# AI EXPERIMENT 8 Implementation of unification and resolution for real world problems.

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#### **Problem Statement:**

Develop a program to unify expressions and direct the output of resolution to output.txt after taking input from input.txt file in same directory.

#### What is Unification?

- Unification is a process of making two different logical atomic expressions identical by finding a substitution. Unification depends on the substitution process.
- It takes two literals as input and makes them identical using substitution.
- Let  $\Psi_1$  and  $\Psi_2$  be two atomic sentences and  $\sigma$  be a unifier such that,  $\Psi_1 \sigma = \Psi_2 \sigma$ , then it can be expressed as UNIFY( $\Psi_1, \Psi_2$ ).
- Example: Find the MGU for Unify{King(x), King(John)}

Let  $\Psi_1 = King(x)$ ,  $\Psi_2 = King(John)$ ,

Substitution  $\theta = \{John/x\}$  is a unifier for these atoms and applying this substitution, and both expressions will be identical.

- The UNIFY algorithm is used for unification, which takes two atomic sentences and returns a unifier for those sentences (If any exist).
- Unification is a key component of all first-order inference algorithms.
- It returns fail if the expressions do not match with each other.
- The substitution variables are called Most General Unifier or MGU.

# **Example:**

Let's say there are two different expressions, P(x, y), and P(a, f(z)).

In this example, we need to make both above statements identical to each other. For this, we will perform the substitution.

$$P(x, y)$$
...... (i)  $P(a, f(z))$ ...... (ii)

- Substitute x with a, and y with f(z) in the first expression, and it will be represented as a/x and f(z)/y.
- With both the substitutions, the first expression will be identical to the second expression and the substitution set will be: [a/x, f(z)/y].

# **Unification Algorithm:**

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Algorithm: Unify(\Psi_1, \Psi_2)
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Step. 1: If \Psi_1 or \Psi_2 is a variable or constant, then:
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- a) If  $\Psi_1$  or  $\Psi_2$  are identical, then return NIL.
- b) Else if  $\Psi_1$  is a variable,
  - a. then if  $\Psi_1$  occurs in  $\Psi_2$ , then return FAILURE
  - b. Else return  $\{(\Psi_2/\Psi_1)\}$ .
- c) Else if  $\Psi_2$  is a variable,

- a. If  $\Psi_2$  occurs in  $\Psi_1$  then return FAILURE,
- b. Else return  $\{(\Psi_1/\Psi_2)\}$ .
- d) Else return FAILURE.

Step.2: If the initial Predicate symbol in  $\Psi_1$  and  $\Psi_2$  are not same, then return FAILURE.

- Step. 3: IF  $\Psi_1$  and  $\Psi_2$  have a different number of arguments, then return FAILURE.
- Step. 4: Set Substitution set(SUBST) to NIL.
- Step. 5: For i=1 to the number of elements in  $\Psi_1$ .
- a) Call Unify function with the ith element of  $\Psi_1$  and ith element of  $\Psi_2$ , and put the result into S.
  - b) If S =failure then returns Failure
  - c) If  $S \neq NIL$  then do,
    - a. Apply S to the remainder of both L1 and L2.
    - b. SUBST= APPEND(S, SUBST).

Step.6: Return SUBST.

# **Implementation of Unification Algorithm:**

For each pair of the following atomic sentences find the most general unifier (If exist).

1. Find the MGU of  $\{p(f(a), g(Y)) \text{ and } p(X, X)\}$ 

a. Sol: 
$$S_0 => \text{Here}, \ \Psi_1 = p(f(a), g(Y)), \ \text{and} \ \Psi_2 = p(X, X)$$

$$SUBST \ \theta = \{f(a) \ / \ X\}$$

$$S1 => \Psi_1 = p(f(a), g(Y)), \ \text{and} \ \Psi_2 = p(f(a), f(a))$$

$$SUBST \ \theta = \{f(a) \ / \ g(y)\}, \ \text{Unification failed}.$$

Unification is not possible for these expressions.

