

# Chapter 08

# Predicate Logic

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# Outline

- ❖ Why FOL?
- ❖ Syntax and semantics of FOL
- ❖ Using FOL
- ❖ Wumpus world in FOL
- ❖ Knowledge engineering in FOL

# Why FOL?

## Pros and cons of propositional logic

- ☺ Propositional logic is **declarative**
- ☺ Propositional logic allows partial/disjunctive/negated information
  - ✂ (unlike most data structures and databases)
- ☺ Propositional logic is **compositional**:
  - ✂ meaning of  $B_{1,1} \wedge P_{1,2}$  is derived from meaning of  $B_{1,1}$  and of  $P_{1,2}$
- ☺ Meaning in propositional logic is **context-independent**
  - ✂ (unlike natural language, where meaning depends on context)
- ☹ Propositional logic has very limited expressive power
  - ✂ (unlike natural language)
  - ✂ E.g., cannot say "pits cause breezes in adjacent squares"
    - ✓ except by writing one sentence for each square

# Why FOL?

## First-order logic

- ❖ Whereas propositional logic assumes the world contains **facts**,
- ❖ first-order logic (like natural language) assumes the world contains
  - ✍ **Objects**: people, houses, numbers, colors, baseball games, wars, ...
  - ✍ **Relations**: red, round, prime, brother of, bigger than, part of, comes between, ...
  - ✍ **Functions**: father of, best friend, one more than, plus, ...

# Prepositional Logic: Examples

Sentence in natural language	Sentence in Prepositional Logic
Socrates is a man	SOCRATESMAN
Plato is a man	PLATOMAN
All men are mortal	MORTALMAN

## Disadvantages:

1. Socrates and Plato are human, but the representation is not similar
2. Can not state that each person is mortal  
→ Difficult for reasoning.

# Predicate Logic: Examples

→ Using predicate logic

Sentence in natural language	Sentence in Predicate Logic
Socrates is a man	$\text{man}(\text{socrates})$
Plato is a man	$\text{man}(\text{plato})$
All men are mortal	$\forall X (\text{man}(X) \rightarrow \text{mortal}(X))$



# Predicate Logic: Examples

## ❖ Ability of reasoning

Sentence in natural language	Conclusion
Socrates is a man	Socrates is mortal
All men are mortal	

Sentence in Predicate Logic	Conclusion
man(socrates)	mortal(socrates)
$\forall X (\text{man}(X) \rightarrow \text{mortal}(X))$	

# Predicate Logic: Examples

#	Representation	Rule
1.	man(socrates)	Axiom
2.	$\forall X (\text{man}(X) \rightarrow \text{mortal}(X))$	Axiom
3.	$\text{man}(\text{socrates}) \rightarrow \text{mortal}(\text{socrates})$	2, X= "socrates", UI
4.	mortal(socrates)	1,3, MP

Backward mapping (to natural language)

**Socrates is mortal.**

# Syntax of FOL: Basic elements

- ❖ Constants:
  - ✎ KingJohn, 2, NUS,...
- ❖ Predicates :
  - ✎ Brother, >,...
- ❖ Functions:
  - ✎ Sqrt, LeftLegOf,...
- ❖ Variables:
  - ✎ x, y, a, b,...
- ❖ Connectives:
  - ✎  $\neg$ ,  $\Rightarrow$ ,  $\wedge$ ,  $\vee$ ,  $\Leftrightarrow$
- ❖ Equality:
  - ✎ =
- ❖ Quantifiers:
  - ✎ Universal Quantifier:  $\forall$
  - ✎ Existential Quantifier:  $\exists$

# Atomic sentences

**Term** : *function* ( $term_1, \dots, term_n$ )  
or *constant* or *variable*

**Atomic sentence** : *predicate* ( $term_1, \dots, term_n$ )  
or  $term_1 = term_2$

❖ E.g.,

 *Brother(KingJohn, RichardTheLionheart)*

 *> (Length(LeftLegOf(Richard)), Length(LeftLegOf(KingJohn)))*

# Complex sentences

❖ Complex sentences are made from atomic sentences using connectives, examples:

$$\neg S$$

$$S_1 \wedge S_2$$

$$S_1 \vee S_2$$

$$S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$$

$$S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_2$$

E.g.  $Sibling(KingJohn, Richard) \Rightarrow Sibling(Richard, KingJohn)$

$$>(1,2) \vee \leq (1,2)$$

$$>(1,2) \wedge \neg >(1,2)$$

# Truth in first-order logic

- ❖ Sentences are true with respect to a **model** and an **interpretation**
- ❖ Model contains objects (**domain elements**) and relations among them
- ❖ Interpretation specifies referents for
  - constant symbols** → **objects**
  - predicate symbols** → **relations**
  - function symbols** → **functional relations**
- ❖ An atomic sentence  $predicate(term_1, \dots, term_n)$  is true iff the **objects** referred to by  $term_1, \dots, term_n$  are in the **relation** referred to by  $predicate$

# Universal quantification

❖  $\forall \langle \text{variables} \rangle \langle \text{sentence} \rangle$

Everyone at NUS is smart:

$\forall x \text{ At}(x, \text{NUS}) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(x)$

❖  $\forall x P$  is true in a model  $m$  iff  $P$  is true with  $x$  being each possible object in the model

