

## Artificial Intelligence

# Logic & Logic Agents

### Chapter 7 (& Some background)

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# This lecture

General background about Logic, needed in the proceeding lectures:

- History of Logic, and a quick review of logic.
- Propositional Logic
- Logic Agents
- Logical inference = *reasoning*

## Lecture Keywords:

Logic, History of Logic, knowledge representation, Propositional Logic, Logic agents, Knowledge-Based Agent, Validity of arguments, Tarski's world, Tarski's Semantics, Wumpus World Game, Inference, Deduction, Reasoning, Entailment, Logical Implication, Soundness, Completeness , satisfiable, Unsatisfiable, Validity, Falsifiable, tautology.

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# What is logic?

- A logic allows the axiomatization of the domain information, and the drawing of conclusions from that information.
  - Syntax
  - Semantics
  - Logical inference = *reasoning*

Computer Science deals with logic as a tool or a language to represent knowledge (even it is not true), and reason about it, i.e., draw conclusions automatically (...reaching intelligence).

*Philosophy is more concerned with the truth of axioms, in the real world*

# Some History of Logic



1960s

Automated  
Reasoning

2001

Complete  
Reasoning

?

Scalable  
Reasoning!





# Review Of Propositional Logic Reasoning

## Validity of Arguments

Example from [1]

$$p \vee (q \vee r)$$

$$\sim r$$

$$\therefore p \vee q$$

Is it a valid argument?  
Also called: Query

			premises			conclusion
$p$	$q$	$r$	$q \vee r$	$p \vee (q \vee r)$	$\sim r$	$p \vee q$
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In each situation where the premises are both true, the conclusion is also true, so the argument form is valid.

# Review Of Propositional Logic Reasoning

## Validity of Arguments

Example from [1]

$$\begin{aligned}
 & p \rightarrow q \vee \sim r \\
 & q \rightarrow p \wedge r \\
 & \therefore p \rightarrow r
 \end{aligned}$$

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# Quick Review: (First-Order-Logic)

## Tarski's World example

Example from [1]

Describe Tarski's world using universal and external quantifiers

a. For all circles  $x$ ,  $x$  is above  $f$ .

$$\forall x(\text{Circle}(x) \rightarrow \text{Above}(x, f)).$$

b. There is a square  $x$  such that  $x$  is black.

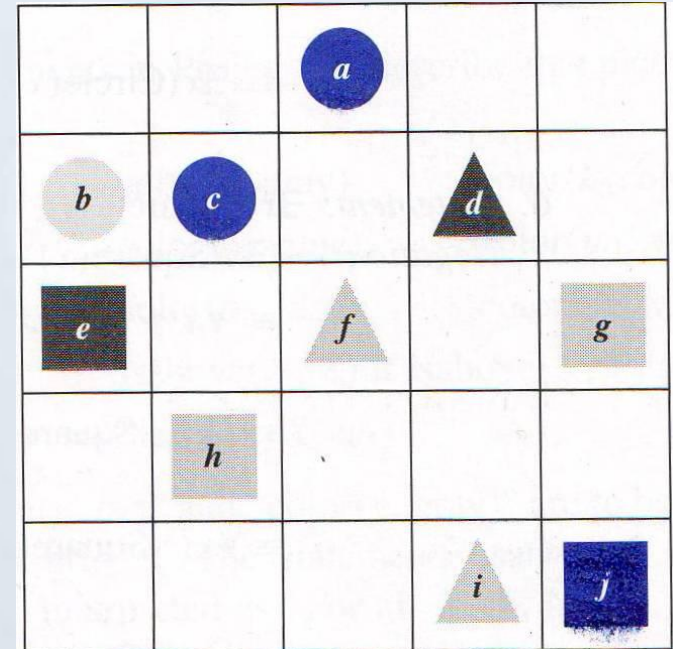
$$\exists x(\text{Square}(x) \wedge \text{Black}(x)).$$

c. For all circles  $x$ , there is a square  $y$  such that  $x$  and  $y$  have the same color.

