

Predicate Logic

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The set of formulas \mathcal{F} are constructed using the following rules:

- ▶ \top and \perp are in \mathcal{F} .
- ▶ If t_1, \dots, t_n are terms and $p \in \mathcal{P}^n$, then $p(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ is a formula. It is called an atomic formula or an atom.
- ▶ If P is a formula, $\neg P$ is a formula.
- ▶ If P and Q are formulas, then $P \vee Q$, $P \wedge Q$, $P \rightarrow Q$, and $P \leftrightarrow Q$ are formulas.
- ▶ If P is a formula, then $\exists x.P$ and $\forall x.P$ are formulas.

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- ▶ Meaning of a predicate logic language consists of an universe and an appropriate meaning of each symbol.
- ▶ This pair is called structure.
- ▶ Structure fixes interpretation of function and predicate symbols.
- ▶ Meaning of variables is determined by a variable assignment.
- ▶ Interpretation of terms and formulas.

Structure

- ▶ Structure: a pair (D, I) .
- ▶ D is a nonempty universe, the domain of interpretation.
- ▶ I is an interpretation function defined on D that fixes the meaning of each symbol associating
 - ▶ to each $f \in \mathcal{F}^n$ an n -ary function $f_I : D^n \rightarrow D$,
 - ▶ to each $p \in \mathcal{P}^n$ an n -ary relation p_I on D .

Variable Assignment

- ▶ A structure $\mathcal{S} = (D, I)$ is given.
- ▶ Variable assignment $\sigma_{\mathcal{S}}$ maps each $x \in \mathcal{V}$ into an element of D : $\sigma_{\mathcal{S}}(x) \in D$.
- ▶ Given a variable x , an assignment $\vartheta_{\mathcal{S}}$ is called an x -variant of $\sigma_{\mathcal{S}}$ iff $\vartheta_{\mathcal{S}}(y) = \sigma_{\mathcal{S}}(y)$ for all $y \neq x$.

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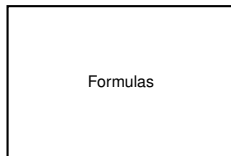
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Definition

A sequent is a pair (Γ, Δ) of finite (possibly empty) sequences $\Gamma = P_1, \dots, P_n$ and $\Delta = R_1, \dots, R_m$ of propositional formulas written as $\Gamma \vdash \Delta$ where Γ is called antecedent and Δ succedent or consequent.

Semantics of Sequent

- ▶ Comma to the left of the turnstile of a sequent $P_1, \dots, P_n \vdash R_1, \dots, R_m$ is thought as "and", and a comma to the right of the turnstile is thought as "or".
- ▶ The semantics of a sequent $P_1, \dots, P_n \vdash R_1, \dots, R_m$ is an assertion that says whenever $P_1 \wedge \dots \wedge P_n$ is true then $R_1 \vee \dots \vee R_m$ is also true.

Rules for Sequent Calculus

$$\overline{\Gamma_1, P, \Gamma_2 \vdash \Delta, P}^{(A)}$$

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$$\overline{\Gamma_1, \perp, \Gamma_2 \vdash \Delta}^{(A\perp)}$$

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$$\frac{\Gamma, P \vdash \Delta_1, \Delta_2}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta_1, \neg P, \Delta_2}^{(\neg R)}$$

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Deduction in the Sequent Calculus

- ▶ The set of inference rules generate deduction trees.
- ▶ The set of deduction trees is defined inductively as the least set of trees containing all one-node trees.
- ▶ The set of proof trees is the set of deduction trees where all one-node trees are labeled with an axiom.
- ▶ A proof of a formula P is a proof of the sequent $\vdash P$,

What is Unification

- ▶ Unification is an algorithmic process to identify two symbolic expressions by replacing certain subexpressions (variables) by other expressions.
- ▶ $f(a, x)$ and $f(y, b)$ terms are identified by replacing the variable x by the term b and the variables y by the term a .
- ▶ A unification problem for two terms t and s is represented by $t \doteq s$.

Substitution and Unifier

- ▶ Substitution is a mapping from variables, where all but finitely many variables are mapped to themselves. For example, $\sigma = \{x \mapsto b, y \mapsto a\}$ is a substitution.
- ▶ A substitution σ is a unifier of the unification problem $s \doteq t$ if $t\sigma = s\sigma$. For example, $\sigma = \{x \mapsto b, y \mapsto a\}$ is a matcher of the matching problem $f(a, x) \doteq f(y, b)$.

SLD Resolution Step

- ▶ Clause: $P \leftarrow P_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge P_n$
- ▶ Goal: $\leftarrow Q_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge Q_m$

Resolvent:

$\leftarrow Q_1\theta \wedge \cdots \wedge Q_{i-1}\theta \wedge P_1\theta \wedge \cdots \wedge P_n\theta \wedge Q_{i+1}\theta \wedge \cdots \wedge Q_m\theta$ where θ is a unifier of $P \doteq Q_i$.

Genealogy Database

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father(x, y) \leftarrow parent(x, y) \wedge male(x).

son(x, y) \leftarrow man(x) \wedge parent(y, x).

grandfather(x, y) \leftarrow father(x, z) \wedge parent(z, y).

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