



# Math. For CS Lecture 1

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## What is CS?



- CS is science of

The study of **complexity**

- How can it be done?
- How well can it be done?
- Can it done at all?

**it** : a process that transforms information  
from one from to another

## What is CS?



How can it be done?

How well can it be done?

Can it done at all?

**LCS** (Longest Common Subsequence)  
the problem of finding the longest **subsequence** common to all sequences in a set of sequences (often just two)

CHIMPANZEE  
/ / /  
HUMAN

Can you solve the problem?

Can you create a process to solve the problem?

## What is CS?



How can it be done?

How well can it be done?

Can it done at all?

How quickly can you find a solution?

Is your solution the "best" possible?

## What is CS?



How can it be done?  
How well can it be done?  
Can it done at all?

Is the problem solvable?

How can I tell?

Many problems are uncomputable



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## Algorithm - LCS

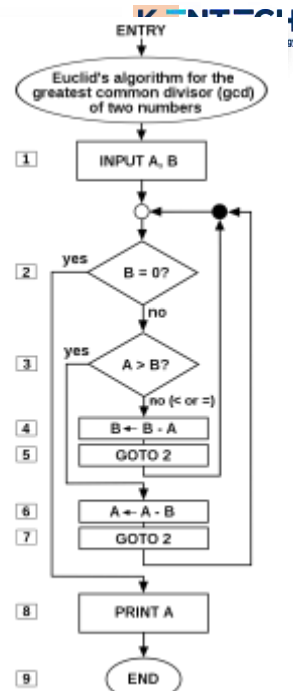
- Given two strings of length  $m$  and  $n$ 
  - There is  $O(mn)$  **method** to find the LCS
    - DP (Dynamic programming)

**Algorithm** : a finite sequence of well-defined instructions, typically used to solve a class of specific problems or to perform a computation



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## LCS



- Example

ALIEN & ALIEN  
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 INLINE INLINE

- How to find an algorithm
- Require deep understanding of the problem and **creativity**

### Observations

Let  $S1$  and  $S2$  be two strings of lengths  $m$  and  $n$ , respectively  
 Let  $LCS(S1, S2)$  be the LCS of  $S1$  and  $S2$

- If both  $S1$  and  $S2$  end with a character 'A'
  - $LCS(S1, S2) = LCS(S1-'A', S2-'A') + A$
- If  $S1$  and  $S2$  have different last characters (Let them be 'A' and 'B', respectively)
  - $LCS(S1, S2) = LCS(S1-'A', S2)$  or  $LCS(S1, S2-'B')$

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# Complexity



- (Computational) **Complexity**
  - **complexity** of an algorithm is the amount of resources (time or memory) required to run it.
- Notation:  $O(f(N))$

Size of the problem

- $O(1)$ ,  $O(N)$ ,  $O(N\log N)$ ,  $O(N^2)$ , ....



# Logic



- Propositional logic
  - ≈ Boolean algebra
  - Reasoning about Boolean values



**George Boole (1815~1864)**

was English mathematician, philosopher, and logician. He is best known as the author of *The Laws of Thought* (1854) which contains **Boolean algebra**.

- First-Order Logic
  - Reasoning about properties of multiple objects
- Higher Order Logic
  - Second/Third... Order Logic

## Propositional Logic



- **Proposition** is a statement that is either True (T) or False (F)
  - English sentences can be propositions
  - “Today is rainy”, “I got an A+ in Math.”
- Propositional logic
  - A mathematical system for reasoning about propositions and how they relate each other
- Every statement in propositional logic consists of **propositional variables** and (propositional, logical) **connectives** that combine propositional variables
  - Each variable represents a proposition, such as “Today is rainy”
  - Connectives encode how propositions are related
    - “Today is rainy” and ( $\wedge$ ) “Today is cold”

## Boolean Algebra



- Arithmetic deals with numbers and Algebra deals with variables
  - $3^2 + 4^2 = 5^2$
  - $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$
  - We can focus on analysis and manipulation of the structure
- Mathematicians and logicians did the same thing that algebra does for arithmetic

Arithmetic (Numbers w/  
operators)



Algebra (Variables)

