

Introduction to  
**Artificial Intelligence**  
with Python

# Knowledge

Goal : building knowledge-based agents

## **knowledge-based agents**

agents that reason by operating on  
internal representations of knowledge

Reasoning-based knowledge :

**If it didn't rain, Harry visited Hagrid today.**

Harry visited Hagrid or Dumbledore today, but not both.

Harry visited Dumbledore today.

**Harry did not visit Hagrid today.**

**It rained today.**

# Logic

# sentence

an assertion about the world  
in a knowledge representation language

# Propositional Logic

Propositions = some statements  
about world

# Proposition Symbols

$P$

$Q$

$R$

# Logical Connectives

$\neg$

not

$\wedge$

and

$\vee$

or

$\rightarrow$

implication

$\leftrightarrow$

biconditional

# Not ( $\neg$ ) (essentially opposites)

$P$	$\neg P$
false	true
true	false

# And ( $\wedge$ )

$P$	$Q$	$P \wedge Q$
false	false	false
false	true	false
true	false	false
true	true	true

# Or (v)

as long as at least 1 operand is True, evaluates to True. Only need either /or both to be True.

$P$	$Q$	$P \vee Q$
false	false	false
false	true	true
true	false	true
true	true	true

# Implication ( $\rightarrow$ )

if P is +, Q also needs to be +  $\rightarrow$   
otherwise P is f

no actual  
claim being  
made about  
Q

$P$	$Q$	$P \rightarrow Q$
false	false	true
false	true	true
true	false	false
true	true	true

"P implies Q"

# Biconditional ( $\leftrightarrow$ )

Condition goes in both directions  
e.g. I'll be indoors if and only if  
it is raining

$P$	$Q$	$P \leftrightarrow Q$
false	false	true
false	true	false
true	false	false
true	true	true

Tells us whether things are actually true in world.

# model

assignment of a truth value to every propositional symbol (a "possible world")

# model

$P$ : It is raining.

$Q$ : It is a Tuesday.

$\{P = \text{true}, Q = \text{false}\} \rightarrow$  these variables will  
have diff values in  
diff models

# knowledge base

a set of sentences known by a  
knowledge-based agent i.e. things that AI essentially knows  
to be true

# Entailment

" $\alpha$  entails  $\beta$ "

$$\alpha \vDash \beta \quad \downarrow$$

In every model in which sentence  $\alpha$  is true,  
sentence  $\beta$  is also true.

$\therefore$  if  $\alpha$  is true,  $\beta$  must also be true

We essentially want AI to find entailments.

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**It rained today.**

# inference

the process of deriving new sentences  
from old ones

$P$ : It is a Tuesday.

$Q$ : It is raining.

$R$ : Harry will go for a run.

It's Tuesday, and not rain then H will run.

KB:  $(P \wedge \neg Q) \rightarrow R$

$P$   
we know this  
is true

$\neg Q$   
we know this  
is true

Inference:  $R$

# Inference Algorithms

Q asked by inference algorithms?

Does

$\text{KB} \vdash \alpha$

?

# Model Checking = enumerates truth values



think of these as possible worlds : some assignment of  
truth values

# Model Checking

- To determine if  $\text{KB} \models \alpha$ :
  - Enumerate all possible models, /worlds,
  - If in every model where  $\text{KB}$  is true,  $\alpha$  is true, then  $\text{KB}$  entails  $\alpha$ .
  - Otherwise,  $\text{KB}$  does not entail  $\alpha$ .

$P$ : It is a Tuesday.     $Q$ : It is raining.     $R$ : Harry will go for a run.

KB:  $(P \wedge \neg Q) \rightarrow R$

Query:  $R$  ( $\alpha$ )

$P$                $\neg Q$

8 poss ways to assign t/f to our 3 propositional symbols

$P$	$Q$	$R$	KB
false <i>WE know P is true</i>	false X	false	F
false X	false	true	F
false X	true X <i>WE know Q is false</i>	false	F
false X	Q is false true X	true	F
true ]	false ]	false	F
true ]	false ]	true	T
true	true X	false	F
true	true X	true	F

Q: in which worlds is KB true?

