

## Last time: Logic and Reasoning

- Knowledge Base (KB): contains a set of sentences expressed using a **knowledge representation language**
  - TELL: operator to add a sentence to the KB
  - ASK: to query the KB
- Logics are KRLs where conclusions can be drawn
  - Syntax
  - Semantics
- Entailment:  $KB \models a$  iff  $a$  is true in all worlds where  $KB$  is true
- Inference:  $KB \vdash_i a$  = sentence  $a$  can be derived from  $KB$  using procedure  $i$ 
  - Sound: whenever  $KB \vdash_i a$  then  $KB \models a$  is true
  - Complete: whenever  $KB \models a$  then  $KB \vdash_i a$

## Last Time: Syntax of propositional logic

Propositional logic is the simplest logic-

The proposition symbols  $P_1, P_2$  etc are sentences

If  $S$  is a sentence,  $\neg S$  is a sentence

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is a sentence,  $S_1 \wedge S_2$  is a sentence

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is a sentence,  $S_1 \vee S_2$  is a sentence

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is a sentence,  $S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$  is a sentence

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is a sentence,  $S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_2$  is a sentence

## Last Time: Semantics of Propositional logic

Each model specifies true/false for each proposition symbol

E.g. 

$A$	$B$	$C$
True	True	False

Rules for evaluating truth with respect to a model  $m$ :

$\neg S$  is true iff  $S$  is false

$S_1 \wedge S_2$  is true iff  $S_1$  is true and  $S_2$  is true

$S_1 \vee S_2$  is true iff  $S_1$  is true or  $S_2$  is true

$S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$  is true iff  $S_1$  is false or  $S_2$  is true

i.e., is false iff  $S_1$  is true and  $S_2$  is false

$S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_2$  is true iff  $S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$  is true and  $S_2 \Rightarrow S_1$  is true

# Last Time: Inference rules for propositional logic

- ◇ **Modus Ponens** or **Implication-Elimination**: (From an implication and the premise of the implication, you can infer the conclusion.)

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

- ◇ **And-Elimination**: (From a conjunction, you can infer any of the conjuncts.)

$$\frac{\alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2 \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha_n}{\alpha_i}$$

- ◇ **And-Introduction**: (From a list of sentences, you can infer their conjunction.)

$$\frac{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p}{\alpha_1 \wedge \alpha_2 \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha_p}$$

- ◇ **Or-Introduction**: (From a sentence, you can infer its disjunction with anything else at all.)

$$\frac{\alpha_i}{\alpha_1 \vee \alpha_2 \vee \dots \vee \alpha_n}$$

- ◇ **Double-Negation Elimination**: (From a doubly negated sentence, you can infer a positive sentence.)

$$\frac{\neg \neg \alpha}{\alpha}$$

- ◇ **Unit Resolution**: (From a disjunction, if one of the disjuncts is false, then you can infer the other one is true.)

$$\frac{\alpha \vee \beta, \quad \neg \beta}{\alpha}$$

- ◇ **Resolution**: (This is the most difficult. Because  $\beta$  cannot be both true and false, one of the other disjuncts must be true in one of the premises. Or equivalently, implication is transitive.)

$$\frac{\alpha \vee \beta, \quad \neg \beta \vee \gamma}{\alpha \vee \gamma}$$

or equivalently

$$\frac{\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \quad \beta \Rightarrow \gamma}{\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \gamma}$$

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This time



- **First-order logic**

- Syntax
- Semantics
- Wumpus world example

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- **Ontology** (ont = 'to be', logica = 'word'). kinds of things one can talk about in the language

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## Why first-order logic?

- We saw that propositional logic is limited because it only makes the ontological commitment that the world consists of **facts**.

