Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science

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Problem Sheet #10

Problem 10.1: prenex normal form

(2 points)

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Convert the following formulas into prenex normal form.

$$\exists z ((\exists y (p y z)) \rightarrow (\forall y (q y z)))$$

Problem 10.2: happy dragons

(2+1 = 3 points)

You are given three statements about dragons:

- (1) Every dragon is happy when all its children can fly.
- (2) All green dragons can fly.
- (3) A dragon is green when it is a child of at least one green dragon.
- a) Define suitable predicates and state their semantics and formalize the three statements in predicate logic.
- b) Is there a simpler characterization of happy dragons? Explain.

Problem 10.3: product group

(2 points)

Let $G=(S_G,\star,e_G)$ and $H=(S_H,*,e_H)$ be two groups. Then the product of G and H, denoted by $G\times H$, consists of all ordered pairs (x,y) in $S_G\times S_H$. We define the operation \circ on $S_G\times S_H$ as follows:

$$(x,y)\circ(x',y')=(x\star x',y\ast y')$$

Show that $G \times H = (S_G \times S_H, \circ, e)$ is a group for a suitable identity element e.

Problem 10.4: subgroups of $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +, 0)$

(3 points)

Determine all subgroups of $G = (\mathbb{Z}_6, +, 0)$ where + denotes addition modulo 6.