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# Lecture Overview

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# Introduction

## ❑ Problem-solving (Reflex) agents (Previous lecture)

- Knowledge is limited and inflexible, hidden in transition model  $Result(s, a)$
- Atomic representation of states is limited

## ❑ Knowledge-based agents (This lecture)

- Represent knowledge about the world
- Deduce the actions to take from the knowledge

## ❑ Representing knowledge using logic

- Propositional logic (PL)
- First-order logic (FOL)

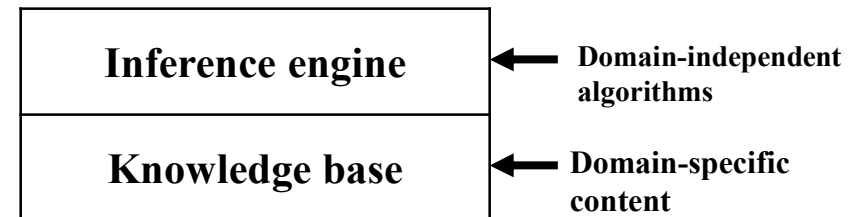
## ❑ First-order logic (FOL)

- More expressive than PL

# Knowledge-Based Agents

## A simple knowledge-based agent

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**Figure 7.1** A generic knowledge-based agent. Given a percept, the agent adds the percept to its knowledge base, asks the knowledge base for the best action, and tells the knowledge base that it has in fact taken that action.

# Representing Knowledge in Logic

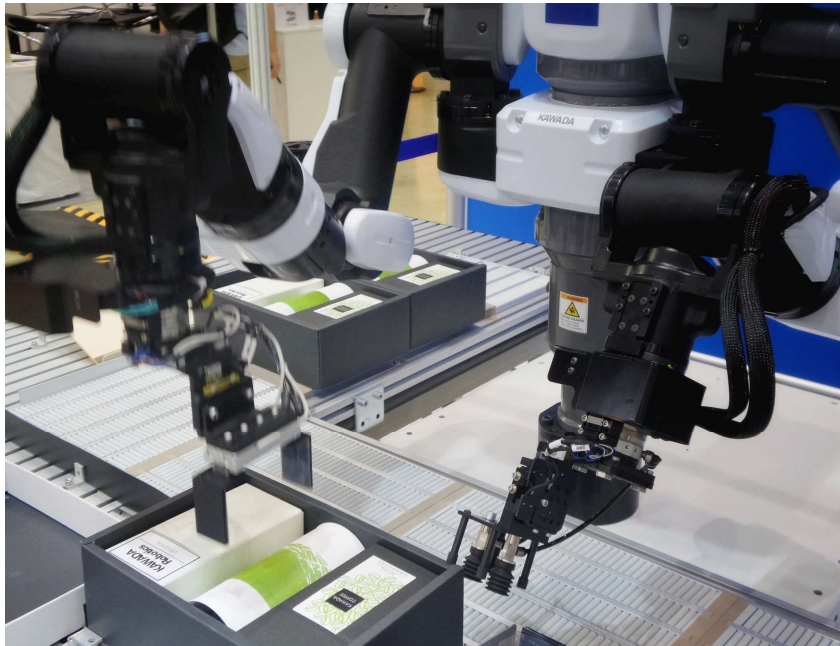


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*Battery*

*Liftable*

*Movable*

Knowledge Base (Rules)

$$B \wedge L \Rightarrow M$$

Sensors (Facts)

$B$   
 $L$

Query (Goal)

$M?$

# Kinds of Logic

## Logics in general (formal languages)

Language	Ontological Commitment (What exists in the world)	Epistemological Commitment (What an agent believes about facts)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Propositional logic</li><li>First-order logic</li><li>Temporal logic</li><li>Probability theory</li><li>Fuzzy logic</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>facts</li><li>facts, objects, relations</li><li>facts, objects, relations, times</li><li>facts</li><li>facts + degree of truth</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>true/false/unknown</li><li>true/false/unknown</li><li>true/false/unknown</li><li>degree of belief</li><li>known interval value</li></ul>



# Propositional Logic & Inference

## Inference rules

### □ Modus ponens

$$\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \alpha \models \beta$$

$$(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n), (\alpha_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha_n \Rightarrow \beta) \models \beta$$

### □ And-elimination

$$\alpha \wedge \beta \models \alpha$$

### □ Resolution

$$(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_j, \dots, \alpha_n), (\alpha_1, \dots, \neg \alpha_j, \dots, \alpha_n) \models (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{j-1}, \alpha_{j+1}, \dots, \alpha_n)$$

