

LECTURE 6

LOGIC PROGRAMMING

We have defined well-formed strings for PREDICATE LOGIC (SYNTAX)

How to attach the meaning to:

$$\text{string} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

↑
false ↑ true

DEFINITION 1:

Relation of arity n (R/n) over set D is some subset

$$\tilde{R} \subset D^n = D \times \dots \times D$$

We can represent R as a function:

$$R: \underbrace{D \times \dots \times D}_{n\text{-times}} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

such that for a n -tuple (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n) $d_i \in D$:

$$R(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n) = 1$$

iff

$$(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n) \in \tilde{R} \subset D^n$$

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Example 1:

(i) Pr/1: $\tilde{P}_r(x) \in \mathcal{N}$ is true
 iff
 x is prime

$$\tilde{P}_r(x) = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, \dots\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$$

(ii) Sq/2: $\tilde{S}_q(x, y) \in \mathcal{N} \times \mathcal{N}$
 iff
 $y = x^2$

$$\tilde{S}_q(x, y) = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 4), \dots\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}^2$$



We introduce now for a language:

$$\mathcal{L} = \underbrace{\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}}_{\text{constants}}, \underbrace{\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}}_{\text{variables}}, \underbrace{\{f_1/n_1, \dots, f_k/n_k\}}_{\text{functions}}, \underbrace{\{P_1/m_1, \dots, P_l/m_l\}}_{\text{predicates}}$$

the definition of any interpretation:

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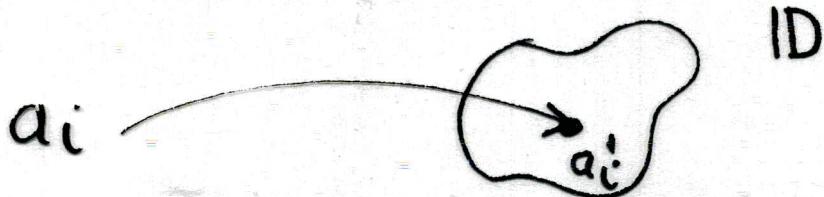
DEFINITION 2:

Let D be a non-empty set, called the domain of discourse.

Then an interpretation \mathcal{I} for language L :

- a) for each constant $a_i \in L$
we assign:

$$a_i \rightarrow a'_i \in D$$



- b) for each f_i/m_i we assign a function
 $f_i \rightarrow f'_i : D^{m_i} \xrightarrow{\text{function symbol}} D$

- c) for each predicate symbol P_i/m_i
we assign a relation p'_i

$$P_i \rightarrow P'_i : D^{m_i} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}.$$

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An interpretation is not sufficient.
(for semantics)

Example 2:

$$\mathcal{L} = \{a_1, a_2, f/1, p/2\}$$

↖ language

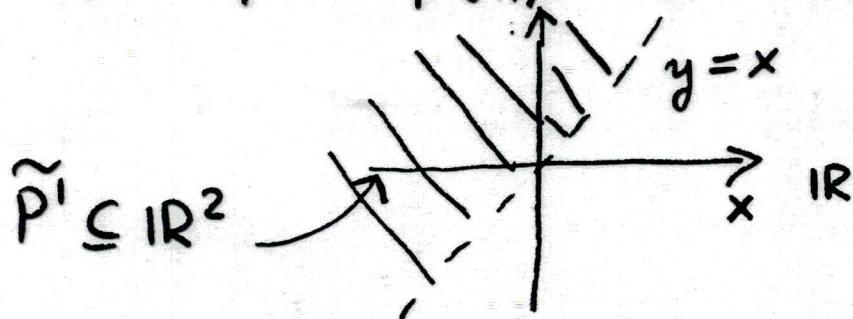
Let $ID = \mathbb{R}$ (set of real numbers)

For a) $a_1 \rightarrow 0 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$a_2 \rightarrow 1 \in \mathbb{R}$$

b) $f \rightarrow f': x \rightarrow x^2 \in \mathbb{R}$

c) $p \rightarrow p'(x, y) \text{ true iff } x < y$



- constants refer to specific elements in ID .
- functions f/n refer to actual functions on $ID^n \rightarrow ID$.
- predicates p/m represent real-world relationship of the objects in ID^m .

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Example 3:

For $\mathcal{L} = \{ \text{jack}, \text{bill}, \text{jennifer}, \text{mary}, \text{married}/2 \}$

Let $\mathbb{D} = \{ \text{Jack}, \text{Bill}, \text{Jennifer}, \text{Mary} \}$

a) $\text{jack} \rightarrow \text{Jack}$

$\text{bill} \rightarrow \text{Bill}$

$\text{jennifer} \rightarrow \text{Jennifer}$

$\text{mary} \rightarrow \text{Mary}$

b) no function symbols here

c) $p \rightarrow p'(x,y)$ is true iff
"married" "married" x is married
 to y .

