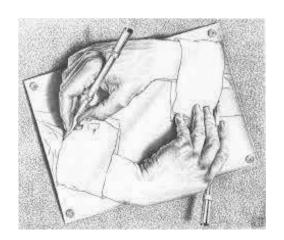
Logic





Question

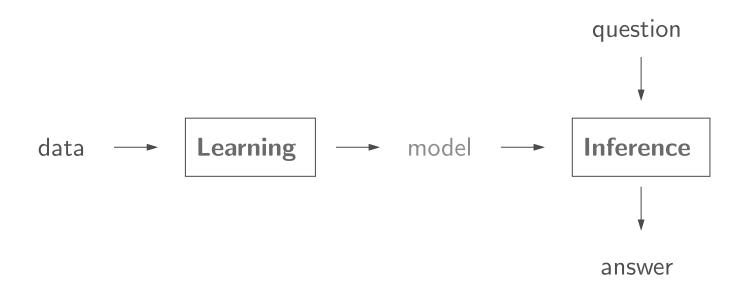
If
$$X_1 + X_2 = 10$$
 and $X_1 - X_2 = 4$, what is X_1 ?

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Course plan



Taking a step back



Examples: search problems, MDPs, games, CSPs, Bayesian networks

Modeling paradigms

State-based models: search problems, MDPs, games

Applications: route finding, game playing, etc.

Think in terms of states, actions, and costs

Variable-based models: CSPs, Bayesian networks

Applications: scheduling, tracking, medical diagnosis, etc.

Think in terms of variables and factors

Logic-based models: propositional logic, first-order logic

Applications: theorem proving, verification, reasoning

Think in terms of logical formulas and inference rules

A historical note

• Logic was dominant paradigm in Al before 1990s

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- Problem 1: deterministic, didn't handle uncertainty (probability addresses this)
- Problem 2: rule-based, didn't allow fine tuning from **data** (machine learning addresses this)
- Strength: provides **expressiveness** in a compact way

Motivation: smart personal assistant





Motivation: smart personal assistant

Tell information



Ask questions

Use natural language!

[demo: python nli.py]

Need to:

- Digest **heterogenous** information
- Reason **deeply** with that information



Natural language

Example:

- A dime is better than a nickel.
- A **nickel** is better than a **penny**.
- Therefore, a **dime** is better than a **penny**.

Example:

- A **penny** is better than **nothing**.
- Nothing is better than world peace.
- Therefore, a **penny** is better than **world peace**???

Natural language is slippery...

Language

Language is a mechanism for expression.

Natural languages (informal):

English: Two divides even numbers.

German: Zwei dividiert gerade Zahlen.

Programming languages (formal):

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Python: def even(x): return x % 2 == 0
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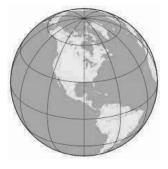
C++: bool even(int x) { return x % 2 == 0; }

Logical languages (formal):

First-order-logic: $\forall x. \mathsf{Even}(x) \to \mathsf{Divides}(x, 2)$

Two goals of a logic language

• Represent knowledge about the world



• Reason with that knowledge

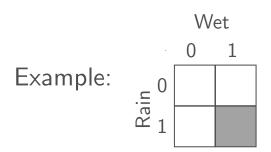


Ingredients of a logic

Syntax: defines a set of valid formulas (Formulas)

Example: Rain ∧ Wet

Semantics: for each formula, specify a set of **models** (assignments / configurations of the world)



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Inference rules: given f, what new formulas g can be added that are guaranteed to follow

Example: from Rain \(\text{Wet, derive Rain} \)

Syntax versus semantics

Syntax: what are valid expressions in the language?

Semantics: what do these expressions mean?

