

## EXERCISES RESOLUTION IN PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC

### Exercise 1

Using general resolution prove that the following formulas are theorems.

1.  $U_1 = (A \rightarrow B \wedge C) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B) \wedge (A \rightarrow C)$ ;
2.  $U_2 = (B \rightarrow A) \wedge (C \rightarrow A) \rightarrow (B \wedge C \rightarrow A)$
3.  $U_3 = (B \rightarrow A) \wedge (C \rightarrow A) \rightarrow (B \vee C \rightarrow A)$
4.  $U_4 = (A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (\neg B \rightarrow C))$
5.  $U_5 = A \vee (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (A \vee B) \rightarrow (A \vee C)$
6.  $U_6 = (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((C \rightarrow A) \rightarrow (C \rightarrow B))$
7.  $U_7 = (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow ((\neg A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow (\neg B \rightarrow C))$
8.  $U_8 = (\neg B \rightarrow \neg A) \rightarrow ((\neg B \rightarrow A) \rightarrow B)$

### Exercise 2

Consider the following *hypotheses*:

- $H_1$ . Mary will go to London this summer if both her friends Kate and Susan go.  
 $H_2$ . If Kate passes the English exam in May then she will go to London.  
 $H_3$ . Kate was in hospital from April until July and she didn't take the English exam.  
 $H_4$ . This summer Susan will go to London on a business trip.

and the *conclusion*:  $C$ . Mary will go to London this summer.

Try to simplify the initial set of clauses by applying the transformations based on Davis-Putman procedure.

Using level-saturation strategy and the deletion strategy in propositional resolution check whether the following deduction holds:

$$H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4 \vdash^? C$$

### Exercise 3. Party

*Hypotheses*:

- $H_1$ . Mary will go to the party if Lucy will go and George will not go.  
 $H_2$ . If John will go to the party then Lucy will go too.  
 $H_3$ . If John is in town he will go to the party.  
 $H_4$ . George is sick and can't go to the party.  
 $H_5$ . Yesterday John has returned in town from Paris.

*Conclusion*:  $C$ : Will Mary go to the party?

Try to simplify the initial set of clauses by applying the transformations based on Davis-Putman procedure.

Using general resolution in propositional logic check whether the following deduction holds:  $H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5 \vdash^? C$

### Exercise 4

Build a linear refutation from the following set of clauses:

1.  $S_1 = \{p \vee q \vee r, \neg q \vee r, \neg r, \neg p \vee r\}$ ;
2.  $S_2 = \{p \vee \neg r, q \vee r, \neg q \vee r, \neg p \vee \neg r\}$ ;
3.  $S_3 = \{q \vee r, \neg p, \neg q \vee r, p \vee \neg r\}$ ;
4.  $S_4 = \{\neg p \vee q, p \vee \neg q \vee r, \neg r, p \vee q \vee r, \neg p \vee \neg q\}$ ;
5.  $S_5 = \{p \vee \neg r, \neg q, \neg p \vee \neg r, q \vee r\}$ ;
6.  $S_6 = \{q \vee \neg r, p \vee r, \neg q \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee r\}$
7.  $S_7 = \{p, q \vee r, \neg p \vee q \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee \neg q\}$ ;
8.  $S_8 = \{p \vee q, \neg p \vee q, \neg p \vee \neg q, p \vee \neg q\}$ ;

### Exercise 5

Prove the consistency of the following sets of clauses using linear resolution.

1.  $S_1 = \{\neg q \vee \neg r, p \vee r, q \vee \neg p\}$
2.  $S_2 = \{p \vee q \vee r, \neg p \vee q, \neg p \vee \neg q\}$
3.  $S_3 = \{q \vee r, p \vee q \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee \neg q\}$
4.  $S_4 = \{p \vee \neg q, \neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r, p \vee q\}$ ;
5.  $S_5 = \{p \vee q, r \vee p \vee \neg q, \neg r \vee \neg p\}$ ;
6.  $S_6 = \{q \vee r \vee \neg p, \neg q \vee r, \neg q \vee \neg r\}$

7.  $S_7 = \{\neg q \vee p, q \vee \neg r, r \vee \neg p\}$
8.  $S_8 = \{p \vee q \vee r, \neg q \vee r, \neg r, p \vee r, \neg r \vee \neg p\}$ .

