Set-based Search Example: Resolution

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Logic Review



Propositional logic (zeroth order logic)

- does not have predicates, just formulas of singular propositional symbols,
- often p,q,r,... combined with (or V, and ∧, not ¬, implication →, biconditional ↔)
- Ex. $\neg p \lor q \rightarrow r$
- First-order logic
 - formulas use variables, constants, predicates, functions
 - quantifier ∃ (there is)
 - quantifier ∀ (for all)
 - equality also possible (EQ)



Variable

- generally w,x,y,z
- Constant
 - generally a,b,c,d,....
 - Or sometimes alice, bob, carol, etc. or similar.
 - Can replace a variable



• Predicate

- a property or relation
- generally P, Q, R, etc.
- P(a) would mean a constant a has property P
- while P(x) would mean the same for indeterminate variable
- returns truth value

Function

- constants are a subset of these with no parameters
- generally f, g, h, etc.
- maps within domain of variables
- f(x) -> y where both x, y are in domain of problem



Clause

- a single logical formula
- Disjunction
 - or
 - V
- Conjunction
 - And
- Negation
 - Not
 - ¬



- Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)
 - a set of clauses changed to a form where it becomes a conjunction of clauses where each clause is a disjunction of literals
 - Have clauses A, B, C
 - then conjunction of them becomes A and B and C
 - Every formula can be written in this form.
 - Note negations and brackets are transformed by logical rules such that negations apply to predicates and brackets are around clauses
 - $\neg (B \lor C)$ becomes $(\neg B) \land (\neg C)$
 - $(A \land B) \lor C$ becomes $(A \lor C) \land (B \lor C)$



- Unification
 - in our case used to attempt to find the most general unifier (mgu)
 - mgu is a valid mapping of variable/constant/function mapping to make two terms the same
 - Ex. if I have f(a) and f(x)
 - mgu mapping x->a makes f(a)=f(a)
- Resolution
 - theorem proving technique, general process is to
 - 1. Take known clauses and negate the conclusion trying to be proven(!)
 - 2. Then turn this into CNF
 - 3. Attempt to derive empty clause
 - 4. If found this indicates the set of clauses was not satisfiable
 - 5. This then means that the original conclusion was supported by the clauses



Resolution Example



 $\forall x \ 433Inst(x) \rightarrow Cool(x) \\ 433Inst(Jon)$

is

Cool(Jon)?



 $\begin{array}{l} 433Inst(x) \rightarrow Cool(x) \\ 433Inst(Jon) \end{array}$

is (we can drop the for all x)

Cool(Jon)?



 $433Inst(x) \rightarrow Cool(x)$ 433Inst(Jon)is Cool(Jon)?

Negate *Cool(Jon*) to \neg *Cool(Jon*)

Make conjuctive clause combination

 $433Inst(x) \rightarrow Cool(x) \land 433Inst(Jon) \land \neg Cool(Jon)$



$433Inst(x) \rightarrow Cool(x) \land 433Inst(Jon) \land \neg Cool(Jon)$

We need CNF (Conjuctive Normal Form)

 $(\neg 433Inst(x) \lor Cool(x)) \land (433Inst(Jon)) \land (\neg Cool(Jon))$



 $(\neg 433Inst(x) \lor Cool(x)) \land (433Inst(Jon)) \land (\neg Cool(Jon))$

If we have $(\neg 433Inst(x) \lor Cool(x))$ And (433Inst(Jon))

Then using $mgu(x \rightarrow Jon)$ we get $(\neg 433Inst(Jon) \lor Cool(Jon))$

We have truth of 433Inst(Jon) so for $(\neg 433Inst(Jon) \lor Cool(Jon))$ to be true then we must have **Cool(Jon**) as truth

Now we have knowledge

 $(\neg 433Inst(x) \lor Cool(x)) \land (433Inst(Jon)) \land (\neg Cool(Jon)) \land (Cool(Jon))$



 $(\neg 433Inst(x) \lor Cool(x)) \land (433Inst(Jon)) \land (\neg Cool(Jon)) \land (Cool(Jon))$

We have a contradiction

 $Cool(Jon) \land (\neg Cool(Jon))$ resolve to

Therefore, the CNF form was unsatisfiable which means the original clauses agree with *Cool(Jon*)



Set-Based Search Applied to Resolution







 We describe our world by a collection of special logical formulas, so-called clauses:

$$L_1(t_{1,1}, ..., t_{1,n1}) \vee \cdots \vee L_m(t_{m,1}, ..., t_{m,nm})$$

where L_i predicate symbol or its negation, $t_{i,j}$ terms out of function symbols and variables (x,y...) variables in different clauses are disjunct

- Examples: $p \lor \neg q$, $P(a, b, x) \lor R(x, y, c)$, Q(f(a, b), g(x, y)), $\neg Q(a, b)$
- A consequence we want to prove is negated, transformed into clauses and these clauses are added to the world.
- The consequence is proven, if the empty clause (■) can be deduced.



