

# Modeling Using Propositional Logic

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## Reading Assignment: Propositional Logic & Satisfiability

- AIMA Ch. 6 – Propositional Logic

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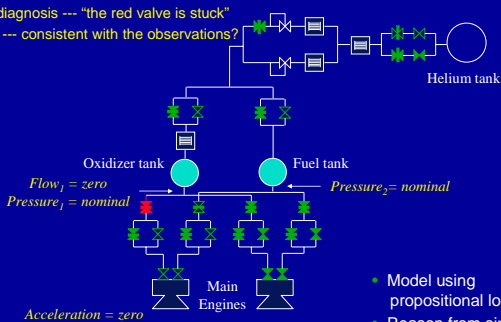
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## How Do We Reason About Complex Systems at a Commonsense Level?

Is the diagnosis --- "the red valve is stuck" closed --- consistent with the observations?



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- Model using propositional logic.
- Reason from single model to operate, diagnose and repair.

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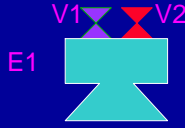
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## Propositional Sentences: Engine Example

An Engine E1 can either be okay or broken, in some unknown way.  
When E1 is okay, it will thrust when there is a flow through V1 and v2.



$(mode(E1) = ok \text{ or } mode(E1) = unknown) \text{ and}$   
 $\text{not } (mode(E1) = ok \text{ and } mode(E1) = unknown) \text{ and}$   
 $(mode(E1) = ok \text{ implies}$   
 $(thrust(E1) = on \text{ if and only if } flow(V1) = on \text{ and } flow(V2) = on))$

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## Propositional Satisfiability

Find a truth assignment that satisfies logical sentence T:

- Reduce sentence T to clausal form.
- Perform search similar to MAC = (BT+CP)  
[Davis, Logmann & Loveland, 1962]

Propositional satisfiability testing:

1990: 100 variables / 200 clauses (constraints)  
1998: 10,000 - 100,000 vars /  $10^6$  clauses

Novel applications:

e.g. diagnosis, planning, software / circuit testing,  
machine learning, and protein folding

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## Outline

- Propositional Logic
  - Syntax
  - Semantics
  - Clausal Reduction
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## What formal languages exist for describing constraints?

### Logic:

- **Propositional logic**      truth of facts
- First order logic      facts, objects, relations
- Temporal logic      time, ....
- Modal logics      knowledge, belief ...
- Probability      degree of belief
- Algebra      values of variables

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## Logic in General

- **Logics**
  - formal languages for representing information such that conclusions can be drawn.
- **Syntax**
  - defines the sentences in the language.
- **Semantics**
  - defines the "meaning" of sentences;  
⇒ truth of a sentence in a world.

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## Logic Example: Arithmetic

- **Syntax – legal sentences**
  - " $X + 2 > Y$ "      is a legal sentence.
  - " $X \cdot 2 + Y >$ "      is not a legal sentence.
- **Semantics - truth in world**
  - " $X + 2 > Y$ "      is true iff  
the number  $x + 2$  is not less than or equal to the number  $y$
  - " $X + 2 > Y$ "      is true in a world where  $X = 7, Y = 1$
  - " $X + 2 > Y$ "      is false in a world where  $X = 0, Y = 6$

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# Propositional Logic: Syntax

## Propositions

- A statement that is true or false
  - (valve v1)
  - (= voltage high)

## Propositional Sentences (S)

- S ::= proposition |
- (NOT S) |
- (OR S1 ... Sn) |
- (AND S1 ... Sn)

## Some Defined Constructs

- (implies S1 S2) => ((not S1) OR S2)
- (IFF S1 S2) => (AND (IMPLIES S1 S2)(IMPLIES S2 S1))

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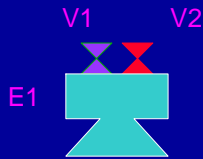
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# Propositional Sentences: Engine Example

(mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and  
not (mode(E1) = ok and mode(E1) = unknown) and  
(mode(E1) = ok implies  
(thrust(E1) = on if and only if flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on))



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## Propositional Logic: Semantics

The truth of sentence  $S_1$  wrt Interpretation I:

- "Not S" is True iff "S" is False
- " $S_1$  and  $S_2$ " is True iff " $S_1$ " is True **and** " $S_2$ " is True
- " $S_1$  or  $S_2$ " is True iff " $S_1$ " is True **or** " $S_2$ " is True
- " $S_1$ " implies " $S_2$ " is True iff " $S_1$ " is False or " $S_2$ " is True
- " $S_1$ " iff  $S_2$  is True iff " $S_1$  implies  $S_2$ " is True and " $S_2$  implies  $S_1$ " is True

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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

(mode(E1) = ok **implies**  
[(thrust(E1) = on **if and only if** (flow(V1) = on **and** flow(V2) = on)) **and**  
(mode(E1) = ok **or** mode(E1) = unknown) **and**  
**not** (mode(E1) = ok **and** mode(E1) = unknown)])

Interpretation:

mode(E1) = ok	is True
thrust(E1) = on	is False
flow(V1) = on	is True
flow(V2) = on	is False
mode(E1) = unknown	is False

