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Logical agents

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Recap

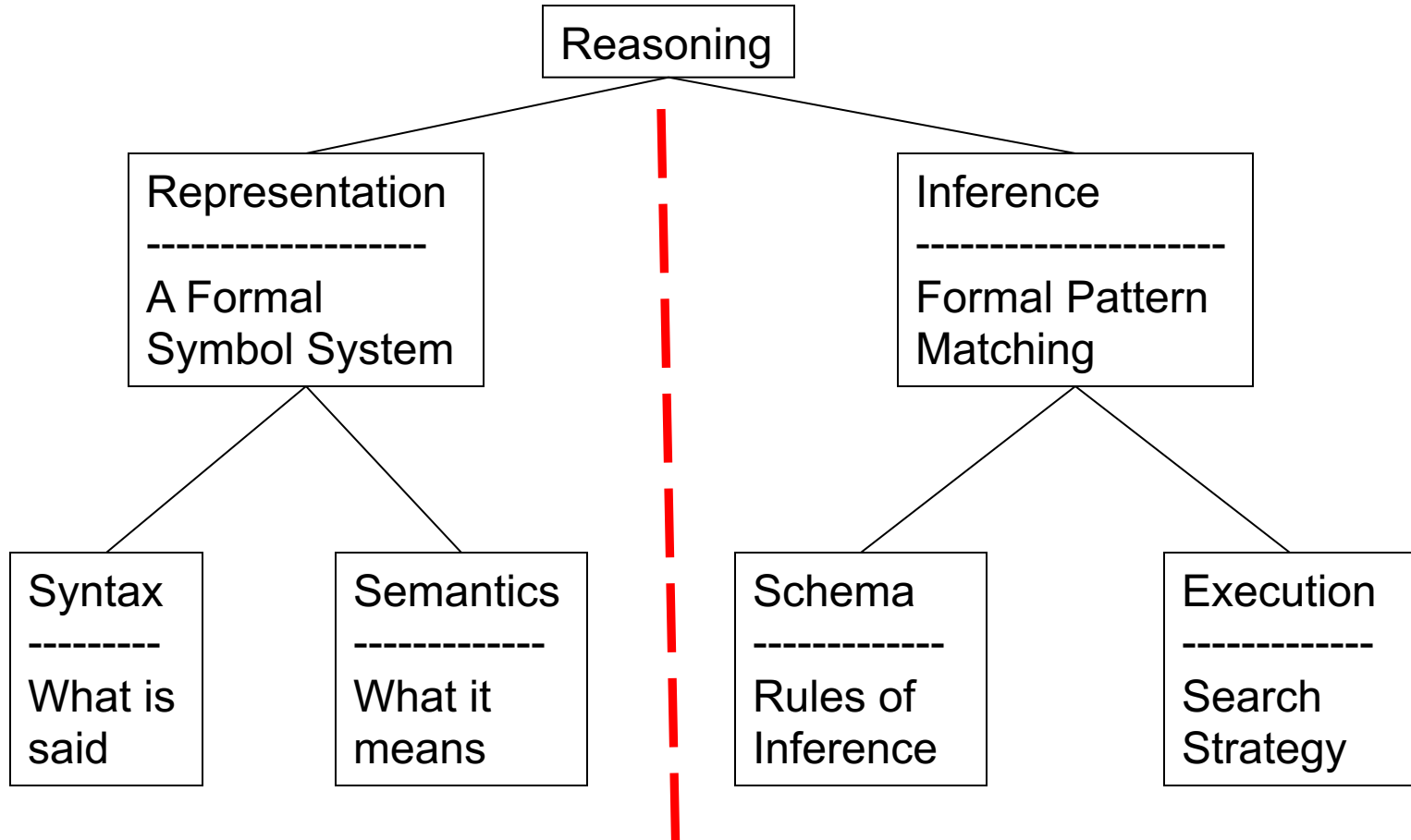
- Logical agents apply inference to a knowledge base to derive new information and make decisions
 - Tell, knowledge base, ask
- Basic concepts of logic:
 - syntax: formal structure of sentences
 - Model assignment
 - semantics: truth of sentences wrt models
 - entailment: necessary truth of one sentence given another
 - inference: deriving sentences from other sentences
- Propositional logic to state specific facts about the world

Ontology:

What kind of things exist in the world?

