

# Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

## Chapter 3: Knowledge Representation and Reasoning (2) Propositional Logic

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# Propositional logic: Syntax

- Propositional logic is the simplest logic – illustrates basic ideas
- Constants: **TRUE** or **FALSE**
- Symbols to stand for **propositions** (sentences):  $P, Q, R, P_1, W_{1,3}, \dots$
- Logical **connectives**:
  - NOT                       $\neg$                       Negation
  - AND                       $\wedge$                       Conjunction
  - OR                       $\vee$                       Disjunction
  - IMPLIES                       $\Rightarrow$                       Implication (if... then)
  - Iff                       $\Leftrightarrow$                       Equivalence, biconditional (if and only if)
- Literal: an atomic sentence ( $P$ ) or negated atomic sentence ( $\neg P$ )

# Backus-Naur Form (BNF) Grammar

$Sentence \rightarrow AtomicSentence \mid ComplexSentence$

$AtomicSentence \rightarrow True \mid False \mid P \mid Q \mid R \mid \dots$

$ComplexSentence \rightarrow ( Sentence ) \mid [ Sentence ]$

$\mid \neg Sentence$

$\mid Sentence \wedge Sentence$

$\mid Sentence \vee Sentence$

$\mid Sentence \Rightarrow Sentence$

$\mid Sentence \Leftrightarrow Sentence$

OPERATOR PRECEDENCE :  $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$

BNF – a formal grammar of propositional logic

# Propositional logic: Semantics

□ Each model specifies true/false for each proposition symbol

- E.g.  $P_{1,2}$     $P_{2,2}$     $P_{3,1}$   
false   true   false

□ With these symbols, 8 possible models can be enumerated automatically.

□ 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

□ Simple recursive process evaluates an arbitrary sentence,

- e.g.,  $\neg P_{1,2} \wedge (P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1}) = \text{true} \wedge (\text{true} \vee \text{false}) = \text{true} \wedge \text{true} = \text{true}$

# Truth tables for connectives

$P$	$Q$	$\neg P$	$P \wedge Q$	$P \vee Q$	$P \Rightarrow Q$	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>

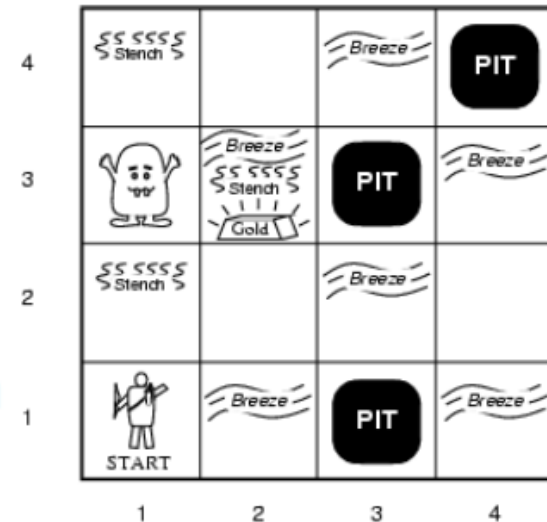
# A simple knowledge base: Wumpus world

## □ Symbols for each position $[i, j]$

- $P_{i,j}$  is true if there is a pit in  $[i, j]$
- $W_{i,j}$  is true if there is a wumpus in  $[i, j]$
- $B_{i,j}$  is true if there is a breeze in  $[i, j]$
- $S_{i,j}$  is true if there is a stench in  $[i, j]$

## □ Sentences in Wumpus world's KB:

- $R_1: \neg P_{1,1}$
- $R_2: B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$
- $R_3: B_{2,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1})$
- $R_4: \neg B_{1,1}$
- $R_5: B_{2,1}$



# Logical Inference Problem

## □ Given:

- KB: A set of sentences
- A sentence  $\alpha$

## □ Goal: answer the question: does the KB semantically entail $\alpha$ ?

- That is,  $\text{KB} \models \alpha$

## □ In other words:

- In all interpretations in which sentences in KB are true, is  $\alpha$  also true?



# Solving the Logical Inference Problem

## □ Example:

- Given KB in Wumpus World, decide if there is a pit in [1,2] or not:
  - $KB \models P_{1,2}$ ?

## □ 3 approaches:

- Model-checking (by enumeration)
- Inference Rules
- Conversion to the inverse SAT problem (Resolution refutation)

# 1. Model-checking approach

□ Other name:

- Inference by enumeration

□ Check if  $\alpha$  is true in every model in which KB is true.