Assume that only Mary is married to Bill.

Note that only for closed formulas we can determine semantics:

$\text{married}'(\text{Bill}, \text{Mary}) = \text{true}$

$\text{married}'(\text{Bill}, \text{Bill}) = \text{false}$

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This can be done from relation R.

But even those **closed** formulas:

$$(o) \exists x \text{ married}'(x, \text{Bill}) = \text{true}$$

$$\forall x \text{ married}'(x, \text{Bill}) = \text{false}$$

have the **unique meaning!** (to be soon defined).

But **open** formula (with free variable)

$$(oo) \text{ married}'(x, \text{Mary}) = \begin{cases} \text{true } & x = \text{Bill} \\ \text{false } & x \neq \text{Bill}. \end{cases}$$

free variable
gives problem!



To deal with the above:

we define a variable assignment

That would cover (oo).

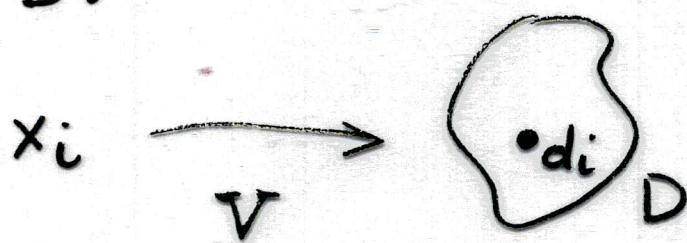
Definition of interpretation & variable assignment

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DEFINITION 3:

A variable assignment V with respect to an interpretation \mathcal{I} is an assignment to each variable in language an element from D :



Once V is given:

\Rightarrow any term t represents $t' \in D$

So given:

- an interpretation \mathcal{I}
- = a variable assignment V
based on \mathcal{I}

One can introduce a full semantics in PREDICATE LOGIC irrespectively whether f is closed or open.

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DEFINITION 4:

Let \mathcal{I} be an interpretation for language L with domain D .

Let V be a variable assignment based on D .

Then any formula from L is given a truth value as follows:

1* for $f \equiv p(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$ being an atom
the truth value is:

$$p^I(t_1^I, t_2^I, \dots, t_n^I)$$

2* If f_1 & f_2 are well-formed then

f_1	f_2	$\neg(f_1)$	$(f_1 \vee f_2)$	$(f_1 \wedge f_2)$	$f_2 \leftarrow f_1$
true	true	false	true	true	true
true	false	false	true	false	false
false	true	true	true	false	true
false	false	true	false	false	true

Note: 1* & 2* are extensions of semantics
of PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC.

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3. for

$$f \equiv \exists x P$$

then the truth value of f is true if there exists some element $d \in D$ such that P is true when all occurrences of variable x are assigned to value d . All other variables retain their variable assignment.

4. for

$$f \equiv \forall x P$$

then the truth value of f is true if for every $d \in D$, P is true when all occurrences of the variable x are assigned to the value d . All other variables retain their variable assignment.

The truth value of f being CLOSED formula does not depend on variable assignment!

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From now on we assume to deal only
with

CLOSED FORMULAS

e.g., terms are closed. e.g., $v \dots f$ have no free variables
Semantics depends ^{upc} more merely on Interpretation !

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Let $\mathcal{L} = \{ \underbrace{a, b}_{\text{constants}} ; \underbrace{s/1}_{\text{function}} ; \underbrace{p/2, q/1, r/2}_{\text{predicates}} \}$

Consider the following interpretation:

$D = \mathbb{Z}$ (set of integers)

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From symbolic formulas we can read back English sentences (under this interpretation I):

$\forall x \exists y p(x, y)$: For any integer x , there is an integer y such that y is less than x .
TRUE under I.

$\exists x \forall y p(x, y)$: There is an integer x such that x is greater than every integer y .
False under I.

$p(s(a), b)$: 1 is greater than 1
False under I.

$\forall x (q(x) \leftarrow p(x, a))$: Any integer x greater than 0 satisfies $x > 0$.
TRUE.



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Example 5:

Testing relationship between people.

Consider predicates:

parent/2, male/1, female/1

We start with simple facts:

parent (pam, bob).	Pam is the parent of Bob.
parent (tom, bob).	etc.
parent (tom, liz).	
parent (bob, ann).	
parent (bob, pat).	
parent (joe, jim).	
parent (pat, jim).	
female (pam).	gender of Pam.
male (tom).	
male (bob).	
female (liz).	
female (ann).	
female (pat).	part of the file.pl
male (joe).	
male (jim).	

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>> male(tom). + RTN

yes

>> male(X). + RTN

"who is male"
||

X=tom

$$Q \equiv \exists x \text{ male}(x)$$

Now - there are more than one solution.