*Light*  $\Rightarrow$  *Lecture*  
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 $\rightarrow$  *Lecture*

*Light*  $\Rightarrow$  *Lecture*  
 $\rightarrow \neg$  *Light*  $\vee$  *Lecture*

$\neg$  *Light*  $\vee$  *Lecture*  
*Light*  
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# First-Order Logic

## □ Family relationships: Sibling

- A sibling is another child of one's parents

$$\forall x, y \text{ Sibling}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow x \neq y \wedge \exists p \text{ Parent}(p, x) \wedge \text{Parent}(p, y)$$

- Brothers are siblings

$$\forall x, y \text{ Brother}(x, y) \Rightarrow \text{Sibling}(x, y)$$

- Sibling is symmetric

$$\forall x, y \text{ Sibling}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow \text{Sibling}(y, x)$$

- A first cousin is a child of a parent's sibling

$$\forall x, y \text{ FirstCousin}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow \exists p, ps \text{ Parent}(p, x) \wedge \text{Sibling}(ps, x) \wedge \text{Parent}(ps, y)$$



# Lecture 5. Knowledge-Based Agents

## ➤ Knowledge-based Agents

- What is knowledge?
- Logical Agents: Knowledge in logic

## ➤ Propositional Logic

- Syntax and semantics

## ➤ Propositional Inference

- Forward and backward chaining
- Resolution inference

## ➤ First-Order Logic

- Syntax and semantics
- Using first-order logic

## Outline (Lecture 5)

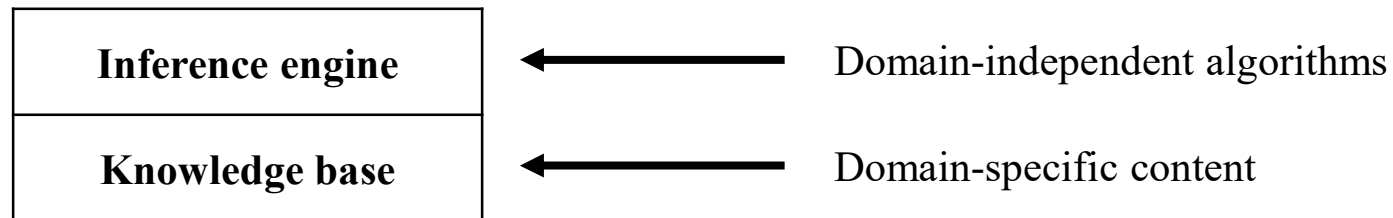
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## 5.1. Knowledge-Based Agents



## 5.1 Knowledge-Based Agents (1/2)



- **Knowledge base = A set of sentences in a formal language**
- **Declarative** approach to building an agent (or other system):
  - **Tell** it what it needs to know
- Then it **Ask** itself what to do – answers should follow from knowledge base
- **Agents can be viewed at the knowledge level:** what they know or at the implementation level
  - i.e. data structures and algorithms in knowledge base

## 5.1 Knowledge-Based Agents (2/2)

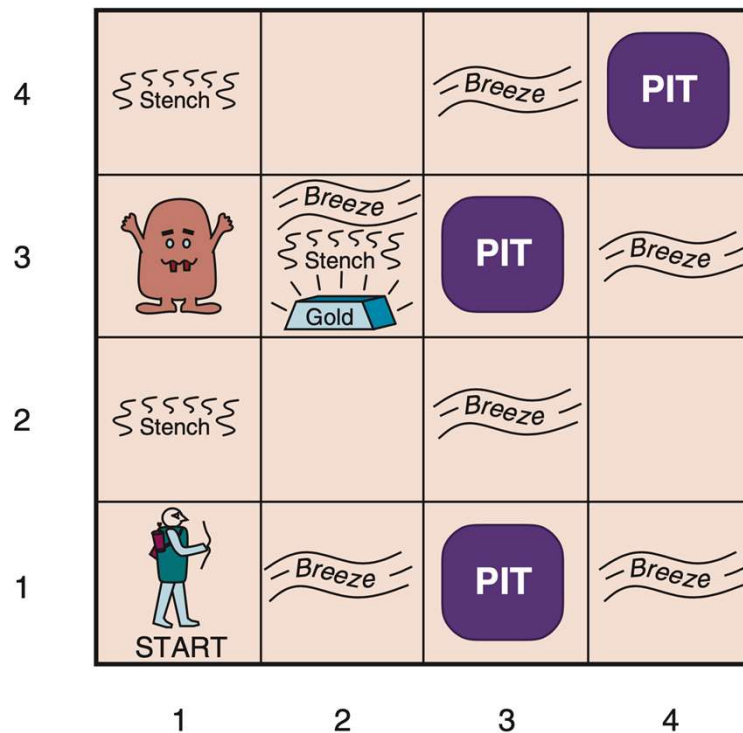
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# The Wumpus World



