

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

BA EXAMINATION

for Internal Students

This paper is also taken by Combined Studies Students

PHILOSOPHY

Optional Subject (i): Set Theory and Further Logic

Answer THREE questions, at least ONE from EACH section

SECTION A

SECTION B

1. Let three frames $(G_1, R_1), (G_2, R_2), (G_3, R_3)$, be defined by

$$G_1 = \{a, b, c\}, R_1 = \{\langle a, a \rangle, \langle b, b \rangle, \langle c, c \rangle, \langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle\}$$

$$G_2 = \{a, b, c\}, R_2 = \{\langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, a \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle, \langle c, b \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle, \langle c, a \rangle\}$$

$$G_3 = \{a, b, c\}, R_3 = \{\langle a, b \rangle, \langle c, b \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle, \langle c, a \rangle, \langle a, a \rangle\}$$

($\langle x, y \rangle$ in R_i means xR_iy). For each of the three frames determine which of the following formulas is/are valid on the frame.

(a) $\Box P \supset P$

(b) $\Box P \supset \Box \Box P$

(c) $P \supset \Box \Diamond P$

(d) $\Box P \supset \Diamond P$

Moreover, if one of the formulas ϕ is not valid on frame (G_i, R_i) , give a world x in G_i and a forcing relation \vdash between G_i and $\{P\}$ such that $x \vdash \neg\phi$.

TURN OVER

2. Use the propositional tableau proof systems to prove the following three formulas

- (a) $\neg\Box(\Diamond\neg\phi \wedge \phi)$ in the **T** system
- (b) $\Diamond\Box(\Diamond\Box\phi \vee \Diamond\Box\psi) \supset (\Diamond\Box\phi \vee \Diamond\Box\psi)$ in the system **S4**,
- (c) $\Diamond\neg\phi \supset \Box(\Box\phi \supset \psi)$ in the system **S5**,

Use the constant domain tableau system to determine whether (d) is valid on all **K** models with constant domain

- (d) $(\Diamond(\forall x)A(x) \wedge \Box(\exists x)B(x)) \supset (\exists x)\Diamond(A(x) \wedge B(x))$

Use the variable domain tableau system to determine whether (e) is valid on all **K** models with varying domain

- (e) $(\Diamond(\forall x)A(x) \wedge \Box(\exists x)B(x)) \supset \Diamond(\exists x)(A(x) \wedge B(x))$.

- 3.
 - a. Using the varying domain rules and the equality rules give a tableau proof of $(\exists x)\Diamond P(x) \wedge \Box(\forall x)\neg P(x) \supset (\exists x)\Diamond(\forall y)(x \neq y)$
 - b. Use the Tableau method to construct a normal, varying domain **K** counter model for the sentence $(\forall x)\Box(\exists y)(x = y) \supset ((\forall x)\Box P(x) \supset \Box(\forall x)P(x))$
- 4.
 - a. Show that there is a constant domain model allowing predicate abstraction in which $\Diamond\langle\lambda x.P(x)\rangle(c) \wedge \neg\langle\lambda x.\Diamond P(x)\rangle(c)$ can be satisfied.
 - b. Show that $(\forall y)\Diamond\langle\lambda x.P(x)\rangle(y) \wedge \neg\langle\lambda x.\Diamond P(x)\rangle(c)$ cannot be satisfied in such a model.
- 5. Considering \Box, \Diamond as a temporal operators, where $\Box P$ is interpreted as “ P is and will always be the case” give a formalization using predicate abstraction of the sentence “Someday the prime minister won’t be the prime minister (anymore)” and discuss how a logical contradiction is avoided.

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