(i) if we hit + RTN end of search

(ii) if we hit ";" a semi-colon
another X is found by PROLOG

X=bob + RTN ↑ search for solution resumes

We can express other relationships: in terms of the previous ones.

child(X,Y) :- parent(Y,X).

↑
"A is child of B provided B is a parent of A."

(*) mother(X,Y) :- parent(X,Y), female(X).

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

& even go analogously to more distant relations:

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$\text{grandparent}(X, Y) :- \text{parent}(X, Z), \text{parent}(Z, Y)$

Now

$\gg \text{child}(\text{bob}, A)$.

$A = \text{pam}$

"Bob is a child of Pam".

$\gg \text{mother}(X, \text{jim})$.

|||

$Q \equiv \exists X \text{ mother}(X, \text{jim})$..

"who is the mother of Jim?"

here as we know PROLOG takes

$\sim Q \equiv \forall X \sim \text{mother}(X, \text{jim})$

|||

$\leftarrow \text{mother}(X, \text{jim})$ clausal
original goal form

& repeatedly tries "all possible ways" to resolve it in order to produce an empty clause \square .

1. it looks down the database & finds:

(*) $\text{mother}(X, Y) \leftarrow \text{parent}(X, Y), \text{female}(X)$.

RTN +

from now on
we omit it.

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2. it tries to find an instance of (*) so that literals in the goal clause & program clause (*) match
- ↑
this is called **UNIFICATION***

Here instance of (*) is:

$\text{mother}(X, \text{jim}) \leftarrow \text{parent}(X, \text{jim}), \text{female}(X)$

& goal

$\leftarrow \text{mother}(\text{X}, \text{jim})$

Now we can "resolve" ** & get a new goal:

(*) $\leftarrow \text{parent}(\text{X}, \text{jim}), \text{female}(\text{X})$.

3. again first literal in (*) is chosen & Prolog tries to match with the head of some program clause (1st one!)

Here the 1st 5 do not match.

But the sixth one — Yes.

We do now substitution for $X = \text{joe}$ in (*).

* formally defined later

** formally for PREDICATE LOGIC RESOLUTION defined later

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$\leftarrow \text{parent(joe, jim)}, \text{female(joe)}.$
 $\text{parent(joe, jim)}.$

$\leftarrow \text{female(joe)}.$ Resolvent
↑ current goal

4. Now PROLOG cannot find in database the clause it matches current goal.

So far no empty clause is found!

5. PROLOG now "backtracks" to the first place, where there is more than one choice of selecting the program clause which:

" head matches the left-most literal of current goal".

6. Now we take the 2nd clause

$\leftarrow \text{parent (pat, jim)}, \text{female(pat)}.$
 $\text{parent (pat, jim)}.$

$\leftarrow \text{female (pat)}.$ Resolvent
↑ current goal

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Finally if we resolve with clause 12)

$\leftarrow \text{female}(\text{pat}).$
 $\text{female}(\text{pat}).$



So we proved :

$\square \in (\Delta \cup \{\leftarrow \text{mother}(\tilde{x}, \text{jim})\})^*$

\tilde{x} $\tilde{x} = \text{pat}.$

Thus by Th.1 & Th.2. (LECTURE 4)

$\tilde{\Delta}$ is unsatisfiable $\equiv \frac{\Delta \models Q}{\text{for } \tilde{x} = \text{pat}}.$

>> yes

PROLOG

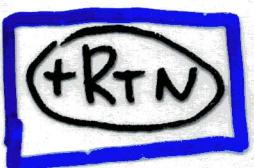
$x = \text{pat}$

"Pat is a mother of Jim".

Again If we :

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a) hit  keystroke

PROLOG terminates search for successful \tilde{X} for which

$$\Delta \models \text{mother}(X, \text{jim}) . \quad ?$$

$\exists X \text{ mother}(X, \text{jim})$.

b) hit  PROLOG

- treats the last success for $X = \text{pat}$ as failure
- resumes search for next possible successes.

