

Propositional Logic

CS161

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What are Logic-Based Systems?

- Structure: Reasoning 'engine'



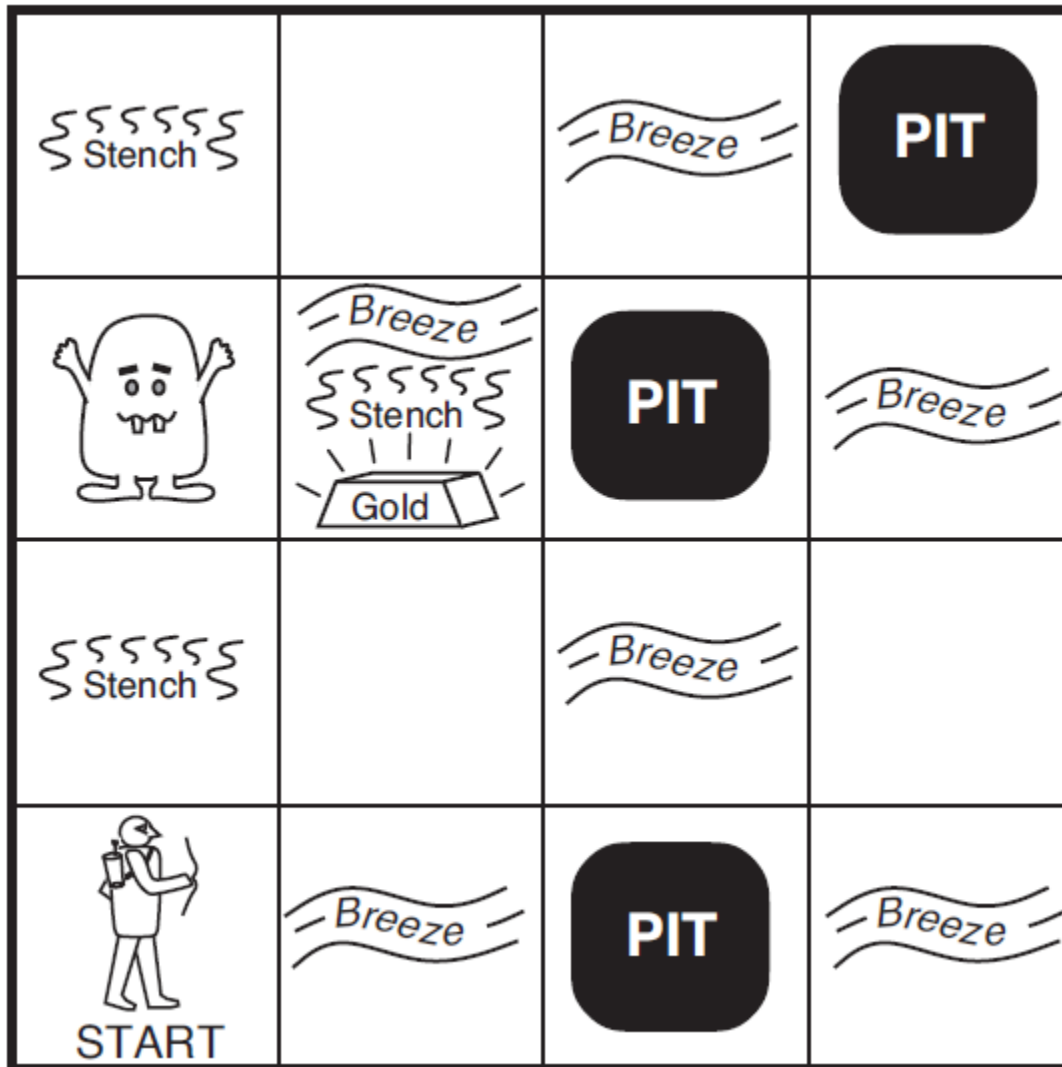
- Knowledge base: declarative sentences
- Dominant paradigm 1958-1988
 - AI proved a new theorem in lattice theory!
- Current research on unifying logic, prob., neural

Wumpus World

- Grid world
- Pit causes breeze in adjacent cells
- Wumpus causes stench in adjacent cells
- Find the gold



