





Decision Analytics

Lecture 5: Boolean Satisfiability and Logic Inference

Constraint Satisfaction Problem

- A Constraint Satisfaction Problem (CSP) is defined by
 - A tuple of n variables

$$X = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$$

a corresponding tuple of domains

$$D = < D_1, ..., D_n >$$

defining the potential values each variable can assume

$$x_i \in D_i$$

and a tuple of t constraints

$$C = \langle C_1, ..., C_t \rangle$$

each being defined itself by a tuple

$$C_i = \langle R_{S_i}, S_i \rangle$$

- comprising the scope of the constraint $S_i \subset X$, being the subset of variables the constraint operates on
- and the relation $R_{S_i} \subset D_{S_{i_1}} \times \cdots \times D_{S_{i_{|S_i|}}}$, being the set of valid variable assignments in the scope of the constraint

Boolean Satisfiability (SAT)

- A special case of CSP are Boolean satisfiability problems
- In this case all domains are Boolean, i.e. restricted to $D_i = \{T, F\}$

And all constraints boil down to expressions in Boolean algebra

$$R_{S_i} = \{ \langle x_{S_{i_1}}, \dots, x_{S_{i_{|S_i|}}} \rangle \mid T[x_{S_{i_1}}, \dots, x_{S_{i_{|S_i|}}}] = True \}$$

• The solution to this CSP is an assignment to all Boolean variables such that all terms in the constraints evaluate to true

- First-order logic describes the world as
 - a set of objects (e.g. cars, houses)
 - with individual **properties** (e.g. red, blue)
- Amongst these objects various **relations** are defined that are known to hold (e.g. colour[car, red], $\exists x : colour[x, blue]$)
- (sometimes also **functions** are defined, but they can be seen as special case of a relation, e.g. colourOf[car]=red)
- One goal of logic inference is to determine facts that are implied by the constraints (e.g. colour[house, blue])

- First-order logic describes the state of the domain using **sentences** (e.g. $colour[car, green] \lor colour[car, blue])$
- Each sentence is either an atomic predicate or it is a complex sentence being constructed from other less-complex sentences (see below)
- A **predicate** describe relations between **objects** and **attributes**, which are either true or false (e.g. colour[car, green])
- (sometimes also **equality** is considered in atomic sentences, but it can also be constructed from predicates, see below)

- A complex sentence is constructed by
 - Logical connectives $(s_1 \land s_2, s_1 \lor s_2, s_1 \Rightarrow s_2, s_1 \Leftrightarrow s_2)$ combining two less complex sentences s_1 and s_2
 - Negation of another sentence s (i.e. $\neg s$) or bracketing another sentence (i.e. (s))
 - By using **quantifiers** for either universal quantification (∀) or for existential quantification (see below)
- Quantification over objects and attributes defines first-order logic as opposed to predicate logic (zero-order) and quantification over relations (second-order)

- Universal quantification (denoted with ∀) allow us to make statements that have to hold for <u>all</u> sentences they refer to
- They use **variables** as placeholders for objects and attributes in the underlying predicates to make a statement that holds for every instantiation of that variable (e.g. $\forall x$: $colour[x, red] \Rightarrow owner[x, John]$, which means that every red car is owned by John)
- A term with no variables, i.e. a term that only contains constants, is called a ground term

- Existential quantification (denoted with ∃) allow us to make statements that have to hold for <u>at least one</u> of the sentences they refer to
- Again, they use variables as placeholders for objects and attributes in the underlying predicates to make a statement that holds at least one instantiation of that variable (e.g. ∃x: colour[x, green], which means that somewhere there is a green object)
- The domain in this case is implicit in the predicates used

- As sentences are made of less complex sentences, quantifiers can be nested (e.g. $\forall x$: $\exists y$: colour[x, y], meaning that every object has at least one colour)
- Similar to conjunction and disjunction in Boolean logic, the universal and existential quantification in first-order logic are related as follows
 - $\forall x: \neg P \equiv \neg \exists x: P$ (if P does not hold for every x, then there is not one x for which P holds)
 - ¬∀x: P ≡ ∃x: ¬P
 (if it is not the case that for every x P holds, then there is one x for which P does not hold)
 - $\forall x: P \equiv \neg \exists x: \neg P$ (if x holds for every P, then there is no x for which P does not hold)
 - $\exists x : P \equiv \neg \forall x : \neg P$ (if there is an x for which P holds, then it is not the case that for all x P does not hold)

