COSC76/276 Artificial Intelligence Fall 2022 Logical agents

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Reminders

- SA5
- X-hours on Monday

Logic in general

- Logics are <u>formal languages for representing information</u> such that conclusions can be drawn from formal inference patterns
- Syntax defines the well-formed sentences in the language
- Semantics define the "meaning" or interpretation of sentences:
 - connect symbols to real events in the world
 - i.e., define truth of a sentence in a world

Logical inference

- The notion of entailment can be used for logic inference.
- $KB \mid -i \alpha$ means KB derives a sentence α using inference procedure i
- <u>Sound</u> (or truth preserving):

The algorithm only derives entailed sentences.

i is sound iff whenever KB $|-_i \alpha$ it is also true that KB $|= \alpha$

Complete:

The algorithm can derive **every** entailed sentence.

i is complete iff whenever KB $|= \alpha$ it is also true that KB $|-_i \alpha|$

Validity and satisfiability

A sentence is valid if it is true in all models, e.g., True, $A \lor \neg A$, $A \Rightarrow A$, $(A \land (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$

A sentence is satisfiable if it is true in some model e.g., A > B, C

A sentence is unsatisfiable if it is false in all models e.g., $A \land \neg A$

Example: College life

- Let's tell the knowledge base some sentences. Then ask if some other sentence is entailed.
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- 2. If it is winter, and there was nice weather Sunday, I procrastinated.
- 3. If the fridge is empty, my housemate will be mad.

Write these sentences using propositional logic



Example: College life

- ¬ Dinner ⇔ FridgeEmpty ∨ (AssignmentDue ∧ Procrastinated)
- Winter ∧ NiceWeatherSunday ⇒ Procrastinated
- FridgeEmpty ⇒ HousemateMad

- ask: if it is not winter, and I did not eat dinner, does that imply that my housemate is mad?
- KnowledgeBase ∧¬W ∧ ¬D⊨H?

Model checking

Method #1 for inference

- Seven symbols: D, F, P, A, W, H, N.
- Each symbol can take the value true or false.
- Consider all assignments of true/false values.
- If H is true for all models in which all sentences in (KB and ¬W¬D) are true, then H is entailed.

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

- Boolean formulae are central to CS
 - Boolean logic is the way our discipline works
- Two canonical Boolean formulae representations:
 - <u>CNF = Conjunctive Normal Form</u>
 - A conjunct of disjuncts = (AND (OR ...) (OR ...))
 - "..." = a list of literals (= a variable or its negation)
 - CNF is used by Resolution Theorem Proving
- Can convert any Boolean formula to CNF

Review: Equivalence & Implication

Equivalence is a conjoined double implication

$$-(X \Leftrightarrow Y) = [(X \Rightarrow Y) \land (Y \Rightarrow X)]$$

Review: de Morgan's rules

- How to bring inside parentheses
 - (1) Negate everything inside the parentheses
 - (2) Change operators to "the other operator"

•
$$\neg(X \land Y \land ... \land Z) = (\neg X \lor \neg Y \lor ... \lor \neg Z)$$

•
$$\neg(X \lor Y \lor ... \lor Z) = (\neg X \land \neg Y \land ... \land \neg Z)$$

Review: Boolean Distributive Laws

• **Both** of these laws are valid:

AND distributes over OR

$$- X \wedge (Y \vee Z) = (X \wedge Y) \vee (X \wedge Z)$$

$$- (W \lor X) \land (Y \lor Z) = (W \land Y) \lor (X \land Y) \lor (W \land Z) \lor (X \land Z)$$

OR distributes over AND

$$-X \vee (Y \wedge Z) = (X \vee Y) \wedge (X \vee Z)$$

$$- (W \wedge X) \vee (Y \wedge Z) = (W \vee Y) \wedge (X \vee Y) \wedge (W \vee Z) \wedge (X \vee Z)$$

Logical equivalence

- To manipulate logical sentences we need some rewrite rules.
- Two sentences are logically equivalent iff they are true in same models: $\alpha \equiv \beta$ iff $\alpha \models \beta$ and $\beta \models \alpha$

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These are
          (\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha) commutativity of \wedge
                                                                                                       important to know
          (\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\beta \vee \alpha) commutativity of \vee
((\alpha \land \beta) \land \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \land (\beta \land \gamma)) associativity of \land
((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma)) associativity of \vee
            \neg(\neg\alpha) \equiv \alpha double-negation elimination
      (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg \beta \Rightarrow \neg \alpha) contraposition
      (\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg \alpha \lor \beta) implication elimination
      (\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) \equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \land (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) biconditional elimination
       \neg(\alpha \land \beta) \equiv (\neg \alpha \lor \neg \beta) de Morgan
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CNF rules

- 1. Eliminate \Leftrightarrow , replace with $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \land (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$.
- 2. Eliminate \Rightarrow , replace with $\neg \alpha \lor \beta$
- 3. Move inwards:
 - $-\neg(\neg\alpha):\alpha$
 - $\neg (\alpha \land \beta) : \neg \alpha \lor \neg \beta$ (DeMorgan)
 - $\neg (\alpha \lor \beta) : \neg \alpha \land \neg \beta$ (DeMorgan)
- 4. Distribute V over Λ:
 - $-\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma) \rightarrow (\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma)$

Now we have a conjunction of disjunctions of literals:

- (AV¬BVC)∧
- (CV¬D)∧...

