

AI基础

Lecture 8: First-Order Logic & Knowledge Representation

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Lecture 7 ILOs

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

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

$$\frac{\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta}{(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)}$$

and

$$\frac{(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)}{\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta}.$$

$$\frac{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_k, \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_{i-1} \vee \ell_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee \ell_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n}$$

ℓ_i and m_j are complementary literals

- Knowledge-based agents
 - Wumpus world
- Logic in general
 - Models and entailment
- Propositional logic
 - Symbols, parentheses, and 5 logical connectives: not, and, or, implies, biconditional
 - Inference
 - Model checking: Enumerate the models and check whether α is true in every model in which KB is true
- Equivalence, validity, satisfiability
- Inference rules and theorem proving
 - Search with inference rules
 - Resolution
 - forward chaining, only for Horn KB, data driven
 - backward chaining, only for Horn KB, goal driven
 - (Proofs do not involve model enumerations, while model checking involves.)

Lecture 8 ILOs

- Limitations of propositional logic
- First-order logic (FOL)
- Syntax and Semantics
 - Models, symbols, interpretations, terms
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Pros and cons of propositional logic

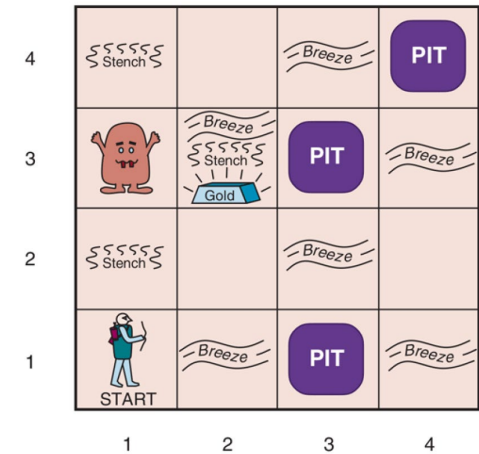
- Pros

- Declarative: knowledge and inference are separate, and inference is entirely domain independent
- Propositional logic allows partial/disjunctive/negated information
- Compositionality: meaning of $B_{1,1} \wedge P_{1,2}$ is derived from the meaning of $B_{1,1}$ and of $P_{1,2}$

- Cons

- Lacks the expressive power to concisely describe an environment with many objects (unlike natural languages)
- Cannot say “Pits cause breezes in adjacent squares” except by writing one sentence for each square

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



Combining the best of formal and natural languages

- When we look at the syntax of natural language, the most obvious elements include:
- Nouns and noun phrases that refer to **objects** (squares, pits, wumpuses)
 - people, houses, numbers, theories, Ronald McDonald, colors, baseball games, wars, centuries, ...
- Verbs and verb phrases along with adjectives and adverbs that refer to **relations** among objects (is breezy, is adjacent to, shoots).
 - these can be unary relations or **properties** such as red, round, bogus, prime, multistoried ...;
 - or more general n-ary relations such as brother of, bigger than, inside, part of, has color, occurred after, owns, comes between, ...
- Some of these relations are **functions**—relations in which there is only one “value” for a given “input.”
 - father of, best friend, third inning of, one more than, beginning of ...

Some examples

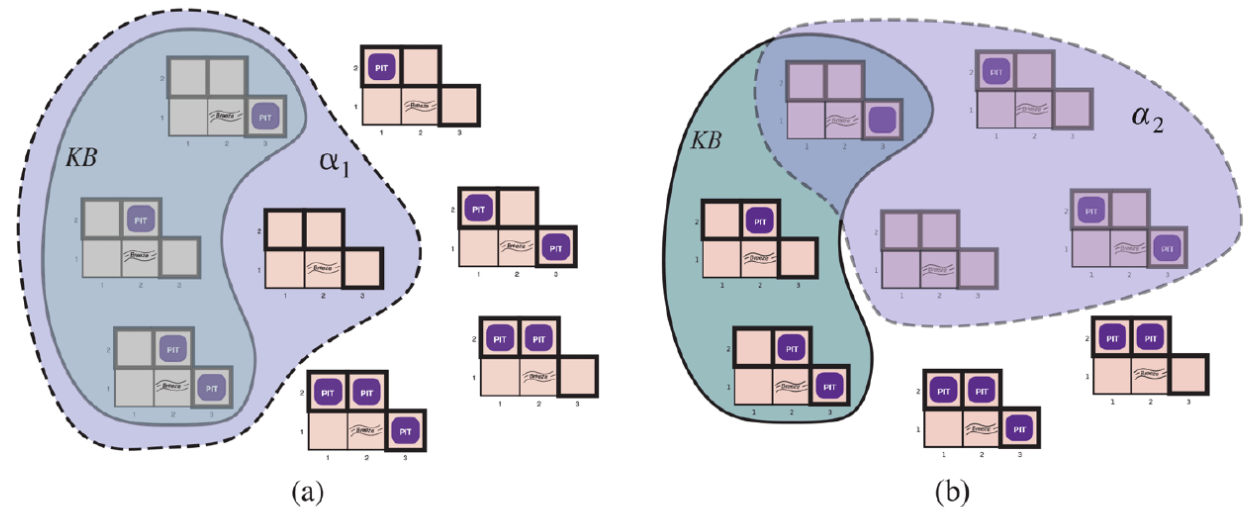
- “One plus two equals three.”
 - Objects: one, two, three, one plus two; Relation: equals; Function: plus.
 - “One plus two” is a name for the object that is obtained by applying the function “plus” to the objects “one” and “two.” “Three” is another name for this object.
- “Squares neighboring the wumpus are smelly.”
 - Objects: wumpus, squares; Property: smelly; Relation: neighboring.
- “Evil King John ruled England in 1200.”
 - Objects: John, England, 1200; Relation: ruled during; Properties: evil, king.
- **First order logic is built around objects and relations.**
 - First-order logic can also express facts about some or all of the objects in the universe. This enables one to represent general laws or rules, such as the statement “Squares neighboring the wumpus are smelly.”

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Models of First-Order Logic (FOL)