1 world where KB is true and R is true  
 $\therefore$  we can draw inference

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KB:  $(P \wedge \neg Q) \rightarrow R$

Query:  $R$

$P$

$\neg Q$  *this is false because the  $(P \wedge \neg Q) \rightarrow R$  implication is also part of KB*

$P$	$Q$	$R$	KB
false	false	false	false
false	false	true	false
false	true	false	false
false	true	true	<u>false</u>
true	false	false	<u>false</u>
true	false	true	true
true	true	false	false
true	true	true	false

$P$ : It is a Tuesday.     $Q$ : It is raining.     $R$ : Harry will go for a run.

KB:  $(P \wedge \neg Q) \rightarrow R$

Query:  $R$

Only 1 world here where KB is true. Here, R is actually  
so we can draw the conclusion.

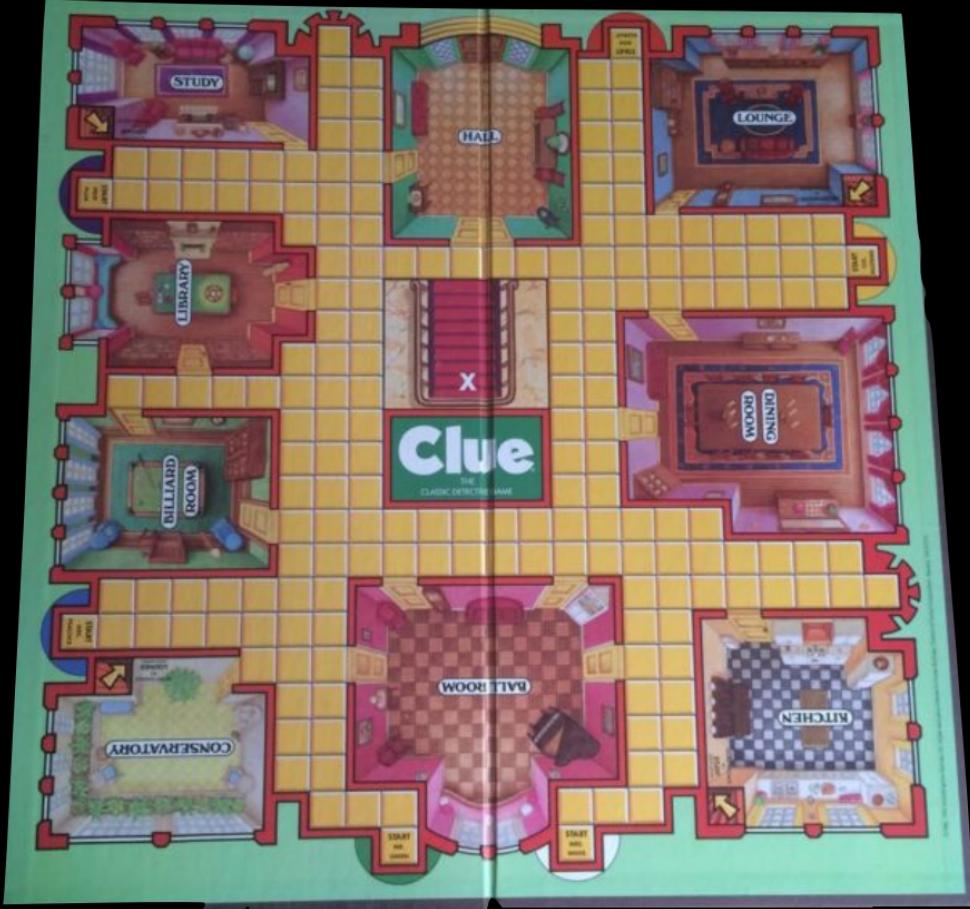
$P$	$Q$	$R$	KB
false	false	false	false
false	false	true	false
false	true	false	false
false	true	true	false
true	false	false	false
true	false	true	true
true	true	false	false
true	true	true	false

# Knowledge Engineering

Taking a problem and breaking it into knowledge that's distillable by computer

Look at examples...