❖ Roughly speaking, equivalent to the conjunction of instantiations of  $P$

$\text{At}(\text{KingJohn}, \text{NUS}) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(\text{KingJohn})$   
 $\wedge \text{At}(\text{Richard}, \text{NUS}) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(\text{Richard})$   
 $\wedge \text{At}(\text{NUS}, \text{NUS}) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(\text{NUS})$   
 $\wedge \dots$

## A common mistake to avoid

- ❖ Typically,  $\Rightarrow$  is the main connective with  $\forall$
- ❖ **Common mistake:** using  $\wedge$  as the main connective with  $\forall$ :  
 $\forall x \text{ At}(x, \text{NUS}) \wedge \text{Smart}(x)$   
means “Everyone is at NUS and everyone is smart”



# Existential quantification

- ❖  $\exists \langle \text{variables} \rangle \langle \text{sentence} \rangle$
- ❖ Someone at NUS is smart:
- ❖  $\exists x \text{ At}(x, \text{NUS}) \wedge \text{Smart}(x)$
- ❖  $\exists x P$  is true in a model  $m$  iff  $P$  is true with  $x$  being some possible object in the model
- ❖ Roughly speaking, equivalent to the disjunction of instantiations of  $P$ 
  - $\text{At}(\text{KingJohn}, \text{NUS}) \wedge \text{Smart}(\text{KingJohn})$
  - ✓  $\text{At}(\text{Richard}, \text{NUS}) \wedge \text{Smart}(\text{Richard})$
  - ✓  $\text{At}(\text{NUS}, \text{NUS}) \wedge \text{Smart}(\text{NUS})$
  - ✓ ...

## Another common mistake to avoid

- ❖ Typically,  $\wedge$  is the main connective with  $\exists$
- ❖ **Common mistake:** using  $\Rightarrow$  as the main connective with  $\exists$ :

$$\exists x \text{ At}(x, \text{NUS}) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(x)$$

is true if there is anyone who is not at NUS!

# Properties of quantifiers

- ❖  $\forall x \forall y$  is the same as  $\forall y \forall x$
- ❖  $\exists x \exists y$  is the same as  $\exists y \exists x$
- ❖  $\exists x \forall y$  is **not** the same as  $\forall y \exists x$
- ❖  $\exists x \forall y \text{ Loves}(x,y)$ 
  - ✍ “There is a person who loves everyone in the world”
- ❖  $\forall y \exists x \text{ Loves}(x,y)$ 
  - ✍ “Everyone in the world is loved by at least one person”
- ❖ **Quantifier duality**: each can be expressed using the other
- ❖  $\forall x \text{ Likes}(x, \text{IceCream})$                        $\neg \exists x \neg \text{Likes}(x, \text{IceCream})$
- ❖  $\exists x \text{ Likes}(x, \text{Broccoli})$                        $\neg \forall x \neg \text{Likes}(x, \text{Broccoli})$

# Equality

- ❖  $term_1 = term_2$  is true under a given interpretation if and only if  $term_1$  and  $term_2$  refer to the same object
- ❖ E.g., definition of *Sibling* in terms of *Parent*:  
$$\forall x, y \text{ Sibling}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow [\neg(x = y) \wedge \exists m, f \neg (m = f) \wedge \text{Parent}(m, x) \wedge \text{Parent}(f, x) \wedge \text{Parent}(m, y) \wedge \text{Parent}(f, y)]$$

# Using FOL

The kinship domain:

❖ Brothers are siblings

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

❖ One's mother is one's female parent

$$\forall m,c \text{ Mother}(c) = m \Leftrightarrow (\text{Female}(m) \wedge \text{Parent}(m,c))$$

❖ “Sibling” is symmetric

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

# Predicate Logic: Representation

❖ Representing the following sentences in Predicate Logic:

1. Marcus was a man.
2. Macus was a Pompeian.
3. All Pompians were Romans.
4. Caesar was a ruler.
5. All Romans were either loyal to Caesar or hated hime.
6. Everyone is loyal to someone.
7. People only try to assassinate rulers they are not loyal to.
8. Marcus tried to assassinate Caesar.

# Predicate Logic: Representation

1. Marcus was a man.  
 $\text{man}(\text{Marcus})$
2. Macus was a Pompeian.  
 $\text{Pompeian}(\text{Marcus})$
3. All Pompeians were Romans.  
 $\forall X: \text{Pompeian}(X) \rightarrow \text{Roman}(X)$
4. Caesar was a ruler.  
 $\text{ruler}(\text{Caesar})$

# Predicate Logic: Representation

5. All Romans were either loyal to Caesar or hated him.

"or" mean "inclusive or" - OR:

$$\forall X: \text{Roman}(X) \rightarrow \text{loyalto}(X, \text{Caesar}) \vee \text{hate}(X, \text{Caesar})$$

"or" mean "exclusive or" - XOR:

$$\forall X: \text{Roman}(X) \rightarrow [ (\text{loyalto}(X, \text{Caesar}) \vee \text{hate}(X, \text{Caesar})) \wedge \neg(\text{loyalto}(X, \text{Caesar}) \wedge \text{hate}(X, \text{Caesar})) ]$$

or:

$$\forall X: \text{Roman}(X) \rightarrow [ (\text{loyalto}(X, \text{Caesar}) \wedge \neg \text{hate}(X, \text{Caesar})) \vee (\neg \text{loyalto}(X, \text{Caesar}) \wedge \text{hate}(X, \text{Caesar})) ]$$