$$\forall x(\text{Circle}(x) \rightarrow \exists y(\text{Square}(y) \wedge \text{SameColor}(x, y))).$$

d. There is a square  $x$  such that for all triangles  $y$ ,  $x$  is to the right of  $y$ .

$$\exists x(\text{Square}(x) \wedge \forall y(\text{Triangle}(y) \rightarrow \text{RightOf}(x, y))).$$

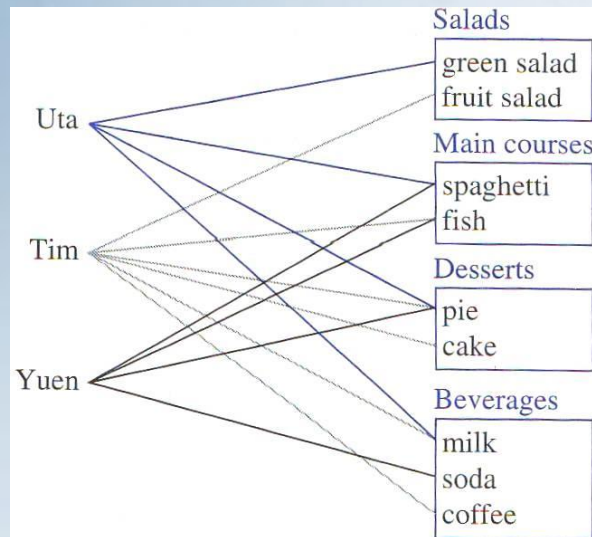




# Quick Review: (First-Order-Logic)

## Universal and Extensional Quantifiers Example

Example from [1]



a.  $\exists$  an item  $I$  such that  $\forall$  students  $S$ ,  $S$  chose  $I$ .

b.  $\exists$  a student  $S$  such that  $\forall$  items  $I$ ,  $S$  chose  $I$ .

c.  $\exists$  a student  $S$  such that  $\forall$  stations  $Z$ ,  $\exists$  an item  $I$  in  $Z$  such that  $S$  chose  $I$ .

d.  $\forall$  students  $S$  and  $\forall$  stations  $Z$ ,  $\exists$  an item  $I$  in  $Z$  such that  $S$  chose  $I$ .

There is an item that was chosen by every student.  $\rightarrow$  true

There is a student who chose every available item.  $\rightarrow$  false

There is a student who chose at least one item from every station.  $\rightarrow$  true

Every student chose at least one item from every station  $\rightarrow$  false.

# Why Logic: Motivation Example

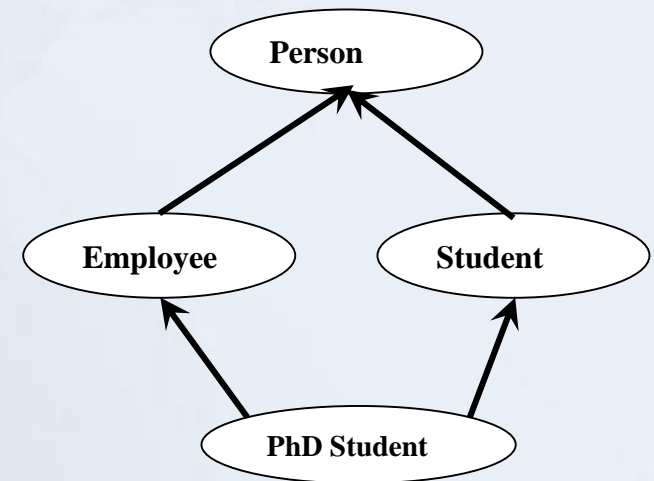
- Logic allows us to represent knowledge precisely (Syntax and Semantics).

