Philosophy 240: Symbolic Logic Fall 2008 Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays: 9am - 9:50am

Predicate Logic Translation I Handout

I. Exercises A. Translate each sentence into predicate logic.

- 1. Alice is clever.
- 2. Bobby works hard.
- 3. Chuck plays tennis regularly.
- 4. Dan will see Erika on Tuesday at noon in the gym.
- II. Translations with just two terms
- 1. All persons are mortal.
- 2. Some actors are vain.
- 3. Some gods aren't mortal.
- 4. No frogs are people.
- III. Exercises B. Translate each sentence into predicate logic.
- 1. All roads lead to Rome. (Rx, Lx)
- 2. Beasts eat their young. (Bx, Ex)
- 3. Everything worthwhile requires effort. (Wx, Rx)
- 4. Some jellybeans are black. (Jx, Bx)
- 5. Some jellybeans are not black.

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- IV. Translations with more than two terms
- 1. Some wooden desks are uncomfortable.
- 2. All wooden desks are uncomfortable.
- 3. Many applicants are untrained or inexperienced.
- 4. All applicants are untrained or inexperienced.
- 5. Only men have been presidents.
- 6. Only famous men have been presidents.
- 7. Only intelligent students understand Kant.
- V. Some sentences contain more than one quantifier
- 1. If anything is damaged, then everyone in the house complains.
- 2. Either all the gears are broken, or a cylinder is missing.
- IV. Exercises C. Translate each sentence into predicate logic.
- 1. Some jellybeans are tasty. (Jx, Tx)
- 2. Some black jellybeans are tasty. (Jx, Bx, Tx)
- 3. No green jellybeans are tasty. (Gx, Jx, Tx)
- 4. Some politicians are wealthy and educated. (Px, Wx, Ex)
- 5. All wealthy politicians are electable. (Wx, Px, Ex)
- 6. If all jellybeans are black then no jellybeans are red. (Jx, Bx, Rx)
- 7. If everything is physical then there are no ghosts. (Px, Gx)
- 8. Some one walked the dog, but no one washed the dishes. (Px, Wx, Dx)
- 9. Everyone can go home only if all the work is done. (Px, Gx, Wx, Dx)