

Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence

Exercise 6: Inference in First Order Logic

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Problem 6.1: The man in the painting

A man stands in front of a painting and says the following:

Brothers and sisters have I none, but that man's father is my father's son.

What is the relationship between the man in the painting and the speaker?

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To solve the riddle with first-order logic, use the predicates

$\underline{Male}(x)$: x is male.

$Father(x, y)$: x is the father of y .

$Son(x, y)$: x is a son of y .

$Parent(x, y)$: x is a parent of y .

$Child(x, y)$: x is a child of y .

$Sibling(x, y)$: x is a sibling of y

and the knowledge

- A sibling is another child of one's parents.

$$\forall \underline{x}, \underline{y} \quad Sibling(x, y) \Leftrightarrow x \neq y \wedge \exists \underline{p} \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y)$$

- Parent and child are inverse relations.

$$\forall p, c \quad Parent(p, c) \Leftrightarrow Child(c, p)$$

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Problem 6.1.1: Define the rule which relates *son*, *child*, and *male*. Define also the rule which relates *father*, *parent*, and *male*.

- Every son is a male child, and every male child is a son:

$$\forall s, p \quad \text{Son}(s, p) \Leftrightarrow (\text{Male}(s) \wedge \text{Child}(s, p))$$

- Every father is a male parent, and every male parent is a father:

$$\forall c, f \quad (\text{Father}(f, c) \Leftrightarrow (\text{Parent}(f, c) \wedge \text{Male}(f)))$$

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Problem 6.1.2: Using the constants *Me* for the speaker and *That* for the person depicted in the painting, formalize the sentences regarding the sexes of the people in the puzzle.

Male (That)

Male (Me)

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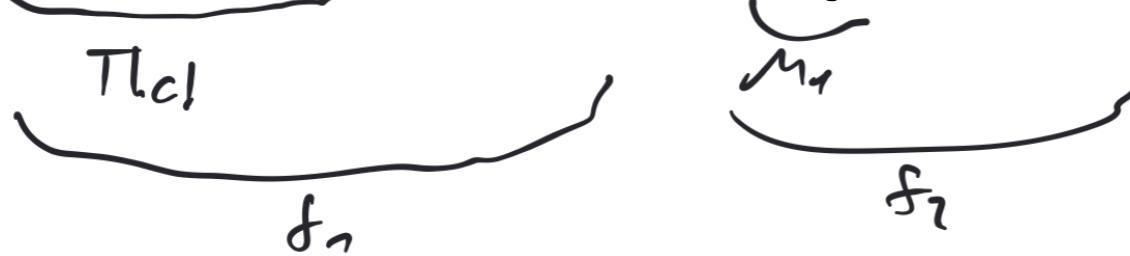
Problem 6.1.3: Formalize the sentences “Brothers and sisters have I none” and “That man’s father is my father’s son” in first-order logic.

- Brothers and sisters have I none: I don't have siblings

$$\forall x \neg \text{Sibl:}_s(x, M_1) \wedge \neg \text{Sibl:}_s(M_1, x)$$

*↳ we need this part, because the computer
does not know that "Sibl:of" is a symmetric relation*

- That man's father is my father's son:



$$\exists f_1, f_2 \text{ Father}(f_1, \text{That}) \wedge \text{Father}(f_2, M_1) \wedge \text{Son}(f_1, f_2)$$

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Problem 6.1.4: Solve this puzzle informally and decide what is the relation between the man in the painting and the speaker.

"... but that man's father is my father's son."
Me or one of my siblings

But: "Brothers and sisters have 1 none"
 \hookrightarrow No siblings \hookrightarrow My father's son = Me

man in painting: Son of Me
That
Me is father of man in painting

Son(That, Me)

Alternative:
(Father(Me, That))

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Problem 6.1.5: Using the resolution technique for first-order logic, prove your answer.