### Exercise 6

Using lock resolution prove the inconsistency of the following sets of clauses.

Choose two different indexings for the literals. For one indexing combine lock resolution with level-saturation strategy.

1.  $S_1 = \{p \vee r, \neg p \vee \neg q \vee r, \neg p \vee q \vee r, \neg r\}$ ;
2.  $S_2 = \{q \vee \neg r, \neg q \vee \neg p \vee \neg r, \neg q \vee p \vee \neg r, r\}$ ;
3.  $S_3 = \{p \vee q, p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee \neg r, r\}$ ;
4.  $S_4 = \{p \vee q, \neg p \vee q \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee q \vee r, \neg q \vee \neg r, \neg q \vee r\}$ ;
5.  $S_5 = \{r \vee q, r \vee \neg q \vee \neg p, \neg p \vee \neg r, p\}$ ;
6.  $S_6 = \{p \vee q, \neg p \vee q \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r, p \vee \neg q, r\}$ ;
7.  $S_7 = \{r \vee p, r \vee \neg p \vee \neg q, \neg q \vee \neg r, q\}$ ;
8.  $S_8 = \{p \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee q \vee \neg r, r\}$ .

### Exercise 7

Check the consistency of the following sets of clauses using lock resolution.

Choose two different indexings for the literals:

1.  $S_1 = \{p \vee q \vee r, \neg q \vee r, \neg r \vee \neg p\}$ ;
2.  $S_2 = \{p \vee \neg r, q \vee r, \neg p \vee \neg r, \neg q \vee \neg r\}$ ;
3.  $S_3 = \{p \vee r, q \vee \neg r, \neg p \vee \neg q \vee r\}$ ;
4.  $S_4 = \{q \vee r, p \vee \neg r, \neg q \vee r, \neg p \vee r\}$ ;
5.  $S_5 = \{\neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r, q \vee \neg r, p \vee r\}$ ;
6.  $S_6 = \{p \vee q, r \vee \neg q, \neg p \vee q, \neg r \vee q\}$ ;
7.  $S_7 = \{p \vee q, \neg q \vee r, \neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r\}$ ;
8.  $S_8 = \{p \vee \neg q \vee r, q, \neg p \vee q \vee r, p \vee \neg r\}$ .

## Exercise 1

Using general resolution prove that the following formulas are theorems.

$$U_2 = (B \rightarrow A) \wedge (C \rightarrow A) \rightarrow (B \wedge C \rightarrow A)$$

$$= \overline{(B \rightarrow A) \wedge (C \rightarrow A)} \vee (B \wedge C \rightarrow A)$$

$$= (\overline{B \rightarrow A}) \vee (\overline{C \rightarrow A}) \vee (\overline{B \wedge C} \vee A)$$

$$= (B \wedge \bar{A}) \vee (C \wedge \bar{A}) \vee (\bar{B} \vee \bar{C} \vee A)$$

U theorem if  $\text{CNF}(U) \vdash_{\text{res}} \square$

$$\neg U_2 = (\neg B \vee A) \wedge (\neg C \vee A) \vee B \vee C \vee \neg A = \text{CNF}(\neg U_2)$$

$$S = \{\neg B \vee A, \neg C \vee A, B, C, \neg A\}$$

$$C_1: \neg B \vee A$$

$$C_2: \neg C \vee A$$

$$C_3: B$$

$$C_4: C$$

$$C_5: \neg A$$

$$C_6: A \quad [\text{Res}_0(C_1, C_2)]$$

$$C_7: \square \quad [\text{Res}_1(C_5, C_6)]$$

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$H_4$ . This summer Susan will go to London on a business trip.

and the *conclusion*:  $C$ . Mary will go to London this summer.

Try to simplify the initial set of clauses by applying the transformations based on Davis-Putman procedure.

