

Propositional Logic – II

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Logical consequence

- Recall, logical consequence $X \models F$ — any assignment \mathcal{A} that satisfies all of X also satisfies F
- Special case is *validity*, $\models F$
- If X is finite, we can check logical consequence using a truth table
- What if X is infinite?

Axiomatizations and proofs

- Set up a formal system to derive judgements about logical consequences
- $X \vdash F$ will denote that “ F can be derived from X ”
- Inference rules reflect the semantics
 - If $X \vdash F$ and $X \vdash G$ then $X \vdash F \wedge G$ (\wedge introduction)
- Rules are uniquely identified by a label, here “ \wedge introduction”
- Typically written “vertically” as
$$\frac{X \vdash F, X \vdash G}{X \vdash F \wedge G} \quad (\wedge \text{ introduction})$$
- Above the line is the **premise**, below is the **conclusion**

Rules

$$\frac{G \in X}{X \vdash G}$$

(Axiom)

$$\frac{X \vdash G, X \subseteq X'}{X' \vdash G}$$

(Monotonicity)

$$\frac{X \vdash G}{X \vdash \neg\neg G}$$

(Double negation)

$$\frac{X \vdash F, X \vdash G}{X \vdash F \wedge G}$$

(\wedge introduction)

$$\frac{X \vdash F \wedge G}{X \vdash F}$$

(\wedge elimination)

$$\frac{X \vdash F \wedge G}{X \vdash G \wedge F}$$

(\wedge symmetry)

$$\frac{X \vdash F \vee G}{X \vdash G \vee F}$$

(\vee symmetry)

$$\frac{X \vdash F}{X \vdash F \vee G}$$

(\vee introduction)

$$\frac{X \vdash F \vee G, X \cup \{F\} \vdash H, X \cup \{G\} \vdash H}{X \vdash H}$$

(\vee elimination)

$$\frac{X \cup \{F\} \vdash G}{X \vdash F \rightarrow G}$$

(\rightarrow introduction)

$$\frac{X \vdash F \rightarrow G, X \vdash F}{X \vdash G}$$

(\rightarrow elimination)

Formal proofs

- Some more rules to rewrite \rightarrow , \leftrightarrow in terms of $\neg, \vee \dots$
- A proof is a sequence of statements $X \vdash F$ where each line follows from a previous one by one of the rules

Example

- Anything can be derived from a contradiction
- Assume $F \wedge \neg F \in X$

1. $X \vdash F \wedge \neg F$ (Axiom)
2. $X \vdash \neg F \wedge F$ (\wedge symmetry, 1)
3. $X \vdash \neg F$ (\wedge elimination, 2)
4. $X \vdash \neg F \vee G$ (\vee introduction, 3)
5. $X \vdash F \rightarrow G$ (\rightarrow rewrite, 5)
6. $X \vdash F$ (\wedge elimination, 1)
7. $X \vdash G$ (\rightarrow elimination, 5 and 6)

Soundness

- If $X \vdash F$ then $X \models F$
- Derivations only reveal “true” logical consequences
- By induction on the length of the proof
- The Axiom is sound
- Every rule preserves soundness

Completeness

- If $X \models F$ then $X \vdash F$
- Every logical consequence can be derived in the system
- This is more difficult to prove
- Introduce a new rule, **resolution**

Resolution

- Assume F is in CNF
- Recall that a clause can be seen as a set of literals
- Let C_1, C_2 be clauses and $A \in \mathcal{P}$ such that $A \in C_1, \neg A \in C_2$
- We can resolve C_1 and C_2 to get
$$R = (C_1 \setminus \{A\}) \cup (C_2 \setminus \{\neg A\})$$

Example

- $C_1 = \{A_1, \neg A_2, A_3\}, C_2 = \{A_2, \neg A_3, A_4\}$
- Resolve (on A_3) to get $\{A_1, A_2, \neg A_2, A_4\}$
- Resolvent is not unique—resolve on A_2 to get $\{A_1, \neg A_3, A_3, A_4\}$