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- College life
 - $-\neg D \Leftrightarrow FV(A \land P)$
 - $-W \wedge N \Rightarrow P$
 - $F \Rightarrow H$

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1. Eliminate double implications

- $-\neg D \Leftrightarrow FV(A \land P)$
 - ¬D⇒F∨(A∧P)
 - F∨(A∧P)⇒¬D
- $-W \land N \Rightarrow P$
- $F \Rightarrow H$

2. Replace implications with $\neg \alpha \lor \beta$:

- $\neg D \Rightarrow F \lor (A \land P)$ - $\neg (\neg D) \lor (F \lor (A \land P))$
- $FV(A \land P) \Rightarrow \neg D$ - $\neg (FV(A \land P)) \lor \neg D$
- $W \land N \Rightarrow P$ - $\neg (W \land N) \lor P$
- F⇒H-¬F∨H

3. Move - inwards:

- $-\neg(\neg D)\lor(F\lor(A\land P))$
 - DV(FV(AAP))
- $-\neg(FV(A \land P))V\neg D$
 - (¬F∧¬(A∧P))∨¬D
- $-(\neg F \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg P)) \vee \neg D$
 - ¬(W∧N)∨P
- $-\neg WV\neg NVP$
 - ¬FVH

4. Distribute V over Λ:

- DV(FV(A \wedge P))
- $-(\neg F \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg P)) \vee \neg D$
- $-\neg WV\neg NVP$
- − ¬FVH
- After:
 - DV((FVA) Λ (FVP))
 - (DVFVA)∧(DVFVP))
 - **—** ...

It's in CNF! A conjunction of disjunctions!

- $-(DVFVA)\Lambda(DVFVP))$
- $-(\neg FV \neg D) \wedge (\neg AV \neg PV \neg D))$
- $-\neg WV\neg NVP$
- $-\neg FVH$

- Sanity check. Is
- $\neg D \Leftrightarrow FV(A \land P) \equiv (DVFVA) \land (DVFVP))$?
- Let's assume $\neg D$. Then $FV(A \land P)$ is true, from the double implication. Now looking at the CNF form:
- (False∀FVA)∧(False∀FVP))
- (F∨A)∧(F∨P))
- So either F is true, or both A and P are true, which is the same result we got from the original form. Sane.

Summary

- Methods for inference:
 - Model checking
 - Proofs, which need the sentences in CNF
- CNF
 - Conjunction of disjunctions
 - Any propositional logic sentence can be written in CNF using the logical equivalences

Look Back

- Goal inference:
 - Derive new sentences from old ones
 - Tell -> KB -> Ask
- Validity: a sentence is valid if it is true in all models
- Satisfiability: a sentence is satisfiable if it is true in some model
- Model checking enumeration
- Conjunctive Normal Form
- Logical equivalence

Today's learning objectives

Algorithms for inference

The deduction theorem

For any sentences α , β ,

$$\alpha \models \beta$$
 iff $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ is valid.

- Entailment is a concept, and involves two sentences.
- $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ is a single sentence in PL.

How do we prove that $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ is valid?

Model checking? What would happen if we added hundreds of symbols, none of which appear in the KB or in α or β ? Model checking would look silly

Proof by contradiction

Goal: prove that $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ is valid.

Maybe easy to prove a sentence unsatisfiable:

 $A \land \neg A$ is unsatisfiable, even if we add new sentences, due to monotonicity.

So prove $\neg(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta)$ is unsatisfiable. In CNF:

- $\neg(\neg\alpha\vee\beta)$ unsatisfiable
- $\alpha \land \neg \beta$ unsatisfiable

So, add $\neg \beta$ to KB and show there are no models for which this is true. (Proof by contradiction.)

Inference rules: modus ponens

• If in the KB there are $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ and α , then the sentence β can be inferred

$$\frac{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \qquad \alpha}{\beta}$$

Inference rules: AND elimination

• If in the KB there are $\alpha \wedge \beta$, then any of the conjuncts can be inferred

$$\frac{\alpha \wedge \beta}{\alpha}$$

Inference rules

- All logical equivalences can be applied as inference rules
 - Example:

$$\frac{\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta}{(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \land (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \land (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)}{\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta}$$

Resolution rule

 One specific resolution rule will be the base of our procedure for inference

$$rac{l_1ee l_2...ee l_k, \quad m_1ee \ldots m_n}{l_1...l_{i-1}ee l_{i+1}ee \ldots l_kee m_1...m_{j-1}ee m_{j+1}ee \ldots m_n}$$
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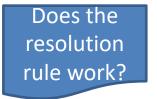
where l_i and m_j are complementary literals

Resolution rule example

Does it make sense? Consider this case:

(AVBVCVD)∧(¬AVEVF).