What do we need to describe and reason about?

Review



Logic in general

- **Logics** are formal languages for representing information 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

Entailment – formalism

- Let α and β be sentences.
- We say that $\alpha \models \beta$ iff for every model in which α is true, β is true.
- We let $M(\alpha)$ be the set of models for which a sentence α is true. Then $\alpha \models \beta$ means $M(\alpha) \subset M(\beta)$

Entailment for the logic agent

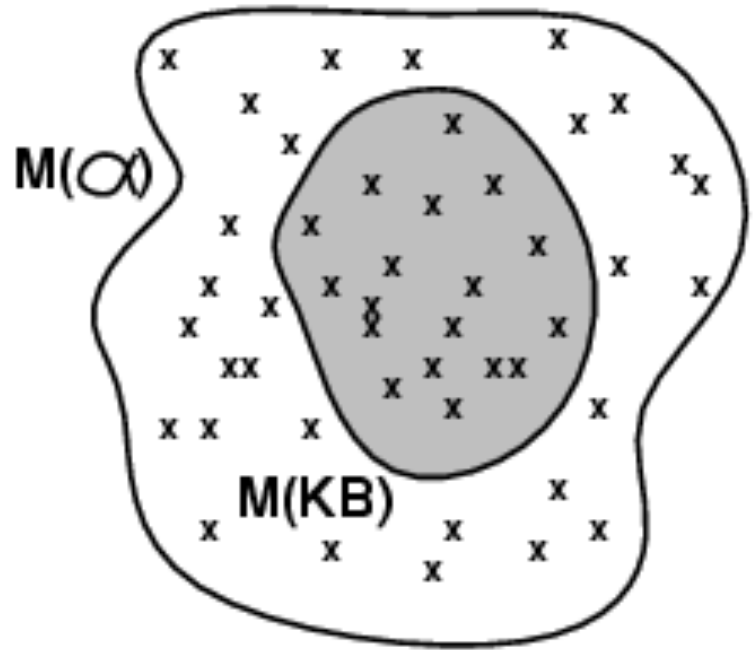
- **Entailment** means that one thing **follows from** another set of things:

$$KB \models \alpha$$

- Knowledge base KB entails sentence α if and only if α is true in **all worlds** wherein KB is true
- The entailed α MUST BE TRUE in ANY world in which KB IS TRUE.

Models

- Logicians typically think in terms of **models**, which are formally structured worlds with respect to which truth can be evaluated
- We say m **is a model of** a sentence α if α is true in m
- $M(\alpha)$ is the set of all models of α
- Then $KB \models \alpha$ iff $M(KB) \subseteq M(\alpha)$



Entailment examples

- E.g., the KB = “the Giants won and the Reds won” entails α = “The Giants won”.
- Example. In arithmetic, we say that $x=0 \models xy=0$. If you choose a model (say $x=0, y=6$) such that $x=0$ is true, then the sentence $xy=0$ is also true.
- E.g., KB = “ $x+y = 4$ ” entails α = “ $4 = x+y$ ”
- E.g., KB = “Mary is Sue’s sister and Amy is Sue’s daughter” entails α = “Mary is Amy’s aunt.”

Monotonicity

- Monotonicity: Each new sentence added to the knowledge base further constrains the set of models that holds.
- \Rightarrow if we can prove that some sentence is entailed by a set of sentences in the knowledge base, then adding new sentences to the knowledge base will never invalidate that proof.

$$\text{if } KB \models \alpha \text{ then } KB \wedge \beta \models \alpha$$

Propositional logic

- $\text{Winter} \wedge \text{NiceWeatherSunday} \Rightarrow \text{Procrastinated}$
- Atomic sentence: a symbol that can take on the value true or false.
- Literal: atomic sentence, or negated atomic sentence
- Logical connectives: $\neg \vee \wedge \Rightarrow \Leftrightarrow$

