



Two classes of algorithms for validity

- Q: Is ϕ satisfiable ($\neg\phi$ is valid) ?
- Complexity: NP-Complete (the first-ever! – Cook's theorem)
- Two classes of algorithms for finding out:
 1. **Enumeration** of possible solutions (Truth tables etc).
 2. **Deduction**
- More generally (beyond propositional logic):
 - Enumeration is possible only in some logics.
 - Deduction cannot necessarily be fully automated.



The satisfiability problem: enumeration

- Given a formula ϕ , is ϕ satisfiable?

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    B:=false  
    for all  $\alpha \in 2^{AP(\phi)}$   
        B = B  $\vee$  Eval( $\phi, \alpha$ )  
    end  
    return B  
}
```

- There must be a better way to do that in practice.



A Brief Introduction to Logic - Outline

- Brief historical notes on logic
- Propositional Logic :Syntax
- Propositional Logic :Semantics
- Satisfiability and validity
- Modeling with Propositional logic
- **Normal forms**
- Deductive proofs and resolution



Definitions...

- Definition: A **literal** is either an atom or a negation of an atom.
- Let $\phi = \neg(A \vee \neg B)$. Then:
 - Atoms: $AP(\phi) = \{A, B\}$
 - Literals: $lit(\phi) = \{A, \neg B\}$
- Equivalent formulas can have different literals
 - $\phi = \neg(A \vee \neg B) = \neg A \wedge B$
 - Now $lit(\phi) = \{\neg A, B\}$



Definitions...

- Definition: a **term** is a conjunction of literals
 - Example: $(A \wedge \neg B \wedge C)$
- Definition: a **clause** is a disjunction of literals
 - Example: $(A \vee \neg B \vee C)$



Negation Normal Form (NNF)

- Definition: A formula is said to be in Negation Normal Form (**NNF**) if it only contains \neg , \wedge and \vee connectives and only atoms can be negated.
- Examples:
 - $\phi_1 = \neg(A \vee \neg B)$ is not in NNF
 - $\phi_2 = \neg A \wedge B$ is in NNF



Converting to NNF

- Every formula can be converted to NNF in linear time:
 - Eliminate all connectives other than \wedge, \vee, \neg
 - Use De Morgan and double-negation rules to push negations to the right
- Example: $\phi = \neg(A \rightarrow \neg B)$
 - Eliminate ' \rightarrow ': $\phi = \neg(\neg A \vee \neg B)$
 - Push negation using De Morgan: $\phi = (\neg\neg A \wedge \neg\neg B)$
 - Use Double negation rule: $\phi = (A \wedge B)$



Disjunctive Normal Form (DNF)

- Definition: A formula is said to be in Disjunctive Normal Form (**DNF**) if it is a disjunction of terms.
 - In other words, it is a formula of the form

$$\bigvee_i (\bigwedge_j l_{i,j})$$

where $l_{i,j}$ is the j -th literal in the i -th term.

- Examples

- $\phi = (A \wedge \neg B \wedge C) \vee (\neg A \wedge D) \vee (B)$ is in DNF

- DNF is a special case of NNF



Converting to DNF

- Every formula can be converted to DNF in **exponential** time and space:
 - Convert to NNF
 - Distribute disjunctions following the rule:
 $\models A \wedge (B \vee C) \leftrightarrow ((A \wedge B) \vee (A \wedge C))$
- Example:
 - $\phi = (A \vee B) \wedge (\neg C \vee D) =$
 $((A \vee B) \wedge (\neg C)) \vee ((A \vee B) \wedge D) =$
 $(A \wedge \neg C) \vee (B \wedge \neg C) \vee (A \wedge D) \vee (B \wedge D)$
 - Q: how many clauses would the DNF have had we started from a conjunction of n clauses ?



Satisfiability of DNF

- Is the following DNF formula satisfiable?

$$(x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg x_1) \vee (x_2 \wedge x_1) \vee (x_2 \wedge \neg x_3 \wedge x_3)$$

- What is the complexity of satisfiability of DNF formulas?



Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

- Definition: A formula is said to be in Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF) if it is a conjunction of clauses.
