

ASSESSMENT REPORT: Applying Propositional Logic in Real-World Scenarios through a Mini Expert System

I. INTRODUCTION

This report presents the implementation and testing of a Mini Expert System that applies propositional logic to real-world student scenarios. The system evaluates five distinct rules using logical implication ($P \rightarrow Q$) to make automated decisions based on student data.

II. RULES IMPLEMENTED AND TESTED

2.1 Core Rules

1. Attendance Rule

- **Logic:** $\text{attendance_pct} \geq 75 \rightarrow \text{eligible}$
- **Implementation:** If student attendance is 75% or higher, they are eligible for course completion
- **Real-world application:** Academic institutions require minimum attendance for course eligibility

2. Grading Rule

- **Logic:** $\text{final_grade} \geq 75 \rightarrow \text{pass}$
- **Implementation:** Students with final grade 75 or above pass the course
- **Real-world application:** Standard passing grade threshold in educational systems

3. Login System Rule

- **Logic:** $(\text{username_valid} \wedge \text{password_valid} \wedge \neg \text{account_locked}) \rightarrow \text{login_success}$
- **Implementation:** Successful login requires valid credentials and unlocked account
- **Real-world application:** System security and access control

4. Bonus Points Rule

- **Logic:** participated \rightarrow bonus_points_added
- **Implementation:** Students who participated in activities receive bonus points (capped at 100)
- **Real-world application:** Incentivizing student engagement and participation

2.2 Extended Rule (New Implementation)

5. Library Borrowing Rule

- **Logic:** ($\text{id_valid} \wedge \neg \text{has_overdue_books}$) \rightarrow borrowing_allowed
- **Implementation:** Students can borrow books only if they have valid ID and no overdue items
- **Real-world application:** Library management and resource allocation

```
test_students = [  
    Student(name="Avellaneda", attendance_pct=82.5, final_grade=78.0,  
            username_ok=True, password_ok=True, is_locked=False,  
            participated=True, base_score=88.0, id_valid=True, has_overdue=False),  
  
    Student(name="Capili", attendance_pct=70.0, final_grade=72.0,  
            username_ok=True, password_ok=False, is_locked=False,  
            participated=False, base_score=65.0, id_valid=True, has_overdue=True),  
  
    Student(name="Ramos", attendance_pct=95.0, final_grade=92.0,  
            username_ok=True, password_ok=True, is_locked=True,  
            participated=True, base_score=96.0, id_valid=False, has_overdue=False)  
]
```

Student: Avellaneda

- ✓ AttendanceRule : attendance=82.5% -> eligible
- ✓ GradingRule : grade=78.0 -> pass
- ✓ LoginSystemRule : user_ok=True, pass_ok=True, locked=False -> login success
- ✓ BonusPointsRule : participated=True, base=88.0 -> bonus +5.0, final=93.0
- ✓ LibraryBorrowingRule: id_valid=True, overdue=False -> allowed

Student: Capili

- X AttendanceRule : attendance=70.0% -> not eligible
- X GradingRule : grade=72.0 -> fail
- X LoginSystemRule : user_ok=True, pass_ok=False, locked=False -> login denied
- X BonusPointsRule : participated=False, base=65.0 -> no bonus, final=65.0
- X LibraryBorrowingRule: id_valid=True, overdue=True -> not allowed

Student: Ramos

- ✓ AttendanceRule : attendance=95.0% -> eligible
- ✓ GradingRule : grade=92.0 -> pass
- X LoginSystemRule : user_ok=True, pass_ok=True, locked=True -> login denied
- ✓ BonusPointsRule : participated=True, base=96.0 -> bonus +5.0, final=100.0
- X LibraryBorrowingRule: id_valid=False, overdue=False -> not allowed

IV. CSV DATA ANALYSIS

The generated CSV file contains structured data with the following columns:

- timestamp: Execution time
- student: Student name
- Rule columns: Boolean results (True/False)
- Detail columns: Detailed explanations of each rule evaluation

Sample CSV content:

timestamp,student,AttendanceRule,AttendanceDetail,GradingRule,GradingDetail,LoginSystemRule,LoginDetail,BonusPointsRule,BonusDetail,LibraryBorrowingRule,LibraryDetail

2025-09-06T14:30:41,Avellaneda,True,attendance=82.5% -> eligible,True,grade=78.0 -> pass,True,"user_ok=True, pass_ok=True, locked=False -> login success",True,"participated=True, base=88.0 -> bonus +5.0, final=93.0",True,"id_valid=True, overdue=False -> allowed"

V. LOGICAL ANALYSIS

5.1 Propositional Logic Implementation

Each rule demonstrates proper logical implication:

1. **Attendance:** $P = (\text{attendance} \geq 75), Q = \text{eligible} \rightarrow P \rightarrow Q$
2. **Grading:** $P = (\text{grade} \geq 75), Q = \text{pass} \rightarrow P \rightarrow Q$
3. **Login:** $P = (\text{valid_user} \wedge \text{valid_pass} \wedge \neg \text{locked}), Q = \text{access_granted} \rightarrow P \rightarrow Q$
4. **Bonus:** $P = \text{participated}, Q = \text{bonus_added} \rightarrow P \rightarrow Q$
5. **Library:** $P = (\text{valid_id} \wedge \neg \text{overdue}), Q = \text{borrowing_allowed} \rightarrow P \rightarrow Q$

5.2 Decision-Making Scenarios

The system successfully demonstrates automated decision-making based on logical conditions, providing clear reasoning for each outcome.

VI. NEW RULE DESCRIPTION

Library Borrowing Rule Implementation:

```
def library_borrowing_rule(self, id_valid: bool, has_overdue: bool) -> Tuple[bool, str]:  
    """
```

Library Borrowing Rule: If ID valid AND no overdue items -> Allowed; else -> Not allowed
 """

```
    ok = id_valid and (not has_overdue)
```

```
    return ok, f"id_valid={id_valid}, overdue={has_overdue} -> {'allowed' if ok else 'not  
allowed'}"This rule implements the logical expression: (valid_id  $\wedge$   $\neg$ overdue_books)  $\rightarrow$   
borrowing_allowed
```

Real-world significance: This rule prevents students with overdue books from borrowing additional materials and ensures only registered students can access library resources.

VII. CONCLUSION

The Mini Expert System successfully demonstrates:

1. Translation of real-world conditions into propositional logic
2. Implementation of logical implication in decision-making
3. Automated rule evaluation with detailed explanations
4. Structured data logging for analysis
5. Extensibility through additional rule implementation

The system provides a solid foundation for understanding how propositional logic can be applied to automate decision-making in educational and administrative contexts.

VIII. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

- **Programming Language:** Python 3.12
- **Data Structure:** CSV file for persistence
- **Architecture:** Object-oriented design with separation of concerns
- **Error Handling:** Input validation and exception management
- **Output Format:** Structured logging with timestamps and detailed explanations