

## 1 Model Checking problem

input:

- formula  $\phi$
- structure  $S$  defining a semantic for the tokens of the formula

output:

does the formula hold over  $\phi$

validity satisfiability

input:

- formula  $\phi \rightarrow \text{checker} \rightarrow \text{yes/no}$

output:

yes/no does  $\phi$  hold over all possible  $S$

$\phi$  needs to hold over all  $S$  and is more strict than

logical equivalence:

input:

formula  $\phi_1$

formula  $\phi_n$

output:

yes: if  $\phi_1$  till  $\phi_n$  hold over all  $S$

useful for:

if  $\phi_1$  is very complex and  $\phi_2$  is super trivial. If it turns out that they are logically equivalent we can use  $\phi_2$  instead of  $\phi_1$  and save a lot of calculations.

equivalence reduces to validity satisfiability.

### Note

$\models$  is equivalent to  $\Rightarrow$

and means from that the Righthand side is the logical consequence of the Lefthand side

### 1.1 definability between logics

input:

- formula  $\phi_1$
- Logic  $L_1$

Question:

can you rewrite  $\phi_1$  valid in  $L_1$  to another formula  $\phi_2$  in  $L_2$  for example because maybe  $L_2$  has better algorithmical complexity.

## 2 Propositional Logic

## vocabulary:

- $\Sigma = \{p, q, r\}$  are boolean variables
- $\vee, \wedge, \neg, \implies, \iff$  are [boolean connectives](#)

## syntax

grammar: what is a valid formula

examples :  $p|q|, |\phi \wedge \phi| \neg|\phi \implies \phi|$

all formulas can also be represented by a [syntactic tree](#)

example  $p \wedge (\neg q \vee r)$  is

semantics:

requires a structure  $S : \Sigma \implies \{true, false\}$

describes when  $\phi$  holds on S (denoted as  $S \models \phi$ )

examples for the application of  $\models$

$$S \models p \iff S(p) = True$$

$$S \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \iff S \models \phi_1 \text{ and } S \models \phi_2$$

$$S \models \phi_1 \vee \phi_2 \iff S \models \phi_1 \text{ or } S \models \phi_2$$

## 3 Model Checking

We write a program that check if the above statements are fulfilled

```
def Model-check(phi,S):
    if phi == p:
        return S(p)
    elif phi == phi_1 or phi_2:
        return Model-check(phi_1,S)
        or Model-check(phi_2,s)
    elif phi == phi_1 and phi_2:
        return Model-check(phi_1,S)
        and Model-check(phi_2,s)
    elif ...
```

What is the complexity of this algorithm is polynomial:

size of the formula -> number of rows of the [syntactic tree](#)

times the size of the structure -> polynomial

Name EVAL and is p-complete

## 4 Satisfiability

Short name: SAT

We look for one Structure of  $S$  where the

```
def Satisfiable(phi):
    let p1,p2,... = all propositional variables in phi

    for v1 = true,false do
        for v2 = true,false do
            ...
            S=[p1:v1,p2:v2]
            if Model-check(phi,S):
                return true
    return false
```

The complexity is exponential time because you have to try every possible configuration of variables.

One can guess the inputs  $vx$  to make it non-deterministic. Then the complexity is not exponential.

### #Validity

We look if the formula  $\phi$  is valid in all Structures  $S$

```
def Valid(phi):
    let p1,p2,... = all propositional variables in phi

    for v1 = true,false do
        for v2 = true,false do
            ...
            S=[p1:v1,p2:v2]
            if not Model-check(phi,S):
                return false
    return true
```

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## 5 Economy of Syntax

### Lemma 1:

Every formula is equivalent to one without  $\iff$  and  $\implies$

prove:

$\phi_1 \implies \phi_2$  is equivalent to  $(\neg\phi_1) \vee \phi_2$

$\phi_1 \iff \phi_2$  is equivalent to

$$(\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2) \wedge (\neg\phi_1 \wedge \neg\phi_2)$$

### Lemma 2:

Every formula is equivalent to one in Negation Normal Form.

The Negation Normal Form can be computed efficiently if there is no  $\iff$  .

$$\neg(\phi_1 \vee \phi_2)$$

proof:

- $\neg(\phi_1 \vee \phi_2)$  becomes  $(\neg\phi_1 \wedge \neg\phi_2)$
- $\neg(\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2)$  becomes  $(\neg\phi_1 \vee \neg\phi_2)$

see: [Morgans Laws](#)

[Lemma 3](#):

Every formula is [equi-satisfiable](#) to one in [Conjunctive Normal Form](#). The [Conjunctive Normal Form](#) can be computed efficiently if there is no  $\iff$

proof: exercise

[Corollary 1](#):

CNF-SAT is NP-complete

## 6 [Tableaux](#)

We want to check [Satisfiability](#).

Motto: instead of guessing the structure we guess pieces of the formula that are easy to satisfy.

A [Tableaux](#) is usually a tree.

Another example:

Rules:

One can only break up on conjunction or disjunction every level.

The choice changes the tableaux but the result is always the same.