Using level-saturation strategy and the deletion strategy in propositional resolution check whether the following deduction holds:

$$H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4 \vdash^? C$$

$$H_1: KL \wedge SL \rightarrow ML \equiv \neg KL \vee \neg SL \vee ML (C_1)$$

$$H_2: KE \rightarrow KL \equiv \neg KE \vee KL (C_2)$$

$$H_3: KH \wedge \neg KE \Rightarrow KH (C_3), \neg KE (C_4)$$

$$H_4: SL (C_5)$$

$$\neg C: \neg ML (C_6)$$

$$H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4 \vdash C \quad \text{if} \quad H_1 \wedge H_2 \wedge H_3 \wedge H_4 \wedge \neg C \vdash_{\text{sub}} \square$$

$$X = \{C_1, \cancel{C_2}, \cancel{C_3}, \cancel{C_4}, C_5, C_6\}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ \text{subsumed} \\ \text{by } C_1 \end{array}$$

$$L_0 \quad S^0 = S = \{C_1, C_5, C_6\}$$

$$L_1 \quad S^1 = \{Res(C_i, C_j) \mid C_i \in S^0, C_j \in S^0\}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} C_7 = Res(C_1, C_5) = \neg KL \vee ML \\ C_8 = Res(C_1, C_6) = \neg KL \vee \neg SL \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow S^1 = \{C_7, C_8\}$$

$$L_2 \quad S^2 = \{Res(C_i, C_j) \mid C_i \in S^1, C_j \in S^0 \cup S^1\}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} C_9 = Res(C_5, C_8) = \neg KL \\ C_{10} = Res(C_6, C_7) = \neg KL \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow S^2 = \{C_9\}$$

$$L_3 \quad S^3 = \{Res(C_i, C_j) \mid C_i \in S^2, C_j \in S^0 \cup S^1 \cup S^2\}$$

$$S^3 = \emptyset$$

### Exercise 3. Party

Hypotheses:

$H_1$ .  $\overset{M}{\text{Mary will go to the party}}$  if  $\overset{L}{\text{Lucy will go}}$  and  $\overset{7G}{\text{George will not go}}$ .

$H_2$ . If  $\overset{J}{\text{John will go to the party}}$  then  $\overset{L}{\text{Lucy will go too}}$ .

$H_3$ . If  $\overset{JT}{\text{John is in town}}$  he will  $\overset{J}{\text{go to the party}}$ .

$H_4$ .  $\overset{GS}{\text{George is sick}}$  and  $\overset{7G}{\text{can't go to the party}}$ .

$H_5$ . Yesterday  $\overset{JT}{\text{John has returned in town}}$  from Paris.

Conclusion:  $C$ : Will Mary go to the party?

Try to simplify the initial set of clauses by applying the transformations based on Davis-Putman procedure.

Using general resolution in propositional logic check whether the following deduction holds:  $H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5 \vdash^? C$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 H_1: L \wedge 7G \rightarrow M \\
 H_2: J \rightarrow L \\
 H_3: JT \rightarrow J \\
 H_4: GS \wedge 7G \\
 H_5: JT \\
 C: M
 \end{array}
 \Rightarrow
 \begin{array}{l}
 C_1: 7L \vee G \vee M \\
 C_2: 7J \vee L \\
 C_3: 7JT \vee J \\
 C_4: 7G \\
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 C_5: GS \text{ (pre-lit)} \\
 C_6: JT \\
 C_7: 7M \\
 C_8: 7J \vee G \vee M = \text{Res}_L(C_1, C_2) \\
 C_9: 7J \vee M = \text{Res}_G(C_3, C_5) \\
 C_{10}: J = \text{Res}_{JT}(C_3, C_6) \\
 C_{11}: M = \text{Res}_J(C_{10}, C_9) \\
 C_{12}: \square = \text{Res}_M(C_7, C_{11})
 \end{array}$$

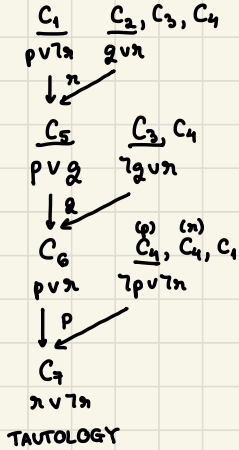
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Build a linear refutation from the following set of clauses:

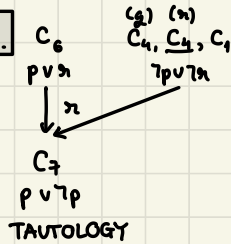
$$S = \{ p \vee \neg n, q \vee n, \neg q \vee n, \neg p \vee \neg n \}$$

$\begin{matrix} c_1 & c_2 & c_3 & c_4 \\ (top) \end{matrix}$

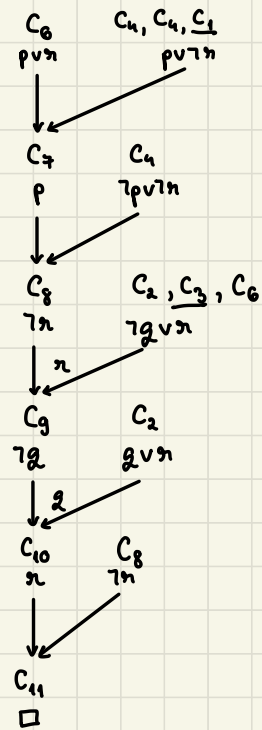
I.