Different syntax, same semantics (5):

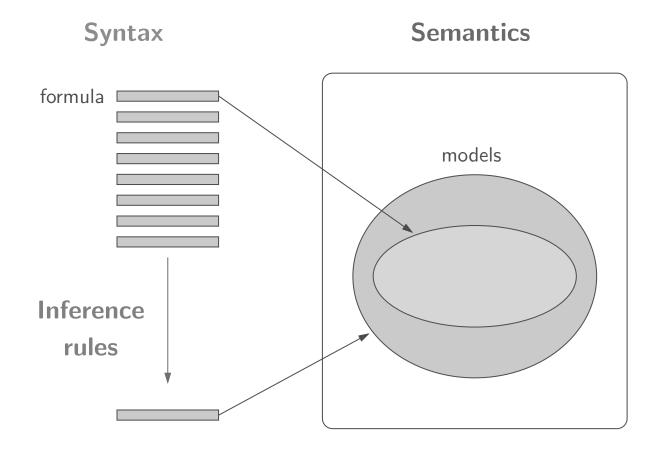
$$2 + 3 \Leftrightarrow 3 + 2$$

Same syntax, different semantics (1 versus 1.5):

3 / 2 (Python 2.7)
$$\Leftrightarrow$$
 3 / 2 (Python 3)

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Propositional logic



Logics

- Propositional logic with only Horn clauses
- Propositional logic
- Modal logic
- First-order logic with only Horn clauses
- First-order logic
- Second-order logic
- ...



Key idea: tradeoff —

Balance expressivity and computational efficiency.

Roadmap

Modeling

Inference

Propositional Logic Syntax

Inference Rules

Propositional Logic Semantics

Propositional modus ponens

First-order Logic

Propositional resolution

First-order modus ponens

First-order resolution



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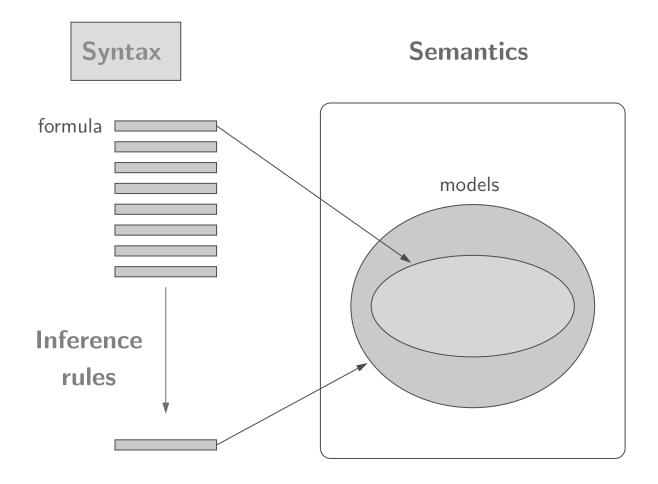
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Syntax of propositional logic

Propositional symbols (atomic formulas); A, B, C:

Logical connectives: $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow$

Build up formulas recursively—if f and g are formulas, so are the following:

- Negation: $\neg f$
- Conjunction: $f \wedge g$
- Disjunction: $f \vee g$
- Implication: $f \rightarrow g$
- Biconditional: $f \leftrightarrow g$

Syntax of propositional logic

- \bullet Formula: A
- Formula: $\neg A$
- Formula: $\neg B \rightarrow C$
- $\bullet \ \ \text{Formula:} \ \ \neg A \wedge (\neg B \to C) \vee (\neg B \vee D) \\$
- Formula: $\neg \neg A$
- Non-formula: $A \neg B$
- Non-formula: A + B

Syntax of propositional logic



Key idea: syntax provides symbols

Formulas by themselves are just symbols (syntax). No meaning yet (semantics)!



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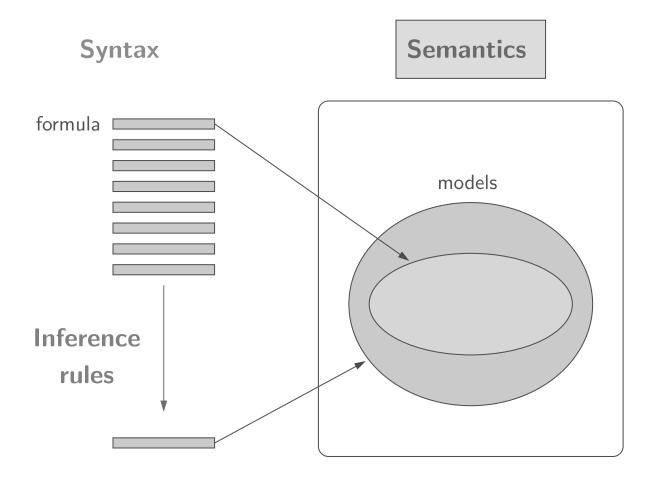
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Model



Definition: model

A **model** w in propositional logic is an **assignment** of truth values to propositional symbols.

