



# Week 10: Logical Agents

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# Logical Agents

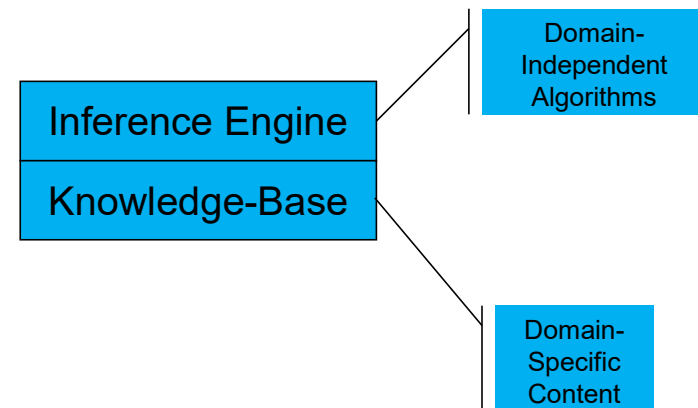
- Humans can know “things” and “reason”
  - Representation: How are the things stored?
  - Reasoning: How is the knowledge used?
    - To solve a problem...
    - To generate more knowledge...
- Knowledge and reasoning are important to artificial agents because they enable successful behaviors difficult to achieve otherwise
  - Useful in partially observable environments
- Can benefit from knowledge in very general forms, combining and recombining information

# Knowledge-Based Agents

- Central component of a Knowledge-Based Agent is a **Knowledge-Base**
  - A set of sentences in a formal language
    - Sentences are expressed using a knowledge representation language
- Two generic functions:
  - TELL - add new sentences (facts) to the KB
    - “Tell it what it needs to know”
  - ASK - query what is known from the KB
    - “Ask what to do next”

# Knowledge-Based Agents

- The agent must be able to:
  - Represent states and actions
  - Incorporate new percepts
  - Update internal representations of the world
  - Deduce hidden properties of the world
  - Deduce appropriate actions



# Knowledge-Based Agents

**function** KB-AGENT(*percept*) **returns** an *action*

  persistent: *KB*, a knowledge base

*t*, a counter, initially 0, indicating time

  TELL(*KB*, MAKE-PERCEPT-SENTENCE(*percept*, *t*))

*action* ← ASK(*KB*, MAKE-ACTION-QUERY(*t*))

  TELL(*KB*, MAKE-ACTION-SENTENCE(*action*, *t*))

*t* ← *t* + 1

**return** *action*

- MAKE-PERCEPT-SENTENCE constructs a sentence asserting that the agent perceived the given percept at the given time.
- MAKE-ACTION-QUERY constructs a sentence that asks what action should be done at the current time.
- Finally, MAKE-ACTION-SENTENCE constructs a sentence asserting that the chosen action was executed.

# Wumpus World

- **Performance measure**

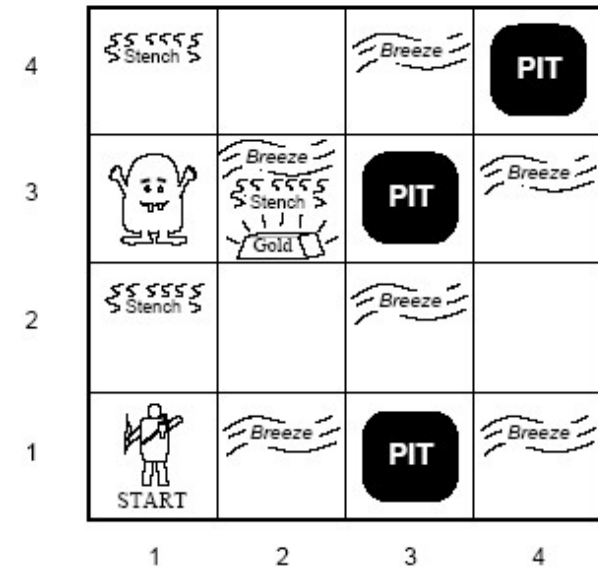
- gold +1000, death -1000
- -1 per step, -10 for using the arrow

- **Environment**

- Squares adjacent to wumpus are smelly
- Squares adjacent to pit are breezy
- Glitter iff gold is in the same square
- Shooting kills wumpus if you are facing it
- Shooting uses up the only arrow
- Grabbing picks up gold if in same square
- Releasing drops the gold in same square

- **Sensors:** Stench, Breeze, Glitter, Bump, Scream

- **Actuators:** Left turn, Right turn, Forward, Grab, Release, Shoot



# Wumpus World

- Characterization of Wumpus World
  - Observable
    - partial, only local perception
  - Deterministic
    - Yes, outcomes are specified
  - Episodic
    - No, sequential at the level of actions
  - Static
    - Yes, Wumpus and pits do not move
  - Discrete
    - Yes
  - Single Agent
    - Yes

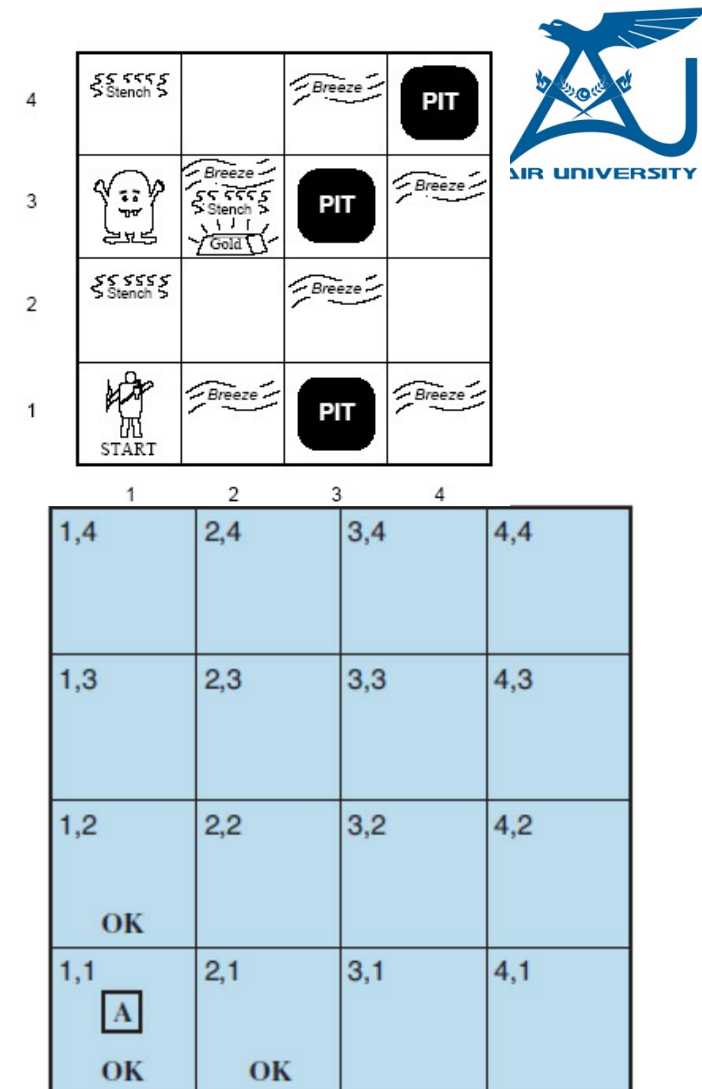


# Wumpus World continued

- Main difficulty: Agent doesn't know the configuration
- Reason about configuration
- Knowledge evolves as new percepts arrive and actions are taken.