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- Difficult to represent even simple worlds like the Wumpus world;

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“don’t go forward if the Wumpus is in front of you” takes 64 rules

## First-order logic (FOL)

- Ontological commitments:

- **Objects:** wheel, door, body, engine, seat, car, passenger, driver
- **Relations:** Inside(car, passenger), Beside(driver, passenger)
- **Functions:** ColorOf(car)
- **Properties:** Color(car), IsOpen(door), IsOn(engine)

- Functions are relations with single value for each object

## Semantics

there is a correspondence between

- functions, which return values
- predicates, which are true or false

Function:  $\text{father\_of}(\text{Mary}) = \text{Bill}$

Predicate:  $\text{father\_of}(\text{Mary}, \text{Bill})$  [true or false]

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## Examples:

- "One plus two equals three"

Objects:

Relations:

Properties:

Functions:

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- "Squares neighboring the Wumpus are smelly"

Objects:

Relations:

Properties:

Functions:

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## Examples:

- "One plus two equals three"

Objects: one, two, three, one plus two

Relations: equals

Properties:--

Functions: plus ("one plus two" is the name of the object  
obtained by applying function plus to one and two;  
three is another name for this object)

- "Squares neighboring the Wumpus are smelly"

Objects: Wumpus, square

Relations: neighboring

Properties: smelly

Functions: --

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## FOL: Syntax of basic elements

- **Constant symbols:** 1, 5, A, B, USC, JPL, Alex, Manos, ...
- **Predicate symbols:**  $>$ , Friend, Student, Colleague, ...
- **Function symbols:** +, sqrt, SchoolOf, TeacherOf, ClassOf, ...
- **Variables:**  $x, y, z, \text{next}, \text{first}, \text{last}, \dots$
- **Connectives:**  $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftarrow$
- **Quantifiers:**  $\forall, \exists$
- **Equality:** =

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## FOL: Atomic sentences

AtomicSentence  $\rightarrow$  Predicate(Term, ...) | Term = Term

Term  $\rightarrow$  Function(Term, ...) | Constant | Variable

- Examples:

- SchoolOf(Manos)
- Colleague(TeacherOf(Alex), TeacherOf(Manos))
- $>((+ x y), x)$

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## FOL: Complex sentences

Sentence  $\rightarrow$  AtomicSentence

| Sentence Connective Sentence

| Quantifier Variable, ... Sentence

|  $\neg$  Sentence

| (Sentence)

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- Examples:

- $S1 \wedge S2, S1 \vee S2, (S1 \wedge S2) \vee S3, S1 \Rightarrow S2, S1 \Leftrightarrow S3$

- $\text{Colleague}(\text{Paolo}, \text{Maja}) \Rightarrow \text{Colleague}(\text{Maja}, \text{Paolo})$

- $\text{Student}(\text{Alex}, \text{Paolo}) \Rightarrow \text{Teacher}(\text{Paolo}, \text{Alex})$

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## Semantics of atomic sentences

- Sentences in FOL are interpreted with respect to a **model**
- Model contains objects and relations among them
- Terms: refer to objects (e.g., Door, Alex, StudentOf(Fabio))
  - Constant symbols: refer to objects
  - Predicate symbols: refer to relations
  - Function symbols: refer to functional Relations
- An atomic sentence  $predicate(term_1, \dots, term_n)$  is **true** iff the relation referred to by  $predicate$  holds between the objects referred to by  $term_1, \dots, term_n$

## Example model

- **Objects:** John, James, Marry, Alex, Dan, Joe, Anne, Rich
- **Relation:** sets of tuples of objects  
 $\{ \langle \text{John, James} \rangle, \langle \text{Marry, Alex} \rangle, \langle \text{Marry, James} \rangle, \dots \}$   
 $\{ \langle \text{Dan, Joe} \rangle, \langle \text{Anne, Marry} \rangle, \langle \text{Marry, Joe} \rangle, \dots \}$
- E.g.:  
Parent relation --  $\{ \langle \text{John, James} \rangle, \langle \text{Marry, Alex} \rangle, \langle \text{Marry, James} \rangle \}$   
then  $\text{Parent}(\text{John, James})$  is true  
 $\text{Parent}(\text{John, Marry})$  is false

## Quantifiers

- Expressing sentences about **collections** of objects without enumeration (naming individuals)

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- E.g., All Trojans are clever

Someone in the class is sleeping

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- Universal quantification (for all):  $\forall$
- Existential quantification (there exists):  $\exists$



## Universal quantification (for all): $\forall$

$\forall$  *<variables>* *<sentence>*

- "Every one in the cs561 class is smart".