- A true: we can see from (¬AVEVF) that either
 E is true or F is true.
- A false: at least one of B, C, or D must be true.
- Add BVCVDVEVF to KB



Resolution Examples

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

 $(\neg A)$

"If A or B or C is true, but not A, then B or C must be true."

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

$$(\neg A \lor D \lor E)$$

"If A is false then B or C must be true, or if A is true then D or E must be true, hence since A is either true or false, B or C or D or E must be true."

$$(A \vee B)$$

$$(A \lor B)$$

 $(\neg A \lor B)$

"If A or B is true, and not A or B is true, then B must be true."

Factoring

Resolution Examples

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

 $(\neg A)$

"If A or B or C is true, but not A, then B or C must be true."

$$\therefore (B \vee C)$$

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

$$(\neg A \lor D \lor E)$$

$$\therefore (B \vee C \vee D \vee E)$$

 $(A \vee B)$

$$(\neg A \lor B)$$

"If A or B is true, and not A or B is true, then B must be true."

$$\therefore (B \vee B) \equiv B \leftarrow \text{Factoring}$$

More Resolution Examples

- (PQ¬RS) with (P¬QWX) yields
 - Order of literals within clauses does not matter.
- (P Q ¬R S) with (¬P) yields
- (¬R) with (R) yields
- (PQ¬RS) with (PR¬SWX) yields
- (P¬Q R¬S) with (P¬Q R¬S) yields
- $(P \neg Q \neg S W)$ with $(P R \neg S X)$ yields
- ((¬A)(¬B)(¬C)(¬D)) with ((¬C)D) yields
- ((¬A)(¬B)(¬C)) with ((¬A)C) yields
- ((¬A)(¬B)) with (B) yields
- (A C) with (A (¬ C)) yields
- (¬ A) with (A) yields

More Resolution Examples

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 - Order of literals within clauses does not matter.
- (P Q ¬R S) with (¬P) yields (Q ¬R S)
- (¬R) with (R) yields () or FALSE
- (PQ¬RS) with (PR¬SWX) yields (PQ¬RRWX) or (PQS¬SWX) or TRUE
- (P ¬Q R ¬S) with (P ¬Q R ¬S) yields None possible
- (P ¬Q ¬S W) with (P R ¬S X) yields None possible
- ((¬A)(¬B)(¬C)(¬D)) with ((¬C) D) yields ((¬A)(¬B)(¬C))
- ((¬A)(¬B)(¬C)) with ((¬A)C) yields ((¬A)(¬B))
- ((¬A)(¬B)) with (B) yields (¬A)
- (A C) with (A (¬ C)) yields (A)
- (¬ A) with (A) yields () or FALSE

Resolution rule

Resolution rule typical error

The resolution rule resolves only <u>ONE</u> Literal Pair. If more than one pair, result always = TRUE.

simplifies to TRUE

Resolution Algorithm

- The resolution algorithm tries to prove: $KB \models \alpha \ equivalent \ to$ $KB \land \neg \alpha \ unsatisfiable$
- Generate all new sentences from KB and the (negated) query.
- One of two things can happen:
- 1. We find $\rho \land \neg \rho$ which is unsatisfiable. i.e.* we <u>can</u> entail the query.
- 2. We find no contradiction: there is a model that satisfies the sentence $KB \land \neg \alpha$ and hence we **cannot** entail the query.

Inference by Resolution

- KB is represented in CNF
 - KB = AND of all the sentences in KB
 - KB sentence = clause = OR of literals
 - Literal = propositional symbol or its negation
- Find two clauses in KB, one of which contains a literal and the other its negation
 - Cancel the literal and its negation
 - Bundle everything else into a new clause
 - Add the new clause to KB
 - Repeat

Pseudo-code for resolution

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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 \{ \}
  loop do
      for each pair of clauses C_i, C_i 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
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Proof by contradiction, i.e., show KB $^{\alpha}$: unsatisfiable

Stated in Propositional Logic

- "Laws of Physics" in the Wumpus World:
 - "A breeze in B11 is equivalent to a pit in P12 or a pit in P21."

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

- Particular facts about a specific instance:
 - "There is no breeze in B11."

$$(\neg B_{1,1})$$

- Goal or query sentence:
 - "Is it true that P12 does not have a pit?"

$$(\neg P_{1.2})$$

Example: Conversion to CNF

Example:

$$\mathsf{B}_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (\mathsf{P}_{1,2} \vee \mathsf{P}_{2,1})$$

- $B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$ 1. Eliminate \Leftrightarrow , replace with $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \land (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$.
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Example: Conversion to CNF