Example:

3 propositional symbols; A, B, C:

• $2^3 = 8$ possible models w:

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 \begin{cases} A:0,B:0,C:0 \rbrace \\ \{A:0,B:0,C:1 \rbrace \\ \{A:0,B:1,C:0 \rbrace \\ \{A:0,B:1,C:1 \rbrace \\ \{A:1,B:0,C:0 \rbrace \\ \{A:1,B:0,C:1 \rbrace \\ \{A:1,B:1,C:0 \rbrace \\ \{A:1,B:1,C:1 \rbrace \end{cases}
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Interpretation function



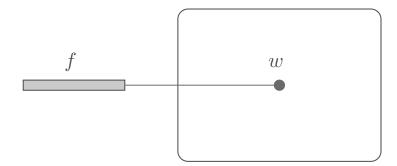
Definition: interpretation function

Let f be a formula.

Let w be a model.

An interpretation function $\mathcal{I}(f, w)$ returns:

- true (1) (say that w satisfies f)
- false (0) (say that w does not satisfy f)



Interpretation function: definition

Base case:

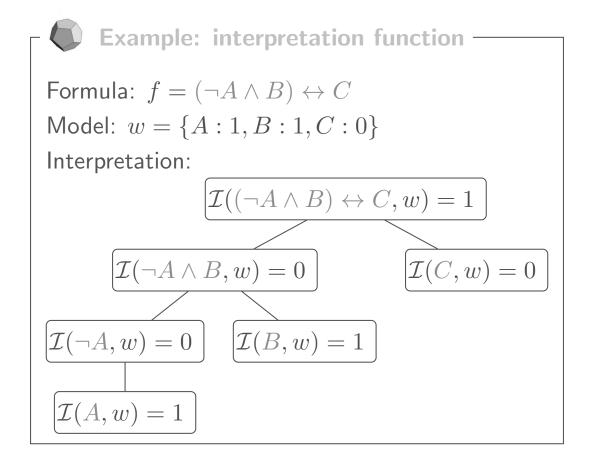
• For a propositional symbol p (e.g., A, B, C): $\mathcal{I}(p, w) = w(p)$

Recursive case:

 \bullet For any two formulas f and g, define:

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$\mathcal{I}(f, w)$	$\mathcal{I}(g, w)$	-	$\mathcal{I}(\neg f, w)$	$\mathcal{I}(f \wedge g, w)$	$\mathcal{I}(f \vee g, w)$	$\mathcal{I}(f o g,w)$	$\mathcal{I}(f \leftrightarrow g, w)$	
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Interpretation function: example



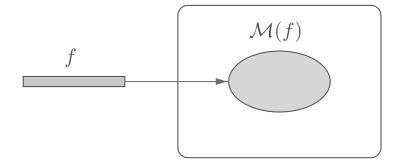
Formula represents a set of models

So far: each formula f and model w has an interpretation $\mathcal{I}(f,w) \in \{0,1\}$



Definition: models -

Let $\mathcal{M}(f)$ be the set of **models** w for which $\mathcal{I}(f,w)=1$.



Models: example

Formula:

$$f = \mathsf{Rain} \vee \mathsf{Wet}$$

Models:

$$\mathcal{M}(f) = \begin{bmatrix} & & & & & \\ & & 0 & 1 \\ & & & & \\ & & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Key idea: compact representation

A formula compactly represents a set of models.