- Sometime we use the notation x = y and $x \neq y$ to indicate to objects are equal or unequal
- Inequality can be handled by noting that $x \neq y \equiv \neg(x = y)$
- Then, equality can be constructed as dedicated predicate over all objects and attributes asserting

```
equal[car, car] \land equal[house, house] \land equal[red, red] \land equal[blue, blue] \land
```

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First-order logic as SAT problem

- First, we identify the **predicates** $P_1, ..., P_N$ of the problem domain (e.g. colour, owner, etc.)
- For each **predicate** P_n we determine the **object** domain D_{O_n} and **attribute** domain D_{A_n} the predicate covers (e.g. colour: {car, house} \times {red, green, blue}, owner: {car, house} \times {Alan, Bob, Dave}, etc.)
- For each predicate $P_n: D_{O_n} \times D_{A_n}$, each element in the associated object domain $j \in D_{O_n}$ and each element in the associated attribute domain $k \in D_{O_n}$ we create a Boolean variables x_{nij} indicating weather the predicate holds or not
- Finally, for each **sentence** we add a constraint over the predicate variables the sentence refers to

First-order logic as SAT problem

Conjunctive normal form:

We have already seen that we can transform every zero-order Boolean term into an equivalent term being a conjunction of disjunctions of literals, i.e. look like the following example

$$(x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor x_3) \land (\neg y_1 \lor y_2) \land (z_1 \lor z_2 \lor z_3 \lor z_4)$$

```
model.AddBoolOr([x1,x2.Not(),x3])
model.AddBoolOr([y1.Not(),y2])
model.AddBoolOr([z1,z2,z3,z4])
```

First-order logic as SAT problem

A universal quantification over a predicate

$$\forall i: P_n[i,j]$$

translates into a conjunction of the corresponding variables

$$x_{n1j} \wedge \cdots \wedge x_{n|D_{O_n}|j}$$

- Similar the existential quantification over a predicate $\exists i: P_n[i,j]$
- translates into a disjunction of the corresponding variables

$$x_{n1j} \vee \cdots \vee x_{n|D_{O_n}|j}$$

• If the quantification is over an attribute, then the conjunction or disjunction is over the variables corresponding to the second index

- There are five houses.
- The Englishman lives in the red house.
- The Spaniard owns the dog.
- Coffee is drunk in the green house.
- The Ukrainian drinks tea.
- The green house is immediately to the right of the ivory house.
- The Old Gold smoker owns snails.
- Kools are smoked in the yellow house.
- Milk is drunk in the middle house.
- The Norwegian lives in the first house.
- The man who smokes Chesterfields lives in the house next to the man with the fox.
- Kools are smoked in the house next to the house where the horse is kept.
- The Lucky Strike smoker drinks orange juice.
- The Japanese smokes Parliaments.
- The Norwegian lives next to the blue house.
- Now, who drinks water? Who owns the zebra?







- First, we identify the predicates of the problem domain
 - colour
 - nationality
 - pet
 - drink
 - cigarette
- All of these operate on the same object domain (houses)
- The first clue reads "There are five houses.", therefore
 - $D_O = \{House \#1, House \#2, House \#3, House \#4, House \#5\}$

```
houses = ["House #1", "House #2", "House #3", "House #4", "House #5"]
```

• The attribute domain for colour is $D_A = \{red, green, ivory, yellow, blue\}$

```
colours = ["red", "green", "ivory", "yellow", "blue"]
```

 We add the 5x5 Boolean variables corresponding to all combinations of objects and attributes

```
house_colour = {}

for house in houses:
    variables = {}

    for colour in colours:
        variables[colour] = model.NewBoolVar(house+colour)
    house_colour[house] = variables
```

• The attribute domain for *nationality* is $D_A = \{English, Spanish, Ukranian, Norwegian, Japanese\}$

 Again, we add the 5x5 Boolean variables corresponding to all combinations of objects and attributes

```
house_nationality = {}
for house in houses:
    variables = {}
    for nationality in nationalities:
        variables[nationality] = model.NewBoolVar(house+nationality)
    house_nationality[house] = variables
```

• The attribute domain for pet is $D_A = \{dog, snails, fox, horse, zebra\}$

```
pets = ["dog", "snails", "fox", "horse", "zebra"]
```

 We add the 5x5 Boolean variables corresponding to all combinations of objects and attributes

```
house_pet = {}
for house in houses:
    variables = {}
    for pet in pets:
        variables[pet] = model.NewBoolVar(house+pet)
    house_pet[house] = variables
```