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$$\bigwedge_i (\bigvee_j l_{i,j})$$

where $l_{i,j}$ is the j -th literal in the i -th term.

- Examples
 - $\phi = (A \vee \neg B \vee C) \wedge (\neg A \vee D) \wedge (B)$ is in CNF
- CNF is a special case of NNF



Converting to CNF

- Every formula can be converted to CNF:
 - in **exponential** time and space with the same set of atoms
 - in **linear** time and space if new variables are added.
 - In this case the original and converted formulas are “**equi-satisfiable**”.
 - This technique is called **Tseitin’s encoding**.



Converting to CNF: the exponential way

$\text{CNF}(\phi)$ {

case

ϕ is a literal: return ϕ

ϕ is $\psi_1 \wedge \psi_2$: return $\text{CNF}(\psi_1) \wedge \text{CNF}(\psi_2)$

ϕ is $\psi_1 \vee \psi_2$: return $\text{Dist}(\text{CNF}(\psi_1), \text{CNF}(\psi_2))$

}

$\text{Dist}(\psi_1, \psi_2)$ {

case

ψ_1 is $\phi_{11} \wedge \phi_{12}$: return $\text{Dist}(\phi_{11}, \psi_2) \wedge \text{Dist}(\phi_{12}, \psi_2)$

ψ_2 is $\phi_{21} \wedge \phi_{22}$: return $\text{Dist}(\psi_1, \phi_{21}) \wedge \text{Dist}(\psi_1, \phi_{22})$

else: return $\psi_1 \vee \psi_2$



Converting to CNF: the exponential way

- Consider the formula

$$\phi = (x_1 \wedge y_1) \vee (x_2 \wedge y_2)$$

- $\text{CNF}(\phi) =$

$$(x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge$$

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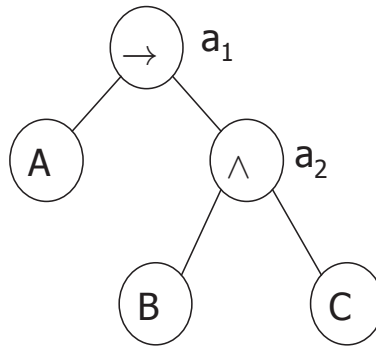
$$(y_1 \vee x_2) \wedge$$

$$(y_1 \vee y_2)$$

- Now consider: $\phi_n = (x_1 \wedge y_1) \vee (x_2 \wedge y_2) \vee \dots \vee (x_n \wedge y_n)$
- Q: How many clauses $\text{CNF}(\phi)$ returns ?
- A: 2^n

Converting to CNF: Tseitin's encoding

- Consider the formula $\phi = (A \rightarrow (B \wedge C))$
- The parse tree:



- Associate a new auxiliary variable with each gate.
- Add constraints that define these new variables.
- Finally, enforce the root node.

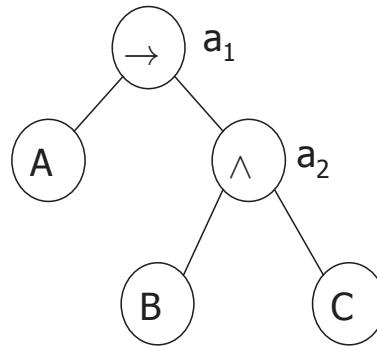
Converting to CNF: Tseitin's encoding

- Need to satisfy:

$$(a_1 \leftrightarrow (A \rightarrow a_2)) \wedge$$

$$(a_2 \leftrightarrow (B \wedge C)) \wedge$$

$$(a_1)$$



- Each such constraint has a CNF representation with 3 or 4 clauses.