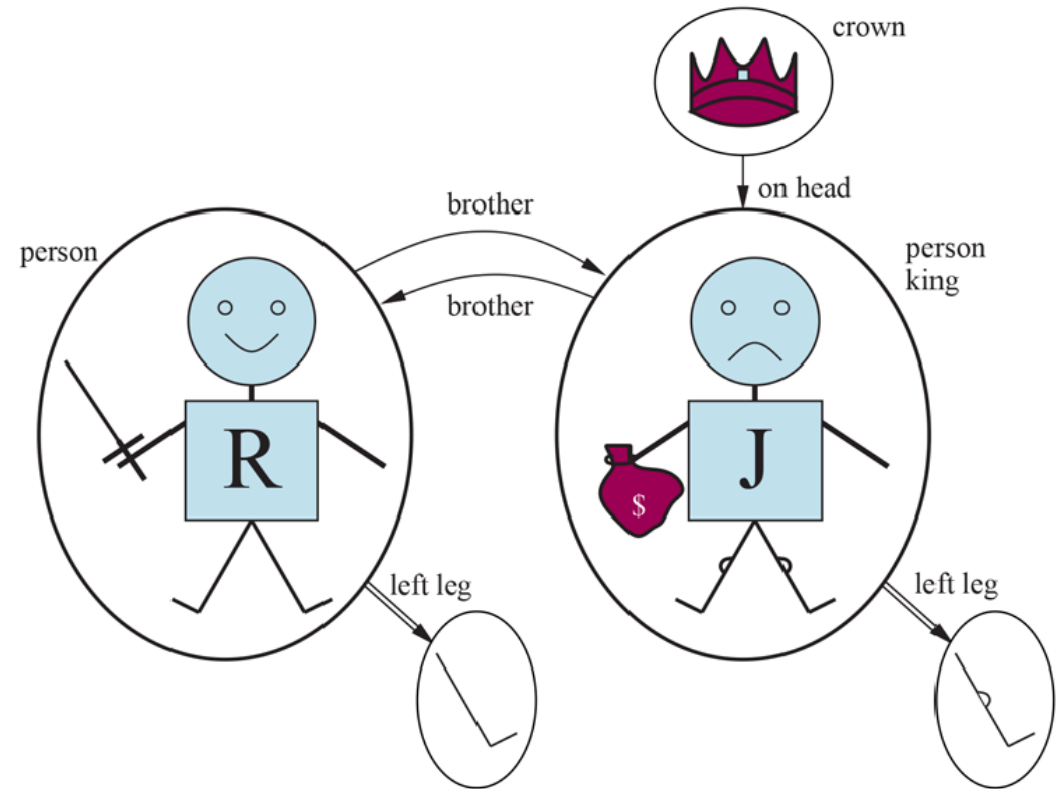
- Models in propositional logic
 - Possible worlds
 - Whether (1, 2), (2, 2), and (3, 1) contain pits.
 - 2^3 possible models.
- Models in FOL
 - FOL has objects
 - The domain of a model is the set of objects.



Possible models for the presence of pits in squares [1,2], [2,2], and [3,1]. The KB corresponding to the observations of nothing in [1,1] and a breeze in [2,1] is shown by the solid line. (a) Dotted line shows models of α_1 (no pit in [1,2]). (b) Dotted line shows models of α_2 (no pit in [2,2]).

Examples of FOL Models

- Five objects
 - **Richard** the Lionheart, King of England from 1189 to 1199;
 - his younger brother, the evil King **John**, who ruled from 1199 to 1215;
 - the **left legs** of Richard and John;
 - a **crown**.



A model containing five objects, two binary relations (brother and on-head), three unary relations (person, king, and crown), and one unary function (left-leg).

Examples of FOL Models

- Relations

- A relation is just the set of tuples of objects that are related
- Brotherhood

$\{\langle \text{Richard the Lionheart, King John} \rangle, \langle \text{King John, Richard the Lionheart} \rangle\}$.

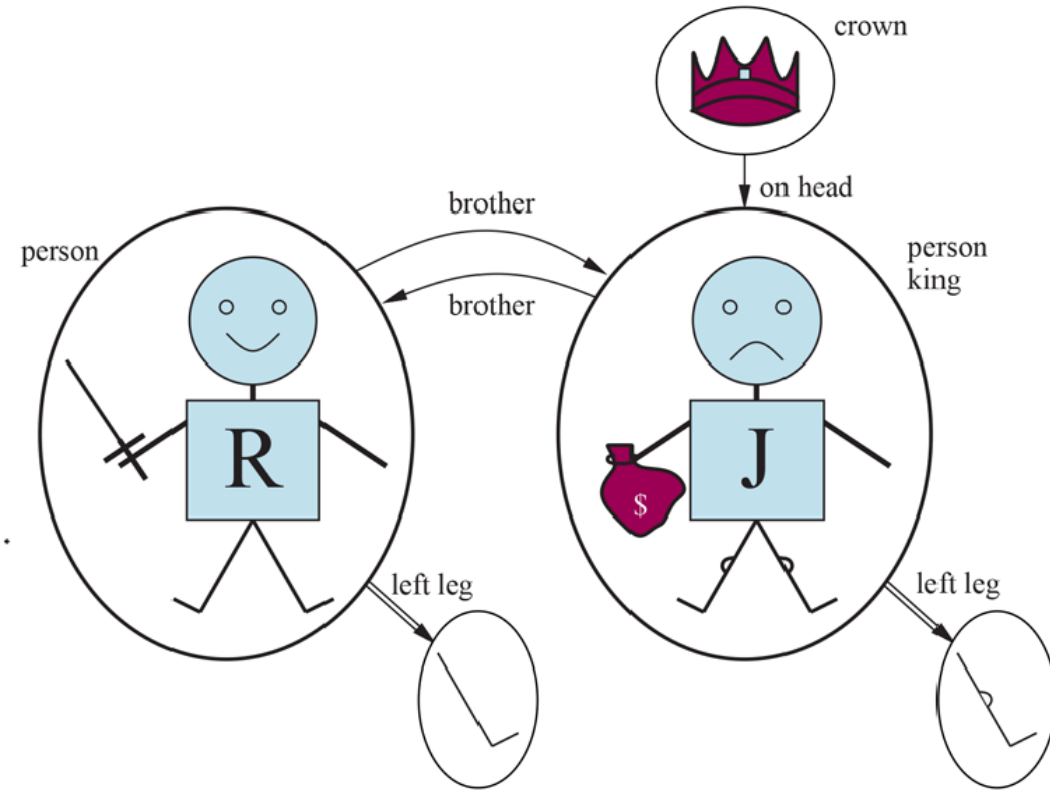
- On head
 - $\langle \text{the crown, King John} \rangle$

- Property, unary relationship

- Person
 - Richard, John
- King
 - John

- Function

- Left leg function



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$\langle \text{Richard the Lionheart} \rangle \rightarrow \text{Richard's left leg}$

$\langle \text{King John} \rangle \rightarrow \text{John's left leg.}$

More logics

- Ontological commitment

Figure 8.1

Language	Ontological Commitment (What exists in the world)	Epistemological Commitment (What an agent believes about facts)
Propositional logic	facts	true/false/unknown
First-order logic	facts, objects, relations	true/false/unknown
Temporal logic	facts, objects, relations, times	true/false/unknown
Probability theory	facts	degree of belief $\in [0, 1]$
Fuzzy logic	facts with degree of truth $\in [0, 1]$	known interval value

Formal languages and their ontological and epistemological commitments.

Higher-order logic:

relations and functions operate not only on objects, but also on relations and functions.