We want to show

$$KB \models \alpha$$

where $\alpha = \text{So}(\text{That}, \text{Me})$

Reminder: Conversion to CNF

The following steps need to be performed to convert a first-order logic formula into Conjunctive Normal Form:

- Eliminate implications \rightarrow like Propositional logic $A \Rightarrow B \equiv \neg A \vee B$
- Move \neg inwards $\neg \forall x \varphi \equiv \exists x \neg \varphi$ + De Morgan for \wedge and \vee
 $\neg \exists x \varphi \equiv \forall x \neg \varphi$
- Standardize variables
- Skolemization \rightarrow Replace \exists with function / constant
- Drop universal quantifiers \rightarrow make universal quantification implicit
- Distribute \vee over \wedge \rightarrow like Propositional logic

$$(\underline{\forall x} P(x)) \wedge (\underline{\exists x} Q(x))$$

$$\hookrightarrow (\forall x P(x)) \wedge (\exists y Q(y))$$

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“A sibling is another child of one’s parents.”

$$\forall x, y \quad Sibling(x, y) \Leftrightarrow x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \forall x, y \quad Sibling(x, y) &\Leftrightarrow x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y) \\ &\equiv \forall x, y \quad [Sibling(x, y) \geqq x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y)] \\ &\quad \wedge [Sibling(x, y) \leqq x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y)] \end{aligned}$$

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“A sibling is another child of one’s parents.”, direction \Rightarrow

$$\forall x, y \quad Sibling(x, y) \underset{\equiv}{\Rightarrow} x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y)$$

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“A sibling is another child of one’s parents.”, direction \Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x, y \quad Sibling(x, y) &\Rightarrow x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y) \\ &\equiv \forall x, y \quad \neg Sibling(x, y) \vee [x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y)] \end{aligned}$$

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Sholemization

Let's play a game! You tell me any natural number x .

I win, if I can always tell you a number that is larger than x .

You win, if you find a number where I cannot do that.

Formally: I win, if $\forall x \exists y y > x$ is a valid sentence.

I can always win, but with which strategy?

$$\forall x F(x) > x$$

If you tell me x , I say $x+1$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Strategy}(x) = x+1$$

\Rightarrow My strategy defines a mapping (function)

from the values you choose (universally quantified variables)

to the values I have to choose (existentially quantified variable)

If the sentence is valid, this Sholem function always exists

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“A sibling is another child of one’s parents.”, direction \Leftarrow

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x, y \quad Sibling(x, y) &\Leftarrow x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y) \\ &\equiv \forall x, y \quad x \neq y \wedge \exists p \quad Parent(p, x) \wedge Parent(p, y) \Rightarrow Sibling(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

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“That man’s father is my father’s son.”



$$\exists f_1, f_2 \quad \underline{\text{Father}(f_1, \text{That}) \wedge \text{Father}(f_2, \text{Me}) \wedge \text{Son}(f_1, f_2)}$$

Stolzenitz: Constants F_1, F_2

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$$\begin{aligned} & \exists f_1, f_2 \quad \text{Father}(f_1, \text{That}) \wedge \text{Father}(f_2, \text{Me}) \wedge \text{Son}(f_1, f_2) \\ & \equiv \text{Father}(F_1, \text{That}) \wedge \text{Father}(F_2, \text{Me}) \wedge \text{Son}(F_1, F_2) \end{aligned}$$

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Goal: $\alpha = \text{Son}(\text{That}, \text{Me})$

↪ Add negated goal to KB

$\neg \text{Son}(\text{That}, \text{Me})$

Recall: Resolution is proof by contradiction ("reductio ad absurdum")

Steps:

1. Assume $\neg \alpha$
2. Derive a contradiction (empty clause)
3. Conclude that, since we could derive a contradiction, our initial assumption must have been wrong, so α holds