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

- 1. Eliminate \Leftrightarrow by replacing $\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta$ with $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \land (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$. = $(B_{1,1} \Rightarrow (P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1})) \land ((P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \Rightarrow B_{1,1})$
- 2. Eliminate \Rightarrow by replacing $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ with $\neg \alpha \lor \beta$ and simplify. = $(\neg B_{1,1} \lor P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \land (\neg (P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \lor B_{1,1})$
- 3. Move \neg inwards using de Morgan's rules and simplify. $\neg(\alpha \lor \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \land \neg\beta), \neg(\alpha \land \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \lor \neg\beta)$ = $(\neg B_{1,1} \lor P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \land ((\neg P_{1,2} \land \neg P_{2,1}) \lor B_{1,1})$
- 4. Apply distributive law (\land over \lor) and simplify. = ($\neg B_{1,1} \lor P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}$) \land ($\neg P_{1,2} \lor B_{1,1}$) \land ($\neg P_{2,1} \lor B_{1,1}$)

Example: Conversion to CNF

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

From the previous slide we had:

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

5. KB is the conjunction of all of its sentences (all are true), so write each clause (disjunct) as a sentence in KB:

$$KB = \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} Often, \ Won't \ Write \ "\lor" \ or \ "\land" \\ \hline \\ (we know they are there) \\ \hline \\ (\neg P_{1,2} \lor P_{1,1}) \\ (\neg P_{2,1} \lor B_{1,1}) \\ \hline \\ \\ \vdots \\ (same) \end{array}} \xrightarrow{ \begin{array}{c} Often, \ Won't \ Write \ "\lor" \ or \ "\land" \\ \hline \\ (we know they are there) \\ \hline \\ (\neg P_{1,2} \lor P_{1,2} \lor P_{2,1}) \\ \hline \\ (\neg P_{1,2} \lor B_{1,1}) \\ \hline \\ (\neg P_{2,1} \lor B_{1,1}) \\ \hline \\ \end{array}$$

Resulting Knowledge Base stated in CNF

"Laws of Physics" in the Wumpus World:

$$(\neg B_{1,1} \quad P_{1,2} \quad P_{2,1})$$

 $(\neg P_{1,2} \quad B_{1,1})$
 $(\neg P_{2,1} \quad B_{1,1})$

Particular facts about a specific instance:

$$(\neg B_{1,1})$$

Negated goal or query sentence:

$$(P_{1,2})$$

A Resolution proof ending in ()

Knowledge Base at start of proof:

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(\neg B_{1,1} \quad P_{1,2} \quad P_{2,1})

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(\neg B_{1,1})

(P_{1,2})
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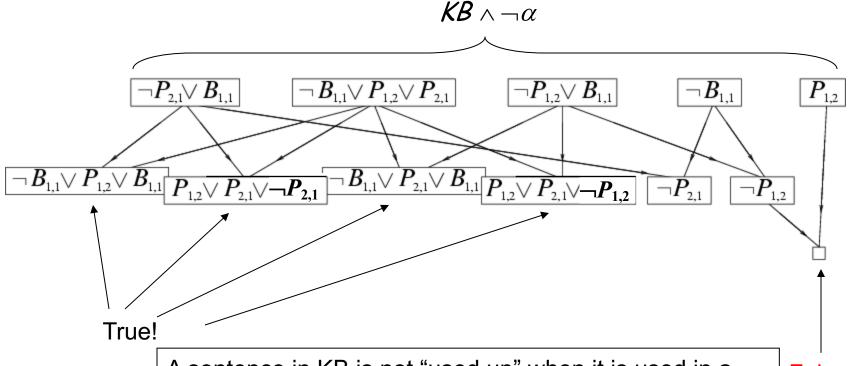
A resolution proof ending in ():

- Resolve $(\neg P_{1,2} \ B_{1,1})$ and $(\neg B_{1,1})$ to give $(\neg P_{1,2})$
- Resolve $(\neg P_{1,2})$ and $(P_{1,2})$ to give ()
- Consequently, the goal or query sentence is entailed by KB.
- Of course, there are many other proofs, which are OK iff correct.

Graphical view of the proof

•
$$KB = (B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \land \neg B_{1,1}$$

•
$$\alpha = \neg P_{1,2}$$



A sentence in KB is not "used up" when it is used in a resolution step. It is true, remains true, and is still in KB.

False in all worlds

Search

- States: current CNF KB + new clauses
- Operators: resolution
- Initial state: KB + negated goal
- Goal State: a database containing the empty clause
- Search using any search method

Exercise on applying resolution inference procedure

Consider the following formulas in propositional logic:

$$\Phi_1 = A \wedge (B \vee Q)$$

$$\Phi_2 = (A \wedge B) \vee (A \wedge Q)$$

Prove:

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First of all we have to write Φ_1 and $\neg \Phi_2$ in CNF.

$$CNF(\Phi_1) = A \wedge (B \vee Q)$$

$$\mathrm{CNF}(\neg \Phi_2) = \neg((A \wedge B) \vee (A \wedge Q)) = \neg(A \wedge B) \wedge \neg(A \wedge Q) = (\neg A \vee \neg B) \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg Q)$$

Then we apply resolution inference:

2.
$$B \lor Q$$

3.
$$\neg A \lor \neg B$$

4.
$$\neg A \lor \neg Q$$

(1,3)

(1,4)

7.
$$\neg A \lor Q$$

(2,3)