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Syntax of FOL

Syntax of Propositional Logic

Figure 7.7

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sentence} &\rightarrow \text{AtomicSentence} \mid \text{ComplexSentence} \\
 \text{AtomicSentence} &\rightarrow \text{True} \mid \text{False} \mid P \mid Q \mid R \mid \dots \\
 \text{ComplexSentence} &\rightarrow (\text{Sentence}) \\
 &\mid \neg \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \wedge \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \vee \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \Rightarrow \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \Leftrightarrow \text{Sentence}
 \end{aligned}$$

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

A BNF (Backus–Naur Form) grammar of sentences in propositional logic, along with operator precedences, from highest to lowest.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sentence} &\rightarrow \text{AtomicSentence} \mid \text{ComplexSentence} \\
 \text{AtomicSentence} &\rightarrow \text{Predicate} \mid \text{Predicate}(\text{Term}, \dots) \mid \text{Term} = \text{Term} \\
 \text{ComplexSentence} &\rightarrow (\text{Sentence}) \\
 &\mid \neg \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \wedge \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \vee \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \Rightarrow \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \Leftrightarrow \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Quantifier Variable}, \dots \text{Sentence}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Term} &\rightarrow \text{Function}(\text{Term}, \dots) \\
 &\mid \text{Constant} \\
 &\mid \text{Variable}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Quantifier} &\rightarrow \forall \mid \exists \\
 \text{Constant} &\rightarrow A \mid X_1 \mid \text{John} \mid \dots \\
 \text{Variable} &\rightarrow a \mid x \mid s \mid \dots \\
 \text{Predicate} &\rightarrow \text{True} \mid \text{False} \mid \text{After} \mid \text{Loves} \mid \text{Raining} \mid \dots \\
 \text{Function} &\rightarrow \text{Mother} \mid \text{LeftLeg} \mid \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

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

The syntax of first-order logic with equality, specified in Backus–Naur form (see page 1030 if you are not familiar with this notation). Operator precedences are specified, from highest to lowest. The precedence of quantifiers is such that a quantifier holds over everything to the right of it.

Symbols and Interpretation

- Symbols
 - Constant symbols, which stand for objects
 - Richard, John
 - Predicate symbols, which stand for relations
 - Brother, OnHead, Person, King, Crown
 - Function symbols, which stand for functions
 - LeftLeg
 - Each predicate and function symbol comes with an **arity** that fixes the number of arguments

Symbols and Interpretation

$$(8.1) \quad \{\langle \text{Richard the Lionheart, King John} \rangle, \langle \text{King John, Richard the Lionheart} \rangle\}.$$

- Interpretation

- *Richard* refers to Richard the Lionheart and *John* refers to the evil King John.
 - There are 25 possible interpretations for constant symbols
- Brother refers to the brotherhood relation—that is, the set of tuples of objects given in Equation (8.1) ; OnHead is a relation that holds between the crown and King John;
- Person, King, and Crown are unary relations that identify persons, kings, and crowns.
- LeftLeg refers to the “left leg” function as defined in Equation (8.2)

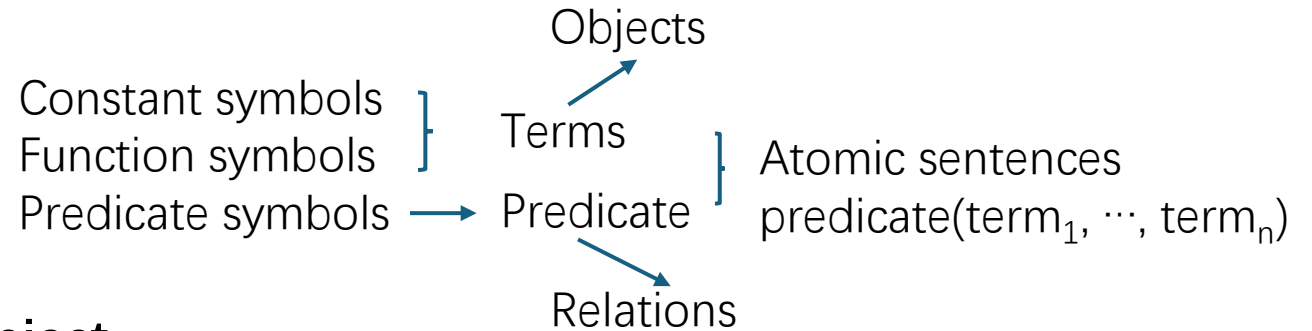
(8.2)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{Richard the Lionheart} \rangle &\rightarrow \text{Richard's left leg} \\ \langle \text{King John} \rangle &\rightarrow \text{John's left leg.} \end{aligned}$$

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Atomic Sentences



- Terms
 - Logical expression that refers to an **object**.
 - Constant symbols are terms.
 - Function symbols, LeftLeg(John)
- We have
 - Terms referring to objects
 - Predicate symbols referring to relations
- We make atomic sentences
 - $\text{predicate}(\text{term}_1, \dots, \text{term}_n)$
 - $P(x, y)$: x is a P of y .
- Examples
 - Brother(Richard, John): Richard is a brother of John.
 - Married(Father(Richard), Mother(John)): Richard the Lionheart's father is married to King John's mother

AtomicSentence \rightarrow *Predicate* | *Predicate(Term, ...)* | *Term = Term*

Term \rightarrow *Function(Term, ...)*
| *Constant*
| *Variable*

Complex sentences

- Complex sentences are made from atomic sentences using logical connectives

$$\neg S, \quad S_1 \wedge S_2, \quad S_1 \vee S_2, \quad S_1 \implies S_2, \quad S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_2$$

$\neg \text{Brother}(\text{LeftLeg}(\text{Richard}), \text{John})$

$\text{Brother}(\text{Richard}, \text{John}) \wedge \text{Brother}(\text{John}, \text{Richard})$

$\text{King}(\text{Richard}) \vee \text{King}(\text{Richard})$

$\neg \text{King}(\text{Richard}) \implies \text{King}(\text{John}).$

<i>ComplexSentence</i>	\rightarrow	<i>(Sentence)</i>
		$\neg \text{Sentence}$
		$\text{Sentence} \wedge \text{Sentence}$
		$\text{Sentence} \vee \text{Sentence}$
		$\text{Sentence} \Rightarrow \text{Sentence}$
		$\text{Sentence} \Leftrightarrow \text{Sentence}$
		<i>Quantifier Variable, ... Sentence</i>

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Quantifiers

- Once we have a logic that allows objects, it is only natural to want to express properties of entire collections of objects, instead of enumerating the objects by name.
 - All students in our BaJian class are smart
- Quantifiers let us do this.
- First-order logic contains two standard quantifiers
 - universal and existential.

Universal quantification \forall

Model in FOL: 5 objects

$x \rightarrow$ Richard the Lionheart,

$x \rightarrow$ King John,

$x \rightarrow$ Richard's left leg,

$x \rightarrow$ John's left leg,

$x \rightarrow$ the crown.

- All kings are persons

$$\forall x \text{ King}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Person}(x).$$

- $\forall x P$: for all x , P is true, where P is a logical sentence
 - For all x , if x is a king, x is a person.
- Variable x
 - A variable is a term by itself

P	Q	$\neg P$	$P \wedge Q$	$P \vee Q$	$P \Rightarrow Q$	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$
false	false	true	false	false	true	true
false	true	true	false	true	true	false
true	false	false	false	true	false	false
true	true	false	true	true	true	true

Truth tables for the five logical connectives. To use the table to compute, for example, the value of $P \vee Q$ when P is true and Q is false, first look on the left for the row where P is true and Q is false (the third row). Then look in that row under the $P \vee Q$ column to see the result: true.

Richard the Lionheart is a king \Rightarrow Richard the Lionheart is a person.

King John is a king \Rightarrow King John is a person.

Richard's left leg is a king \Rightarrow Richard's left leg is a person.

John's left leg is a king \Rightarrow John's left leg is a person.

The crown is a king \Rightarrow the crown is a person.