# Predicate Logic: Representation

6. Everyone is loyal to someone.

$\forall X: \exists Y: \text{loyalto}(X,Y).$

7. People only try to assassinate rulers they are not loyal to.

$\forall X: \forall Y: \text{person}(X) \wedge \text{ruler}(Y) \wedge \text{tryassassinate}(X,Y) \rightarrow$   
 $\neg \text{loyalto}(X,Y)$

# Predicate Logic: Representation

8. Marcus tried to assassinate Caesar.  
tryassassinate(Marcus, Caesar).

# Predicate Logic: Representation

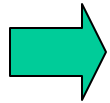
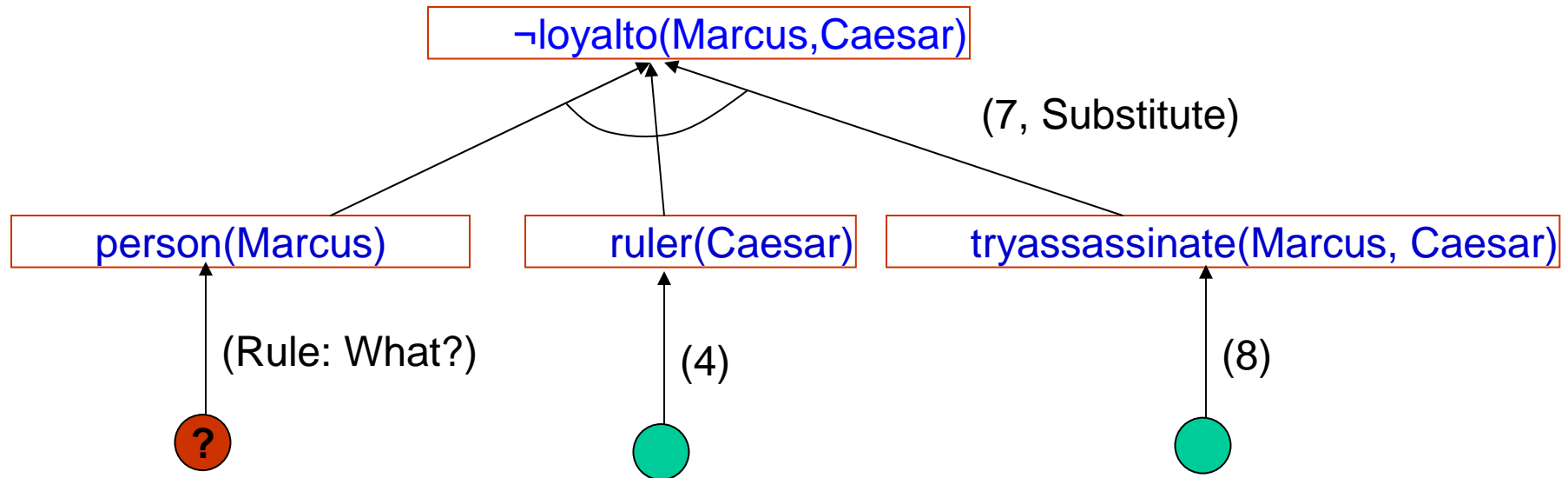
- ❖ Given the above sentences, can we make a conclusion as follows:

“Marcus was not loyal to Caesar ?”

or:

$\neg \text{loyalto}(\text{Marcus}, \text{Caesar})$

# Predicate Logic: Proof

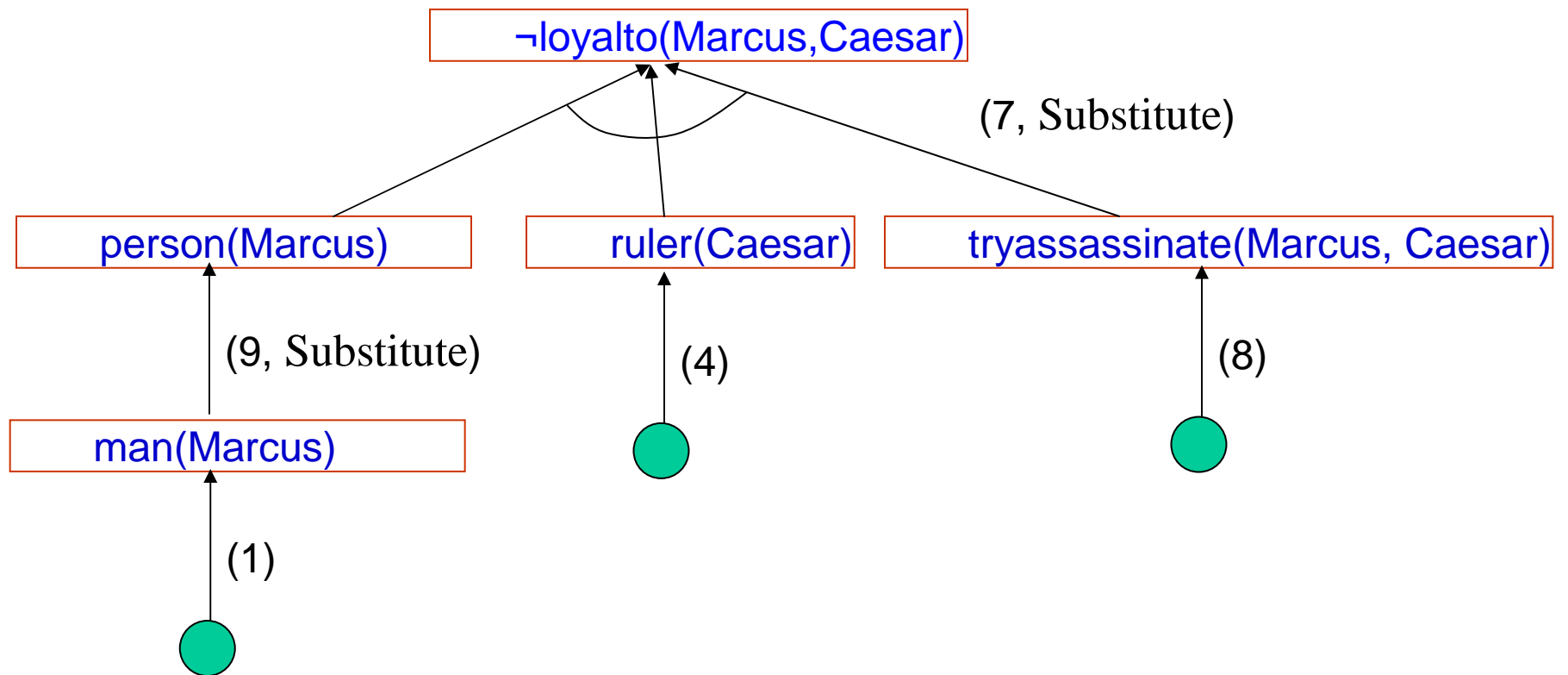


Add an implicit sentence:  
**9. "All men are people"**

or:

$\forall X: \text{man}(X) \rightarrow X: \text{man}(X) \rightarrow \text{person}(X)$

# Predicate Logic: Proof



# Predicate Logic: Exception

- ❖ How to represent exceptions, example ?

“Paulus was a Pompeian. Paulus was neither loyal nor hated Caesar”

# Predicate Logic: Exception

## ❖ Exception representation:

✍ Semantic Net: Simple!, by adding links (properties) to subclasses or instances.

✍ Predicate Logic: Not so simple!, like

$$\text{Pompeian}(\text{Paulus}) \wedge \neg[\text{loyalto}(\text{Paulus}, \text{Caesar}) \vee \text{hate}(\text{Pualus}, \text{Caesar})]$$

# Predicate Logic: Exception

## ❖ Exception representation:

Not so simple Because there is conflict between:

$$\text{Pompeian}(\text{Paulus}) \wedge \neg[\text{loyalto}(\text{Paulus}, \text{Caesar}) \vee \text{hate}(\text{Paulus}, \text{Caesar})]$$

and

$$\forall X: \text{Pompeian}(X) \rightarrow \text{loyalto}(X, \text{Caesar}) \vee \text{hate}(X, \text{Caesar})$$



# Predicate Logic: Exception

❖ Exception representation:

~~✗~~ A Better way:

$\forall X: \text{Roman}(X) \wedge \neg \text{eq}(X, \text{Paulus}) \rightarrow \text{loyalto}(X, \text{Caesar})$   
 $\vee \text{hate}(X, \text{Caesar})$

Exception



# Predicate Logic: Function + Computable Predicate

- ❖ In the case of describing relations between numbers, example:

- ✓  $1 < 2$
- ✓  $2 < 3$
- ✓  $7 > 3 + 2,$
- ✓  $3 > 1$
- ✓ ....

⇒ Should not explicitly describe:  
 $lt(1,2), lt(2,3), \dots$

# Predicate Logic: Function + Computable Predicate

⇒ Need functions and computable predicates.

⇒ For example,

- ✎ Call a function to compute  $(3+2)$
- ✎ Pass the result to the predicate “gt”:  $\text{gt}(7, 3+2)$
- ✎ Get the final result (**True**)

# Predicate Logic: Function + Computable Predicate, Example

## ❖ Facts:

1. Marcus was a man.

$\text{man}(\text{Marcus})$

2. Marcus was a Pompeian.

$\text{Pompeian}(\text{Marcus})$

3. Marcus was born in 40 A.D

$\text{born}(\text{Marcus}, 40)$

4. All men are mortal.

$\forall X: \text{man}(X) \rightarrow \text{mortal}(X)$

## Predicate Logic: Function + Computable Predicate, Example

### ❖ Facts:

5. All Pompeian died when the volcano erupted in 79 AD.

$\text{erupted}(\text{volcano}, 79) \wedge \forall X: [\text{Pompeian}(X) \rightarrow \text{died}(X, 79)]$

6. No mortal lives longer than 150 years.

$\forall X: \forall T_1: \forall T_2: \text{mortal}(X) \wedge \text{born}(X, T_1) \wedge \text{gt}(T_2 - T_1, 150) \rightarrow \text{dead}(X, T_2)$

7. It is now 1991

$\text{now} = 1991$

# Predicate Logic: Function + Computable Predicate, Example

❖ Question:

Is Marcus alive?

