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**CS60005 : Foundations of Computing Science (Autumn 2021)**  
**Assignment 1 : Propositional Logic – Representation and Deduction**  
**Due Date: 17-September-2021, 11:59 PM (IST)** **Total Marks : 20**

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**Notations:**

**Propositions.** Boolean variables with True ( $\top$ ) and False ( $\perp$ ) values

**Literals.** Propositions ( $p$ ) or negated propositions ( $\neg p$ )

**Connectives.** Binary operators ( $\bowtie$ ) such as, AND ( $\wedge$ ), OR ( $\vee$ ), IMPLY ( $\rightarrow$ ) and IFF ( $\leftrightarrow$ )

**Propositional Formula.** Recursively defined as,  $\varphi = p \mid (\varphi) \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \bowtie \varphi$ , where  $\bowtie \in \{\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow\}$

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**Problem Statement:**

**Input.** Propositional Formula ( $\varphi$ ) as strings with propositions, negations, connectives and brackets, '(' and ')'

**Postfix Formula Representation.** Propositional Formula ( $\varphi$ ) as strings with propositions, negations, connectives in Postfix format (this will be made available to you in code as a string for ready-made processing!)

**Output.** You will be asked to write separate functions for the following parts (in the already supplied code):

1. Represent the postfix propositional formula ( $\varphi$ ) as a binary tree ( $\tau$ ) data structure, known as *expression tree*, which contains propositions as leaf nodes and operators  $\{\wedge, \vee, \neg, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow\}$  as internal nodes (refer to the left expression tree in Figure 1) **(Marks : 3)**
2. Print the expression tree (using in-order traversal of  $\tau$ ) and generate the formula ( $\varphi$ ) **(Marks : 2)**
3. Given  $\top/\perp$  values for all the propositions, find the outcome of the overall Formula ( $\varphi$ ) from its expression tree ( $\tau$ ) **(Marks : 3)**
4. Transformation of the formula step-wise ( $\varphi \rightsquigarrow \varphi_I \rightsquigarrow \varphi_N \rightsquigarrow \varphi_C/\varphi_D$ ) using the expression tree data structure ( $\tau \rightsquigarrow \tau_I \rightsquigarrow \tau_N \rightsquigarrow \tau_C/\tau_D$ ) as follows:
  - (a) Implication-Free Form (IFF): Formula ( $\varphi_I$ ) after elimination of  $\rightarrow$  and  $\leftrightarrow$   
Procedure: Transform  $\tau$  to  $\tau_I$  and then print  $\varphi_I$  from  $\tau_I$  **(Marks : 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ )**
  - (b) Negation Normal Form (NNF): Formula ( $\varphi_N$ ) where  $\neg$  appears only before propositions  
Procedure: Transform  $\tau_I$  to  $\tau_N$  and then print  $\varphi_N$  from  $\tau_N$  **(Marks : 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ )**
  - (c) Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF): Formula ( $\varphi_C$ ) with conjunction of *disjunctive-clauses* where each disjunctive-clause is a disjunction of literals  
Procedure: Transform  $\tau_N$  to  $\tau_C$  and then print  $\varphi_C$  from  $\tau_C$  **(Marks : 2)**
  - (d) Disjunctive Normal Form (DNF): Formula ( $\varphi_D$ ) with disjunction of *conjunctive-clauses* where each conjunctive-clause is a conjunction of literals  
Procedure: Transform  $\tau_N$  to  $\tau_D$  and then print  $\varphi_D$  from  $\tau_D$  **(Marks : 2)**
5. Given the expression tree ( $\tau$ ), using exhaustive search, check for the following – **(Marks : 3)**
  - (a) the validity ( $\top$ ) or the invalidity of the formula (whether it is a tautology or not), or
  - (b) the satisfiability or the unsatisfiability ( $\perp$ ) of the formula (whether it is a contradiction or not)