Backus-Naur form

- Backus-Naur Form gives a recursive definition of syntax, the set of all legal sentences

$$\begin{aligned} \textit{Sentence} &\rightarrow \textit{AtomicSentence} \mid \textit{ComplexSentence} \\ \textit{AtomicSentence} &\rightarrow \textit{True} \mid \textit{False} \mid P \mid Q \mid R \mid \dots \\ \textit{ComplexSentence} &\rightarrow (\textit{Sentence}) \mid [\textit{Sentence}] \\ &\mid \neg \textit{Sentence} \\ &\mid \textit{Sentence} \wedge \textit{Sentence} \\ &\mid \textit{Sentence} \vee \textit{Sentence} \\ &\mid \textit{Sentence} \Rightarrow \textit{Sentence} \\ &\mid \textit{Sentence} \Leftrightarrow \textit{Sentence} \end{aligned}$$

OPERATOR PRECEDENCE : $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$

Model and propositional logic

- model: true false values for every atomic sentence
- A world with the atomic sentences isSnowing and isSunny would have the four models (true, true), (true, false), (false, true), and (false, false).

Propositional logic: semantics

- Take a model and sentence and evaluate to T/F. Easy for atomic sentences. For complex sentences, write some rules using **truth tables** and apply recursively.

P	Q	$P \wedge Q$
F	F	F
F	T	F
T	F	F
T	T	T

Propositional logic: semantics

- Definition of the **implies** connective:
- $P \Rightarrow Q$ is true in models for which either P is false, or both P and Q are true.

P	Q	$P \Rightarrow Q$
F	F	T
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Truth tables for all logical connectives

P	Q	$\neg P$	$P \wedge Q$	$P \vee Q$	$P \Rightarrow Q$	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$
false	False	True	False	False	True	True
false	True	True	False	True	True	False
true	False	False	False	True	False	False
true	true	False	True	True	true	true

Summary

- Model: assignment of values to variables
- Sentences: used to select a set of models (winter)
- Syntax: description of legal sentences
- Semantics: maps (sentence + model) to T/F
- Entailment: $\alpha \models \beta$. ("it is greater than 100 degrees" entails "it is greater than 32 degrees")
- Propositional logic with symbols and connectives

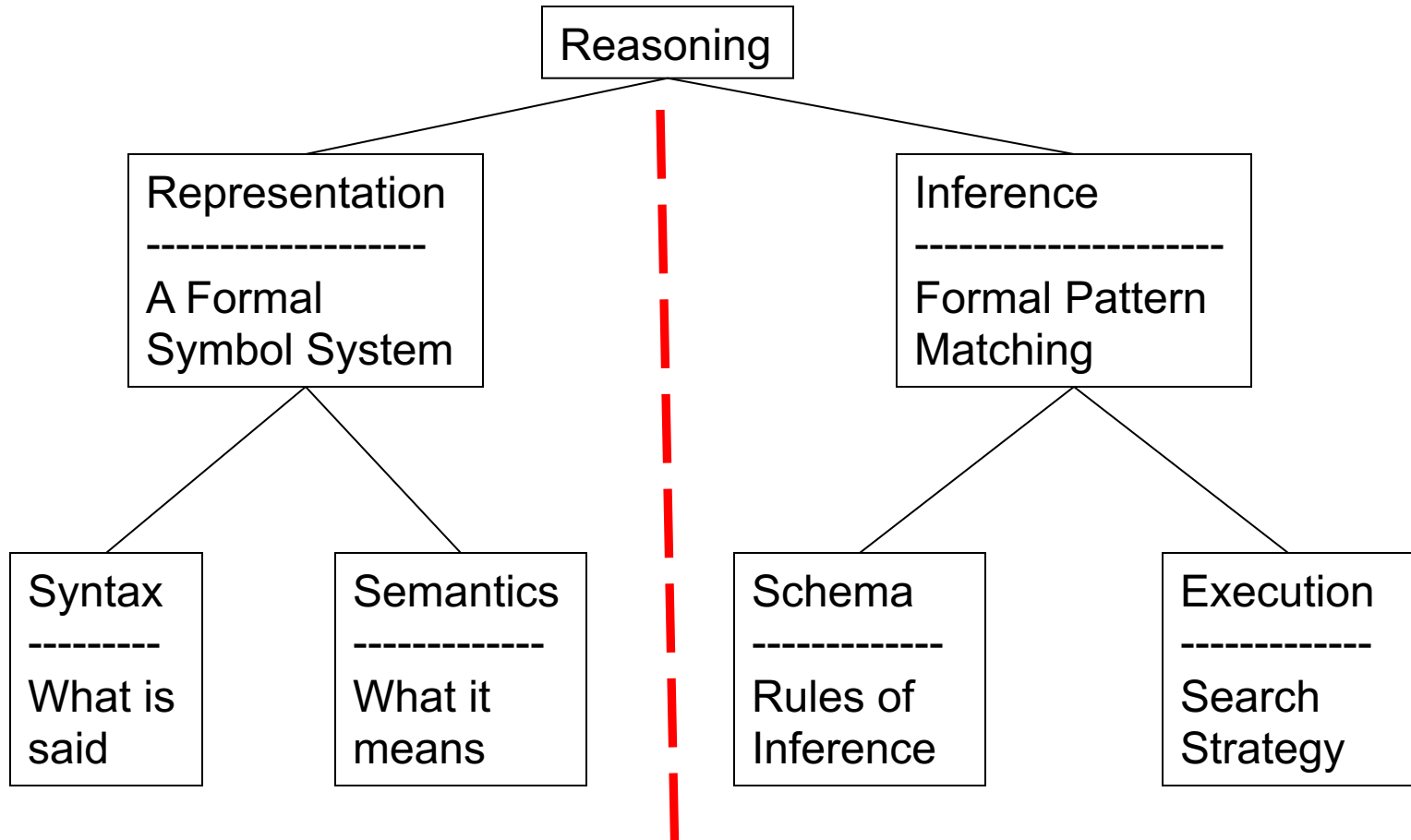
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- How to make inference?