Or

**alive(Marcus, now)**

**or**

**$\neg$ alive(Marcus, now)**

## Predicate Logic: Function + Computable Predicate, Example

❖ Add implicit knowledge:

 Relation between “dead” and “alive”

8. Alive means not dead.

$$\forall X: \forall T: [\text{alive}(X,T) \rightarrow \neg \text{dead}(X,T)] \wedge \\ [\neg \text{dead}(X,T) \rightarrow \text{alive}(X,T)]$$

## Predicate Logic: Function + Computable Predicate, Example

❖ Add implicit knowledge:

✍ Time properties of an event, for example “dead”

9. Is someone dies, the he is dead at all later times

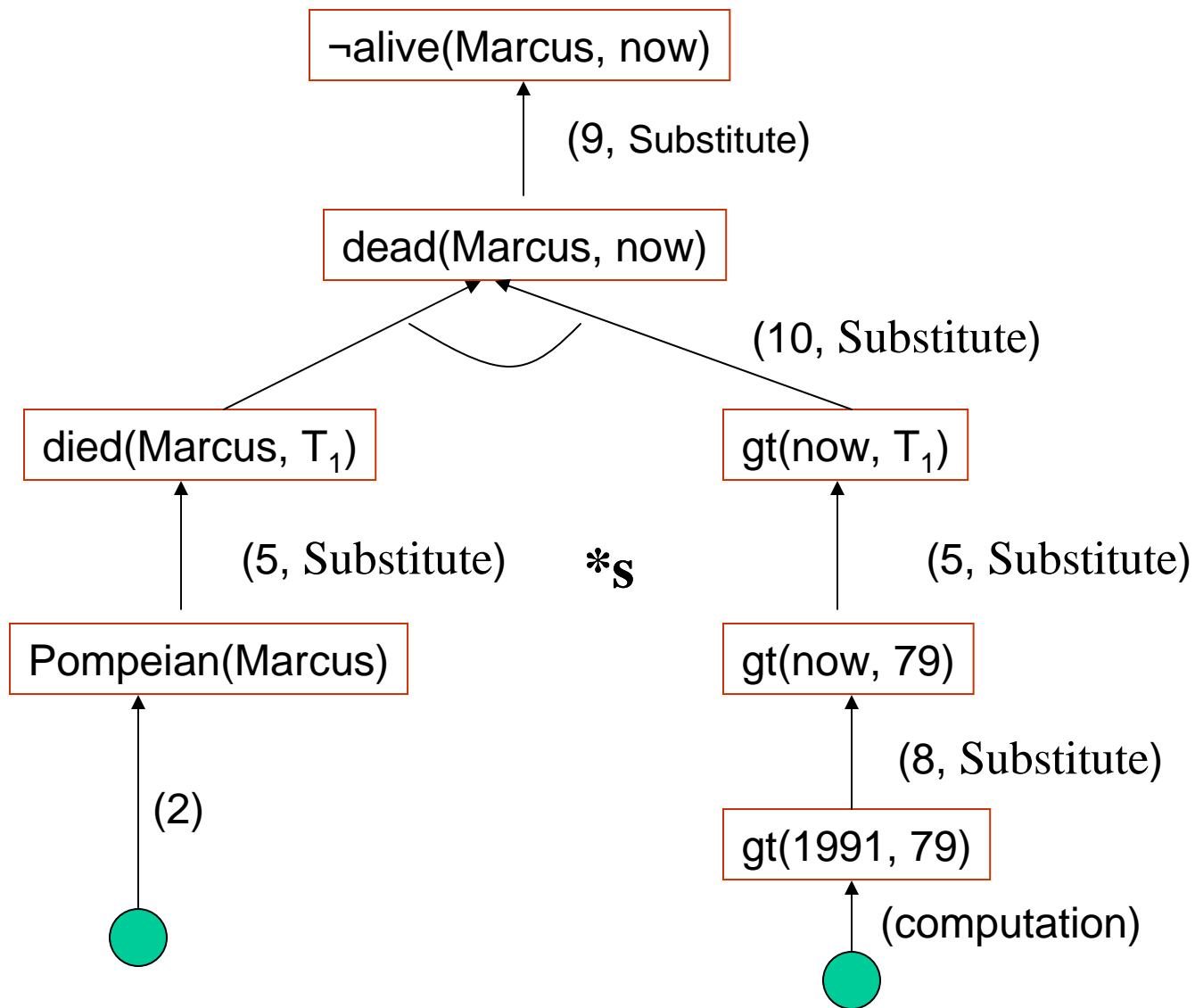
$$\forall X: \forall T_1: \forall T_2: \text{died}(X, T_1) \wedge \text{gt}(T_2, T_1) \rightarrow \text{dead}(X, T_2)$$



## Predicate Logic: Function + Computable Predicate, Example

### ❖ Summary of facts:

1.  $\text{man}(\text{Marcus})$
2.  $\text{Pompeian}(\text{Marcus})$
3.  $\text{born}(\text{Marcus}, 40)$
4.  $\forall X: \text{man}(X) \rightarrow \text{mortal}(X)$
5.  $\forall X: \text{Pompeian}(X) \rightarrow \text{died}(X, 79)$
6.  $\text{erupted}(\text{volcano}, 79)$
7.  $\forall X: \forall T_1: \forall T_2: \text{mortal}(X) \wedge \text{born}(X, T_1) \wedge \text{gt}(T_2 - T_1, 150) \rightarrow \text{dead}(X, T_2)$
8.  $\text{now} = 1991$
9.  $\forall X: \forall T: [\text{alive}(X, T) \rightarrow \neg \text{dead}(X, T)] \wedge [\neg \text{dead}(X, T) \rightarrow \text{alive}(X, T)]$
10.  $\forall X: \forall T_1: \forall T_2: \text{died}(X, T_1) \wedge \text{gt}(T_2, T_1) \rightarrow \text{dead}(X, T_2)$



