COMPUTER SCIENCE TRIPOS Part IB – 2013 – Paper 6

5 Logic and Proof (LCP)

(ii)

- (a) In the context of clause methods in theorem proving, define and discuss the concept of a *pure literal.* [3 marks]
- (b) Use the DPLL method to find a model satisfying the following set of formulas or to prove that no such model exists.

$$\begin{array}{l} (P \land R) \to Q \\ \neg (P \land Q \land R) \\ (R \lor \neg Q) \to P \\ P \to R \end{array}$$

[5 marks]

(c) For each of the following formulas, either exhibit a formal proof (in a sequent or tableau calculus) or exhibit a falsifying interpretation.

(i)

$$\forall x(P(x) \to Q(x)) \to (\exists x P(x) \to \exists x Q(x))$$
 [6 marks]

$$\exists x (P(x) \to Q(x)) \to (\forall x P(x) \to \forall x Q(x))$$

[6 marks]