## Sensors

Stench  
Breeze  
Glitter  
Bump  
Scream  
OK  
Pit  
Visited  
Wumpus  
None

## Actuators

Forward  
TurnLeft  
TurnRight  
Grab  
Shoot  
Climb

## Knowledge Base

None → OK  
OK → MoveForward  
Breeze → Pit  
Pit → TurnLeft  
Glitter → Gold  
Gold → Grab

$B_{2,1}$  : It breezes at (2, 1)

$P_{3,1}$  : There is a pit at (3,3)



## 5.2 Propositional Logic





## 5.2 Propositional Logic (1/5)

### Logic in general

- Logics are formal languages for representing information such that conclusions can be drawn.
- Syntax defines the sentences in the language.
- Semantics define the “meaning” of sentences.
  - i.e. Define truth of a sentence in a world.

### Entailment

- Entailment means that one thing follows from another:  $KB \models \alpha$
- Knowledge base  $KB$  entails sentence  $\alpha$  iff  $\alpha$  is true in all models where  $KB$  is true.

## 5.2 Propositional Logic (3/5)

### Syntax

- **Proposition:** A statement which can be evaluated as true or false (but not both or neither)
  - Proposition symbols: *Liftable, Movable, L, M, P<sub>1</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>, S<sub>1</sub>, S<sub>2</sub>*
  - **Literals:**  $S$  (positive literal),  $\neg S$  (negative literal)
- **(Propositional) sentences:** The proposition symbols  $P_1, P_2$  are sentences
- If  $S$  is a sentence,  $\neg S$  is a sentence (negation)
- If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \vee S_2$  is a sentence (disjunction)
- If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \wedge S_2$  is a sentence (conjunction)
- If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$  is a sentence (implication)
- If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_2$  is a sentence (biconditional)

## 5.2 Propositional Logic (4/5)

### Semantics

- Each model specifies true/false for each proposition symbol
  - i.e.  $P_{1,2}: \text{true}, P_{2,2}: \text{true}, P_{3,1}: \text{false}$
- (With these symbols, 8 possible models, can be enumerated)

### Truth tables for 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
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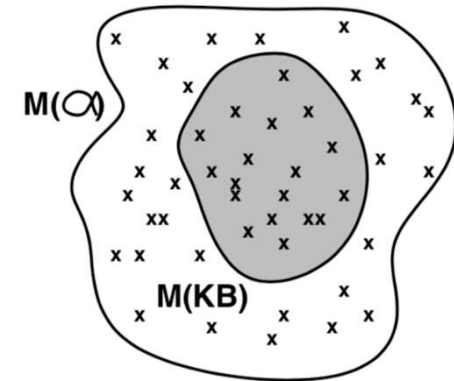
### Models of $P \vee Q$

- $P=\text{false}, Q=\text{true}$
- $P=\text{true}, Q=\text{false}$
- $P=\text{true}, Q=\text{true}$

## 5.2 Propositional Logic (2/5)

### Models

- Models are formally structured worlds with respect to which truth can be evaluated.
- $m$  is a model of a sentence  $\alpha$  if  $\alpha$  is true in  $m$ .
  - model  $m :=$  interpretation or assignment  $\theta$  that makes  $\alpha$  true
- $M(\alpha)$  is the set of all models of  $\alpha$ .
  - $m = (P=false, Q=true)$  is a model of  $\alpha = "P \vee Q"$
  - $M("P \vee Q") = \{ (P=false, Q=true), (P=true, Q=false), (P=true, Q=true) \}$
- Then  $KB \models \alpha$  iff  $M(KB) \subseteq M(\alpha)$



### Inference

- $KB \vdash_i \alpha$  = sentence  $\alpha$  can be derived from  $KB$  by procedure  $i$
- Soundness:  $i$  is sound if, whenever  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$ , also true that  $KB \models \alpha$
- Completeness:  $i$  is complete if, whenever  $KB \models \alpha$ , also true that  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$

## 5.2 Propositional Logic (5/5)

### Truth tables for inference

$$KB \models \alpha$$

- Enumerate rows (different assignments to symbols): if  $KB$  is true in row, check that  $\alpha$  is too.
- **Inference by enumeration** (or **model checking**): Enumeration of all models **sound** and **complete**

$B_{1,1}$	$B_{2,1}$	$P_{1,1}$	$P_{1,2}$	$P_{2,1}$	$P_{2,2}$	$P_{3,1}$	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	$R_4$	$R_5$	$KB$
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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⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
true	true	true	true	true	true	true	false	true	true	false	true	false



## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving



## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (1/10)

So far, we have shown how to determine entailment by **model checking (or inference by enumeration)**: enumerating models and showing that the sentences must hold in all models. Here we show how entailment can be done by theorem proving.