Knowledge base



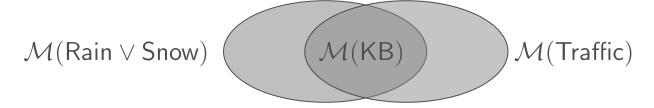
Definition: Knowledge base

A **knowledge base** KB is a set of formulas representing their conjunction / intersection:

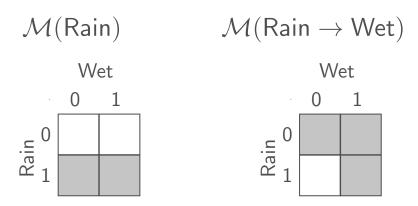
$$\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{KB}) = \bigcap_{f \in \mathsf{KB}} \mathcal{M}(f).$$

Intuition: KB specifies constraints on the world. $\mathcal{M}(KB)$ is the set of all worlds satisfying those constraints.

Let $KB = \{Rain \lor Snow, Traffic\}.$

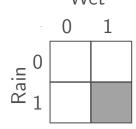


Knowledge base: example



Intersection:

$$\mathcal{M}(\{\mathsf{Rain},\mathsf{Rain}\to\mathsf{Wet}\})$$
 Wet



Adding to the knowledge base

Adding more formulas to the knowledge base:

$$\mathsf{KB} \longrightarrow \mathsf{KB} \cup \{f\}$$

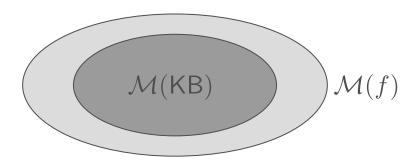
Shrinks the set of models:

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{KB})$$
 \longrightarrow $\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{KB}) \cap \mathcal{M}(f)$

How much does $\mathcal{M}(KB)$ shrink?

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Entailment



Intuition: f added no information/constraints (it was already known).

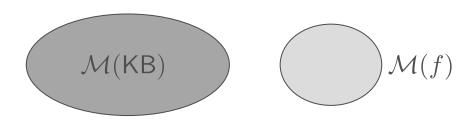


Definition: entailment -

KB entails f (written KB $\models f$) iff $\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{KB}) \subseteq \mathcal{M}(f)$.

Example: Rain \land Snow \models Snow

Contradiction



Intuition: f contradicts what we know (captured in KB).



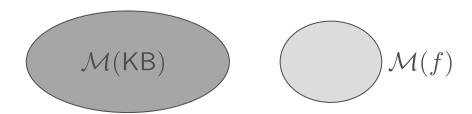
Definition: contradiction

KB contradicts f iff $\mathcal{M}(KB) \cap \mathcal{M}(f) = \emptyset$.

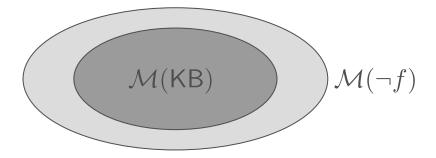
Example: Rain ∧ Snow contradicts ¬Snow

Contradiction and entailment

Contradiction:



Entailment:

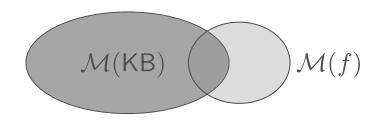




Proposition: contradiction and entailment ¬

KB contradicts f iff KB entails $\neg f$.

Contingency



Intuition: f adds non-trivial information to KB

$$\emptyset \subsetneq \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{KB}) \cap \mathcal{M}(f) \subsetneq \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{KB})$$

Example: Rain and Snow

Tell operation

$$Tell[f] \longrightarrow KB \longrightarrow ?$$

Tell: It is raining.

Tell[Rain]

Possible responses:

- Already knew that: entailment (KB $\models f$)
- Don't believe that: contradiction (KB $\models \neg f$)
- Learned something new (update KB): contingent

Ask operation

$$Ask[f] \longrightarrow KB \longrightarrow 3$$

Ask: Is it raining?