Soundness of Resolution

Soundness

Let R be a resolvent of C_1 and C_2 . Then $\{C_1, C_2\} \vdash R$

Let $X = \{C_1, C_2\}$, $C_1 = A \vee F$, $C_2 = \neg A \vee G$

1. $X \vdash A \vee F$ (Axiom)
2. $X \cup \{\neg A\} \vdash A \vee F$ (Monotonicity, 1)
3. $X \cup \{\neg A\} \vdash \neg A$ (Axiom)
4. $X \cup \{\neg A\} \vdash F$ (\rightarrow elimination, 2 and 3)
5. $X \cup \{\neg A\} \vdash F \vee G$ (\vee introduction, 4)
6. $X \vdash \neg A \vee G$ (Axiom)
7. $X \cup \{\neg\neg A\} \vdash \neg A \vee G$ (Monotonicity, 6)
8. $X \cup \{\neg\neg A\} \vdash \neg\neg A$ (Axiom)
9. $X \cup \{\neg\neg A\} \vdash G$ (\rightarrow elimination, 7 and 8)
10. $X \cup \{\neg\neg A\} \vdash G \vee F$ (\vee introduction, 9)
11. $X \cup \{\neg\neg A\} \vdash F \vee G$ (\vee symmetry, 10)
12. $X \vdash F \vee G$ (Proof by cases, 5 and 11)

Soundness of Resolution

- Hence we can add Resolution as a rule to our formal proof system
- In fact, we need only Resolution to prove completeness!
- Resolution preserve satisfiability
 - If C_1, C_2 are satisfiable, their resolvent R is satisfiable
 - If R is not satisfiable, C_1, C_2 are not satisfiable
 - Empty clause (empty disjunction) is not satisfiable
 - If resolution produces an empty clause, we have derived a contradiction

Completeness

- Let $\text{Res}^0(F) = \{C \mid C \text{ is a clause in } F\}$
- For $n > 0$, $\text{Res}^n(F) = \text{Res}^{n-1}(F) \cup \{R \mid R \text{ is a resolvent of two clauses in } \text{Res}^{n-1}(F)\}$
- Since F is finite, we can only apply resolution a finite number of times
- For some m , $\text{Res}^m(F) = \text{Res}^{m+1}(F) = \text{Res}^*(F)$

If $\emptyset \in \text{Res}^*(F)$, then F is unsatisfiable

- \emptyset can only arise as resolvent of $\{A\}, \{\neg A\}$

Completeness ...

If F is unsatisfiable, then $\emptyset \in \text{Res}^*(F)$

- Assume F is in CNF
- Discard all tautological clauses
- Proof is by induction on number of atomic propositions in F
- Base case, one atomic proposition
 - Possible clauses are $\{A\}$, $\{\neg A\}$, $\{A, \neg A\}$
 - Last is a tautology, discard
 - $F = \{\{A\}\}$ or $F = \{\{\neg A\}\}$, F is satisfiable
 - $F = \{\{A\}, \{\neg A\}\}$, F is unsatisfiable, $\emptyset \in \text{Res}^*(F)$
- Induction step ...

Completeness ...

Let $F, G \in \mathcal{F}$. Let H be CNF form of $F \wedge \neg G$.
The following are equivalent.

1. $F \models G$
2. $\{F\} \vdash G$
3. $\emptyset \in \text{Res}^*(H)$

Compactness

Consider the following infinite set of sentences

- *The universe has finitely many objects*
 - *The universe has at least one object*
 - *The universe has at least two objects*
 - ...
 - *The universe has at least n objects*
 - ...
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- The entire set of sentences is contradictory
 - However, every finite subset of sentences is satisfiable
 - **Compactness** says that such a situation is impossible

Compactness . . .

Compactness

A set of formulas X is unsatisfiable iff some finite subset of X is unsatisfiable

To prove this, we need König's Lemma.

König's Lemma

Let T be a finitely branching tree with infinitely many nodes.
Then T has an infinite path

- Call a node in T **good** if the subtree below the node is infinite
- Clearly the root of T is good
- Every good node has at least one good child (finite branching!)
- Build an infinite path starting from the root, extending it to include one good child at each step

Compactness ...

