# **Inductive Logic Programming. Part 2**

Based partially on Luc De Raedt's slides http://www.cs.kuleuven.be/~lucdr/lrl.html

# Specialisation and generalisation

A formula G is a **specialisation** of a formula F iff F entails from G

(If h is true, F is true)

$$G \models F$$

= each model of G is also a model of F.

#### **Specialisation operator**

assign a formula a set of all its specialisations

Generalisation = the other direction

$$dog(x) = mammal(x)$$
 $G = F$ 

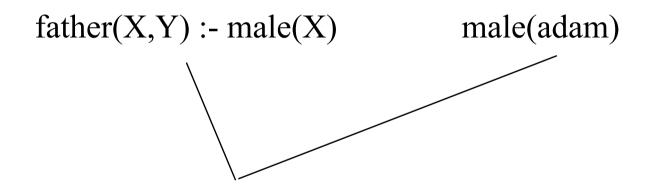
F follows *deductively* from G G follows *inductively* from F

therefore induction is the inverse of deduction

this is an operational point of view because there are many deductive operators |- that implement |=

take any deductive operator and invert it and one obtains an inductive operator

### Resolution



father(adam,kain)

Example: Learn a relation father/2 given domain knowledge parent/2 and male/2:

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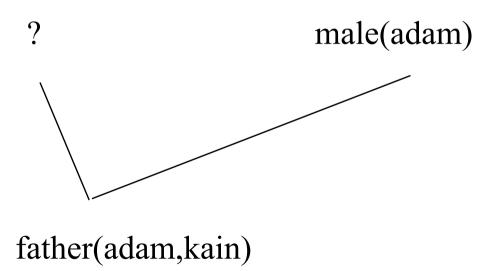
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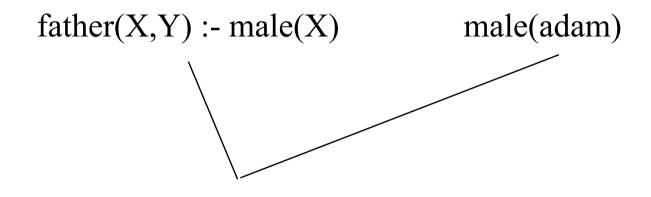
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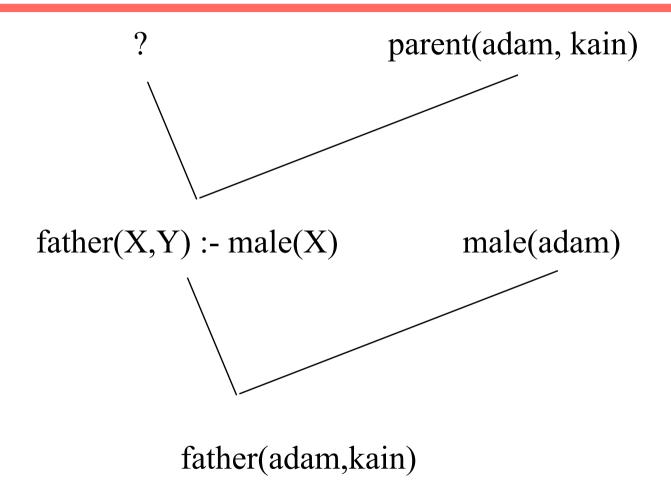
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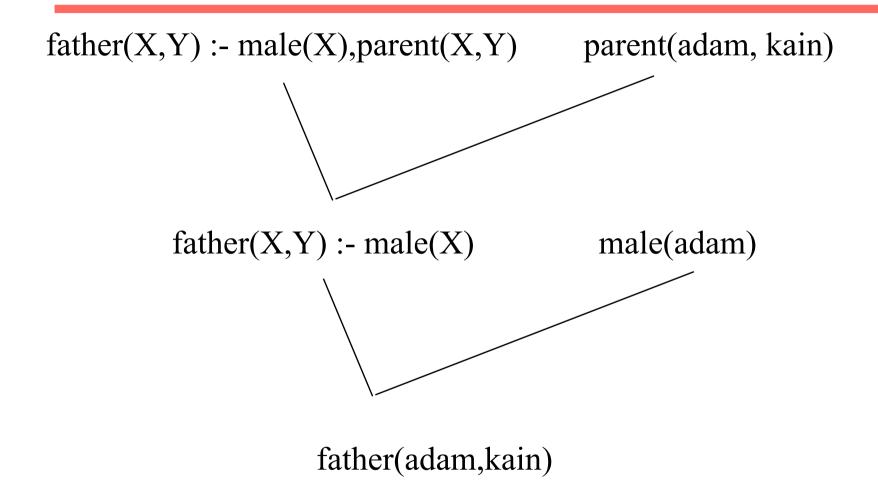
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Given  $C_1$  which is of the form AvB, and resolvent which is of the form BvC, the aim is to find  $C_2$ .