### Theorem Proving

#### ➤ Logical Equivalence

- Sentences  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are **logically equivalent** if they are true in the **same set of models**.

#### ➤ Validity

- A sentence is **valid** if it is **true** in **all** models
- e.g. **True**,  $A \vee \neg A$ ,  $A \Rightarrow A$ ,  $(A \wedge (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$

#### ➤ Satisfiability

- A sentence is **satisfiable** if it is true in **some** model
- A sentence is **unsatisfiable** if it is true in **no** models: e.g.  $A \wedge \neg A$



## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (2/10)

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

**Figure 7.11** Standard logical equivalences. The symbols  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  stand for arbitrary sentences of propositional logic.

## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (3/10)

### Inference rules

#### ➤ Modus Ponens

$$\blacksquare \frac{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \alpha}{\beta}$$

whenever any sentences of the form  $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$  and  $\alpha$  are given, then the sentence  $\beta$  can be inferred.

*Light*  $\Rightarrow$  *Lecture*  
*Light*  
 $\rightarrow$  *Lecture*

#### ➤ And-Elimination

$$\blacksquare \frac{\alpha \wedge \beta}{\alpha}$$

*Light*  $\wedge$  *Loud*  
 $\rightarrow$  *Light*

*Light*  $\Rightarrow$  *Lecture*  
 $\rightarrow$  (in CNF form)  
 $\neg$  *Light*  $\vee$  *Lecture*

#### ➤ Resolution

$$\blacksquare (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_j, \dots, \alpha_n), (\alpha_1, \dots, \neg \alpha_j, \dots, \alpha_n) \models (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{j-1}, \alpha_{j+1}, \dots, \alpha_n)$$

$\neg$  *Light*  $\vee$  *Lecture*  
*Light*  
 $\rightarrow$  *Lecture*

## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (4/10)

### Horn Clauses, Definite Clauses, and Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

$CNFSentence \rightarrow Clause_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Clause_n$   
 $Clause \rightarrow Literal_1 \vee \dots \vee Literal_m$   
 $Fact \rightarrow Symbol$   
 $Literal \rightarrow Symbol \mid \neg Symbol$   
 $Symbol \rightarrow P \mid Q \mid R \mid \dots$   
 $HornClauseForm \rightarrow DefiniteClauseForm \mid GoalClauseForm$   
 $DefiniteClauseForm \rightarrow Fact \mid (Symbol_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Symbol_l) \Rightarrow Symbol$   
 $GoalClauseForm \rightarrow (Symbol_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Symbol_l) \Rightarrow False$

**Figure 7.12** A grammar for conjunctive normal form, Horn clauses, and definite clauses. A CNF clause such as  $\neg A \vee \neg B \vee C$  can be written in definite clause form as  $A \wedge B \Rightarrow C$ .

**Horn clause:** Disjunctions of max one positive literal

A

$\neg A \vee B$

$\neg A \vee \neg B \vee C \quad [\Leftrightarrow A \wedge B \Rightarrow C]$

**Conjunctive normal form (CNF):**

conjunction of clauses

$(\dots \vee \dots) \wedge (\dots \vee \dots) \wedge (\dots \vee \dots)$

**KB is a conjunction of clauses (CNF)**

$C \wedge (B \Rightarrow A) \wedge (C \wedge D \Rightarrow B)$

## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (5/10)

### Proof methods

- **Forward chaining**
  - LHS to RHS
  - Data-driven
- **Backward chaining**
  - RHS to LHS
  - Goal-driven
- **Resolution refutation (theorem proving)**
  - $KB \models \alpha$  if and only if  $(KB \wedge \neg\alpha)$  is unsatisfiable
  - Prove  $\alpha$  by *reduction ad absurdum*
  - Proof by refutation or proof by contradiction

## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (6/10)

Example Is Q True?