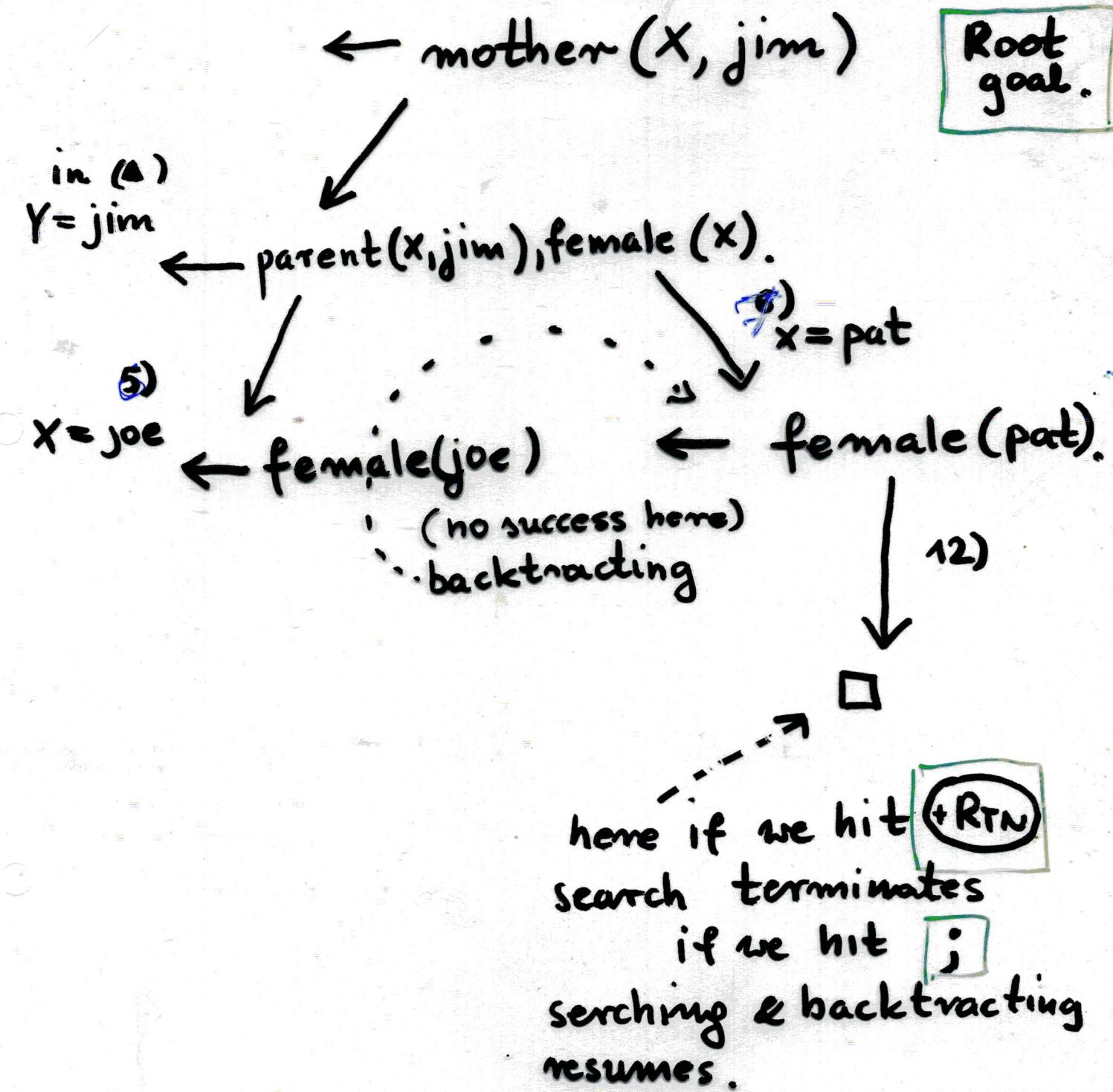
One can represent the last execution of PROLOG program for query

$$\Delta \models \exists X \text{ mother}(X, \text{jim})$$

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Root goal.



We can now show the

the RECURSIVE PROGRAMMING
IN PROLOG :

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Example 6:

For grandparents:

g-parent(X, Z) :- parent(X, Y), parent(Y, Z).

But if we dig in in the genealogy
then :

ggg-parent(X, Z) :- parent(X, X1), parent(X1, X2),
parent(X2, X3), parent(X3, Z).

This is a bit
awkward !

The solution is

an RECURSIVE APPROACH

ancestor(X, Z) :- parent(X, Z).

ancestor(X, Z) :- parent(X, Y), ancestor(Y, Z).

Second clause is recursive.

First clause is "boundary conditions".

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>> ancestor(x, pat)

$$\Delta \models \exists x \text{ancestor}(x, \text{pat}).$$

for previous example:

"What are the ancestors of Pat?"

X = bob ;

X = pam ;

X = tom;

No

So PROLOG asked to search for
more finds all of them & once
it cannot find it reports

No

& waits for the next QUERY

Try to draw a search space as
an exercise!



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Warning:

- because of the implementation issues of PROLOG interpreter*

though

(*) `ancestor(X,Z) :- ancestor(Y,Z), parent(X,Y).`

III semantically

(**) from Example 6

for query

>> `ancestor(X,pat).`

! out of local stack
[execution aborted]

Problem: recursion never reaches^(***)
the boundary conditions =

* explained later

a cycle

(***) it has to do with SLD-RESOLUTION
implementation.

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This shows the significance:

divergence

from the

ideal logic programming

to

its implementation.

Hint: try to write "a search tree
like" space for (ΔA) to
see

an infinite cycle

We come back later to this
issue.