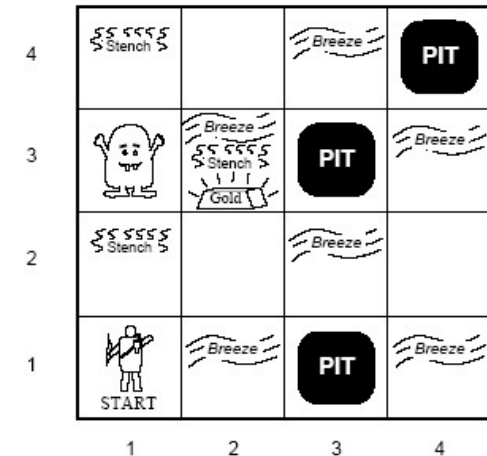
# Examples of reasoning

- The agent's initial knowledge base contains the rules of the environment; in particular, it knows that it is in  $[1,1]$  and that  $[1,1]$  is a safe square; we denote that with an "A" and "OK," respectively, in square  $[1,1]$ .
- The first percept is  $[None, None, None, None, None]$ , from which the agent can conclude that its neighboring squares,  $[1,2]$  and  $[2,1]$ , are free of dangers—they are OK



# Examples of reasoning

- The agent perceives a breeze (denoted by “B”) in [2,1], so there must be a pit in a neighboring square. The pit cannot be in [1,1], by the rules of the game, so there must be a pit in [2,2] or [3,1] or both.
- The notation “P?” indicates a possible pit in those squares. At this point, there is only one known square that is OK and that has not yet been visited.
- So the prudent agent will turn around, go back to [1,1], and then proceed to [1,2].

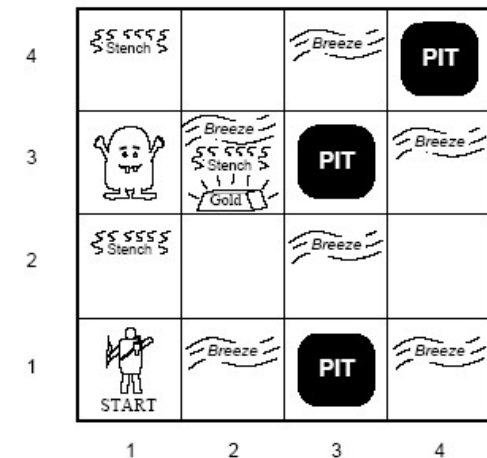


[A] = Agent  
 B = Breeze  
 G = Glitter, Gold  
 OK = Safe square  
 P = Pit  
 S = Stench  
 V = Visited  
 W = Wumpus

1,4	2,4	3,4	4,4
1,3	2,3	3,3	4,3
1,2 OK	2,2 P?	3,2	4,2
1,1 V OK	2,1 [A] B OK	3,1 P?	4,1

# Examples of reasoning

- The agent perceives a stench in [1,2], resulting in the shown state of knowledge .
- The stench in [1,2] means that there must be a wumpus nearby. But the Wumpus cannot be in [1,1], by the rules of the game, and it cannot be in [2,2] (or the agent would have detected a stench when it was in [2,1]).
- Therefore, the agent can infer that the Wumpus is in [1,3]. The notation **W!** indicates this inference.
- Moreover, the lack of a breeze in [1,2] implies that there is no pit in [2,2]. Yet the agent has already inferred that there must be a pit in either [2,2] or [3,1], so this means it must be in [3,1].



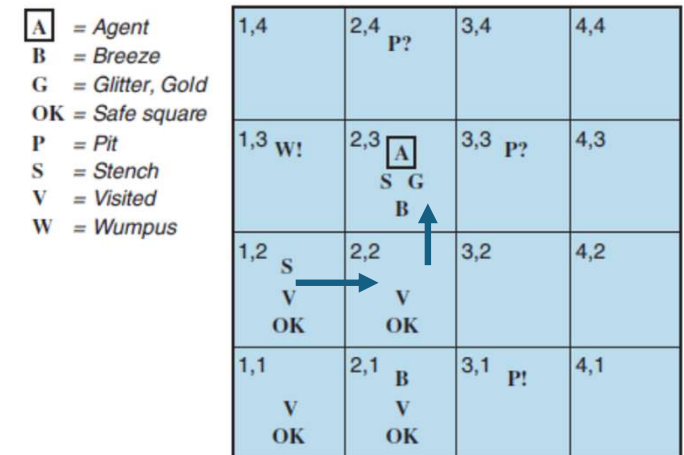
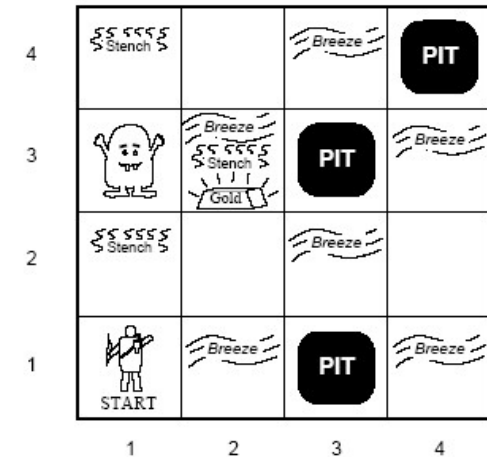
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# Examples of reasoning

- The agent has now proved to itself that there is neither a pit nor a wumpus in [2,2], so it is OK to move there.
- Then the agent turns and moves to [2,3],
- In [2,3], the agent detects a glitter, so it should grab the gold and then return home.