T, F with connectives



**Boolean Algebra**  
(Variables)

For the analysis of the structure of arguments

## Propositional Variables



- Each proposition will be represented by a propositional variable
- Variables are usually represented as lower-case italic letters, such as  $p, q, r, s$ 
  - $p$  : "Today is rainy"
- As a proposition, each variable can take one of two values: True or False

## Propositional Connectives



- There are seven (Or five) connectives

Connective	Read as	C version	Fancy name
$\top$	True	true	Truth
$\perp$	False	false	Falsity
$\neg$	not	!	Negation
$\wedge$	and	&&	Conjunction
$\vee$	or		Disjunction
$\rightarrow$	imply		Implication
$\leftrightarrow$	if and only if		Biconditional

## Propositional Connectives



- Logical “NOT”:  $\neg$ 
  - Change T to F and vice versa
    - $\neg p$  is F if  $p$  is T
- Logical “AND”:  $\wedge$ 
  - $p \wedge q$  is T if both  $p$  and  $q$  are T
- Logical “OR”:  $\vee$ 
  - $p \vee q$  is T if at least one of  $p$  or  $q$  is T

P	q	$p \wedge q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

Truth table

## Inclusive/Exclusive OR



- The  $\vee$  connective is an “inclusive OR”
  - True if at least one of two operands is true
- Exclusive OR :  $\oplus$ 
  - True if and only if exactly one of two operands is True

You can express the “exclusive OR” with other connectives  
 $p \oplus q = (\text{not}(p) \text{ and } q) \text{ or } (p \text{ and } \text{not}(q))$  ,  $\text{not}(p \text{ iff } q)$

P	q	$p \text{ iff } q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	T



## Implication



- $p$  implies  $q : p \rightarrow q$ 
  - If  $p$  is True, then  $q$  is True

- Construct the truth table for  $p \rightarrow q$

$p$	$q$	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T
F	F	T

Vacuously True

Vacuous Truth

## Implication



- If you work hard, then you will get an A+
- $p$ : you work hard
- $q$ : Get an A+

$p$	$q$	$p \rightarrow q$
Work hard	Get an A+	T
Work hard	Get a D	F
Play hard	Get an A+	T
Play hard	Get a D	T

# Biconditional



- “p if and only if q”:  $p \leftrightarrow q$
- $p \leftrightarrow q = (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$
- Truth table

p	q	$p \leftrightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	?
F	T	?
F	F	T

# Biconditional



- You work hard if and only if you will get an A+
- p: you work hard
- q: Get an A+

p	q	$p \leftrightarrow q$
Work hard	Get an A+	?
Work hard	Get a D	?
Play hard	Get an A+	?
Play hard	Get a D	?

One interpretation is to think of it as equality: the two propositions must have the same values (both T or both F)

## Precedence



- How to parse this statement?

$$((\neg p) \rightarrow (q \vee r)) \rightarrow ((p \vee q) \wedge r)$$

- Operator precedence

Connective
$\neg$
$\wedge$
$\vee$
$\rightarrow$
$\leftrightarrow$

- All operators are right-associative
- Use parentheses to disambiguate

How to parse this statement?

$$(\neg p) \rightarrow ((q \vee r) \rightarrow (p \vee (q \wedge r)))$$

## De Morgan's Laws



- Use truth table to show

- $\neg(p \wedge q)$  is equivalent to  $\neg p \vee \neg q$

- $\neg(p \vee q)$  is equivalent to  $\neg p \wedge \neg q$

## Important Equivalences



- $p \rightarrow q$  is equivalent to  $\neg(p \wedge \neg q) = \text{not}(p) \text{ or } \text{not}(\text{not}(q)) = \text{not}(p) \text{ or } q$
- $\neg(p \rightarrow q)$  is equivalent to  $\text{not}(p \text{ imply } q) = \text{not}(\text{not}(p) \text{ or } q) = p \text{ and } \text{not}(q)$

- $p \rightarrow q$  is equivalent to  $\neg(p \wedge \neg q)$   
is equivalent to  $\neg p \vee \neg \neg q$   
is equivalent to  $\neg p \vee q$

If  $p$  is False, then  $\neg p \vee q$  Is True. If  $p$  is True, then  $q$  must be True for the whole expression to be True

