

When we discussed propositional logic, we ran into a roadblock representing repeating data.

Consider the Wumpus World:

Propositional: Each square needs a similar set of variables to represent all possible states

First Order: $\forall r \text{ Pit}(r) \implies [\forall s \text{ Adjacent}(r, s) \implies \text{Breezy}(s)]$

First order logic is thus much more expressive and succinct; Our main challenge will be computational.

Consider the representation of a world:

Propositional Logic:

- Variables $\{A, \dots\}$
- Values $\{T, F\}$

First Order Logic:

- Objects with Properties
- Relationships Between Objects
- Functions Mapping Objects to Objects

How would we represent each of the following in first-order logic?

1. One plus one equals two
 - Objects: One, One plus one, two
 - Properties: None
 - Relations: equals
 - Functions: plus
2. Squares adjacent to the Wumpus are smelly
 - Objects: Squares, Squares adjacent to the Wumpus, Wumpus
 - Properties: Smelly
 - Relations: adjacent
 - Functions: None

Syntax

The syntax of first order logic is much nicer than that of propositional logic

- constants — uppercase words that represent objects
Examples include Z, Jack, UCLA, etc
- predicates — lowercase words that represent relations
Examples include adjacent(), at(), etc
- property — single argument predicate
- equality — a key subset of predicates
- functions — lowercase words that give a value for each input
Examples include leftLeg(), father(), etc

These are domain specific and form our “vocabulary”.

Our domain-independent vocabulary is as follows:

- variables: x, y, z
- connectives: $\vee \wedge \neg \implies \iff$
- quantifiers: $\forall \exists$

We can use all of these to define atomic sentences.

These are of the form: predicate (Term1, ..., TermN)

Term \equiv a constant, variable, or function

Ground term \equiv term with no variables

The new operators in first-order logic are called **quantifiers**. Quantification comes in two forms

1. UNIVERSAL QUANTIFICATION

FORM: \forall variables sentence

ex. $\forall x \text{at}(x, \text{UCLA}) \implies \text{smart}(x)$ is a predicate – at(x, UCLA) is a relation – smart(x) is a property

This forms a conjunction of the instantiations of the predicate, and often appears with ‘ \implies ’

$\rightarrow [\text{at}(\text{John}, \text{UCLA}) \implies \text{smart}(\text{John})] \wedge [\text{at}(\text{fatherOf}(\text{John}), \text{UCLA}) \implies \text{smart}(\text{fatherOf}(\text{John}))]$

2. EXISTENTIAL QUANTIFICATION

FORM: \exists variables statement

ex $\exists x$ at(x, UCLA) \wedge tall(x)

This forms a disjunction of the instantiations of the predicate, and often appears with ‘ \wedge ’

\rightarrow [at(John, UCLA) \wedge tall(John)] \vee [at(fatherOf(John), UCLA) \wedge tall(fatherOf(John))]

Quantification is not always commutative:

$\exists x \exists y = \exists y \exists x$

$\forall x \forall y = \forall y \forall x$

$\forall x \exists y \neq \exists y \forall x$

Why? consider:

$\forall x \exists y$ loves(y, x) means “everyone in the world has at least one person who loves them”

$\exists y \forall x$ loves(y, x) means “there is at least one person who loves everyone in the world”

We can, however, use one operator to simulate the other:

$\neg \forall x$ likes (x, IceCream) = $\exists x \neg$ likes (x, IceCream)

Asserting a number of unifications tends to be a bit trickier

“Spot has two sisters”

$\rightarrow \exists x \exists y$ sister(x, spot) \wedge sister(y, spot) $\wedge x \neq y$

“Spot has exactly two sisters”

\rightarrow We use the above statement, plus $\forall z$ sister(z, spot) $\implies ((z = x) \vee (z = y))$

Which can also be written as $\neg(\exists z$ sister(z, spot) $\wedge ((z = x) \vee (z = y)))$

Some people make this cleaner by using to represent “exists a unique”

$\exists! x$ king(x) = $[\exists x$ king(x)] \wedge [$\forall y$ king(y) $\implies (x = y)$]

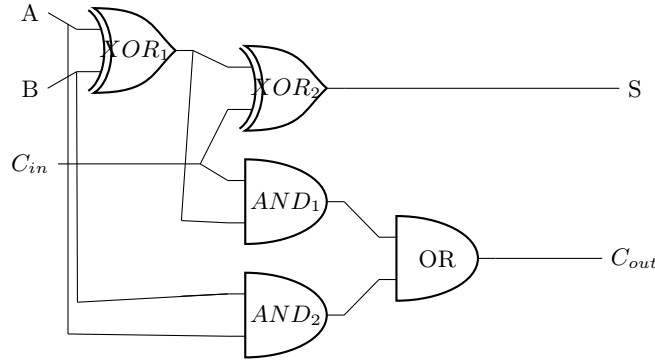
(this is an error in actuality, since the x on the left is out of scope)

We can see it is critical to develop well formed formulas with no free variables.

Consider the 1-bit adder:

We want to derive the output given the input.

This is hard to do with circuits, but this is easy with first order logic.



Our vocabulary consists of:

domain:

constants: AND, OR, NOT, XOR, 0, 1

functions: type(g), signal(i, o), in(g), out(g)

predicates: connected(g_1, g_2)

instance (the specific layout of this circuit):

constants: $XOR_1, XOR_2, AND_1, AND_2, OR_1$

We then define our knowledge base:

Domain:

$\forall t1, t2$ connected(t1, t2) \implies (signal(t1) = signal(t2))

$\forall t1, t2$ connected(t1, t2) \iff connected(t2, t1)

$\forall g$ type(g) = OR \implies [signal(out(1, g)) = 1 $\iff \exists n$ signal(in(n, g)) = 1]

(similar rules for other gates are omitted for the sake of brevity)

(the most general part follows)

$\forall t$ signal(t) = 1 \vee signal(t) = 0

$\neg 1 = 0$

Instance:

type(XOR_1) = XOR, type(XOR_2) = XOR, ...

connected(out(1, XOR_1), in(2, AND_2)), ...

This is all we need to begin queries!

$$\begin{aligned} \exists i_1, i_2, i_3 \text{ signal}(\text{in}(1, \text{adder})) &= 1 \\ &= i_1 \wedge \text{signal}(\text{in}(2, \text{adder})) \\ &= i_2 \wedge \text{signal}(\text{in}(3, \text{adder})) \\ &= i_3 \wedge \text{signal}(\text{out}(1, \text{adder})) \\ &= 0 \wedge \text{signal}(\text{out}(2, \text{adder})) \\ &\rightarrow \{(1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1)\} \end{aligned}$$

We could expand this to check if a circuit is functioning & to diagnose errors with:

ok(g) — represents whether the circuit is ok

stuck(g) — represents whether a gate is always off and stuck on 0

We may even want to include wires if that is what we're testing.

All of this is called Knowledge Engineering.