$\forall x \text{ In}(\text{cs561}, x) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(x)$

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- **$\forall$  P corresponds to the conjunction of instantiations of P**

$(\text{In}(\text{cs561}, \text{Manos}) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(\text{Manos})) \wedge$

$(\text{In}(\text{cs561}, \text{Dan}) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(\text{Dan})) \wedge$

...

$(\text{In}(\text{cs561}, \text{Bush}) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(\text{Bush}))$

## Universal quantification (for all): $\forall$

- $\Rightarrow$  is a natural connective to use with  $\forall$

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- **Common mistake:** to use  $\wedge$  in conjunction with  $\forall$

e.g:  $\forall x \text{ In}(\text{cs561}, x) \wedge \text{Smart}(x)$

means "every one is in cs561 and everyone is smart"

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## Existential quantification (there exists): $\exists$

$\exists$  *<variables> <sentence>*

- "Someone in the cs561 class is smart".

$\exists x \text{ In}(\text{cs561}, x) \wedge \text{Smart}(x)$

- **$\exists$  P corresponds to the disjunction of instantiations of P**

$\text{In}(\text{cs561}, \text{Manos}) \wedge \text{Smart}(\text{Manos}) \vee$

$\text{In}(\text{cs561}, \text{Dan}) \wedge \text{Smart}(\text{Dan}) \vee$

...

$\text{In}(\text{cs561}, \text{Bush}) \wedge \text{Smart}(\text{Bush})$

## Existential quantification (there exists): $\exists$

- $\wedge$  is a natural connective to use with  $\exists$

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- **Common mistake:** to use  $\Rightarrow$  in conjunction with  $\exists$

e.g:  $\exists x \text{ In}(\text{cs561}, x) \Rightarrow \text{Smart}(x)$

is true if there is anyone that is not in cs561!

(remember, false  $\Rightarrow$  true is valid)

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## Properties of quantifiers

$\forall x \forall y$  is the same as  $\forall y \forall x$  (why??)

$\exists x \exists y$  is the same as  $\exists y \exists x$  (why??)

$\exists x \forall y$  is not the same as  $\forall y \exists x$

$\exists x \forall y \text{ Loves}(x, y)$  <https://powcoder.com>  
"There is a person who loves everyone in the world"

$\forall y \exists x \text{ Loves}(x, y)$  [Add WeChat powcoder](#) Not all by one person but each one at least by one  
"Everyone in the world is loved by at least one person"

Quantifier duality: each can be expressed using the other

$\forall x \text{ Likes}(x, \text{IceCream}) \quad \neg \exists x \neg \text{Likes}(x, \text{IceCream})$

$\exists x \text{ Likes}(x, \text{Broccoli}) \quad \neg \forall x \neg \text{Likes}(x, \text{Broccoli})$

Proof?

## Proof

- In general we want to prove:

$$\forall x P(x) \Leftrightarrow \neg \exists x \neg P(x)$$

$$\square \forall x P(x) = \neg(\neg(\forall x P(x))) = \neg(\neg(P(x_1) \wedge P(x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(x_n))) = \neg(\neg P(x_1) \vee \neg P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee \neg P(x_n))$$

$$\square \exists x \neg P(x) = \neg P(x_1) \vee \neg P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee \neg P(x_n)$$

$$\square \neg \exists x \neg P(x) = \neg(\neg P(x_1) \vee \neg P(x_2) \vee \dots \vee \neg P(x_n))$$

## Example sentences

- Brothers are siblings

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- Sibling is transitive

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- One's mother is one's sibling's mother

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

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## Example sentences

- Brothers are siblings

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

- Sibling is transitive

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

- One's mother is one's sibling's mother

$$\forall m, c, d \text{ Mother}(m, c) \wedge \text{Sibling}(c, d) \Rightarrow \text{Mother}(m, d)$$

