COMPUTER SCIENCE TRIPOS Part IB - 2024 - Paper 6

8 Logic and Proof (mj201)

(a) Consider the following formulae, where a, b and c are constants and v, w, x, y and z are variables:

$$P(a,v) \to \neg Q(b,w) \tag{1}$$

$$\neg(\neg Q(b,x) \land P(b,y)) \tag{2}$$

$$\neg(\neg P(z,z) \land \neg P(z,c)) \tag{3}$$

- (i) Convert the formulae above into conjunctive normal form (CNF) and express the result as a set of clauses. State which rule you used for each conversion step.
 [3 marks]
- (*ii*) Convert the clauses resulting from part (a)(i) into Kowalski form.

[2 marks]

- (*iii*) Using the clauses resulting from part (a)(ii), give a resolution proof for them. Use clause (1) as the top clause. Indicate the selected literal(s), clause and substitution used at each step. [7 marks]
- (b) (i) Convert the following formulae into clauses:

$$M \to (N \to M) \tag{4}$$

$$M \to (N \lor P) \tag{5}$$

$$N \to (\neg Q \land \neg R) \tag{6}$$

$$P \to (R \land \neg Q) \tag{7}$$

[2 marks]

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(*ii*) Use the DPLL method to find a model satisfying the clauses from part (b)(i), or to prove that no such model exists. Briefly explain your work in each step. [6 marks]

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