CS3243 : Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Tutorial 8

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► Regarding T7 Assignment

Review

- Making Inferences
- ▶ How do we obtain knowledge from the percepts of an agent?
- ightharpoonup Can we infer query α given KB, that we possess?
- ▶ Can we show KB $\models \alpha$?

Review

- Several Approaches
- ▶ Truth Table
- Resolution
 - Use propositional logic
 - Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)
 - Resolution Algorithm
 - Soundness and Completeness of Resolution Algorithm

Developing Intuition

- Some relevant definitions:
 - ▶ A sentence is valid if it is true in all models
 - ▶ A sentence is satisfiable if it is true in some models
 - ▶ A sentence is unsatisfiable if it is true in no models
- How is satisfiability related to entailment?
- Satisfiability is connected to Entailment via the following KB $\models \alpha$ if KB $\land \neg \alpha$ is unsatisfiable

- We have a knowledge base with propositional logic statements involving the boolean variables $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n$
- lacktriangle Given a logical formula q, let M(q) be the set of all the truth assignments to variables for which q is true (essentially the models)
- ▶ Recall that an inference algorithm \mathcal{A} is sound if whenever a statement q is inferred from KB by \mathcal{A} , KB entails q
- Also an inference algorithm is complete if whenever KB entails a statement q, $\mathcal A$ will eventually infer q

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- ▶ Suppose $\overrightarrow{x} = \langle x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \rangle$ is the set of sentences in KB and KB is in CNF form
- First resolution step (case of single resolution step)
 - ▶ There exists two clauses $P(\overrightarrow{x}) \lor x$ and $Q(\overrightarrow{x}) \lor \neg x$ which reduces to $P(\overrightarrow{x}) \lor Q(\overrightarrow{x})$
 - Since the two clauses are true (being a part of KB), either of the clauses $P(\overrightarrow{x})$ or $Q(\overrightarrow{x})$ must be true
 - Hence, it is true for any resolvent reached after one resolution step

- Inductive step
 - Suppose that any resolvent q is achievable after r resolution steps that satisfy $M(\mathsf{KB}) \subseteq M(q)$
 - lacktriangle We are supposed to show that the claim holds for r+1 steps
 - However, this is simply a repitition of the proof for the one-resolution step case, with KB being KB' (the set of resolvents reachable from KB after r resolution steps)

- ▶ Direct Proof?
- ► Give it a try!

- Every CNF formula can be converted into 3-CNF formula
- ▶ Look at the proof!

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- Hints
 - Any clause in a 2-CNF formula can be written in one of these forms : $x \to y, \neg x \to y, x \to \neg y, \neg x \to \neg y$
 - Create a directed (implication) graph whose nodes are variables and their negations
 - If the clause $l_1 \to l_2$ appears in the original formula, we add edges $\langle l_1, l_2 \rangle$ and $\langle \neg l_1, \neg l_2 \rangle$ to the graph!
 - Think about what happens when there is some cycle containing variable x and its negation $\neg x$

Proof

Thank you!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate. Feel free to ask! We are here to learn together!