# Clue



# Clue

## People

Col. Mustard

Prof. Plum

Ms. Scarlet

## Rooms

Ballroom

Kitchen

Library

## Weapons

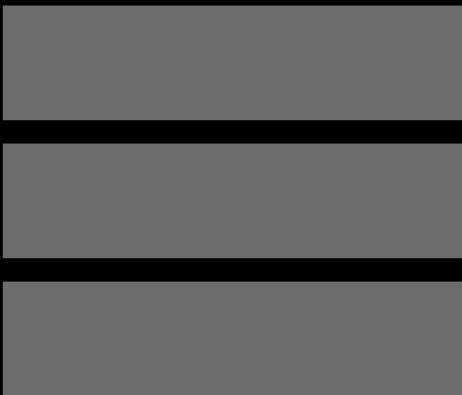
Knife

Revolver

Wrench

# Clue

People



Rooms



Weapons

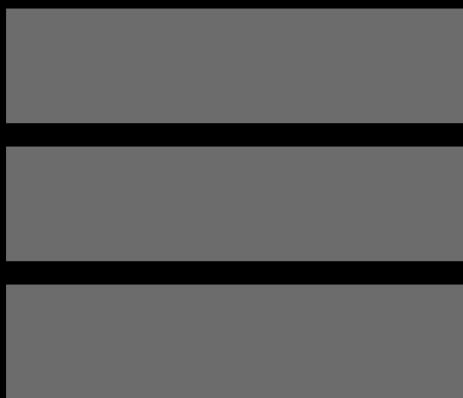


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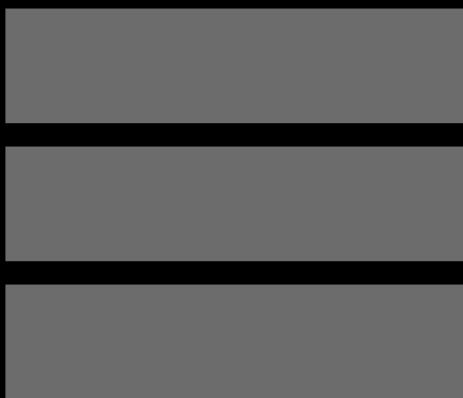
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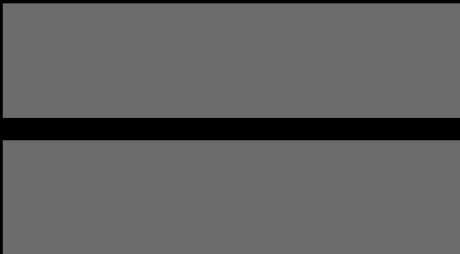
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Weapons



# People



# Rooms



# Weapons



Look at some cards  
to figure out what's  
going on.

# Clue

## Propositional Symbols

These will be T if  
they are in envelope

*mustard*

*ballroom*

*knife*

*plum*

*kitchen*

*revolver*

*scarlet*

*library*

*wrench*

# Clue

we know one of these 3 ppl is the murderer



(mustard  $\vee$  plum  $\vee$  scarlet) One of the rooms must be in envelope

(ballroom  $\vee$  kitchen  $\vee$  library)

(knife  $\vee$  revolver  $\vee$  wrench)



one of those weapons is in envelope

if have plum in hand.  $\leftarrow$  know he's not in envelope  $\neg$ plum

$\neg$ mustard  $\vee$   $\neg$ library  $\vee$   $\neg$ revolver  $\rightarrow$  know that at least one of them not in envelope

# Logic Puzzles

- Gilderoy, Minerva, Pomona and Horace each belong to a different one of the four houses: Gryffindor, Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw, and Slytherin House.
- Gilderoy belongs to Gryffindor or Ravenclaw.
- Pomona does not belong in Slytherin.
- Minerva belongs to Gryffindor.

# Logic Puzzles

1 for each person/house combo

## Propositional Symbols

- each is either T or F

*GilderoyGryffindor*

*GilderoyHufflepuff*

*GilderoyRavenclaw*

*GilderoySlytherin*

*MinervaGryffindor*

*MinervaHufflepuff*

*MinervaRavenclaw*

*MinervaSlytherin*

*PomonaGryffindor*

*PomonaHufflepuff*

*PomonaRavenclaw*

*PomonaSlytherin*

*HoraceGryffindor*

*HoraceHufflepuff*

*HoraceRavenclaw*

*HoraceSlytherin*

# Logic Puzzles

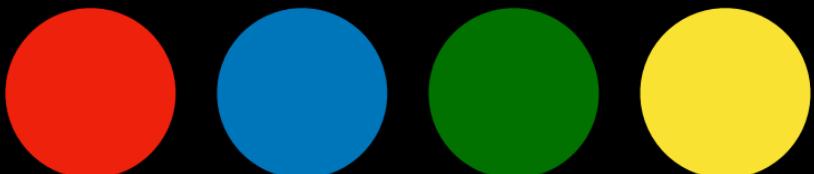
$(PomonaSlytherin \rightarrow \neg PomonaHufflepuff)$   
because each person in only 1 house

