# Using first order logic (Ch. 8-9)



#### Review: First order logic

In first order logic, we have <u>objects</u> and <u>relations</u> between objects

The relations are basically a list of all valid tuples that satisfy the relation

We can also have variables that represent objects often used in conjunction with quantifiers:  $\forall$ ,  $\exists$ 

Let's translate English into first order logic:

"Everyone in class is sitting in a seat"

"If someone is sitting in a seat it is occupied"

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Objects: People (p1, p2, ...), Chairs (c1, c2, ...) Relations: InClass(x), InSeat(x,y), Occupied(x)

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- "Everyone in class is sitting in a seat"
  - $\forall x \exists y \ InClass(x) \Rightarrow InSeat(x,y)$
- "If someone is sitting in a seat it is occupied"
  - $\forall x \exists y \ InSeat(y, x) \Rightarrow Occupied(x)$
- "At least one seat is not occupied"
  - $\exists x \neg Occupied(x)$
- "No one is sharing a seat"
  - $\forall x1, x2\exists y1, y2 \ InSeat(x1, y1)$
  - $\land InSeat(x2, y2) \land x1 \neq x2 \Rightarrow y1 \neq y2$

To express the top left cell for mindsweep in propositional logic, we had to write:

$$P1, 1, 1 \land \neg P1, 1, 2 \land \neg P1, 1, 3$$

$$\land \neg P1, 1, 4 \land \neg P1, 1, 5 \land \neg P1, 1, 6$$

$$\land \neg P1, 1, 7 \land \neg P1, 1, 8 \land \neg P1, 1, B$$

How would you write the whole current knowledge for all 5 cells in first order logic? (not the game logic, just current state)

Hint: What are objects? Relations?

#### First order logic:

 $One([1,1]) \land One([1,2]) \land One([1,3]) \land Two([2,1]) \land Two([2,3])$ 

Then we just also need to say that cells can only have one number/bomb

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\forall [x1, y1], [x2, y2], [x3, y3]...[x9, y9] \ One([x1, y1]) \land Two([x2, y2]) \land Three([x3, y3]) \land ... \land Eight([x8, y8]) \land Bomb([x9, y9])
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 $\Rightarrow [x1, y1] \neq [x2, y2] \neq [x3, y3] \neq \dots \neq [x9, y9]$ 

# Using First order logic

The rest of chapter 8 is boring, so we will skip (though good practice for logic representation)

We will go ahead into Ch. 9 and talk about how to use first order logic to query against

First we will look at how we can simplify some of the quantifiers

#### Universal instantiation

With a universal quantifier,  $\forall$ , this means you can replace it with any object

For example: Objects = {Sue, Bob, Devin} Sentence =  $\forall x \ IsHuman(x)$ 

You can conclude:

InHuman(Sue)  $\land InHuman(Bob)$  $\land InHuman(Devin)$ 

#### Existential instantiation

With an existential quantifier,  $\exists$ , there is some object that makes this true...

So you give it a name of a new object (that is equal to an existing object)

Objects = {Spider, Dragon, Pangolin} Sentence =  $\exists x \ Mammal(x)$ You can conclude: Mammal(M1)where  $M1 = Spider \lor M1 = Dragon \lor M1 = Pangolin$ 

You can convert first order logic back into propositional logic by using instantiation

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Objects = {Tree, Car}

Sentences: \forall x \ Alive(x) \Rightarrow Reproduce(x)

Alive(Tree)
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#### **Instantiation:**

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Alive(Tree) \Rightarrow Reproduce(Tree)

Alive(Car) \Rightarrow Reproduce(Car)

