

Logic

- A **proposition** or **sentence** is an expression that can be evaluated into a truth-value (true or false). It is made up of **symbols** representing variables, which can be either true or false.
- Propositions can be built from symbols using negation (\neg), conjunction (\wedge), disjunction (\vee), implication (\Rightarrow), and biconditional implication (\Leftrightarrow). A **literal** is a symbol or its negation.
- A **Horn clause** is a proposition that is either a single literal or of the form $(B \wedge C \wedge \dots) \Rightarrow A$. Equivalently, it is a **clause** (a proposition of the form $(A \vee B \vee \dots)$) in which at most one of the literals is true. A proposition in **Horn form** is a conjunction of Horn clauses.
- A proposition in **conjunctive normal form (CNF)** is a conjunction of disjunctions: $(A \vee B \vee \dots) \wedge (C \vee D \vee \dots) \wedge \dots$. Any proposition can be made into this form.
- A **model** is a possible world, an assignment of truth-values to all of the variables. For any proposition α , $M(\alpha)$ is the set of models in which α is true. A proposition is **valid** if it is true in all models.
- A set of propositions can be stored in a **knowledge base**. A knowledge base KB **entails** a proposition α (written $KB \models \alpha$) if α is true in all worlds where KB is true – that is, if $M(KB) \subseteq M(\alpha)$. (Note the direction! Propositional logic is **monotonic**, which means that adding propositions can only *add* knowledge, it can never remove existing knowledge. The *more* propositions that are known, the *fewer* models are consistent with the knowledge, so the *smaller* the set is.) Two propositions (or sets of propositions) α and β are logically **equivalent** if $\alpha \models \beta$ and $\beta \models \alpha$.
- Deduction Theorem: $KB \models \alpha$ whenever the proposition $KB \Rightarrow \alpha$ is valid.
- Propositions can be proven using **model checking**, which enumerates the possible models. Or, they can be proven using logical **inference**, deriving propositions from other propositions. A procedure i **derives** a proposition α from a knowledge base KB (written $KB \vdash_i \alpha$) if α can be derived from KB by i . A procedure i is **sound** if it generates *only* true propositions, and is **complete** if it generates *all* true propositions.
- Some useful procedures (inference rules):
 - Modus ponens:** If A , and $A \Rightarrow B$, then B .
 - Modus tollens:** If $A \Rightarrow B$, and $\neg B$, then $\neg A$.
 - Resolution:** If $A \vee B$, and $\neg A$, then B .

- Whether a knowledge base entails a proposition α can be checked using **forward chaining** (which uses modus ponens to derive new propositions, until it finds α or doesn't) or **backward chaining** (which works backward from α to find propositions that prove it).
- A proposition is **satisfiable** if there exists some assignment of values to its variables that makes it true. To prove a proposition unsatisfiable, one can add its negation to the knowledge base and apply the resolution procedure until False is shown to be entailed.
- The **DPLL** algorithm checks satisfiability of a CNF proposition by using depth-first search while taking advantage of some facts about logic to take shortcuts:
 - A clause is true if any of its literals is true. A proposition is false if any of its clauses is false.
 - Pure symbol heuristic: If a symbol always appears with the same sign (always A or always $\neg A$), that literal can be assigned to true.
 - Unit clause heuristic: If a clause has only one literal (or all the other literals are assigned false), then that literal must be assigned to true.
- The **WalkSAT** algorithm checks satisfiability of a CNF proposition by using the “min-conflict heuristic,” starting with a random assignment and flipping variables' values to those that maximize the number of satisfied clauses. (So it cannot definitively conclude that a proposition is *unsatisfiable*.)
- **First-order logic** is a superset of propositional logic. It allows quantifiers (exists (\exists) and for all (\forall)), objects (things other than True/False), variables (whose values can be objects), functions (which can return things other than truth-values), and relations (which have truth-values).

Exercises

1. (AIMA 7.4) Which of the following are correct?

- (a) $False \models True$.
- (b) $True \models False$.
- (c) $(A \wedge B) \models (A \Leftrightarrow B)$.
- (d) $A \Leftrightarrow B \models A \vee B$.
- (e) $A \Leftrightarrow B \models \neg A \vee B$.
- (f) $(A \wedge B) \Rightarrow C \models (A \Rightarrow C) \vee (B \Rightarrow C)$.
- (g) $(C \vee (\neg A \wedge \neg B)) \equiv ((A \Rightarrow C) \wedge (B \Rightarrow C))$.
- (h) $(A \vee B) \wedge \neg(A \Rightarrow B)$ is satisfiable.
- (i) $(A \Leftrightarrow B) \wedge (\neg A \vee B)$ is satisfiable.

2. (AIMA 7.20) Convert the following set of sentences to clausal form.

- (a) $A \Leftrightarrow (B \vee E)$.
- (b) $E \Rightarrow D$.
- (c) $C \wedge F \Rightarrow \neg B$.
- (d) $E \Rightarrow B$.
- (e) $B \Rightarrow F$.
- (f) $B \Rightarrow C$.

Give a trace of the execution of DPLL on the conjunction of these clauses.

3. (AIMA 7.12) Use resolution to prove $(\neg A \wedge \neg B)$ from the clauses in exercise 2.

4. Consider the interpretation $i = \{ A = \text{True}, B = \text{False}, C = \text{True}, D = \text{False} \}$ For each of these sentences, indicate whether it's valid, unsatisfiable, not valid, but it holds in i , or not unsatisfiable, but fails in i .

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

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def dpll(clauses, symbols, model):
    "See if the clauses are true in a partial model."
    unknown_clauses = [] ## clauses with an unknown truth value
    for c in clauses:
        val = pl_true(c, model)
        if val == False:
            return False
        if val != True:
            unknown_clauses.append(c)
    if not unknown_clauses:
        return model
    P, value = find_pure_symbol(symbols, unknown_clauses)
    if P:
        return dpll(clauses, removeall(P, symbols), extend(model, P, value))
    P, value = find_unit_clause(unknown_clauses, model)
    if P:
        return dpll(clauses, removeall(P, symbols), extend(model, P, value))
    P, symbols = symbols[0], symbols[1:]
    return (dpll(clauses, symbols, extend(model, P, True)) or
            dpll(clauses, symbols, extend(model, P, False)))
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