# Logic

- Knowledge bases consist of sentences in a formal language
  - Syntax
    - Sentences are well formed
  - Semantics
    - The “meaning” of the sentence
    - ***The truth of each sentence with respect to each possible world (model)***

- Example:

$x + 2 \geq y$  is a sentence

$x^2 + y >$  is not a sentence

$x + 2 \geq y$  is true iff  $x + 2$  is no less than  $y$

$x + 2 \geq y$  is true in a world where  $x = 7$ ,  
 $y = 1$

$x + 2 \geq y$  is false in world where  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 6$

# Logic

- **Entailment** means that one thing follows logically from another  
 $\alpha \models \beta$
- $\alpha \models \beta$  if in every model in which  $\alpha$  is true,  $\beta$  is also true
- if  $\alpha$  is true, then  $\beta$  must be true
- the truth of  $\beta$  is “contained” in the truth of  $\alpha$

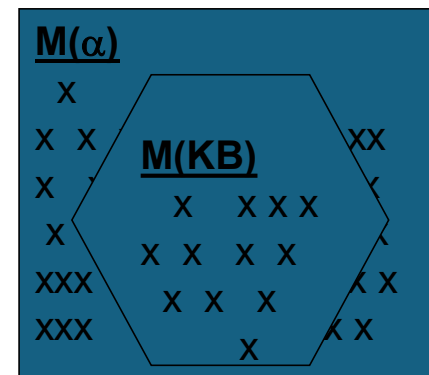
# Logic

- Example:
  - $\alpha$ : "It is raining."
  - $\beta$ : "The ground is getting wet."
  - In this case,  $\alpha \models \beta$ . If it is raining, then it *must* be true that the ground is getting wet. There's no scenario where it's raining, and the ground remains completely dry.
- Example:
  - $x + y = 4$  entails  $4 = x + y$



# Logic

- A model is a formally structured world with respect to which truth can be evaluated
  - $M$  is a model of sentence  $\alpha$  if  $\alpha$  is true in  $m$
  - **model** is a truth assignment in which the sentence  $\alpha$  evaluates to **true**.
- Then  $KB \models \alpha$  if  $M(KB) \subseteq M(\alpha)$



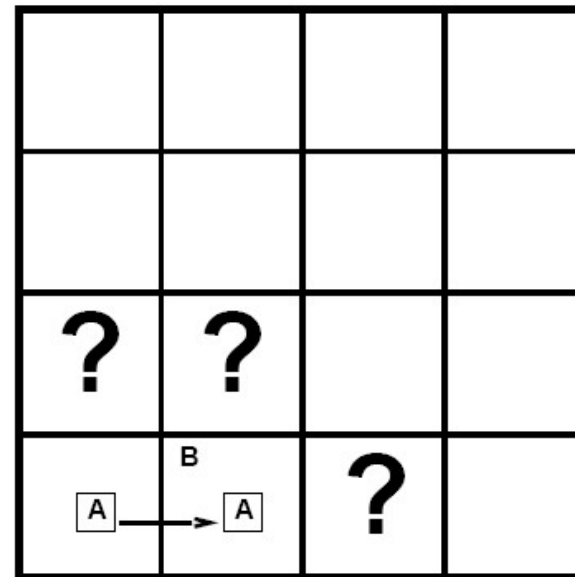
A	B	C	$A \wedge B$	$A \wedge C$	$B \wedge C$
F	F	F	F	F	F
F	F	T	F	F	F
F	T	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	F	F	T
T	F	F	F	F	F
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$A \wedge C, C$   
does not  
entail  
 $B \wedge C$

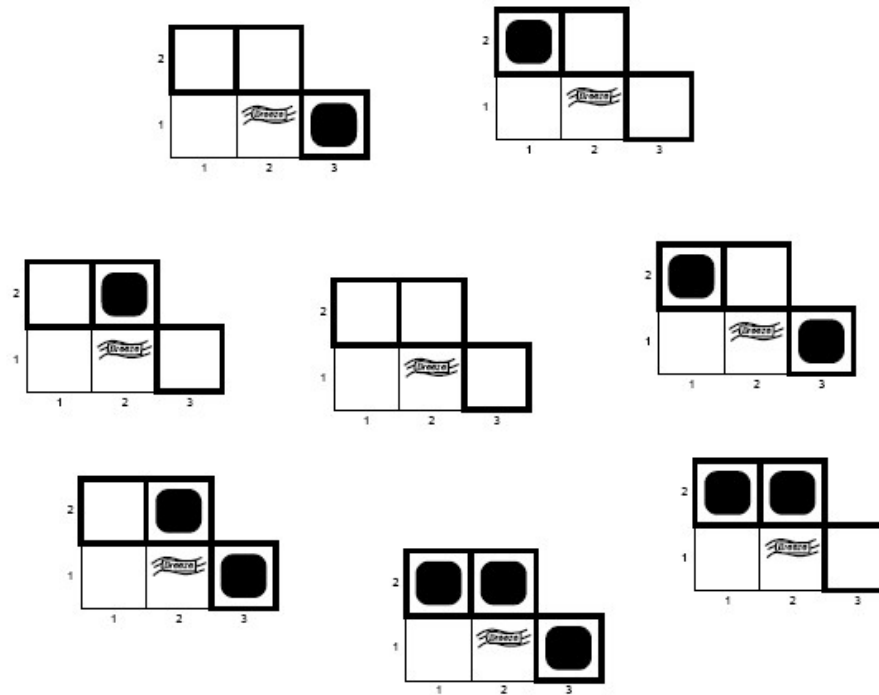
$A, B,$   
Entails  
 $A \wedge B$

# Logic

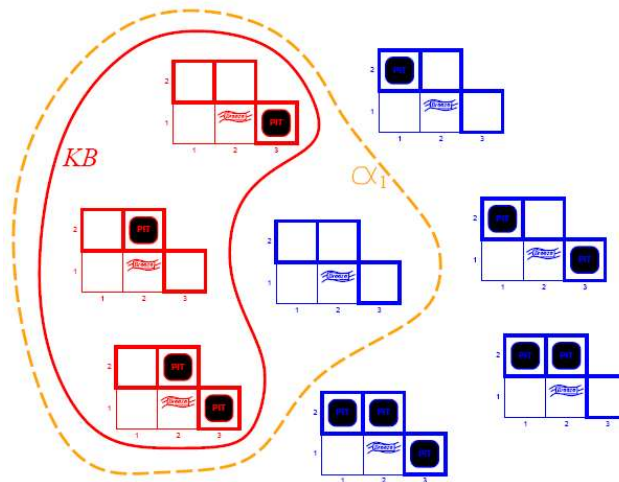
- Entailment in Wumpus World
- Situation after detecting nothing in [1,1], moving right, breeze in [2,1]
- Consider possible models for ? assuming only pits
- 3 Boolean choices => 8 possible models



