

# CS 480

## *Introduction to Artificial Intelligence*

October 25, 2022

# Announcements / Reminders

- Follow Week 09 TO DO List

- Grading TA assignment:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ExS0bKnGt\\_fdf4LHa3YS1qRA7-lq4xqXVjfSAPMaGVk/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ExS0bKnGt_fdf4LHa3YS1qRA7-lq4xqXVjfSAPMaGVk/edit?usp=sharing)

- UPDATED Final Exam date:

- December 1st, 2022 (last week of classes!)
  - Ignore the date provided by the Registrar

# Plan for Today

- **Predicate / First-Order Logic**

# Predicate Logic Syntax: Summary

Predicate calculus symbols include:

- truth symbols: true and false
- terms represent specific objects in the world
  - constants, variables and functions
- predicate symbols refer to a particular relation between objects or represent facts
- function symbols refer to objects indirectly (via some relationship)
- quantifiers ( $\forall$  and  $\exists$ ) and variables refer to collections of objects without explicitly naming each object

# Proof by Resolution

The process of proving by resolution is as follows:

- A. Formalize the problem: “English to Predicate Logic”
- B. Negate the input statement/claim  $C$  to obtain  $\neg C$
- C. Convert  $\neg C$  into CNF (“standardized”) form
- D. Apply resolution rule to resulting clauses. New clauses will be generated (add them to the set if not already present)
- E. Repeat (C) until:
  - a. no new clause can be added ( $C$  is false)
  - b. last two clauses resolve to yield the empty clause ( $C$  is true)

# Problem: Argument Mismatch

The goal of the resolution process is to find a contradiction. When two contradicting literals “cancel” each other out, we can end up with an empty clause:

$$\frac{(\textcolor{blue}{w}), (\neg \textcolor{blue}{w})}{()}$$

It is not so easy in predicate logic. This

$$\frac{(\textcolor{green}{setting}(\textcolor{blue}{sun})), (\neg \textcolor{green}{setting}(\textcolor{blue}{sun}))}{()}$$

will work (**predicate** arguments match). This

$$\frac{(\textcolor{green}{beautiful}(\textcolor{blue}{day})), (\neg \textcolor{green}{beautiful}(\textcolor{blue}{night}))}{??????}$$

will not, because **predicate** arguments don't match.

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# Universal Quantifier: Conjunctions

**Universal** quantifier (“for all”) indicates that a sentence is true for **all possible values of the variable**. For example:

$$\forall x \text{ likes}(x, \text{cake})$$

is true if  $\text{likes}(x, \text{cake})$  is true **for all interpretations** of variable  $x$ . Assuming that

$$x \in \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$$

we can rewrite  $\forall x \text{ likes}(x, \text{cake})$  as:

$$\text{likes}(x_1, \text{cake}) \wedge \text{likes}(x_2, \text{cake}) \wedge \dots \wedge \text{likes}(x_n, \text{cake})$$



# Eliminating Universal Quantifiers

In general universal quantifiers can also be eliminated through the use of **Universal Instantiation**.

For any sentence  $S$ , variable  $x$ , and constant symbol  $g$  (that does not appear anywhere in the knowledge base), we can use the following rule:

$$\frac{\forall x S}{\text{SUBST}(\{x / g\}, S)}$$

Where is a result of applying substitution  $\{x / g\}$  to the sentence  $S$ .

# Eliminating Universal Quantifiers

For example, from the sentence:

$$\forall x (\text{king}(x) \wedge \text{greedy}(x) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(x))$$

we can infer the sentence

$$\text{king}(\text{John}) \wedge \text{greedy}(\text{John}) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(\text{John})$$

using the substitution  $\{x / \text{John}\}$ .

# Eliminating Existential Quantifiers

In general: existential quantifiers can also be eliminated through the use of **Existential Instantiation**.

For any sentence  $S$ , variable  $x$ , and constant symbol  $k$  (that does not appear anywhere in the knowledge base), we can use the following rule:

$$\frac{\exists x S}{\text{SUBST}(\{x / k\}, S)}$$

Where is a result of applying substitution  $\{x / k\}$  to the sentence  $S$ .

