{slithy}(x))$ | premise |
| 4: | $\text{brillig}(c) \wedge \text{tove}(c)$ | assumption |
| 5: | $\text{brillig}(c) \wedge \text{tove}(c) \rightarrow \text{mimsy}(c)$ | \forall -elim 2 |
| 6: | $\text{mimsy}(c)$ | \rightarrow -elim 5,4 |
| 7: | $\text{mimsy}(c) \rightarrow \text{slithy}(c)$ | \forall -elim 3 |
| 8: | $\text{slithy}(c)$ | \rightarrow -elim 7,6 |
| 9: | $\exists x \text{ slithy}(x)$ | \exists -intro 8 |
| 10: | $\exists x \text{ slithy}(x)$ | \exists -elim 1,4-9 |

Exercise 3 (2+2+3+3+3 marks)

Show that the following arguments are correct in predicate logic, using the system of natural deduction. Write your proofs on paper, listing each proof step in a numbered line of its own, and indicating for each line how it is obtained. Use boxes to indicate the scope of assumptions and introduced constants.

- a) **Premise 1:** $\text{tove}(\text{alice}) \wedge \text{mimsy}(\text{alice})$
Premise 2: $\forall x (\text{tove}(x) \rightarrow \text{slithy}(x))$
Premise 3: $\neg \exists x (\text{mimsy}(x) \wedge \text{slithy}(x))$
Conclusion: *false*
- b) **Premise 1:** $\forall x ((\text{brillig}(x) \vee \text{tove}(x)) \rightarrow \text{mimsy}(x))$
Premise 2: $\forall x ((\text{slithy}(x) \vee \text{mimsy}(x)) \rightarrow \text{tove}(x))$
Premise 3: $\exists x \text{slithy}(x)$
Conclusion: $\exists x \text{mimsy}(x)$
- c) **Premise 1:** $\forall x (\text{brillig}(x) \rightarrow (\text{mimsy}(x) \vee \text{slithy}(x)))$
Premise 2: $\forall x (\neg \text{slithy}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{mimsy}(x))$
Premise 3: $\forall x (\text{slithy}(x) \rightarrow \text{tove}(x))$
Conclusion: $\forall x (\text{brillig}(x) \rightarrow \text{tove}(x))$
- d) **Premise 1:** $\text{wabe}(\text{alice})$
Premise 2: $\forall x \text{mimsy}(x)$
Premise 3: $\forall x ((\text{brillig}(x) \vee \text{tove}(x)) \rightarrow \exists y (\text{gyre}(x, y) \wedge \text{slithy}(y)))$
Premise 4: $\forall x (\text{mimsy}(x) \rightarrow \text{brillig}(x))$
Conclusion: $\exists x \exists y (\text{gyre}(x, y) \wedge \text{brillig}(y))$
- e) **Premise:** $\forall x \forall y (\text{kiss}(x, y) \wedge \neg \text{frog}(x) \leftrightarrow \text{saved}(y))$
Conclusion: $\forall x \text{frog}(x) \rightarrow \neg \exists y \text{saved}(y)$

Submission

Please put your written answers to exercises 2 and 3 into the box marked **COMP340** in front of room G 1.15 before the due date.

Please save your $\text{JVP}\exists$ proofs for exercise 1 and submit them electronically through the COMP 340-08B course home page in Moodle at

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before the due date.

Due date: Wednesday, 13th August 2008, 17:00

*'Twas brillig, and the slithy toves
Did gyre and gimble in the wabe.
All mimsy were the borogroves,
And the mome raths outgrabe.*

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“Through the Looking-Glass” by Lewis Carroll