$(MinervaRavenclaw \rightarrow \neg GilderoyRavenclaw)$   
because each person in diff. house

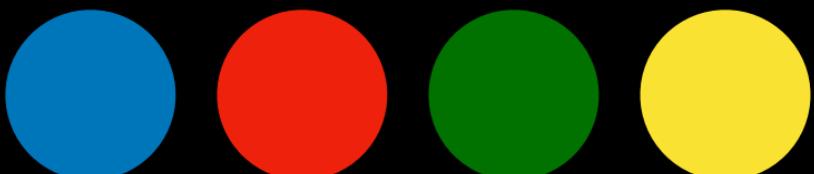
$(GilderoyGryffindor \vee GilderoyRavenclaw)$

# Mastermind

N.B. that mastermind.py runs slow → model checking not the most efficient (need to enumerate all possibilities →  $2^N$  if we have N variables)

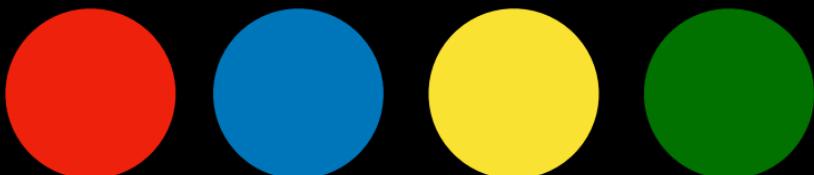


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Need better  
way to make  
inferences



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# Inference Rules

= rules to take existing knowledge and transform  
into new knowledge

# Modus Ponens

If it is raining, then Harry is inside.

k we know



It is raining.

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inferences we

can make



Harry is inside.

# Modus Ponens

if we know that  $\alpha$  implies  $\beta$   
AND  
we know  $\alpha$  is true, then we

N.B. not dealing with  
any specific worlds!

$$\alpha \rightarrow \beta \quad \text{also know } \beta \text{ is true}$$
$$\alpha$$

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$$\beta$$

# And Elimination

Harry is friends with Ron and Hermione.

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Harry is friends with Hermione.

# And Elimination

If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  then just  $\alpha$  and  
just  $\beta$  must also be true

$$\alpha \wedge \beta$$

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Obvious but need to  
tell computer

$$\alpha$$

# Double Negation Elimination

It is not true that Harry did not pass the test.

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Harry passed the test.

# Double Negation Elimination

$$\neg(\neg\alpha)$$

If we have two  
negatives, they  
cancel each other  
out.

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$$\alpha$$

# Implication Elimination

One of the two  
must be true  
↓

If it is raining, then Harry is inside.

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It is not raining or Harry is inside.

# Implication Elimination

Translating 'if'  
into ' $\alpha$ ' statements.

$\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  If I have this implication

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Have to conclude that

$\neg\alpha \vee \beta$  either not  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$

# Biconditional Elimination

It is raining if and only if Harry is inside.



Implication goes  
both ways

If it is raining, then Harry is inside,  
and if Harry is inside, then it is raining.

# Biconditional Elimination

$$\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta$$

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$$(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \rightarrow \alpha)$$

# De Morgan's Law

It is not true that both Harry and Ron passed the test.

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Harry did not pass the test  
or Ron did not pass the test.  
*(or both)*

# De Morgan's Law

$$\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta)$$

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Moving the  
negation  
inwards

$$\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta$$

# De Morgan's Law

Reverse of De Morgan's law

turning the "or" into an "and"

It is not true that (Neither passed the Harry or Ron passed the test.)

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Harry did not pass the test  
and Ron did not pass the test.

# De Morgan's Law

$$\neg(\alpha \vee \beta)$$

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$$\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta$$

# Distributive Property

Like distributive laws in maths

$$(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma))$$

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$$(\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma)$$

# Distributive Property

$$(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma))$$

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$$(\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma)$$

Q: how can we use inference rules to draw conclusions?

# Search Problems

- initial state
  - actions → Inference rules are actions
  - transition model → tells us what we get from inference rules
  - goal test → check if thing we're trying to prove
  - path cost function → num of inference rules we need to apply
1. Can treat our sets of sentences as states in our search problem.

