

## 1 Lecture 2

Review:

Monotonicity: If  $\alpha \models \beta$  then  $\alpha \wedge \gamma \models \beta$ .

*Proof.* Assume  $\alpha \models \beta$ , then  $M(\alpha) \subseteq M(\beta)$ . Then  $M(\alpha \wedge \gamma) = M(\alpha) \cap M(\gamma) \subseteq M(\beta)$ , so  $\alpha \wedge \gamma \models \beta$ .  $\square$

**Literal:**  $X, \neg X$

**Clause:** Disjunction of literals

**Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF):** A conjunction of clauses.  $(X \vee Y) \wedge (\neg Y \vee Z)$

1. Remove all logical connectives but  $\neg, \wedge, \vee$  using equivalences. (i.e  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta \equiv \neg\alpha \vee \beta$ )
2. Push negations inward using De Morgan's laws ( $\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv \neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta$  and  $\neg(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv \neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta$ ) and double negation ( $\neg(\neg\alpha) \equiv \alpha$ ).
3. Distribute  $\vee$  over  $\wedge$  using distributive law ( $\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma)$ ).

Example:  $\Delta = (A \vee B) \Rightarrow C$

$$1. \Delta \equiv \neg(A \vee B) \vee C$$

$$2. \equiv (\neg A \wedge \neg B) \vee C$$

$$3. \equiv (\neg A \vee C) \wedge (\neg B \vee C)$$

Clausal form is as follows, you represent  $(\neg A \vee C) \wedge (\neg B \vee C)$  as the set of clauses  $\{\{\neg A, C\}, \{\neg B, C\}\}$ .

If  $\alpha$  is true at world  $\omega$ , then  $\beta$  is true at world  $\omega$ . Is equivalent to  $\omega \models \alpha \Rightarrow \omega \models \beta$ .

### 1.1 Quantified Boolean Logic

#### 1.1.1 Logical Operators

**Conditioning (Restriction):**  $|$

Given a sentence  $\Delta$  and variable  $P$ , condition  $\Delta|P$  is the result of replacing every occurrence of  $P$  in  $\Delta$  with true and every occurrence of  $\neg P$  in  $\Delta$  with false.

Example:  $\Delta = A \vee \neg B \vee C \vee \neg D$

$\Delta|B = A \vee C \vee \neg D$

$\Delta|B = A \vee B \vee \neg D$

$\Delta|\neg B = A \vee \text{true} \vee C \vee \neg D$

This is referred to as Boole's expansion / Shannon's expansion:  $\Delta = P \wedge (\Delta|P) \vee \neg P \wedge (\Delta|\neg P)$

$\Delta = (A \vee B \vee \neg C) \wedge (\neg A \vee D) \wedge (B \vee C \vee D)$

$\Delta|C = (A \vee B \vee \text{false}) \wedge (\neg A \vee D) \wedge (B \vee \text{true})$

$\Delta|C = \{\{A, B\}, \{\neg A, D\}\}$

$\Delta|A, B, C, D = \{\}$  Means True

$\Delta|A, \neg B, C, D = \{\{\}\}$  Means False

Empty Clause Means contradiction where empty set means True.

**Existential Quantification:**  $\exists$

$\exists P \cdot \Delta = \Delta|P \vee \Delta|\neg P$  We have existentially quantified variable  $P$  out of  $\Delta$ .

$\Delta = (A \Rightarrow B) \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)$

$\Delta = (\neg A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C)$

$\Delta|B = C$

$\Delta|\neg B = \neg A$

$\exists B \cdot \Delta = C \vee \neg A$

Forgetting operator / Existential Operator: You are getting rid of a variable while still containing all of the information about the other variables.

If  $\alpha$  is a sentence that does not mention the variable  $P$ , then  $\Delta \models \alpha$  iff  $\exists P \cdot \Delta \models \alpha$ .

Say we have a KB with 1000 variables and we only care about the output based on 10 of them. Then we can existentially quantify out the other 990 variables to get a smaller KB that only mentions the 10 variables we care about.

**Universal Quantification:**  $\forall P \cdot \Delta = \Delta|P \wedge \Delta|\neg P$  We have universally quantified variable  $P$  out of  $\Delta$ .

$\exists P \cdot \Delta \models \alpha = \neg(\Delta \models \forall P \cdot \alpha)$

## 2 Resolution

Resolution is referred to as an inference rule, or a rule for deduction. Modus Ponens is a inference rule that says the following:

$$\Delta = \{..., \alpha, ..., \alpha \Rightarrow \beta\} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\alpha, \alpha \Rightarrow \beta}{\beta} \quad (2)$$

For resolution, input must be a CNF.

$$\frac{\alpha \vee X, \beta \vee \neg X}{\alpha \vee \beta}$$

Denominator is a resolvent and we say we resolved on variable X.

$$\Delta = (P \Rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow R) \wedge (\neg R) \wedge (P \vee Q)$$

1.  $\{\neg P, R\}$
2.  $\{\neg Q, R\}$
3.  $\{\neg R\}$
4.  $\{P, Q\}$
5.  $\{\neg Q\}$  resolve 2 and 3. Unit resolution step
6.  $\{P\}$  resolve 3 and 5. Unit resolution step
7.  $\{R\}$  resolve 1 and 4. Unit resolution step
8.  $\{\}$  resolve 6 and 7. Contradiction found.

If resolution is applied to a CNF then it is capable of discovering a contradiction if one exists.

**Refutation Theorem:**  $\Delta \models \alpha$  iff  $\Delta \wedge \neg \alpha$  is inconsistent.  
Resolution is refutation complete. (When applied to CNF)

$$\Delta = (A \vee B \Rightarrow C) \wedge (C \Rightarrow D)$$

$$\alpha = \neg D \Rightarrow \neg A$$

$$1. \{\neg A, C\}$$

$$2. \{\neg B, C\}$$

$$3. \{\neg C, D\}$$

$$4. \{D, A\}$$

$$5. \{\neg D\}$$

$$6. \{\neg A, C\} \text{ resolve 3 and 5.}$$

$$7. \{\neg B, C\} \text{ resolve 3 and 5.}$$

$$8. \{C\} \text{ resolve 6 and 4.}$$

$$9. \{C\} \text{ resolve 7 and 4.}$$

$$10. \{\} \text{ resolve 8 and 2.}$$