Ask[Rain]

Possible responses:

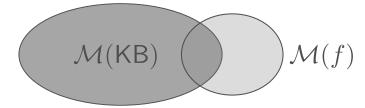
- Yes: entailment (KB $\models f$)
- No: contradiction (KB $\models \neg f$)
- I don't know: contingent

Digression: probabilistic generalization

Bayesian network: distribution over assignments (models)

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$$\begin{cases} w & \mathbb{P}(W=w) \\ \text{{ A: 0, B: 0, C: 0 }} & \text{{ 0.3}} \\ \text{{ A: 0, B: 0, C: 1 }} & \text{{ 0.1}} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \end{cases}$$



$$\mathbb{P}(f \mid \mathsf{KB}) = \frac{\sum_{w \in \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{KB} \cup \{f\})} \mathbb{P}(W = w)}{\sum_{w \in \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{KB})} \mathbb{P}(W = w)}$$



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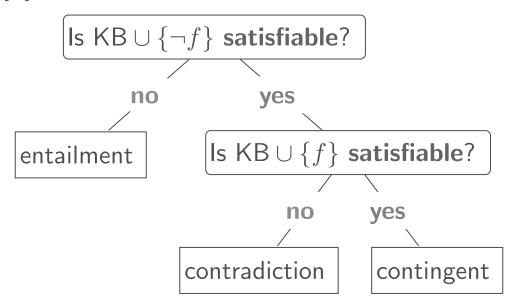
Satisfiability



Definition: satisfiability

A knowledge base KB is **satisfiable** if $\mathcal{M}(KB) \neq \emptyset$.

Reduce Ask[f] and Tell[f] to satisfiability:



Model checking

Checking satisfiability (SAT) in propositional logic is special case of solving CSPs!

Mapping:

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\begin{array}{cccc} \text{propositional symbol} & \Rightarrow & \text{variable} \\ & \text{formula} & \Rightarrow & \text{constraint} \\ & \text{model} & \Leftarrow & \text{assignment} \end{array}
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Model checking



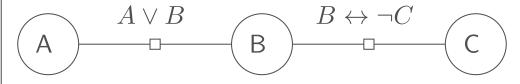
Example: model checking

$$\mathsf{KB} = \{A \vee B, B \leftrightarrow \neg C\}$$

Propositional symbols (CSP variables):

$$\{A, B, C\}$$

CSP:



Consistent assignment (satisfying model):

$${A:1,B:0,C:1}$$

Model checking



Definition: model checking

Input: knowledge base KB

Output: exists satisfying model $(\mathcal{M}(KB) \neq \emptyset)$?

Popular algorithms:

- DPLL (backtracking search + pruning)
- WalkSat (randomized local search)

Next: Can we exploit the fact that factors are formulas?



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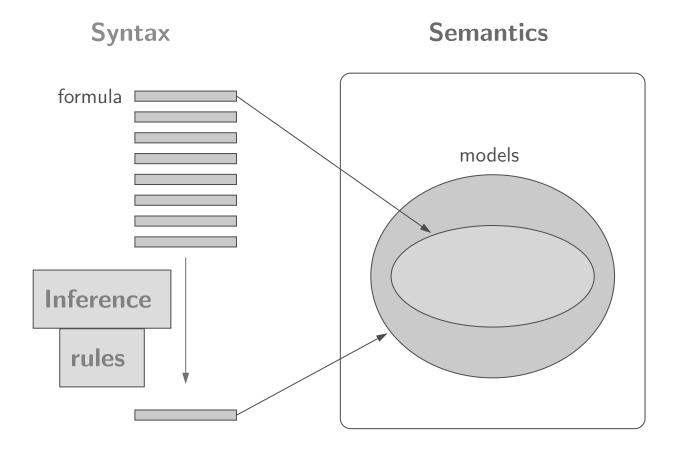
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Inference rules

Example of making an inference:

It is raining. (Rain)

If it is raining, then it is wet. (Rain o Wet)

Therefore, it is wet. (Wet)

$$\frac{\text{Rain}, \quad \text{Rain} \rightarrow \text{Wet}}{\text{Wet}} \qquad \frac{\text{(premises)}}{\text{(conclusion)}}$$



Definition: Modus ponens inference rule -

For any propositional symbols p and q:

$$\frac{p, \quad p \rightarrow q}{q}$$

Inference framework



Definition: inference rule -

If f_1, \ldots, f_k, g are formulas, then the following is an **inference rule**:

$$\frac{f_1, \dots, f_k}{g}$$



Key idea: inference rules -

Rules operate directly on syntax, not on semantics.