# Theorem Proving

- initial state: starting knowledge base
- actions: inference rules
- transition model: new knowledge base after inference
- goal test: check statement we're trying to prove
- path cost function: number of steps in proof

**Resolution** = powerful  
inference  
rule

Complimentary literals that conflict w/ each other

(Ron is in the Great Hall)  $\vee$  (Hermione is in the library)

Ron is not in the Great Hall

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Hermione is in the library

Can start to generalise quickly e.g. multiple Qs

$$P \vee Q$$

$$\neg P$$

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$$Q$$

$$P \vee Q_1 \vee Q_2 \vee \dots \vee Q_n$$

$$\neg P$$

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resolved into:

$$Q_1 \vee Q_2 \vee \dots \vee Q_n$$

Can generalise further...

(Ron is in the Great Hall)  $\vee$  (Hermione is in the library)

↑ because these  
conflict

↓ either of these  
must be true

(Ron is not in the Great Hall)  $\vee$  (Harry is sleeping)

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(Hermione is in the library)  $\vee$  (Harry is sleeping)

$P \vee Q$  $\neg P \vee R$ 

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 $Q \vee R$

$Q$  &  $R$  don't need to be single propositional symbols

$$P \vee Q_1 \vee Q_2 \vee \dots \vee Q_n$$

$$\neg P \vee R_1 \vee R_2 \vee \dots \vee R_m$$

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$$Q_1 \vee Q_2 \vee \dots \vee Q_n \vee R_1 \vee R_2 \vee \dots \vee R_m$$

things connected with " $\lor$ "

clause  
)

a disjunction of literals

e.g.  $P \vee Q \vee R$

either a propositional symbol  
or a negation of a propositional symbol

allow us to turn  
sentences into



things connected by "and"

# conjunctive normal form

logical sentence that is a conjunction of clauses

$$\text{e.g. } (A \vee B \vee C) \wedge (D \vee \neg E) \wedge (F \vee G)$$

Can turn any sentence into CNF using inference rules

# Conversion to CNF

- Eliminate biconditionals
  - turn  $(\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta)$  into  $(\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \rightarrow \alpha)$
- Eliminate implications
  - turn  $(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)$  into  $\neg\alpha \vee \beta$
- Move  $\neg$  inwards using De Morgan's Laws
  - e.g. turn  $\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta)$  into  $\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta$
- Use distributive law to distribute  $\vee$  wherever possible

# Conversion to CNF

$$(P \vee Q) \rightarrow R$$

$$\neg(P \vee Q) \vee R \quad \text{eliminate implication}$$

$$(\neg P \wedge \neg Q) \vee R \quad \text{De Morgan's Law}$$

$$(\neg P \vee R) \wedge (\neg Q \vee R) \quad \text{distributive law}$$

conjunctive normal form (conjunction of disjunctions)

 We can because can resolve this using resolution!

# Inference by Resolution

$P \vee Q$  $\neg P \vee R$ 

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 $(Q \vee R)$

$$P \vee Q \vee S$$

$$\neg P \vee R \vee S$$

---

$$(Q \vee \underline{S} \vee R \vee \underline{S})$$

double  $S$  redundant  $\rightarrow$  eliminate  
(factoring)

$$P \vee Q \vee S$$
$$\neg P \vee R \vee S$$

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$$(Q \vee R \vee S)$$

$P$

$\neg P$

---

( )  $\rightarrow$  empty clause = always false

# Inference by Resolution

common technique  
in CS

- To determine if  $\text{KB} \models \alpha$ :
  - Check if  $(\text{KB} \wedge \neg\alpha)$  is a contradiction?
    - If so, then  $\text{KB} \models \alpha$ .
    - Otherwise, no entailment.

# Inference by Resolution

- To determine if  $\text{KB} \models \alpha$ :
  - Convert  $(\text{KB} \wedge \neg\alpha)$  to Conjunctive Normal Form.
  - Keep checking to see if we can use resolution to produce a new clause.
    - If ever we produce the **empty** clause (equivalent to False), we have a contradiction, and  $\text{KB} \models \alpha$ .
    - Otherwise, if we can't add new clauses, no entailment.

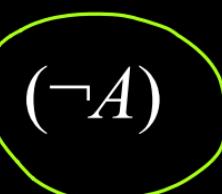
# Inference by Resolution

Does  $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \wedge (\neg C)$  entail  $A$ ?