# Propositionalization

The idea:

- Replace an existentially quantified sentence with ONE instantiation (Skolemization)
- Replace an universally quantified sentence with ALL POSSIBLE instantiations

For example, from the sentence:

$$\forall x (\text{king}(x) \wedge \text{greedy}(x) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(x))$$

Assume: there are TWO possible values/objects for  $x$ : {John, Richard}. We obtain:

$$(\text{king}(\text{John}) \wedge \text{greedy}(\text{John}) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(\text{John}))$$

$$(\text{king}(\text{Richard}) \wedge \text{greedy}(\text{Richard}) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(\text{Richard}))$$

# Propositionalization

Now, we can continue the conversion of:

$$\begin{aligned} &(\text{king}(\text{John}) \wedge \text{greedy}(\text{John}) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(\text{John})) \\ &(\text{king}(\text{Richard}) \wedge \text{greedy}(\text{Richard}) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(\text{Richard})) \end{aligned}$$

by replacing each atomic predicate logic symbol with a propositional logic symbol

$$\begin{aligned} &(\text{JohnIsKing} \wedge \text{JohnIsGreedy} \Rightarrow \text{JohnIsEvil}) \\ &(\text{RichardIsKing} \wedge \text{RichardIsGreedy} \Rightarrow \text{RichardIsEvil}) \end{aligned}$$

Can you see potential problems?

# Propositionalization

What if, in addition to:

$$(\text{king}(\text{John}) \wedge \text{greedy}(\text{John}) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(\text{John}))$$

$$(\text{king}(\text{Richard}) \wedge \text{greedy}(\text{Richard}) \Rightarrow \text{evil}(\text{Richard}))$$

we also had a function  $\text{Father}(\cdot)$ ?

You can easily end up with infinite nesting of the following nature:

$$\text{Father}(\text{Father}(\text{Father}(\text{Father}(\text{John}))))$$

That leads to an infinite number of clauses!

# Unification

Predicate logic inference rules **require finding substitutions that make two different logical expressions look identical.**

The process is called **unification**. A UNIFY algorithm takes **two sentences**  $p$  and  $q$  and returns a unifier  $\theta$  for them (a substitution) if one exists:

$$\text{UNIFY}(p, q) = \theta, \text{ where } \text{SUBST}(\theta, p) = \text{SUBST}(\theta, q)$$

# Unification: Examples

$\text{UNIFY}(\text{sentenceA}, \text{sentenceB}) = \{\text{unifier for sentenceA and sentenceB}\}$

$\text{UNIFY}(\text{p}, \text{q}) = \{\theta\}$

$\text{UNIFY}(\text{p}, \text{q}) = \{\text{variable / unifying value}\}$

## Examples:

$\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John}, \text{x}), \text{Knows}(\text{John}, \text{Jane})) = \{\text{x/Jane}\}$

$\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John}, \text{x}), \text{Knows}(\text{y}, \text{Bill})) = \{\text{x/Bill}, \text{y/John}\}$

$\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John}, \text{x}), \text{Knows}(\text{y}, \text{Mother}(\text{y}))) = \{\text{x/Mother}(\text{John}), \text{y/John}\}$

$\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John}, \text{x}), \text{Knows}(\text{x}, \text{Elizabeth})) = \text{failure}$   
 $(\{\text{x/John}, \text{x/Elizabeth}\} \text{ is not possible})$



# Most General Unifier (MGU)

But.... there can be multiple unifiers for a pair of sentences. Which one to choose?

Every UNIFIABLE pair of sentences has a SINGLE **most general unifier** that is unique.

UNIFY algorithm will find MGU.

# Unification

**function** UNIFY( $x, y, \theta = \text{empty}$ ) **returns** a substitution to make  $x$  and  $y$  identical, or *failure*  
  **if**  $\theta = \text{failure}$  **then return** *failure*  
  **else if**  $x = y$  **then return**  $\theta$   
  **else if** VARIABLE?( $x$ ) **then return** UNIFY-VAR( $x, y, \theta$ )  
  **else if** VARIABLE?( $y$ ) **then return** UNIFY-VAR( $y, x, \theta$ )  
  **else if** COMPOUND?( $x$ ) **and** COMPOUND?( $y$ ) **then**  
    **return** UNIFY(ARGS( $x$ ), ARGS( $y$ ), UNIFY(OP( $x$ ), OP( $y$ ),  $\theta$ ))  
  **else if** LIST?( $x$ ) **and** LIST?( $y$ ) **then**  
    **return** UNIFY(REST( $x$ ), REST( $y$ ), UNIFY(FIRST( $x$ ), FIRST( $y$ ),  $\theta$ ))  
  **else return** *failure*