$\forall x \text{ Employee}(x) \rightarrow \text{Person}(x)$

$\forall x \text{ Student}(x) \rightarrow \text{Person}(x)$

$\forall x \text{ PhDStudent}(x) \rightarrow \text{Student}(x)$

$\forall x \text{ PhDStudent}(x) \rightarrow \text{Employee}(x)$



- However, representation alone is not enough.
- We also need to process this knowledge and make use of it, i.e. Logical inference = (Reasoning).

# Why Logic: Motivation Example

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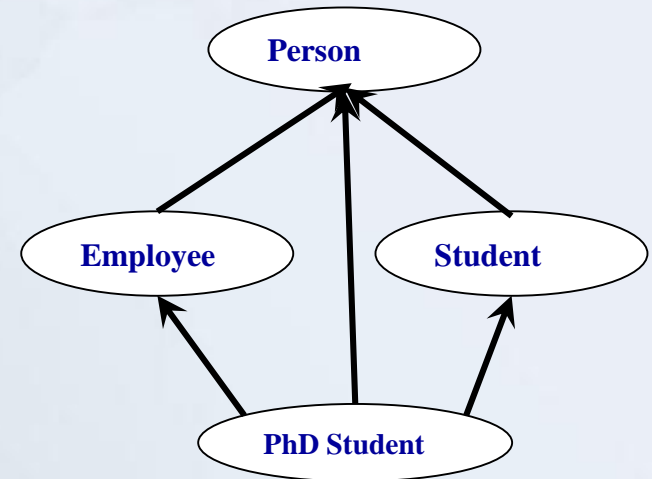
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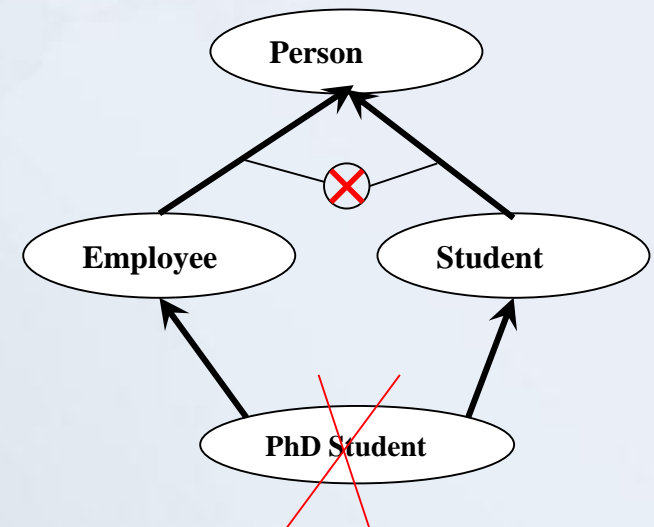
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$\forall x \text{ Student}(x) \cap \text{Employee}(x) = \emptyset$




→ How to process the above axioms to know that an axiom can be derived from another axiom.

→ Find contradictions (satisfiability)

→ ...etc.





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## Logic Agents

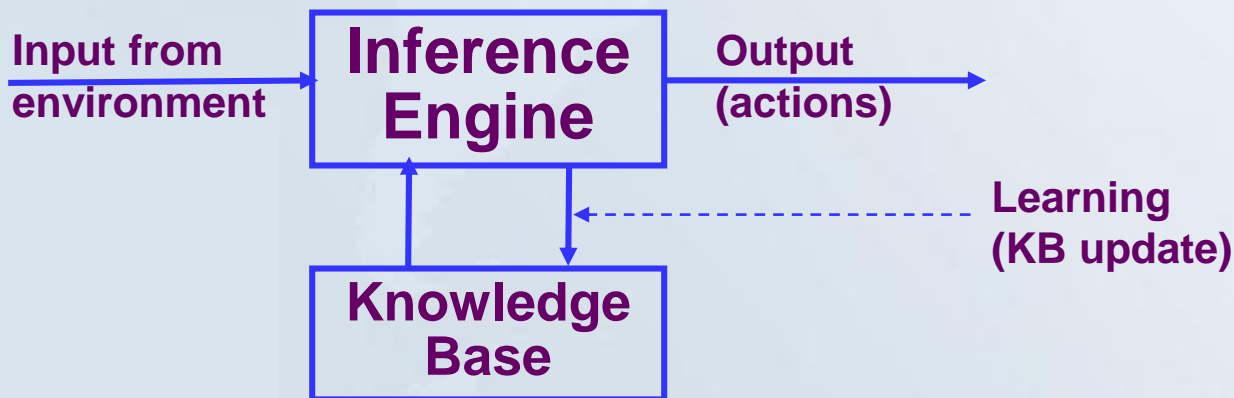
Most material is based on and improved from [2]