8.
$$\neg A \lor B$$

(2,4)

(1,7)

(1,8)

11.
$$\neg A$$

(3,8)

(1,11)

Horn Clauses

- Resolution can be exponential in space and time.
- If we can reduce all clauses to "Horn clauses" inference is linear in space and time

A clause with at most 1 positive literal.

e.g.
$$A \vee \neg B \vee \neg C$$

• Every Horn clause can be rewritten as an implication with a conjunction of positive literals in the premises and at most a single positive literal as a conclusion.

e.g.
$$A \vee \neg B \vee \neg C \equiv B \wedge C \Rightarrow A$$

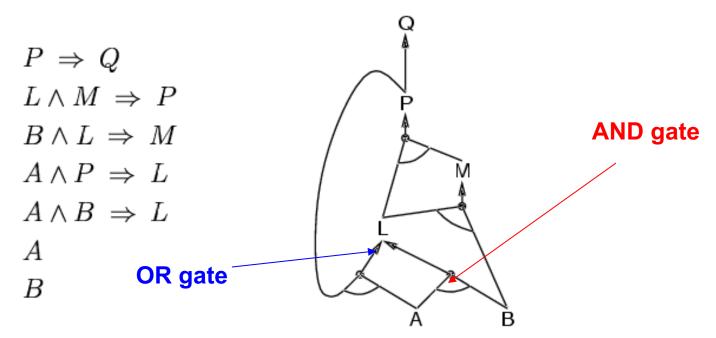
- 1 positive literal and ≥ 1 negative literal: definite clause (e.g., above)
- 0 positive literals: integrity constraint or goal clause

e.g.
$$(\neg A \lor \neg B) \equiv (A \land B \Rightarrow Fa/se)$$
 states that $(A \land B)$ must be false

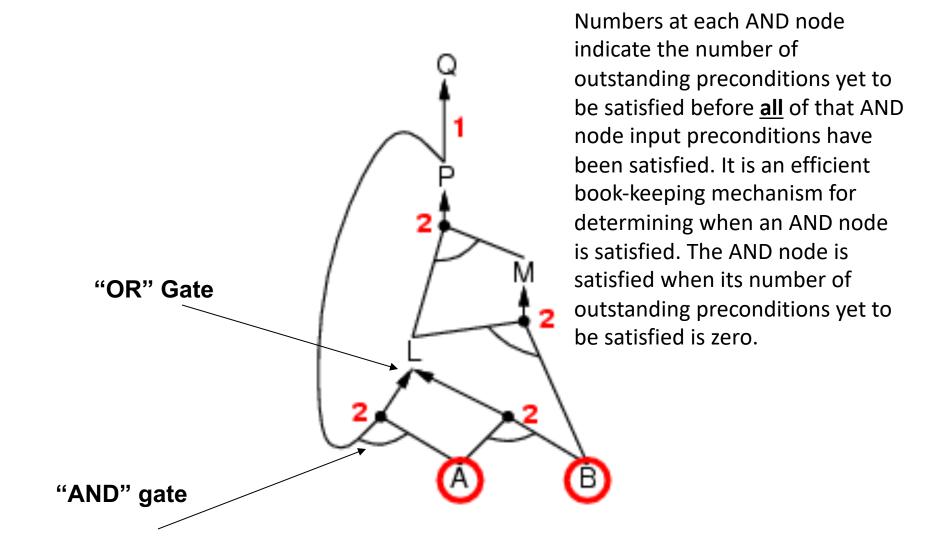
- 0 negative literals: fact
 - e.g., $(A) \equiv (True \Rightarrow A)$ states that A must be true.
- Forward Chaining and Backward chaining are sound and complete with Horn clauses and run linear in space and time.

Forward chaining (FC)

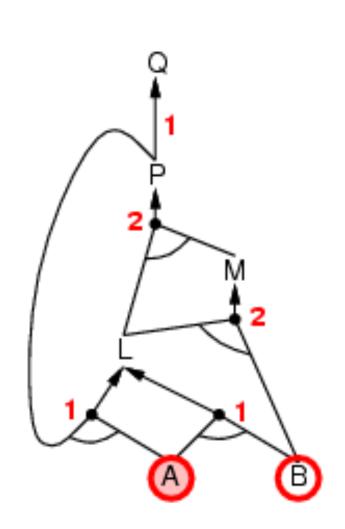
- Idea: fire any rule whose premises are satisfied in the KB, add its conclusion to the KB, until Query is found.
- This proves that $KB \Rightarrow Query$ is true in all possible worlds, and hence it proves entailment.



