

Discrete Mathematics

Propositional Logic

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Textbook coverage

- Sec. 1.1 Propositional logic
- Sec. 1.3. Propositional equivalence
- Sec. 1.2 Applications of propositional logic

Logic

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- Logic, or a logic system, is a set of rules to specify and derive a certain kind of statements
 - to achieve clarity and correctness in an argument
- A logic system has the syntactic and the semantic aspects
 - syntax: symbolic structure of the statements
 - semantics: a relation between symbolic structures and meaning

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- A statement in the propositional logic consists one or multiple propositions connected with logical operators
- A proposition is a declarative sentence that is either true or false
 - $1 + 1 = 2$
 - *Vancouver is the capital of Canada*
 - ~~$1 + 2 + 3$~~
 - ~~$x + 1 = 2$~~
- A propositional variable is a symbol that represents a propositional statement
 - the value of a propositional variable is either true or false
 - the value is definitive within a statement

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- An atomic proposition is a proposition that cannot be expressed in term of simpler terms
- A compound proposition is formed with other propositions and logical operators
 - logical operators (connectives): negation, disjunction, conjunction, XOR, implication, etc.
 - E.g., The negation of p for a proposition p , denoted as $\neg p$, is the proposition that is true only when p is false.

- Formal grammar

$$P := A \mid C$$
$$A := p \mid q \mid r \mid \dots$$
$$C := \neg P \mid (P) \mid P \vee P \mid P \wedge P \mid \dots$$

Evaluation

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- A propositional statement with propositional variables may have different evaluations (truth values) depending on the values of each propositional variable
 - ex. $p \vee (q \wedge r)$
- An assignment (model or valuation) of a propositional statement is a combination of truth values of the propositional variables
 - e.g., $\phi_1 = (p: T, q: T, r: T)$ or $\llbracket \phi_1 \rrbracket_p = T, \llbracket \phi_1 \rrbracket_q = T, \llbracket \phi_1 \rrbracket_r = T$
 $\phi_2 = (p: T, q: T, r: F)$ or $\llbracket \phi_2 \rrbracket_p = T, \llbracket \phi_2 \rrbracket_q = T, \llbracket \phi_2 \rrbracket_r = F$

Implication (Conditional Statement)

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- An implication is a logical connective such that $p \rightarrow q$ evaluates to True when q is true if p is true
 - $p \rightarrow q$ is equivalent with $\neg p \vee q$
 - used to state a condition
 - examples
 - if you do not take midterm, you get F
 - if you are in the Handong campus, you are in Pohang
 - $x < y \rightarrow x < y + 1$
 - $(2 + 3 = 4) \rightarrow (1 + 2 = 4)$
- The converse of $p \rightarrow q$ is $q \rightarrow p$.
- The inverse of $p \rightarrow q$ is $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$.
- The contrapositive of $p \rightarrow q$ is $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$.

Equivalence

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- The condition that two propositions p and q evaluate to the same can be expressed as $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$, or simply $p \leftrightarrow q$
 - have the same truth value for every assignment
 - a statement $p \leftrightarrow q$ refers as p if and only if q (or simply p iff q)

Example

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| <i>Equivalence</i> | <i>Name</i> |
|--|---------------------|
| $p \wedge \mathbf{T} \equiv p$ $p \vee \mathbf{F} \equiv p$ | Identity laws |
| $p \vee \mathbf{T} \equiv \mathbf{T}$ $p \wedge \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$ | Domination laws |
| $p \vee p \equiv p$ $p \wedge p \equiv p$ | Idempotent laws |
| $\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$ | Double negation law |
| $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$ $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$ | Commutative laws |
| $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$ $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$ | Associative laws |
| $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ | Distributive laws |

- De Morgan's law:

$$\neg(p \wedge q) \leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q$$

$$\neg(p \vee q) \leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge \neg q$$

| p | q | $p \vee q$ | $\neg(p \vee q)$ | $\neg p$ | $\neg q$ | $\neg p \wedge \neg q$ |
|-----|-----|------------|------------------|----------|----------|------------------------|
| T | T | T | F | F | F | F |
| T | F | T | F | F | T | F |
| F | T | T | F | T | F | F |
| F | F | F | T | T | T | T |

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Propositional Satisfiability

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- A proposition p is **satisfiable** if there exists an assignment that makes p true
- A proposition p is **unsatisfiable** if p is not satisfiable
 - A unsatisfiable proposition is called as *contradiction*
- A proposition p is **valid** if p is true for all assignments
 - A valid proposition is called as tautology
 - E.g., if $x = y$, then $x = y$
I just want to live while I am alive - Bon Jovi

Logic Puzzle: Knight or Knaves

- An island has two kinds of inhabitants, *knight*s, who always tell the truth, and *knave*s, who always lie.
- You go to the island and meet A and B.
 - A says “B is a knight.”
 - B says “The two of us are of opposite types.”

What are the types of A and B?