- E.g, Wumpus's KB: 7 symbols  $\rightarrow 2^7 = 128$  models
- Draw a truth table for checking

# Truth table for the KB of Wumpus World

$B_{1,1}$	$B_{2,1}$	$P_{1,1}$	$P_{1,2}$	$P_{2,1}$	$P_{2,2}$	$P_{3,1}$	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	$R_4$	$R_5$	$KB$
false	false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	true	false	false
false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	false	true	false	false
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
false	true	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	false	true	true	false
false	true	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	true	true	true	<u>true</u>
false	true	false	false	false	true	false	true	true	true	true	true	<u>true</u>
false	true	false	false	false	true	true	true	true	true	true	true	<u>true</u>
false	true	false	false	true	false	false	true	false	false	true	true	false
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
true	true	true	true	true	true	true	false	true	true	false	true	false

A truth table constructed for the KB of Wumpus World

No pit in [1,2]

# Inference by enumeration

□ Depth-first enumeration of all models is sound and complete

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function TT-ENTAILS?( $KB, \alpha$ ) returns true or false  
  inputs:  $KB$ , the knowledge base, a sentence in propositional logic  
            $\alpha$ , the query, a sentence in propositional logic  
  
   $symbols \leftarrow$  a list of the proposition symbols in  $KB$  and  $\alpha$   
  return TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, symbols, \{ \}$ )  
  
function TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, symbols, model$ ) returns true or false  
  if EMPTY?( $symbols$ ) then  
    if PL-TRUE?( $KB, model$ ) then return PL-TRUE?( $\alpha, model$ )  
    else return true // when  $KB$  is false, always return true  
  else do  
     $P \leftarrow$  FIRST( $symbols$ )  
     $rest \leftarrow$  REST( $symbols$ )  
    return (TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, rest, model \cup \{P = true\}$ )  
           and  
           TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, rest, model \cup \{P = false\}$ ))
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□ For  $n$  symbols, time complexity is  $O(2^n)$ , space complexity is  $O(n)$

## 2. Inference Rules Approach

❑ Other name:

- Theorem proving

❑ Applying rules of inference directly to the sentences in KB to construct a proof of the desired sentence **without** consulting models

→ Efficient than model checking if the number of models is large but length of proof is short

❑ New concepts:

- Logical equivalence
- Validity
- Satisfiability

# Logical equivalence

□ Two sentences are **logically equivalent** iff true in same models:  $\alpha \equiv \beta$  iff  $\alpha \models \beta$  and  $\beta \models \alpha$

$$(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha) \quad \text{commutativity of } \wedge$$

$$(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\beta \vee \alpha) \quad \text{commutativity of } \vee$$

$$((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma)) \quad \text{associativity of } \wedge$$

$$((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma)) \quad \text{associativity of } \vee$$

$$\neg(\neg\alpha) \equiv \alpha \quad \text{double-negation elimination}$$

$$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha) \quad \text{contraposition}$$

$$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \beta) \quad \text{implication elimination}$$

$$(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) \equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) \quad \text{biconditional elimination}$$

$$\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta) \quad \text{De Morgan}$$

$$\neg(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta) \quad \text{De Morgan}$$

$$(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma)) \quad \text{distributivity of } \wedge \text{ over } \vee$$

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# Validity and satisfiability

- A sentence is **valid** if it is true in **all** models,
  - e.g., *True*,  $A \vee \neg A$ ,  $A \Rightarrow A$ ,  $(A \wedge (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$
- Validity is connected to inference via the **Deduction Theorem**:
  - $KB \models \alpha$  if and only if  $(KB \Rightarrow \alpha)$  is valid
- A sentence is **satisfiable** if it is true in **some** model
  - e.g.,  $A \vee B$ ,  $C$
- A sentence is **unsatisfiable** if it is true in **no** models
  - e.g.,  $A \wedge \neg A$
- Satisfiability is connected to inference via the following:
  - $KB \models \alpha$  if and only if  $(KB \wedge \neg \alpha)$  is unsatisfiable

# Validity and satisfiability

□ Validity and satisfiability are connected:

- $\alpha$  is valid iff  $\neg\alpha$  is unsatisfiable;
- $\alpha$  is satisfiable iff  $\neg\alpha$  is not valid.

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□ Result:

- $\alpha \models \beta$  if and only if the sentence  $(\alpha \wedge \neg\beta)$  is unsatisfiable.

