

# CS 331: Artificial Intelligence

## Propositional Logic 2

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## Review of Last Time

- $\models$  means “logically follows”
- $\vdash_i$  means “can be derived from”
- If your inference algorithm derives only things that follow logically from the KB, the inference is sound
- If everything that follows logically from the KB can be derived using your inference algorithm, the inference is complete

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## Entailment Applied to the Wumpus World

Let us consider the models that support the conclusion  $\alpha_1 =$  "There is no pit in [1,2]." We draw a line marked with  $\alpha_1$  around these models

In every model in which KB is true,  $\alpha_1$  is also true. Therefore  $KB \models \alpha_1$

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## Inference: Model Checking

- Suppose we want to know if  $KB \models \neg P_{1,2}$ ?
- In the 3 models in which KB is true,  $\neg P_{1,2}$  is also true

$B_{1,1}$	$B_{2,1}$	$P_{1,1}$	$P_{1,2}$	$P_{2,1}$	$P_{2,2}$	$P_{3,1}$	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	$R_4$	$R_5$	KB
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## Complexity

- If the KB and  $\alpha$  contain  $n$  symbols in total, what is the time complexity of the truth table enumeration algorithm?
- Space complexity is  $O(n)$  because the actual algorithm uses DFS

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## The really depressing news

- Every known inference algorithm for propositional logic has a **worst-case** complexity that is **exponential** in the size of the input

You can't handle the truth!



- But some algorithms are more efficient **in practice**

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## Logical equivalence

- Intuitively: two sentences  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are logically equivalent (i.e.  $\alpha \equiv \beta$ ) if they are true in the same set of models
- Formally:  $\alpha \equiv \beta$  if and only if  $\alpha \models \beta$  and  $\beta \models \alpha$
- Can prove this with truth tables

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## Standard Logic Equivalences

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha \wedge \beta) &\equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha) && \text{commutativity of } \wedge \\(\alpha \vee \beta) &\equiv (\beta \vee \alpha) && \text{commutativity of } \vee \\((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) &\equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma)) && \text{associativity of } \wedge \\((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) &\equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma)) && \text{associativity of } \vee \\ \neg(\neg\alpha) &\equiv \alpha && \text{double-negation elimination} \\(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) &\equiv (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha) && \text{contraposition} \\(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \beta) && \text{implication elimination} \\(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) &\equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) && \text{biconditional elimination} \\ \neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta) && \text{de Morgan} \\ \neg(\alpha \vee \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta) && \text{de Morgan} \\(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) &\equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma)) && \text{distributivity of } \wedge \text{ over } \vee \\(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma)) &\equiv ((\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma)) && \text{distributivity of } \vee \text{ over } \wedge\end{aligned}$$

In the above,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  are arbitrary sentences of propositional logic

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## Validity

- A sentence is valid if it is true in all models
- E.g.  $P \vee \neg P$  is valid
- Valid sentences = Tautologies
- Tautologies are vacuous

### **Deduction theorem**

For any sentences  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ,  $\alpha \models \beta$  iff the sentence  $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$  is valid

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## Satisfiability

- A sentence is satisfiable if it is true in some model.
- A sentence is unsatisfiable if it is true in no models
- Determining the satisfiability of sentences in propositional logic was the first problem proved to be NP-complete
- Satisfiability is connected to validity:  
 $\alpha$  is valid iff  $\neg\alpha$  is unsatisfiable
- Satisfiability is connected to entailment:  
 $\alpha \models \beta$  iff the sentence  $(\alpha \wedge \neg\beta)$  is unsatisfiable (proof by contradiction)

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## Exercise

- Is the following sentence valid?

$$(A \Rightarrow B) \vee (\neg A \Rightarrow \neg B)$$

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## Proof methods

How do we prove that  $\alpha$  can be entailed from the KB?

1. Model checking e.g. check that  $\alpha$  is true in all models in which KB is true
2. Inference rules

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## Inference Rules

### 1. Modus Ponens

$$\frac{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \alpha}{\beta}$$

### 2. And-Elimination

$$\frac{\alpha \wedge \beta}{\alpha}$$

These are both sound inference rules. You don't need to enumerate models now

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## Other Inference Rules

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha \wedge \beta) &\equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha) && \text{commutativity of } \wedge \\(\alpha \vee \beta) &\equiv (\beta \vee \alpha) && \text{commutativity of } \vee \\((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) &\equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma)) && \text{associativity of } \wedge \\((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) &\equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma)) && \text{associativity of } \vee \\ \neg(\neg\alpha) &\equiv \alpha && \text{double-negation elimination} \\(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) &\equiv (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha) && \text{contraposition} \\(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \beta) && \text{implication elimination} \\(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) &\equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) && \text{biconditional elimination} \\ \neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta) && \text{de Morgan} \\ \neg(\alpha \vee \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta) && \text{de Morgan} \\(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) &\equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma)) && \text{distributivity of } \wedge \text{ over } \vee \\(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma)) &\equiv ((\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma)) && \text{distributivity of } \vee \text{ over } \wedge\end{aligned}$$

All of the logical equivalences can be turned into inference rules e.g.

$$\frac{\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta}{(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)}$$

## Example

Given the following KB, can we prove  $\neg R$ ?

