

PY1003 Additional Exercises

1. Formalise into the language of first-order logic (i.e. predicate logic) the following sets of sentences. Clearly exhibit your key.
 - a. {No dolphins are mammals; All mammals are fish; Some dolphins are fish}
 - b. {Everyone loves logicians; No logician is not cool; Nobody loves anyone who is cool}
 - c. {No philosopher detest anyone who detests Derrida; Richard is a philosopher; Richard detests Derrida; Derrida detest himself}
2. Decide using the tree method the consistency of the set of sentences in (1.) above. If they are consistent, exhibit a model.
3. Decide the validity of the following sequents using the tree method. If they are invalid exhibit a counterexample.
 - a. $\forall x(Px \rightarrow Mx), \neg \exists x(Sx \wedge Mx) \vdash \neg \exists x(Sx \wedge Px)$
 - b. $\neg \forall x(Fx \leftrightarrow Gx) \vdash \exists x(\neg Fx \leftrightarrow Gx)$
 - c. $\forall x \forall y(Rxy \rightarrow Rxx), \forall yRay \vdash \exists x \neg Rxx$

And for those who can't get enough:

4. Translate the following argument into first-order logic. Use a tree to determine whether the argument is valid. If it is invalid, exhibit a counterexample.

Marcus is in his favourite pub; Marcus' favourite pub is the Cellar. Therefore, Marcus is in the Cellar.

Model Solutions

1. a. Key: Dx : x is a dolphin
 Mx : x is a mammal
 Fx : x is a fish

$$\{\neg\exists x(Dx\wedge Mx); \forall x(Mx\rightarrow Fx); \exists x(Dx\wedge Fx)\}$$

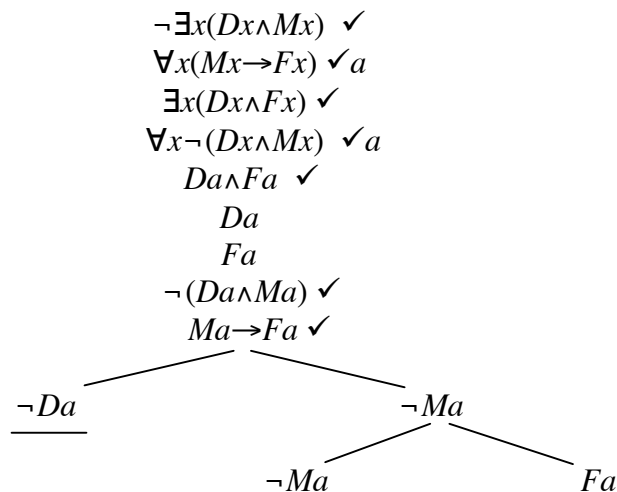
- b. Key: Lx : x is a logician domain: people
 Cx : x is cool
 Rxy : x loves y

$$\{\forall x\forall y(Ly\rightarrow Rxy); \neg\exists x(Lx\wedge\neg Cx); \neg\exists x\exists y(Rxy\wedge Cx)\}$$

- c. Key: Px : x is a philosopher
 Dxy : x detests y
 r : Richard
 d : Derrida

$$\{\neg\exists x(Px\wedge\exists y(Dxy\wedge Dyd)); Pr; Drd; Ddd\}$$

2. a.



consistent

Model:

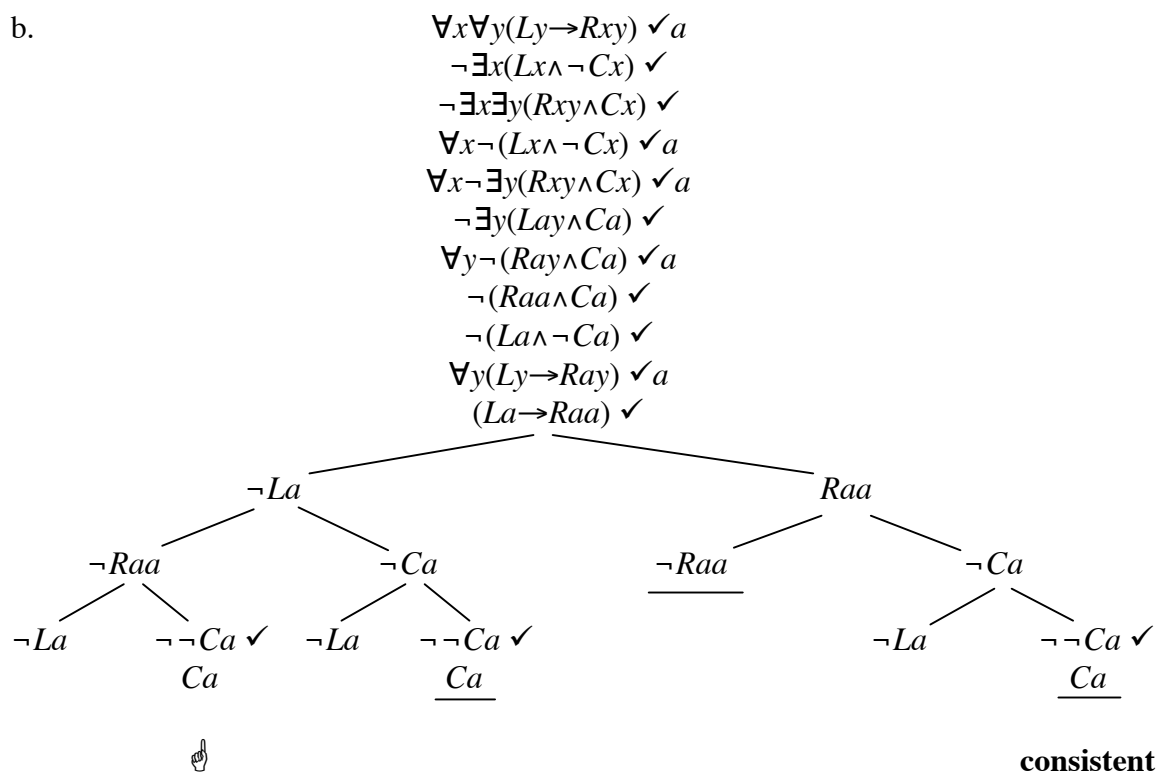
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$$I(D) = \{a\}$$

