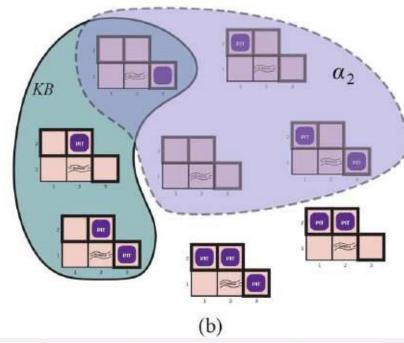
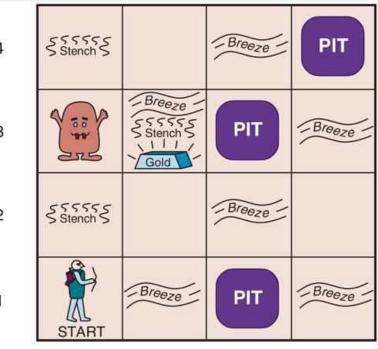


# Logical Inference

- $a_1$  = "There is no pit in [1,2]."
- $\alpha_2$  = "There is no pit in [2,2]."



- By inspection:
- In every model in which KB is true,  $\alpha$ 1 is also true. Hence  $KB \models \alpha_1$
- Conclusion: There is no pit in [1,2].
- In some models in which KB is true,  $\alpha 2$  is false. Hence, KB does not entail  $\alpha 2$
- Agent cannot conclude that there is no pit in [2,2].



### Conjunctive normal form (CNF)

 A sentence expressed as a conjunction of clauses is said to be in conjunctive normal form

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\mathit{CNFSentence} \rightarrow \mathit{Clause}_1 \land \cdots \land \mathit{Clause}_n
\mathit{Clause} \rightarrow \mathit{Literal}_1 \lor \cdots \lor \mathit{Literal}_m
\mathit{Fact} \rightarrow \mathit{Symbol}
\mathit{Literal} \rightarrow \mathit{Symbol} \mid \neg \mathit{Symbol}
\mathit{Symbol} \rightarrow \mathit{P} \mid \mathit{Q} \mid \mathit{R} \mid \ldots
\mathit{HornClauseForm} \rightarrow \mathit{DefiniteClauseForm} \mid \mathit{GoalClauseForm}
\mathit{DefiniteClauseForm} \rightarrow \mathit{Fact} \mid (\mathit{Symbol}_1 \land \cdots \land \mathit{Symbol}_l) \Rightarrow \mathit{Symbol}
\mathit{GoalClauseForm} \rightarrow (\mathit{Symbol}_1 \land \cdots \land \mathit{Symbol}_l) \Rightarrow \mathit{False}
```

### Conjunctive normal form (CNF)

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

**1.** Eliminate  $\Leftrightarrow$ , replacing  $\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta$  with  $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \land (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ .

$$(B_{1,1} \Rightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge ((P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \Rightarrow B_{1,1}).$$

**2.** Eliminate  $\Rightarrow$ , replacing  $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$  with  $\neg \alpha \lor \beta$ :

$$(\neg B_{1,1} \lor P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \land (\neg (P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \lor B_{1,1})$$
.

**3.** CNF requires  $\neg$  to appear only in literals, so we "move  $\neg$  inwards"

$$(\neg B_{1,1} \lor P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \land ((\neg P_{1,2} \land \neg P_{2,1}) \lor B_{1,1}).$$

**4.** Now we have a sentence containing nested ∧ and ∨ operators applied to literals. We apply the distributivity law from Figure 7.11□, distributing ∨ over ∧ wherever possible.

$$(\neg B_{1,1} \lor P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \land (\neg P_{1,2} \lor B_{1,1}) \land (\neg P_{2,1} \lor B_{1,1}).$$

#### Resolution algorithm

- Show that KB  $\models \alpha$ , we show that (KB  $\land \neg \alpha$ ) is unsatisfiable. We do this by proving a contradiction.
- First, (KB  $\wedge$  ¬ $\alpha$ ) is converted into CNF.
- Then, the resolution rule is applied to the resulting clauses. Each pair that contains complementary literals is resolved to produce a new clause, which is added to the set if it is not already present. The process continues until one of two things happens:
- there are no new clauses that can be added, in which case KB does not entail α; or,
- two clauses resolve to yield the empty clause, in which case KB entails α.

# Resolution algorithm

```
function PL-RESOLUTION(KB, \alpha) returns true or false
  inputs: KB, the knowledge base, a sentence in propositional logic
            \alpha, the query, a sentence in propositional logic
  clauses \leftarrow the set of clauses in the CNF representation of KB \land \neg \alpha
  new \leftarrow \{\}
  while true do
      for each pair of clauses C_i, C_j in clauses do
           resolvents \leftarrow PL-Resolve(C_i, C_j)
           if resolvents contains the empty clause then return true
           new \leftarrow new \cup resolvents
      if new \subseteq clauses then return false
       clauses \leftarrow clauses \cup new
```

#### Resolution algorithm example

• When the agent is in [1,1], there is no breeze, so there can be no pits in neighboring squares. The relevant knowledge base is

$$KB = R_2 \wedge R_4 = (B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge \neg B_{1,1}$$

• and we wish to prove  $\alpha$ , which is, say,  $\neg P_{1,2}$ .

$$B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \qquad (\neg B_{1,1} \vee P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{1,2} \vee B_{1,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{2,1} \vee B_{1,1}) \,.$$

