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**ARAHAN KEPADA CALON:**

- Sila pastikan bahawa kertas peperiksaan ini mengandungi **LIMA** muka surat yang bercetak sebelum anda memulakan peperiksaan ini.
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Answer **ALL** questions.

1. (a) For each of the following formula, argue informally whether it is valid or not. If it is not, show whether it is consistent(satisfiable) or inconsistent(unsatisfiable).

(i)  $\forall x P(x) \Rightarrow \exists x P(x)$

(ii)  $\exists y Q(y) \Rightarrow \forall x Q(x)$

(iii)  $\neg [ Q(a) \Rightarrow \exists x Q(x) ]$

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- (b) Let  $I_1$  be an interpretation as follows :

Domain  $D = \{ a, b \}$ .

$P(a,a) \leftarrow T$

$P(a,b) \leftarrow F$

$P(b,a) \leftarrow T$

$P(b,b) \leftarrow F$

Determine the truth value of the following formulas under  $I_1$  :

(i)  $\forall x \exists y P(x,y)$

(ii)  $\exists y \forall x P(x,y)$

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- (c) Put the following predicate-calculus formula into clause form :

$$\exists x \exists y \forall z \{ ( P(x,y) \Rightarrow [ P(y,z) \wedge P(z,z) ] ) \wedge \\ ( [ P(x,y) \wedge Q(x,y) ] \Rightarrow [ Q(x,z) \wedge Q(z,z) ] ) \}$$

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- (d) Given the following substitutions  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ,

$$\alpha = \{ x \leftarrow g(y), y \leftarrow g(b), z \leftarrow u \}$$

$$\beta = \{ y \leftarrow g(b), u \leftarrow z, v \leftarrow g(g(b)) \}$$

$$E = p(u,v,x,y,z)$$

Find the value of  $E\alpha$ ,  $(E\alpha)\beta$ ,  $\alpha\beta$ ,  $E(\alpha\beta)$ .

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2. (a) Let  $S : P(x) \vee Q(x, f(y))$  be a clause with two literals. Describe the Herbrand universe of  $S$ , Herbrand base of  $S$  and give one Herbrand interpretation which is a model of  $S$ .

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- (b) Consider the following interpretation  $I_2$  :

Domain :  $D = \{ 1, 2 \}$

Assignment of constants  $a$  and  $b$  :

$a \leftarrow 1$   
 $b \leftarrow 2$

Assignment for function  $f$  :

$f(1) = 2$   
 $f(2) = 1$

Assignment for predicate  $P$  :

$P(1,1) \leftarrow T$   
 $P(1,2) \leftarrow T$   
 $P(2,1) \leftarrow F$   
 $P(2,2) \leftarrow F$

- (i) Let  $G : \forall x \forall y [ P(x,y) \Rightarrow P(f(x), f(y)) ]$ . Evaluate the truth value of  $G$  under  $I_2$ . Is  $I_2$  a model of  $G$  ? If not, find another interpretation  $I_3$  which is a model of  $G$ .
- (ii) Find a Herbrand interpretation which satisfies  $G$ . Justify your answer.

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- (c) What is meant by a ground instance of a clause ? Show informally that the following observations are true :

- (i) A clause  $C$  is falsified by an interpretation  $I$  if and only if there is at least one ground instance  $C'$  of  $C$  such that  $C'$  is not satisfied by  $I$ .
- (ii) A set  $S$  of clauses is unsatisfiable if and only if for every interpretation  $I$ , there is at least one ground instance  $C'$  of some clause  $C$  in  $S$  such that  $C'$  is not satisfied by  $I$ .

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- (d) State and discuss the significance of the Herbrand's Theorem in mechanical theorem proving.

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3. (a) Use the ground resolution method to prove that the following well-formed formula is valid :

$$[ \forall x \exists y P(x,y) \wedge \forall y \exists z Q(y,z) ] \Rightarrow \forall x \exists y \exists z (P(x,y) \wedge Q(y,z))$$

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- (b) Consider the following set **S** of clauses :

1.  $D(x,x)$
2.  $\neg D(x,y) \neg D(y,z) D(x,z)$
3.  $P(x) D(g(x), x)$
4.  $P(x) L(w, g(x))$
5.  $P(x) L(g(x), x)$
6.  $L(w,a)$
7.  $\neg P(x) \neg D(x,a)$
8.  $\neg L(w,x) \neg L(x,a) P(f(x))$
9.  $\neg L(w,x) \neg L(x,a) D(f(x),x)$

Use either input resolution or set of support strategy (SOS) to find a refutation for **S**. If you choose to use SOS, you are free to find an appropriate initial support set.

Note : Only **a** is a skolem constant in **S**.

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- (c) Consider the following statements :

- S1 : Anyone who likes Ali will choose Ahmad for his team.  
 S2 : Ahmad is not a friend of anyone who is a friend of Abdul.  
 S3 : Kassim will choose no one but a friend of Karim for his team.

Use the resolution method to prove that if Karim is a friend of Abdul, then Kassim does not like Ali.

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- (d) Describe the main differences between paramodulation and demodulation rules of inference.

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4. (a) Briefly discuss the relationship between mechanical theorem proving, logic programming and PROLOG. (5/25)

- (b) Find an SLD-refutation to show that  $p(n,b)$  is a logical consequence of the following logic program :

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p(x,y) ← q(x), f(y).
q(x) ← r(x).
f(x) ← t(x).
t(a) ←
t(b) ←
r(n) ←

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Note : Only a,b, and n are Skolem constants.

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- (c) Consider the following PROLOG program :

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rel(a,b).
rel(c,b).
rel(X,Z) :- rel(X,Y), rel(Y,Z).
rel(X,Y) :- rel(Y,X).

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Describe the behavior of the typical PROLOG interpreter in finding the answer to the query  $rel(a,c)$ . Is the behavior or answer given desirable ? If not, show how the desirable behavior and answer can be obtained by any other logic programming method. What conclusion can you say about PROLOG ?

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- (d) Write a PROLOG program that can find an intersection of two sets which are given in the form of lists.

Example

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?- intersect([a,b,c,d], [b,c,e,g], Y) gives Y = [b, c]
?- intersect([a, b], [c,d], Y) gives Y = []
?- intersect([], [a,b], Y) gives Y = []
?- intersect([a,b]; [], Y) gives Y = []

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