# Universal instantiation (UI)

- ❖ Every instantiation of a universally quantified sentence is entailed by it:

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

for any variable  $v$  and ground term  $g$

- ❖ E.g.,  $\forall x \text{ King}(x) \wedge \text{Greedy}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Evil}(x)$  yields:

*King(John)  $\wedge$  Greedy(John)  $\Rightarrow$  Evil(John)*

*King(Richard)  $\wedge$  Greedy(Richard)  $\Rightarrow$  Evil(Richard)*

*King(Father(John))  $\wedge$  Greedy(Father(John))  $\Rightarrow$  Evil(Father(John))*

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# Existential instantiation (EI)

- ❖ For any sentence  $\alpha$ , variable  $v$ , and constant symbol  $k$  that does **not** appear elsewhere in the knowledge base:

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

- ❖ E.g.,  $\exists x \text{Crown}(x) \wedge \text{OnHead}(x, \text{John})$  yields:

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

provided  $C_1$  is a new constant symbol, called a **Skolem constant**

# Reduction to propositional inference

Suppose the KB contains just the following:

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

$\text{King}(\text{John})$

$\text{Greedy}(\text{John})$

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

- ❖ Instantiating the universal sentence in **all possible** ways, we have:

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

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

$\text{King}(\text{John})$

$\text{Greedy}(\text{John})$

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

- ❖ The new KB is **propositionalized**: proposition symbols are

$\text{King}(\text{John}), \text{Greedy}(\text{John}), \text{Evil}(\text{John}), \text{King}(\text{Richard}), \text{etc.}$

# Reduction contd.

- ❖ Every FOL KB can be propositionalized so as to preserve entailment
- ❖ (A ground sentence is entailed by new KB iff entailed by original KB)
- ❖ Idea: propositionalize KB and query, apply resolution, return result
- ❖ Problem: with function symbols, there are infinitely many ground terms,
  - ✍ e.g., *Father(Father(Father(John)))*

# Resolution

- ❖ Convert to clause form, example:

“All Romans who know Marcus either hate Caesar or think that anyone who hates anyone is crazy”

$\forall X: \quad [\text{roman}(X) \wedge \text{know}(X, \text{Marcus})] \rightarrow$   
 $[\text{hate}(X, \text{Ceasar}) \vee$   
 $(\forall Y: \exists Z: \text{hate}(Y, Z) \rightarrow$   
 $\text{thinkcrazy}(X, Y))]$

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# Resolution

2. Move  $\neg$  next to terms:

Using the following equivalence:

a. Double negative:

$$\neg(\neg p) = p$$

b. DeMorgan:

$$\neg(a \vee b) = \neg a \wedge \neg b$$

$$\neg(a \wedge b) = \neg a \vee \neg b$$

c. Equivalence of qualifiers :

$$\neg \forall X: P(X) = \exists X: \neg P(X)$$

$$\neg \exists X: P(X) = \forall X: \neg P(X)$$

# Resolution

2. Move  $\neg$  next to terms:

$\forall X:$        $\neg[\text{roman}(X) \wedge \text{know}(X, \text{Marcus})] \vee$   
                  $[\text{hate}(X, \text{Ceasar}) \vee$   
                  $(\forall Y: \neg(\exists Z: \text{hate}(Y, Z)) \vee \text{thinkcrazy}(X, Y))]$

=

$\forall X:$        $[\neg\text{roman}(X) \vee \neg\text{know}(X, \text{Marcus})] \vee$   
                  $[\text{hate}(X, \text{Ceasar}) \vee$   
                  $(\forall Y: \forall Z: \neg\text{hate}(Y, Z) \vee$   
                  $\text{thinkcrazy}(X, Y))]$

# Resolution

3. Change name of variables as follows:

$$\forall X: P(X) \vee \forall X: Q(X)$$

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$$\forall X: P(X) \vee \forall Y: Q(Y)$$

# Resolution

4. Move qualifier to left, don't change the their order

$$\begin{aligned} \forall X: & \quad [\neg \text{roman}(X) \vee \neg \text{know}(X, \text{Marcus})] \vee \\ & \quad [\text{hate}(X, \text{Ceasar}) \vee \\ & \quad (\forall Y: \forall Z: \neg \text{hate}(Y, Z) \vee \\ & \quad \text{thinkcrazy}(X, Y))] \end{aligned}$$

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# Resolution

5. Replace existence qualifier using Skolem function, as follows:

Skolem Function:

$$\forall X: \forall Y: \exists Z : P(X,Y,Z)$$

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$$\forall X: \forall Y: P(X,Y,f(X,Y))$$

- ✍ Variable of existence qualifier = function of all the preceding variables in the every qualifier

# Resolution

6. Remove every qualifiers (the default qualifier is every)

$$\forall X:\forall Y:\forall Z: [\neg\text{roman}(X) \vee \neg\text{know}(X, \text{Marcus})] \vee$$
$$[\text{hate}(X, \text{Ceasar}) \vee$$
$$(\neg\text{hate}(Y,Z) \vee \text{thinkcrazy}(X,Y))]$$

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$$[\neg\text{roman}(X) \vee \neg\text{know}(X, \text{Marcus})] \vee$$
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$$(\neg\text{hate}(Y,Z) \vee \text{thinkcrazy}(X,Y))]$$