#### In propositional logic:

- 1. Find a literal L that appears in  $C_I$  but not in the resolvent.
- 2. Then C2 is given by either (Resolvent (Resolvent  $\cap C_1$ ))  $\cup \{\neg L\}$  or by (Resolvent  $(C_1 \{L\})$ )  $\cup \{\neg L\}$

In predicate logic:

father(X,Y):- male(X)

father(adam,kain)

- 1. Find a literals  $L_1$  in  $C_1$  that is not in the resolvent. Then in  $C_2$  there must be  $L_2$  that  $L_1 \Theta = L_2 \Theta$ .
- 2. Assume  $\Theta = \Theta_1 \Theta_2$  such that  $L_1 \Theta_1 = L_2 \Theta_2$ . Then  $L_2 = \neg L_1 \Theta_1 \Theta_2^{-1}$
- 3. Then  $C_2 = (\text{Resolvent} (C_1 \{L_1\}\Theta_1)) \Theta_2^{-1} \cup \neg L_1\Theta_1\Theta_2^{-1}$
- 4.  $C_1$  is ground =>  $\Theta_1$ ={}  $C_2$  = (Resolvent -  $(C_1 - \{L_1\})) \Theta_2^{-1} \cup \neg L_1 \Theta_2^{-1}$

#### Main drawback

#### nondeterminism

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father(X,Y):- male(X)
father(X,kain):- male(X)
father(adam,kain):- male(adam)

father(adam,kain)
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## Subsumption and Θ-subsumption

Clause G subsumes clause F if and only  $G \models F$  or, equivalently  $G \subseteq F$ 

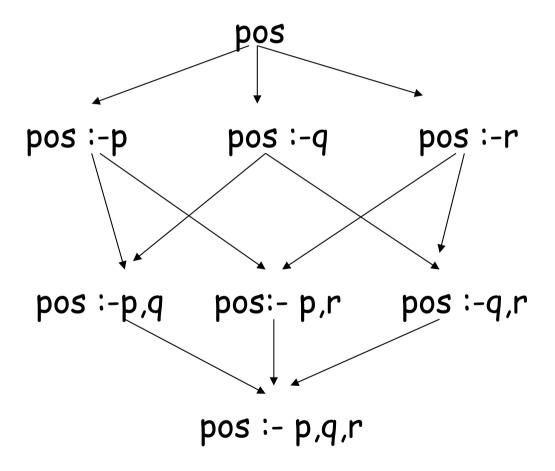
Example - propositional logic

$$pos := p,q,r = pos := p,q,r,s,t$$

because

$$\{pos, \neg p, \neg q, \neg r\} \subseteq \{pos, \neg p, \neg q, \neg r, \neg s, \neg t\}$$

# Subsumption in propositional logic



## Subsumption in propositional logic

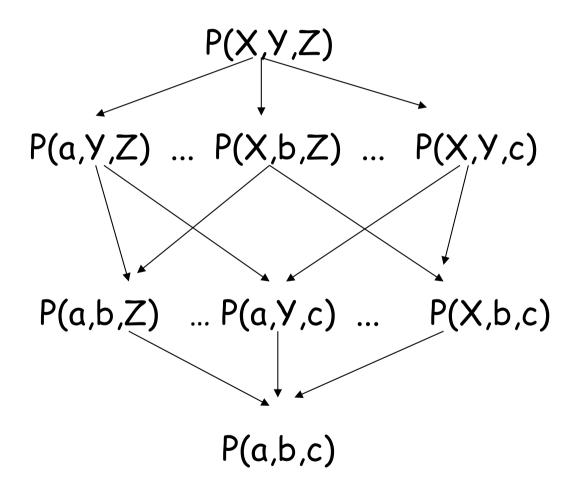
- Perfect structure
- Complete lattice
  - any two clauses have unique
    - least upper bound (least general generalization)
    - greatest lower bound
- No syntactic variants
- Easy specialization, generalization