Converting to CNF: Tseitin's encoding

- Need to satisfy:

$$(a_1 \leftrightarrow (A \rightarrow a_2)) \wedge$$

$$(a_2 \leftrightarrow (B \wedge C)) \wedge$$

$$(a_1)$$

- **First:** $(a_1 \vee A) \wedge (a_1 \vee \neg a_2) \wedge (\neg a_1 \vee \neg A \vee a_2)$
- **Second:** $(\neg a_2 \vee B) \wedge (\neg a_2 \vee C) \wedge (a_2 \vee \neg B \vee \neg C)$



Converting to CNF: Tseitin's encoding

- Let's go back to
$$\phi_n = (x_1 \wedge y_1) \vee (x_2 \wedge y_2) \vee \cdots \vee (x_n \wedge y_n)$$
- With Tseitin's encoding we need:
 - n auxiliary variables a_1, \dots, a_n .
 - Each adds 3 constraints.
 - Top clause: $(a_1 \vee \cdots \vee a_n)$
- Hence, we have
 - $3n + 1$ clauses, instead of 2^n .
 - $3n$ variables rather than $2n$.



What now?

- Time to solve the decision problem for propositional logic.
 - The only algorithm we saw so far was building truth tables.



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 - Equivalently: is $\neg\phi$ satisfiable?
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Deduction requires axioms and Inference rules

- Inference rules:

Antecedents (rule-name)
Consequent

- Examples:

$$\frac{A \rightarrow B \quad B \rightarrow C}{A \rightarrow C} \text{ (trans)}$$

$$\frac{A \rightarrow B \quad A}{B} \text{ (M.P.)}$$



Axioms

- Axioms are inference rules with no antecedents, e.g.,

$$\frac{}{A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)} \quad (\text{H1})$$

- We can turn an inference rule into an axiom if we have ‘ \rightarrow ’ in the logic.
- So the difference between them is not sharp.



Proofs

- A proof uses a given set of inference rules and axioms.
- This is called the *proof system*.
- Let \mathcal{H} be a proof system.

- $\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{H}} \phi$ means: there is a proof of ϕ in system \mathcal{H} whose premises are included in Γ

- $\vdash_{\mathcal{H}}$ is called the provability relation.



Example

- Let \mathcal{H} be the proof system comprised of the rules **Trans** and **M.P.** that we saw earlier.
- Does the following relation holds?

$$a \rightarrow b, b \rightarrow c, c \rightarrow d, d \rightarrow e, a \vdash_{\mathcal{H}} e$$

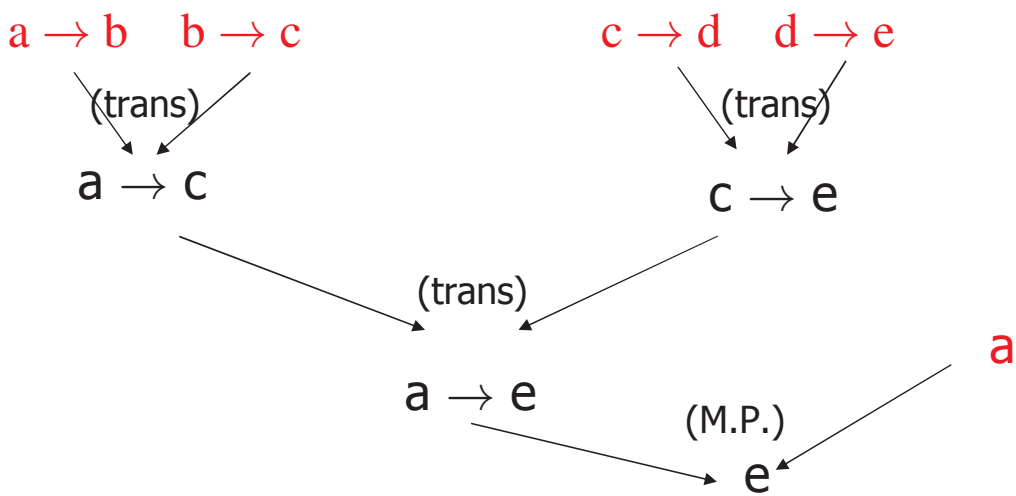


Deductive proof: example

$a \rightarrow b, b \rightarrow c, c \rightarrow d, d \rightarrow e, a \vdash_{\mathcal{H}} e$

1. $a \rightarrow b$ premise
2. $b \rightarrow c$ premise
3. $a \rightarrow c$ 1,2,Trans
4. $c \rightarrow d$ premise
5. $d \rightarrow e$ premise
6. $c \rightarrow e$ 4,5, Trans
7. $a \rightarrow e$ 3,6, Trans
8. a premise
9. e 3,8.M.P.