# A Knowledge-Based Agent

- A knowledge-based agent consists of a knowledge base (KB) and an inference engine (IE).
- A knowledge-base is a set of representations of what one knows about the world (objects and classes of objects, the fact about objects, relationships among objects, etc.)
- Each individual representation is called a sentence.
- The sentences are expressed in a knowledge representation language.
- Examples of sentences
  - The moon is made of green cheese
  - If A is true then B is true
  - A is false
  - All humans are mortal
  - Confucius is a human

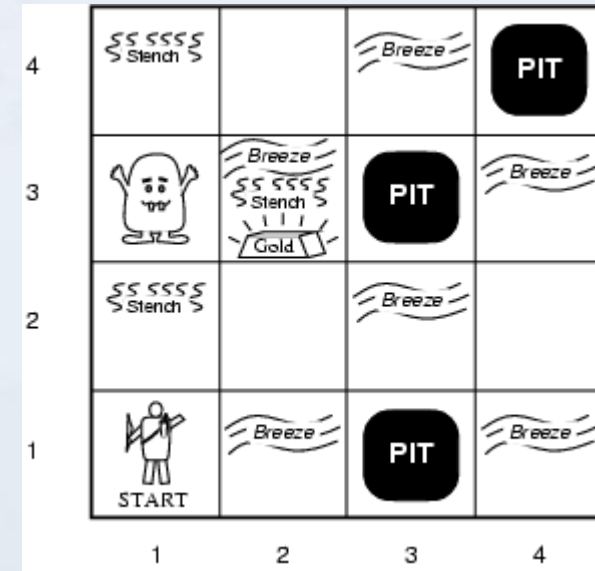
# A Knowledge-Based Agent

- The Inference engine derives new sentences from the input and KB
- The inference mechanism depends on representation in KB
- The agent operates as follows:
  - 1. It receives percepts from environment
  - 2. It computes what action it should perform (by IE and KB)
  - 3. It performs the chosen action (some actions are simply inserting inferred new facts into KB).



# The Wumpus World

- Demo (Video)
- Performance measure
  - gold +1000, death -1000
  - -1 per step, -10 for using the arrow
- Environment
  - Squares adjacent to wumpus are smelly
  - Squares adjacent to pit are breezy
  - Glitter iff gold is in the same square
  - Shooting kills wumpus if you are facing it
  - Shooting uses up the only arrow
  - Grabbing picks up gold if in same square
  - Releasing drops the gold in same square
- Sensors: Stench, Breeze, Glitter, Bump, Scream
- Actuators: Left turn, Right turn, Forward, Grab, Release, Shoot





# Entailment –Logical Implication

- Entailment means that one thing **follows from** another:

$$KB \models \alpha$$

$$\begin{array}{l} p \rightarrow q \vee \sim r \\ q \rightarrow p \wedge r \\ \hline \therefore p \rightarrow r \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{KB} \\ \alpha \end{array}$$

- Knowledge base  $KB$  entails sentence  $\alpha$   
if and only if  
 $\alpha$  is true in all worlds where  $KB$  is true
  - E.g., the KB containing “the Giants won” and “the Reds won” entails “Either the Giants won or the Reds won”
  - E.g.,  $x+y = 4$  entails  $4 = x+y$
  - Entailment is a relationship between sentences (i.e., **Syntax**) that is based on **Semantics**.

