

# Artificial Intelligence

Propositional Logic

Playing with it in Python



# Model

- Model?
  - Set of Boolean propositions
  - Set of assignments
- Common representations
  - $\{ x, y \}$ 
    - Meaning a model where  $x$  is True and  $y$  is also True
    - Any other proposition not represented is assumed False
  - $x/\text{True } y/\text{True}$ 
    - Meaning a model where  $x$  is True,  $y$  is also True
    - No other propositions exist
- So:
  - $\{ x, y \}$  is set of assignments for the propositions  $\{ x, y, z \}$ 
    - Because, in this notation, omitted propositions are assumed False
  - $X/\text{True } y/\text{True}$  is NOT a set of assignments for  $\{ x, y, z \}$ 
    - Because it makes no assignment to  $z$

# Is an expression/formula satisfiable?

- Yes, if there is a model that makes it True
- Finding if there is a model that makes an expression SATisfiable is the "SAT problem"

# Model $\models$ Satisfaction (SAT)

- Left side
  - Model / assignments
- Right side
  - Boolean expression
  - Logical formula
- Satisfaction?
  - If the assignments make the expression True
    - "the assignments satisfy the expression"
- Exercises with  $M = \{x/\text{True}, y/\text{False}\}$  - signal the satisfaction case(s)
  - $M \models (x \Rightarrow y)$
  - $M \models (x \text{ and } y)$
  - $M \models y$
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# CNF = Conjunctive Normal Form

- Any propositional formula can be represented in CNF
- What is CNF?
  - ANDs of ORs, of literals
  - Literal? A variable or its negation
  - A formula in CNF is a conjunction of 1+ clause(s), each a disjunction of literals
  - Example:
    - (A OR B) AND (NOT A OR C) AND B
    - In John McCarthy's LISP notation:
      - (and (or A B) (or (not A) C) B)
- Why is CNF important?
  - Any propositional formula can be in CNF
  - The DPLL algorithm for the SAT problem operates on CNF

# DPLL = Davis–Putnam–Logemann–Loveland

- What is the DPLL algorithm?
  - a complete, backtracking-based search algorithm for deciding the satisfiability of propositional logic formulas in CNF
- Recursive
  - Splits the problems into smaller sub-problems
  - Searches for the assignments that would make a formula satisfiable
- Some related concepts
  - "pure literal" - a Boolean var that appears with only one polarity (never negated or always negated)
  - "pure literal elimination" - pure literals can be assigned in a way that makes all clauses containing them true, so they do not constraint the search and can be eliminated
    - A form of simplification



# Logical consequence (or "entailment")

- AKA Logical Implication
- $L_{exp 1}, \dots, L_{exp n} \models R_{exp 1}, \dots, R_{exp n}$ 
  - L for "left"
  - R for "right"
  - Assume the , reads AND
- All the models that satisfy the left-side, must also satisfy the right-side
  - But the right-side might satisfy more models
- Exercise: which are logical consequences?
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  - $(p \text{ and } q) \models p$
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# Logical equivalence

- $L \equiv R$
- $L \models R$
- $R \models L$
- Both must happen
- Exercise - signal the logical equivalence case(s)

$$((\neg u) \vee v) \equiv (\neg(u \wedge (\neg v)))$$

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- (solution) Exercise - signal the logical equivalence case(s)
- @Left, equivalent
- @Right, not equivalent

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# Python challenge

- Check companion file `am_logical_helper.py`
- Study companion class `LogicalHelper`
- Solve the exercises in these slides using an instance of the class