Inference algorithm



Algorithm: forward inference

Input: set of inference rules Rules.

Repeat until no changes to KB:

Choose set of formulas $f_1, \ldots, f_k \in KB$.

If matching rule $\frac{f_1, \dots, f_k}{g}$ exists:

Add g to KB.



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Definition: derivation

KB derives/proves f (KB $\vdash f$) iff f eventually gets added to KB.

Inference example



Example: Modus ponens inference

Starting point:

$$\mathsf{KB} = \{\mathsf{Rain}, \mathsf{Rain} \to \mathsf{Wet}, \mathsf{Wet} \to \mathsf{Slippery}\}\$$

Apply modus ponens to Rain and Rain \rightarrow Wet:

$$KB = \{Rain, Rain \rightarrow Wet, Wet \rightarrow Slippery, Wet\}$$

Apply modus ponens to Wet and Wet \rightarrow Slippery:

$$\mathsf{KB} = \{\mathsf{Rain}, \mathsf{Rain} \to \mathsf{Wet}, \mathsf{Wet} \to \mathsf{Slippery}, \mathsf{Wet}, \mathsf{Slippery}\}$$

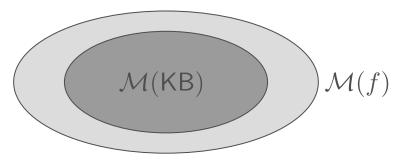
Converged.

Can't derive some formulas: $\neg Wet$, Rain $\rightarrow Slippery$

Desiderata for inference rules

Semantics

Interpretation defines **entailed/true** formulas: $KB \models f$:



Syntax:

Inference rules **derive** formulas: $KB \vdash f$

How does $\{f : \mathsf{KB} \models f\}$ relate to $\{f : \mathsf{KB} \vdash f\}$?

Truth



 $\{f:\mathsf{KB}\models f\}$

Soundness



Definition: soundness

A set of inference rules Rules is sound if:

$$\{f: \mathsf{KB} \vdash f\} \subseteq \{f: \mathsf{KB} \models f\}$$



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Completeness



Definition: completeness

A set of inference rules Rules is complete if:

$$\{f: \mathsf{KB} \vdash f\} \supseteq \{f: \mathsf{KB} \models f\}$$



Soundness and completeness

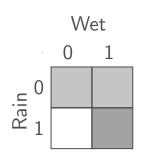
The truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

• **Soundness**: nothing but the truth

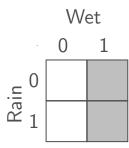
• Completeness: whole truth

Soundness: example

Is
$$\frac{\mathsf{Rain},\quad \mathsf{Rain} \to \mathsf{Wet}}{\mathsf{Wet}}$$
 (Modus ponens) sound?



 $\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{Rain}) \cap \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{Rain} \to \mathsf{Wet}) \subseteq ? \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{Wet})$



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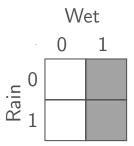
Sound!

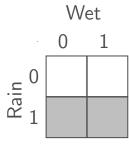
Soundness: example

Is
$$\frac{\text{Wet}, \quad \text{Rain} \rightarrow \text{Wet}}{\text{Rain}}$$
 sound?

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{Wet})$$

 $\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{Wet}) \quad \cap \quad \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{Rain} \to \mathsf{Wet}) \quad \subseteq ? \quad \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{Rain})$





Unsound!

Completeness: example

Recall completeness: inference rules derive all entailed formulas (f such that KB $\models f$)

Fixing completeness

Option 1: Restrict the allowed set of formulas

propositional logic

propositional logic with only Horn clauses

Option 2: Use more powerful inference rules

Modus ponens
resolution

Summary