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# Exercise

□ Check the validity and satisfiability of the following sentence using the Truth table

1.  $A \wedge B \Rightarrow A \vee C$

2.  $A \vee B \Rightarrow A \wedge C$

3.  $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \Rightarrow A \vee C$

4.  $(A \vee \neg B) \Rightarrow A \wedge B$

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# Apply Inference Rules to derive a Proof

## □ Proof:

- A chain of conclusions leads to the desired goal

## □ Example sound rules of inference:

<b>RULE</b>	<b>PREMISE</b>	<b>CONCLUSION</b>
Modus Ponens	$A, A \rightarrow B$	$B$
AND Introduction	$A, B$	$A \wedge B$
AND Elimination	$A \wedge B$	$A$
OR Introduction	$A$	$A \vee X$
Double Negation	$\neg \neg A$	$A$
Unit Resolution	$A \vee B, \neg B$	$A$
<b>Resolution</b>	<b><math>A \vee B, \neg B \vee C</math></b>	<b><math>A \vee C</math></b>

# Inference Rules in Wumpus World

□ KB:  $R_1 \rightarrow R_5$

□ Proof:  $\neg P_{1,2}$

□ Apply inference rules:

Searching for Proof  
→ Can apply  
Searching Algorithms

- Bi-conditional elimination to  $R_2$ :

  - $R_6: (B_{1,1} \Rightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge ((P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \Rightarrow B_{1,1})$

- And-Elimination to  $R_6$ :

  - $R_7: ((P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \Rightarrow B_{1,1})$

- Logical equivalence for contrapositives

  - $R_8: (\neg B_{1,1} \Rightarrow \neg(P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}))$

- Modus Ponens with  $R_8$  and the percept  $R_4$

  - $R_9: \neg(P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$

- De Morgan's rule:

  - $R_{10}: \neg P_{1,2} \wedge \neg P_{2,1}$

*finding a proof can be more efficient because the proof can ignore irrelevant propositions, no matter how many of them there are.*

# Proof by Resolution Inference Rule

## ❑ Problem of Proof by Inference Rules:

- If the rules are inadequate, then the goal is not reachable  $\rightarrow$  the algorithm is not complete

## ❑ Resolution Rule:

- A single inference rule

$$\alpha \vee \beta, \neg \beta \vee \gamma \vdash \alpha \vee \gamma$$

- Or:  $\neg \alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \beta \Rightarrow \gamma \vdash \neg \alpha \Rightarrow \gamma$
- Yields complete inference algorithm when coupled with any complete search algorithm

# Soundness of Resolution Rule

$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\alpha \vee \beta$	$\neg \beta \vee \gamma$	$\alpha \vee \gamma$
F	F	F	F	T	F
F	F	T	F	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	T
T	T	T	T	T	T

We highlighted the cases when both premises are true

The resolution rule is sound because the conclusions are true in all cases (here 4) where the premises are true

# Resolution in Wumpus World

□KB:

$$\circ R_1 \rightarrow R_{10}$$

$$\circ R_{11} : \neg B_{1,2}$$

$$\circ R_{12} : B_{1,2} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{1,3})$$

□Proof by inference rules:

$$\circ R_{13} : \neg P_{2,2}$$

$$\circ R_{14} : \neg P_{1,3}$$

$$\circ R_{15} : P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1}$$

# Resolution in Wumpus World

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○  $R_1 \rightarrow R_{10}$

○  $R_{11} : \neg B_{1,2}$

○  $R_{12} : B_{1,2} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{1,3})$

□ Proof by inference rules:

○  $R_{13} : \neg P_{2,2}$  — Resolves 2  
complementary literals

○  $R_{14} : \neg P_{1,3}$

○  $R_{15} : P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1}$

Resolvent:  
 $R_{16} : P_{1,1} \vee P_{3,1}$

# Resolution in Wumpus World

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□ Proof by inference rules:

○  $R_1 : \neg P_{1,1}$       Resolves 2  
○  $R_{16} : P_{1,1} \vee P_{3,1}$       complementary literals

Resolvent:

$R_{17} : P_{3,1}$

*$\rightarrow R_{16} \& R_{17}$  are examples of the Unit resolution inference rule*



# Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

□ Resolution rule applies only to clauses  
(disjunctions of literals)

→ Need to convert all sentences in KB into clauses  
(CNF form)

□ Example: convert  $B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$  into CNF  
 $(\neg B_{1,1} \vee P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{1,2} \vee B_{1,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{2,1} \vee B_{1,1})$