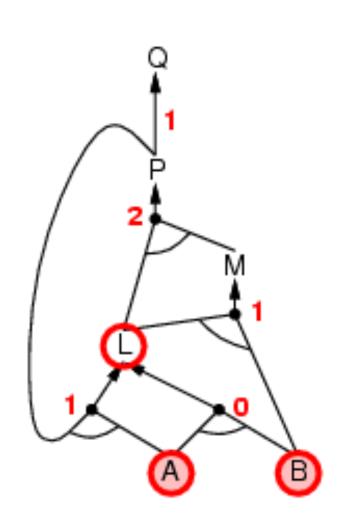
Forward chaining is sound and complete for Horn KB



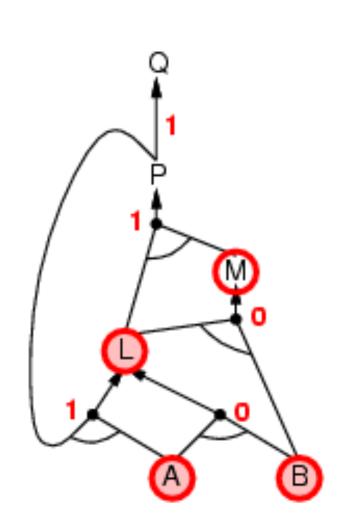
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 $A \land P \Rightarrow L$
 $A \land B \Rightarrow L$
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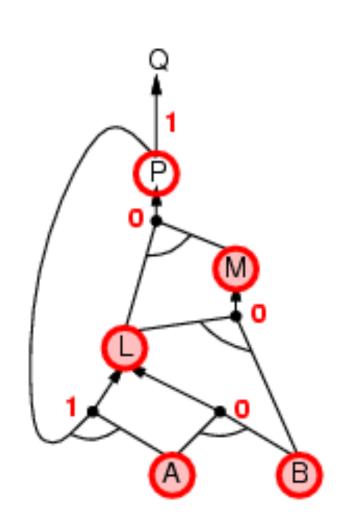
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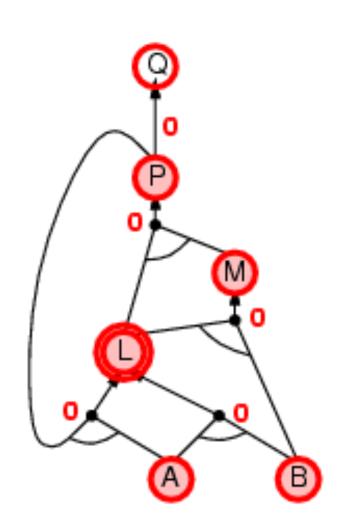
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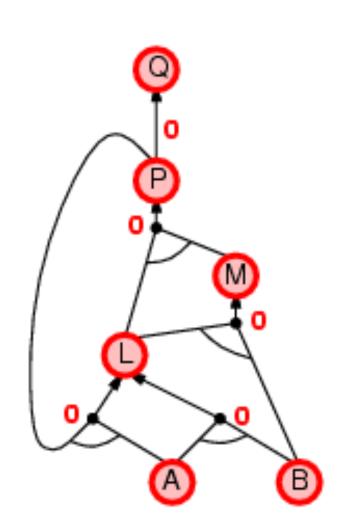
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FC pseudocode