# Logic

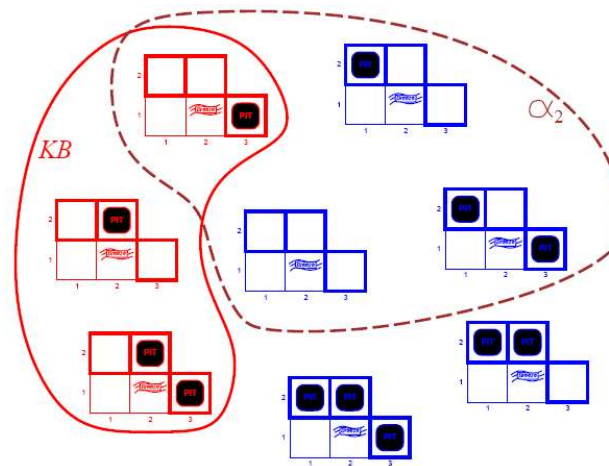


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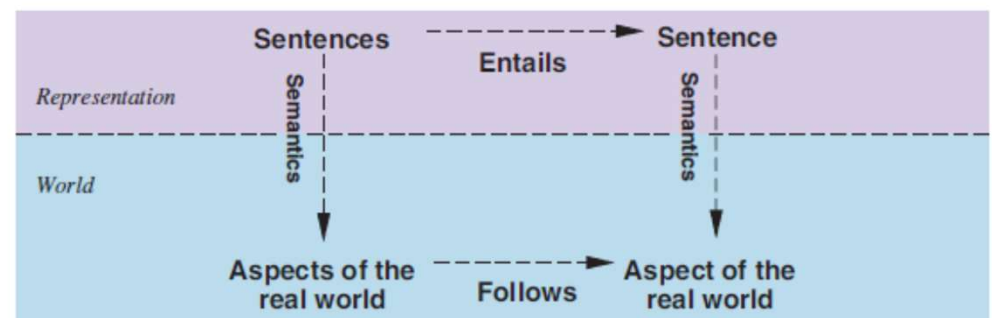


- KB = wumpus world rules + observations
- $a_1$  = “[1,2] is safe”,  $KB \models a_1$ , proved by model checking

# Logic



- KB = wumpus world rules + observations
- $a_2$  = “[2,2] is safe”,  $KB \not\models a_2$  proved by model checking



# Logic

- **Inference** is the process of deriving a specific sentence from a KB (where the sentence must be entailed by the KB)
  - $KB \vdash_i a$  = sentence  $a$  can be derived from KB by procedure  $i$
- “KB’s are a haystack”
  - Entailment = needle in haystack
  - Inference = finding it

# Logic

- Soundness
  - $i$  is sound if...
  - whenever  $KB \models_i \alpha$  is true,  $KB \models \alpha$  is true
- Completeness
  - $i$  is complete if
  - whenever  $KB \models \alpha$  is true,  $KB \models_i \alpha$  is true
- If  $KB$  is true in the real world, then any sentence  $\alpha$  derived from  $KB$  by a sound inference procedure is also true in the real world
- We will define a logic (first-order logic) which is expressive enough to say almost anything of interest, and for which there exists a sound and complete inference procedure.



# Propositional Logic

- AKA Boolean Logic
- False and True
- Proposition symbols  $P1$ ,  $P2$ , etc are sentences
- NOT: If  $S1$  is a sentence, then  $\neg S1$  is a sentence (negation)
- AND: If  $S1$ ,  $S2$  are sentences, then  $S1 \wedge S2$  is a sentence (conjunction)
- OR: If  $S1$ ,  $S2$  are sentences, then  $S1 \vee S2$  is a sentence (disjunction)
- IMPLIES: If  $S1$ ,  $S2$  are sentences, then  $S1 \Rightarrow S2$  is a sentence (implication)
- IFF: If  $S1$ ,  $S2$  are sentences, then  $S1 \Leftrightarrow S2$  is a sentence (biconditional)

# Propositional Logic

<b>P</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b><math>\neg P</math></b>	<b><math>P \wedge Q</math></b>	<b><math>P \vee Q</math></b>	<b><math>P \Rightarrow Q</math> <math>\neg P \vee Q</math></b>	<b><math>P \Leftrightarrow Q</math></b>
<i>False</i>	<i>False</i>	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>	<i>False</i>	<i>True</i>	<i>True</i>
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<i>True</i>	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>	<i>True</i>	<i>True</i>	<i>True</i>	<i>True</i>

OPERATOR PRECEDENCE :  $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$

# Wumpus World Sentences

- Let  $P_{i,j}$  be True if there is a pit in  $[i,j]$
- Let  $B_{i,j}$  be True if there is a breeze in  $[i,j]$

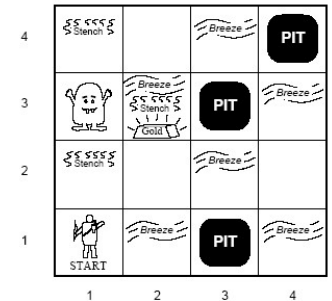
- $\neg P_{1,1}$
- $\neg B_{1,1}$
- $B_{2,1}$

- “Pits cause breezes in adjacent squares”

$$B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$$

$$B_{2,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1})$$

- A square is breezy if and only if there is an adjacent pit



# A Simple Knowledge Base Sentences

$P_{x,y}$  is true if there is a pit in  $[x,y]$ .

$W_{x,y}$  is true if there is a wumpus in  $[x,y]$ , dead or alive.

$B_{x,y}$  is true if there is a breeze in  $[x,y]$ .

$S_{x,y}$  is true if there is a stench in  $[x,y]$ .

$L_{x,y}$  is true if the agent is in location  $[x,y]$ .

