

## 2006 Comprehensive Examination

### Artificial Intelligence

**1. Propositional Constraint Satisfaction.** (20 points) In this question, we consider representing propositional satisfiability (SAT) problems as CSPs.

(a) Consider the following SAT Problem.

$$(\neg X_1 \vee X_2) \wedge (\neg X_2 \vee X_3) \wedge \dots \wedge (\neg X_{n-1} \vee X_n)$$

How many solutions are there for this SAT problem as a function of  $n$ ?

- (1) 0
- (2) 1
- (3)  $n$
- (4)  $n+1$
- (5)  $n^2$
- (6)  $2^n$

(b) Suppose we apply backtracking to find *all* solutions to a SAT problem of the type given in (a) using iterated constraint satisfaction. (To find all solutions to a CSP, we continue searching after each solution is found until all possibilities are tried.) Assume that the variables are ordered  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and *false* is ordered before *true*. How much time will it take to terminate the search?

- (1) constant time
- (2) linear in  $n$
- (3) quadratic in  $n$
- (4) exponential in  $n$

(c) True or False: Every Horn-form SAT problem can be solved in time linear in the number of variables.

(d) True or False: Every tree-structured binary CSP with discrete, finite domains can be solved in time linear in the number of variables.

**2. Logic.** (20 points) Let  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta$  be sets of closed sentences in first-order logic, and let  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  be individual closed sentences in first-order logic. State whether each of the following statements is true or false. No explanation is necessary.

(a) If  $\Gamma \cap \Delta \models \phi$ , then  $\Gamma \models \phi$  and  $\Delta \models \phi$ .

(b) If  $\Gamma \cup \Delta \models \phi$ , then  $\Gamma \models \phi$  or  $\Delta \models \phi$ .

(c)  $\Delta \models (\phi \Rightarrow \psi)$  if and only if  $\Delta \cup \{\phi\} \models \psi$ .

(d)  $\Delta \models \phi$  or  $\Delta \models \psi$  if and only if  $\Delta \models (\phi \vee \psi)$ .

(e) If  $\Delta \models \phi$  and  $\Delta \models \neg\psi$ , then  $\Delta \not\models (\phi \Rightarrow \psi)$ .

(f) If  $\Delta \models \phi$  and  $\Delta \models \psi$ , then  $\Delta \models (\phi \Rightarrow \psi)$ .

(g) If  $\Delta \models p(\tau)$  for some ground term  $\tau$ , then  $\Delta \not\models \forall x. \neg p(x)$ .

(h) If  $\Delta \models p(\tau)$  for every ground term  $\tau$ , then  $\Delta \models \forall x. p(x)$ .

(i) If  $\Delta \models \forall x. (p(x) \Rightarrow q(x))$ , then  $\Delta \models \exists x. (p(x) \wedge q(x))$ .

(j) If  $\Gamma \models (\phi \Rightarrow \psi)$  and  $\Delta \models (\psi \Rightarrow \phi)$ , then  $\Gamma \cap \Delta \models (\phi \Rightarrow \psi) \vee (\psi \Rightarrow \phi)$ .

**3. Resolution.** (20 points) Use the resolution method and the following premises to prove the conclusion shown below.

Premises:

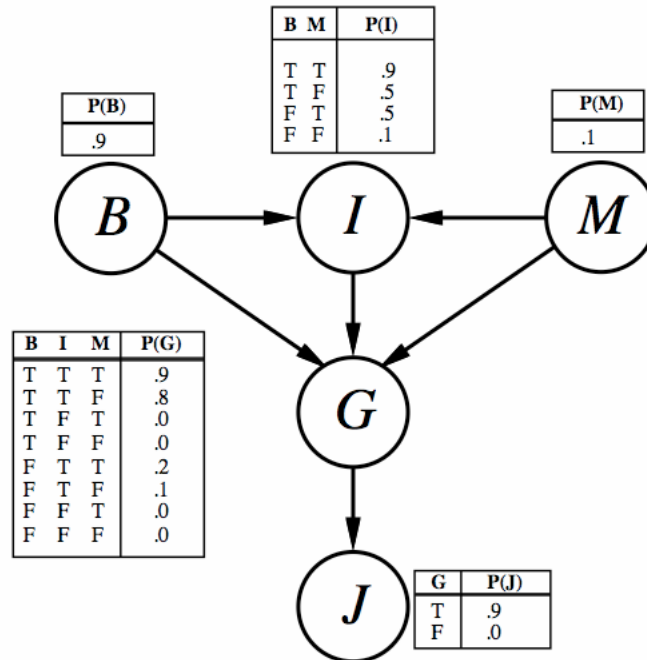
- a.  $\forall x. \forall y. (p(x,y) \Rightarrow \exists z. q(x,y,z))$
- b.  $\exists x. \forall y. \forall z. (r(y,z) \Leftrightarrow q(x,y,z))$
- c.  $\forall x. \exists y. (\neg p(x,y) \Rightarrow \forall z. q(x,y,z))$

Conclusion:

$$\exists w. \exists x. \exists y. \exists z. (r(x,y) \wedge q(x,w,z))$$

Note that this is a question about Resolution. You will get zero points (nil, nada, rien, zip, nothing) unless you prove it using the standard resolution procedure.

**4. Bayes Nets.** (20 points) Consider the Bayes net shown below. Here, B means that a person broke the election law, I means that the person was indicted, M means that the prosecutor is politically motivated, G means that the defendant is found guilty, and J means that the defendant is jailed.



(a) Which, if any, of the following are asserted by the network structure (ignoring the CPTs for now)?

- (1)  $p(B, I, M) = p(B) p(I) p(M)$
- (2)  $p(J | G) = p(J | G, I)$
- (3)  $p(M | G, B, I) = p(M | G, B, I, J)$

(b) Calculate the value of  $p(B, I, \neg M, G, J)$

(c) Calculate the probability that someone goes to jail given that the person broke the law, has been indicted, and faces a politically motivated prosecutor.

**5. Learning.** (20 points) In this question, we consider decision trees with numerical input attributes  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  and a Boolean output attribute  $Y$ . In such trees, the test at each internal node is an inequality of the form  $A_i > c$  where  $c$  may be any number (to be chosen by the learning algorithm). The value at each leaf node is *true* or *false*. In a *test-once* tree, each attribute may be tested at most once on any path in the tree. In a *test-many* tree, each attribute may be tested more than once.

Suppose we are given the following training set.

| $A_1$ | $A_2$ | $Y$          |
|-------|-------|--------------|
| 3     | 3     | <i>false</i> |
| 6     | 13    | <i>true</i>  |
| 15    | 14    | <i>true</i>  |
| 14    | 22    | <i>false</i> |

(a) Draw a test-once tree that classifies the examples correctly.

(b) Write down the information gain of your root test. Your answer may contain unevaluated logs.

(c) True or False: Every non-noisy training set can be correctly classified by a test-once decision tree.

(d) True or False: Every non-noisy training set can be correctly classified by a test-many decision tree.