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**Algorithms:**

**Expression Tree Formation.** Let the generated postfix string from the propositional formula ( $\varphi$ ) be PS[1..n]. The recursive function ETF, i.e.  $\tau \leftarrow \text{ETF}(\text{PS}[1..n])$ , is as follows:

- If  $n = 1$  (i.e. PS[1] is a proposition), then  $\tau = \text{CREATENODE}(\varphi)$ ;
- If  $n > 1$  and PS[n] =  $\neg$ , then  $\tau = \text{CREATENODE}(\neg)$ ;  $\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild} = \text{ETF}(\text{PS}[1..(n-1)])$ ;
- If  $n > 2$  and PS[n] =  $\bowtie$ , then  
 $\tau = \text{CREATENODE}(\bowtie)$ ;  $\tau \mapsto \text{leftChild} = \text{ETF}(\text{PS}[1..(k-1)])$ ;  $\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild} = \text{ETF}(\text{PS}[k..(n-1)])$ ;
- return  $\tau$ ;

Here, the primary question is – *how to find k for the last step?* (we leave it for you to think!)

**Printing Expression Tree.** The recursive function  $\text{ETP}(\tau)$  is as follows:

- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is not NULL, then  
 $\text{PRINT}(()); \text{ETP}(\tau \mapsto \text{leftChild}); \text{PRINT}(\tau \mapsto \text{element}); \text{ETP}(\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild}); \text{PRINT}(());$

Here, the PRINT subroutine displays the respective character as output.

**Formula Evaluation.** The recursive function EVAL, i.e.  $\{\top, \perp\} \leftarrow \text{EVAL}(\tau, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$  (assuming  $n$  propositions where each proposition  $p_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ) is assigned a value  $v_i \in \{\top, \perp\}$ ), is as follows:

- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is proposition  $p_i$ , then return  $(v_i = \top)? \top : \perp$ ;
- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\neg$ , then return  $(\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild}) = \top)? \perp : \top$ ;
- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\wedge$ , then return  $\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{leftChild}) \wedge \text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild})$ ;
- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\vee$ , then return  $\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{leftChild}) \vee \text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild})$ ;
- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\rightarrow$ , then return  $((\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{leftChild}) = \top) \text{ and } (\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild}) = \perp))? \perp : \top$ ;
- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\leftrightarrow$ , then  
return  $((\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{leftChild}) = \top) \text{ and } (\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild}) = \top))$   
or  $((\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{leftChild}) = \perp) \text{ and } (\text{EVAL}(\tau \mapsto \text{rightChild}) = \perp))? \top : \perp$ ;

**IFF Transformation.** The recursive function IFF, i.e.  $\tau_I \leftarrow \text{IFF}(\tau)$ , is as follows:

- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\neg$ , then  
 $/* \text{IFF}(\neg\varphi) = \neg\text{IFF}(\varphi) */$
- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\{\wedge, \vee\}$ , then  
 $/* \text{IFF}(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) = \text{IFF}(\varphi_1) \wedge \text{IFF}(\varphi_2)$   
 $\text{IFF}(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) = \text{IFF}(\varphi_1) \vee \text{IFF}(\varphi_2) */$
- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\rightarrow$ , then  
 $/* \text{IFF}(\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2) = \neg\text{IFF}(\varphi_1) \vee \text{IFF}(\varphi_2) */$
- If  $\tau \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\leftrightarrow$ , then  
 $/* \text{IFF}(\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2) = \text{IFF}(\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2) \wedge \text{IFF}(\varphi_2 \rightarrow \varphi_1) */$
- return  $\tau$ ;

Here,  $\varphi_I$  can be obtained (as a string expression) by calling  $\text{ETP}(\tau_I)$ .