# Subsumption in predicate logic

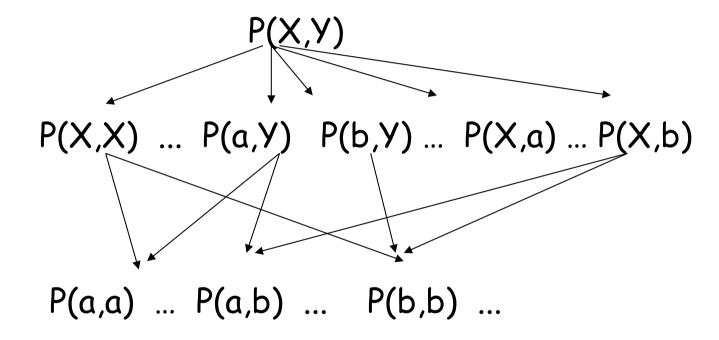
#### Subsumption in logical atoms

- g subsumes s if and only if there is a substitution  $\theta$  such that  $g\theta = s$
- e.g. p(X,Y,X) subsumes p(a,Y,a)
- e.g. p(f(X),Y) subsumes p(f(a),Y)

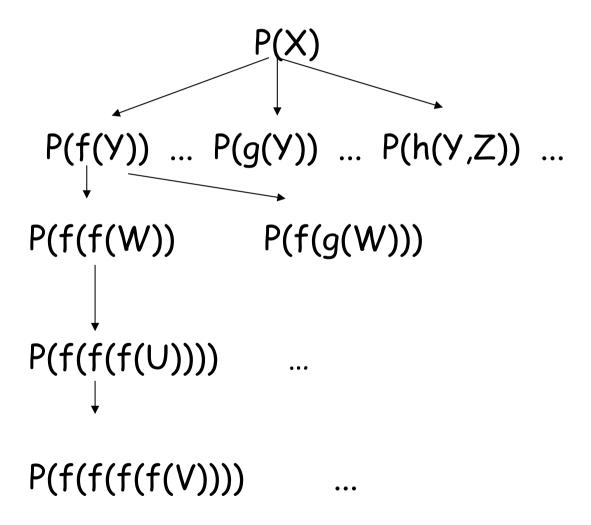
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G subsumes F iff there is a substitution  $\theta$  such that  $G\theta = F$ 

- Still nice properties and complete lattice up to variable renaming
  - p(X,a) and p(U,a)
  - greatest lower bound = unification
  - unification p(X,a) and p(b,U) gives p(b,a)
  - least upper bound = anti-unification = lgg
  - lgg p(X,a,b) and p(c,a,d) = p(X,a,Y)
  - lgg p(X,f(X,c)) and p(a,f(a,Y)) gives p(U,f(U,T))

## Ideal Specialization Operator

- Ideal Specialization operator :
  - apply a substitution { X / Y } where X,Y already appear in atom
  - apply a substitution  $\{X / f(Y1, ..., Yn)\}$  where Yi new variables
  - apply a substitution {X / c } where c is a constant
- Ideal Generalization operator :
  - apply an inverse substitution
    - Inverse substitution substitutes terms at specified places by variables
    - Invert one of the specialization steps above
      - Replace some (but not all) occurences of a variable X by a different variable Y
      - Replace all terms f(Y1,...,Yn) where Yi are distinct by a new variable X
      - Replace some occurences of a constant by a new variable

# Ideal Specialization Operator

**Properties** 

Ideal specialisation operator must be

- locally complete
- globally complete
- proper

### Ideal Specialization Operator

Let A be an atom. Then

$$\rho_{s,a,i}(A) = \{ A\theta \mid \theta \text{ is an elementary substitution} \}$$
 (5.4)

where an elementary substitution  $\theta$  is of the form

$$\theta = \begin{cases} \{X/f(X_1, ..., X_n)\} & \text{with } f \text{ a functor of arity } n \text{ and} \\ \text{the } X_i \text{ are variables not occurring in } A \\ \{X/C\} & \text{with } c \text{ a constant} \\ \{X/Y\} & \text{with } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are variables occurring in } A \end{cases}$$

$$(5.5)$$

It is relatively easy to see that  $\rho_{s,a,i}$  is an ideal operator for atoms.