## Cautions



- English sentences and logical connectives sometimes may have different meanings
- $p \text{ if } q$  is equivalent to  $q \rightarrow p$
- (Women passengers) **and** (Passengers less than 15 years old) will take lifeboats
- $p$ : "It rained"  
 $q$ : "there is some sunshine"  
 $r$ : "I will see rainbow"
- If it rained, **but** there is no sunshine, then I will not see rainbow
- $(p \text{ and } \text{not}(q)) \text{ implies } \text{not}(r)$



## First-Order Logic (FOL)



- Definition: A logical system for reasoning about properties of objects
- Tools that augment the logical connectives from propositional logic
  - **Predicates**: Describe properties of objects
  - **Function**: Map objects to another object
  - **Quantifier**: Allow to reason about multiple objects

## (Constant) Symbol, Predicate



**Likes** (You, Bacon)  $\wedge$  **Likes** (You, Tomato)  $\rightarrow$  **Likes** (You, BLT)

**Gets** (You, Optimization, A+)  $\wedge$  **Gets** (You, Probability, A+)  $\rightarrow$  **PreparedFor** (You, ML)

**Constant Symbols**: Refer to objects, not propositions

**Predicates**: Take objects as arguments and evaluate to T or F

- ➔ Evaluation results of predicates can be considered as propositions
- ➔ Connect them with propositional connectives

## Reasoning about Objects



- Predicate is to reasoning about objects
- Example
  - *Delicious* (*Macaron*)
  - *BelongsTo* (*Seoul, Korea*)
- Applying a predicate to arguments produces a proposition, which is either True or False
- In FOL, a list of predicates with specifications will be provided
- Specifications
  - Definitions, functionalities
  - Types and numbers of arguments they take

## First-Order Sentences



- Sentences in FOL can be constructed from predicates applied to objects

*Delicious* (*a*)  $\rightarrow$  *IsMacaron* (*a*)  $\vee$  *IsIceCream* (*a*)  $\vee$  *IsDonut* (*a*)

*Smart* (*You*)  $\wedge$  *WorkLifeBal* (*You*)  $\leftrightarrow$  *IsHappy* (*You*)

$x < 2022 \rightarrow x < 2050$  lessThan(*x*, 2022)

$<$  is a predicate


Binary predicates may written in an *infix* notation

Numbers and strings are constant symbols like "You" and "a"

## Equality



- FOL is equipped with a special predicate “=”
  - Check whether two objects are the same or not
- Equality is a connective like  $\rightarrow$  and  $\vee$
- Example
  - MichaelJordan = BasketballPlayer
  - MichaelJordan = MLResearcher
  - Sun = Moon
- Note: Equality can be applied to objects only

 for equality of two propositions

## Functions



- Function takes objects as input and produces an object as output
- Examples
  - *YoungestOf* (SNU)  $\neq$  *YoungestOf* (Kentech)
  - *SteepestAscentOf* (*FavoriteTrailOf* (You))
  - *MinimumOf* (x, y, z)
  - $x + y = \text{plus}(x, y)$
- As with predicates, functions can take in any number of arguments, but always return a single value (Object)
- Functions evaluate to **objects**, not propositions

# Objects & Predicates



- Caution: always keep objects (actual things) and propositions (True or False) separate
- Cannot apply connectives to objects  
*Moon* ↔ *Sun*
- Cannot apply functions to propositions  
*YoungestOf (IsMarcaron (a) = IsIceCream (a))*

# Type Checking Table



	Input	Output
Connectives	Propositions	Single proposition
Predicates	Objects	Single proposition
Functions	Objects	Single Object



## Existential Quantifier: $\exists$



- A statement of the form

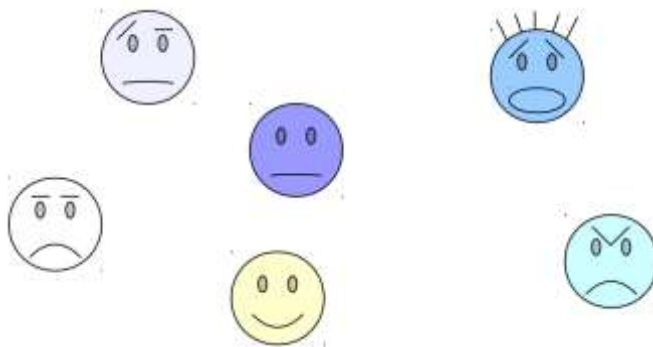
$\exists x. \text{some-formula}$

is True if there exist a choice of  $x$  where *some-formula* is True when that  $x$  is plugged into it