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function PL-FC-ENTAILS? (KB, q) returns true or false
   inputs: KB, the knowledge base, a set of propositional Horn clauses
            q, the query, a proposition symbol
  local variables: count, a table, indexed by clause, initially the number of premises
                      inferred, a table, indexed by symbol, each entry initially false
                      agenda, a list of symbols, initially the symbols known in KB
   while agenda is not empty do
       p \leftarrow \text{Pop}(agenda)
       unless inferred[p] do
            inferred[p] \leftarrow true
            for each Horn clause c in whose premise p appears do
                 decrement count[c]
                 if count[c] = 0 then do
                      if HEAD[c] = q then return true
                      Push(Head[c], agenda)
   return false
```

Backward chaining (BC)

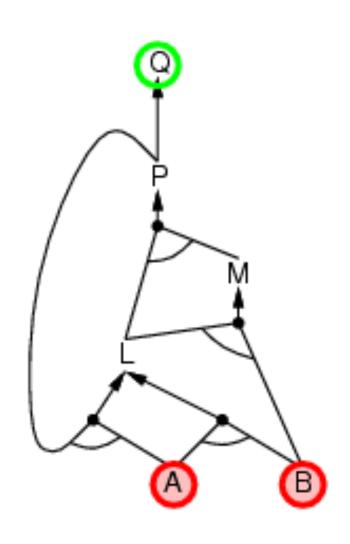
Idea: work backwards from the query q

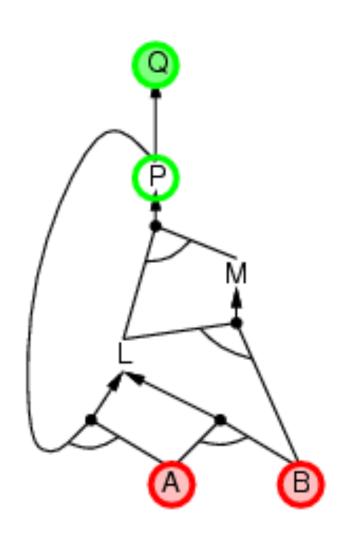
- check if q is known already, or
- prove by BC all premises of some rule concluding q
- Hence BC maintains a stack of sub-goals that need to be proved to get to q.

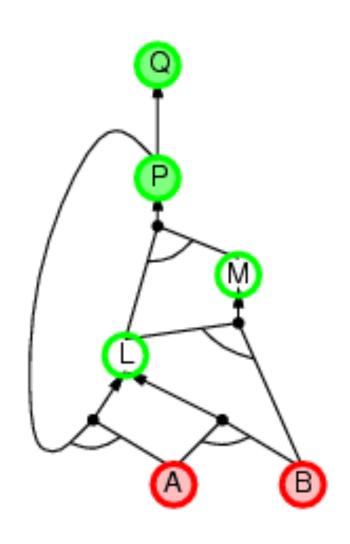
Avoid loops: check if new sub-goal is already on the goal stack

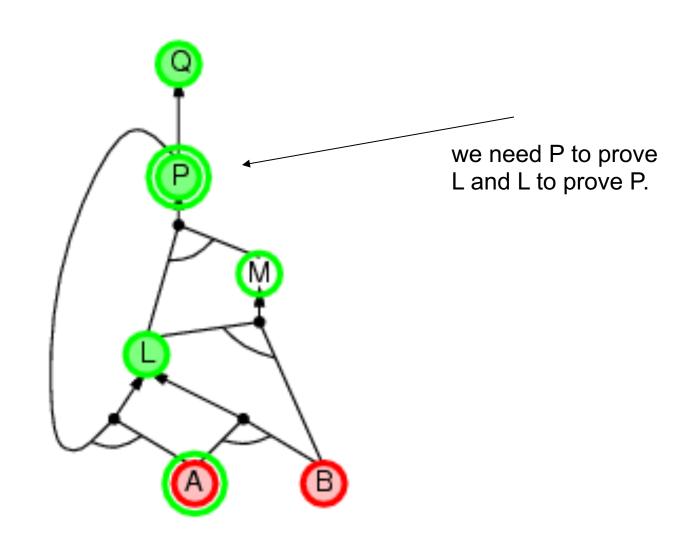
Avoid repeated work: check if new sub-goal

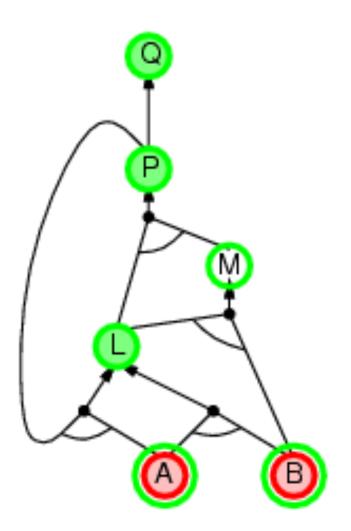
- 1. has already been proved true, or
- has already failed



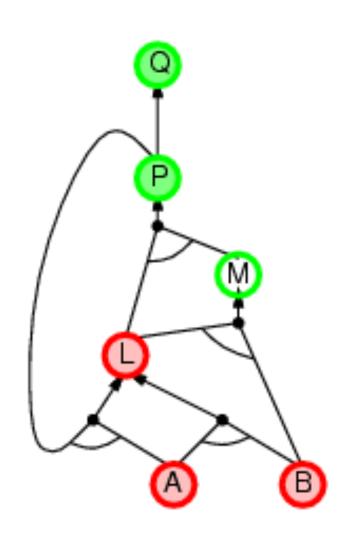


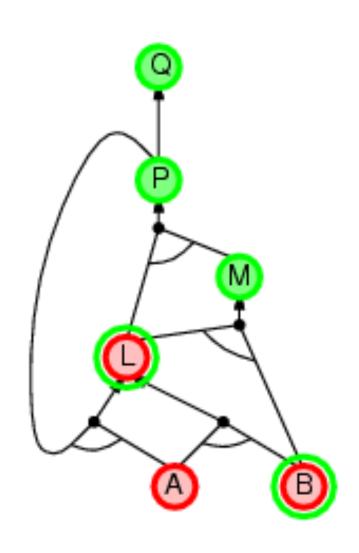


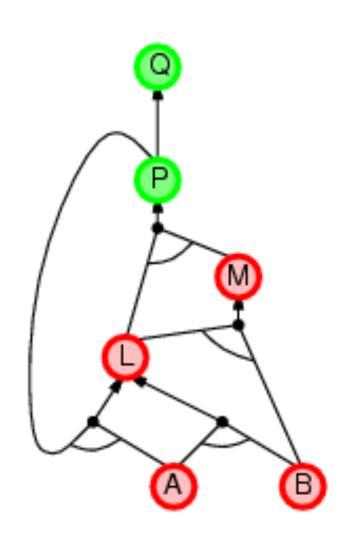


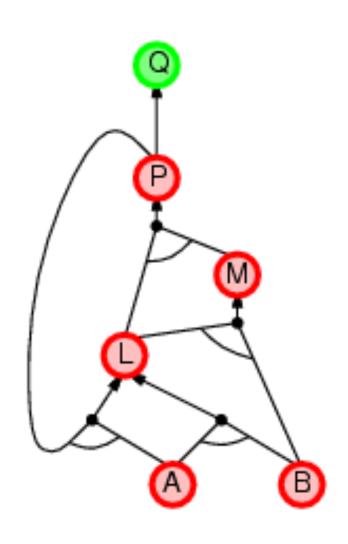


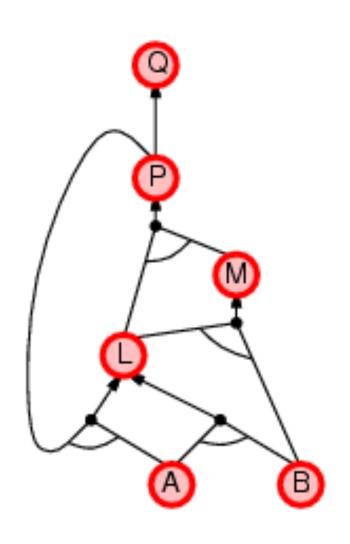
As soon as you can move forward, do so.











Forward vs. backward chaining

- FC is data-driven, automatic, unconscious processing,
 - e.g., object recognition, routine decisions
- May do lots of work that is irrelevant to the goal
- BC is goal-driven, appropriate for problem-solving,
 - e.g., Where are my keys? How do I get into a PhD program?
- Complexity of BC can be much less than linear in size of KB

Model Checking

Algorithms to check satisfiability

Two families of efficient algorithms:

- Complete backtracking search algorithms:
 - E.g., DPLL algorithm
- Incomplete local search algorithms
 - E.g., WalkSAT algorithm

The DPLL algorithm

Determine if an input propositional logic sentence (in CNF) is satisfiable. This is just backtracking search for a CSP.

Improvements:

1. Early termination

A clause is true if any literal is true.

A sentence is false if any clause is false. E.g., $(A \lor B) \land (A \lor C)$ is true if A is true

2. Pure symbol heuristic

Pure symbol: always appears with the same "sign" in all clauses. e.g., In the three clauses (A $\vee \neg$ B), (\neg B $\vee \neg$ C), (C \vee A), A and B are pure, C is impure.

3. Unit clause heuristic

