

CS 344

Artificial Intelligence

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# Completeness of Propositional Calculus

- Statement

If  $V(A) = T$  for all  $V$ ,

then  $\vdash A$  i.e.  $A$  is a theorem.

- Lemma:

If  $A$  consists of propositions  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$   
then  $P'_1, P'_2, \dots, P'_n \vdash A'$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} A' &= A && \text{if } V(A) = \text{true} \\ &= \sim A && \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for each  $P'_i$

# Proof for Lemma

- Proof by induction on the number of ' $\rightarrow$ ' symbols in  $A$

Basis: Number of ' $\rightarrow$ ' symbols is zero.

$A$  is  $\mathcal{F}$  or  $P$ . This is true as,  $\vdash (A \rightarrow A)$   
*i.e.*  $A \rightarrow A$  is a theorem.

Hypothesis: Let the lemma be true for number of ' $\rightarrow$ ' symbols  $\leq n$ .

Induction: Let  $A$  which is  $B \rightarrow C$  contain  $n+1$   
' $\rightarrow$ '

# Proof of Lemma (contd.)

- Induction:

By hypothesis,

$$P'_1, P'_2, \dots, P'_n \vdash B'$$

$$P'_1, P'_2, \dots, P'_n \vdash C'$$

If we show that  $B', C' \vdash A'$  ( $A$  is  $B \rightarrow C$ ), then the proof is complete.

For this we have to show:

- $B, C \vdash B \rightarrow C$

True as  $B, C, B \vdash C$

- $B, \sim C \vdash B \rightarrow C$

True since  $B, \sim C, B \rightarrow C \vdash \mathcal{F}$

- $\sim B, C \vdash B \rightarrow C$

True since  $\sim B, C, B \vdash C$

- $\sim B, \sim C \vdash B \rightarrow C$

True since  $\sim B, \sim C, B, C, C \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \vdash \mathcal{F}$

- Hence the lemma is proved.

# Proof of Theorem

- $A$  is a tautology.
- There are  $2^n$  models corresponding to  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$  propositions.
- Consider,

$$\begin{array}{l} P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n \quad |-- \quad A \\ \text{and } P_1, P_2, \dots, \sim P_n \quad |-- \quad A \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} P_1, P_2, \dots, P_{n-1} \quad |-- \quad P_n \rightarrow A \\ \text{and } P_1, P_2, \dots, P_{n-1} \quad |-- \quad \sim P_n \rightarrow A \end{array}$$

RHS can be written as:

$$\begin{array}{l} |-- \quad ((P_n \rightarrow A) \rightarrow ((\sim P_n \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A)) \\ |-- \quad (\sim P_n \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A \\ |-- \quad A \end{array}$$

- Thus dropping the propositions progressively we show  $|-- A$

# Detour

- Reasoning
  - two types:
    - Monotonic: Adding inferred knowledge monotonically to the system but not retracting from the knowledge base.
    - Nonmonotonic: Retracts knowledge which becomes false in the face of new evidence
- Types of Sentences in English: 3 kinds of sentences important from Natural Language Processing point of view. Useful to remember in *knowledge extraction*.
  - Simple Sentence: Single verb, *e.g., Ram plays cricket*
  - Compound Sentence: Two independent clauses joined by coordinator. Two verbs are present.  
*e.g. Ram went to school and Shyam played cricket*
  - Complex Sentence: Independent clauses joined by one or more dependent clauses. More than one verb  
*e.g. Ram who sings well is performing in the festival today*

# Predicate Calculus

- Introduction through an example (*Zohar Manna, 1974*):
  - Problem: A, B and C belong to the Himalayan club. Every member in the club is either a mountain climber or a skier or both. A likes whatever B dislikes and dislikes whatever B likes. A likes rain and snow. No mountain climber likes rain. Every skier likes snow. *Is there a member who is a mountain climber and not a skier?*
- Given knowledge has:
  - Facts
  - Rules

# Predicate Calculus: Example contd.

- Let *mc* denote mountain climber and *sk* denotes skier. Knowledge representation in the given problem is as follows:
  1. *member(A)*
  2. *member(B)*
  3. *member(C)*
  4.  $\exists x[\text{member}(x) \rightarrow (\text{mc}(x) \vee \text{sk}(x))]$
  5.  $\exists x[\text{mc}(x) \rightarrow \sim \text{like}(x, \text{rain})]$
  6.  $\exists x[\text{sk}(x) \rightarrow \text{like}(x, \text{snow})]$
  7.  $\exists x[\text{like}(B, x) \rightarrow \sim \text{like}(A, x)]$
  8.  $\exists x[\sim \text{like}(B, x) \rightarrow \text{like}(A, x)]$
  9. *like(A, rain)*
  10. *like(A, snow)*
  11. Question:  $\exists x[\text{member}(x) \vee \text{mc}(x) \vee \sim \text{sk}(x)]$
- We have to infer the 11<sup>th</sup> expression from the given 10.
- Done through Resolution Refutation.