

Homework 4. Resolution. Resolution Refutation.

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1. State the soundness and completeness results about resolution, T -resolution, \mathcal{A} -resolution, SLD-resolution. (Make sure what “formula” your result is talking about.)

Solution:

Name	Soundness Results	Completeness Results
Resolution $\Rightarrow S$: set of clauses	If there is a <i>resolution refutation</i> of S , then S is unsatisfiable.	If S is unsatisfiable, then there is a resolution refutation of S .
T-resolution $\Rightarrow T$ -resolutions are resolutions in which neither parent clause is a tautology. $RT(S)$ = closure of S under T -resolutions.	If $\Box \in RT(S)$, then S is unsatisfiable.	If S is unsatisfiable, then $\Box \in RT(S)$.
\mathcal{A}-resolution $\Rightarrow \mathcal{A}$: Assignment and S : Formula $RA(S)$ = closure of S under \mathcal{A} -resolution.	For any \mathcal{A} and S , if $\Box \in RA(S)$, then $S \in UNSAT$.	For any \mathcal{A} and S , if $S \in UNSAT$, then $\Box \in RA(S)$.
SLD-resolution $\Rightarrow P$ is PROLOG Program and $\{G\}$ is Goal clause and $S = P \cup \{G\}$ is Set of Horn clauses which contain at most one positive literal.	If there is a SLD-resolution refutation of $P \cup \{G\}$	If $P \cup \{G\} \in UNSAT$ and R is any selection rule, then there is a SLD-resolution refutation of $P \cup \{G\}$ via R .

2. Let $S = \{\{A, \neg B, C\}, \{B, C\}, \{\neg A, C\}, \{B, \neg C\}, \{\neg B\}\}$. What is S^B ? What is $S^{\neg B}$?

Solution:

$$S : \{\{A, \neg B, C\}, \{B, C\}, \{\neg A, C\}, \{B, \neg C\}, \{\neg B\}\}$$

$$S^B: \{\{A, C\}, \{\neg A, C\}, \{\Box\}\} \quad S^{\neg B}: \{\{C\}, \{\neg A, C\}, \{\neg C\}\}$$

3. Follow our proof methods, prove the following.

If P is a PROLOG program and $G = \{\neg q_1, \dots, \neg q_n\}$ a goal clause, then every q_i ($i \in 1..n$) is a consequence of P if and only if $P \cup \{G\}$ is unsatisfiable.

You may use the following definition of consequence in your proof: a literal l is a *consequence of a formula S* if for every assignment \mathcal{A} that satisfies S , \mathcal{A} satisfies l , i.e., $l \in \mathcal{A}$.

Solution:

Steps	Proof	Reason
a.	Assume, Assignment \mathcal{A} for which $\mathcal{A}(P)$ is true	
b.	The goal clause G consists of negative literals	-Given $G = \{\neg q_1, \dots, \neg q_n\}$ a goal clause.
c.	$\neg q_i$ and q_i will be true for all $i > 0, i \leq n$.	-By (b).
d.	All q_i are facts from the <i>prolog</i> program P . Thus it is a consequence of $\mathcal{A}(P)$ is true.	-By (a) and (b).
e.	$P \cup \{G\}$ is unsatisfiable.	-Given every q_i ($i \in 1..n$) is a consequence of P if and only if $P \cup \{G\}$ is unsatisfiable.
f.	\mathcal{A} satisfies P ($\mathcal{A} \vdash P$) and makes $G=False$ as $q_i=True$ which and its negation $\neg q_i=False$, which implies $G=False$.	-By (e).
g.	P is a PROLOG program.	-Given
h.	Every q_i ($i \in 1..n$) is a consequence of P if and only if $P \cup \{G\}$ is unsatisfiable.	-By (f) and (g)

QED

4. Consider a PROLOG program P and a conjunction of propositional letters p_1, \dots, p_n . To prove that p_1, \dots, p_n is a consequence of P , what is the set of clauses that the resolution refutations (discussed in class) are based on? Explain why these methods works.

Solution:

Method: A task that yields G *false* and satisfies P is taken into consideration. The approach taken by *PROLOG* to demonstrate that $p_1 \dots p_n$ is a result of P is to formulate a goal clause $G = \neg p_1 \dots$ and add the goal clause to the program P to confirm the set $P \cup \{G\}$ of the horn clause is unsatisfiable.

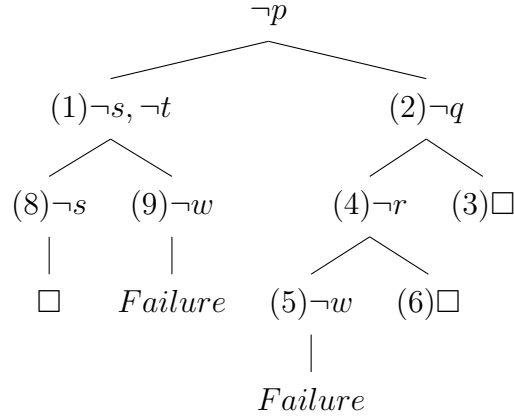
Why these methods works: Let us consider that the resulting set $P \cup \{G\}$ of horn clauses is unsatisfiable. All $\neg p_i$ must be *false* for G to be *false*, which implies that p_i is *true*. Taking this into account, we can state that the propositional letter is *true* in *PROLOG* P , demonstrating the consequence relationship between the propositional letters and P . As a result of our assumption that P will be *true* in the event that $P \cup \{G\}$, we know that the assignment \mathcal{A} on P p_i is *true*. If the assignment satisfies the program clause, then every propositional letter is also *true*.

5. Consider a *PROLOG* program P :

$\{p : \neg s, t. \quad p : \neg q. \quad q. \quad q : \neg r. \quad r. \quad r : \neg w. \quad r. \quad s. \quad t : \neg w.\}$

(1) Draw an SLD-tree for goal $\neg p$ in terms of P .

Solution:



(2) What is an SLD resolution refutation of $P \cup \{\{\neg p\}\}$?

Solution:

A SLD resolution refutation of $P \cup \{\{\neg p\}\}$ via the selection rule R is an LD resolution proof of

$\langle G_0(\neg p), C_0(p : \neg s, \neg t) \rangle,$
 $\langle G_1(\neg p), C_1(p : q) \rangle,$
 $\langle G_2(\neg s, \neg t), C_2(s) \rangle,$
 $\langle G_3(\neg q), C_3(q : r) \rangle,$
 $\langle G_4(\neg q), C_4(q) \rangle,$
 $\langle G_5(\neg r), C_5(r : \neg w) \rangle,$

$< G_6(\neg r), C_6(r) >$

with $G_0 = \neg p$ and $G_n + 1$ in which $R(G_i)$ is the literal resolved at the $(i + 1)$ step in the proof.