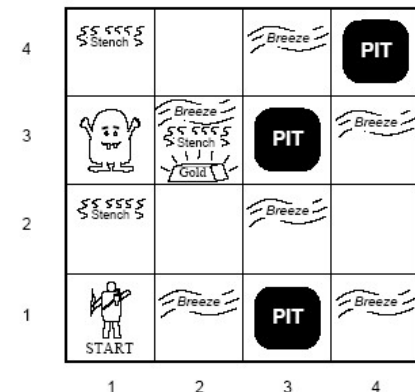
$R_1: \neg P_{1,1}.$

$R_2: B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}).$

$R_3: B_{2,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1}).$

$R_4: \neg B_{1,1}.$

$R_5: B_{2,1}.$



# Truth Table Approach

$B_{1,1}$	$B_{2,1}$	$P_{1,1}$	$P_{1,2}$	$P_{2,1}$	$P_{2,2}$	$P_{3,1}$	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	$R_4$	$R_5$	$KB$
false	false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	true	false	false
false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	false	true	false	false
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
false	true	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	false	true	true	false
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$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
true	true	true	true	true	true	true	false	true	true	false	true	false

**Figure 7.9** A truth table constructed for the knowledge base given in the text.  $KB$  is true if  $R_1$  through  $R_5$  are true, which occurs in just 3 of the 128 rows (the ones underlined in the right-hand column). In all 3 rows,  $P_{1,2}$  is false, so there is no pit in  $[1,2]$ . On the other hand, there might (or might not) be a pit in  $[2,2]$ .

- **KB consists of sentences  $R_1$  thru  $R_5$**
- **$R_1 \wedge R_2 \wedge R_3 \wedge R_4 \wedge R_5$**

# Truth Table Approach

**function** TT-ENTAILS?( $KB, \alpha$ ) **returns** *true* or *false*  
  **inputs:**  $KB$ , the knowledge base, a sentence in propositional logic  
           $\alpha$ , the query, a sentence in propositional logic

$symbols \leftarrow$  a list of the proposition symbols in  $KB$  and  $\alpha$   
  **return** TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, symbols, \{\}$ )

**function** TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, symbols, model$ ) **returns** *true* or *false*  
  **if** EMPTY?( $symbols$ ) **then**  
    **if** PL-TRUE?( $KB, model$ ) **then** **return** PL-TRUE?( $\alpha, model$ )  
    **else** **return** *true*       // when  $KB$  is false, always return *true*  
  **else**  
     $P \leftarrow$  FIRST( $symbols$ )  
     $rest \leftarrow$  REST( $symbols$ )  
    **return** (TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, rest, model \cup \{P = true\}$ )  
      **and**  
      TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, rest, model \cup \{P = false\}$ ))

- Depth-first enumeration of all models is sound and complete
- For  $n$  symbols, time complexity is  $O(2^n)$ , space complexity is  $O(n)$

# Inference Approach

- To prove that **KB**  $\models \alpha$  Start from KB
- Infer new sentences that are true from existing KB sentences
- Repeat till alpha is proved (inferred true) or no more sentences can be proved

# Equivalence, Validity, Satisfiability

A sentence is valid if it is true in all models. For example, the sentence  $P \vee \neg P$  is valid.

Two sentences are **logically equivalent** iff true in same models:

$\alpha \equiv \beta$  if and only if  $\alpha \models \beta$  and  $\beta \models \alpha$

$(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha)$  commutativity of  $\wedge$

$(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\beta \vee \alpha)$  commutativity of  $\vee$

$((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma))$  associativity of  $\wedge$

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$\neg(\neg\alpha) \equiv \alpha$  double-negation elimination

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$(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma))$  distributivity of  $\wedge$  over  $\vee$

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# Equivalence, Validity, Satisfiability

- A sentence is valid if it is true in all models
  - e.g. True,  $A \vee \neg A$ ,  $A \Rightarrow A$ ,  $(A \wedge (A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B$
- Validity is connected to inference via the Deduction Theorem
  - $KB \vdash \alpha$  iff  $(KB \Rightarrow \alpha)$  is valid
- A sentence is satisfiable if it is True in some model
  - e.g.  $A \vee B$ ,
- A sentence is unsatisfiable if it is True in no models
  - e.g.  $A \wedge \neg A$
- Satisfiability is connected to inference via the following
  - $KB \models \alpha$  iff  $(KB \wedge \neg \alpha)$  is unsatisfiable
  - proof by contradiction

# Reasoning Patterns

- Inference Rules
  - Patterns of inference that can be applied to derive chains of conclusions that lead to the desired goal.
- Modus Ponens
  - Given:  $S1 \Rightarrow S2$  and  $S1$ , derive  $S2$
- And-Elimination
  - Given:  $S1 \wedge S2$ , derive  $S1$
  - Given:  $S1 \wedge S2$ , derive  $S2$
- DeMorgan's Law
  - Given:  $\neg(A \vee B)$  derive  $\neg A \wedge \neg B$
  - Given:  $\neg(A \wedge B)$  derive  $\neg A \vee \neg B$

# Reasoning Patterns

- And Elimination

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

- From a conjunction, any of the conjuncts can be inferred
- (WumpusAhead  $\wedge$  WumpusAlive), WumpusAlive can be inferred

- Modus Ponens

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

- Whenever sentences of the form  $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$  and  $\alpha$  are given, then sentence  $\beta$  can be inferred
- (WumpusAhead  $\wedge$  WumpusAlive)  $\Rightarrow$  Shoot and (WumpusAhead  $\wedge$  WumpusAlive), Shoot can be inferred

# Example Proof By Deduction

- Knowledge

$$S1: B_{22} \Leftrightarrow (P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32})$$

$$S2: \neg B_{22}$$

- Inferences

$$S3: (B_{22} \Rightarrow (P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32})) \wedge ((P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}) \Rightarrow B_{22})$$

$$S4: ((P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}) \Rightarrow B_{22})$$

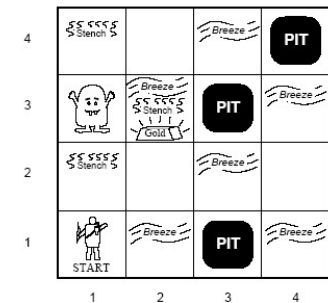
$$S5: (\neg B_{22} \Rightarrow \neg(P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}))$$

$$S6: \neg(P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32})$$

$$S7: \neg P_{21} \wedge \neg P_{23} \wedge \neg P_{12} \wedge \neg P_{32}$$

rule

observation



[S1, bi elim]

[S3, and elim]

[contrapos]

[S2, S6, MP]

[S6, DeMorg]

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# Evaluation of Deductive Inference

- Sound
  - Yes, because the inference rules themselves are sound. (This can be proven using a truth table argument).
- Complete
  - If we allow all possible inference rules, we're searching in an infinite space, hence not complete
  - If we limit inference rules, we run the risk of leaving out the necessary one...
- Monotonic
  - If we have a proof, adding information to the DB will not invalidate the proof