$$P \Rightarrow Q$$

$$L \wedge M \Rightarrow P$$

$$B \wedge L \Rightarrow M$$

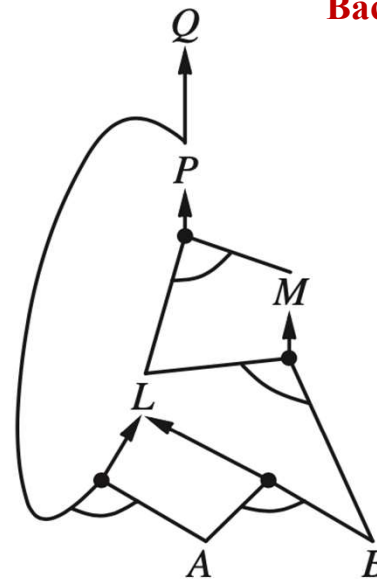
$$A \wedge P \Rightarrow L$$

$$A \wedge B \Rightarrow L$$

$A$

$B$

(a)



(b)

**Backward chaining**



**Forward chaining**



deduction vs induction (ML)

**Figure 7.16** (a) A set of Horn clauses. (b) The corresponding AND–OR graph.

## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (7/10)

### Forward and backward chaining

#### ➤ Forward chaining (FC)

- **Fire any rule** whose premises are satisfied in the *KB*, add its conclusion to the *KB*, until query is found.
- FC is **data-driven**, cf. automatic, unconscious processing.
- May do lots of work that is irrelevant to the goal.
- FC derives every atomic sentence that is entailed by *KB*.

#### ➤ Backward chaining (BC)

- Work backwards from the query *q*
- Avoid loops: check if new subgoal is already on the goal stack.
- Avoid repeated work: check if new subgoal.
- BC is **goal-driven**, appropriate for problem-solving.

## 6.5 Propositional Theorem Proving (8/10)

### Resolution

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF—universal)  
**conjunction** of **disjunctions** of **literals**  
**clauses**

E.g.,  $(A \vee \neg B) \wedge (B \vee \neg C \vee \neg D)$

Resolution inference rule (for CNF): complete for propositional logic

$$\frac{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_k, \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_{i-1} \vee \ell_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee \ell_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n}$$

where  $\ell_i$  and  $m_j$  are complementary literals. E.g.,

$$\frac{P_{1,3} \vee P_{2,2}, \quad \neg P_{2,2}}{P_{1,3}}$$

Resolution is sound and complete for propositional logic

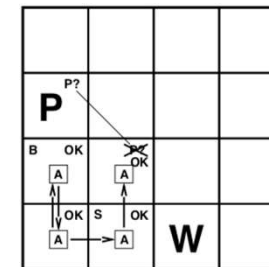


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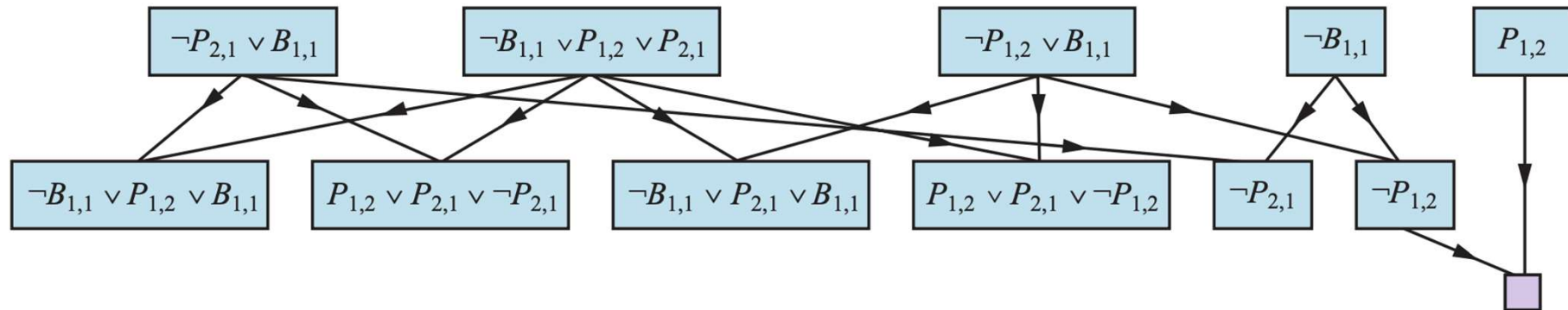


## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (9/10)

**Resolution Refutation:** show  $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$  is unsatisfiable (proof by contradiction)

- $KB = (B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge \neg B_{1,1} \quad \neg \alpha = P_{1,2}$
- Cf.  $B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \rightarrow (\neg B_{1,1} \vee P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{1,2} \vee B_{1,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{2,1} \vee B_{1,1})$