**function** UNIFY-VAR( $var, x, \theta$ ) **returns** a substitution  
  **if**  $\{var/val\} \in \theta$  for some  $val$  **then return** UNIFY( $val, x, \theta$ )  
  **else if**  $\{x/val\} \in \theta$  for some  $val$  **then return** UNIFY( $var, val, \theta$ )  
  **else if** OCCUR-CHECK?( $var, x$ ) **then return** *failure*  
  **else return** add  $\{var/x\}$  to  $\theta$

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Variable  $w$  ( $w$  and  $w$ ) is bound to two different quantifiers:

$$\forall w ([\neg(P_1(w) \vee P_2(w)) \vee P_3(w)] \vee [\exists x (\exists y (\neg P_6(x, y) \vee P_4(w, x)))] \wedge [\forall w (P_5(w))])$$

Replace  $w$  with  $z$  and the sentence S becomes:

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Quantified variables unique, move quantifiers left (order!):

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We have two existential quantifiers to remove here:

$$\forall w \exists x \exists y \forall z ([(\neg P_1(w) \wedge \neg P_2(w)) \vee P_3(w)] \vee [(\neg P_6(x, y) \vee P_4(w, x))] \wedge [(P_5(z))])$$

and:

$$\forall w \exists x \exists y \forall z ([(\neg P_1(w) \wedge \neg P_2(w)) \vee P_3(w)] \vee [(\neg P_6(x, y) \vee P_4(w, x))] \wedge [(P_5(z))])$$

Both  $\exists x$  and  $\exists y$  are **inside** the scope of the universal quantifier  $\forall w$ . We need to use **Skolem function** substitution (Skolemization).

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Let's start with  $\exists x$  and replace  $x$  with a Skolem function:

$$\forall w \exists x \exists y \forall z ([(\neg P_1(w) \wedge \neg P_2(w)) \vee P_3(w)] \vee [(\neg P_6(x, y) \vee P_4(w, x))] \wedge [P_5(z)])$$

becomes:

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Now: remove  $\exists y$  and replace  $y$  with a Skolem function:

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Remaining quantified variables are universally quantified:

$$\forall w \forall z ([(\neg P_1(w) \wedge \neg P_2(w)) \vee P_3(w)] \vee [(\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w)))] \wedge [P_5(z)])$$

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We can simply “drop” universal quantifiers:

$$\forall w \forall z ([(\neg P_1(w) \wedge \neg P_2(w)) \vee P_3(w)] \vee [(\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w)))]) \wedge [(P_5(z))]$$

becomes:

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We are “dropping” universal quantifiers for inferential purposes only. Equivalence is lost, but we can still use the remaining sentence to infer.

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By Associative Law  $((p \vee q) \vee r \Leftrightarrow p \vee (q \vee r))$ :

$$([\neg P_1(w) \wedge \neg P_2(w) \vee P_3(w)] \vee [\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w))]) \wedge [P_5(z)]$$

becomes:

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By Distributive Law  $(p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r))$ :

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Let's make some substitutions:

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$$A \equiv (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_1(w))$$

$$B \equiv (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_2(w))$$

$$C \equiv (\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w)))$$

so the sentence becomes:

$$([A \wedge B] \vee [C]) \wedge [P_5(z)]$$

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$$((A \vee C) \wedge (B \vee C)) \wedge [(P_5(z))]$$

where:

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Remove substitutions:

$$((A \vee C) \wedge (B \vee C)) \wedge [(P_5(z))]$$

becomes:

$$(((P_3(w) \vee \neg P_1(w)) \vee (\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w)))) \wedge ((P_3(w) \vee \neg P_2(w)) \vee (\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w))))) \wedge [(P_5(z))]$$

where:

$$A \equiv (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_1(w))$$

$$B \equiv (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_2(w))$$

$$C \equiv (\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w)))$$

# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 1

Original sentence S:

$$\forall w ([P_1(w) \vee P_2(w) \Rightarrow P_3(w)] \vee [\exists x (\exists y (P_6(x, y) \Rightarrow P_4(w, x)))]) \wedge [\forall w (P_5(w))]$$