$$I(F) = \{a\}$$

$$I(M) = \emptyset$$

2. b.



Model:

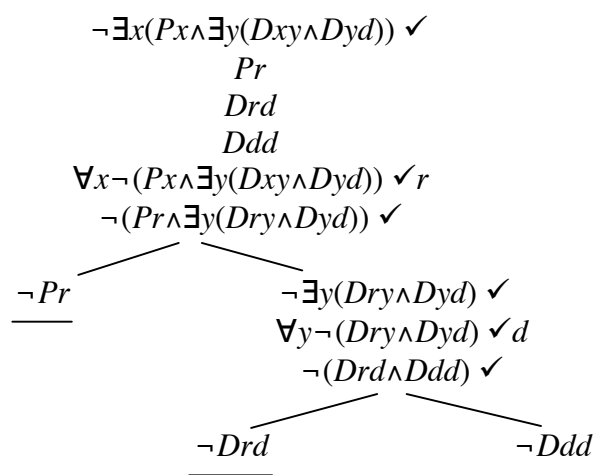
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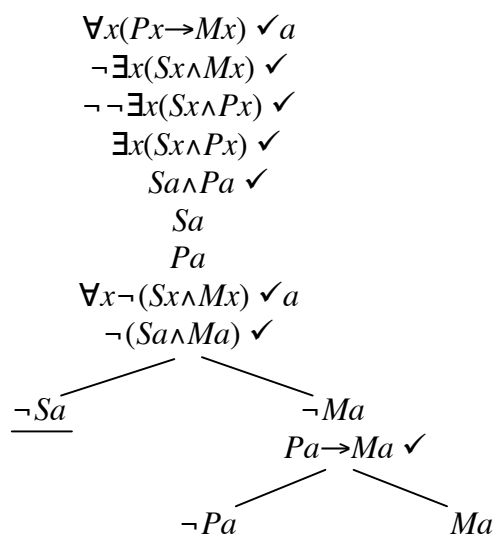
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$$I(R) = \emptyset$$

2. c.

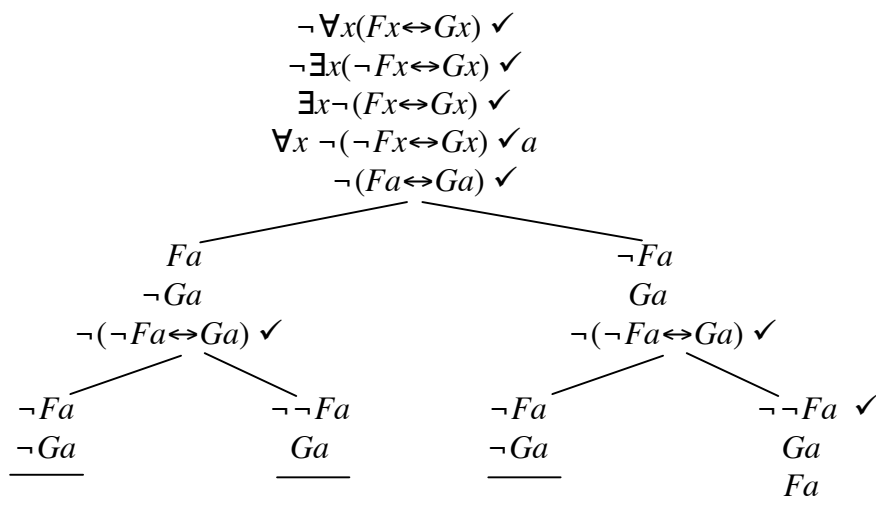
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3. a.



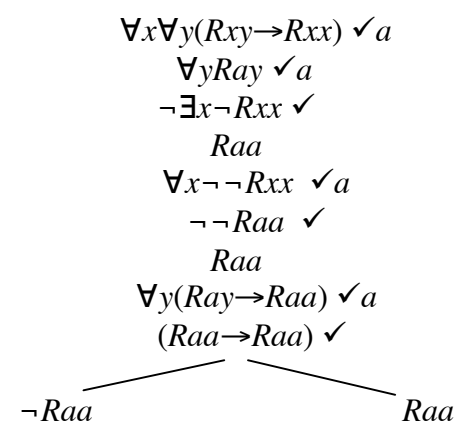
valid

3. b.



valid

3. c.



invalid

Countermodel:

 $D = \{a\}$ $I(R) = \{ \langle a, a \rangle \}$

4. E-mail me your solution, and I let you know whether you got it right! ☺