# Resolution Approach

- Resolution allows a complete inference mechanism (search-based) using only one rule of inference
- Resolution rule:
  - Given:  $P_1 \vee P_2 \vee P_3 \dots \vee P_n$ , and  $\neg P_1 \vee Q_1 \dots \vee Q_m$
  - Conclude:  $P_2 \vee P_3 \dots \vee P_n \vee Q_1 \dots \vee Q_m$   
Complementary literals  $P_1$  and  $\neg P_1$  “cancel out”
- **Resolution** inference rule (for CNF, conjunction of disjunctions):

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \ell_i \vee \dots \vee \ell_k, \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n \\
 \hline
 \ell_i \vee \dots \vee \ell_{i-1} \vee \ell_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee \ell_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n
 \end{array}$$

# Resolution in Wumpus World

- There is a pit at 2,1 or 2,3 or 1,2 or 3,2
  - $P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}$
- There is no pit at 2,1
  - $\neg P_{21}$
- Therefore (by resolution) the pit must be at 2,3 or 1,2 or 3,2
  - $P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}$

# Proof using Resolution

- To prove a fact  $\alpha$ , That is, to show that  $KB \models \alpha$ , we show that  $(KB \wedge \neg\alpha)$  is **unsatisfiable**. We do this by proving a contradiction.
- First,  $(KB \wedge \neg\alpha)$  is converted into Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF). Then, the resolution rule is applied to the resulting clauses.
  - conjunction of clauses (clauses include disjunctions of literals)
$$(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg C \vee D)$$
- **Disjunctive normal form (DNF)**
  - Disjunction of terms (terms include conjunction of literals)
$$(A \wedge \neg B) \vee (\neg A \wedge C) \vee (C \wedge \neg D)$$
- Each pair that contains complementary literals is resolved to produce a new clause, which is added to the set if it is not already present.
- The process continues until one of two things happens:
  - There are no new clauses that can be added, in which case  $KB$  does not entail  $\alpha$ ; or,
  - Two clauses resolve to yield the empty clause, in which case  $KB$  entails  $\alpha$ .

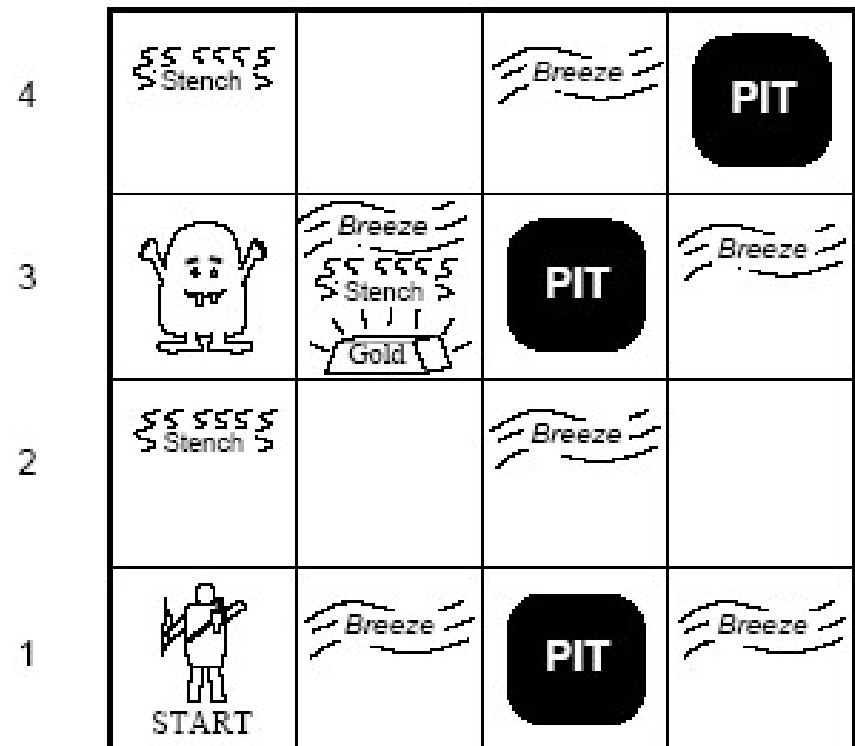


# CNF Example

1.  $B_{22} \Leftrightarrow (P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32})$
  2. Eliminate  $\Leftrightarrow$ , replacing with two implications  
 $(B_{22} \Rightarrow (P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32})) \wedge ((P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}) \Rightarrow B_{22})$
  3. Replace implication  $(A \Rightarrow B)$  by  $\neg A \vee B$   
 $(\neg B_{22} \vee (P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32})) \wedge (\neg(P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}) \vee B_{22})$
  4. Move  $\neg$  “inwards” (unnecessary parens removed)  
 $(\neg B_{22} \vee P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}) \wedge ((\neg P_{21} \wedge \neg P_{23} \wedge \neg P_{12} \wedge \neg P_{32}) \vee B_{22})$
  5. Distributive Law  
 $(\neg B_{22} \vee P_{21} \vee P_{23} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{32}) \wedge (\neg P_{21} \vee B_{22}) \wedge (\neg P_{23} \vee B_{22}) \wedge (\neg P_{12} \vee B_{22}) \wedge (\neg P_{32} \vee B_{22})$
- (Final result has 5 clauses)

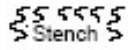
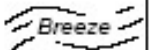

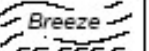
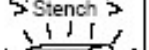
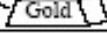
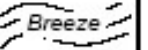
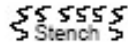


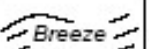
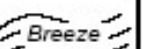
# Simple Resolution Example

- When the agent is in 1,1, there is no breeze, so there can be no pits in neighboring squares
- Percept:  $\neg B11$
- Prove:  $\neg P12$



# Resolution example

- $KB = (B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge \neg B_{1,1}$
- $\alpha = \neg P_{1,2}$

