Exercise sheet 5 Computational Metaphysics

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The exercises will be discussed in the tutorial session (wednesday 2pm).

Please solve all the following excercises using the Isabelle system. Add allyour solutions to the same .thy file, create a.pdf file and upload both using the KVV system. The .thy file (andthus the theory) should benamed using the format Lastname₁Lastname₂Ex05.thy as in MüllerMeierEx05.thy.If you are using a temporary account, please also state the account name somewhere in yoursolution. You may use all proof tactics except for smt and metis for solving this exercise sheet!

Exercise 1: Unary Boolean Operators.

In classical logic the number of Boolean truth values is limited to two, consisting of True and False. In reverse, a function f cannot take many different forms. In this exercise we want to prove the following theorem.

theorem ex1: **fixes** $f :: bool \Rightarrow bool$ **shows** f (f (f n)) = f n

Hint: To prove this theorem, a case (nested) distinction over n, f n and/or f(f n) might be appropriate.

Exercise 2: Leibniz Equality.

In higher-order logic (HOL), we do not need to include equality as a primitive of the language (as opposed to FOL). Instead, we can define a notion of equality. A popular notion of equality is given by Leibniz' characterization of equals: Two objects are equal if and only if they share all properties. This can be expressed in HOL as $\forall P. P \ a \leftrightarrow P \ b$ where a and b are two arbitrary objects.

We define Leibniz equality as follows:

abbreviation $leibnizEq :: 'a \Rightarrow 'a \Rightarrow bool (infixl = {}^{L} 42)$ where $a = {}^{L} b \equiv \forall P. P a \longrightarrow P b$

Show that the above definition of $op =^{L}$ using only the implication $op \longrightarrow$ is indeed enough to characterize Leibniz equality in HOL. To that end, show:

lemma $a =^{L} b \Longrightarrow \forall P. P a \longleftrightarrow P b$

Show that if two objects are leibniz-equal, then they are equal (in the standard sense).

lemma $a =^{L} b \Longrightarrow a = b$

Show that if two objects are equal, then they are leibniz-equal.

lemma $a = b \Longrightarrow a =^{L} b$

Hence, we can indeed use Leibniz equality as substitute for primitive equality. Nevertheless, we do not really want that. We will discuss reasons for that in the tutorial session.

Exercise 3: To Mock a Mockingbird.

This puzzle was taken from Raymond Smullyans book "To Mock a Mockingbird". It is the first puzzle of chapter 9 which introduces us to a magical forest full of talking birds.

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If you meet any bird A in this forest, you might call out the name of a bird B to A. Then bird A will answer with the name of a bird $A \cdot B$."

consts call :: bird \Rightarrow bird \Rightarrow bird (infixr \cdot 51)

Among the many fantastic birds in the forest some birds are called mockingbirds. When you call out the name of any bird x to them, they will answer with the same answer as x would answer to itself.

definition mockingbird where mockingbird $M \equiv \forall x. M \cdot x = x \cdot x$

Some birds are said to compose with other birds:

definition composes-with where composes-with $C A B \equiv \forall x. A \cdot (B \cdot x) = C \cdot x$

The puzzle

Now as you call out names to birds, it might happen that some bird will answer right back with the name you just said. Such a bird is said to be *fond* of this bird. More formally:

definition is-fond where is-fond $A B \equiv A \cdot B = B$

Furthermore, assume that the forest satisfies two conditions: First, for any two birds, there is a bird they compose with. Second, among the birds in the forest there is a mockingbird.

axiomatization where $C1: \exists C. composes-with C A B$ and $C2: \exists M. mockingbird M$

One rumor has it that every bird is fond of at least one bird.

theorem first-rumor: $\forall x. \exists y. is-fond x y$

Another rumor has it that there is at least one bird that is not fond of any bird.

theorem second-rumor: $\exists x. \forall y. \neg (is-fond x y)$

One of the rumors is true, which one? (give a proof)

To solve this puzzle you might have to work with the definitions and equalities. The following example shows how to do this.

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lemma

assumes a1: mockingbird M

assumes a2: A \cdot (M \cdot x) = B

shows A \cdot (x \cdot x) = B

proof –

from a1 have \forall x. M \cdot x = x \cdot x unfolding mockingbird-def.

then have mock: M \cdot x = x \cdot x by (rule allE)

from mock a2 show ?thesis by (rule subst)

qed
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