Wumpus World



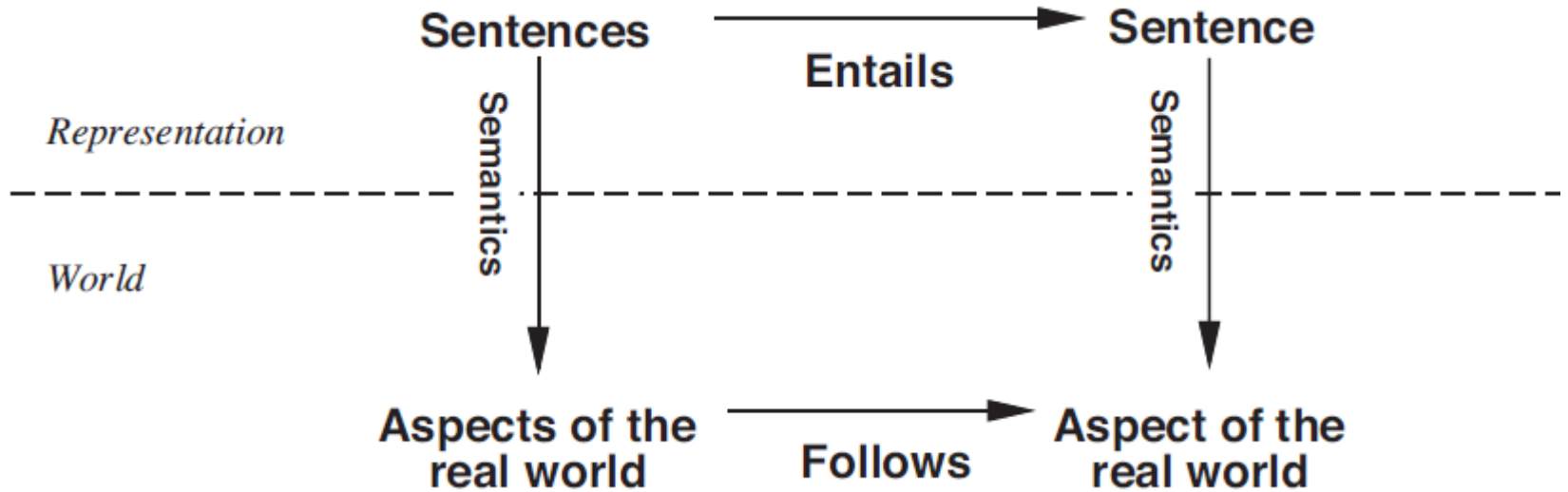
Wumpus World: Discussion

- Overcome ignorance about the world by reasoning
- Conclusions guaranteed to be correct
- Inferred new knowledge
 - from observations
 - from lack of observations
 - at different point in time

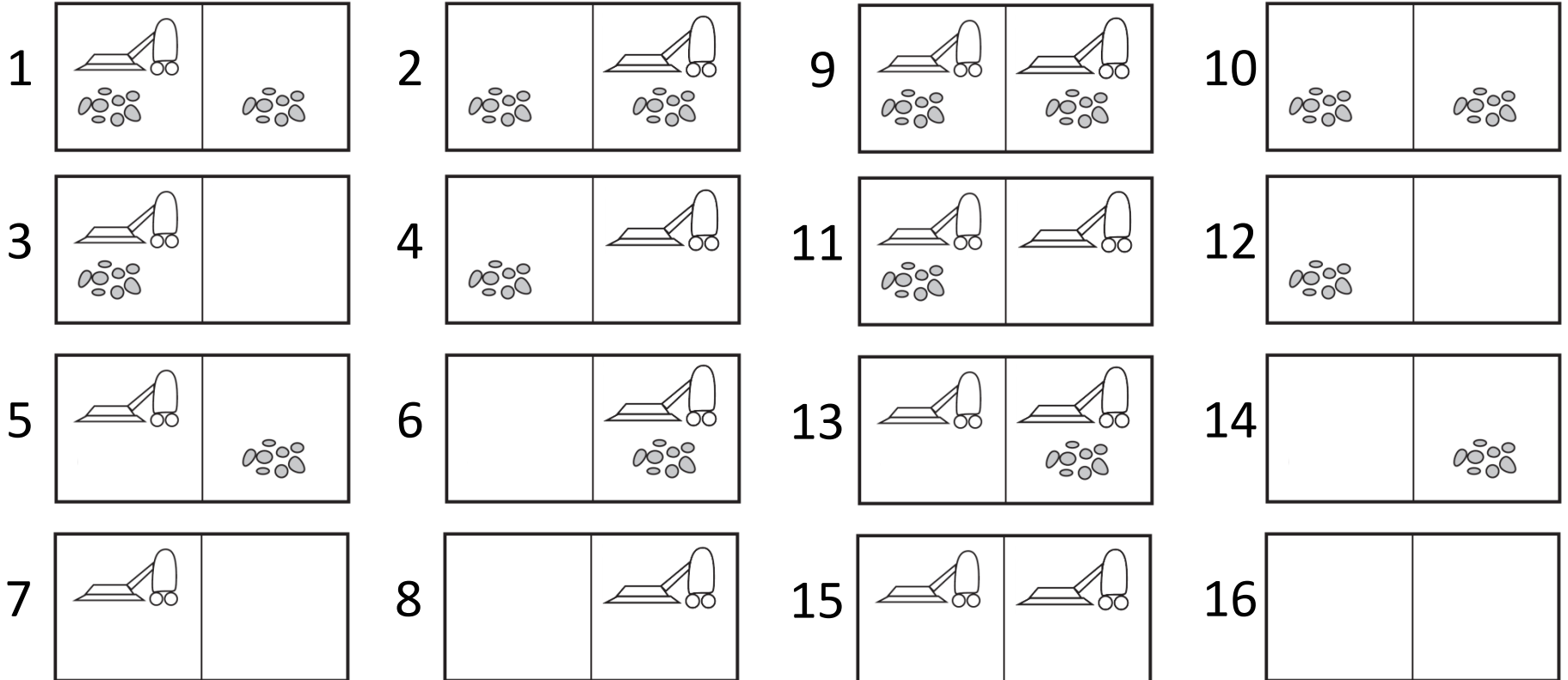
Syntax: What am I allowed to write?