We can remove some parentheses:

$$(((P_3(w) \vee \neg P_1(w)) \vee (\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w)))) \wedge ((P_3(w) \vee \neg P_2(w)) \vee (\neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w))))) \wedge [(P_5(z))]$$

becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} & (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_1(w) \vee \neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w))) \\ & \wedge (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_2(w) \vee \neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w))) \\ & \wedge (P_5(z)) \end{aligned}$$

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We obtained sentence S in CNF form:

$$\begin{aligned} & (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_1(w) \vee \neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w))) \\ & \wedge (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_2(w) \vee \neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w))) \\ & \wedge (P_5(z)) \end{aligned}$$

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Let's number all clauses:

$$\begin{aligned} & (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_1(w) \vee \neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w)))_1 \\ & \wedge (P_3(w) \vee \neg P_2(w) \vee \neg P_6(f(w), g(w)) \vee P_4(w, f(w)))_2 \\ & \wedge (P_5(z))_3 \end{aligned}$$

# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$$

**“Everyone who loves all animals is loved by someone”**

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# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$$

By Implication Law ( $p \Rightarrow q \equiv \neg p \vee q$ ):

$$\forall x [\neg \forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$$

becomes:

$$\forall x \neg [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$$



# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

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$$\forall x \neg [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

becomes:

$$\forall x \neg [(\forall y (\neg \text{Animal}(y) \vee \text{Loves}(x, y)))] \vee [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

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Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

By the equivalence  $(\neg \forall x (p) \equiv \exists x (\neg p))$ :

$$\forall x \neg [(\forall y (\neg \text{Animal}(y) \vee \text{Loves}(x, y)))] \vee [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

becomes:

$$\forall x [(\exists y \neg (\neg \text{Animal}(y) \vee \text{Loves}(x, y)))] \vee [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

By De Morgan's Law ( $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$ ):

$$\forall x [(\exists y \neg(\neg\text{Animal}(y) \vee \text{Loves}(x, y))) \vee [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]]$$

becomes:

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\neg\neg\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg\text{Loves}(x, y))) \vee [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]]$$

# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

By Double Negation Law ( $\neg(\neg p) \equiv p$ ):

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\neg\neg\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg\text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

becomes:

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Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

Variable y (y and y) is bound to two different quantifiers:

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\neg\neg\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg\text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

Replace y with z and the sentence S becomes:

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg\text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists z \text{ Loves}(z, x)]$$

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# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

We CAN'T move  $\exists z$  left, as it is on the same “level” as  $\exists y$ :

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists z \text{ Loves}(z, x)]$$

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# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

We have two existential quantifiers to remove ( $\exists y, \exists z$ ) :

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists z \text{ Loves}(z, x)]$$

and:

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists z \text{ Loves}(z, x)]$$

Both  $\exists y$  and  $\exists z$  are **inside** the scope of the universal quantifier  $\forall x$ . We need to use **Skolem function** substitution (Skolemization).

# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

Let's start with  $\exists y$  and replace  $y$  with a Skolem function:

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists z \text{ Loves}(z, x)]$$

becomes:

$$\forall x [(\text{Animal}(F(x)) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x))) \vee [\exists z \text{ Loves}(z, x)]$$

Quantified variable  $y$  was replaced with Skolem function  $F(x)$ . Existential quantifier  $\exists y$  was removed.

# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{ Loves}(y, x)]$$

Now, remove  $\exists z$  and replace  $y$  with a Skolem function:

$$\forall x [(\exists y (\text{Animal}(y) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, y))] \vee [\exists z \text{ Loves}(z, x)]$$

becomes:

$$\forall x [(\text{Animal}(F(x)) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x))) \vee [\text{Loves}(G(x), x)]$$

Quantified variable  $z$  was replaced with Skolem function  $G(x)$ . Existential quantifier  $\exists z$  was removed.