Example



## 5.3 Propositional Theorem Proving (10/10)

### Resolution Algorithm for Propositional Logic

```
function PL-RESOLUTION( $KB, \alpha$ ) returns true or false
  inputs:  $KB$ , the knowledge base, a sentence in propositional logic
            $\alpha$ , the query, a sentence in propositional logic

   $clauses \leftarrow$  the set of clauses in the CNF representation of  $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$ 
   $new \leftarrow \{\}$ 
  while true do
    for each pair of clauses  $C_i, C_j$  in  $clauses$  do
       $resolvents \leftarrow$  PL-RESOLVE( $C_i, C_j$ )
      if  $resolvents$  contains the empty clause then return true
       $new \leftarrow new \cup resolvents$ 
    if  $new \subseteq clauses$  then return false
   $clauses \leftarrow clauses \cup new$ 
```

**Figure 7.13** A simple resolution algorithm for propositional logic. PL-RESOLVE returns the set of all possible clauses obtained by resolving its two inputs.

# Agents Based on Propositional Logic

## A Hybrid Agent

- Maintains and updates a knowledge base as well as current plan.
- Uses logical inference by asking questions of the knowledge base, to work out which squares are safe, and which have yet to be visited.
- Constructs a plan based on a decreasing priority of goals.
- Route planning is done with A\* search.

## Logical State Estimation

- The process of updating the belief state as new percepts arrive.
- Use a logical sentence involving proposition symbols associated with the current time step.
- *Approximate* state estimation represent belief states as conjunctions of literals (1-CNF formulas)
- As time goes along, some information may be lost.

# Summary (Part I)

1. Knowledge is contained in agents in the form of **sentences** in a **knowledge representation language** that are stored in a **knowledge base**.
2. A representation language is defined by its **syntax**, which specifies the structure of sentences, and its **semantics**, which defines the **truth** of each sentence in each **possible world** or **model**.
3. The relationship of **entailment** between sentences is crucial to our understanding of reasoning.
4. The **propositional logic** is a simple language consisting of proposition symbols and logical connectives, which does not scale to environments of unbounded size.
5. The **inference rules** are patterns of sound inference that can be used to find proofs.
6. The **resolution rule** yields a complete inference algorithm for knowledge bases that are expressed in conjunctive normal form.
7. Forward chaining and backward chaining are very natural reasoning algorithms for knowledge bases in Horn form.
8. The **local search** methods such as WalkSAT can be used to find solutions. Such algorithms are sound but not complete.



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## 5.4 First-Order Logic



## 5.4 First-Order Logic (1/8)

### Propositional logic

- » Propositional logic is **declarative**: pieces of syntax respond to facts
- » Propositional logic allows partial/disjunctive/negated information
  - (unlike most data structures and databases)
- » Propositional logic is **compositional**:
  - meaning of  $B_{1,1} \wedge P_{1,2}$  is derived from meaning of  $B_{1,1}$  and of  $P_{1,2}$
- » Meaning in propositional logic is **context-independent**
  - (unlike natural language, where meaning depends on context)
- » Propositional logic has very **limited expressive power**
  - (unlike natural language)
  - e.g. cannot say pits cause breezes in adjacent squares except by writing one sentence for each square

## 5.4 First-Order Logic (2/8)

### First-order logic

- » More expressive than propositional logic
- » Whereas propositional logic assumes world contains facts, first-order logic (like natural language) assumes the world contains
  - **Objects**: people, houses, numbers, theories, Ronald McDonald, colors, baseball games, wars, centuries ...
  - **Relations**: red, round, bogus, prime, multistoried ..., brother of, bigger than, inside, part of, has color, occurred after, owns, comes between, ...
    - Unary relations or **properties**
  - **Functions**: father of, best friend, third inning of, one more than, end of



## 5.4 First-Order Logic (3/8)

### Models for FOL: Example

The **models** of a logical language are the formal structures that constitute the **possible worlds** under consideration. Each model links the **vocabulary** of the logical sentences to **elements** of the possible world, so that the **truth** of any sentence can be determined.