**NNF Transformation.** The recursive function NNF, i.e.  $\tau_N \leftarrow \text{NNF}(\tau_I)$ , is as follows:

- If  $\tau_I \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\neg$ , then  
- if  $(\tau_I \mapsto \text{rightChild}) \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\neg$ , then  
 $/* \text{NNF}(\neg\neg\varphi) = \text{NNF}(\varphi) */$   
- if  $(\tau_I \mapsto \text{rightChild}) \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\wedge$ , then  
 $/* \text{NNF}(\neg(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2)) = \neg\text{NNF}(\varphi_1) \vee \neg\text{NNF}(\varphi_2) */$   
- if  $(\tau_I \mapsto \text{rightChild}) \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\vee$ , then  
 $/* \text{NNF}(\neg(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2)) = \neg\text{NNF}(\varphi_1) \wedge \neg\text{NNF}(\varphi_2) */$
- If  $\tau_I \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\{\wedge, \vee\}$ , then  
 $/* \text{NNF}(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) = \text{NNF}(\varphi_1) \wedge \text{NNF}(\varphi_2)$   
 $\text{NNF}(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) = \text{NNF}(\varphi_1) \vee \text{NNF}(\varphi_2) */$
- return  $\tau_I$ ;

Here,  $\varphi_N$  can be obtained (as a string expression) by calling  $\text{ETP}(\tau_N)$ .

**CNF Transformation.** The recursive function CNF, i.e.  $\tau_C \leftarrow \text{CNF}(\tau_N)$ , is as follows:

- If  $\tau_N \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\wedge$ , then  
 $/* \text{CNF}(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2) = \text{CNF}(\varphi_1) \wedge \text{CNF}(\varphi_2) */$
- If  $\tau_N \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\vee$ , then  $/* \text{Distribution Law enforcement} */$   
- if  $(\tau_N \mapsto \text{leftChild}) \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\wedge$ , then  
 $/* \text{CNF}((\varphi_{1l} \wedge \varphi_{1r}) \vee \varphi_2) = \text{CNF}(\varphi_{1l} \vee \varphi_2) \wedge \text{CNF}(\varphi_{1r} \vee \varphi_2) */$   
- if  $(\tau_N \mapsto \text{rightChild}) \mapsto \text{element}$  is  $\wedge$ , then  
 $/* \text{CNF}(\varphi_1 \vee (\varphi_{2l} \wedge \varphi_{2r})) = \text{CNF}(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_{2l}) \wedge \text{CNF}(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_{2r}) */$
- return  $\tau_N$ ;

Here,  $\varphi_C$  can be obtained (as a string expression) by calling  $\text{ETP}(\tau_C)$ .

**DNF Transformation.** The recursive function DNF, i.e.  $\tau_D \leftarrow \text{DNF}(\tau_N)$ , is as follows:

- If  $\tau_N \mapsto$  element is  $\vee$ , then  

$$/* \text{ DNF}(\varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2) = \text{DNF}(\varphi_1) \vee \text{DNF}(\varphi_2) */$$
- If  $\tau_N \mapsto$  element is  $\wedge$ , then /\* Distribution Law enforcement \*/
  - if  $(\tau_N \mapsto \text{leftChild}) \mapsto$  element is  $\vee$ , then  

$$/* \text{ DNF}((\varphi_{1l} \vee \varphi_{1r}) \wedge \varphi_2) = \text{DNF}(\varphi_{1l} \wedge \varphi_2) \vee \text{DNF}(\varphi_{1r} \wedge \varphi_2) */$$
  - if  $(\tau_N \mapsto \text{rightChild}) \mapsto$  element is  $\vee$ , the  

$$/* \text{ DNF}(\varphi_1 \wedge (\varphi_{2l} \vee \varphi_{2r})) = \text{DNF}(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_{2l}) \vee \text{DNF}(\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_{2r}) */$$
- return  $\tau_N$ ;

Here,  $\varphi_D$  can be obtained (as a string expression) by calling  $\text{ETP}(\tau_D)$ .

