Overview:

- Chapter 6 Constraint Satisfaction
- Chapter 18 Learning
- Chapter 7 Logical Agents

Notes:

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Chapter 6 - Constraint Satisfaction

- Constraint Satisfaction Problems (CSP)
 - Definition: solutions with caveats
 - Example: find a way to take classes such that I graduate in four years.
 Constraints are prereq's, course availability, and funding
 - Previously, states were
 - Atomic don't care about internal rep. except w/ respect to goal/heuristic
 - Mutated by actions to produce new atomic state
 - Now Factored representations
 - States have internal structure
 - Structure can be manipulated
 - Constraints related different parts of the structure to one another and provide legal/illegal configurations
- CSP Definition
 - o Problem = {X, D, C}
 - X set of variables X = {X1, X2, ... Xn}
 - D set of domains D = {D1, D2, ... Dn}
 - such that Xi = xi where xi in Di
 - **C** set of constraints C = {C1, C2, ... Cn}
 - such that Ci = < (Ca, Cb), relationship(Ca, Cb)>
- CSP Example: Map Coloring
 - Color territories on a map using 3 colors such that no two colors are adjacent
 - Can be represented as a graph with adjacent area connected by an edge
 - All variables have the same domain (the three colors)
 - o Constraint set consists of areas adjacent not being equal Rosulfahl Sed
- CSP Example: Scheduling
- Constraint Types
 - o **Domain values** time at which task begins {0, 1, 2 ...}
 - Precedence constraints a + b <= c
 - Disjunctive constraints e.g. can only do one thing at a time => a + 10 <= b or b + 10 <= a
 - Unary single variable (z <= 10)
 - Binary between two variables z^2 > y

- Global constraints with 3+ variables can be reduced to multiple binary/unary constraints
- Constraint graphs / hyper graphs see slides for picture
- Binarization of constraints
 - Convert n-ary constraints into unary/binary ones
 - Any arbitrary n-ary constraint can be converted to equivalent unary constraint
 - o Example 1: Individual variables and their domains
 - Variables: $X = \{1,2\}$ $Y = \{3,4\}$ $Z = \{5,6\}$
 - Encapsulated $U = \{(1,3,5), (1,3,6), (1,4,5), (1,4,6), (2,3,5), (2,3,6), (2,4,5), (2,4,6)\}$
 - Introduce new encapsulated variable that is a Cartesian product of the domains of the individual variables! All Possibilities that Salisty through one the less be in the content of the c
 - Cartesian product U = X x Y x Z
 - This new encapsulated variable U contains all the unique combinations
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 - <u>Example 2: Original constraint and variables</u>
 - Constraint: X + Y =
 - Variables: X = {1,2} Y = {3,4} Z = {5,6}
 - Encapsulated U = $\{(1,3,5), (1,3,6), (1,4,5), (1,4,6), (2,3,5), (2,3,6), (2,4,5), (2,4,6)\}$
 - Encapsulated U (reduced)= {(1,4,5), (2,3,5), (2,4,6)}
 - Create the encapsulated variable like before but perform a reduction based on the constraint! It will reduce the domain of U
 - https://ktiml.mff.cuni.cz/~bartak/constraints/binary.html
- CSP Example: House Puzzle
 - Row of houses each one has
 - color
 - Person with nationality
 - favorite candy
 - Favorite drink
 - Pet
 - All attributes distinct
 - Associate variables with a location
 - e.g. milk 3 for house #3, cat 4 for house 4
- Implementing a CSP problem: Representation
 - Variables simple list
 - Values mapping from variables to value lists e.g. python dictionary
 - Neighbors mapping from variables to list of other variables that participate in constraints
 - o **Binary constraints** explicit value pairs, functions that return a boolean value
- General Strategies for Solving CSP
 - Local consistency: reduce set of possible values through constraint enforcement and propagation

Perform search on remaining possible states

Node Consistency

- A variable is node-consistent if all values satisfy all unary constraints
- Other unary conditions could further restrict the domain

• Arc Consistency

- Arc-consistent
 - Variable all binary constraints are satisfied for the variable
 - Network if all variables in CSP are arc-consistent
- Arc consistency only helps when some combinations of values preclude others
- 3 Outcomes (when all arcs arc consistent)
 - One domain is empty => **no solution**
 - Each domain has a single value => unique solution
 - Some domains have more than one value => may or may not be a solution
 - In this case, arc consistency isn't enough to solve