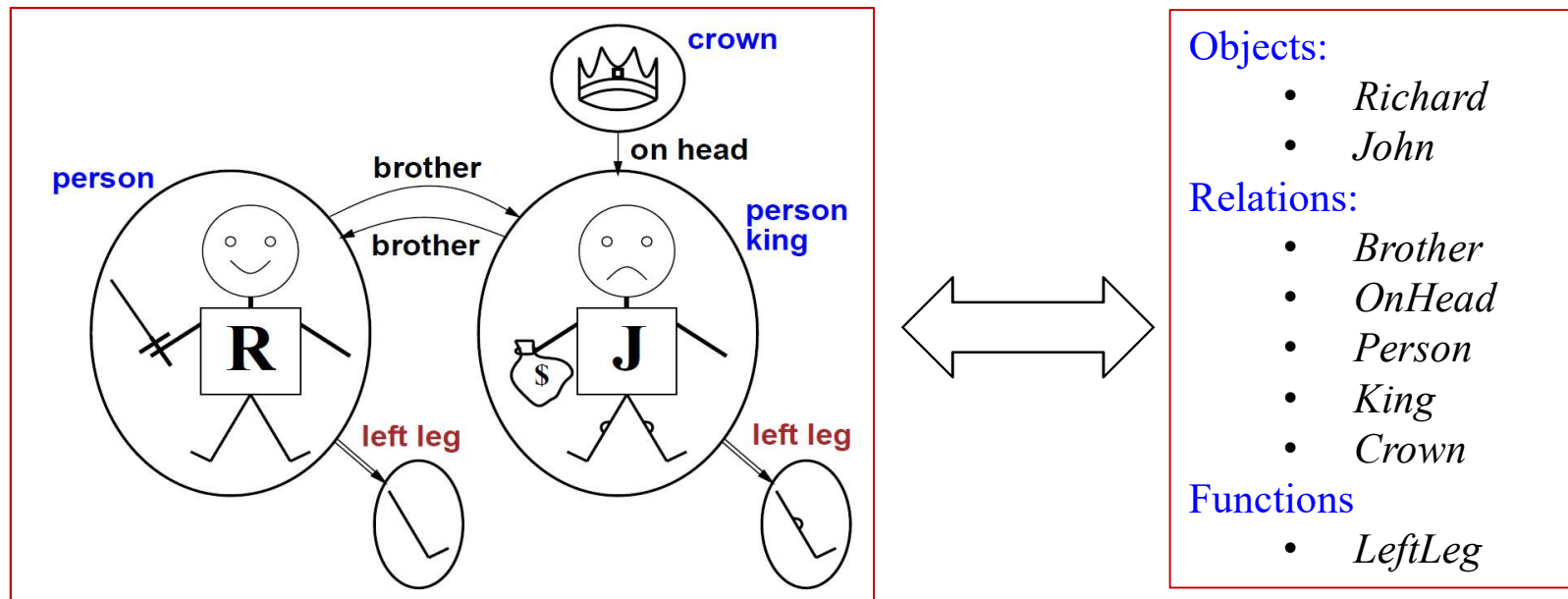


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## 5.4 First-Order Logic (4/8)

### Syntax and Semantics of FOL

#### Symbols and interpretations

- Constants *Richard* (interpretation: “*Richard the Lionheart*”)
- Predicates *Brother* (interpretation: brotherhood relation)
- Functions *LeftLeg*
- Variables  $x, y, a, b \dots$
- Connectives  $\wedge, \vee, \neg, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow, \dots$
- Equality  $=$
- Quantifiers  $\forall, \exists$

## 5.4 First-Order Logic (5/8)

### □ Terms

*Richard, LeftLeg(Richard)*

*$x, f(x)$*

A term is an logical expression that refers to an **object**.

### □ Atomic sentences

*Brother(Richard, John)*

*Married(Father(Richard), Mother(John))*

A sentence is a **predicate** which can be evaluated as true or false.

### □ Complex sentences

*Brother(Richard, John)  $\wedge$  Brother(John, Richard)*

*$\neg$ King(Richard)  $\Rightarrow$  King(John)*

## 5.4 First-Order Logic (6/8)

### □ Quantifiers

- **Universal quantifier**

$$\forall x \text{ King}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Person}(x)$$

- **Existential quantifier**

$$\exists x \text{ Crown}(x) \wedge \text{OnHead}(x, \text{John})$$

Quantifiers express properties of **entire collections of objects**, instead of enumerating the objects by name.