We end up asserting the conclusion of the rule just for those objects for which the premise is true and saying nothing at all about those objects for which the premise is false.

A common mistake: Use conjunction instead of implication

$$\forall x \text{ King}(x) \wedge \text{Person}(x)$$

Richard the Lionheart is a king \wedge Richard the Lionheart is a person,
King John is a king \wedge King John is a person,
Richard's left leg is a king \wedge Richard's left leg is a person,

Mini quiz: All students in our BaJian class are smart.
Write in FOL

Existential Quantification \exists

- $\exists x P$
 - P is true for at least one object x
 - There exists an x such that, ...
 - For some x, ...
- King john has a crown on his head

$\exists x \text{ Crown}(x) \wedge \text{OnHead}(x, \text{John}) .$

Model in FOL: 5 objects

$x \rightarrow$ Richard the Lionheart,

$x \rightarrow$ King John,

$x \rightarrow$ Richard's left leg,

$x \rightarrow$ John's left leg,

$x \rightarrow$ the crown.

Richard the Lionheart is a crown \wedge Richard the Lionheart is on John's head;

King John is a crown \wedge King John is on John's head;

Richard's left leg is a crown \wedge Richard's left leg is on John's head;

John's left leg is a crown \wedge John's left leg is on John's head;

The crown is a crown \wedge the crown is on John's head.

Some notes

Just as \Rightarrow appears to be the natural connective to use with \forall , \wedge is the natural connective to use with \exists . Using \wedge as the main connective with \forall led to an overly strong statement in the example in the previous section; using \Rightarrow with \exists usually leads to a very weak statement, indeed. Consider the following sentence:

$$\exists x \text{ Crown}(x) \Rightarrow \text{OnHead}(x, \text{John}).$$

Richard the Lionheart is a crown \Rightarrow Richard the Lionheart is on John's head;

King John is a crown \Rightarrow King John is on John's head;

Richard's left leg is a crown \Rightarrow Richard's left leg is on John's head;

\forall is often used with \Rightarrow

\exists is often used with \wedge

An existentially quantified implication sentence is true whenever any object fails to satisfy the premise; hence such sentences really do not say much at all.

Nested Quantifiers: multiple quantifiers

- Brothers are siblings

$$\forall x \forall y \text{ Brother}(x,y) \Rightarrow \text{Sibling}(x,y).$$

- Siblinghood is a symmetric relationship

$$\forall x,y \text{ Sibling}(x,y) \Leftrightarrow \text{Sibling}(y,x).$$

- Everybody loves somebody

$$\forall x \exists y \text{ Loves}(x,y).$$

- There is someone who is loved by everyone

$$\exists y \forall x \text{ Loves}(x,y).$$

- Some confusions when two quantifiers are used with the same variable name:

The rule is that the variable belongs to the innermost quantifier that mentions it; then it will not be subject to any other quantification.

$$\forall x (\text{Crown}(x) \vee (\exists x \text{ Brother}(\text{Richard},x))).$$

Connections between \forall and \exists

- Two quantifiers are connected with each other, through negation.

$$\forall x \text{ Likes}(x, \text{IceCream}) \quad \neg \exists x \neg \text{Likes}(x, \text{IceCream})$$

$$\exists x \text{ Likes}(x, \text{Broccoli}) \quad \neg \forall x \neg \text{Likes}(x, \text{Broccoli})$$

- Because \forall is really a conjunction over the universe of objects and \exists is a disjunction, it should not be surprising that they obey De Morgan's rules.

$$\begin{array}{llll} \neg \exists x & P & \equiv & \forall x \quad \neg P \\ \neg \forall x & P & \equiv & \exists x \quad \neg P \\ \forall x & P & \equiv & \neg \exists x \quad \neg P \\ \exists x & P & \equiv & \neg \forall x \quad \neg P \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ll} \neg(P \vee Q) & \equiv \neg P \wedge \neg Q \\ \neg(P \wedge Q) & \equiv \neg P \vee \neg Q \\ P \wedge Q & \equiv \neg(\neg P \vee \neg Q) \\ P \vee Q & \equiv \neg(\neg P \wedge \neg Q). \end{array}$$

Equality

- We can use the equality symbol to signify that two terms refer to the same object.

$$\textit{Father}(\textit{John}) = \textit{Henry}$$

- It can also be used with **negation** to insist that two terms are not the same object.
 - E.g., to say that Richard has at least two brothers

$$\exists x,y \textit{ Brother}(x,\textit{Richard}) \wedge \textit{ Brother}(y,\textit{Richard}) \wedge \neg(x = y) .$$

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Database semantics

$Brother(John, Richard) \wedge Brother(Geoffrey, Richard)$,

- Suppose that we believe that Richard has two brothers, John and Geoffrey.
 - First, this assertion is true in a model where Richard has only one brother—we need to add $John \neq Geoffrey$.
 - Second, the sentence doesn't rule out models in which Richard has many more brothers besides John and Geoffrey.
- Database semantics vs standard semantics of FOL
 - Unique-names assumption
 - every constant symbol refer to a distinct object
 - Closed world assumption
 - atomic sentences not known to be true are in fact false

$Brother(John, Richard) \wedge Brother(Geoffrey, Richard) \wedge John \neq Geoffrey$
 $\wedge \forall x Brother(x, Richard) \Rightarrow (x = John \vee x = Geoffrey)$

Lincoln Quote

Mini quiz

*You can fool all the people some of the time,
and some of the people all the time,
but you cannot fool all the people all the time.■*

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall p \ \exists t \ \text{Fool}(p, t) \blacksquare \\ & \quad \wedge \\ & \exists p \ \forall t \ \text{Fool}(p, t) \blacksquare \\ & \quad \wedge \\ & \neg \forall p \ \forall t \ \text{Fool}(p, t) \end{aligned}$$

The Wumpus world

- Perception

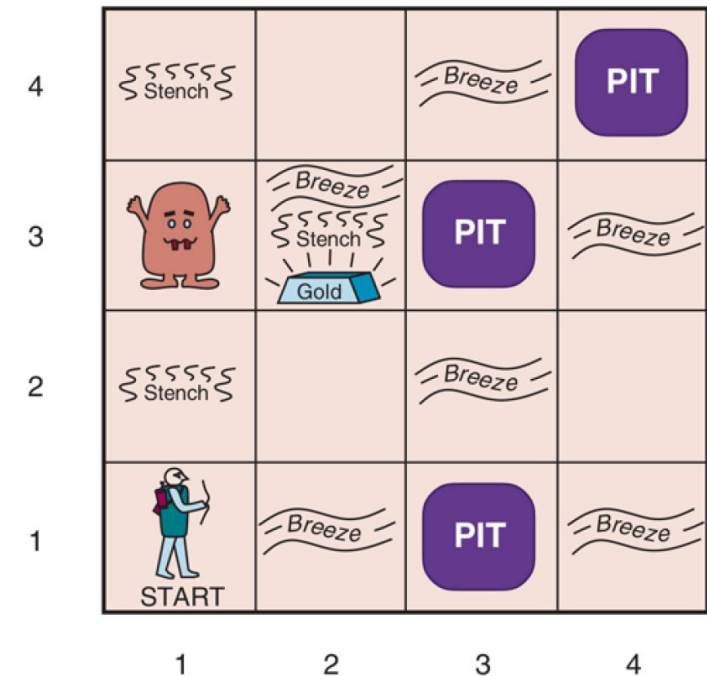
- Percept([Stench, Breeze, Glitter, none, none], 5) .
- 5 is a timestamp, when the percept occurred.