2. Find the MGU of  $\{p(b, X, f(g(Z))) \text{ and } p(Z, f(Y), f(Y))\}$ 

Here, 
$$\Psi_1 = p(b, X, f(g(Z)))$$
, and  $\Psi_2 = p(Z, f(Y), f(Y))$   
 $S_0 => \{ p(b, X, f(g(Z))); p(Z, f(Y), f(Y)) \}$   
SUBST  $\theta = \{b/Z\}$ 

$$\begin{split} S_1 &=> \{ \ p(b,\,X,\,f(g(b))); \, p(b,\,f(Y),\,f(Y)) \} \\ &SUBST \, \theta {=} \{ f(Y)\,/X \} \\ \\ S_2 &=> \{ \ p(b,\,f(Y),\,f(g(b))); \, p(b,\,f(Y),\,f(Y)) \} \\ \\ SUBST \, \theta {=} \ \{ g(b)\,/Y \} \\ \\ S_2 &=> \{ \ p(b,\,f(g(b)),\,f(g(b)); \, p(b,\,f(g(b)),\,f(g(b)) \} \, \, \text{Unified Successfully.} \\ \\ And \, Unifier &= \{ \ b/Z,\,f(Y)\,/X\,,\,g(b)\,/Y \}. \end{split}$$

3. Find the MGU of  $\{p(X, X), \text{ and } p(Z, f(Z))\}$ 

Here, 
$$\Psi_1 = \{p(X, X), \text{ and } \Psi_2 = p(Z, f(Z))\}$$
  
 $S_0 \Rightarrow \{p(X, X), p(Z, f(Z))\}$   
SUBST  $\theta = \{X/Z\}$   
 $S_1 \Rightarrow \{p(Z, Z), p(Z, f(Z))\}$   
SUBST  $\theta = \{f(Z) / Z\}$ , Unification Failed.

Hence, unification is not possible for these expressions.

4. Find the MGU of UNIFY(prime (11), prime(y))

Here, 
$$\Psi_1 = \{\text{prime}(11), \text{ and } \Psi_2 = \text{prime}(y)\}$$

$$S_0 \Rightarrow \{\text{prime}(11), \text{prime}(y)\}$$

$$SUBST \theta = \{11/y\}$$

$$S_1 \Rightarrow \{\text{prime}(11), \text{prime}(11)\}, \text{Successfully unified.}$$

$$Unifier: \{11/y\}.$$

5. Find the MGU of Q(a, g(x, a), f(y)), Q(a, g(f(b), a), x)

Here, 
$$\Psi_1 = Q(a, g(x, a), f(y))$$
, and  $\Psi_2 = Q(a, g(f(b), a), x)$   
 $S_0 \Longrightarrow \{Q(a, g(x, a), f(y)); Q(a, g(f(b), a), x)\}$   
SUBST  $\theta = \{f(b)/x\}$   
 $S_1 \Longrightarrow \{Q(a, g(f(b), a), f(y)); Q(a, g(f(b), a), f(b))\}$ 

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SUBST θ= {b/y}
S<sub>1</sub> => {Q(a, g(f(b), a), f(b)); Q(a, g(f(b), a), f(b))}, Successfully Unified.
Unifier: [a/a, f(b)/x, b/y].
6. UNIFY(knows(Richard, x), knows(Richard, John))
Here, Ψ<sub>1</sub> = knows(Richard, x), and Ψ<sub>2</sub> = knows(Richard, John)
S<sub>0</sub> => { knows(Richard, x); knows(Richard, John)}
SUBST θ= {John/x}
S<sub>1</sub> => { knows(Richard, John); knows(Richard, John)}, Successfully Unified. Unifier: {John/x}.
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### **Code:**