**Exhaustive Search for Validity/Satisfiability.** The function  $\text{CHECK}(\tau)$  is as follows:

- For every value tuple  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  corresponding to  $n$  propositions  $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ , if  $\text{EVAL}(\tau, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) = \top$ , then print “(VALID + SATISFIABLE)”
- For every value tuple  $\{v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n\}$  corresponding to  $n$  propositions  $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ , if  $\text{EVAL}(\tau, v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n) = \perp$ , then print “(INVALID + UNSATISFIABLE)”
- Otherwise, for any pair of value tuples  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $\{v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n\}$  corresponding to  $n$  propositions  $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$  such that,  $\text{EVAL}(\tau, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) = \top$  and  $\text{EVAL}(\tau, v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n) = \perp$ , then print “(SATISFIABLE + INVALID)”, for  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $\{v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n\}$ , respectively

### Example:

**Input Propositional Formula.**  $\varphi = (\neg p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \wedge (r \rightarrow q))$

**Postfix Formula Representation.**  $p \neg q \wedge p r q \rightarrow \wedge \rightarrow$  (YOUR INPUT STRING)

**Expression Tree Formation.** Depending on the recursive call, two types of parse tree ( $\tau$ ) can be formed. Figure 1 shows the representation of such expression trees.

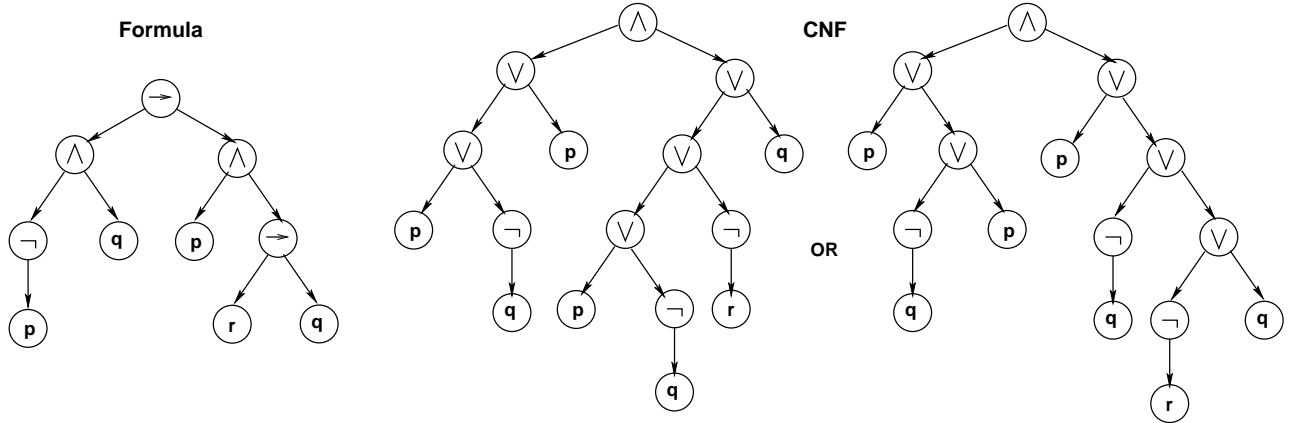


Figure 1: Expression Tree Structure for Original Formula and the Corresponding CNF

**Formula Evaluation.**  $\{p = \perp, q = \top, r = \top\} \Rightarrow \varphi = \perp$  ;  $\{p = \perp, q = \perp, r = \perp\} \Rightarrow \varphi = \top$