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

4 clauses:

$$(A \vee B) \quad (\neg B \vee C) \quad (\neg C) \quad (\neg A)$$



first, assume  
not A

resolve:  
 $\top B$

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# Inference by Resolution

Does  $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \wedge (\neg C)$  entail  $A$ ?

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

these  $B$ s are complementary

$$\frac{(A \vee \underline{B}) \quad (\neg B \vee C) \quad (\neg C) \quad (\neg A) \quad (\neg \underline{B})}{}$$

# Inference by Resolution

Does  $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \wedge (\neg C)$  entail  $A$ ?

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

*add A*  
J

$$\frac{\underline{(A \vee B)} \quad (\neg B \vee C) \quad (\neg C) \quad (\neg A) \quad \underline{(\neg B)} \quad (A)}{}$$

# Inference by Resolution

Does  $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \wedge (\neg C)$  entail  $A$ ?

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

$$(A \vee B) \quad (\neg B \vee C) \quad (\neg C) \quad (\neg A) \quad (\neg B) \quad (A)$$

Can do all these iterations programmatically  
with iteration

# Inference by Resolution

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$$(A \vee B) \quad (\neg B \vee C) \quad (\neg C) \quad (\neg A) \quad (\neg B) \quad \underline{(A)}$$

# Inference by Resolution

Does  $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \wedge (\neg C)$  entail  $A$ ?

$(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \wedge (\neg C) \wedge (\neg A)$     *when we resolve As*  
↓

$(A \vee B) \quad (\neg B \vee C) \quad (\neg C) \quad (\neg A) \quad (\neg B) \quad \underline{(\underline{A})} \quad ()$

= False ∵ contradic.

and we know that

# Inference by Resolution $A$ is true

Does  $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \wedge (\neg C)$  entail  $A$ ?

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

$$(A \vee B) \quad (\neg B \vee C) \quad (\neg C) \quad (\neg A) \quad (\neg B) \quad (A) \quad ()$$

Resolution: keep looking at conclusions and see if we reach contradiction

Propositional logic is just 1 type and has limitations:  
→ e.g. need a lot of symbols

## First-Order Logic

↳ more powerful than propositional logic

# Propositional Logic

Propositional Symbols

*MinervaGryffindor*

*MinervaHufflepuff*

*MinervaRavenclaw*

*MinervaSlytherin*

...

Every symbol here

could either be T/F.

But relationships betw.  
symbols!

# First-Order Logic $\rightarrow$ 2 types of symbols

e.g. objects/ houses

## Constant Symbol

*Minerva*

*Pomona*

*Horace*

*Gilderoy*

*Gryffindor*

*Hufflepuff*

*Ravenclaw*

*Slytherin*

## Predicate Symbol

*Person*

*House*

*BelongsTo*

↳ Properties that might hold true for constants.

} relationships

} between  
symbols

# First-Order Logic

Can use same symbols as in propositional

*Person(Minerva)*

Minerva is a person.

*House(Gryffindor)*

Gryffindor is a house.

$\neg \text{House}(\text{Minerva})$

Minerva is not a house.

*BelongsTo(Minerva, Gryffindor)*

N.B. that only need 1 symbol per person and per house Minerva belongs to Gryffindor.

2 main "quantifiers" in first-order logic:

①

## Universal Quantification

lets us express that some statement will hold true for all values of  $X$

# Universal Quantification

"for all" → for all values of x, y holds true

$$\forall x. BelongsTo(x, \text{Gryffindor}) \rightarrow \neg BelongsTo(x, \text{Hufflepuff})$$

For all objects x, if x belongs to Gryffindor,  
then x does not belong to Hufflepuff.

Anyone in Gryffindor is not in Hufflepuff.

②

## Existential Quantification

Says that some expression will be true for some values of some variable

# Existential Quantification

there exists an  $x$  such that  $x$  is a house that Minerva  
} belongs to

- $\exists x. House(x) \wedge BelongsTo(Minerva, x)$

There exists an object  $x$  such that  
 $x$  is a house and Minerva belongs to  $x$ .

Quantifiers help us create more  
sophisticated statements than  
in propositional.

Minerva belongs to a house.

# Existential Quantification

forall values of  $x$  if  $x$  is a person

}

$\forall x. Person(x) \rightarrow (\exists y. House(y) \wedge BelongsTo(x, y))$

For all objects  $x$ , if  $x$  is a person, then there exists an object  $y$  such that  $y$  is a house and  $x$  belongs to  $y$ .

Every person belongs to a house.

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