$$\forall t, s, g, w, c \quad \text{Percept}([s, \text{Breeze}, g, w, c], t) \Rightarrow \text{Breeze}(t)$$

$$\forall t, s, g, w, c \quad \text{Percept}([s, \text{None}, g, w, c], t) \Rightarrow \neg \text{Breeze}(t)$$

$$\forall t, s, b, w, c \quad \text{Percept}([s, b, \text{Glitter}, w, c], t) \Rightarrow \text{Glitter}(t)$$

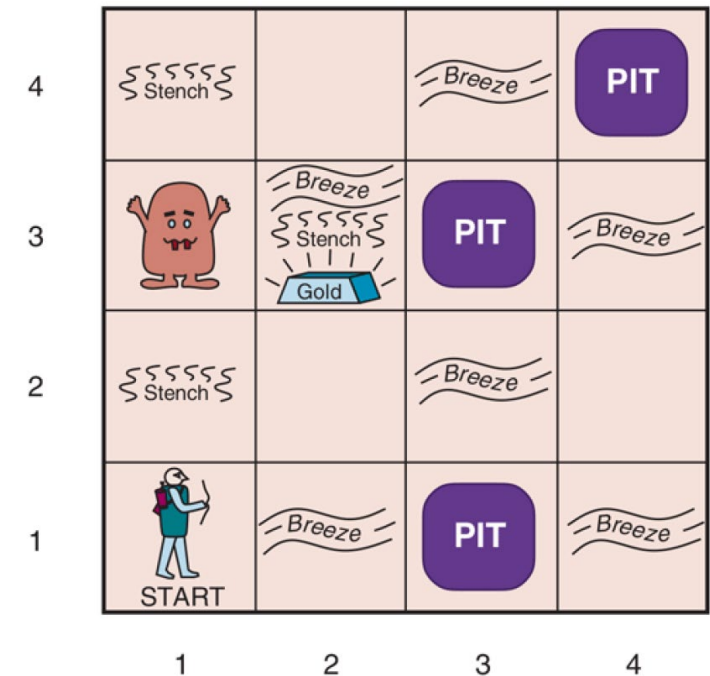
$$\forall t, s, b, w, c \quad \text{Percept}([s, b, \text{None}, w, c], t) \Rightarrow \neg \text{Glitter}(t)$$



- Simple reflex behavior $\forall t \text{ Glitter}(t) \Rightarrow \text{BestAction}(\text{Grab}, t)$.

The Wumpus world

- The environment
- Objects
 - Squares, pits, the Wumpus
- A square: a list term, e.g., [1, 2]



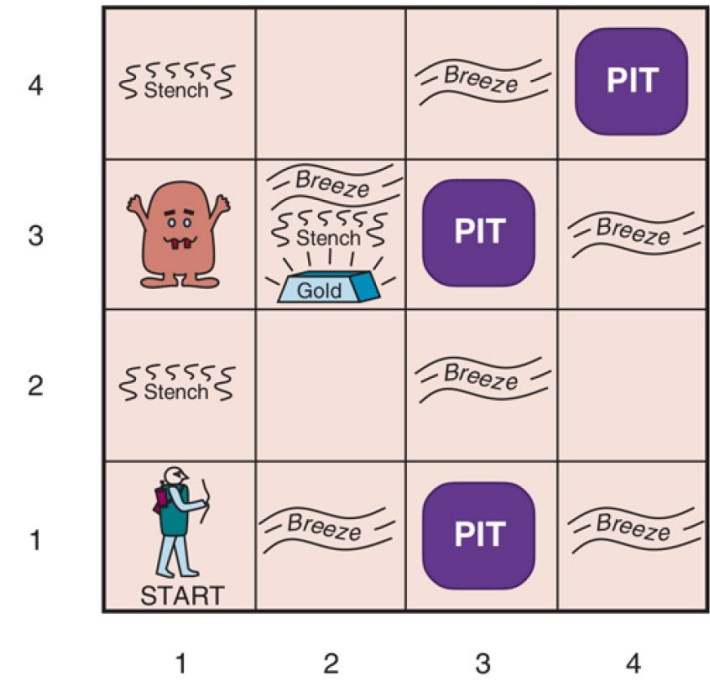
$$\forall x,y,a,b \text{ Adjacent}([x,y],[a,b]) \Leftrightarrow (x = a \wedge (y = b - 1 \vee y = b + 1)) \vee (y = b \wedge (x = a - 1 \vee x = a + 1)).$$

- Use a unary predicate Pit that is true of squares containing pits.
- A constant Wumpus and is fixed to a specific location

$$\forall t \text{ At}(\text{Wumpus}, [1,3], t).$$

The Wumpus world

- Perceive Breezy means at least one of the adjacent squares has a pit.



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

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

\vdots

Propositional Logic

$$\forall s \text{ Breezy}(s) \Leftrightarrow \exists r \text{ Adjacent}(r,s) \wedge \text{Pit}(r) .$$

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Propositional vs. first-order inference

- Covert the first-order knowledge base to propositional logic and use propositional inference.
- A first step is eliminating universal quantifiers.
 - $\text{SUBST}(\{v/g\}, \alpha)$: apply the substitution of v by g
- Universal instantiation
 - Replace a universally quantified variable by a ground term (a term without variables)

$$\frac{\forall v \alpha}{\text{SUBST}(\{v/g\}, \alpha)}$$

$$\forall x \text{ King}(x) \wedge \text{Greedy}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Evil}(x).$$

$$\text{King}(\text{John}) \wedge \text{Greedy}(\text{John}) \Rightarrow \text{Evil}(\text{John})$$

$$\text{King}(\text{Richard}) \wedge \text{Greedy}(\text{Richard}) \Rightarrow \text{Evil}(\text{Richard})$$

$$\text{King}(\text{Father}(\text{John})) \wedge \text{Greedy}(\text{Father}(\text{John})) \Rightarrow \text{Evil}(\text{Father}(\text{John})).$$

\vdots

Propositional vs. first-order inference

- Existential instantiation
 - Replace an existentially quantified variable with a single **new** constant symbol, called **Skolem constant**
 - C_1 does not appear elsewhere in the knowledge base.

$$\frac{\exists v \ \alpha}{\text{SUBST}(\{v/k\}, \alpha)}.$$

$$\exists x \ \text{Crown}(x) \wedge \text{OnHead}(x, \text{John})$$

$$\text{Crown}(C_1) \wedge \text{OnHead}(C_1, \text{John})$$

Reduction to propositional inference

Our KB:

$\forall x \text{ King}(x) \wedge \text{Greedy}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Evil}(x)$
 $\text{King}(\text{John})$
 $\text{Greedy}(\text{John})$
 $\text{Brother}(\text{Richard}, \text{John}).$

and that the only objects are *John* and *Richard*. We apply UI to the first sentence using all possible substitutions, $\{x/\text{John}\}$ and $\{x/\text{Richard}\}$. 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

Next replace ground atomic sentences, such as *King(John)*, with proposition symbols, such as *JohnIsKing*. Finally, apply any of the complete propositional algorithms in [Chapter 7](#) to obtain conclusions such as *JohnIsEvil*, which is equivalent to *Evil(John)*.