- $x+5=y$ or $x5y+=?$
- Variables/propositions: X, Y, Z , Rain, Sun
- Grammar of sentences:
 - Variables are sentences (called atoms)
 - If α is a sentence, so is $\neg\alpha$
 - If α and β are sentences, so are
 $(\alpha \vee \beta), \alpha \wedge \beta, \alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta, \dots$ (not all required)
- Negated atoms are literals

Semantics



Worlds or Truth Assignments



Sentences and Worlds

- Syntax:
LR, RR, LD, RD
- Exactly one robot: sentences α
- Relationship between sentence α and world ω
 - α is true at ω



$$\omega \models \alpha$$

α holds in ω

ω satisfies α

– α is false at ω

$$\omega \not\models \alpha$$

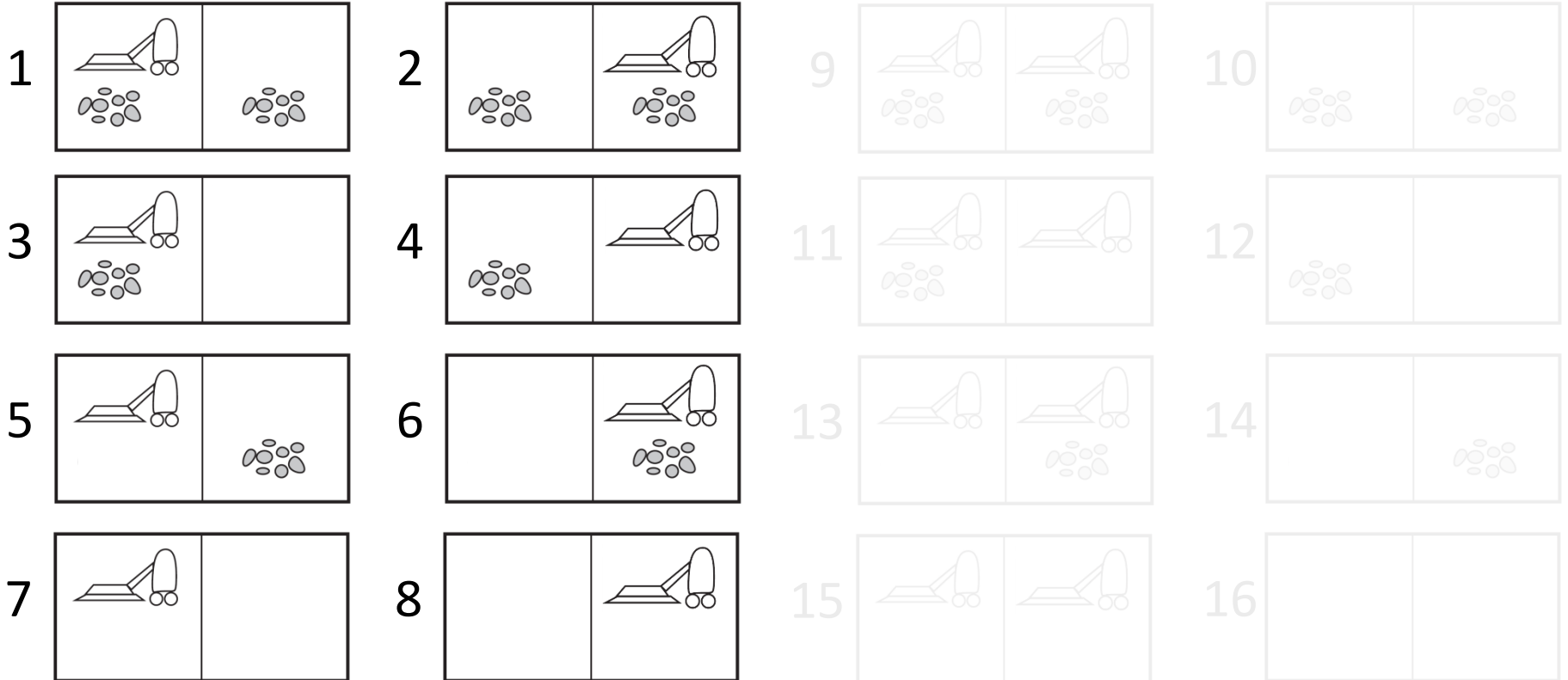
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Formal Semantics + Algorithm