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

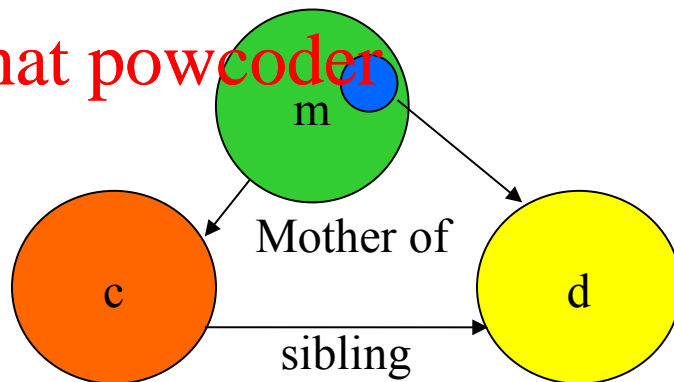
$$\forall c, d \text{ FirstCousin}(c, d) \Leftrightarrow \exists p, ps \text{ Parent}(p, d) \wedge \text{Sibling}(p, ps) \wedge \text{Child}(c, ps)$$



## Example sentences

- One's mother is one's sibling's mother  
 $\forall m, c, d \text{ Mother}(m, c) \wedge \text{Sibling}(c, d) \Rightarrow \text{Mother}(m, d)$
- $\forall c, d \exists m \text{ Mother}(m, c) \wedge \text{Sibling}(c, d) \Rightarrow \text{Mother}(m, d)$

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## Translating English to FOL

- Every gardener likes the sun.

$\forall x \text{ gardener}(x) \Rightarrow \text{likes}(x, \text{Sun})$

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- You can fool some of the people all of the time.

$\exists x \forall t (\text{person}(x) \wedge \text{time}(t)) \Rightarrow \text{can-fool}(x, t)$

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## Translating English to FOL

- You can fool all of the people some of the time.

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- All purple mushrooms are poisonous.

$\forall x (\text{mushroom}(x) \wedge \text{purple}(x)) \Rightarrow \text{poisonous}(x)$

## Caution with nested quantifiers

- $\forall x \exists y P(x,y)$  is the same as  $\forall x (\exists y P(x,y))$  which means "for every  $x$ , it is true that there exists  $y$  such that  $P(x,y)$ "

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- $\exists y \forall x P(x,y)$  is the same as  $\exists y (\forall x P(x,y))$  which means "there exists a  $y$ , such that it is true that for every  $x$   $P(x,y)$ "

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## Translating English to FOL...

- No purple mushroom is poisonous.

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$\neg (\exists x) \text{ purple}(x) \wedge \text{mushroom}(x) \wedge \text{poisonous}(x)$

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or, equivalently,

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$(\forall x) (\text{mushroom}(x) \wedge \text{purple}(x)) \Rightarrow$   
 $\neg \text{poisonous}(x)$

## Translating English to FOL...

- There are exactly two purple mushrooms.

$$(\exists x)(\exists y) \text{ mushroom}(x) \wedge \text{purple}(x) \wedge$$
$$\text{mushroom}(y) \wedge \text{purple}(y) \wedge \neg(x=y) \wedge (\forall z)$$
$$(\text{mushroom}(z) \wedge \text{purple}(z)) \Rightarrow ((x=z) \vee (y=z))$$

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- Deb is not tall.

$\neg \text{tall}(\text{Deb})$

## Translating English to FOL...

- X is above Y iff X is directly on top of Y or else there is a pile of one or more other objects directly on top of one another starting with X and ending with Y.

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$$(\forall x) (\forall y) \text{above}(x, y) \iff (\text{on}(x, y) \vee (\exists z) (\text{on}(x, z) \wedge \text{above}(z, y)))$$

# Equality

$term_1 = term_2$  is true under a given interpretation  
if and only if  $term_1$  and  $term_2$  refer to the same object

E.g.,  $1 = 2$  and  $\forall x \neg (Sqrt(x), Sqrt(x)) = x$  are satisfiable  
 $2 = 2$  is valid

E.g., definition of (full) *Sibling* in terms of *Parent*:

$\forall x, y \text{ Sibling}(x, y) \leftrightarrow \exists m, f ((x \neq y) \wedge \neg (m = f) \wedge$   
 $\text{Parent}(m, x) \wedge \text{Parent}(f, x) \wedge \text{Parent}(m, y) \wedge \text{Parent}(f, y))$



## Higher-order logic?

- First-order logic allows us to quantify over objects (= the first-order entities that exist in the world).