## Optimal Specialization Operator

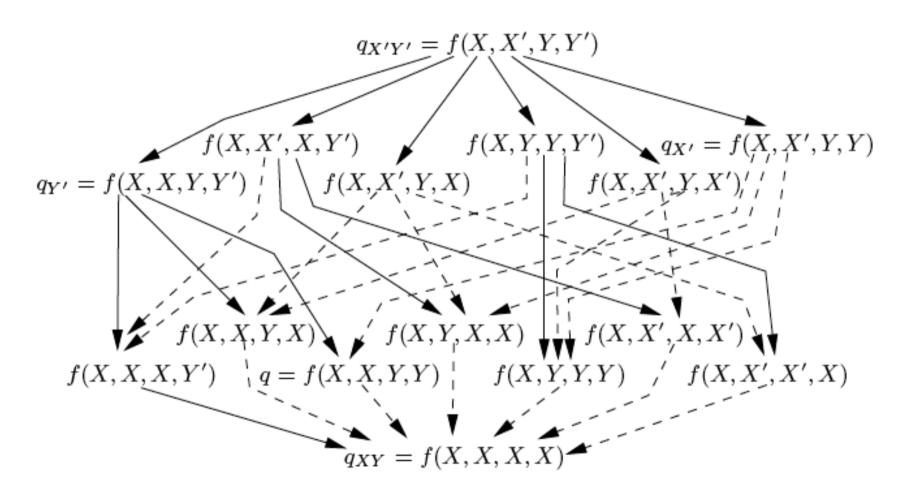


Fig. 5.6. Example of duplicate avoidance for Unification

## Optimal Specialization Operator

Let A be an atom. Then

$$\rho_{s,a,o}(A) = \{ A\theta \mid \theta \text{ is an optimal elementary substitution} \}$$
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where an elementary substitution  $\theta$  is of the form  $\theta$  is an optimal elementary substitution for an atom A iff it is of the form

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$$(5.7)$$

### Theta-subsumption (Plotkin 70)

- Most important framework for inductive logic programming. Used by all major ILP systems.
- F and G are single clauses
- Combines propositional subsumption and subsumption on logical atoms
- c1 theta-subsumes c2 if and only if there is a substitution  $\theta$  such that c1  $\theta \subseteq$  c2
- c1 : father(X,Y) :- parent(X,Y),male(X)
- c2 : father(adam,kain) :- parent(adam,kain), parent(adam,an), male(adam), female(an)
- $\theta = \{ X / adam, Y / kain \}$

## Example

- d1: p(X,Y):= q(X,Y), q(Y,X)
- d2 : p(Z,Z) := q(Z,Z)
- d3 : p(a,a) := q(a,a)
- theta(1,2):  $\{X / Z, Y / Z\}$
- theta(2,3):  $\{Z/a\}$
- d1 is a generalization of d3
- Mapping several literals onto one leads (sometimes) to combinatorial problems

## **Properties**

• Soundness: if c1 theta-subsumes c2 then

$$c1 = c2$$

• Incompleteness (but only for self-recursive clauses) wrt logical entailment

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c1: p(f(X)):- p(X)c2: p(f(f(Y))):- p(Y)
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- Decidable (but NP-complete)
- transitive and reflexive but not anti-symmetric

## Specialisation operations

#### binding of two distinct variables

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path(X,Y) . . . There is a path between nodes X and Y in a graph edge(X,Y). . . There is an edge between X and Y spec(path(X,Y)) = path(X,X)
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#### adding a most general atom into a clause body

arguments are distinct and so far unused variables spec(path(X,Y)) = (path(X,Y) :- edge(U,V))

= a minimal set of specialisation operations for logic programs without function symbols:

## Specialisation operations

Logic programs with functions:

A minimal set extended with

Substitution a variable with a most general term

arguments are distinct and so far unused variables

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spec(number(X)) = number(0)

spec(number(X)) = number(s(Y)).
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## Specialisation and generalisation

#### **Domain-dependent operations - examples**

triangle  $\leq$  n-angle  $\leq$  plannar object

 $town \le district \le region \le country \le continent$ 

$$[0,1) \leq [0,11) \leq [0,111) \leq [0,\inf)$$