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# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$$

Remaining quantified variables are universally quantified:

$$\forall x [(\text{Animal}(F(x)) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x))) \vee [\text{Loves}(G(x), x)]]$$

# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$$

We can simply “drop” universal quantifiers:

$$\forall x [(\text{Animal}(F(x)) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))] \vee [\text{Loves}(G(x), x)]$$

becomes:

$$[(\text{Animal}(F(x)) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))] \vee [\text{Loves}(G(x), x)]$$

We are “dropping” universal quantifiers for inferential purposes only. Equivalence is lost, but we can still use the remaining sentence to infer.



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# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$$

By Commutative Law ( $p \vee q \Leftrightarrow q \vee p$ ):

$$[(\text{Animal}(F(x)) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))] \vee [\text{Loves}(G(x), x)]$$

becomes:

$$[\text{Loves}(G(x), x)] \vee [(\text{Animal}(F(x)) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))]$$

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# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

$$\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$$

By Distributive Law  $(p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r))$ :

$$[\text{Loves}(G(x), x)] \vee [(\text{Animal}(F(x)) \wedge \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))]$$

becomes:

$$(\text{Loves}(G(x), x) \vee \text{Animal}(F(x))) \wedge (\text{Loves}(G(x), x) \vee \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))$$

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Sentence S is now in CNF form:

$$(\text{Loves}(G(x), x) \vee \text{Animal}(F(x))) \wedge (\text{Loves}(G(x), x) \vee \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))$$

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# Converting FOL to CNF: Example 2

Original sentence S:

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Let's number all clauses:

$$(\text{Loves}(G(x), x) \vee \text{Animal}(F(x))) \wedge (\text{Loves}(G(x), x) \vee \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))$$

becomes:

$$(\text{Loves}(G(x), x) \vee \text{Animal}(F(x)))_1 \wedge (\text{Loves}(G(x), x) \vee \neg \text{Loves}(x, F(x)))_2$$



# Predicate Logic Resolution: Example

Consider following sentences in English

- A. Everyone who loves all animals is loved by someone
- B. Anyone who kills an animal is loved by no one
- C. Jack Loves all animals
- D. Either Jack or Curiosity killed the cat, who is named Tuna

**Q. Did Curiosity kill the cat?**

# FOL: The Resolution Inference Rule

Two clauses, which are assumed to be standardized apart, so **that they share no variables**, can be resolved if they contain complementary literals:

- Propositional literals are complementary if **one is the negation of the other**
- Predicate logic literals are complementary if **one unifies with the negation of the other**

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

where  $\theta = \text{UNIFY}(l_{i-1}, m_j)$ .

# FOL: The Resolution Inference Rule

For example, the following two clauses:

$[\text{Animal}(\textcolor{red}{F}(\textcolor{red}{x})) \vee \text{Loves}(\textcolor{blue}{G}(\textcolor{blue}{x}), \textcolor{green}{x})]$  and

$[\neg \text{Loves}(\textcolor{blue}{u}, \textcolor{violet}{v}) \vee \neg \text{Kills}(\textcolor{blue}{u}, \textcolor{violet}{v})]$

can be resolved by eliminating complementary literals

$\text{Loves}(\textcolor{blue}{G}(\textcolor{blue}{x}), \textcolor{green}{x})$  and  $\neg \text{Loves}(\textcolor{blue}{u}, \textcolor{violet}{v})$

with the unifier

$$\theta = \{\textcolor{blue}{u}/\textcolor{blue}{G}(\textcolor{blue}{x}), \textcolor{violet}{v}/\textcolor{green}{x}\},$$

to produce the resolvent clause:

$[\text{Animal}(\textcolor{red}{F}(\textcolor{red}{x})) \vee \neg \text{Kills}(\textcolor{blue}{G}(\textcolor{blue}{x}), \textcolor{green}{x})]$

# Predicate Logic Resolution: Example

Now, let's turn them into predicate logic sentences/KB:

A.  $\forall x [\forall y (\text{Animal}(y) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(x, y))] \Rightarrow [\exists y \text{Loves}(y, x)]$