1.  $\phi$  needs to be in the [Negation Normal Form](#) -> to keep the  $\neg$  next to the variables
2. start with a singleton tree  $\{\phi\}$  which in other representation is  $\{\alpha_0\}$  with one single leaf  $F_0$  for each leaf that is not *unblocked*:
3. Choose a part of the formula  $\alpha_n$  (a sub-formula)
4. expand the tree under  $F_n$  by adding
  - if  $\alpha_n$  has the form of  $\beta \wedge \beta'$ 
    - $F_{n+1} = \{F \text{ ohne } \alpha, \beta, \beta'\}$
  - if  $\alpha_n$  has the form of  $\beta \vee \beta'$  add two children
    - $F_{n+1} = \{F \text{ ohne } \alpha, \beta\}$
    - $F_{n+1} = \{F \text{ ohne } \alpha, \beta'\}$

The formula is not

The formula is **invalid** if one branch contains a contradiction for instance  $\{p, \neg p\}$

The formula is **valid** if no branch contains a contradiction

### 6.1 Example/ Application:

Consider a device whose internal state is encoded by  $k$  bits  $\underline{p} = p_1, \dots, p_n$

- initial state is described by a propositional formula  $\phi_{init}(\underline{p})$
- target state is described by a propositional formula  $\phi_{target}(\underline{p})$
- Transitional formulas are described by a propositional formula  $\phi_{step}(\underline{p}, \underline{p}')$

Question: can we go from  $\phi_{init}(\underline{p})$  to  $\phi_{target}(\underline{p})$  by only applying  $\phi_{step}(\underline{p}, \underline{p}')$

Maximum length of steps is  $2^k$  as there are only  $2^k$  possible variations when having k bits.

The formula describes it:

$$\phi_{reach}(\underline{p}_1, \dots, \underline{p}_n) = \phi_{init}(\underline{p}_1) \wedge \phi_{step}(\underline{p}_1, \underline{p}_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \phi_{step}(\underline{p}_{n-2}, \underline{p}_{n-1}) \wedge \phi_{target}(\underline{p}_n)$$

If this formula is satisfiable there is a way from *init* to *target*

## 7 QBF Quantified Boolean Formulas

### Vocabulary:

- Boolean variables  $\Sigma = \{p, q, r, \dots\}$
- Boolean connectives  $\wedge, \vee, \neg, \iff, \implies$
- $\forall, \exists$  Quantifiers

### Syntax:

$$\phi = p|q|\dots|\phi \wedge \phi|\phi \vee \phi|\neg\phi|\phi \iff \phi|\phi \implies \phi|\exists p\phi|\forall p\phi$$

### semantics:

describes when  $S \models \phi$  for  $S : \Sigma \implies \{\text{True}, \text{False}\}$

$S \models p$	$\iff$	$S(p) = \text{True}$
$S \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$	$\iff$	$S \models \phi_1$ or $S \models \phi_2$
...		
$S \models \exists p\phi$	$\iff$	$S' \models \phi$ for some $S' \in \{S[p := \text{true}], S[p := \text{false}]\}$
$S \models \forall p\phi$	$\iff$	$S' \models \phi$ for every $S' \in \{S[p := \text{true}], S[p := \text{false}]\}$

The  $\forall$  and  $\exists$  means that we fix one of the variables to either true or false and reevaluate it with this fixed value. If  $S$  is valid for one of the set values one uses  $\exists$  if the structure holds for all one uses  $\forall$ .

### Note

$\exists p\phi$  is logically equivalent to  $\neg\forall p\neg\phi$

Example:

$$S \stackrel{?}{\models} \forall p \exists q (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q)$$

$$S_1 = [p := \text{true}] \models \forall p \exists q (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q)$$

two possibilities for  $S_1$  of which one but be satisfied:

$$S'_1 = [p = \text{true}, q = \text{false}] \text{ result with this input is not satisfied}$$

$$S''_1 = [p = \text{true}, q = \text{true}] \text{ result with this input is satisfied} \implies \text{True}$$

$$S_2 = [p := \text{false}] \models \forall p \exists q (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q)$$

Same here, one of the two options need to be satisfied

$$S'_2 = [p = \text{false}, q = \text{false}] \text{ result with this input is satisfied} \implies \text{true}$$

$$S''_2 = [p = \text{false}, q = \text{true}] \text{ result with this input is not satisfied} \implies \text{false}$$

That means that means that in case  $S''$  there does not exist one  $q$  that makes the equation valid that means the whole statement is wrong

### Bound and free variables

- a variable  $p$  is considered **bound** when it appears under a scope of a quantor i.e.  $\exists p$  or  $\forall p$
- a variable is considered free when it is not in the a scope under quantor. i.e. in all other cases

Example:

the first occurrence of  $p$  is free. The third occurrence of  $p$  ( $\neg p$ ) is bound to the  $\exists p$ .

$$\phi = p. \dots \exists p. \dots (\neg p)$$

When we write  $\phi(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$  we mean that the free variables of  $\phi$  are  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$

When we write  $\phi[p/\alpha]$  we denote a formula where we replace all occurrences of  $p$  by  $\alpha$ . Another Notation could be when we first write  $\phi(p)$  that to denote that we exchange  $p$  by  $\alpha$  we write  $\phi[\alpha]$ . Take care square brackets!

Example:

$$\phi = \neg p \vee \exists p(p \wedge q)$$

When we write  $\phi[p/\alpha]$  we only replace the **free** occurrences of  $p$

i.e:

$$\phi = \neg \alpha \vee \exists p(p \wedge q)$$

### Lemma 4 (renaming)

$\exists p \phi$  is equivalent to  $\exists q \phi[p/q]$  if  $q$  does not appear **free** in  $\phi$