**Formula Transformations.** The path through which you shall be doing this is as follows:

$$\varphi \rightsquigarrow \text{PostFix} \rightsquigarrow \tau (\text{Print } \varphi) \rightsquigarrow \tau_I (\text{Print } \varphi_I) \rightsquigarrow \tau_N (\text{Print } \varphi_N) \rightsquigarrow \tau_C/\tau_D (\text{Print } \varphi_C/\varphi_D)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IFF} &: \varphi_I = \text{IFF}(\varphi) = \text{IFF}((\neg p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \wedge (r \rightarrow q))) = \dots = \neg(\neg p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge (\neg r \vee q)) \\ \text{NNF} &: \varphi_N = \text{NNF}(\varphi_I) = \text{NNF}(\neg(\neg p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge (\neg r \vee q))) = \dots = (p \vee \neg q) \vee (p \wedge (\neg r \vee q)) \\ \text{CNF} &: \varphi_C = \text{CNF}(\varphi_N) = \text{CNF}((p \vee \neg q) \vee (p \wedge (\neg r \vee q))) = \dots = (p \vee \neg q \vee p) \wedge (p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r \vee q) \\ \text{DNF} &: \varphi_D = \text{DNF}(\varphi_N) = \text{DNF}((p \vee \neg q) \vee (p \wedge (\neg r \vee q))) = \dots = (p) \vee (\neg q) \vee (p \wedge \neg r) \vee (p \wedge q) \end{aligned}$$

**Check for Validity/Satisfiability.**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{INVALID} &: \{p = \perp, q = \top, r = \times\} \quad (\times \text{ denotes don't care term}) \\ \text{SATISFIABLE} &: \{p = \top, q = \times, r = \times\} \quad \text{OR} \quad \{p = \times, q = \perp, r = \times\} \end{aligned}$$

## Sample Execution:

**Compile:** (C Code) gcc ROLLNO\_CT1.c -lm (Please follow the filename convention!)  
(C++ Code) g++ ROLLNO\_CT1.cpp -lm (Please follow the filename convention!)

**Execution:** ./a.out

### Sample Run:

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Enter Propositional Logic Formula: (!p & q) -> (p & (r -> q))
Postfix Representation of Formula: p ! q & p r q -> & ->

++++ PostFix Format of the Propositional Formula +++++
('-' used for '->' and '~' used for '<->')
YOUR INPUT STRING: p!q&prq-&-

++++ Expression Tree Generation +++++
Original Formula (from Expression Tree): ( ( ! p & q ) -> ( p & ( r -> q ) ) )

++++ Expression Tree Evaluation +++++
Enter Total Number of Propositions: 3
Enter Proposition [1] (Format: Name <SPACE> Value): p 0
Enter Proposition [2] (Format: Name <SPACE> Value): q 1
Enter Proposition [3] (Format: Name <SPACE> Value): r 1

The Formula is Evaluated as: False

++++ IFF Expression Tree Conversion +++++
Formula in Implication Free Form (IFF from Expression Tree):
( ! ( ! p & q ) | ( p & ( ! r | q ) ) )

++++ NNF Expression Tree Conversion +++++
Formula in Negation Normal Form (NNF from Expression Tree):
( ( p | ! q ) | ( p & ( ! r | q ) ) )

++++ CNF Expression Tree Conversion +++++
Formula in Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF from Expression Tree):
( ( ( p | ! q ) | p ) & ( ( p | ! q ) | ( ! r | q ) ) )

++++ DNF Expression Tree Conversion +++++
Formula in Disjunctive Normal Form (DNF from Expression Tree):
( ( p | ! q ) | ( ( p & ! r ) | ( p & q ) ) )

++++ Exhaustive Search from Expression Tree for Validity / Satisfiability Checking +++++
Enter Number of Propositions: 3
Enter Proposition Names (<SPACE> Separated): p q r
Evaluations of the Formula:
{ (p = 0) (q = 0) (r = 0) } : 1
{ (p = 0) (q = 0) (r = 1) } : 1
{ (p = 0) (q = 1) (r = 0) } : 0
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The Given Formula is: < INVALID + SATISFIABLE >
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Submit a single C/C++ source file following proper naming convention [ ROLLNO\_CT1.c(.cpp) ].  
Do not use any global/static variables. Use of STL is allowed.