MATH 445 – Homework 4

(*due WEDNESDAY 21 October 2009*)

1. [5 pts] Let $\mathcal{L}$ be the language whose non-logical symbols are a unary function symbol F and binary function symbols G and H. Let $\mathcal{A}$ be the $\mathcal{L}$-structure with universe $\mathbb{Z}$ which interprets F by $s(x)$ (where $s(k) = k + 1$), interprets G by $\cdot$, and interprets H by $-$, and let $\mathcal{B}$ be the $\mathcal{L}$-structure with universe $\mathbb{Z}$ which interprets F by x^2, interprets G by $+$, and interprets H by $-$. Determine $t^{\mathcal{A}}$ and $t^{\mathcal{B}}$ where

$$t = H\big(F(G(x, y)), G(F(x), F(y))\big).$$

Simplify your answers.

2. Let φ be the formula

$$\exists z\big(R(x, z) \wedge R(z, y)\big) \to \big(\exists x Q(x, y) \vee \exists y Q(x, y)\big).$$

[2 pts] (a) List all subformulas of φ.

[2 pts] (b) Determine which occurences of variables in φ are free and which are bound.

3. [6 pts] Let $\mathcal{L}$ be the language whose only non-logical symbol is a binary relation symbol R. Let $\mathcal{A} = (\mathbb{N}, <)$. Determine the sets defined by the following formulas in $\mathcal{A}$. Explain and simplify your answers.

(a) $\varphi(x)$ is $\forall y(R(y, x) \to \neg R(y, x))$

(b) $\psi(x)$ is $\forall y(R(y, x) \to R(x, y))$

(c) $\theta(x)$ is $\forall y(R(x, y) \to R(y, x))$

4. Let $\mathcal{L}$ be the language whose only non-logical symbol is the binary relation symbol R.

[2 pts] (a) Give a formula defining $\{1\}$ in the $\mathcal{L}$-structure $(\mathbb{N}, >)$.

[3 pts] (b) Give a formula defining $\{2\}$ in the $\mathcal{L}$-structure $(\mathbb{N}, <)$.

Explain why your formulas work.

NOTE: Your solutions must include enough detail to justify your conclusions.