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def get_index_comma(string):
    index_list = list()
    par_count = 0

for i in range(len(string)):
    if string[i] == ',' and par_count == 0:
        index_list.append(i)
    elif string[i] == '(':
        par_count += 1
    elif string[i] == ')':
    par_count -= 1
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return index_list
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def is_variable(expr):
  for i in expr:
     if i == '(' or i == ')':
       return False
  return True
def process_expression(expr):
  expr = expr.replace(' ', ")
  index = None
  for i in range(len(expr)):
     if expr[i] == '(':
       index = i
       break
  predicate_symbol = expr[:index]
  expr = expr.replace(predicate_symbol, ")
  expr = expr[1:len(expr) - 1]
  arg_list = list()
  indices = get_index_comma(expr)
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if len(indices) == 0:
     arg_list.append(expr)
  else:
     arg_list.append(expr[:indices[0]])
     for i, j in zip(indices, indices[1:]):
       arg_list.append(expr[i + 1:j])
     arg_list.append(expr[indices[len(indices) - 1] + 1:])
  return predicate_symbol, arg_list
def get_arg_list(expr):
  _, arg_list = process_expression(expr)
  flag = True
  while flag:
     flag = False
     for i in arg_list:
       if not is_variable(i):
          flag = True
          _, tmp = process_expression(i)
          for j in tmp:
             if j not in arg_list:
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arg_list.append(j)
          arg_list.remove(i)
  return arg_list
def check_occurs(var, expr):
  arg_list = get_arg_list(expr)
  if var in arg_list:
     return True
  return False
def unify(expr1, expr2):
  if is_variable(expr1) and is_variable(expr2):
     if expr1 == expr2:
       return 'Null'
     else:
       return False
  elif is_variable(expr1) and not is_variable(expr2):
     if check_occurs(expr1, expr2):
       return False
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else:
     tmp = str(expr2) + '/' + str(expr1)
     return tmp
elif not is_variable(expr1) and is_variable(expr2):
  if check_occurs(expr2, expr1):
     return False
  else:
     tmp = str(expr1) + '/' + str(expr2)
     return tmp
else:
  predicate_symbol_1, arg_list_1 = process_expression(expr1)
  predicate_symbol_2, arg_list_2 = process_expression(expr2)
  # Step 2
  if predicate_symbol_1 != predicate_symbol_2:
     return False
  # Step 3
  elif len(arg_list_1) != len(arg_list_2):
     return False
  else:
     # Step 4: Create substitution list
     sub_list = list()
     # Step 5:
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for i in range(len(arg_list_1)):
          tmp = unify(arg_list_1[i], arg_list_2[i])
          if not tmp:
             return False
          elif tmp == 'Null':
             pass
          else:
             if type(tmp) == list:
               for j in tmp:
                  sub_list.append(j)
             else:
               sub_list.append(tmp)
        # Step 6
        return sub_list
if _name_ == '_main_':
  f1 = 'Q(a, g(x, a), f(y))'
  f2 = 'Q(a, g(f(b), a), x)'
  # f1 = input('f1 : ')
  # f2 = input('f2 : ')
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result = unify(f1, f2)

if not result:
    print('Process of Unification has failed!')

else:
    print(f"f1: '{f1}'")
    print(f"f2: '{f2}'")

    print('Process of Unification is successful!')

    print(result)
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# **Output:**

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/USF/local/bin/python3 "/USers/saimohitambekar/Documents/Class/AI Lab/EXP8 Unification/exp8.py"
saimohitambekar@Sais-MacBook-Air AI Lab % /USF/local/bin/python3 "/USers/saimohitambekar/Documents/Class/AI Lab/EXP8 Unification/exp8.py"
f1: 'Q(a, g(x, a), f(y))'
f2: 'Q(a, g(f(b), a), x)'
Process of Unification is successful!
['f(b)/x', 'f(y)/x']
saimohitambekar@Sais-MacBook-Air AI Lab %
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# **Result:**

Unification of expression was done and the conversion set was printed and the result of all queries in input file were printed and written to output.txt