• Paths and k-consistency - higher levels of consistency, beyond our scope

- Path consistency
 - See if pair of variables consistent with 3rd variable, solved similarly to arc consistency
- K-consistency
 - Given k-1 consistent variables, can we make Nth variable consistent (generalization of consistency)

Global Constraints

- Consider an "all different" constraint
- Each variable has to have a distinct value
- Assuming M variables and N distinct values
- What happens when M > N? Impossible to solve, have to repeat a value
- Extending this idea: ??? review this
 - Find variables constrained to single value
 - Remove these variables and their values from all variables
 - Repeat until no variable is constrained to a single value
 - Constraints cannot be satisfied if
 - Variable remains with empty domain
 - There are more variables than remaining values

• Resource contains ("at most")

- Consistency checks minimum values of domains satisfy constraint?
- Domain restriction are the largest values consistent with the minimum ones?
- o ???

Range Bounds

- Impractical to store large integer sets
- o Ranges can be used [min, max] instead
- Bounds propagation can be used to restrict domains according to constraints
- Once all constraints propagated, search for solution

Naive Search

- Action picks a variable and a value.
- N variables, domain size D -> N x D possible search nodes
- Search on next variables
- Backtrack when search fails
- Problems
 - N variables with domain of size D
 - NxD choices for first, (N-1)D for second -> N!d^n
 - Only d^n possible assignments

Modified Search

- CSPs are commutative => order of variable selection does not affect correctness
- Each level of search handles specific variable
- Levels have d choices, leaving us with d^n leaves

Backtracking Search

• Select-Unassigned-Variable

- Fail-first strategies:
 - Minimum remaining value heuristic:
 - Select the most constrained value; the one with the smallest domain
 - Rationale: probably most likely variable to fail
 - Degree heuristic:
 - Use the variable with the highest number of constraints on other unassigned variables

Order-Domain-Values

- Order of values within a domain may or may not make a difference
- If goal is to produce all solutions or if there are no solution => order has no consequence
- In other cases, we use a fail-last strategy and pick the value that reduces neighbors' domains as little as possible

• Why fail-first for variable selection and fail-last for value selection?

For variables, order does not matter. So we want to eliminate as many possible.
 For values, order can matter so if we eliminate a value, we might hurt ourselves later when we go to check it out.

Inference in Search => Forward Checking

- Check arc consistency with neighboring variables
- Not needed if arc-consistency was performed prior to search

Maintaining Arc Consistency (MAC)

- Algorithm that propagates constraints beyond the node
- AC3 algorithm with modified initial queue
 - Typical AC3 all constraints
 - MAC constraints between selected variable and its neighbors

Back-Jumping

- Maintain a conflict set for each variable X:
 - A set of assignments that restricted values in X's domain
- When conflict occurs, backtrack to last conflict added

Back-Jumping Implementation:

- On forward checks of X assigned to x,
 - When X deletes a value form Y's domain, add X=x to Y's conflict set
 - If Y is emptied, add Y's conflict set to X's and backjump
- Easy to implement, build conflict set during forward check
- However, what we prune is redundant to what we'd prune from forward checking or MAC searches
- More sophisticated backjumps add notes here
- Conflict-Directed Back-Jumps add notes for example?

Constraint-Learning and No-Goods

- Minimal set of assignments that caused problem no-goods
- Avoid running into problem by adding new constraint (or checking no-good cache)

Local Search CSPs

- Alternative to what we have seen so far
- Assign everything at once
- Search changes one variable at a time
 - Which variable? ???

