

# Intro to AI Assignment-5

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## 1 Question 1

In the last paragraph of Ch.8.3.2, it says Often, one finds that the expected answers are not forthcoming, for example, from  $\text{Spouse}(\text{Jim};\text{Laura})$  one expects (under the laws of many countries) to be able to infer that  $\neg \text{Spouse}(\text{George};\text{Laura})$ ; but this does not follow from the axioms given earlier - even after we add  $\text{Jim} \neq \text{George}$  as suggested in Section 8.2.8. This is a sign that an axiom is missing.

Based on this paragraph,

1. It mentions “axioms given earlier”, collect and show the axioms.
2. Does the fact  $\neg \text{Spouse}(\text{George},\text{Laura})$  follow from the facts  $\text{Jim} \neq \text{George}$  and  $\text{Spouse}(\text{Jim},\text{Laura})$ ? If so, give a proof; if not, supply additional axioms as needed.
3. What happens if we use  $\text{Spouse}$  as a unary function symbol instead of a binary predicate? How will this change affect the axioms you provide and what will be the new set of axioms if it affects?

### Answer

1) Axioms are given below:

- a) A sibling is a parent's other child
- b) Men and women belong to separate/disjoint categories.
- c) One's mother is one's female parent
- d) One's husband is one's, male spouse
- e) Parent and child relationship is an inverse relation
- f) A grandparent is a parent of one's parent

- 2)  $\neg \text{Spouse}(\text{George}, \text{Laura})$  follows from Jim+ George and  $\text{Spouse}(\text{Jim}, \text{Laura})$   
 No, it does not follow; to support the claim, we still require one more fact.  
 i.e.  $\forall x, y, z \text{ Spouse}(x, z) \wedge \text{Spouse}(y, z)$

As a result, we can say that

$\text{Spouse}(\text{Jim}, \text{Laura}) \wedge \text{Spouse}(\text{George}, \text{Laura}) \rightarrow \text{Jim} = \text{George}$

But  $\text{Jim} \neq \text{George} \Rightarrow \text{Spouse}(\text{George}, \text{Laura})$

- 3) "Spouse as a unary function"

We know that

$\text{Jim} \neq \text{George}$  and  $\text{Spouse}(\text{Laura}) = \text{Jim}$

From the above statements, we can say that:  $\neg \text{Spouse}(\text{Laura}) = \text{Jim}$

Therefore, even if a spouse is a unary function rather than a binary predicate, the solution is still correct.

## 2 Question 2

In Ch.9.3.1, the AI textbook describes an example when explaining first- order definite clauses, as shown in Fig. 1 Construct a model such that the sentences from (9.3) to (9.10) in Fig. 1 are all true (recall what a model is in FOL and what are the components of a model).

### Answer

Given below is an example (Figure 1.) from the Ch 9.3.1 in the AI textbook explaining about the first-order definite clauses.

Constructing a model (Figure 2.) such that the sentences from (9.3) to (9.10) in Figure 1 are all true.

Level 3 statements are by default true.

Because they are derived from the claims in level 3, statements at level 2 are true.

Statements at levels 2 and 3 are generated from the statement at level 1.

Let us put definite clauses to work in representing the following problem:

The law says that it is a crime for an American to sell weapons to hostile nations. The country Nono, an enemy of America, has some missiles, and all of its missiles were sold to it by Colonel West, who is American.

First, we will represent these facts as first-order definite clauses:

“... it is a crime for an American to sell weapons to hostile nations”:

$$\text{American}(x) \wedge \text{Weapon}(y) \wedge \text{Sells}(x, y, z) \wedge \text{Hostile}(z) \Rightarrow \text{Criminal}(x). \quad (9.3)$$

“Nono ... has some missiles.” The sentence  $\exists x \text{ Owns}(\text{Nono}, x) \wedge \text{Missile}(x)$  is transformed into two definite clauses by Existential Instantiation, introducing a new constant  $M_1$ :

$$\text{Owns}(\text{Nono}, M_1) \quad (9.4)$$

$$\text{Missile}(M_1) \quad (9.5)$$

“All of its missiles were sold to it by Colonel West”:

$$\text{Missile}(x) \wedge \text{Owns}(\text{Nono}, x) \Rightarrow \text{Sells}(\text{West}, x, \text{Nono}). \quad (9.6)$$

We will also need to know that missiles are weapons:

$$\text{Missile}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Weapon}(x) \quad (9.7)$$

and we must know that an enemy of America counts as “hostile”:

$$\text{Enemy}(x, \text{America}) \Rightarrow \text{Hostile}(x). \quad (9.8)$$

“West, who is American ...”:

$$\text{American}(\text{West}). \quad (9.9)$$

“The country Nono, an enemy of America ...”:

$$\text{Enemy}(\text{Nono}, \text{America}). \quad (9.10)$$

Figure 1: 9.3.1 First-order definite clauses

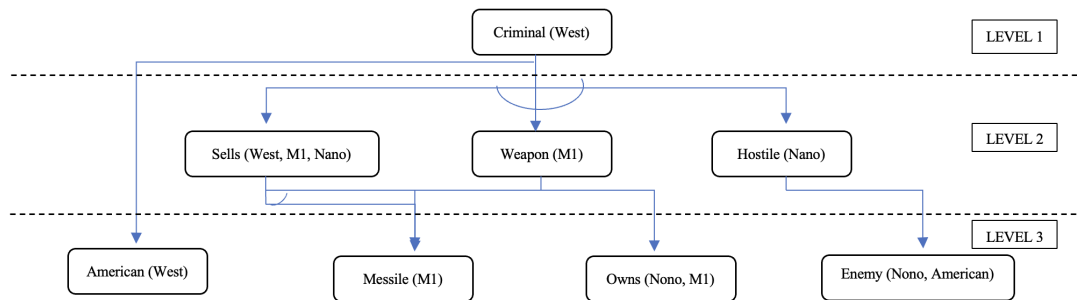


Figure 2: Model of First-order definite clauses

### 3 Question 3

Read Ch.9.5.3 and any other relevant sections to understand how resolution is used to prove  $\neg \text{Criminal}(\text{West})$ . Then use what you learned to prove  $\text{Evil}(\text{John})$  with respect to the knowledge base in (9.1), shown in Fig. 2.

**Answer**

$\forall \text{King} (n) \wedge \text{greedy} (n) \Rightarrow \text{Evil} (n)$

STEP 1  $\rightarrow$  Convert to CNF form

$\neg (\text{King} (n) \wedge \text{greedy} (n)) \vee \text{Evil} (n)$

Apply demorgans

$(\neg \text{King} (n) \wedge \neg \text{greedy} (n)) \vee \text{Evil} (n)$

Distribution Law

$(\neg \text{King} (n) \vee \text{Evil} (n)) \wedge (\neg \text{greedy} (n) \vee \text{Evil} (n))$

STEP 2  $\rightarrow$  List all the statements and negated goals

$\text{King} (n) \vee \text{Evil} (n)$

A2 -  $\neg (\text{greedy} (n) \vee \text{Evil} (n))$

B -  $\text{King} (\text{Jhon})$

C -  $\text{greedy} (\text{Jhon})$

D -  $\text{Brother} (\text{Richard}, \text{Jhon})$

$\neg E$  -  $\neg \text{Evil} (\text{Jhon})$

We can prove the negation first and prove that John is King, and John is greedy

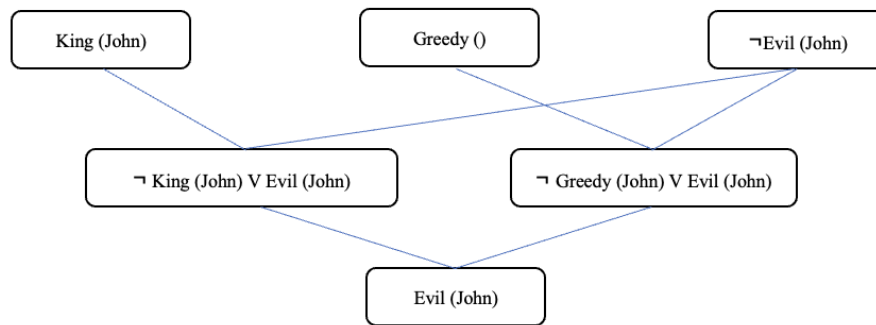


Figure 3: This model shows that the John is king and John is Greedy.

## 4 Question 4.

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the first-order language with a single predicate  $S(p, q)$ , meaning “p shaves q”. Assume a domain of people.

- Consider the sentence “There exists a person P who shaves everyone who does not shave themselves, and only people that do not shave themselves.” Express this in  $\mathcal{L}$ .
- Convert the sentence you just obtained to clausal form.
- Construct a resolution proof to show that the clauses just obtained are inherently inconsistent.

(Note: you do not need any additional axioms.)

### Answer

Given to us:

Considering the statement “There exists a person P who shaves everyone who does not shave themselves, and only people that do not shave themselves.”

- Express the sentence in  $\mathcal{L}$ .

$$\exists p \forall q \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{person}(q) \wedge (\neg S(q, q) \leftrightarrow S(p, q)) \dots \text{eq 1}$$

- Converting the above sentences into clausal form

First-order formula:

From equation 1,

$$\exists p \forall q \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{person}(q) \wedge (\neg S(q, q) \leftrightarrow S(p, q)) \quad (1)$$

$$\exists p \forall q \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{person}(q) \wedge (\neg S(q, q) \rightarrow S(p, q)) \wedge (S(p, q) \rightarrow \neg S(q, q)) \quad (2)$$

By removing implications:

$$\exists p \forall q \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{person}(q) \wedge (\neg S(q, q) \vee S(p, q)) \wedge (\neg S(p, q) \vee \neg S(q, q)) \quad (3)$$

Skolemize off the existence:

$$\forall q \text{ person}(p) \wedge \text{person}(q) \wedge (\neg S(q, q) \vee S(p, q)) \wedge (\neg S(p, q) \vee \neg S(q, q)) : \{p=P\} \quad (4)$$

By dropping the universal qualifier:

$$\text{person}(p) \wedge \text{person}(q) \wedge (\neg S(q, q) \vee S(p, q)) \wedge (\neg S(p, q) \vee \neg S(q, q)) \quad (5)$$

## References

- [RN22] Stuart J. Russell and Peter Norvig. Artificial intelligence: A modern approach. pages 299–322, 2022.