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$\exists x, y$	$Sibling(x, y) \vee (x = y) \vee \neg Parent(p, x) \vee \neg Parent(p, y)$
$\exists x, y$	$\neg Sibling(x, y) \vee (x \neq y)$
	$\neg Sibling(x, y) \vee Parent(F(x, y), x)$
	$\neg Sibling(x, y) \vee Parent(F(x, y), y)$
	$\neg Parent(p, c) \vee Child(c, p)$
	$\neg Child(c, p) \vee Parent(p, c)$
	$\neg Son(s, p) \vee Child(s, p)$
	$\neg Son(s, p) \vee Male(s)$
	$Son(s, p) \vee \neg Child(s, p) \vee \neg Male(s)$
	$\neg Father(p, c) \vee Parent(p, c)$
	$\neg Father(p, c) \vee Male(p)$
	$Father(p, c) \vee \neg Parent(p, c) \vee \neg Male(p)$
	$\neg Sibling(Me, x)$
	$\neg Sibling(x, Me)$
	$Father(F_1, That)$
	$Father(F_2, Me)$
	$Son(F_1, F_2)$
	$Male(That)$
	$Male(Me)$
	$\neg Son(That, Me)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A(c) & \vee & \neg A(x) \\
 \backslash & & / \\
 & & B(x) \\
 & & \cancel{B(c)}
 \end{array}$$

$\cup B \vDash \alpha$ iff $KB \Rightarrow \alpha$ is valid
 α is valid iff $\neg \alpha$ is unsatisfiable

Reminder: Resolution Inference Rule

The resolution rule of propositional logic can be lifted to first-order logic:

Resolution rule for first-order logic

$$\int \frac{l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_k, m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{\text{Subst}(\theta, l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_{i-1} \vee l_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee l_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n)},$$

where Unify($\underline{l_i}, \underline{\neg m_j}$) = θ .

Example: We can resolve the two clauses

$$[\underbrace{\text{Animal}(F(x)) \vee \text{Loves}(G(x), x)}_{\cancel{\text{Loves}(G(x), x)}}] \text{ and } [\cancel{\neg \text{Loves}(u, v)} \vee \cancel{\neg \text{Kills}(u, v)}]$$

by eliminating the complementary literals $\text{Loves}(G(x), x)$ and $\neg \text{Loves}(u, v)$, with unifier $\theta = \{u/G(x), v/x\}$, to produce the **resolvent** clause

$$[\text{Animal}(F(x)) \vee \cancel{\neg \text{Kills}(G(x), x)}].$$

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$\text{Sibling}(x, y) \vee (x = y) \vee \neg \text{Parent}(p, x) \vee \neg \text{Parent}(p, y)$