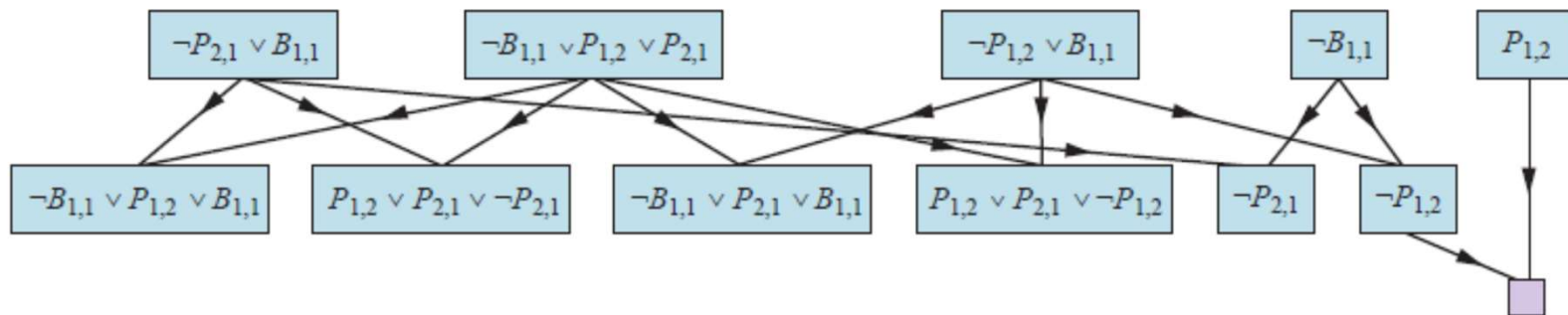
4	 Stench		 Breeze	<b>PIT</b>
3		 Breeze  Stench  Gold	<b>PIT</b>	 Breeze
2	 Stench		 Breeze	
1	 START	 Breeze	<b>PIT</b>	 Breeze

You can resolve only one pair of complementary literals at a time. For example, we can resolve  $P$  and  $\neg P$  to deduce

$$\frac{P \vee \neg Q \vee R, \quad \neg P \vee Q}{\neg Q \vee Q \vee R},$$

# Resolution example

- $KB = (B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge \neg B_{1,1}$
- $CNF = (\neg B_{1,1} \vee P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \wedge (\neg B_{1,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{1,2} \vee B_{1,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{2,1} \vee B_{1,1})$
- $\alpha = \neg P_{1,2}$       We show that  $(KB \wedge \neg \alpha)$  is unsatisfiable



- Each pair that contains complementary literals is resolved to produce a new clause, which is added to the set if it is not already present.
- The process continues until one of two things happens:
  - There are no new clauses that can be added, in which case KB does not entail  $\alpha$ ; or,
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# Evaluation of Resolution

- Resolution is sound
  - Because the resolution rule is true in all cases
- Resolution is complete
  - Provided a complete search method is used to find the proof, if a proof can be found it will
  - Note: you must know what you're trying to prove in order to prove it!
- Resolution is exponential
  - The number of clauses that we must search grows exponentially...

# Horn Clauses

- A Horn Clause is a CNF clause with exactly one positive literal
  - The positive literal is called the head
  - The negative literals are called the body
  - $(\neg L_{1,1} \vee \neg Breeze \vee B_{1,1})$  can be written as the implication  $(L_{1,1} \wedge Breeze) \Rightarrow B_{1,1}$ .
- Horn Clauses form the basis of forward and backward chaining
- The Prolog language is based on Horn Clauses
- Deciding entailment with Horn Clauses is *linear in the size of the knowledge base*

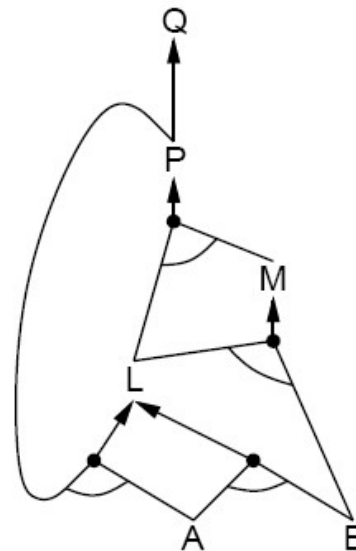
# Reasoning with Horn Clauses

- Forward Chaining
  - For each new piece of data, generate all new facts, until the desired fact is generated
  - Data-directed reasoning
- Backward Chaining
  - To prove the goal, find a clause that contains the goal as its head, and prove the body recursively
  - (Backtrack when you chose the wrong clause)
  - Goal-directed reasoning

# Forward Chaining

- AND-OR Graph
  - multiple links joined by an arc indicate conjunction – every link must be proved
  - multiple links without an arc indicate disjunction – any link can be proved

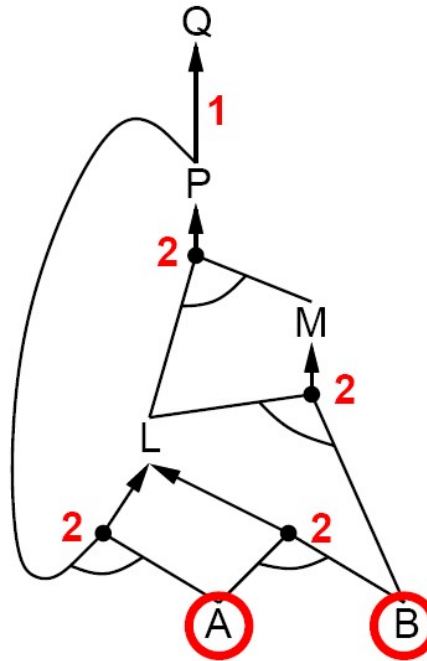
$P \Rightarrow Q$   
 $L \wedge M \Rightarrow P$   
 $B \wedge L \Rightarrow M$   
 $A \wedge P \Rightarrow L$   
 $A \wedge B \Rightarrow L$   
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 $B$