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- Higher-order logic also allows quantification over relations and functions.  
e.g., “two objects are equal iff all properties applied to them are equivalent”:

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$$\forall x, y \quad (x=y) \Leftrightarrow (\forall p, p(x) \Leftrightarrow p(y))$$

- Higher-order logics are more expressive than first-order; however, so far we have little understanding on how to effectively reason with sentences in higher-order logic.

# Logical agents for the Wumpus world

Remember: generic knowledge-based agent:

**function** KB-AGENT(*percept*) **returns** an *action*

**static:** *KB*, a knowledge base

*t*, a counter, initially 0, indicating time

TELL(*KB*, MAKE-PERCEPT-SENTENCE(*percept*, *t*))

*action* ← ASK(*KB*, MAKE-ACTION-QUERY(*t*))

TELL(*KB*, MAKE-ACTION-SENTENCE(*action*, *t*))

*t* ← *t* + 1

**return** *action*

1. TELL KB what was perceived  
Uses a KRL to insert new sentences, representations of facts, into KB
2. ASK KB what to do.  
Uses logical reasoning to examine actions and select best.

## Using the FOL Knowledge Base

Suppose a wumpus-world agent is using an FOL KB  
and perceives a smell and a breeze (but no glitter) at  $t = 5$ :

~~TELL( $KB, \text{Percept}([Smell, Breeze, None], 5)$ )~~  
~~ASK( $KB, \exists a \text{ Action}(a, 5)$ )~~

I.e., does the KB entail any particular actions at  $t = 5$ ?

Answer: *Yes*,  $\{a/Shoot\}$  ← substitution (binding list)  
*Set of solutions*

Given a sentence  $S$  and a substitution  $\sigma$ ,  
 $S\sigma$  denotes the result of plugging  $\sigma$  into  $S$ ; e.g.,

$S = \text{Smarter}(x, y)$

$\sigma = \{x/Hillary, y/Bill\}$

$S\sigma = \text{Smarter}(Hillary, Bill)$

ASK( $KB, S$ ) returns some/all  $\sigma$  such that  $KB \models S\sigma$

## Wumpus world, FOL Knowledge Base

"Perception"

$\forall b, g, t \text{ Percept}([Smell, b, g], t) \Rightarrow Smelt(t)$

$\forall s, b, t \text{ Percept}([s, b, Glitter], t) \Rightarrow AtGold(t)$

Reflex:  $\forall t \text{ AtGold}(t) \Rightarrow \text{Action}(\text{Grab}, t)$

Reflex with internal state: do we have the gold already?

$\forall t \text{ AtGold}(t) \wedge \neg \text{Holding}(\text{Gold}, t) \Rightarrow \text{Action}(\text{Grab}, t)$

$\text{Holding}(\text{Gold}, t)$  cannot be observed

$\Rightarrow$  keeping track of change is essential

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## Deducing hidden properties

Properties of locations:

$$\forall l, t \text{ } At(Agent, l, t) \wedge Smelt(t) \Rightarrow Smelly(l)$$

$$\forall l, t \text{ } At(Agent, l, t) \wedge Breeze(t) \Rightarrow Breezy(l)$$

Squares are breezy near a pit:

Diagnostic rule—infer cause from effect

$$\forall y \text{ } Breezy(y) \Rightarrow \exists x \text{ } Pit(x) \wedge Adjacent(x, y)$$

Causal rule—infer effect from cause

$$\forall x, y \text{ } Pit(x) \wedge Adjacent(x, y) \Rightarrow Breezy(y)$$

Neither of these is complete—e.g., the causal rule doesn't say whether squares far away from pits can be breezy

Definition for the *Breezy* predicate:

$$\forall y \text{ } Breezy(y) \Leftrightarrow [\exists x \text{ } Pit(x) \wedge Adjacent(x, y)]$$