Instantiation

- Universal Instantiation
 - can be applied several times to add new sentences
 - the new KB is logically equivalent to the old KB
- Existential Instantiation
 - can be applied once to replace the existential sentence
 - the new KB is not equivalent to the old
 - but is satisfiable iff the old KB was satisfiable

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Unification and First-order Inference

- Generalized Modus Ponens

- For atomic sentences p_i , p_i' , and q , where there is a substitution such that

$$\text{SUBST}(\theta, p_i') = \text{SUBST}(\theta, p_i)$$

for all i , then

$$\frac{p_1', p_2', \dots, p_n', (p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n \Rightarrow q)}{\text{SUBST}(\theta, q)}.$$

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

$$\textit{King}(x) \wedge \textit{Greedy}(x) \implies \textit{Evil}(x)$$

p_1' is *King(John)*

p_2' is *Greedy(y)*

θ is $\{x/\textit{John}, y/\textit{John}\}$

$\text{SUBST}(\theta, q)$ is *Evil(John)*.

p_1 is *King(x)*

p_2 is *Greedy(x)*

q is *Evil(x)*

Lifted version

- Generalized Modus Ponens is a lifted version of Modus Ponens—it raises Modus Ponens from ground (variable-free) propositional logic to first-order logic.
- We can develop lifted versions of the forward chaining, backward chaining, and resolution algorithms.
- The key advantage of lifted inference rules over propositionalization is that they make only those substitutions that are required to allow particular inferences to proceed.
- Lifted inference rules require finding substitutions that make different logical expressions look identical. This process is called **unification** and is a key component of all first-order inference algorithms.

Unification

- The UNIFY algorithm takes two sentences and returns a unifier for them (a substitution) if one exists:

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

- Query: whom does John know?
 - AskVars(Knows(John, x))
 - Answers to this query can be found by finding all sentences in the knowledge base that unify with Knows(John, x)

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

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

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

$$\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John},x), \text{Knows}(x,\text{Elizabeth})) = \text{failure}.$$

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Lifted Forward Chaining

- Forward Chaining only works for horn clauses
 - A horn clause is a disjunction of literals of which at most one is positive.
 - Or it is in the form of
 - proposition symbol; or
 - (conjunction of symbols) \Rightarrow symbol
- Lifted forward chaining only works for **first-order definite clauses**
 - A definite clause is either atomic, or is an implication whose antecedent is a conjunction of positive literals and whose consequent is a single positive literal.
 - Existential quantifiers are not allowed
 - Universal quantifiers are always there and are implicit. When you see x , it means $\forall x$

$$King(x) \wedge Greedy(x) \Rightarrow Evil(x) ,$$

Example

The law says that it is a crime for an American to sell weapons to hostile nations. The country Nono, an enemy of America, has some missiles, and all of its missiles were sold to it by Colonel West, who is American.

Prove that West is a criminal

KB:

... it is a crime for an American to sell weapons to hostile nations:■

$American(x) \wedge Weapon(y) \wedge Sells(x, y, z) \wedge Hostile(z) \implies Criminal(x)$

Nono ... has some missiles, i.e., $\exists x Owns(Nono, x) \wedge Missile(x)$:

$Owns(Nono, M_1)$ and $Missile(M_1)$

... all of its missiles were sold to it by Colonel West■

$Missile(x) \wedge Owns(Nono, x) \implies Sells(West, x, Nono)$

Missiles are weapons:■

$Missile(x) \implies Weapon(x)$

An enemy of America counts as “hostile”:■

$Enemy(x, America) \implies Hostile(x)$

West, who is American ...

$American(West)$

The country Nono, an enemy of America ...

$Enemy(Nono, America)$

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$$Enemy(Nono, America)$$

American(West)

Missile(M₁)

Owns(Nono, M₁)

Enemy(Nono, America)

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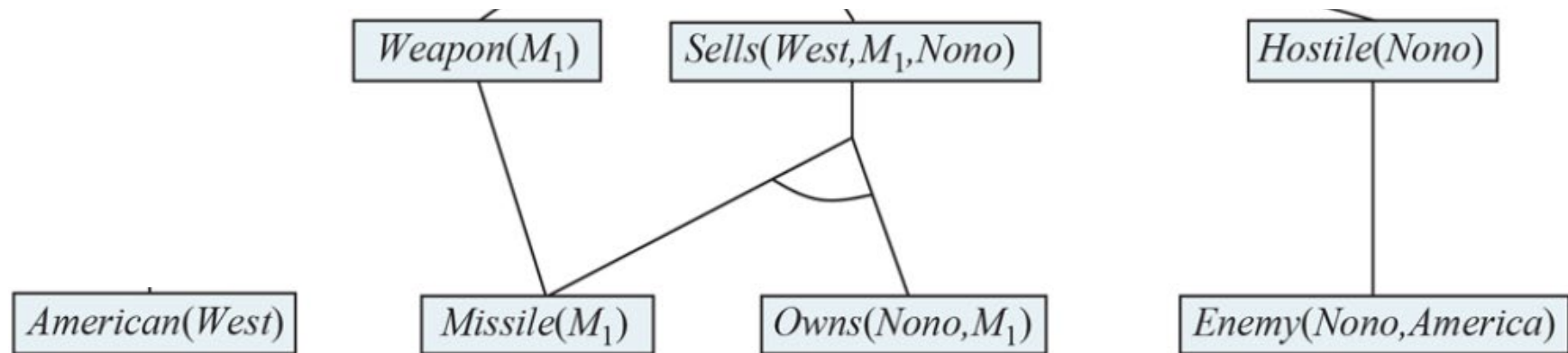
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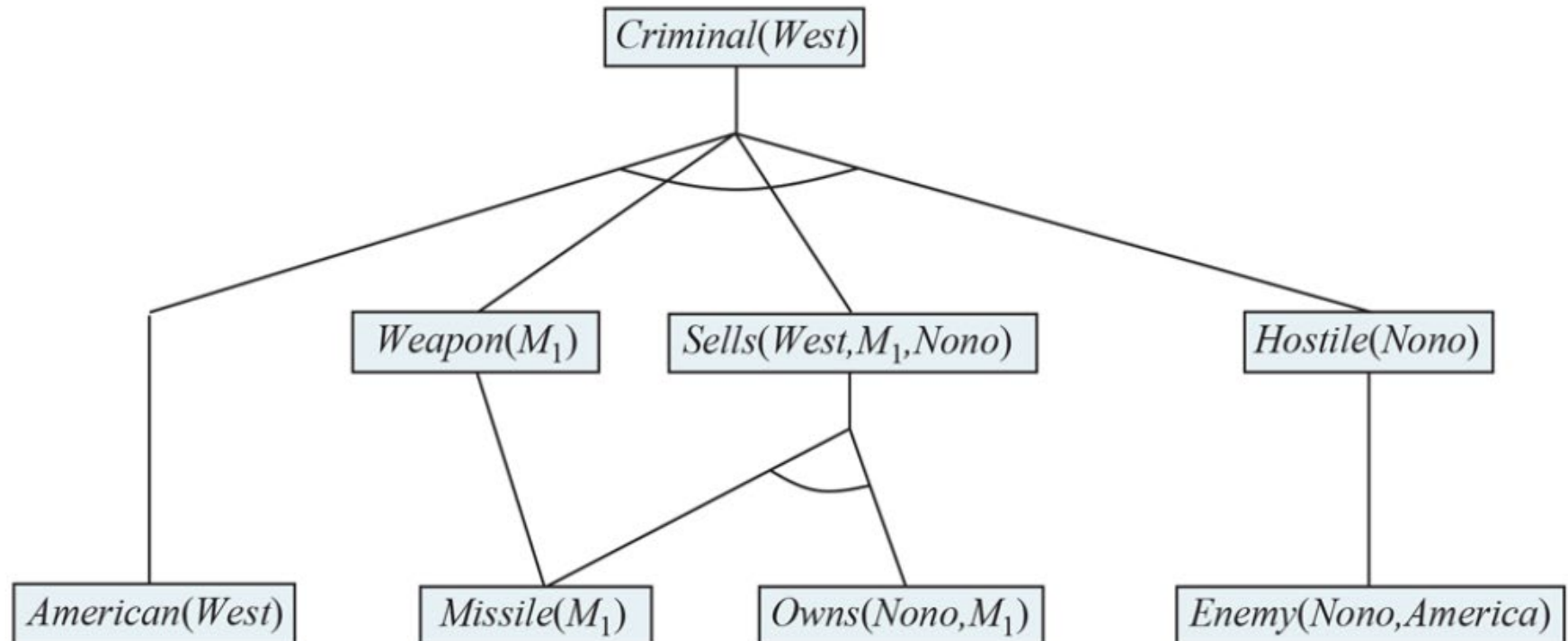
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Lifted Backward chaining