Logic Puzzle: Treasure

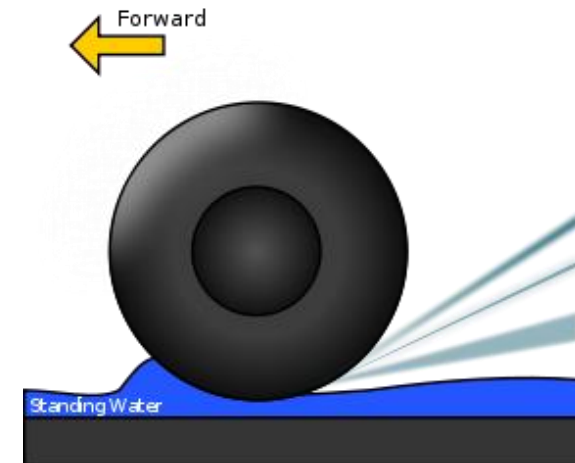


- There are 3 trunks only one of which contains a treasure.
- Trunk 1 and Trunk 2 are inscribed with “This trunk is empty” and Trunk 3 is inscribed with “Treasure is in Trunk 2”.
- You know that only one of the three inscriptions is true.
- Where’s the treasure?

System Specification

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- Logic-based languages (formal languages) are powerful tools for specifying and analyzing software requirements rigorously
- E.g., Lufthansa A320 Airbus accident at Warsaw in 1993
 - Specification: Turn on reverse thrust when the airplane is running on runway for landing
 - System Design (adopted)
 - Set REVERSE_THRUST as ON iff
 $\text{MODE} = \text{LANDING}$ and $\text{ALTITUDE} = 0$
 - Set MODE as LAND iff
 $\text{VELOCITY} > 0$ and $\text{LANDING_GEAR_ANG} > 0$



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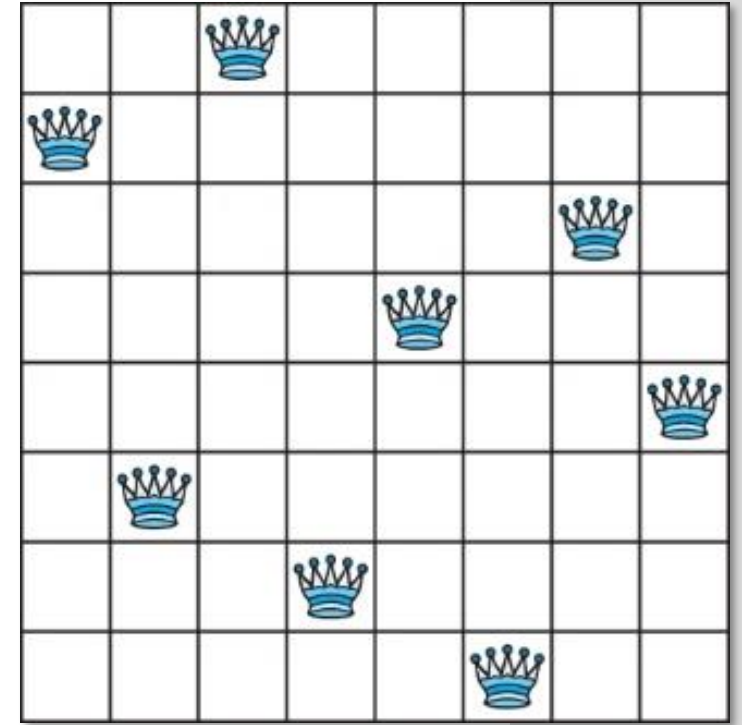
Application: N-Queen Problem

• Problem

- Place N Queens on a NxN grid, while not placing two Queens on the same vertical, horizontal or diagonal line

• Modeling

- Proposition $p_{i,j}$ indicates whether a Queen is placed at the i -row and at the j -th column



$$Q_1 = \bigwedge_{i=1..n} \bigvee_{j=1..n} p_{i,j}$$

$$Q_4 = \bigwedge_{i=2..n} \bigwedge_{j=1..n-1} \bigwedge_{k=1..min(i-1,n-j)} \neg(p_{i,j} \wedge p_{i-k,j+k})$$

$$Q_2 = \bigwedge_{i=1..n} \bigwedge_{j=1..n-1} \bigwedge_{k=j+1..n} \neg(p_{i,j} \wedge p_{i,k})$$

$$Q_5 = \bigwedge_{i=1..n-1} \bigwedge_{j=1..n-1} \bigwedge_{k=1..min(n-i,n-j)} \neg(p_{i,j} \wedge p_{i+k,j+k})$$

$$Q_3 = \bigwedge_{i=1..n} \bigwedge_{j=1..n-1} \bigwedge_{k=j+1..n} \neg(p_{j,i} \wedge p_{k,i})$$

$$Q_1 \wedge Q_2 \wedge Q_3 \wedge Q_4 \wedge Q_5$$