# What is a “Model”?

(in Logic)

- Logicians typically think in terms of models, which are formally *structured worlds* with respect to which truth can be evaluated.
- We say  $m$  is a model of a sentence  $\alpha$  if  $\alpha$  is true in  $m$
- $M(\alpha)$  is the set of all models of  $\alpha$
- Then  $KB \models \alpha$  iff  $M(KB) \subseteq M(\alpha)$

E.g.

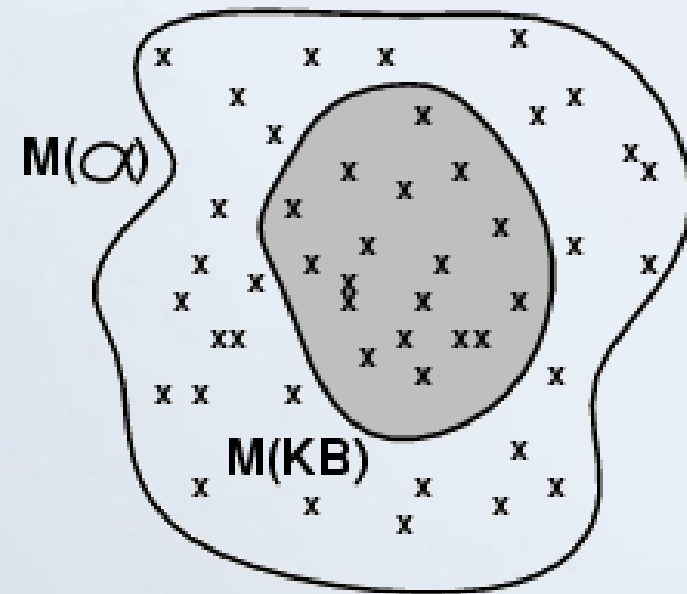
$KB$  = “Giants won” and “Reds won”  
 $\alpha$  = “Giants won”

Or

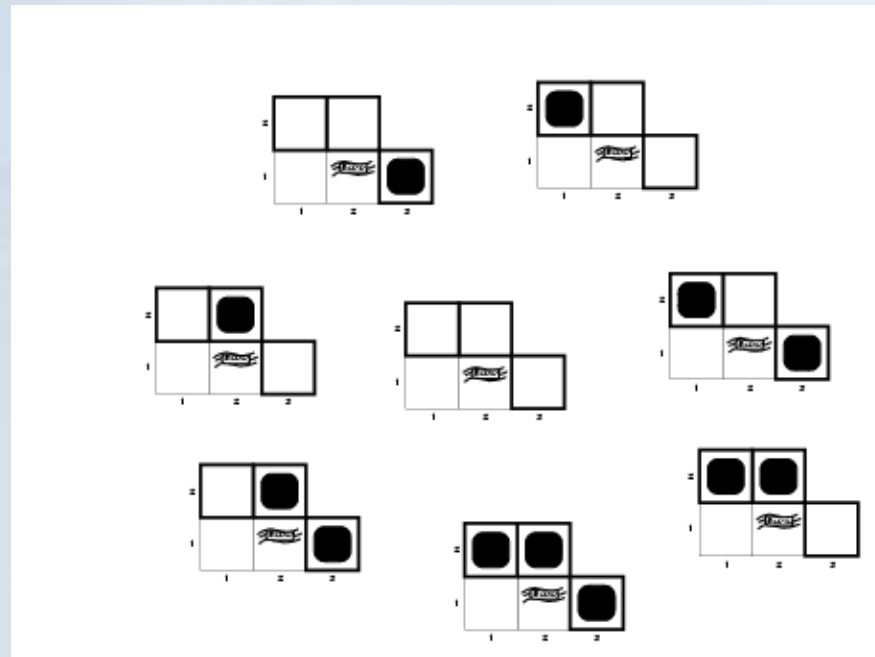
$\alpha$  = “Red won”