$\neg \text{Sibling}(x, y) \vee (x \neq y)$

$\neg \text{Sibling}(x, y) \vee \text{Parent}(F(x, y), x)$

$\neg \text{Sibling}(x, y) \vee \text{Parent}(F(x, y), y)$

$\neg \text{Parent}(p, c) \vee \text{Child}(c, p)$

$\neg \text{Child}(c, p) \vee \text{Parent}(p, c)$

$\neg \text{Son}(s, p) \vee \text{Child}(s, p)$

$\neg \text{Son}(s, p) \vee \text{Male}(s)$

$\text{Son}(s, p) \vee \neg \text{Child}(s, p) \vee \neg \text{Male}(s)$

$\neg \text{Father}(p, c) \vee \text{Parent}(p, c)$

$\neg \text{Father}(p, c) \vee \text{Male}(p)$

$\text{Father}(p, c) \vee \neg \text{Parent}(p, c) \vee \neg \text{Male}(p)$

$\neg \text{Sibling}(Me, x)$

$\neg \text{Sibling}(x, Me)$

$\text{Father}(F_1, That)$

$\text{Father}(F_2, Me)$

$\text{Son}(F_1, F_2)$

$\text{Male}(That)$

$\text{Male}(Me)$

$\neg \text{Son}(That, Me)$

$\neg \text{Son}(That, Me)$

$\{ S/That, P/Me \}$

$\neg \text{Child}(That, Me) \vee \neg \text{Male}(That)$

\otimes

$\text{Male}(That)$

$\neg \text{Child}(That, Me)$

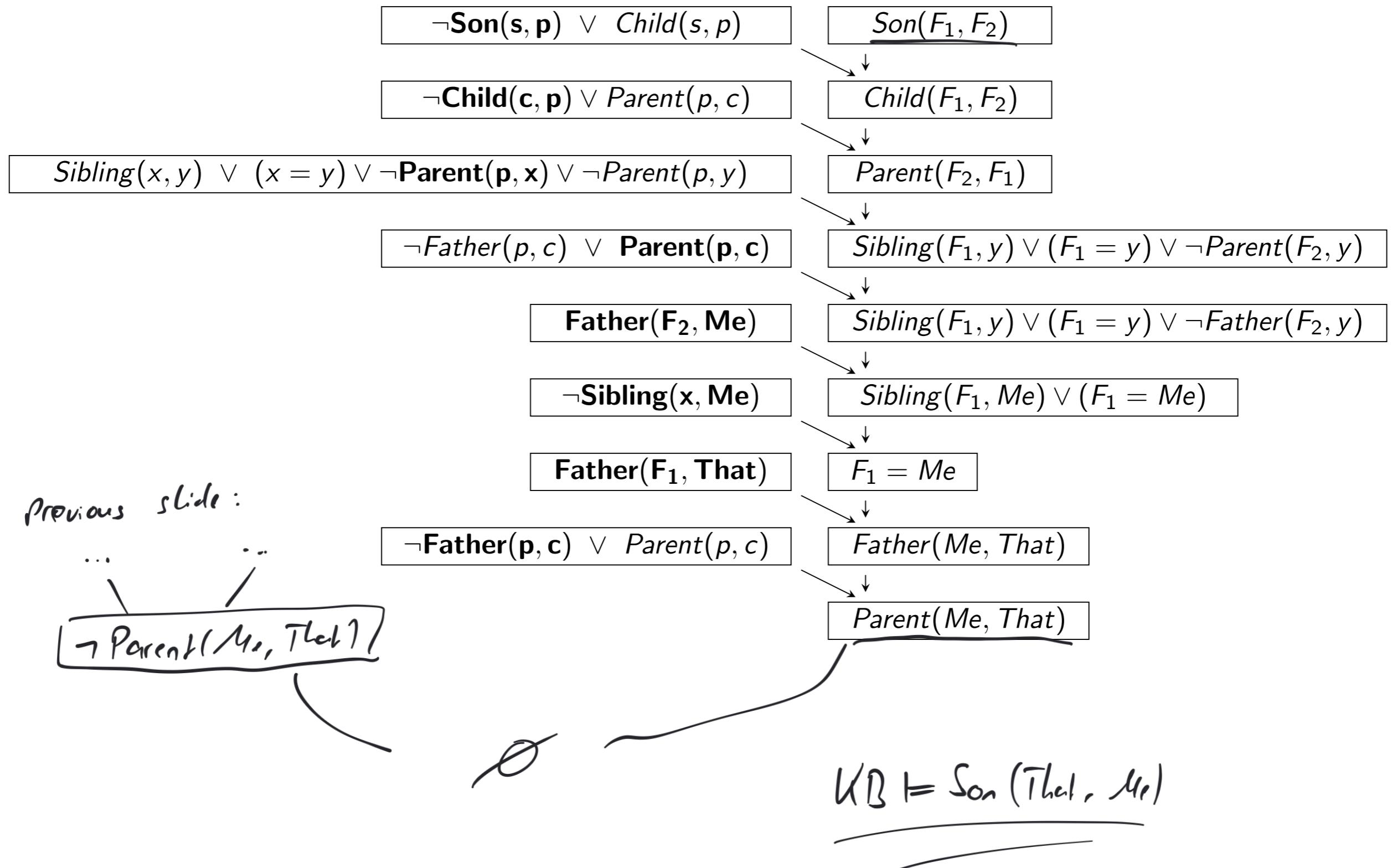
$\{ C/That, P/Me \}$

$\neg \text{Parent}(Me, That)$

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Problem 6.2: Backward chaining

work backward from goal

Suppose you are given the following axioms:

1. $\underline{0 \leq 3}$
2. $\underline{7 \leq 9}$
3. $\forall x \ x \leq x$
4. $\forall x \ \underline{x \leq x + 0}$
5. $\forall x \ \underline{x + 0 \leq x}$
6. $\forall x, y \ x + y \leq y + x$
7. $\forall w, x, y, z \ w \leq y \wedge x \leq z \Rightarrow \underline{w + x \leq y + z}$
8. $\forall x, y, z \ x \leq y \wedge y \leq z \Rightarrow \underline{x \leq z}$.