KB:

$P \Rightarrow \neg(Q \vee R)$

$P$

Proof:

$\neg(Q \vee R)$  by Modus Ponens

$\neg Q \wedge \neg R$  by De Morgan's Law

$\neg R$  by And-Elimination

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## Proofs

- A sequence of applications of inference rules is called a proof
- Instead of enumerating models, we can search for proofs
- Proofs ignore irrelevant propositions
- 2 methods:
  - Go forward from initial KB, applying inference rules to get to the goal sentence
  - Go backward from goal sentence to get to the KB

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## In-class Exercise

If it is October, there will not be a football game at OSU	
If it is October and it is Saturday, I will be in Corvallis	
If it doesn't rain or if there is a football game, I will ride my bike to OSU	
Today is Saturday and it is October	
If I am in Corvallis, it will not rain	

Can you prove that I will ride my bike to OSU?

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## Monotonicity

- Proofs only work because of monotonicity
- Monotonicity: the set of entailed sentences can only increase as information is added to the knowledge base
- For any sentences  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ,  
if  $KB \models \alpha$  then  $KB \wedge \beta \models \alpha$

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## Resolution

- An inference rule that is sound and complete
- Forms the basis for a family of complete inference procedures
- Here, complete means refutation completeness: resolution can refute or confirm the truth of any sentence with respect to the KB

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## Resolution

- Here's how resolution works ( $\neg l_2$  and  $l_2$  are called complementary literals):

$$\frac{l_1 \vee l_2, \quad \neg l_2 \vee l_3}{l_1 \vee l_3}$$

- Note that you need to remove multiple copies of literals (called factoring) i.e.

$$\frac{l_1 \vee l_2, \quad \neg l_2 \vee l_1}{l_1}$$

- If  $l_i$  and  $m_j$  are complementary literals, the full resolution rule looks like:

$$\frac{l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_k, \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_{i-1} \vee l_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee l_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n}$$

## In-class Exercise

KB

Person  $\Rightarrow$  Mortal

Socrates  $\Rightarrow$  Person

Can we show that :

KB  $\models$  (Socrates  $\Rightarrow$  Mortal)?

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## Conjunctive Normal Form

- Resolution only applies to sentences of the form  $l_1 \vee l_2 \vee \dots \vee l_k$
- This is called a disjunction of literals
- It turns out that every sentence of propositional logic is logically equivalent to a conjunction of disjunction of literals
- Called Conjunctive Normal Form or CNF  
e.g.  $(l_1 \vee l_2 \vee l_3 \vee l_4) \wedge (l_5 \vee l_6 \vee l_7 \vee l_8) \wedge \dots$
- k-CNF sentences have exactly k literals per clause  
e.g. A 3-CNF sentence would be  $(l_1 \vee l_2 \vee l_3) \wedge (l_4 \vee l_5 \vee l_6) \wedge (l_7 \vee l_8 \vee l_9)$

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## Recipe for Converting to CNF

1. Eliminate  $\Leftrightarrow$ , replacing  $\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta$  with  $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$
2. Eliminate  $\Rightarrow$ , replacing  $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$  with  $\neg\alpha \vee \beta$
3. Move  $\neg$  inwards using:
  - $\neg(\neg\alpha) \equiv \alpha$  (double-negation elimination)
  - $\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv \neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta$  (De Morgan's Law)
  - $\neg(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv \neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta$  (De Morgan's Law)
4. Apply distributive law  $(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma))$

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## Exercise

- Convert the following sentence to CNF.

$$(B \vee C) \Rightarrow D$$

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## A resolution algorithm

To prove  $KB \models \alpha$ , we show that  $(KB \wedge \neg\alpha)$  is unsatisfiable  
(Remember that  $\alpha \models \beta$  iff the sentence  $(\alpha \wedge \neg\beta)$  is unsatisfiable)

The algorithm:

1. Convert  $(KB \wedge \neg\alpha)$  to CNF
2. Apply resolution rule to resulting clauses. Each pair with complementary literals is resolved to produce a new clause which is added to the KB
3. Keep going until
  - There are no new clauses that can be added ( meaning  $KB \not\models \alpha$  )
  - Two clauses resolve to yield the empty clause ( meaning  $KB \models \alpha$  )

The empty clause is equivalent to false because a disjunction is true only if one of its disjuncts is true

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## Exercise

- Suppose the KB contains the following sentences in CNF.
  1.  $\neg C \vee E$
  2.  $\neg P \vee E$
  3.  $\neg E \vee \neg R$
  4.  $\neg A \vee \neg P \vee E$
- Does  $KB \models \neg R$ ?

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## Resolution Pseudocode

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function PL-RESOLUTION( $KB, \alpha$ ) returns true or false
  clauses  $\leftarrow$  the set of clauses in the CNF representation of  $KB \wedge \neg\alpha$ 
  new  $\leftarrow \{ \}$ 
  loop do
    for each  $C_i, C_j$  in clauses do
      resolvents  $\leftarrow$  PL-RESOLVE( $C_i, C_j$ )
      if resolvents contains the empty clause then return true
      new  $\leftarrow$  new  $\cup$  resolvents
    if new  $\subseteq$  clauses then return false
  clauses  $\leftarrow$  clauses  $\cup$  new
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## Things you should know

- Understand the syntax and semantics of propositional logic
- Know how to do a proof in propositional logic using inference rules
- Know how to convert arbitrary sentences to CNF
- Know how resolution works

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