• The attribute domain for drink is $D_A = \{coffee, tea, milk, juice, water\}$

```
drinks = ["coffee", "tea", "milk", "juice", "water"]
```

 We add the 5x5 Boolean variables corresponding to all combinations of objects and attributes

```
house_drink = {}

for house in houses:
    variables = {}

    for drink in drinks:
        variables[drink] = model.NewBoolVar(house+drink)
    house_drink[house] = variables
```

• The attribute domain for cigarette is $D_A = \{OldGold, Chesterfields, Kools, LuckeyStrike, Parliaments\}$

 Again, we add the 5x5 Boolean variables corresponding to all combinations of objects and attributes

```
house_cigarette = {}
for house in houses:
    variables = {}
    for cigarette in cigarettes:
        variables[cigarette] = model.NewBoolVar(house+cigarette)
    house_cigarette[house] = variables
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The Englishman lives in the red house."

```
\forall x : nationality(x, English) \Rightarrow colour(x, red)
```

We translate this into a conjunction over all houses
 nationality(House #1, English) ⇒ colour(House #1, red)
 nationality(House #2, English) ⇒ colour(House #2, red)
 nationality(House #3, English) ⇒ colour(House #3, red)

 $nationality(House \#4, English) \Rightarrow colour(House \#4, red)$

 $nationality(House #5, English) \Rightarrow colour(House #5, red)$

```
for house in houses:
    model.AddBoolAnd([house_colour[house]["red"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_nationality[house]["English"])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The Spaniard owns the dog."

```
\forall x : nationality(x, Spanish) \Rightarrow pet(x, dog)
```

We translate this into a conjunction over all houses

```
nationality(House #1, Spanish) \Rightarrow pet(House #1, dog)
nationality(House #2, Spanish) \Rightarrow pet(House #2, dog)
nationality(House #3, Spanish) \Rightarrow pet(House #3, dog)
nationality(House #4, Spanish) \Rightarrow pet(House #4, dog)
nationality(House #5, Spanish) \Rightarrow pet(House #5, dog)
```

```
for house in houses:

model.AddBoolAnd([house_pet[house]["dog"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_nationality[house]["Spanish"])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "Coffee is drunk in the green house."

```
\forall x : colour(x, green) \Rightarrow drink(x, coffee)
```

• We translate this into a conjunction over all houses

```
colour(House \#1, green) \Rightarrow drink(House \#1, coffee)

colour(House \#2, green) \Rightarrow drink(House \#2, coffee)

colour(House \#3, green) \Rightarrow drink(House \#3, coffee)

colour(House \#4, green) \Rightarrow drink(House \#4, coffee)

colour(House \#5, green) \Rightarrow drink(House \#5, coffee)
```

```
for house in houses:

model.AddBoolAnd([house_drink[house]["coffee"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_colour[house]["green"])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The Ukrainian drinks tea."

```
\forall x : nationality(x, Ukrainian) \Rightarrow drink(x, tea)
```

We translate this into a conjunction over all houses
 nationality(House #1, Ukrainian) ⇒ drink(House #1, tea)
 nationality(House #2, Ukrainian) ⇒ drink(House #2, tea)
 nationality(House #3, Ukrainian) ⇒ drink(House #3, tea)
 nationality(House #4, Ukrainian) ⇒ drink(House #4, tea)
 nationality(House #5, Ukrainian) ⇒ drink(House #5, tea)

```
for house in houses:

model.AddBoolAnd([house_drink[house]["tea"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_nationality[house]["Ukrainian"])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The green house is immediately to the right of the ivory house."

```
colour(House #1, ivory) \Rightarrow colour(House #2, green)

colour(House #2, ivory) \Rightarrow colour(House #3, green)

colour(House #3, ivory) \Rightarrow colour(House #4, green)

colour(House #5, ivory) \Rightarrow colour(House #5, green)

\neg colour(House #5, ivory)
```

```
for i in range(4) in houses:
    model.AddBoolAnd([house_colour[houses[i+1]]["green"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_colour[houses[i]]["ivory"])
model.AddBoolAnd([house_colour[houses[4]]["ivory"].Not()])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The Old Gold smoker owns snails."

```
\forall x : cigarette(x, Old\ Gold) \Rightarrow pet(x, snails)
```

We translate this into a conjunction over all houses

```
cigarette(House #1, Old Gold) \Rightarrow pet(House #1, snails)
cigarette(House #2, Old Gold) \Rightarrow pet(House #2, snails)
cigarette(House #3, Old Gold) \Rightarrow pet(House #3, snails)
cigarette(House #4, Old Gold) \Rightarrow pet(House #4, snails)
cigarette(House #5, Old Gold) \Rightarrow pet(House #5, snails)
```

```
for house in houses:
    model.AddBoolAnd([house_pet[house]["snails"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_cigarette[house]["Old Gold"])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "Kools are smoked in the yellow house."