Min-Conflicts Local Search

- Pretty effective for many problems, e.g. million queens problem can be solved in about 50 steps
- Essentially greedy search, consequently:
 - Local extrema
 - Can plateau
 - Techniques discussed for **hill climbing** can be applied (e.g. simulated annealing, plateau search)

• Structure of CSP Problems

- Improve search by exploiting structure
- Independent subproblems solve separately
- Tree structure CSP
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• Tree Structure CSP

- Basic Ideas
 - Order variables (topological sort) such that constraints form a tree
 - Solve one variable at a time, propagate
- Not all CSP constraints form trees
- Transforming graphs with cycles into trees
 - Solve variable that reduces remaining conditions to a tree
 - Select a set of variables, a cutest that reduces problem to a tree after removal and examine with each possible assignment

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Ch 18 - Learning

- Agents can learn to improve
 - Inference from percepts
 - o Information about world evolution as the result of **changing world** or **action**
 - Utility estimators
 - Action choices either update condition-action maps or involve goal modification to maximize utility
- What we want to learn
 - Mapping function
 - Inputs are factored representation e.g. vector of values
 - Outputs are
 - Discrete (e.g. categorical)
 - Continuous
- Type of Learning
 - Inductive learn map between input / output pairs
 - Deductive creating rules that are logically entailed
- Learners vary based on feedback
 - Unsupervised learning
 - No explicit feedback
 - Goal is to cluster similar things
 - Reinforcement learning
 - Learner given rewards/punishments for actions
 - Ex: animal training w rewards
 - Hybrids are possible such as semi-supervised learning where a small set of labeled data accompanies large set of unlabeled data
- Caveat about labeled data sets
 - Labels referred to as "ground truth"
 - Why be cautious with "ground truth"? Error can be systematic / important?
- Supervised Learning
- How to choose amongst functions?
- Hypothesis spaces
- Supervised Learning
- Decision Tree Learner
 - Answers a series of questions to arrive at a solution
 - o For now, restrict discussion to
 - Questions that have categorical (discrete answers)
 - Binary classification decisions
 - Decision trees -> good for justifying decision because you can see the decisions (white box)
- Constructing a tree from examples
- Quantity of information

- Amount of surprise that one sees when observing an event
- If an event is rare, we can derive a large quantity of information (measured in bits) from it
- Expectation (review)
- Entropy
 - Defined as expected amount of information (average amount of surprise) and is usually denoted by the symbol H
- Example
- Restaurant Example
- Entropy and tree questions
- Tree Qeustions
 - Eq's have binary response
 - Suppose goal: separate mammals from birds
 - Question: does it fly?
- Tree Questions Entropy
 - o Entropy is E[I(P(X))] = E[-log2P(X)]
 - For binary categories, define short hand:
 - \blacksquare Q = p / (p + n) => the positive rate
 - \blacksquare 1 Q = Q / (p + n) => the negative rate
 - B(q) = E[IP(X)] = -qlog2q (1-q)log2(1-q)
 - Non-binary entropy calc:

$$-\Sigma_i \in _{\text{num classes}} P(v_i) \log_2(v_i) == \Sigma_i \in _{\text{num classes}} P(v_i) \log_2(1/P(v_i))$$

- o Bird/mammal example
- Entropy and Tree Questions
- Information Gain
 - o Goal: **reduce** the amount of information needed to represent the problem
 - We can represent the remaining entropy after dividing data into d groups with question A as follows:
 - Remainder(A) = some questions from slide

Remainder(A) =
$$\sum_{k=1}^{d} \frac{p_k + n_k}{p + n} B\left(\frac{p_k}{p_k + n_k}\right)$$

- Expected value of entropy for all the categories
- And information gain as:
 - Gain(A) = B(p/(p+n)) Remainder(A)
- B = Binary Entropy
- Information Gain Examples
- Decision Tree Learner
- Features and Overlearning
 - Useless features are not good for prediction, but a learner may pick up on random patterns in the training data and incorporate into rules

- Generalization and overfitting
 - Learning random patterns that don't affect function is called overfitting
 - For each leaf node, ask ourselves if good information gain
 - If node informative, keep it, otherwise discard
 - How do we know if our decisions were any good?
 - Goal was to separate into positive and negative classes as well as possible
 - Can we devise a statistic that lets us know if our observed split is statistically significant from the expected ratio? => Chi squared

• Chi Squared Test

- Supposed decision tree splits a node into V categories
- If node does not add any new info, we would exotic # of class examples in each split roughly according to same proportion of examples
- Let's restrict an example to
- We can look at how much our categories differ from what would be expected if the proportion of categories did not change
- When value is small, we are close to the original distribution
- Test stat has distribution related to number of cateogrires 1 => degrees of freedom
- Cumulative density function (CDF) -> integrate P(x dof) up to delta
- The chi-squared test is used to determine whether there is a significant difference between the expected frequencies and the observed frequencies in one or more categories.