II.



III.



## Exercise 5

Prove the consistency of the following sets of clauses using linear resolution.

$$S = \{p \vee q \vee r, \neg p \vee q, \neg p \vee \neg q\}$$

$C_1$ 
 $C_2$ 
 $C_3$

I.  $C_1$   $C_2, C_3, C_3^{(1)}, C_3^{(2)}$

$$\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \vee r \\ \downarrow P \\ C_4 \\ q \vee r \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} C_3 \\ \neg p \vee \neg q \end{array}$$

$$\downarrow \neg$$

$$\begin{array}{c} C_5 \\ \neg p \vee r \end{array}$$

$$\downarrow P$$

$$C_8 = C_4 \rightarrow \text{process blocked}$$

$$r \vee q$$

II.  $C_1$   $C_2, C_3, C_3^{(1)}, C_3^{(2)}$

$$\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \vee r \\ \downarrow P \\ C_4 \\ q \vee r \vee \neg q \end{array}$$

TAUTOLOGY  $\rightarrow$  process blocked

III.  $C_1$   $C_2, C_3, C_3^{(1)}, C_3^{(2)}$

$$\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \vee r \\ \downarrow \neg \\ C_6 \\ p \vee r \vee \neg p \end{array}$$

TAUTOLOGY  $\rightarrow$  process blocked

The empty clause wasn't obtained after a complete linear system  $\Rightarrow$  consistent

## Exercise 6

Using lock resolution prove the inconsistency of the following sets of clauses.

Choose two different indexings for the literals. For one indexing combine lock resolution with level-saturation strategy.

$$S = \{ \underbrace{q \vee \neg n}_{c_1}, \underbrace{\neg q \vee \neg p \vee \neg n}_{c_2}, \underbrace{\neg q \vee p \vee \neg n}_{c_3}, \underbrace{n}_{c_4} \}$$

$$L_0 \quad S^0 = \{c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4\}$$

$$L_1 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} c_5 = \neg p \vee \neg n = \neg n \vee \neg p = \text{Res}_q^{\text{lock}}(c_1, c_2) \\ c_6 = \neg n \vee p \vee \neg n = \neg n \vee p = \text{Res}_q^{\text{lock}}(c_1, c_3) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow S_1 = \{c_5, c_6\}$$

$$L_2 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} c_7 = \neg p = \text{Res}_n^{\text{lock}}(c_5, c_4) \\ c_8 = p = \text{Res}_n^{\text{lock}}(c_6, c_4) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow S^2 = \{c_7, c_8\}$$

$$L_3 \quad c_9 = \text{Res}_p^{\text{lock}}(c_7, c_8) = \square$$

## Exercise 7

Check the consistency of the following sets of clauses using lock resolution.

$$S = \{ \underbrace{p \vee \neg n}_{c_1}, \underbrace{q \vee n}_{c_2}, \underbrace{\neg p \vee \neg n}_{c_3}, \underbrace{\neg q \vee \neg n}_{c_4} \}$$

$$? \text{Res}_n^{\text{lock}}(c_2, c_4)$$

We have to combine lock resolution with level-saturation strategy

$$L_0 \quad S^0 = \{c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4\}$$

$$L_1 \quad c_5 = \neg n = \text{Res}_p^{\text{lock}}(c_1, c_3)$$

$$S^1 = \{c_5\}$$

$$L_2 \quad c_6 = q = \text{Res}_n^{\text{lock}}(c_5, c_2)$$

$$S^2 = \{c_6\}$$

$$L_3 \quad c_7 = \neg n = c_5 = \text{Res}_q^{\text{lock}}(c_6, c_4)$$

$$S^3 = \{\emptyset\} \Rightarrow S \text{ is consistent}$$