# Resolution

## 7. Convert to CNF.

Using distribution rule of  $\vee$  and  $\wedge$

Examples:

$$(a \wedge b) \vee c = (a \vee c) \wedge (b \vee c)$$

$$(a \wedge b) \vee (c \wedge d) = (a \vee c) \wedge (a \vee d) \wedge (b \vee c) \wedge (b \vee d)$$



# Resolution

7. Convert to CNF.

$[\neg \text{roman}(X) \vee \neg \text{know}(X, \text{Marcus})] \vee$

$[\text{hate}(X, \text{Ceasar}) \vee$

$(\neg \text{hate}(Y, Z) \vee \text{thinkcrazy}(X, Y))]$

$=$

$\neg \text{roman}(X) \vee \neg \text{know}(X, \text{Marcus}) \vee$

$\text{hate}(X, \text{Ceasar}) \vee \neg \text{hate}(Y, Z) \vee \text{thinkcrazy}(X, Y)$

# Resolution

8. Separate clauses.

 If having the clause form:

$$(a \vee \neg b) \wedge (\neg a \vee c \vee d) \wedge (a \vee \neg c \vee e)$$

Then:

1.  $(a \vee \neg b)$
2.  $(\neg a \vee c \vee d)$
3.  $(a \vee \neg c \vee e)$

# Resolution

9. Add every qualifier to clause:

That is:

$$(\forall X: P(X) \wedge Q(X) )$$

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$$\forall X: P(X) \wedge \forall X: Q(X)$$

# Resolution

Exercises:

- ❖ Convert to clause form for sentences in previous example.
- ❖ Convert to clause form for:

1.  $\forall X A(X) \vee \exists X B(X) \rightarrow \forall X C(X) \wedge \exists X D(X)$
2.  $\forall X (p(X) \vee q(X)) \rightarrow \forall X p(X) \vee \forall X q(X)$
3.  $\exists X p(X) \wedge \exists X q(X) \rightarrow \exists X (p(X) \wedge q(X))$
4.  $\forall X \exists Y p(X, Y) \rightarrow \exists Y \forall X p(X, Y)$
5.  $\forall X (p(X, f(X)) \rightarrow p(X, Y))$

# Substitution and Unification

- ❖ X: Variable, t: term.
  - ✍ x/t: value of x will be t OR x is replaced by t.
  - ✍ A substitution =  $\{x_1/t_1, x_2/t_2, \dots, x_n/t_n\}$
  - ✍ Empty substitution:  $\epsilon$
- ❖ E: Predicate expression
- ❖  $\theta$ : A substitution.

# Substitution and Unification

❖  $\theta$ : A substitution.

✍  $E\theta$ : Apply  $\theta$  to  $E$ .

✍ Example:

$$E = p(X, Y, f(X)),$$

$$\theta = \{X/a, Y/f(b)\}$$

$$\text{Then: } E\theta = p(a, f(b), f(a))$$

❖ Union of  $\theta$  and  $\delta$

✍  $E$  is an expression then:

$$E(\theta\delta) = (E\theta)\delta$$

# Substitution and Unification

❖ Union of  $\theta$  and  $\delta$ :

✍  $\theta = \{x_1/t_1, x_2/t_2, \dots, x_n/t_n\}$

✍  $\delta = \{y_1/s_1, y_2/s_2, \dots, y_n/s_n\}$

✍  $\theta\delta$  is calculated as follows:

# Substitution and Unification

❖ Union of  $\theta$  and  $\delta$ :

✍  $\theta\delta$  is calculated as follows:

1. Apply  $\delta$  to denominator of  $\theta$ :  
 $\{x_1/t_1\delta, x_2/t_2\delta, \dots, x_n/t_n\delta\}$
2. Remove all the form:  $x_i/x_i$  from 1.
3. Remove from  $\delta$  the form:  $y_i/s_i$   
if  $y_i \in \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$
4.  $\theta\delta = \text{union}(\text{line 2 and 3})$



# Substitution and Unification

❖ Union of  $\theta$  and  $\delta$ :

  $\theta, \delta$  : substitution.

  $\varepsilon$  : empty substitution.

  $E$ : Expression.

 Properties:

1.  $E(\theta\delta) = (E\theta)\delta.$

2.  $E\varepsilon = E$

3.  $\theta\varepsilon = \varepsilon\theta = \theta$

# Substitution and Unification

## ❖ Unification:

- ✍ If  $\theta$  The most general unifier of  $S$  containing expression, then:  $S\theta$  is a set having single element.

# Substitution and Unification

❖ mgu: most general unifier

✍  $S$ : set of expressions.

✍  $\theta$ : mgu of  $S$  if:

✓ Given any unifier  $\delta$  of  $S$  then.

✓  $\exists \alpha$  such that:

$$\delta = \theta\alpha$$

# Substitution and Unification

❖ Dis-set:

- ✍ S: Set of expressions.
- ✍ Find the common longest substring from the beginning of each expression in S.
- ✍ Dis-set = set of right next term in all the expressions.

# Substitution and Unification

❖ Dis-set:

 Example:

$$S = \{p(X, f(X), y), p(X, Y, Z), p(X, f(a), b)\}$$

→ Common longest substring = "p(X,"

→ Dis-set =  $\{f(X), Y, f(a)\}$

# Substitution and Unification

## ❖ Unification algorithm:

✎ Input:  $S = \{\text{atoms}\}$

✎ Output:  $\text{mgu}(S)$  or not unifiable( $S$ ).