Proof graph (DAG)



Roots: premises



Proofs

- The problem: \vdash is a relation defined by syntactic transformations of the underlying proof system.
- For a given proof system \mathcal{H} ,
 - does \vdash conclude “correct” conclusions from premises ?
 - Can we conclude all true statements with \mathcal{H} ?
- Correct with respect to what ?
 - With respect to the semantic definition of the logic. In the case of propositional logic truth tables gives us this.



Soundness and completeness

- Let \mathcal{H} be a proof system
- *Soundness* of \mathcal{H} : if $\vdash_{\mathcal{H}} \phi$ then $\models \phi$
- *Completeness* of \mathcal{H} : if $\models \phi$ then $\vdash_{\mathcal{H}} \phi$
- How to prove soundness and completeness ?



Example: Hilbert axiom system (\mathcal{H})

- Let \mathcal{H} be (M.P) + the following axiom schemas:

$$\frac{}{A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)} \quad (\text{H1})$$

$$\frac{}{((A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C)) \rightarrow ((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow C)))} \quad (\text{H2})$$

$$\frac{}{(\neg B \rightarrow \neg A) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow B)} \quad (\text{H3})$$

- \mathcal{H} is sound and complete



Soundness and completeness

- To prove soundness of \mathcal{H} , prove the soundness of its axioms and inference rules (easy with truth-tables). For example:

A	B	$A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow A)$
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

- Completeness – harder, but possible.



The resolution inference system

- The **resolution** inference rule for CNF:

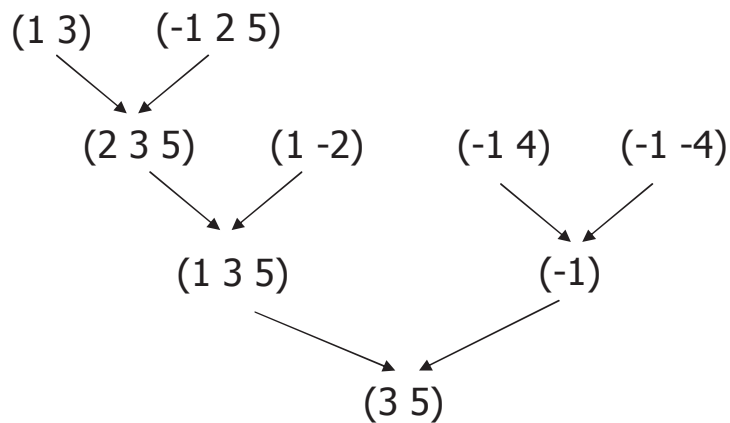
$$\frac{(l \vee l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_n) \quad (\neg l \vee l'_1 \vee \dots \vee l'_n)}{(l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_n \vee l'_1 \vee \dots \vee l'_n)} \quad (\text{Resolution})$$

- Example:
$$\frac{(a \vee b) \quad (\neg a \vee c)}{(b \vee c)}$$



Proof by resolution

- Let $\varphi = (1\ 3) \wedge (-1\ 2\ 5) \wedge (-1\ 4) \wedge (-1\ -4)$
- We'll try to prove $\varphi \rightarrow (3\ 5)$





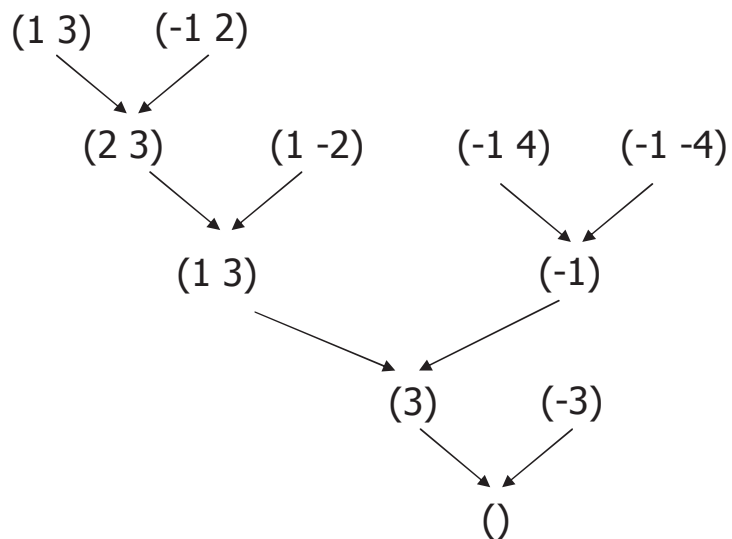
Resolution

- Resolution is a sound and complete inference system for CNF
- If the input formula is unsatisfiable, **there exists** a proof of the **empty clause**



Example

- Let $\varphi = (1\ 3) \wedge (-1\ 2) \wedge (-1\ 4) \wedge (-1\ -4) \wedge (-3)$





Another system: Natural deduction (\mathcal{N})

- $\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B}$ (Introduction-and) (I - \wedge)