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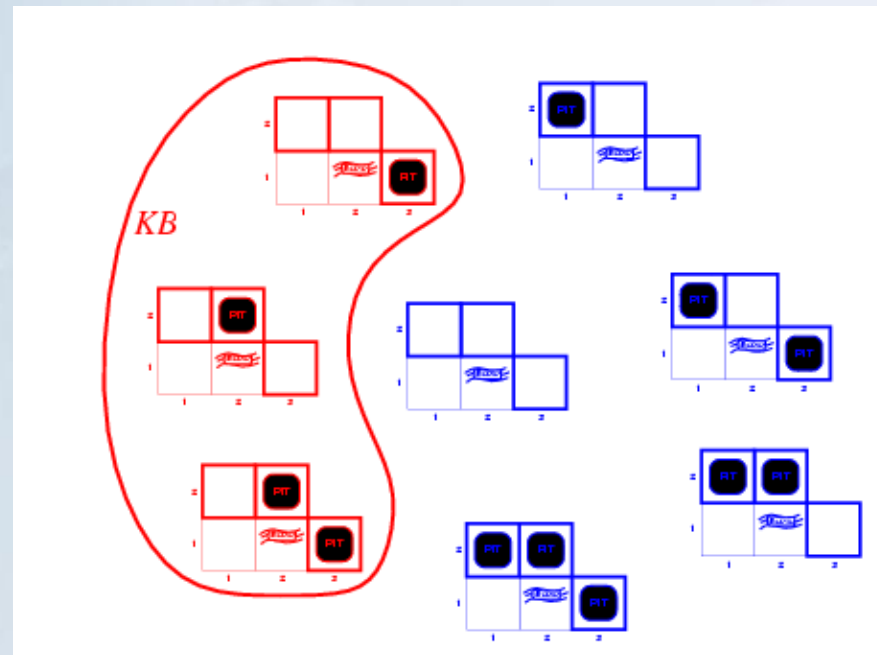
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# Wumpus Models



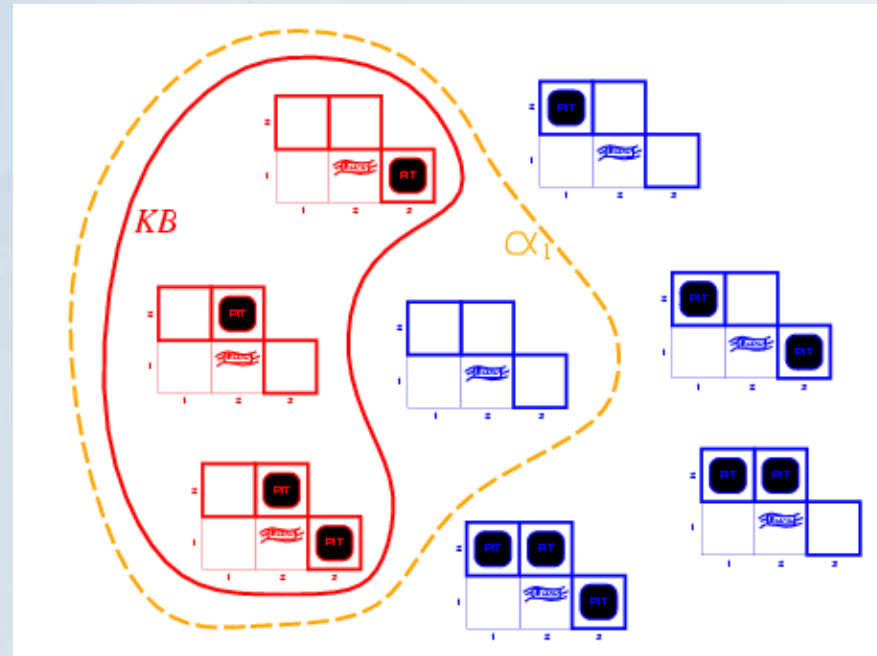
# Wumpus Models



- $KB = \text{Wumpus-world rules} + \text{observations}$



# Wumpus Models



- $KB$  = wumpus-world rules + observations
- $\alpha_1$  = "[1,2] is safe",  
 $KB \models \alpha_1$ , proved by model checking