B.  $\forall x [\exists z (\text{Animal}(z) \wedge \text{Kills}(x, z))] \Rightarrow [\forall y \neg \text{Loves}(y, x)]$

C.  $\forall x [\text{Animal}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Loves}(\text{Jack}, x)]$

D.  $\text{Kills}(\text{Jack}, \text{Tuna}) \vee \text{Kills}(\text{Curiosity}, \text{Tuna})$

E.  $\text{Cat}(\text{Tuna})$

F.  $\forall x [\text{Cat}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Animal}(x)]$

Q.  $\text{Kills}(\text{Curiosity}, \text{Tuna})$ , so  $\neg Q \equiv \neg \text{Kills}(\text{Curiosity}, \text{Tuna})$

# Predicate Logic Resolution: Example

Let's turn them into predicate logic CNF sentences/KB:

A1.  $(\text{Animal}(\text{F}(\mathbf{x})) \vee \text{Loves}(\text{G}(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{x}))$  (A1 and A2 related)

A2.  $(\neg \text{Loves}(\mathbf{x}, \text{F}(\mathbf{x})) \vee \text{Loves}(\text{G}(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{x}))$

B.  $(\neg \text{Loves}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}) \vee \neg \text{Animal}(\mathbf{z}) \vee \neg \text{Kills}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}))$

C.  $(\neg \text{Animal}(\mathbf{x}) \vee \text{Loves}(\text{Jack}, \mathbf{x}))$

D.  $(\text{Kills}(\text{Jack}, \text{Tuna}) \vee \text{Kills}(\text{Curiosity}, \text{Tuna}))$

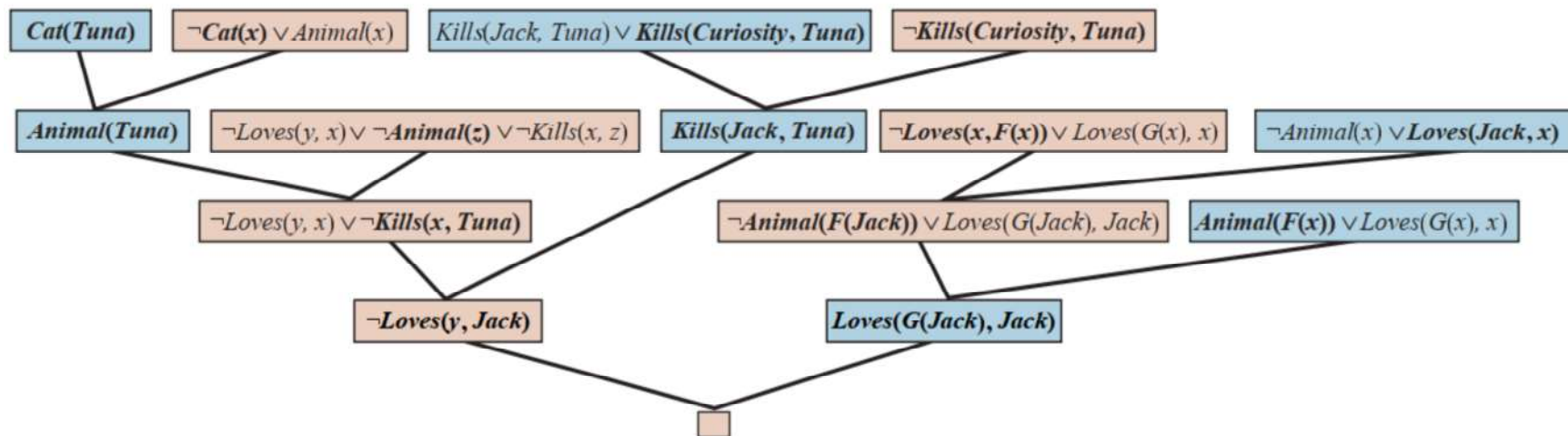
E.  $(\text{Cat}(\text{Tuna}))$

F.  $(\neg \text{Cat}(\mathbf{x}) \vee \text{Animal}(\mathbf{x}))$

Q.  $\text{Kills}(\text{Curiosity}, \text{Tuna})$ , so  $\neg Q \equiv (\neg \text{Kills}(\text{Curiosity}, \text{Tuna}))$

# Predicate Logic Resolution: Example

Resolution process with substitutions:



Notice the use of factoring in derivation of the clause( $Loves(G(Jack), Jack)$ )