- $\frac{A \wedge B}{A}$ (Elimination-1-and) (E1 - \wedge)
- $\frac{A \wedge B}{B}$ (Elimination-2-and) (E2 - \wedge)



Example

- Theorem: $p \wedge q, r \vdash_{\mathcal{N}} q \wedge r$
- Note: the theorem only claims provability relation. Correctness is implied by the soundness of \mathcal{N} .
- Proof:
 1. $p \wedge q$ premise
 2. r premise
 3. q E-2- \wedge , 1
 4. $q \wedge r$ I-and, 2,3



More rules for \mathcal{N}

- $\frac{\neg\neg A}{A}$ (E-double negation)

A

- $\frac{A}{\neg\neg A}$ (I-double negation)

$\neg\neg A$



More rules for \mathcal{N}

- $\frac{A \quad A \rightarrow B}{B}$ (E - implication)
- Similar to another elimination rule:
- $\frac{\neg B \quad A \rightarrow B}{\neg A}$ (Modus-Tollens (M.T.))
- If assuming p allows to prove q then
 $p \rightarrow q$ (I - implication)



Example

- Theorem: $p \rightarrow q \vdash \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$

- Proof:

1. $p \wedge q$ premise

2. $\neg q$ assumption

3. $\neg p$ M.T. 1,2

4. $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ I-implication

- Note the difference between assumptions and premises. The former needs to be discharged.

- The introduction-implication rule lets us discharge assumptions.



Example

■ Theorem: $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p \vdash p \rightarrow \neg\neg q$

■ Proof:

1. $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ premise

2. p assumption

3. $\neg\neg q$ M.T. 1,2

4. $p \rightarrow \neg\neg q$ I-implication



Example

- Theorem: $\vdash (q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow ((\neg q \rightarrow \neg p) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r))$
- Proof:

1.	$q \rightarrow r$	assumption
2.	$\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$	assumption
3.	p	assumption
4.	$\neg\neg p$	I-double-negation 3
5.	$\neg\neg q$	M.T., 2,4
6.	q	E-double-negation,5
7.	r	E-implication 1,6
8.	$p \rightarrow r$	I-implication 3-7
9.	$(\neg q \rightarrow \neg p) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$	I-implication 2-8
10.	$(q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow ((\neg q \rightarrow \neg p) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r))$	I-implication 1-9



More rules...

■ $\frac{A}{A \vee B}$ (I-or1)

■ $\frac{B}{A \vee B}$ (I-or2)

■ $\frac{(p \vee q) (p \rightarrow r) (q \rightarrow r)}{r}$ (E-or)



Example

■ Theorem: $p \vee q \vdash q \vee p$

■ Proof:

1. $p \vee q$ premise

2. p assumption

3. $q \vee p$ I-or1

4. $p \rightarrow q \vee p$ I-implication

5. q assumption

6. $q \vee p$ I-or2

7. $q \rightarrow q \vee p$ I-implication

8. $q \vee p$ E-or