

# Propositional and Predicate Logics

**Purpose:** Gain experience with propositional and prepositional (first-order) logic by solving many small problems.

**Note:** The textbook, *Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach, 4rd edition*

## 1 Models and Entailment in Propositional Logic

1. For each statement below, determine whether the statement is true or false by building the complete model table.

- (a)  $\neg A \wedge \neg B \models \neg B$
- (b)  $\neg A \vee \neg B \models \neg B$
- (c)  $\neg A \wedge B \models A \vee B$
- (d)  $A \Rightarrow B \models A \Leftrightarrow B$
- (e)  $(A \Rightarrow B) \Leftrightarrow C \models A \vee \neg B \vee C$
- (f)  $(\neg A \Rightarrow \neg B) \wedge (A \wedge \neg B)$  is satisfiable
- (g)  $(\neg A \Leftrightarrow \neg B) \wedge (A \wedge \neg B)$  is satisfiable

2. Consider a logical knowledge base with 100 variables,  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{100}$ . This will have  $Q = 2^{100}$  possible models. For each logical sentence below, give the number of models that satisfy it.

Feel free to express your answer as a fraction of  $Q$  (without writing out the whole number  $1267650600228229401496703205376 = 2^{100}$ ) or to use other symbols to represent large numbers.

Example: The logical sentence  $A_1$  will be satisfied by  $\frac{1}{2}Q = \frac{1}{2}2^{100} = 2^{99}$  models.

- (a) The expression  $A_{31} \wedge \neg A_{76}$  is satisfied by 1 models out of 4 possible for the variables  $A_{31}, A_{76}$ .
  - (b) The expression  $A_{44} \wedge A_{49} \wedge A_{78}$  is satisfied by 1 models out of 8 possible for the variables  $A_{44}, A_{49}, A_{78}$ .
  - (c) The expression  $A_{44} \vee A_{49} \vee A_{78}$  is satisfied by 7 models out of 8 possible for the variables  $A_{44}, A_{49}, A_{78}$ .
  - (d) The expression  $A_{70} \Rightarrow \neg A_{92}$  is satisfied by 3 models out of 4 possible for the variables  $A_{70}, A_{92}$ .
  - (e) The expression  $(A_7 \Leftrightarrow A_{72}) \wedge (A_{83} \Leftrightarrow A_{84})$  is satisfied by 4 models out of 16 possible for the variables  $A_7, A_{72}, A_{83}, A_{84}$ .
  - (f) The expression  $\neg A_9 \wedge \neg A_{19} \wedge A_{37} \wedge A_{50} \wedge A_{68} \wedge A_{73} \wedge A_{79} \wedge A_{81}$  is satisfied by 1 models out of 256 possible for the variables  $A_{19}, A_{37}, A_{50}, A_{68}, A_{73}, A_{79}, A_{81}, A_9$ .
3. Consider the Wumpus world in Figure 7.2 / 6.2. Suppose the agent starts in room in the *bottom right corner*, i.e.  $[4, 1]$ . The agent then moves north/upward twice, visiting the rooms  $[4, 2]$  and  $[4, 3]$ . The agent perceives a breeze in  $[4, 1]$  and  $[4, 3]$ , but not in  $[4, 2]$ . From these percepts, we are interested in determining the possible configuration of pits in the adjacent rooms, i.e.  $[3, 1]$ ,  $[3, 2]$ ,  $[3, 3]$  and  $[4, 4]$ .

Build the full model table of all possible worlds by constructing a truth table with the variables  $P_{3,1}$ ,  $P_{3,2}$ ,  $P_{3,3}$  and  $P_{4,4}$ , each of which specifies whether there is a pit in a particular room. Mark the worlds in which the knowledge base is true, i.e. the pit configurations that are consistent with the perceived breezes. Additionally, mark the worlds in which each of the following sentences is true:

$\alpha_1 = \text{"There is no pit in } [3, 2]\text{"}$ .

$\alpha_2 = \text{"There is a pit in } [4, 4]\text{"}$ .