- Start with query
- Check if it can be derived by given rules and facts
 - apply rules that infer the query
 - recurse over pre-conditions

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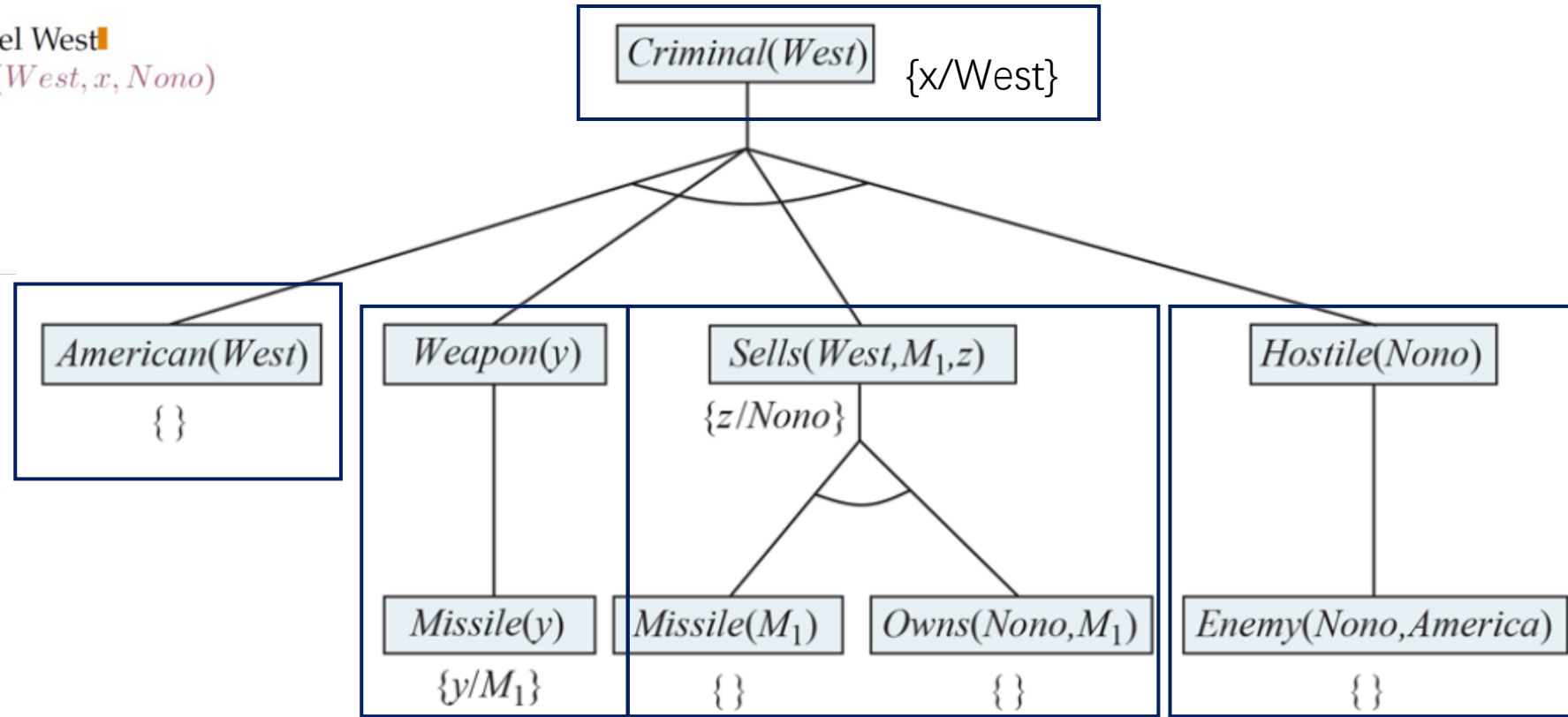
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Proof tree constructed by backward chaining to prove that West is a criminal. The tree should be read depth first, left to right. To prove $Criminal(West)$, we have to prove the four conjuncts below it. Some of these are in the knowledge base, and others require further backward chaining. Bindings for each successful unification are shown next to the corresponding subgoal. Note that once one subgoal in a conjunction succeeds, its substitution is applied to subsequent subgoals. Thus, by the time FOL-BC-Ask gets to the last conjunct, originally $Hostile(z)$, z is already bound to $Nono$.