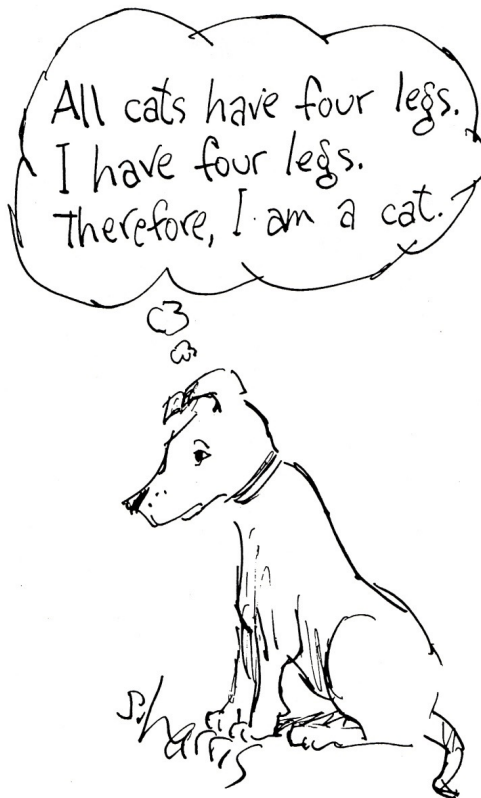
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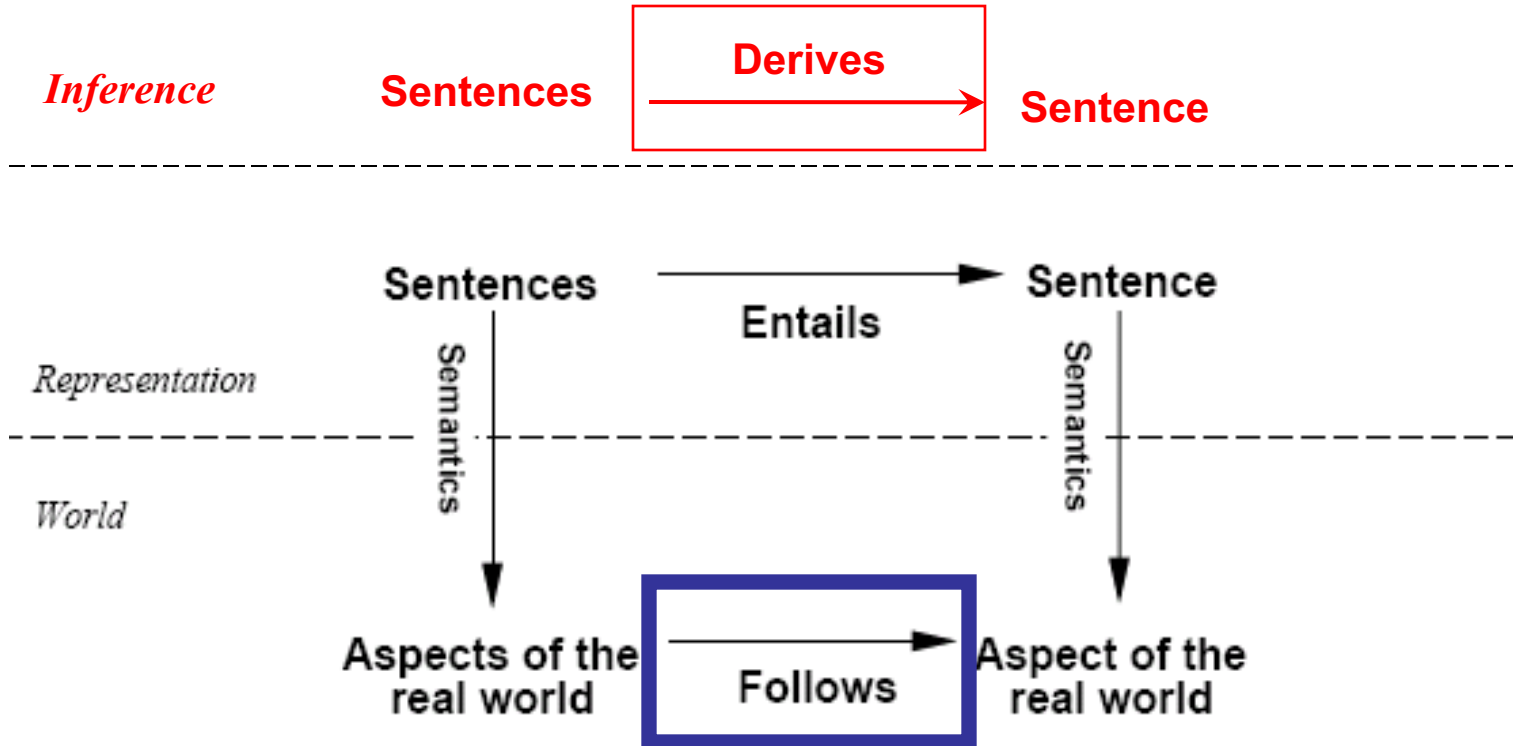