Extension Rules?



• We derive new clauses by either Resolution or Factorization

Resolution:

 $\frac{C \vee P, D \vee \neg P'}{\sigma(C \vee D)} \qquad \text{if } \sigma = \operatorname{mgu}(P, P')$

mgu = most general unifier

Factorization:

 $\frac{C \vee P \vee P'}{\sigma(C \vee P)} \qquad \text{if } \sigma = \operatorname{mgu}(P, P')$

Needed: Unification to compute mgu Yet another set-based search problem:



if $\sigma = mgu(P, P')$ Examples of P, P' P(x,y) and P(a,b) P(a) and P(a) P(x) and P(b)

Not examples of P, P' (the predicate letters are different) P(a) and R(a) P(a,b) and S(a,b) R(x) and S(t)



Set-Based Search Applied to Unification







Concrete Example: Resolution: Unification (I)

States:

set of term equations $\mathbf{u} \approx v$

with \perp (symbol for False) indicating failure



Extension Rules?



Concrete Example: Resolution: Unification (I)

Extension rules:

Delete:

$$\frac{E \cup \{t \approx t\}}{E}$$

No longer need to maintain a unifier of something to itself



Concrete Example: Resolution: Unification (II)

Extension rules:

Decompose:

$$\frac{E \cup \{f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \approx f(s_1, \dots, s_n)\}}{E \cup \{t_1 \approx s_1, \dots, t_n \approx s_n\}}$$

If you have function unified to same name function, can recompose unifier to only be unifying the internals



Concrete Example: Resolution: Unification (III)

Extension rules:

Orient:

$$\frac{E \cup \{t \approx x\}}{E \cup \{x \approx t\}} \qquad t \text{ is not variable}$$

Order of unifier can be changed



Concrete Example: Resolution: Unification (IV)

Extension rules:

Substitute:

$$\frac{E \cup \{x \approx t, t' \approx s'\}}{E \cup \{x \approx t, t'[x \leftarrow t] \approx s'[x \leftarrow t]\}}$$

Can modify one unifier with another as long as x not in t



Concrete Example: Resolution: Unification (V)

Extension rules:

Occurs check:

$$\frac{E \cup \{x \approx t\}}{\bot}$$

If x is in t we cannot unify them (think infinite expansion as issue)



Concrete Example: Resolution: Unification (VI)

Extension rules:

Clash:

$$E \cup \{f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \approx g(s_1, \dots, s_n)\}$$

If $f \neq g$ we cannot unify them

Constants $a \approx b$ are the same as $a() \approx b()$ and would fall under this rule







Concrete Example: Resolution: Unification (VII)

Needed: Unification to compute mgu

Yet another set-based search problem:

States:

set of term equations $u \approx v$, with \perp indicating failure

Extension rules:

Delete, Decompose, Orient, Substitute, Occurs check, Clash

Goal condition:

all equations in the state have form $x \approx t$ and Occurcheck and Substitute are not applicable



Unification/Resolution: Examples



x,y,z are variables, rest are literals, functions, and predicates Examples for Unification:

(1) $f(g(x,y),c) \approx f(g(f(d,x),z),c)$ (2) $h(c,d,g(x,y)) \approx h(z,d,g(g(a,y),z))$ Examples for Resolution:

(1) p ∨ q, p ∨ ¬q, ¬p ∨ q, ¬p ∨ ¬q
(2) P(x) ∨ R(x), ¬R(f(a,b)), ¬P(g(a,b))
(3) P(x) ∨ R(y), ¬R(f(a,b)), ¬P(g(a,b))



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Examples for Unification:

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\{\boldsymbol{f}(g(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{y}),\boldsymbol{c}) \approx \boldsymbol{f}(g(f(\boldsymbol{d},\boldsymbol{x}),\boldsymbol{z}),\boldsymbol{c})\}
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decompose

$$\{g(x,y) \approx g(f(d,x),z), \ \boldsymbol{c} \approx \boldsymbol{c}\}$$

delete

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\{\boldsymbol{g}(x,y) \approx \boldsymbol{g}(f(d,x),z)\}
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decompose

$$\{\boldsymbol{x} \approx \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{d}, \boldsymbol{x}), \ \boldsymbol{y} \approx \boldsymbol{z}\}$$

occurs check \bot



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Examples for Unification:

 $\{\boldsymbol{h}(c,d,g(x,y) \approx \boldsymbol{h}(z,d,g(g(a,y),z))\}$

decompose

 ${c \approx z, d \approx d, g(x, y) \approx g(g(a, y), z)}$ delete

 $\{\boldsymbol{c} \approx \boldsymbol{z}, g(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \approx g(g(\boldsymbol{a}, \boldsymbol{y}), \boldsymbol{z})\}$

orient

 $\{z\approx c, \boldsymbol{g}(x,y)\approx \boldsymbol{g}(g(a,y),z)\}$



$$\{z \approx c, \boldsymbol{g}(x, y) \approx \boldsymbol{g}(g(a, y), z)\}\$$

decompose

$$\{z \approx c, x \approx g(a, y), y \approx z\}$$

substitute

$$\{z \approx c, x \approx g(a, y), y \approx c\}$$

substitute

$$\{z\approx c,x\approx g(a,c),y\approx c\}$$

done



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(1) $f(g(x,y),c) \approx f(g(f(d,x),z),c)$ occur check \perp (2) $h(c,d,g(x,y)) \approx h(z,d,g(g(a,y),z))$ mgu = { $z \approx c, x \approx g(a,c), y \approx c$ } Examples for Resolution:



(1) $p \lor q$ (2) $p \lor \neg q$ (3) $\neg p \lor q$ (4) $\neg p \lor \neg q$ (5) $p \lor p$ resolve (1) and (2) (6) p factorize (5) (7) $\neg p \lor \neg p$ resolve (3) and (4) (8) $\neg p$ factorize (7) (9) \blacksquare resolving (6) and (8)

Resolution: $\frac{C \lor P , D \lor \neg P'}{\sigma(C \lor D)}$

Factorization: $\frac{C \lor P \lor P'}{\sigma(C \lor P)}$



x,y,z are variables, rest are literals, functions, and predicates

Examples for Resolution:

(1) $P(x) \lor R(x)$ (2) $\neg R(f(a, b))$

 $(\mathbf{3}) \neg P(g(a, b))$

(4) P(f(a, b)) resolving (1) and (2) with $mgu = \{x \approx f(a, b)\}$ (5) R(g(a, b)) resolving (1) and (3) with $mgu = \{x \approx g(a, b)\}$ Can't reach empty clause **Resolution:** $\frac{C \lor P , D \lor \neg P'}{\sigma(C \lor D)}$

Factorization: $\frac{C \lor P \lor P'}{\sigma(C \lor P)}$



x,y,z are variables, rest are literals, functions, and predicates

Examples for Resolution:

(1) $P(x) \lor R(y)$ (2) $\neg R(f(a,b))$ (3) $\neg P(g(a,b))$ (4) P(x) resolving (1) and (2) with $mgu = \{y \approx f(a,b)\}$ (5) \blacksquare resolving (3) and (4) with $mgu = \{x \approx g(a,b)\}$ **Resolution:** $\frac{C \lor P, D \lor \neg P'}{\sigma(C \lor D)}$

• Factorization: $\frac{C \lor P \lor P'}{\sigma(C \lor P)}$



x,y,z are variables, rest are literals, functions, and predicates Examples for Unification:

(1) $f(g(x,y),c) \approx f(g(f(d,x),z),c)$ occur check \bot (2) $h(c,d,g(x,y)) \approx h(z,d,g(g(a,y),z))$ mgu = { $z \approx c, x \approx g(a,c), y \approx c$ } Examples for Resolution:

(1) $p \lor q, p \lor \neg q, \neg p \lor q, \neg p \lor \neg q$ produced empty clause

(2) $P(x) \lor R(x), \neg R(f(a, b)), \neg P(g(a, b))$ couldn't reach empty clause

(3) $P(x) \lor R(y), \neg R(f(a, b)), \neg P(g(a, b))$ produced empty clause



Unification/Resolution: Set-Based



Tasks:

- Describe Resolution as set-based search model
 - **F**, **Ext**
- Given the following control idea, describe formally a search control for your model, so that we have a search process:

• fwert, fselect

Perform factorization whenever possible; choose the smallest possible clauses for resolution; if several clause pairs are smallest, use an ordering <_{Lit} on the predicates and terms



$$\boldsymbol{F} = \{f_1, \dots, f_t\}$$



$$\mathbf{F} = \{f_1, \dots, f_t \mid f_i = L_1(t_{1,1}, \dots, t_{1,n1}) \lor \cdots \lor L_m(t_{m,1}, \dots, t_{m,nm})\}$$

set of t facts

where each fact is formed where L_i predicate symbol or its negation $t_{i,j}$ terms out of function symbols and variables (x,y...) variables in different clauses are disjunct}



 $Ext = \{A \to B \mid A, B \subseteq F \text{ and } \}$



 $Ext = \{A \rightarrow B \mid A, B \subseteq F \text{ and } Resolution(A, B), Factorization(A, B)\}$



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$$Resolution(A, B) = \frac{C}{D} where A = C and B = C \cup D$$