```
\forall x : cigarette(x, Kools) \Rightarrow colour(x, yellow)
```

We translate this into a conjunction over all houses
 cigarette(House #1, Kools) ⇒ colour(House #1, yellow)
 cigarette(House #1, Kools) ⇒ colour(House #1, yellow)

```
for house in houses:
    model.AddBoolAnd([house_colour[house]["yellow"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_cigarette[house]["Kools"])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "Milk is drunk in the middle house."

```
drink(House #3, milk)
```

```
model.AddBoolAnd([house_drink["House #3"]["milk"]])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The Norwegian lives in the first house."

nationality(House #1, Norwegian)

```
model.AddBoolAnd([house_nationality["House #1"]["Norwegian"]])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The man who smokes Chesterfields lives in the house next to the man with the fox."

```
cigarette[House~\#1, Chesterfields] \Rightarrow pet(House~\#2, fox)

cigarette[House~\#2, Chesterfields] \Rightarrow pet(House~\#1, fox) \lor pet(House~\#3, fox)

cigarette[House~\#3, Chesterfields] \Rightarrow pet(House~\#2, fox) \lor pet(House~\#4, fox)

cigarette[House~\#4, Chesterfields] \Rightarrow pet(House~\#3, fox) \lor pet(House~\#5, fox)

cigarette[House~\#5, Chesterfields] \Rightarrow pet(House~\#4, fox)
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "Kools are smoked in the house next to the house where the horse is kept."

```
cigarette[House \#1, Kools] \Rightarrow pet(House \#2, horse)
cigarette[House \#2, Kools] \Rightarrow pet(House \#1, horse) \lor pet(House \#3, horse)
cigarette[House \#3, Kools] \Rightarrow pet(House \#2, horse) \lor pet(House \#4, horse)
cigarette[House \#4, Kools] \Rightarrow pet(House \#3, horse) \lor pet(House \#5, horse)
cigarette[House \#5, Kools] \Rightarrow pet(House \#4, horse)
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The Lucky Strike smoker drinks orange juice."

```
\forall x : cigarette(x, LuckyStrike) \Rightarrow drink(x, juice)
```

• We translate this into a conjunction over all houses cigarette(House #1, LuckyStrike) ⇒ drink(House #1, juice) cigarette(House #1, LuckyStrike) ⇒ drink(House #1, juice)

```
for house in houses:

model.AddBoolAnd([house_drink[house]["juice"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_cigarette[house]["Lucky Strike"])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The Japanese smokes Parliaments."

```
\forall x : nationality(x, Japanese) \Rightarrow cigarette(x, Parliaments)
```

• We translate this into a conjunction over all houses

nationality(House #1, Japanese) ⇒ cigarette(House #1, Parliaments)

nationality(House #2, Japanese) ⇒ cigarette(House #2, Parliaments)

nationality(House #3, Japanese) ⇒ cigarette(House #3, Parliaments)

nationality(House #4, Japanese) ⇒ cigarette(House #4, Parliaments)

nationality(House #5, Japanese) ⇒ cigarette(House #5, Parliaments)

```
or house in houses:
model.AddBoolAnd([house_cigarette[house]["Parliaments"]]).OnlyEnforceIf(house_nationality[house]["Japanese"])
```

- Now we go sentence by sentence and re-formulate in first-order logic
- "The Norwegian lives next to the blue house.