Resolution in propositional logic

- Resolution inference

$$\frac{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_k, \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_{i-1} \vee \ell_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee \ell_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n}$$

- ℓ_i and m_j are complementary literals
- Example

$$\frac{P_{1,3} \vee P_{2,2}, \quad \neg P_{2,2}}{P_{1,3}} \qquad \frac{P_{1,1} \vee P_{3,1}, \quad \neg P_{1,1} \vee \neg P_{2,2}}{P_{3,1} \vee \neg P_{2,2}} .$$

- Resolution is sound and complete for propositional logic

Resolution in first-order logic

- Resolution inference

$$\frac{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_k, \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{\text{SUBST}(\theta, \ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_{i-1} \vee \ell_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee \ell_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n)}$$

- Unify($\ell_i, \neg m_j$) = Θ

$$\frac{\neg Rich(x) \vee Unhappy(x) \quad Rich(Ken)}{Unhappy(Ken)}$$

$$\theta = \{x/Ken\}$$

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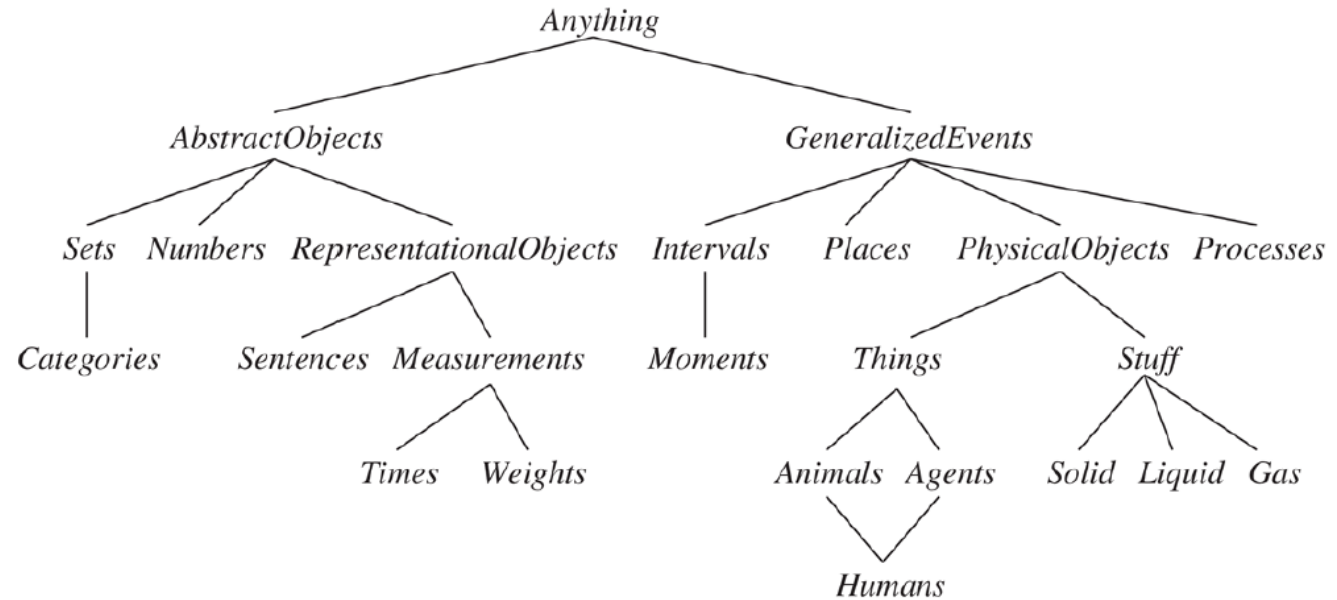
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Knowledge representation

- Previous discussions showed how an agent with a knowledge base, either in propositional logic or first-order logic, can make inferences that enable the agent to act appropriately.
- Now we address the question of what content to put into such an agent's knowledge base—how to represent facts about the world.
- Use FOL as the representation language

Ontological engineering

- General ontology
 - Organize everything in the world into a hierarchy of categories
- The general framework of concepts is called an **upper ontology** because of the convention of drawing graphs with the general concepts at the top and the more specific concepts below them.



The upper ontology of the world, showing the topics to be covered later in the chapter. Each link indicates that the lower concept is a specialization of the upper one. Specializations are not necessarily disjoint—a human is both an animal and an agent. We will see in [Section 10.3.2](#) why physical objects come under generalized events.

Categories

- The organization of objects into categories is a vital part of knowledge representation.
- Specific objects
 - E.g., my basketball BB_9
- General category, e.g., Basketballs
 - Predicates: $\text{Basketballs}(BB_9)$
 - Reify the category as an object: $\text{Member}(BB_9, \text{Basketballs})$
 - $BB_9 \in \text{Basketball}$
- Subcategories
 - $\text{Basketballs} \subset \text{Balls}$
- Taxonomy
 - System of categories and subcategories
- FOL states facts about categories
 - All members of a category have some properties.
 $(x \in \text{Basketballs}) \Rightarrow \text{Spherical}(x)$
 - Members of a category can be recognized by some properties.
 $\text{Orange}(x) \wedge \text{Round}(x) \wedge \text{Diameter}(x) = 9.5'' \wedge x \in \text{Balls} \Rightarrow x \in \text{Basketballs}$
 - A category as a whole has some properties.
 $\text{Dogs} \in \text{DomesticatedSpecies}$

Basic relations of categories

- Disjoint
- Exhaustive decomposition
- Partition: Exhaustive decomposition of disjoint sets

Disjoint(*{Animals, Vegetables}*)

ExhaustiveDecomposition(*{Americans, Canadians, Mexicans},*
NorthAmericans)

Partition(*{Animals, Plants, Fungi, Protista, Monera},*
LivingThings).

$Disjoint(s) \Leftrightarrow (\forall c_1, c_2 \ c_1 \in s \wedge c_2 \in s \wedge c_1 \neq c_2 \Rightarrow Intersection(c_1, c_2) = \{ \})$

$ExhaustiveDecomposition(s, c) \Leftrightarrow (\forall i \ i \in c \Leftrightarrow \exists c_2 \ c_2 \in s \wedge i \in c_2)$

$Partition(s, c) \Leftrightarrow Disjoint(s) \wedge ExhaustiveDecomposition(s, c) .$

Physical composition

- Basic relations such as PartOf

PartOf(Bucharest, Romania)
PartOf(Romania, EasternEurope)
PartOf(EasternEurope, Europe)
PartOf(Europe, Earth).

- Composite objects:
 - A biped is an object with **exactly two** legs attached to a body

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Biped}(a) \Rightarrow \exists l_1, l_2, b \text{ } & \text{Leg}(l_1) \wedge \text{Leg}(l_2) \wedge \text{Body}(b) \wedge \\ & \text{PartOf}(l_1, a) \wedge \text{PartOf}(l_2, a) \wedge \text{PartOf}(b, a) \wedge \\ & \text{Attached}(l_1, b) \wedge \text{Attached}(l_2, b) \wedge \\ & l_1 \neq l_2 \wedge [\forall l_3 \text{ } \text{Leg}(l_3) \wedge \text{PartOf}(l_3, a) \Rightarrow (l_3 = l_1 \vee l_3 = l_2)]. \end{aligned}$$

The notation for “exactly two” is a little awkward; we are forced to say that there are two legs, that they are not the same, and that if anyone proposes a third leg, it must be the same as one of the other two.

Measures

- In both scientific and commonsense theories of the world, objects have height, mass, cost, and so on. The values that we assign for these properties are called measures.
- We represent the length with a units function that takes a number as argument.

$$\textit{Length}(L_1) = \textit{Inches}(1.5) = \textit{Centimeters}(3.81).$$

$$\textit{Centimeters}(2.54 \times d) = \textit{Inches}(d).$$

$$\textit{Diameter}(\textit{Basketball}_{12}) = \textit{Inches}(9.5)$$

$$\textit{ListPrice}(\textit{Basketball}_{12}) = \$ (19)$$

$$\textit{Weight}(\textit{BunchOf}(\{\textit{Apple}_1, \textit{Apple}_2, \textit{Apple}_3\})) = \textit{Pounds}(2)$$

$$d \in \textit{Days} \Rightarrow \textit{Duration}(d) = \textit{Hours}(24).$$

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