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Syntax Conversion Rules



Wumpus World Example

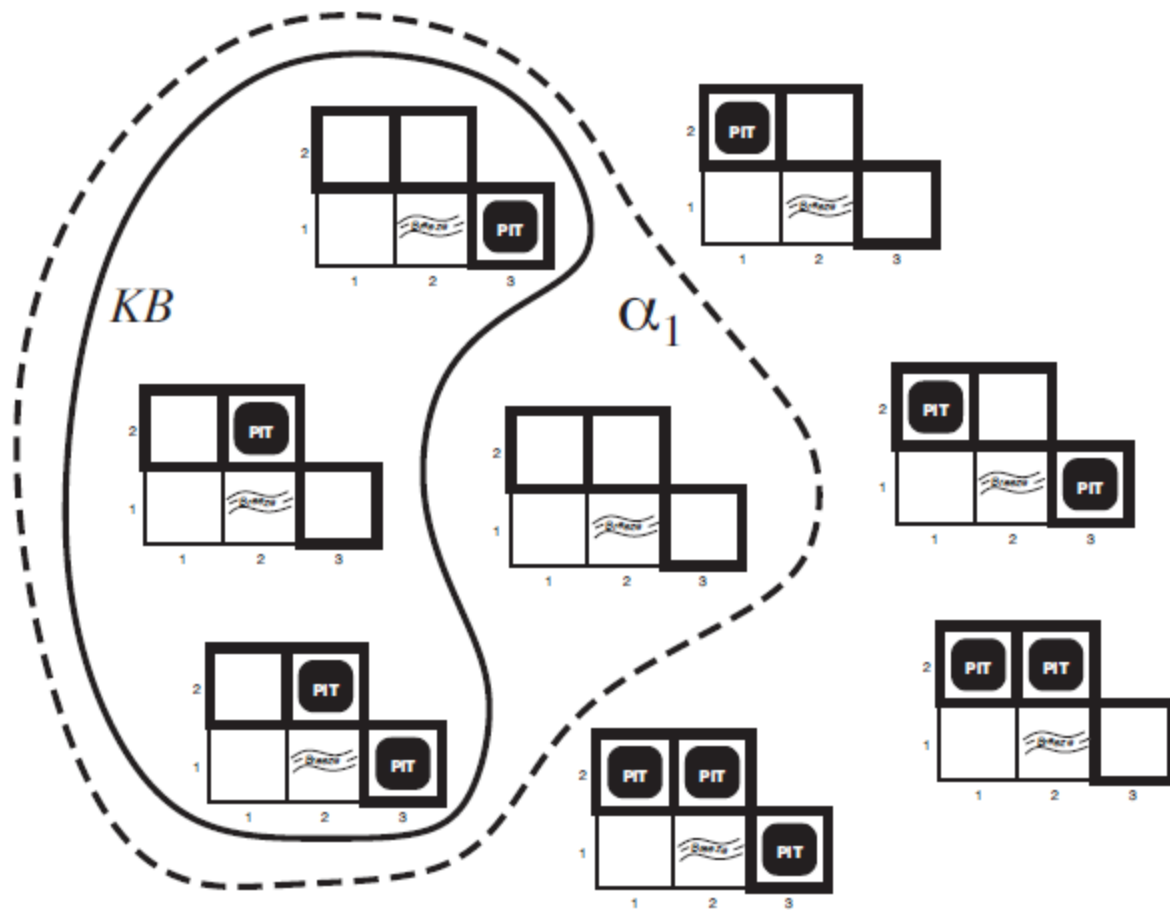