## Situation calculus

Facts hold in situations, rather than eternally

E.g.,  $Holding(Gold, Now)$  rather than just  $Holding(Gold)$

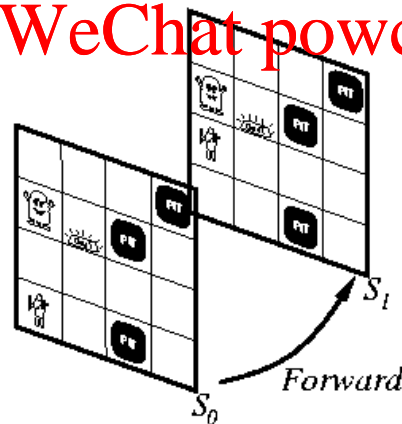
Situation calculus is one way to represent change in FOL:

Adds a situation argument to each non-eternal predicate

E.g.,  $Now$  in  $Holding(Gold, Now)$  denotes a situation

Situations are connected by the *Result* function

$Result(a, s)$  is the situation that results from doing  $a$  in  $s$



## Describing actions

“Effect” axiom—describe changes due to action

$$\forall s \text{ AtGold}(s) \Rightarrow \text{Holding}(\text{Gold}, \text{Result}(\text{Grab}, s))$$

“Frame” axiom—describe non-changes due to action

$$\forall s \text{ HaveArrow}(s) \Rightarrow \text{HaveArrow}(\text{Result}(\text{Grab}, s))$$

May result in  
too many  
frame axioms

Frame problem: find an elegant way to handle non-change

(a) representation—avoid frame axioms

(b) inference—avoid repeated “copy-overs” to keep track of state

Qualification problem: true descriptions of real actions require endless caveats—what if gold is slippery or nailed down or ...

Ramification problem: real actions have many secondary consequences—what about the dust on the gold, wear and tear on gloves, ...

## Describing actions (cont'd)

Successor-state axioms solve the representational frame problem

Each axiom is “about” a predicate (not an action per se):

$$P \text{ true afterwards} \Leftrightarrow [\text{an action made } P \text{ true} \\ \vee P \text{ true already and no action made } P \text{ false}]$$

For holding the gold:

$$\forall a, s \text{ Holding}(\text{Gold}, \text{Result}(a, s)) \Leftrightarrow \\ [(a = \text{Grab} \wedge \text{Gold}(s)) \\ \vee (\text{Holding}(\text{Gold}, s) \wedge a \neq \text{Release})]$$



## Planning

Initial condition in KB:

$At(Agent, [1, 1], S_0)$

$At(Gold, [1, 2], S_0)$

Query:  $ASK(KB, \exists s \text{ Holding}(Gold, s))$

i.e., in what situation will I be holding the gold?

Answer:  $\{s / Result(Grab, Result(Forward, S_0))\}$

i.e., go forward and then grab the gold

This assumes that the agent is interested in plans starting at  $S_0$  and that  $S_0$  is the only situation described in the KB

## Generating action sequences

Represent plans as action sequences  $[a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n]$

$PlanResult(p, s)$  is the result of executing  $p$  in  $s$

Then the query  $ASK(KB, \exists p \text{ Holding}(\text{Gold}, PlanResult(p, S_0)))$   
has the solution  $\{p/[Forward, Grab]\}$

Definition of  $PlanResult$  in terms of  $Result$ :

$\forall s \text{ } PlanResult([], s) = s$   $[\ ] = \text{empty plan}$

$\forall a, p, s \text{ } PlanResult([a|p], s) = PlanResult(p, Result(a, s))$

Recursively continue until it gets to empty plan  $[\ ]$

Planning systems are special-purpose reasoners designed to do this type of inference more efficiently than a general-purpose reasoner

## Summary



First-order logic:

- objects and relations are semantic primitives
- syntax: constants, functions, predicates, equality, quantifiers

Increased expressive power: sufficient to define wumpus world

Situation calculus:

- conventions for describing actions and change in FOL
- can formulate planning as inference on a situation calculus KB