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$$Factorization:$$

$$\frac{C \vee P \vee P'}{\sigma(C \vee P)}$$



 $Ext = \{A \rightarrow B \mid A, B \subseteq F \text{ and } Resolution(A, B), Factorization(A, B)\}$

Resolution:
$$\underline{C \lor P, D \lor \neg P'}$$
 $Resolution(A, B) = \frac{E}{F}$ where $A = E$ and $B = E \cup F$ $\sigma(C \lor D)$ Produce a new clause F from clauses in E

[,] Factorization:

 $\frac{C \lor P \lor P'}{\sigma(C \lor P)}$

Factorization(A, B) =
$$\frac{E}{F}$$
 where $A = E$ and $B = E \cup F$
Produce a new clause E from clauses in E



• $f_{wert}(A, B, e) = \mathbb{N}$

- If $A \to B$ exists that fulfils $Factorization(A, B) = \frac{E}{F}$ with $E \notin s$ then $f_{wert}(A, B, e) = 0$ (always choose factorization)
- if $A \to B$ exists that fulfills $Resolution(A, B) = \frac{E}{F}$ with $E \notin s$ then $f_{wert}(A, B, e) = size(A)$ where size(A) is a summation of size of clauses in A (next do Resolution based on size)



- $f_{wert}(A, B, e) = \mathbb{N}$
 - always choose Factorization first
 - next do Resolution based on size



- $f_{select}({A' \to B'}, e) = A \to B$
 - where $A \rightarrow B$ is at index 0 after creating a sorted order of $\{A' \rightarrow B'\}$ according to ordering $<_{\text{Lit}}$
 - there should exists no two clauses which cannot be ordered by <_{Lit} as there are no duplicates



- $f_{select}(\{A' \to B'\}, e) = A \to B$
 - use ordering for tie break



Unification/Resolution: Set-Based: Applied



Tasks (cont.):

• Apply your process to the search instance to the following set of clauses:

$$\begin{cases} \neg P(x, y) \lor P(y, x), \\ P(f(x), g(y)) \lor \neg R(y), \\ \neg P(g(x), f(x)), \\ R(x) \lor Q(x, b), \\ \neg Q(a, x) \end{cases}$$



Tasks (cont.):

• Remember its best to think of variables in each clause as independent variables

$$\begin{cases} \neg P(x_1, y_1) \lor P(y_1, x_1), \\ P(f(x_2), g(y_2)) \lor \neg R(y_2), \\ \neg P(g(x_3), f(x_3)), \\ R(x_4) \lor Q(x_4, b), \\ \neg Q(a, x_5) \end{cases}$$



Tasks (cont.):

Last two resolved

$$\begin{cases} \neg P(x_1, y_1) \lor P(y_1, x_1), \\ P(f(x_2), g(y_2)) \lor \neg R(y_2), \\ \neg P(g(x_3), f(x_3)), \\ R(x_4) \lor Q(x_4, b), \\ \neg Q(a, x_5), \\ R(a) \end{cases}$$

$$mgu = \{x_4 \approx a, x_5 \approx b\}$$



Tasks (cont.):

• Resolve newest with 2nd

$$\left\{ \neg P(x_{1}, y_{1}) \lor P(y_{1}, x_{1}), \\ P(f(x_{2}), g(y_{2})) \lor \neg R(y_{2}), \\ \neg P(g(x_{3}), f(x_{3})), \\ R(x_{4}) \lor Q(x_{4}, b), \\ \neg Q(a, x_{5}), \\ R(a), \\ P(f(x_{2}), g(a)) \right\}$$

$$mgu = \{y_2 \approx a\}$$



Tasks (cont.):

• Resolve newest with first

$$(\neg P(x_1, y_1) \lor P(y_1, x_1), \land P(f(x_2), g(y_2)) \lor \neg R(y_2), \\ \neg P(g(x_3), f(x_3)), \\ R(x_4) \lor Q(x_4, b), \\ \neg Q(a, x_5), \\ R(a), \\ P(f(x_2), g(a)) \\ P(g(a), f(x_2))$$

 $mgu = \{x_1 \approx f(x_2), y_1 \approx g(a)\}$



Tasks (cont.):

• Resolve newest with third

$$\neg P(x_{1}, y_{1}) \lor P(y_{1}, x_{1}),$$

$$P(f(x_{2}), g(y_{2})) \lor \neg R(y_{2}),$$

$$\neg P(g(x_{3}), f(x_{3})),$$

$$R(x_{4}) \lor Q(x_{4}, b),$$

$$\neg Q(a, x_{5}),$$

$$R(a),$$

$$P(f(x_{2}), g(a))$$

$$P(g(a), f(x_{2}))$$

 $mgu = \{x_3 \approx a, x_2 \approx a\}$



Onward to ... genetic algorithm set-based search

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