$\alpha_3 = \text{"There is no a pit in } [4, 4]\text{"}$ .

$\alpha_4 = \text{"There is a pit in } [3, 3] \text{ or } [4, 4]\text{"}$ .

Based on the truth table, which of the sentences  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ ,  $\alpha_3$  and  $\alpha_4$  can you conclude are entailed by the knowledge base? I.e., specify which of the following are true:  $KB \models \alpha_1$ ,  $KB \models \alpha_2$ ,  $KB \models \alpha_3$  and  $KB \models \alpha_4$ .

## 2 Resolution in Propositional Logic

1. Convert each of the following sentences to Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF).

(a)  $A \vee (B \wedge C \wedge \neg D)$

(b)  $\neg(A \Rightarrow \neg B) \wedge \neg(C \Rightarrow \neg D)$

(c)  $\neg((A \Rightarrow B) \wedge (C \Rightarrow D))$

(d)  $(A \wedge B) \vee (C \Rightarrow D)$

(e)  $A \Leftrightarrow (B \Rightarrow \neg C)$

2. Consider the following Knowledge Base (KB):

- $(X \wedge \neg Y) \Rightarrow \neg B$

- $\neg X \Rightarrow C$

- $B \wedge \neg Y$

- $A \Rightarrow \neg C$

Use resolution to show that  $KB \models \neg A$

3. (Question borrowed from AIMA 3rd edition.)

A propositional 2-CNF expression is a conjunction of clauses, each containing exactly 2 literals, e.g.,

$$(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg A \vee C) \wedge (\neg B \vee D) \wedge (\neg C \vee G) \wedge (\neg D \vee G).$$

(a) Prove using resolution that the above sentence entails  $G$ .

(b) Two clauses are *semantically distinct* if they are not logically equivalent. How many semantically distinct 2-CNF clauses can be constructed from  $n$  proposition symbols?

(c) Using your answer to (b), prove that propositional resolution always terminates in time polynomial in  $n$  given a 2-CNF sentence containing no more than  $n$  distinct symbols.

(d) Explain why your argument in (c) does not apply to 3-CNF.

## 3 Representations in First-Order Logic

1. Consider a vocabulary with the following symbols: (Question borrowed from AIMA 3rd edition.)

$Occupation(p, o)$  : Predicate. Person  $p$  has occupation  $o$ .

$Customer(p1, p2)$  : Predicate. Person  $p1$  is a customer of person  $p2$ .

$Boss(p1, p2)$  : Predicate. Person  $p1$  is a boss of person  $p2$ .

$Doctor, Surgeon, Lawyer, Actor$  : Constants denoting occupation.

$Emily, Joe$  : Constants denoting people.

Use these symbols to write the following assertions in first-order logic:

- (a) Emily is either a surgeon or a lawyer.
- (b) Joe is an actor, but he also holds another job.
- (c) All surgeons are doctors.
- (d) Joe does not have a lawyer (i.e., is not a customer of any lawyer).
- (e) Emily has a boss who is a lawyer.
- (f) There exists a lawyer all of whose customers are doctors.
- (g) Every surgeon has a lawyer.

2. Consider a first-order logical knowledge base that describes worlds containing movies, actors, directors and characters. The vocabulary contains the following symbols:

- $PlayedInMovie(a, m)$ : predicate. Actor/person  $a$  played in the movie  $m$
- $PlayedCharacter(a, c)$ : predicate. Actor/person  $a$  played character  $c$
- $CharacterInMovie(c, m)$ : predicate. Character  $c$  is in the movie  $m$ .
- $Directed(p, m)$ : person  $p$  directed movie  $m$ .
- $Male(p)$ :  $p$  is male
- $Female(p)$ :  $p$  is female
- Constants related to the name of the movie, person or character with obvious meaning (to simplify you may use the surname or abbreviation).