- Examples

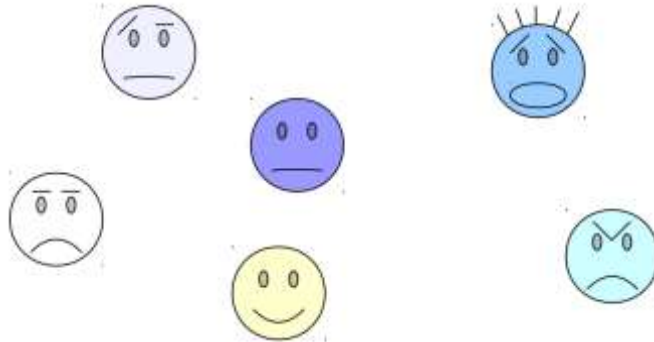
- $\exists x. (\text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Prime}(x))$
- $\exists x. (\text{SmarterThan}(x, \text{Einstein}) \wedge \text{LessFamousThan}(x, \text{Einstein}))$
- $(\exists x. \text{WorkHard}(x)) \rightarrow (\exists y. \text{GetA}(y))$

## Existential Quantifier



$(\exists x. \text{Smiling}(x)) \rightarrow (\exists y. \text{WearingHat}(y))$

## Existential Quantifier



$$(\exists x. \text{Smiling}(x)) \rightarrow (\exists y. \text{WearingHat}(y))$$

How to make the statement to True?

## Variables & Quantifiers



- Each quantifier has two parts
  - Variable
  - Statement that is being quantified
- The variable is scoped just to the statement being quantified

$$(\exists x. \text{Loves}(\text{You}, x)) \rightarrow (\exists y. \text{Loves}(y, \text{You}))$$

The variable  $x$  just lives here

The variable  $y$  just lives here

## Precedence



- Quantifiers have precedence just below  $\neg$
- How to parse the statement

$$\exists x. \text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Prime}(x) \vee \text{Odd}(x)$$

As

$$\exists (x. \text{Even}(x) \wedge \text{Prime}(x) \vee \text{Odd}(x))$$

Or as

$$\exists (x. \text{Even}(x)) \wedge \text{Prime}(x) \vee \text{Odd}(x)$$

- Explicitly put parentheses around the region to quantify

## Universal Quantifier: $\forall$



- A statement of the form

$$\forall x. \text{some-formula}$$

is True if for every choice of  $x$ , the statement *some-formula* is True when that  $x$  is plugged into it

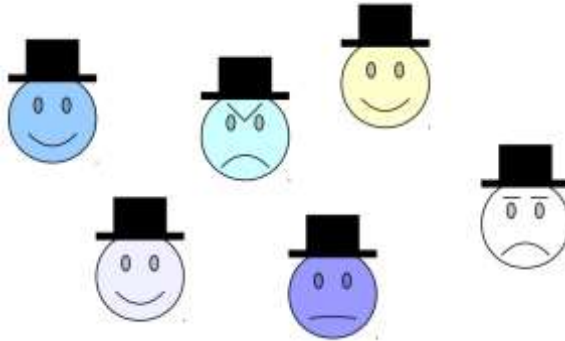
- Examples

$$\forall x. (\text{IsMacaron}(x) \rightarrow \text{Delicious}(x))$$

- For any natural number  $n$ ,  $n$  is even if and only if  $n^2$  is even

$$\forall n. (n \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (\text{Even}(n) \leftrightarrow \text{Even}(n^2)))$$

## Universal Quantifier



$$(\forall x. \text{Smiling}(x)) \rightarrow (\forall y. \text{WearingHat}(y))$$

## Universal Quantifier



$$\forall x. \text{Smiling}(x)$$

Vacuously True

How about  $(\exists x. \text{Smiling}(x))$

## English & Logic



- FOL is an excellent logic for manipulating definitions and theorems
- Need to take negation?
  - Translate your statement into FOL, negate it, then translate it back
- Want to prove an implication by contrapositive?
  - Translate the implication into FOL, take the contrapositive, then translate it back
- When translating from English into FOL,

***Think of FOL as a mathematical programming language***

- The goal is to learn how to combine basic concepts (quantifiers, connectives, etc) together in ways that say what you mean