Horn clauses
 $A_1 \wedge A_2 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n \Rightarrow \underline{B}$
 $\forall x_1, \dots, x_n. \ A_n(x_1) \wedge A_{n-1}(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge A_1(x_n) \Rightarrow B$

$A_1 \vee A_2 \Rightarrow B$
↳ we have to choose whether
to prove A_1 or A_2
Similar for existential quantifiers

Give a backward-chaining proof of the sentence $\underline{7 \leq 3 + 9}$. (Be sure, of course, to use only the axioms given here, not anything else you may know about arithmetic.) Show only the steps that lead to success, not the irrelevant steps.

Reminder: Backward-Chaining Algorithm

function FOL-BC-Ask ($KB, goals, \theta$) **returns** a set of substitutions

inputs: KB , a knowledge base

$goals$, a list of conjuncts forming a query (θ already applied)

θ , the current substitution, initially the empty substitution \emptyset

local variables: $answers$, a set of substitutions, initially empty

if $goals$ is empty **then return** $\{\theta\}$

$q' \leftarrow \text{Subst}(\theta, \text{First}(goals))$

for each sentence r **in** KB where $\text{Standardize-Apart}(r) = (p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n \Rightarrow q)$

and $\theta' \leftarrow \text{Unify}(q, q')$ succeeds

$new_goals \leftarrow [p_1, \dots, p_n | Rest(goals)]$

$answers \leftarrow \text{FOL-BC-Ask}(KB, new_goals, \text{Compose}(\theta', \theta)) \cup answers$

return $answers$

$$\text{Step 1: } \underline{(7 \leq 3 + 9)} \leftarrow \underline{(7 \leq y \wedge y \leq 3 + 9)}$$

goals : $\{ \underline{7 \leq 3 + 9} \}$

$$q' \leftarrow \text{SUBST}(\underline{\emptyset}, \underline{7 \leq 3 + 9})$$

Using rule 8: $\boxed{\forall \underline{x_8, y_8, z_8} \quad x_8 \leq y_8 \wedge y_8 \leq z_8 \Rightarrow \underline{x_8 \leq z_8}}$

$$\theta' \leftarrow \{ x_8 / 7, z_8 / 3+9 \}$$

$$\text{new goals} \leftarrow \{ x_8 \leq y_8, y_8 \leq z_8 \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Step 2: } & (7 \leq y \wedge y \leq 3 + 9) \Leftarrow (\text{True} \wedge 7 + 0 \leq 3 + 9) \\ & \Leftarrow (7 + 0 \leq 3 + 9) \end{aligned}$$

goals : $\{x_8 \leq y_8, y_8 \leq z_8\}$

$$q' \leftarrow \text{SUBST}(\{x_8/7, z_8/3+9\}, \quad x_8 \leq y_8 \quad)$$

$$\frac{7 \leq y_8}{}$$

Using rule 4: $\boxed{\forall x_4 \circ x_4 \leq x_4 + 0}$

$$7 \leq 7 + 0$$

$$\theta' \leftarrow \{x_4/7, y_8/7+0\}$$

$$\text{new goals} \leftarrow \{y_8 \leq z_8\}$$

Step 3: $(7 + 0 \leq 3 + 9) \Leftarrow (7 + 0 \leq y \wedge y \leq 3 + 9)$

goals : $\{y_8 \leq z_8\}$

$q' \leftarrow \text{SUBST}(\{x_8/7, z_8/\underline{3+9}, x_4/7, y_8/\underline{7+0}\},$
 $7+0 \leq 3+9$)