- How to make inference given the knowledge base?



“Einstein Simplified:
Cartoons on Science”
by Sydney Harris, 1992,
Rutgers University Press

Schematic perspective



*If KB is true in the real world,
then any sentence α **derived** from KB
by a sound inference procedure
is also true in the real world.*

Examples of Sound Inference Patterns

Classical Syllogism (due to Aristotle)

All Ps are Qs

X is a P

Therefore, X is a Q

All Men are Mortal

Socrates is a Man

Therefore, Socrates is Mortal

Implication (Modus Ponens)

P implies Q

P

Therefore, Q

Smoke implies Fire

Smoke

Therefore, Fire

Contrapositive (Modus Tollens)

P implies Q

Not Q

Therefore, Not P

Smoke implies Fire

Not Fire

Therefore, not Smoke

Law of the Excluded Middle (due to Aristotle)

A Or B

Not A

Therefore, B

Alice is a Democrat or a Republican

Alice is not a Democrat

Therefore, Alice is a Republican

Logical inference

- The notion of entailment can be used for logic inference.
- $KB \vdash_i \alpha$ means KB derives a sentence α using inference procedure i
- Sound (or *truth preserving*):
The algorithm only derives entailed sentences.
 i is sound iff whenever $KB \vdash_i \alpha$ it is also true that $KB \models \alpha$
- Complete:
The algorithm can derive every entailed sentence.
 i is complete iff whenever $KB \models \alpha$ it is also true that $KB \vdash_i \alpha$

Example: College life

- Let's tell the knowledge base some sentences. Then ask if some other sentence is entailed.
1. If I did not eat dinner, that implies that either the fridge was empty, or an assignment was due and I procrastinated. If the fridge was empty, or an assignment was due, and I procrastinated, then I did not eat dinner.
 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

Write
sentences

Example: College life

- $\neg \text{Dinner} \Leftrightarrow \text{FridgeEmpty} \vee (\text{AssignmentDue} \wedge \text{Procrastinated})$
- $\text{Winter} \wedge \text{NiceWeatherSunday} \Rightarrow \text{Procrastinated}$
- $\text{FridgeEmpty} \Rightarrow \text{HousemateMad}$
- ask: if it is not winter, and I did not eat dinner, does that imply that my housemate is mad?
- $\text{KnowledgeBase} \wedge \neg W \wedge \neg D \models H?$

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 $\neg W \neg D$) are true, then H is entailed.

