CS 344 Artificial Intelligence By Prof: Pushpak Bhattacharya Class on 26/Feb/2007

Knowledge representation and inferencing in Predicate Calculus (PC)

- Precursor to planning
- Built in Prolog programming language

Himalayan club example

- 1. member(A)
- 2. *member*(*B*)
- 3. *member*(*C*)
- 4. $\forall x[member(x) \rightarrow (mc(x) \lor sk(x))]$
- 5. $\forall x[sk(x) \rightarrow lk(snow)]$
- 6. $\forall x[mc(x) \rightarrow \sim lk(rain)]$
- 7. $\forall x [\sim like(B, x) \rightarrow lk(A, x)]$
- 8. $\forall x[lk(B,x) \rightarrow \sim lk(A,x)]$
- 9. lk(A, rain)
- 10. lk(A, snow)
- 11. $\forall x [member(x) \land mc(x) \land \thicksim sk(x)]$

mc : mountain climber

- sk : skier
- *lk* : likes

Inferencing Algorithm

Resolution – Refutation

- 1. Negate the goal
- 2. Add the resulting expressions to the Knowledge Base
- 3. See if a contradiction results

Illustration

Through MP,

Given

- 1. P
- $2. \quad P \to Q$
- 3. Infer Q

Forward Inferencing (DATA DRIVEN)

- a) Match *L*.*H*.*S*
- b) Move forward over \rightarrow
- c) Assert *R.H.S*

When done repeatedly this is called forward chaining.

Backward Chaining (GOAL DRIVEN)

- a) Take the goal and match the *R*.*H*.*S* of a rule
- b) Move backward over \rightarrow
- c) Assert *L.H.S*

When done repeatedly this is called backward chaining

Example for,

Forward inferencing - OPS5 (Used in design of computer systems) Backward inferencing - MYCIN (Medical diagnosis)

- In general design expert systems follow forward chaining and diagnosis expert systems follow backward chaining

Some technical insights

• FWD/BKWD depends on the fan out factor of the rules and facts.



Assignment 2

- Develop a syntactic theorem prover in Hilbert's Propositional calculus system
 - Implement it in two methods
 - 1. Using deduction theorem
 - 2. Use the idea from completeness proof
 - Try to demostrate that human interference is required sometimes
- Submission is due in 15 days (i.e. 12th March)