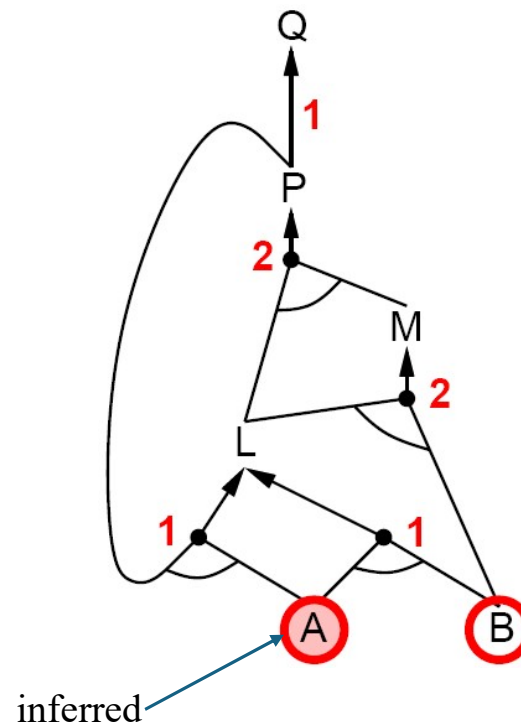
# Forward Chaining

Count the number of facts in the antecedent of the rule



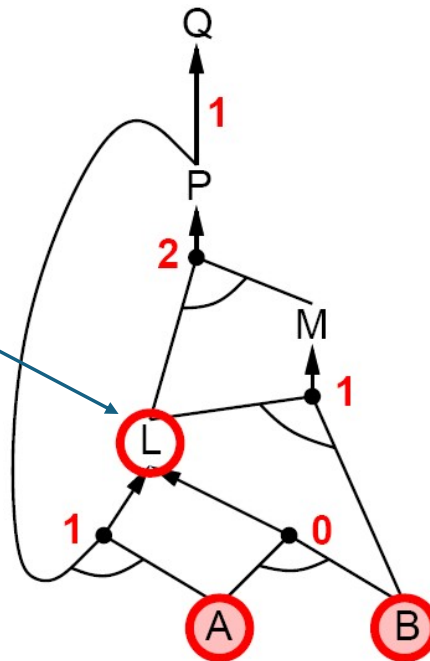
# Forward Chaining

Inferred facts decrease the count



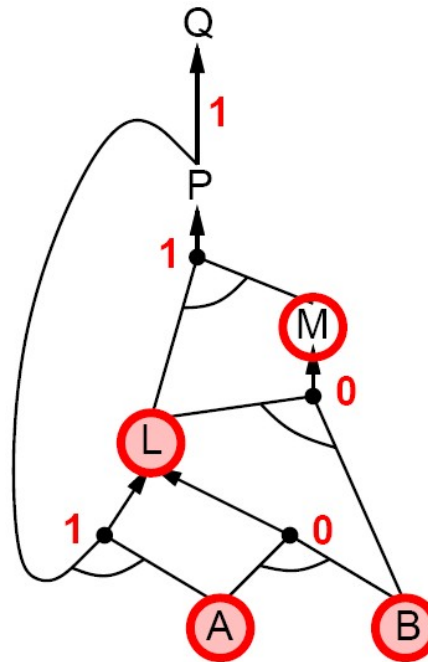
# Forward Chaining

New facts can be inferred  
when the count associated with  
a rule becomes 0

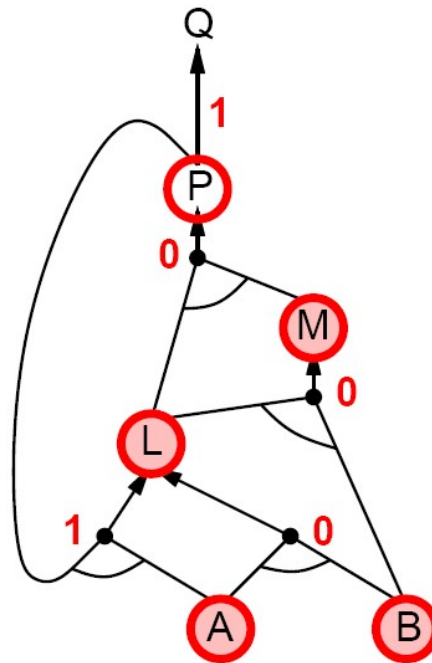


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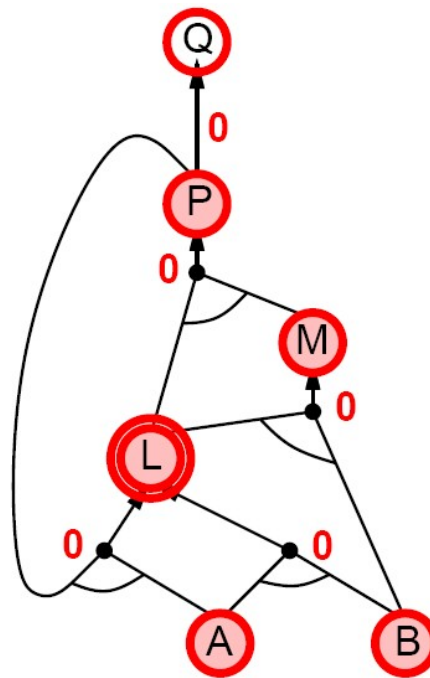
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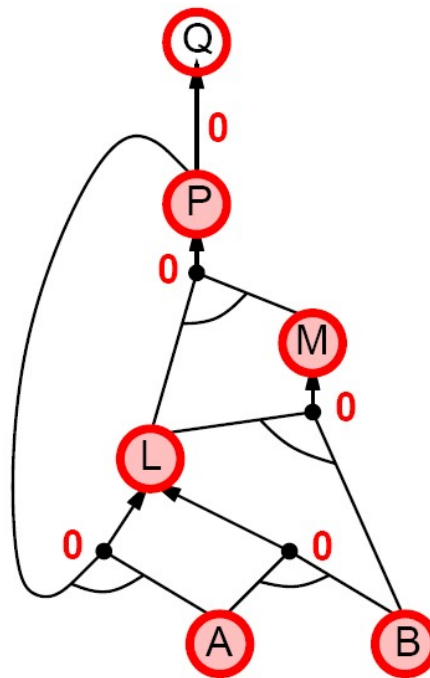
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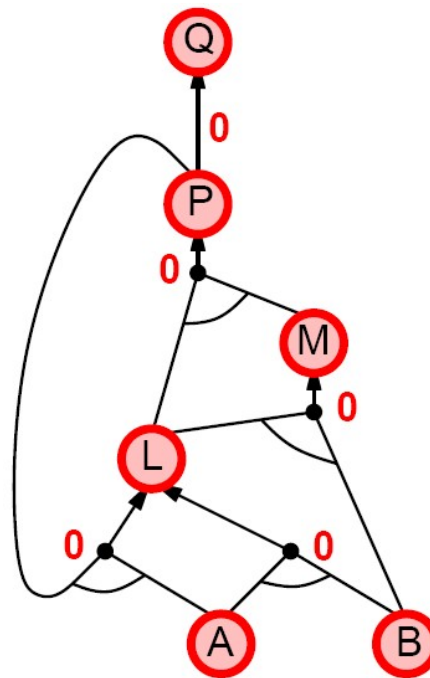
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# Summary

- Logical agents apply **inference** to a **knowledge base** to derive new information and make decisions
- Basic concepts of logic:
  - **syntax**: formal structure of **sentences**
  - **semantics**: **truth** of sentences wrt **models**
  - **entailment**: necessary truth of one sentence given another
  - **inference**: deriving sentences from other sentences
  - **soundness**: derivations produce only entailed sentences
  - **completeness**: derivations can produce all entailed sentences
- Wumpus world requires the ability to represent partial and negated information, reason by cases, etc.
- Resolution is complete for propositional logic  
Forward, backward chaining are linear-time, complete for Horn clauses
- Propositional logic lacks expressive power