Propositional logic example

Stated in English

- “Laws of Physics” in the Wumpus World:
 - “A breeze in B11 is equivalent to a pit in P12 or a pit in P21.”
- Particular facts about a specific instance:
 - “There is no breeze in B11.”
- Goal or query sentence:
 - “Is it true that P12 does not have a pit?”

Write
sentences

Propositional logic example

Stated in Propositional Logic

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

- 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?”

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

Truth table for inference

Proposition symbols

Sentences

$B_{1,1}$	$B_{2,1}$	$P_{1,1}$	$P_{1,2}$	$P_{2,1}$	$P_{2,2}$	$P_{3,1}$	R_1	R_2	R_3	R_4	R_5	KB
false	false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	true	false	false
false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	false	true	false	false
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
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Enumerate rows (different assignments to symbols),
if KB is true in row, check that α is too

Inference by enumeration

function TT-ENTAILS?(KB, α) **returns** *true* or *false*

inputs: KB , the knowledge base, a sentence in propositional logic
 α , the query, a sentence in propositional logic

$symbols \leftarrow$ a list of the proposition symbols in KB and α

return TT-CHECK-ALL($KB, \alpha, symbols, \{ \}$)

function TT-CHECK-ALL($KB, \alpha, symbols, model$) **returns** *true* or *false*

if EMPTY?($symbols$) **then**

if PL-TRUE?($KB, model$) **then return** PL-TRUE?($\alpha, model$)

else return *true* // when KB is false, always return *true*

else do

$P \leftarrow$ FIRST($symbols$)

$rest \leftarrow$ REST($symbols$)

return (TT-CHECK-ALL($KB, \alpha, rest, model \cup \{P = true\}$)

and

 TT-CHECK-ALL($KB, \alpha, rest, model \cup \{P = false\}$))

$O(2^n)$ for n symbols

Time
complexity?

Validity and satisfiability

A sentence is **valid** if it is true in **all** models,

e.g., *True*, $A \vee \neg A$, $A \Rightarrow A$, $(A \wedge (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$

A sentence is **satisfiable** if it is true in **some** model

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

A sentence is **unsatisfiable** if it is false in **all** models

e.g., $A \wedge \neg A$

Inference rules

Method #2 for inference

1. Apply some inference rules to the knowledge base (together with $\neg W \neg D$) to construct new sentences.
2. Show that the sentence H is entailed

We haven't seen inference rules yet. Can be effective, but it may be difficult to find inference rules that allow the construction of the particular sentence.

Contradiction

Method #3 for inference

1. Add $\neg W \neg D$ and $\neg H$ to the knowledge base
2. Show that this induces a contradiction: there exists a sentence that is entailed, and the negation of that sentence is also entailed.

Example: Show that there are no models for which $\neg W \neg D$ holds, but H does not.

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

- Boolean formulae are central to CS
 - Boolean logic is the way our discipline works
- Two canonical Boolean formulae representations:
 - CNF = Conjunctive Normal Form
 - 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

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

We'd like to prove: $KB \models \alpha$
(This is equivalent to $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$ is unsatisfiable.)

We first rewrite $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$ into **conjunctive normal form (CNF)**.

A “conjunction of disjunctions”

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

Clause

Clause

Clause

Clause

literals

- Any KB can be converted into CNF

Review: Equivalence & Implication

- Equivalence is a conjoined double implication
 - $(X \Leftrightarrow Y) = [(X \Rightarrow Y) \wedge (Y \Rightarrow X)]$

Review: de Morgan's rules

- How to bring \neg inside parentheses
 - (1) Negate everything inside the parentheses
 - (2) Change operators to “the other operator”
- $\neg(X \wedge Y \wedge \dots \wedge Z) = (\neg X \vee \neg Y \vee \dots \vee \neg Z)$
- $\neg(X \vee Y \vee \dots \vee Z) = (\neg X \wedge \neg Y \wedge \dots \wedge \neg Z)$