## Another example

- Construct a model satisfying the following  $\alpha$

$$\alpha = \forall x (\text{Circle}(x) \rightarrow \text{Above}(x, f))$$

- Model:

Circle( $a$ )




Circle( $c$ )

Triangle( $f$ )

$a$  in  $[3,5]$

$c$  in  $[2,4]$

$f$  in  $[3,3]$

**We say that this model is an interpretation for  $\alpha$**

# Properties of Inference Procedures

Inference = Deduction = Reasoning

$$KB \vdash_i \alpha$$

- $KB \vdash_i \alpha$  = sentence  $\alpha$  can be derived from  $KB$  by **procedure  $i$**
- Soundness:  $i$  is sound if  
whenever  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$ , it is also true that  $KB \models \alpha$
- Completeness:  $i$  is complete if  
whenever  $KB \models \alpha$ , it is also true that  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$
- Preview: we will define a logic (first-order logic) which is expressive enough to say almost anything of interest, and for which there exists a sound and complete inference procedure.
- That is, the procedure will answer any question whose answer follows from what is known by the  $KB$ .

# Propositional logic



# Propositional logic: Syntax

- Propositional logic is the simplest logic –illustrates basic ideas

Countable alphabet  $\Sigma$  of **atomic propositions**:  $a, b, c, \dots$

<b>Propositional formulas:</b>	$\phi, \psi$	$\longrightarrow$	$a$	<i>atomic formula</i>
		$\perp$		<i>false</i>
		$\top$		<i>true</i>
		$\neg$	$\phi$	<i>negation</i>
		$\wedge$	$\phi \psi$	<i>conjunction</i>
		$\vee$	$\phi \psi$	<i>disjunction</i>
		$\longrightarrow$	$\phi \psi$	<i>implication</i>
		$\leftrightarrow$	$\phi \psi$	<i>equivalence</i>

- Atom:** atomic formula
- Literal:** (negated) atomic formula
- Clause:** disjunction of literals

# 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 ( $= 2^3$ ) 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.,

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

# A simple knowledge base

Let  $P_{i,j}$  be true if there is a pit in  $[i, j]$ .

Let  $B_{i,j}$  be true if there is a breeze in  $[i, j]$ .

Knowledge Base:

$$\neg P_{1,1}$$

There is no pit in  $[1, 1]$

$$B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$$

$B_{1,1}$  is breezy if and only if there is a pit in a neighboring square

$$B_{2,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1})$$

→ These sentences are true in all wumpus worlds.

$$\neg B_{1,1}$$

$$B_{2,1}$$

# Validity and Satisfiability

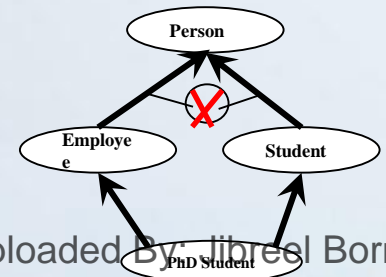
A sentence is valid if it is true in **all** models,  
e.g., *True*,  $A \vee \neg A$ ,  $A \Rightarrow A$ ,  $(A \wedge (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$

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

An interpretation  $I$  is a **model** of  $\alpha$ :

$$I \models \alpha$$

A formula  $\alpha$  is

- **Satisfiable**, if there is some  $I$  that satisfies  $\alpha$ ,
- **Unsatisfiable**, if  $\alpha$  is not satisfiable,
- **Falsifiable**, if there is some  $I$  that does not satisfy  $\alpha$ ,
- **Valid** (i.e., a tautology), if every  $I$  is a model of  $\alpha$ .

Two formulas are logically equivalent ( $\alpha \equiv \psi$ ), if for all  $I$ :

$$I \models \alpha \text{ iff } I \models \psi$$

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