Unit clause: only one literal in the clause The only literal in a unit clause must be true. For example, if the model contains B = true, then $(\neg B \lor \neg C)$ simplifies to $\neg C$, which is a unit clause

Note: literals can become a pure symbol or a unit clause when other literals obtain truth values.

Same exercise solved with the resolution inference procedure with

DPLL

Consider the following formulas in propositional logic:

$$\Phi_1 = A \wedge (B \vee Q)$$

 $\Phi_2 = (A \wedge B) \vee (A \wedge Q)$

 $\Phi_1 \models \Phi_2$, by using the DPLL algorithm.

First of all we have to write Φ_1 and $\neg \Phi_2$ in CNF.

$$CNF(\Phi_1) = A \wedge (B \vee Q)$$

$$\operatorname{CNF}(\neg \Phi_2) = \neg((A \land B) \lor (A \land Q)) = \neg(A \land B) \land \neg(A \land Q) = (\neg A \lor \neg B) \land (\neg A \lor \neg Q)$$

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DPLL algorithm

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function DPLL-Satisfiable?(s) returns true or false
  inputs: s, a sentence in propositional logic
  clauses \leftarrow the set of clauses in the CNF representation of s
  symbols \leftarrow a list of the proposition symbols in s
  return DPLL(clauses, symbols, { })
function DPLL(clauses, symbols, model) returns true or false
  if every clause in clauses is true in model then return true
  if some clause in clauses is false in model then return false
  P, value \leftarrow FIND-PURE-SYMBOL(symbols, clauses, model)
  if P is non-null then return DPLL(clauses, symbols – P, model \cup {P=value})
  P, value \leftarrow FIND-UNIT-CLAUSE(clauses, model)
  if P is non-null then return DPLL(clauses, symbols – P, model \cup {P=value})
  P \leftarrow \text{First}(symbols); rest \leftarrow \text{Rest}(symbols)
  return DPLL(clauses, rest, model \cup {P=true}) or
          DPLL(clauses, rest, model \cup \{P=false\}))
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The WalkSAT algorithm

- Incomplete, local search algorithm
 - In many problems, like the CSP ones, just a consistent assignment is enough
- Evaluation function: The min-conflict heuristic of minimizing the number of unsatisfied clauses
- Balance between greediness and randomness

Walksat Procedure

Start with random initial assignment.

Pick a random unsatisfied clause.

Select and flip a variable from that clause:

With probability p, pick a random variable.

With probability 1-p, pick greedily

a variable that minimizes the number of unsatisfied clauses

Repeat to predefined maximum number flips; if no solution found, restart.

Summary

- Resolution inference procedure starting from CNF sentences and the negated query sentence to prove unsatisfiability
- Model checking
 - DPLL: deterministic algorithm based on backtracking search
 - WalkSAT: local search algorithm, to find one satisfiable assignment

Next

 How to make the logic capable of expressing more than facts as in the propositional logic?
 First order logic