```
colour[House~\#1,blue]\Rightarrow nationality(House~\#2,Norwegian) colour[House~\#2,blue]\Rightarrow nationality(House~\#1,Norwegian) \lor nationality(House~\#3,Norwegian) \lor nationality(House~\#4,Norwegian) \lor nationality(House~\#4,Norwegian) \lor nationality(House~\#4,Norwegian) \lor nationality(House~\#4,Norwegian) \lor nationality(House~\#4,Norwegian) \lor nationality(House~\#4,Norwegian)
```

- That is all sentences of the zebra puzzle encoded, but is this all?
- There are some implicit assumptions that are not explicitly stated in the text
 - Every house has a colour/nationality/pet/drink/cigarette
 - Every house has no more than one colour/nationality/pet/drink/cigarette
 - All houses have a different colour/nationality/pet/drink/cigarette

Every house has a colour

 $\forall x \exists y : colour(x, y)$

That translates into

 $\begin{array}{l} (colour(House\ \#1,red)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#1,green)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#1,ivory)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#1,yellow)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#2,green)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#2,ivory)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#2,yellow)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#2,blue)) \\ \land\ (colour(House\ \#3,red)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#3,green)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#3,ivory)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#3,yellow)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#3,blue)) \\ \land\ (colour(House\ \#4,red)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#4,green)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#4,ivory)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#4,yellow)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#4,blue)) \\ \land\ (colour(House\ \#5,red)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#5,green)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#5,ivory)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#5,yellow)\ \lor\ colour(House\ \#5,blue)) \end{array}$

```
for house in houses:
    variables = []
    for colour in colours:
       variables.append(house_colour[house][colour])
    model.AddBoolOr(variables)
```

Every house has an occupant

 $\forall x \exists y : nationality(x, y)$

```
for house in houses:
    variables = []
    for nationality in nationalities:
        variables.append(house_nationality[house][nationality])
    model.AddBoolOr(variables)
```

• Every house has a pet

```
\forall x \exists y : pet(x, y)
```

```
for house in houses:
    variables = []
    for pet in pets:
       variables.append(house_pet[house][pet])
    model.AddBoolOr(variables)
```

• Every house has a drink

 $\forall x \exists y : drink(x, y)$

```
for house in houses:
    variables = []
    for drink in drinks:
       variables.append(house_drink[house][drink])
    model.AddBoolOr(variables)
```

Every house has a cigarette

 $\forall x \exists y : cigarette(x, y)$

```
for house in houses:
    variables = []
    for cigarette in cigarettes:
       variables.append(house_cigarette[house][cigarette])
    model.AddBoolOr(variables)
```

Every house has no more than one colour

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow \neg(colour(x, y) \land colour(x, z))$$

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow (\neg colour(x, y) \lor \neg colour(x, z))
```

Every house has no more than one occupant

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow \neg (nationality(x, y) \land nationality(x, z))
```

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow (\neg nationality(x, y) \lor \neg nationality(x, z))
```

Every house has no more than one pet

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow \neg(pet(x, y) \land pet(x, z))$$

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow (\neg pet(x, y) \lor \neg pet(x, z))$$

Every house has no more than one drink

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow \neg(drink(x, y) \land drink(x, z))$$

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow (\neg drink(x, y) \lor \neg drink(x, z))
```

Every house has no more than one cigarette

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow \neg(cigarette(x, y) \land cigarette(x, z))
```

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : y \neq z \Rightarrow (\neg cigarette(x, y) \lor \neg cigarette(x, z))
```

Every house has a different colour

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow \neg(colour(x, z) \land colour(y, z))$$

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow (\neg colour(x, z) \lor \neg colour(y, z))
```

Every house has a different occupant

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow \neg (nationality(x, z) \land nationality(y, z))
```

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow (\neg nationality(x, z) \lor \neg nationality(y, z))
```

Every house has a different pet

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow \neg(pet(x, z) \land pet(y, z))$$

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow (\neg pet(x, z) \lor \neg pet(y, z))$$

Every house has a different drink

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow \neg (drink(x, z) \land drink(y, z))$$

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow (\neg drink(x, z) \lor \neg drink(y, z))$$

Every house has a different cigarette

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow \neg(cigarette(x, z) \land cigarette(y, z))
```

```
\forall x \forall y \forall z : x \neq y \Rightarrow (\neg cigarette(x, z) \lor \neg cigarette(y, z))
```

That is all constraints, both explicit and implicit, encoded

- Who drinks water? The Norwegian.
- Who owns the zebra? The Japanese.

First-order logic as SAT problem

- While we can solve a first-order logic problem using the SAT solver, this is probably not the most efficient solution
- Dedicated solvers or programming languages (e.g. Prolog) are more efficient and more versatile for this task
- In particular they solve the problems by variable substitution avoiding the need to model all combinations of assignments as variables
- The main benefit of the presented approach is that it can be integrated with the other capabilities of the CP-SAT solver, in particular if the logic inference is only a sub-problem of something else

Thank you for your attention!