→ A conjunction of 3 clauses

# Conversion to CNF

## 1. Remove implication and equivalence

- $(P \Rightarrow Q)$  becomes  $(\neg P \vee Q)$
- $(P \Leftrightarrow Q)$  becomes  $(P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow P)$ , then becomes  $(\neg P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg Q \vee P)$

## 2. Move negations inwards – Use De Morgan's

- $\neg(P \wedge Q)$  becomes  $(\neg P \vee \neg Q)$
- $\neg(P \vee Q)$  becomes  $(\neg P \wedge \neg Q)$

## 3. Distribute OR over AND

- $P \vee (Q \wedge R)$  becomes  $(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee R)$

# Exercise

□ Convert the following sentences into CNF:

1.  $(A \wedge B) \Rightarrow (C \Rightarrow D)$

2.  $P \vee Q \Leftrightarrow R \wedge \neg Q \Rightarrow P$

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# Resolution Algorithm

□ Proof by contradiction, i.e., show  $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$  unsatisfiable

**function** PL-RESOLUTION( $KB, \alpha$ ) **returns** *true* or *false*

**inputs:**  $KB$ , the knowledge base, a sentence in propositional logic  
 $\alpha$ , the query, a sentence in propositional logic

$clauses \leftarrow$  the set of clauses in the CNF representation of  $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$

$new \leftarrow \{ \}$

**loop do**

**for each** pair of clauses  $C_i, C_j$  **in**  $clauses$  **do**

$resolvents \leftarrow$  PL-RESOLVE( $C_i, C_j$ )

**if**  $resolvents$  contains the empty clause **then return** *true*

$new \leftarrow new \cup resolvents$

**if**  $new \subseteq clauses$  **then return** *false*

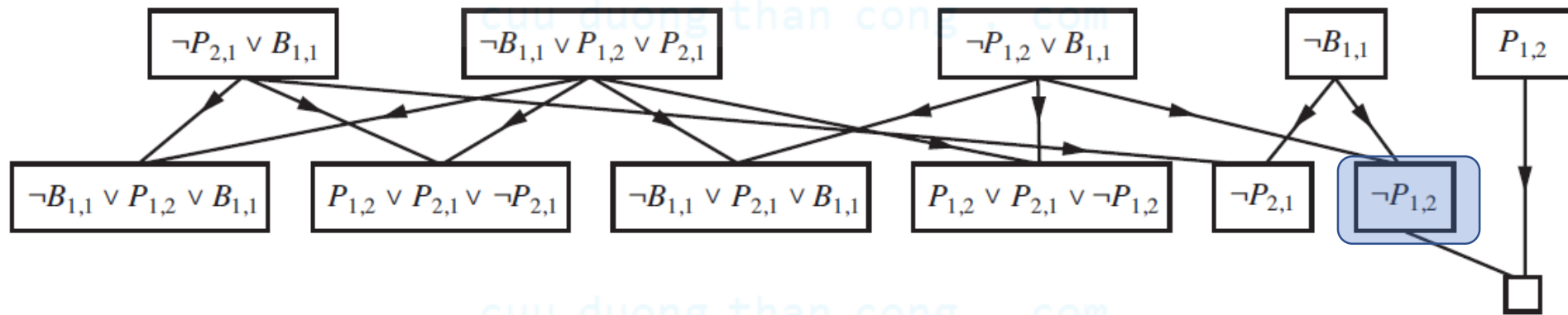
$clauses \leftarrow clauses \cup new$

# Resolution Algorithm – Example

## □ Wumpus World:

○  $KB = (B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge \neg B_{1,1}$

○  $\alpha = \neg P_{1,2}$



# Exercise

□ Given KB:

1.  $A \Rightarrow B$

2.  $A \Rightarrow C \vee D$

3.  $B \wedge D \Rightarrow E$

4.  $A \wedge B \Rightarrow F$

5.  $A$

□ Check if the following sentences are entailed by KB?

○ F?

○ E?

# Problem of Inference Rules

## ❑ Too many propositions to handle

- The statement “Do not go forward if the Wumpus is in front of you” requires 16 squares x 4 orientations = 64 propositional rules
- It will take thousands of rules to build an agent

## ❑ Change of the KB over time is difficult to represent

- Standard technique is to index facts with the time when they're true
- This means we have a separate KB for every time point

# Next week

- ❑ Chapter 3: Knowledge Representation and Reasoning (cont.)
  - Propositional Logic: Horn Forms

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