1. Set  $K = 0$  and  $\theta_0 = \varepsilon$ . Goto 2
2. Compute  $S\theta_k$ .  
If it is a set having single element  
→ stop:  $\text{mgu} = \theta_k$ .  
Else  $D_k = \text{dis-set}(S\theta_k)$ . Goto 3.
3. If  $D_k$  contains variable  $V$  and a term  $t$ ,  
and  $V$  is not in term  $t$ ,  
Then compute  $\theta_{k+1} = \theta_k \{V/t\}$ , set  $K = K + 1$ . Goto 2.

# Substitution and Unification

## ❖ Clause's properties:

1. There is no common variable between two clauses.
2. There exist one or many atoms:  $L_1, L_2, \dots, L_k$  in a clause, one or many literals  $\neg M_1, \neg M_2, \dots, \neg M_n$  in another clause so that there is a mgu for set  $\{L_1, L_2, \dots, L_k, M_1, M_2, \dots, M_n\}$

# Substitution and Unification

❖ Resolution rule:.

$$\frac{L_1 \vee \dots \vee L_k \vee C \quad \neg M_1 \vee \dots \vee \neg M_n \vee D}{\therefore (C \theta - N) \vee (D \theta - \neg N)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N &= L_i \theta \\ &= M_j \theta \end{aligned}$$



# Substitution and Unification

## ❖ Resolution rule:

1. Verify the difference of variable name between two clauses.
2. Find mgu,  $\theta$ , for:  $\{L_1, L_2, \dots, L_k, M_1, M_2, \dots, M_n\}$
3. Apply  $\theta$  into C và D.
4. Compute:  $N = L_1\theta$
5. Remove N from  $C\theta$
6. Remove  $\neg N$  from  $D\theta$
7. Compute union of 5 and 6, and result resovant.

# Substitution and Unification

❖ Resolution rule:

✍ Properties of resolvents:

E, F are two clauses.

G is their resolvent.

$\{E, F\}$  is unsatisfiable if and only if  
 $\{E, F, G\}$  is unsatisfiable.

# Substitution and Unification

❖ Proof with resolution rule:

✍ Set of expression  $F$

✍ Prove:  $P$

✍ Procedure:

1. Convert  $F$  into clauses.
2. Take  $\neg P$ , convert  $\neg P$  into clauses. Add to result of Step 1.
3. Apply resolution rule to produce empty set, i.e., find a contradiction.

# Substitution and Unification

❖ Example:

STT	Clauses
1	man(Marcus)
2	Pompiean(Marcus)
3	$\neg$ Pompiean(X1) $\vee$ Roman(X1)
4	Ruler(Caesar)
5	$\neg$ Roman(X2) $\vee$ loyalto(X2, Caesar) $\vee$ hate(X2, Caesar)
6	Loyalto(X3, f1(X3))
7	$\neg$ man(X4) $\vee$ $\neg$ ruler(Y1) $\vee$ $\neg$ tryassassinate(X4, Y1) $\vee$ loyalto(X4, Y1)
8	Tryassassinate(Marcus, Caesar)

**Prove: “Marcus hate Caesar.”      or  
hate(Marcus, Ceasar).**

# Proof

#	Clauses	Note
1	man(Marcus)	P
2	Pompiean(Marcus)	P
3	$\neg$ Pompiean(X1) $\vee$ Roman(X1)	P
4	Ruler(Caesar)	P
5	$\neg$ Roman(X2) $\vee$ loyalto(X2, Caesar) $\vee$ hate(X2, Caesar)	P
6	Loyalto(X3, f1(X3))	P
7	$\neg$ man(X4) $\vee$ $\neg$ ruler(Y1) $\vee$ $\neg$ tryassassinate(X4, Y1) $\vee$ $\neg$ loyalto(X4, Y1)	P
8	Tryassassinate(Marcus, Caesar)	P
9	$\neg$ hate(Marcus, Caesar).	P
10	$\neg$ Roman(Marcus) $\vee$ loyalto(Marcus, Caesar)	5,9: X2= Marcus
11	$\neg$ Pompiean(Marcus) $\vee$ loyalto(Marcus, Caesar)	3,10: X1 = Marcus

# Proof

STT	Clauses	Ghi chú
12	loyalto(Marcus, Ceasar)	2,11:
13	$\neg \text{man}(\text{Marcus}) \vee \neg \text{ruler}(\text{Ceasar}) \vee$ $\neg \text{tryassassinate}(\text{Marcus}, \text{Ceasar})$	12,7:X4=Marcus, y1=Ceasar
14	$\neg \text{ruler}(\text{Ceasar}) \vee \neg \text{tryassassinate}(\text{Marcus},$ $\text{Ceasar})$	13,1
15	$\neg \text{tryassassinate}(\text{Marcus}, \text{Ceasar})$	14,4
16	□	15,8

# Homeworks

**Prove:  $\neg\text{alive}(\text{Marcus}, \text{now})$  from the previous example.**

# Exercises

❖ You know:

- ✍ All people living in PMH are rich.
- ✍ Rich people have much money
- ✍ People who work only in government sector (or called government staff) do not have much money.
- ✍ An is a government staff

❖ Prove:

- ✍ An does not live in PMH.