• More Thoughts on Decision Trees

- Continuous/integer-valued attributes
 - Dont create infinite branches
 - Select split point
 - Sort values
 - Keep running total of number of +/I examples for each point in sorted list and pick separating point that give best separation
- Decision Tree Summary
 - Relatively straightforward learners
 - Recursively portion the feature space into hyperplanes
 - Sensitive to overtraining, have methods to prune
 - Easy for humans to understand
- Do I have a good hypothesis function?
 - Assume that are independent and identically distributed (iid)
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 - We cross-validate the learner on a separate validation set
 - o Problem: don't exploit all data
- K-fold cross validation
 - Extreme caseL leave-one-out cross validation (aka jackknife)

Model selection

- More complex models (e.g. more nodes in a decision tree) learn the training data better, but are they really better?
- Look at validation error

Loss

- Loss functions are form of utility function that provide cost for misclassification
- Could be good to find whale and noted to misclassify nonwhale
- Some learners attempt to minimize loss
- Common loss functions ???

$$\begin{split} L_1(x,y,\hat{y}) &= \left| y - \hat{y} \right| & \text{absolute loss function} \\ L_2(x,y,\hat{y}) &= \left(y - \hat{y} \right)^2 & \text{squared loss function} \\ L_{0/1}(x,y,\hat{y}) &= \begin{cases} 0 & y = \hat{y} \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} & 0/1 \text{ loss function} \end{split}$$

Generalization Loss

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- O What is our loss when we use a novel data set e?
- The expected loss requires the distribution (X,Y) which we probably do not have:

$$GenLoss_L(h) = \sum_{(x,y)\in\epsilon} L(x,y,h(x))P(x,y)$$

But we can estimate it empirically on a finite set of examples E of N samples:

$$EmpLoss_L(h) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{(x,y) \in E} L(x, y, h(x))$$

■ Unreliability: f may not be in H

- Variance: learners return different f's for different training sets
- Noise:
 - F may be noisy (e.g. stochastic component different y's for the same x)
 - The training samples may have mis-measured attributes or incorrect labels
 - Might not have measured important attributes
- Complexity: learner may not achieve a global minimum
- Regularization of Regression
 - o ???

Linear Classification

- Regression lines can be used to classify examples
- We look for a linear separating line (hyperplane when data is in R3 or higher)
- Suppose we pick a vector w perpendicular to the decision boundary
- Consider the dot product between w and an arbitrary point
- Once we have w, we can classify by taking the dot product and looking at the sign
- o How do we choose w?
 - Variant of the gradient descent rule used for regression is applicable
 - Recall regression rule

Perceptron Learning Rule

- Iterate through data (1 iteration = 1 epoch) and repeat until noe rrors
- o Convergence may be slow, but guaranteed for linearly separable data
- Most data sets not linear seperable
- When non linearly separable examples presented in random order, we will converge to a stable classifier if alpha decays linearly with epoch number

• Learning with Logistic Regression

• Remember update rule was:

$$w_i = w_i - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} Loss(w)$$

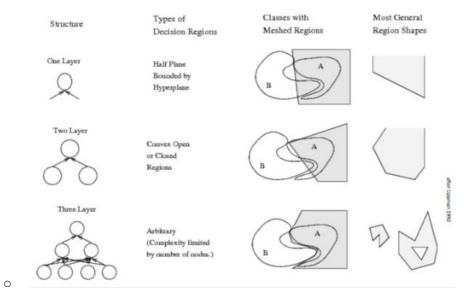
- When the hard threshold is replaced with logistic regression:
 - Easier if we use labels [0,1] instead of [-1, 1] as this range covered by function
 - Derivative of loss needs to be recomputed

$$w_i = w_i - \alpha (y - h_w(x)) h_w(x) (1 - h_w(x)) x_i$$

■ This results in smoother + more predictable learning curve

Connectionist Networks (Artificial Neural Networks)

- Activation functions for perceptrons are **nonlinear**:
 - Hard threshold
 - Logistic regression (frequently called sigmoid function)
- Linking perceptrons together provides complex function modeling capability
- Decision Boundary Capability as a Function of Network Depth