- Enumerate $\mathcal{P} = \{A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots\}$
- A k -assignment is a function $f : \{A_0, A_1, \dots, A_k\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
- Build a tree $T_{\mathcal{A}}$ of k -assignments where
 - Root is empty assignment
 - Nodes at level j are j -assignments
 - Children of a node at level j correspond to extensions setting $A_{j+1} \mapsto 0$ and $A_{j+1} \mapsto 1$
 - Infinite binary tree, each infinite path is an assignment \mathcal{A}

Compactness . . .

- Suppose every finite set of X is satisfiable, but X is not satisfiable overall
- Call a k -valuation in T_A **bad** if it does not satisfy some formula in X
- Prune each path below the first bad node on that path
- If the resulting tree is infinite, it has an infinite path π in which no nodes are bad
- This path π defines a valuation that satisfies X
 - Pick any $F \in X$.
 - Let A_j be the largest proposition in F
 - The j -valuation at depth j is not bad, so it satisfies F

Compactness . . .

- Suppose every finite set of X is satisfiable, but X is not satisfiable overall
- Call a k -valuation in $T_{\mathcal{A}}$ bad if it makes some formula in X false
- Prune each path below the first bad node on that path
- The resulting tree must be finite, otherwise we have a valuation that satisfies X
- This finite tree has a finite frontier $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$
- Each frontier node v_i is bad, so it fails to satisfy some formula $F_i \in X$
- $\{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_k\} \subseteq X$ is not satisfiable
- Contradiction! Every finite subset of X is satisfiable

Compactness ...

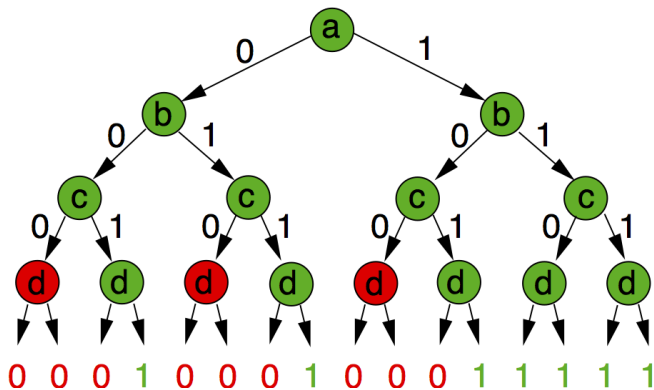
Compactness

If $X \models F$, then there is finite subset Y of X such that $Y \models F$

- If $X \models F$ the $X \cup \{\neg F\}$ is unsatisfiable
- By previous argument, some finite subset Y' of $X \cup \{\neg F\}$ is unsatisfiable
- Choose $Y = Y' \setminus \{\neg F\}$
- Clearly $Y \cup \{\neg F\}$ is not satisfiable
- Hence $Y \models F$

Boolean functions

Ordered decision tree for $f(a, b, c, d) = (a \wedge b) \vee (c \wedge d)$

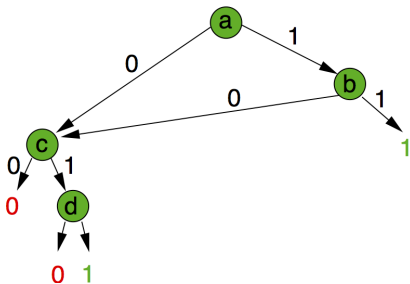


Binary decision diagram (BDD)

Compact representation of
boolean functions

([Bryant 1986])

- Reduced ordered binary decision diagram for
 $f(a, b, c, d) = (a \wedge b) \vee (c \wedge d)$
- **Key idea**
Combine equivalent subcases



BDDs ...

- BDD for f is canonical (for a fixed variable order)
 - Check if $f = g$ by comparing their BDDs
- Efficient algorithms for combining BDDs
 - Build BDD for $f \text{ op } g$ for boolean operator op from BDDs for f, g
 - e.g., given BDD for f and g , can build BDD for $f \wedge g$
- Use BDDs to represent and manipulate state spaces
 - Symbolic model checking ([Clarke, McMillan et al])
 - More useful for hardware model checking than software model checking
 - Still at the heart of many tools