Express the following statements in First-Order Logic:

- (a) The character "Batman" was played by Christian Bale, George Clooney and Val Kilmer.
- (b) The character "Batman" was played by male actors.
- (c) The character "Batwoman" was played by female actresses.
- (d) Heath Ledger and Christian Bale did not play the same characters.
- (e) In all "Batman" movies directed by Christopher Nolan, Christian Bale played the character Batman (*tip*: note that in this case Batman is a character of the movie, not the name of the movie).
- (f) The Joker and Batman are characters that appear together in some movies.
- (g) Kevin Costner directed and starred in the same movie.
- (h) George Clooney and Tarantino never played in the same movie and Tarantino never directed a film that George Clooney played.
- (i) Uma Thurman is female actress who played a character in *some* movies directed by Tarantino.

3. Arithmetic assertions can be written using FOL. Use the predicates ( $<, \leq, \neq, =$ ), usual arithmetic operations as function symbol ( $+, -, \times, /$ ), biconditionals to create new predicates, and integer number constants to express the following statements in FOL:
- An integer number  $x$  is divisible by  $y$  if there is some integer  $z$  less than  $x$  such that  $x = z \times y$  (in other words, define the predicate  $Divisible(x, y)$ ).
  - A number is even if and only if it is divisible by 2 (define the predicate  $Even(x)$ ).
  - An odd number is not divisible by 2 (define the predicate  $Odd(x)$ ).
  - The result of summing an even number with 1 is an odd number (define the predicate  $Odd(x)$ ).
  - A prime number is divisible only by itself (define the predicate  $Prime(x)$ ).
  - There is only one even prime number.
  - Every integer number is equal to a product of prime numbers. (you can use  $\prod_{i=1}^k p_k$  to express a product of numbers, or use  $\dots$  to express a repeating pattern, like  $p_1, \dots, p_n$ , meaning  $p_1, p_2, p_3$  until  $p_n$ ).

## 4 Resolution in First-Order Logic

- Find the unifier ( $\theta$ ) – if possible – for each pair of atomic sentences. Here,  $Owner(x, y)$ ,  $Horse(x)$  and  $Rides(x, y)$  are predicates, while  $FastestHorse(x)$  is a function that maps a person to the name of their fastest horse:
  - $Horse(x) \dots Horse(Rocky)$       Answer:  $\theta = \{x/Rocky\}$
  - $Owner(Leo, Rocky) \dots Owner(x, y)$
  - $Owner(Leo, x) \dots Owner(y, Rocky)$
  - $Owner(Leo, x) \dots Rides(Leo, Rocky)$
  - $Owner(x, FastestHorse(x)) \dots Owner(Leo, Rocky)$
  - $Owner(Leo, y) \dots Owner(x, FastestHorse(x))$
  - $Rides(Leo, FastestHorse(x)) \dots Rides(y, FastestHorse(Marvin))$
- Using the predicates  $Philosopher(x)$ ,  $StudentOf(y, x)$ ,  $Write(x, z)$ ,  $Read(y, z)$  and  $Book(z)$  perform skolemization with the following expressions:
  - $\exists x \exists y: Philosopher(x) \wedge StudentOf(y, x)$
  - $\forall y, x: Philosopher(x) \wedge StudentOf(y, x) \rightarrow [\exists z: Book(z) \wedge Write(x, z) \wedge Read(y, z)]$
- Use resolution to prove  $SuperActor(Tarantino)$  given the information below. You must first convert each sentence into CNF. Feel free to show only the applications of the resolution rule that lead to the desired conclusion. For each application of the resolution rule, show the unification bindings,  $\theta$ . We are using in this case the same predicates of Exercise 3.1 (movies, actors, etc).
  - $\forall x: SuperActor(x) \leftrightarrow [\exists m: PlayedInMovie(x, m) \wedge Directed(x, m)]$
  - $\forall m: Directed(Tarantino, m) \leftrightarrow PlayedInMovie(UmaThurman, m)$
  - $\exists m: PlayedInMovie(UmaThurman, m) \wedge PlayedInMovie(Tarantino, m)$

- (a) Show all the steps in the proof (or the diagram).
- (b) Translate the information given in FOL into English (or Norwegian) and describe in high level the reasoning you could apply in English to have the same result (in other words, describe a proof of the result in natural language).