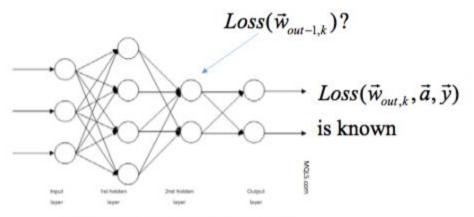


- An Intuitive View of Neural Nets
 - o Suppose we combine two perceptrons whose output functions are reversed
 - o This could be used to model a ridge in output space
- Learning in a Neural Network
 - Similar to the regression problem, for output a and desired output y, we can find the loss gradient for each output node

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w} Loss(w) = \frac{\partial}{\partial w} |y - h_w(x)|^2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \sum_{k=1}^{D} (y_k - a_k)^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{D} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} (y_k - a_k)^2$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w_{output,k} \cdot input}}$$

- o Use perceptron learning rule for the sum of the gradients at the output layer
- Back-Propagation
 - What should the targets be for the previous input layer?



Multilayer Feed-forward network

- Back-propagating error (overview)
 - Error of the kth output: Errk = yk ak
 - We can compute gradient for any input node and apply regression rule
 - This gives new set of weights for output node
 - After applying update to the output layer, there still exists loss
 - We assign a portion of the loss to each of the input nodes based on their weight
 - This contribution is computed for each node of current layer
 - Look at sum of losses attributable to each node in previous layer -> sum of these provides us with loss to minimize
 - Repeat recursively
- ... gap in nodes ???
- Neural Net Summary
 - Supervised Learner
 - Training labels either
 - High value for class (n classes -> n output nodes)
 - Encoding of class ifnormation
 - Iterative training typically using a gradient descent algorithm (e.g. back propagation
 - Classification
 - Present features to input nodes
 - Interpret output nodes for category
 - Disadvantages
 - Frequently hard to interpret
 - Many parameters require large data sets
 - Bad w imbalanced examples
 - Slow to train
 - Overfits easily regularization important
 - Advantages
 - Flexible, nonlinear learner

Deep architectures very powerful

Non-Parametric Models

- Neural nets and decision trees have models with parameters
- Decision node parameters: attribute and cut-point/categories for sub-trees
- Neural nets: weights and connections
- Non-Parametric models:
 - Cannot be characterized by bounded set of parameters
 - Simplest case: look at every example and use it to classify novel examples
 - Called instance or memory-based learning

Nearest Neighbors Models

- Use a distance metric to find the k closest neighbors, e.g. for continuous attributes
- Use the plurality of labels that are the k closest
- Good
 - Simplicity
 - Effective technique for low-dimensional data
- Bad searching is expensive with large training sets, but we can mitigate for this:
 - Trees similar to decision tree (split on value, may at times need to search both sides)
 - Locally sensitive hash tables
 - Hash functions
 - Set of projections on to lines
 - Line projections discretized into buckets
 - Can be much more effective than tree approach
- The Ugly
 - N points uniformly distribution in R^D unit hypercube
 - To capture r = 0.01, what edge length would we need in a random sample?
 - Samples are randomly distributed and total volume is 1, so we need a volume of r (0.01)

Support Vector Machines

- o A **margin** is the distance to the closest examples on either side of a hyperplane
- SVM approaches attempt to maximize the margin
- Can only separate linear problems, but kernel function can project the data into a higher dimensional space where perhaps the data can be better separated
- Maximal margins computed as functions of training examples
- Summary
 - SVM non parametric technique
 - In practice, only small subset of training examples, the support vectors are required
- Training algorithm beyond our scope
- Bias and Variance

- Error in learning comes from two sources: bias and variance
- o Bias large when learners make consistently incorrect predictions
- Variance large when different training sets result in different predictions

Ensemble Learning

- Ensemble learners are collections of weak learners that are combined to form robust classifier
- Weak learner simple learning algorithm that is likely to have high bias (e.g. single node, or stump, of decision tree
- Ensemble learners typically use collections of weak classifiers to reduce both bias and variance

Adaptive Boosting (ADABOOST)