Alive(Tree)
```

Once you have this, you can treat each relation/object as a single proposition uniquely identified by the characters

 $Alive(Tree) \Rightarrow Reproduce(Tree)$   $Alive(Car) \Rightarrow Reproduce(Car)$ Alive(Tree)

... could turn into:

 $AT \Rightarrow RT$   $AC \Rightarrow RC$ ... and we could use our old AT techniques to ask information

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- 1. Equals
- 2. Functions

(1) is easier to tackle as you can remove this when doing instantiation

You simply remove the invalid statements

#### Remove equality

Removing = after instantiation:

Object={A,B}

Sentence:  $\forall x, y \ x \neq y \Rightarrow Different(x, y)$ 

Instantiation:  $A \neq A \Rightarrow Different(A, A)$   $A \neq B \Rightarrow Different(A, B)$ 

 $B \neq A \Rightarrow Different(B, A)$ 

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 $True \Rightarrow Different(A, B)$ 

conflicts:  $True \Rightarrow Different(B, A)$ 

# Converting functions

I have skimmed on functions, but similar to math functions they can be applied repeatedly

Define: PlusPlus(x):  $x \rightarrow x + 1$ 

PlusPlus(1) = 2

PlusPlus(PlusPlus(1)) = 3

... and so on (no limit to number of functions)

When converting to prop. logic, you have to apply functions everywhere possible...

### Converting functions

This means the propositional logic conversion might have an infinite number of propositions

A theorem shows you only need a finite number of function calls to decide entailment

Step 1: See if entailed with no functions

Step 2: See if entailed with 1 function call

Step 3: See if entailed with 2 function calls

Step 4: ...

### Converting functions

At some finite step, if entailment is possible it will be found

Unfortunately, how many is unknown so it is impossible to find if something is not entailed in the propositional logic (this is semi-decidable)

Even without functions if there are p k-ary relations with n objects, you get: O(p\*n^k)

#### Unification

A <u>unification</u> is a substitution for variables that creates a valid sentence by specifying a map between variables and objects

For example, consider:
Objects =  $\{Sue, Alex, Devin\}$   $\forall x, y \ Sibling(x, y) \Rightarrow Sibling(y, x)$  Sibling(Sue, Devin)  $\neg Sibling(Devin, Alex)$ What variables can we unify/substitute?

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We do not need to convert to propositional logic to use some rules of reasoning

Modus ponens can be applied even if there are variables, as long as we can unify them:

 $\forall x \ Large(x) \land Alive(x) \Rightarrow Dangerous(x)$ 

 $\forall x \ Alive(x)$ 

|Large(Hippo)|

We can unify the top sentence with  $\{x/Hippo\}$ , so we can conclude: Dangerous(Hippo)

If you want to use this general modus ponens, finding the unification can be expensive

You basically need to try all substitutions, though you can store your data in smart ways to make look-up much more quickly

Using just general modus ponens, you can do basic inference with first order logic (what is the problem??)

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Objects = {Cat, Dog, Frog, Rat, Sally, Jane}
\exists x \ Zodiac(x)
\forall x \ Alive(x) \Rightarrow Birthday(x)
\forall x \ Alive(x) \Rightarrow Eats(x)
\forall x, y \; Birthday(x) \Rightarrow Party(x, y)
\forall x \ Zodiac(x) \land Birthday(x) \Rightarrow Happy(x)
Alive(Sally)
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Is Sally happy?
How about Party(Sally, Frog)?

We can substitute  $\{x/\text{Sally}\}$  here with MP:  $\forall x \ Alive(x) \Rightarrow Birthday(x)$ To get: Birthday(Sally)Then sub.  $\{x/\text{Sally, y/Frog}\}$  with MP here:  $\forall x, y \ Birthday(x) \Rightarrow Party(x, y)$ To get: Party(Sally, Frog)

However, we cannot tell if Sally is happy, as we cannot unify: Zodiac(s1) Birthday(Sally)

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You try! \forall x \ Meat(x) \land Make(Bread, x, Bread) \Rightarrow Sandwich(Bread)
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\forall x, y \ OnGrill(x, y) \land Sandwich(y) \Rightarrow Grilled(y)
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$$\forall x, y \ OnGrill(x, y) \land Meat(y) \Rightarrow Grilled(y)$$

 $\exists x \; Meat(x)$ 

 $\forall x, y \ OnGrill(x, y)$ 

 $\forall x, y, z \; Make(x, y, z)$ 

Bread

Can you get Grilled(Bread)? How about Grilled(Chicken)?

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$$\forall x, y \ OnGrill(x, y) \land Meat(y) \Rightarrow Grilled(y)$$

$$\exists x \; Meat(x)$$

$$\forall x, y \ OnGrill(x, y)$$

$$\forall x, y, z \; Make(x, y, z)$$

#### Bread

Can you get Grilled(Bread)? Yes How about Grilled(Chicken)? No