Review: Boolean Distributive Laws

- Both of these laws are valid:
- AND distributes over OR
 - $X \wedge (Y \vee Z) = (X \wedge Y) \vee (X \wedge Z)$
 - $(W \vee X) \wedge (Y \vee Z) = (W \wedge Y) \vee (X \wedge Y) \vee (W \wedge Z) \vee (X \wedge Z)$
- 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 $\beta \models \alpha$

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha \wedge \beta) &\equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha) && \text{commutativity of } \wedge \\(\alpha \vee \beta) &\equiv (\beta \vee \alpha) && \text{commutativity of } \vee \\((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) &\equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma)) && \text{associativity of } \wedge \\((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) &\equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma)) && \text{associativity of } \vee \\\neg(\neg\alpha) &\equiv \alpha && \text{double-negation elimination} \\(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) &\equiv (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha) && \text{contraposition} \\(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \beta) && \text{implication elimination} \\(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) &\equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) && \text{biconditional elimination} \\\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta) && \text{de Morgan} \\\neg(\alpha \vee \beta) &\equiv (\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta) && \text{de Morgan} \\(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) &\equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma)) && \text{distributivity of } \wedge \text{ over } \vee \\(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma)) &\equiv ((\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma)) && \text{distributivity of } \vee \text{ over } \wedge\end{aligned}$$

These are
important to know

CNF rules

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

Now we have a conjunction of disjunctions of literals:

- $(A \vee \neg B \vee C) \wedge$
- $(C \vee \neg D) \wedge \dots$

CNF example

- College life

- $\neg D \Leftrightarrow F \vee (A \wedge P)$

- $W \wedge N \Rightarrow P$

- $F \Rightarrow H$

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Write
together

CNF example

1. Eliminate double implications

$$- \neg D \Leftrightarrow FV(A \wedge P)$$

$$\bullet \neg D \Rightarrow FV(A \wedge P)$$

$$\bullet FV(A \wedge P) \Rightarrow \neg D$$

$$- W \wedge N \Rightarrow P$$

$$- F \Rightarrow H$$

CNF example

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

- $\neg D \Rightarrow F \vee (A \wedge P)$
 - $\neg(\neg D) \vee (F \vee (A \wedge P))$
- $F \vee (A \wedge P) \Rightarrow \neg D$
 - $\neg(F \vee (A \wedge P)) \vee \neg D$
- $W \wedge N \Rightarrow P$
 - $\neg(W \wedge N) \vee P$
- $F \Rightarrow H$
 - $\neg F \vee H$

CNF example

3. Move \neg inwards:

— $\neg(\neg D) \vee (F \vee (A \wedge P))$

• $D \vee (F \vee (A \wedge P))$

— $\neg(F \vee (A \wedge P)) \vee \neg D$

• $(\neg F \wedge \neg(A \wedge P)) \vee \neg D$

— $(\neg F \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg P)) \vee \neg D$

• $\neg(W \wedge N) \vee P$

— $\neg W \vee \neg N \vee P$

• $\neg F \vee H$

CNF example

4. Distribute \vee over \wedge :

- $DV(FV(A \wedge P))$
- $(\neg F \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg P)) \vee \neg D$
- $\neg W \vee \neg N \vee P$
- $\neg F \vee H$
- After:
 - $DV((F \vee A) \wedge (F \vee P))$
 - $(D \vee F \vee A) \wedge (D \vee F \vee P)$
 - ...

CNF example

- It's in CNF! A conjunction of disjunctions!
 - $(D \vee F \vee A) \wedge (D \vee F \vee P)$
 - $(\neg F \vee \neg D) \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg P \vee \neg D)$
 - $\neg W \vee \neg N \vee P$
 - $\neg F \vee H$

CNF example

- Sanity check. Is
- $\neg D \Leftrightarrow F \vee (A \wedge P) \equiv (D \vee F \vee A) \wedge (D \vee F \vee P) \text{ ?}$
- Let's assume $\neg D$. Then $F \vee (A \wedge P)$ is true, from the double implication. Now looking at the CNF form:
- $(\text{False} \vee F \vee A) \wedge (\text{False} \vee F \vee P)$
- $(F \vee A) \wedge (F \vee P)$
- 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

Next

- Search algorithms for inference based on CNF