$\exists x P$  is true in a model  $m$  iff  $P$  is true with  $x$  being **some** possible object in the model

### □ Equality

$$\text{Father}(\text{John}) = \text{Henry}$$

## 5.4 First-Order Logic (7/8)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sentence} &\rightarrow \text{AtomicSentence} \mid \text{ComplexSentence} \\
 \text{AtomicSentence} &\rightarrow \text{Predicate} \mid \text{Predicate}(\text{Term}, \dots) \mid \text{Term} = \text{Term} \\
 \text{ComplexSentence} &\rightarrow ( \text{Sentence} ) \mid [ \text{Sentence} ] \\
 &\mid \neg \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \wedge \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \vee \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \Rightarrow \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Sentence} \Leftrightarrow \text{Sentence} \\
 &\mid \text{Quantifier Variable}, \dots \text{Sentence} \\
 \\ 
 \text{Term} &\rightarrow \text{Function}(\text{Term}, \dots) \\
 &\mid \text{Constant} \\
 &\mid \text{Variable} \\
 \\ 
 \text{Quantifier} &\rightarrow \forall \mid \exists \\
 \text{Constant} &\rightarrow A \mid X_1 \mid \text{John} \mid \dots \\
 \text{Variable} &\rightarrow a \mid x \mid s \mid \dots \\
 \text{Predicate} &\rightarrow \text{True} \mid \text{False} \mid \text{After} \mid \text{Loves} \mid \text{Raining} \mid \dots \\
 \text{Function} &\rightarrow \text{Mother} \mid \text{LeftLeg} \mid \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

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

The syntax of first-order logic in Backus-Naur form (BNF).

## 5.4 First-Order Logic (8/8)

### □ Truth in FOL

- **Sentences** are true with respect to a model and an interpretation
- **Model** contains  $\geq 1$  objects (domain elements) and relations among them
- **Interpretation** specifies referents for
  - Constant symbols  $\rightarrow$  objects
  - Predicate symbols  $\rightarrow$  relations
  - Function symbols  $\rightarrow$  functional relations
- An atomic sentence *predicate*(*term*<sub>1</sub>, ..., *term*<sub>n</sub>) is true
  - iff the objects referred to by *term*<sub>1</sub>, ..., *term*<sub>n</sub> are in the relation referred to by *predicate*



## 5.5 Using First-Order Logic



## 5.5 Using First-Order Logic (1/2)

### □ Family relationships

- One's mother is one's female parent

$$\forall m, c \text{ Mother}(c) = m \Leftrightarrow \text{Female}(m) \wedge \text{Parent}(m, c)$$

- One's husband is one's male spouse

$$\forall w, h \text{ Husband}(w, h) \Leftrightarrow \text{Male}(h) \wedge \text{Spouse}(h, w)$$

- Male and female are disjoint categories

$$\forall x \text{ Male}(x) \Leftrightarrow \neg \text{Female}(x)$$

- Parent and child are inverse relations

$$\forall p, c \text{ Parent}(p, c) \Leftrightarrow \text{Child}(c, p)$$

- A grandparent is a parent of one's parent

$$\forall g, c \text{ Grandparent}(g, c) \Leftrightarrow \exists p \text{ Parent}(g, p) \wedge \text{Parent}(p, c)$$



## 5.5 Using First-Order Logic (2/2)

### □ Family relationships: Sibling

- A sibling is another child of one's parent

$$\forall x, y \text{ Sibling}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow x \neq y \wedge \exists p \text{ Parent}(p, x) \wedge \text{Parent}(p, y)$$

- Brothers are siblings

$$\forall x, y \text{ Brother}(x, y) \Rightarrow \text{Sibling}(x, y)$$

- Sibling is symmetric

$$\forall x, y \text{ Sibling}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow \text{Sibling}(y, x)$$

- A first cousin is a child of a parent's sibling

$$\forall x, y \text{ FirstCousin}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow \exists p, ps \text{ Parent}(p, x) \wedge \text{Sibling}(ps, x) \wedge \text{Parent}(ps, y)$$

# Summary

- **Knowledge representation languages** should be declarative, compositional, expressive, context independent, and unambiguous.
- Logics differ in their **ontological commitments** and **epistemological commitments**. While PL commits only to the existence of facts, FOL commits to the existence of objects and relations and thereby gains expressive power.
- The syntax of FOL extends the PL by adding **terms** to represent objects, and having universal and existential **quantifiers** to construct assertions about all or some of the possible values of the quantified variables.
- A **possible world**, or **model**, for first-order logic includes a set of objects and an **interpretation** that maps constant symbols to objects, predicate symbols to relations among objects, and function symbols to functions on objects.
- An atomic sentence is true just when the relation named by the predicate holds between the objects named by the terms. **Extended interpretations**, which map quantifier variables to objects in the model, define the truth of quantified sentences.
- **Developing a KB in FOL** requires a careful process of analyzing the domain, choosing a vocabulary, and encoding the axioms required to support the desired inferences.