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Chapter 7 - Logical Agents

- Logical Agents
 - Two key components:
 - Representation of the world
 - Background information
 - Percepts
 - Ability to reason : derive new information based on inference
- Knowledge Base (KB)
 - Sentence statement about the agent's world
 - Based on sensors
 - Based on **background knowledge** (or possible learning)
- Satisfaction and Entailment
 - Suppose a is true in model M, then we state:
 - M satisfies a or equivalent
 - Or: M is a model of a
 - M(a) means all models that satisfy a
 - o Reason entailment

$\alpha \models \beta$ if and only if $M(\alpha) \subseteq M(\beta)$

Examples of Entailment

- o House is cornflower blue entails house is a shade of blue
- \circ X = 0 entails xy = 0
- Second set must be bigger and contain it (basically subset)

• Inference Algorithms

- Are sound if inference only devices entailed sentences
 - If our algorithm entailed KB |= a2, we might fall into a pit!
- Are complete if they can service any sentence that is entailed. Becomes an issue when the left-hand side is infinite
- o If KB is well grounded, our entailments should follow in the real world
- Sentence Construction: Propositional Logic

- o Propositional logic is for the most part the logic you learned to program with
 - Sentence -> AtomicSentence | Complex Sentence
 - AtomicSentence -> true | false | literal
 - ComplexSentence -> (Sentence) | [Sentence]
 - | ~ Sentence => (negation)
 - | Sentence ^ Sentence (conjunction)
 - | Sentence v Sentence (disjunction)
 - | Sentence => Sentence (implication)
 - | Sentence <=> Sentence (biconditional)
 - Operator priority is shown by order

Sentence Semantics

- Sentences reduced to true or false with respect to specific model
- In the Wumpus cave
 - we might denote presence or absence of pit by literals indexed by location: Px,y
 - Example: P1,2, P2,2, and P3,1 that have true/false values in any given model
- Models must specify values for each proposition
- To resolve sentence: apply logical connectives to truth values

• Knowledge Base Rules

- o In the Wumpus save,
 - $\,\blacksquare\,$ Denote pit & rumpus presence/absence y $\mathsf{P}_{i,j}$ and $\mathsf{W}_{i,j}$
- There is a breeze if and only if there is a neighboring pit:

$$\blacksquare \quad \mathsf{B}_{2,2} \mathrel{\mathsf{<=>}} \mathsf{P}_{2,1} \, \mathsf{V} \, \mathsf{P}_{2,3} \, \mathsf{V} \, \mathsf{P}_{1,2} \, \mathsf{V} \, \mathsf{P}_{3,2}$$

There is stench if the rumpus is in the next cavern

$$\blacksquare \quad \mathsf{S}_{2,2} \mathrel{<=>} \mathsf{W}_{2,1} \vee \mathsf{W}_{2,3} \vee \mathsf{W}_{1,2} \vee \mathsf{W}_{3,2}$$

$$S_{1,1} \le W_{1,2} \lor W_{2,1}$$

Percepts

- There is no pit at 1,1
 - ~P_{1.1}
- o There is no breeze at 1,1
 - ~B_{1,1}
- o There is a breeze at 2.1
 - B_{2 1}
- Simple Entailment Algorithm

Summary of Model Checking

- Recursively generates all possible combinations of truth values for every symbol
- Checks if the knowledge base is a subset of a specific symbol value assignment
 - o If so, returns if sentence a hold as well
 - Otherwise returns true as we don't care about whether as holds outside the KB (implies)
- Can we prove things without enumerating everything?

Concepts

- Logical equivalence
- a = B if they are true in the same set of models
 - Alternative definition:
 - Equivalent if they entail one another
 - a = | B <=> b |= a

Validity

- Sentences are valid (called **tautologies**) if they are true in all models
 - e.g. (a^b)v~aV~a
- Deduction theorem
 - For arbitrary sentences a and B, a |= B iff (a => B) is valid
- So if we can show (a <=> B) is a tautology, we know a |= B

Satisfiability

- There exists **some model** such that sentence is true
- Sometimes easier to show something is valid by showing its contradiction is not satisfiable:
 - a is valid iff ~a is not satisfiable
 - if no model satisfies ~a, then a must be true
- o which leads to: a |= B iff (a ^ ~B) is not satisfiable
- Remember a |= B iff a => === ~a v B

• Inference Rules

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