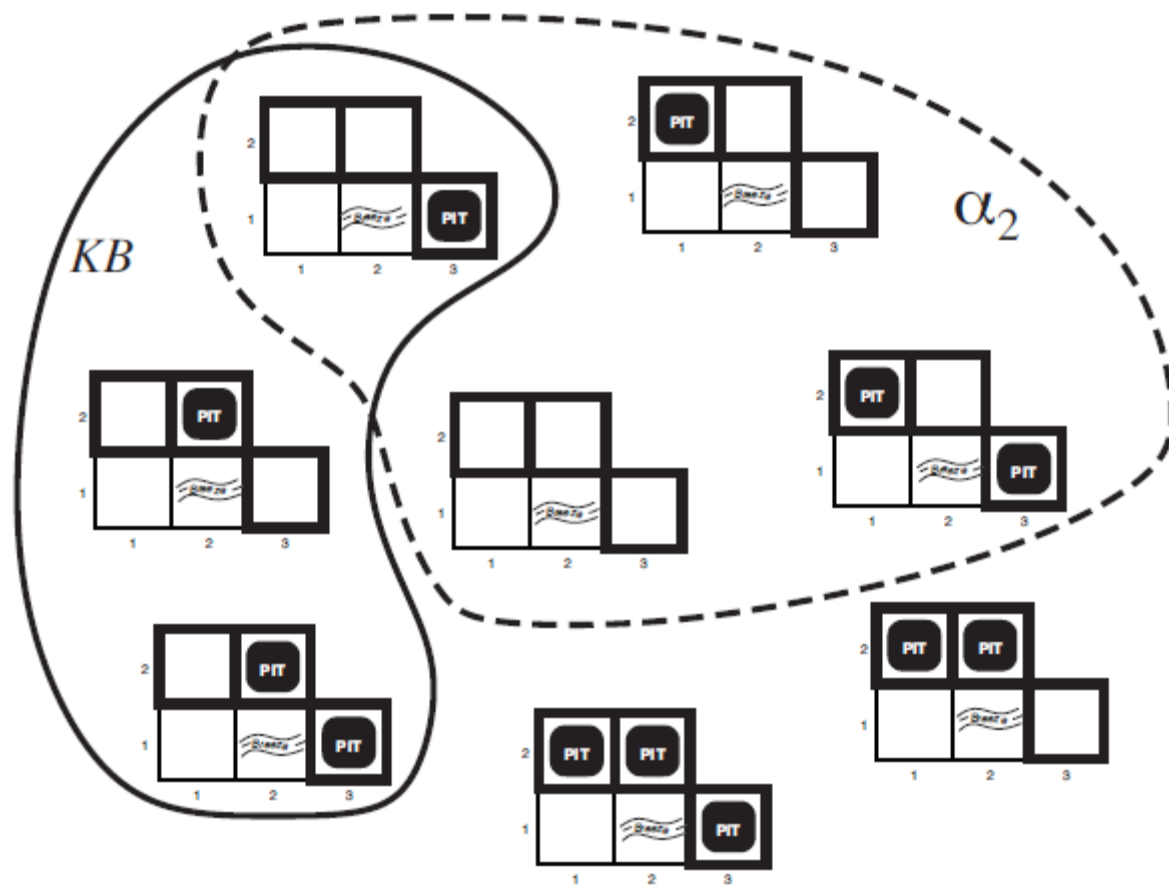
Relationships Between Sentences



Entailment







Propositional Reasoning

