Chapters 2&3: A Representation and Reasoning System

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 Datalog.
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- Lecture 4 Proofs. Soundness and completeness.
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Variables

- Variables are universally quantified in the scope of a clause.
- A variable assignment is a function from variables into the domain.
- Given an interpretation and a variable assignment, each term denotes an individual and each clause is either true or false.
- A clause containing variables is true in an interpretation if it is true for all variable assignments.



Evaluation of quantified expressions

Example domain (cg. Figure 2.1) :

- part_of (X, Y) ← in (X, Y)
 is FALSE in the interpretation (cf. Lect. 2.1&2)
 Assignment: ρ: X → alan´ Y → r123´
- in (X, Y) ← part_of (Z, Y) ∧ in (X, Z)
 is TRUE in the interpretation (cf. Lect. 2.1&2),
 since all assignments make the clause true.





Queries and Answers

A query is a way to ask if a body is a logical consequence of the knowledge base:

 $?b_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge b_m.$

An answer is either

• an instance of the query that is a logical consequence of the knowledge base *KB*, or

no if no instance is a logical consequence of *KB*.



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$$KB = \begin{cases} part_of(r123, cs_building).\\ in(X, Y) \leftarrow part_of(Z, Y) \land in(X, Z). \end{cases}$$







Debugging false conclusions

To debug answer *g* that is false in the intended interpretation:

- If g is a fact in KB, this fact is wrong.
- Otherwise, suppose g was proved using the rule:

 $g \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge b_k$

where each b_i is a logical consequence of KB.

- If each b_i is true in the intended interpretation, this clause is false in the intended interpretation.
- If some b_i is false in the intended interpretation, debug b_i .





House Wiring: Ontology and intended interpretations

Types of things: Lights, Wires, Switches, Circuit breakers, Power outlets

light (L) lit (L) live (W) ok (E)

L is a light the light L is lit, and emitting light W is live (power coming into W) *up* (S), *down* (S) switch S is up / down E is not blown (lights, circ. br.) connected to (X,Y) components X & Y are connected



connected_to(X, Y) is true if component X is connected to Yconnected_to(w_0, w_1) $\leftarrow up(s_2)$. connected_to(w_0, w_2) \leftarrow down(s_2). connected_to(w_1, w_3) $\leftarrow up(s_1)$. connected_to(w_2, w_3) \leftarrow down(s_1). connected_to(w_4, w_3) $\leftarrow up(s_3)$. connected_to(p_1, w_3). ?connected_to(w_0, W). $\implies W = w_1$?connected_to(w_1, W). \implies no ?connected_to(Y, w_3). $\implies Y = w_2, Y = w_4, Y = p_1$?connected_to(X, W). \implies $X = w_0, W = w_1, ...$

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% lit(L) is true if the light L is lit
       lit(L) \leftarrow light(L) \land ok(L) \land live(L).
% live(C) is true if there is power coming into C
       live(Y) \leftarrow
            connected_to(Y, Z) \land
            live(Z).
       live(outside).
This is a recursive definition of live.
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Way to prove *above* by mathematical induction: the base case is when there are no blocks between X and Y, and if you can prove *above* when there are *n* blocks between them, you can prove it when there are *n* + 1 blocks.



Limitations

Suppose you had a database using the relation:

enrolled(S, C)

which is true when student S is enrolled in course C.

You can't define the relation:

empty_course(*C*)

which is true when course C has no students enrolled in it.

This is because $empty_course(C)$ doesn't logically follow from a set of *enrolled* relations. There are always models where someone is enrolled in a course!



- A proof is a mechanically derivable demonstration that a formula logically follows from a knowledge base.
- Given a proof procedure, $KB \vdash g$ means g can be derived from knowledge base KB.
- Recall $KB \models g$ means g is true in all models of KB.
- A proof procedure is sound if $KB \vdash g$ implies $KB \models g$.
- A proof procedure is complete if $KB \models g$ implies $KB \vdash g$.

Bottom-up Ground Proof Procedure

One rule of derivation, a generalized form of *modus ponens*:

If " $h \leftarrow b_1 \land \ldots \land b_m$ " is a clause in the knowledge base, and each b_i has been derived, then h can be derived.

You are forward chaining on this clause.

(This rule also covers the case when m = 0.)



Example 2.14: Bottom up proof procedure	
Knowledge Base:	Consequence set C
a← b ∧ c	1 {}
$b \leftarrow d \land e$	2 {d}
$b \leftarrow g \land e$	3 {d, e}
C← e	4 { b, d , e}
d	5 { b, c, d , e}
е	6 { a, b, c, d , e}
$f \leftarrow a \land g$	











Each b_i is true in *I*. *h* is false in *I*. So this clause is false in *I*. Therefore *I* isn't a model of *KB*.

Contradiction: thus no such g exists.



Fixed Point

The C generated at the end of the bottom-up algorithm is called a fixed point.

Let *I* be the interpretation in which every element of the fixed point is true and every other atom is false.

I is a model of KB.

Proof: suppose $h \leftarrow b_1 \land \ldots \land b_m$ in *KB* is false in *I*. Then *h* is false and each b_i is true in *I*. Thus *h* can be added to *C*. Contradiction to *C* being the fixed point.

I is called a Minimal Model.

Completeness

If $KB \models g$ then $KB \vdash g$.

Suppose $KB \models g$. Then g is true in all models of KB.

Thus *g* is true in the minimal model.

Thus *g* is generated by the bottom up algorithm.

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Thus KB \vdash g.
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