Using rule 8: $\boxed{\forall x'_8, y'_8, z'_8 \quad x'_8 \leq y'_8 \wedge y'_8 \leq z'_8 \Rightarrow x'_8 \leq z'_8}$

$\theta' \leftarrow \{x_8'/7+0, z_8'/3+9\}$

new goals $\leftarrow \{x_8' \leq y_8', y_8' \leq z_8'\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Step 4: } & (7 + 0 \leq y \wedge y \leq 3 + 9) \leftarrow (\text{True} \wedge 0 + 7 \leq 3 + 9) \\ & \leftarrow (0 + 7 \leq 3 + 9) \end{aligned}$$

goals : $\{x'_8 \leq y'_8, y'_8 \leq z'_8\}$

$$q' \leftarrow \text{SUBST}(\{x_8/7, z_8/3 + 9, x_4/7, y_8/7 + 0, x'_8/7 + 0, z'_8/3 + 9\},)$$

$$7 + 0 \leq y'_8$$

Using rule 6: $\boxed{\forall x_6, y_6 \ x_6 + y_6 \leq y_6 + x_6}$

$$\theta' \leftarrow \{x_6/7, y_6/0, g_8'/0 + 7\}$$

$$\text{new goals} \leftarrow \{g_8' \leq z'_8\}$$

Step 5: $(0 + 7 \leq 3 + 9) \Leftarrow (0 \leq 3 \wedge 7 \leq 9)$

goals : $\{y'_8 \leq z'_8\}$

$q' \leftarrow \text{SUBST}(\{x_8/7, z_8/3 + 9, x_4/7, y_8/7 + 0, x'_8/7 + 0,$
 $z'_8/3 + 9, y'_8/0 + 7, x_6/7, y_6/0\}, y_8' \equiv z_8')$

$\hookrightarrow 0 + 7 \leq 3 + 9$

Using rule 7:

$$\boxed{\forall w_7, x_7, y_7, z_7 \quad w_7 \leq y_7 \wedge x_7 \leq z_7 \Rightarrow w_7 + x_7 \leq y_7 + z_7}$$

$$\theta' \leftarrow \{w_7/0, x_7/7, y_7/3, z_7/9\}$$

$$\text{new goals} \leftarrow \{w_7 \leq y_7, x_7 \leq z_7\}$$

Step 6: $(0 \leq 3 \wedge 7 \leq 9) \Leftarrow (\text{True} \wedge 7 \leq 9) \Leftarrow (7 \leq 9)$

goals : $\{ w_7 \leq y_7, x_7 \leq z_7 \}$

$q' \leftarrow \text{SUBST}(\{x_8/7, z_8/3 + 9, x_4/7, y_8/7 + 0, x'_8/7 + 0,$
 $z'_8/3 + 9, y'_8/0 + 7, x_6/7, y_6/0, w_7/0, y_7/3,$
 $x_7/7, z_7/9\}, w_7 \Leftarrow y_7)$
 $\circ \leq \}$

Using rule 1: $0 \leq 3$

$\theta' \leftarrow \emptyset$

new goals $\leftarrow \{ x_7 \leq z_7 \}$

Step 7: $(7 \leq 9) \Leftarrow \text{True}$

goals : $\{x_7 \leq z_7\}$

$q' \leftarrow \text{SUBST}(\{x_8/7, z_8/3 + 9, x_4/7, y_8/7 + 0, x'_8/7 + 0,$
 $z'_8/3 + 9, y'_8/0 + 7, x_6/7, y_6/0, w_7/0, y_7/3,$
 $x_7/7, z_7/9\}, \lambda_7 \Leftarrow z_7)$

$\hookrightarrow 7 \leq 9$

Using rule 2: $7 \leq 9$

$\theta' \leftarrow \emptyset$

new goals $\leftarrow \emptyset$

$\text{KB} \models 7 \leq 9$