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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

(True **implies**  
[(False **if and only if** (True **and** False)) **and**  
(True **or** False) **and**  
**not** (True **and** False)])

Interpretation:

mode(E1) = ok	is True
thrust(E1) = on	is False
flow(V1) = on	is True
flow(V2) = on	is False
mode(E1) = unknown	is False

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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

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Interpretation:  
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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

(True implies  
[(not False or False ) and (not False or False )] and  
True and  
True))

Interpretation:  
mode(E1) = ok is True  
thrust(E1) = on is False  
flow(V1) = on is True  
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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

(True implies  
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mode(E1) = ok is True  
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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

(True implies  
[True and  
True and  
True])

Interpretation:

mode(E1) = ok	is True
thrust(E1) = on	is False
flow(V1) = on	is True
flow(V2) = on	is False
mode(E1) = unknown	is False

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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

(True implies  
True)

Interpretation:

mode(E1) = ok	is True
thrust(E1) = on	is False
flow(V1) = on	is True
flow(V2) = on	is False
mode(E1) = unknown	is False

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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

(not True or  
True)

Interpretation:

mode(E1) = ok	is True
thrust(E1) = on	is False
flow(V1) = on	is True
flow(V2) = on	is False
mode(E1) = unknown	is False

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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

(False or  
True)

Interpretation:

mode(E1) = ok	is True
thrust(E1) = on	is False
flow(V1) = on	is True
flow(V2) = on	is False
mode(E1) = unknown	is False

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## Example: Determining the truth of a sentence

True!

Interpretation:

mode(E1) = ok	is True
thrust(E1) = on	is False
flow(V1) = on	is True
flow(V2) = on	is False
mode(E1) = unknown	is False

If a sentence S evaluates to True in interpretation I, then:

- I satisfies S
- I is a *Model* of S

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## Propositional Clauses: A Simpler Form

- **Literal:** A proposition or its negation
  - B, Not A
- **Clause:** A disjunction of literals
  - (not A or B or E)
- **Conjunctive Normal Form:** A conjunction of clauses
  - $\Phi = (A \text{ or } B \text{ or } C) \text{ and } (not \ A \text{ or } B \text{ or } E) \text{ and } (not \ B \text{ or } C \text{ or } D)$
  - Viewed as a **set of clauses**

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## Reduction to Clausal Form: Engine Example

(mode(E1) = ok implies

(thrust(E1) = on iff (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on))) and

(mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and

not (mode(E1) = ok and mode(E1) = unknown)



not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (thrust(E1) = on) or flow(V1) = on;  
not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (thrust(E1) = on) or flow(V2) = on;  
not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (flow(V1) = on) or not (flow(V2) = on)  
or thrust(E1) = on;

mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown;

not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (mode(E1) = unknown);

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## Reducing Propositional Formula to Clauses (CNF)

See Appendix for Detailed Example:

### 1) Eliminate IFF and Implies

- $E1 \text{ iff } E2 \Rightarrow (E1 \text{ implies } E2) \text{ and } (E2 \text{ implies } E1)$
- $E1 \text{ implies } E2 \Rightarrow \text{not } E1 \text{ or } E2$

### 2) Move negations in towards propositions using

De Morgan's Theorem:

- $\text{Not } (E1 \text{ and } E2) \Rightarrow (\text{not } E1) \text{ or } (\text{not } E2)$
- $\text{Not } (E1 \text{ or } E2) \Rightarrow (\text{not } E1) \text{ and } (\text{not } E2)$
- $\text{Not } (\text{not } E1) \Rightarrow E1$

### 3) Move conjunctions out using Distributivity

- $E1 \text{ or } (E2 \text{ and } E3) \Rightarrow (E1 \text{ or } E2) \text{ and } (E1 \text{ or } E3)$

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## Required Appendices

You are responsible for reading and knowing this material:

1. Reduction to Clausal Form

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## Reduction to Clausal Form: Engine Example

$(mode(E1) = ok)$  implies  
 $(thrust(E1) = on \text{ iff } flow(V1) = on \text{ and } flow(V2) = on)$  and  
 $(mode(E1) = ok \text{ or } mode(E1) = unknown)$  and  
 $\text{not } (mode(E1) = ok \text{ and } mode(E1) = unknown)$



$\text{not } (mode(E1) = ok) \text{ or } \text{not } (thrust(E1) = on) \text{ or } flow(V1) = on;$   
 $\text{not } (mode(E1) = ok) \text{ or } \text{not } (thrust(E1) = on) \text{ or } flow(V2) = on;$   
 $\text{not } (mode(E1) = ok) \text{ or } \text{not } (flow(V1) = on) \text{ or } \text{not } (flow(V2) = on) \text{ or } thrust(E1) = on;$   
 $mode(E1) = ok \text{ or } mode(E1) = unknown;$   
 $\text{not } (mode(E1) = ok) \text{ or } \text{not } (mode(E1) = unknown);$

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## Reducing Propositional Formula to Clauses (CNF)

### 1) Eliminate IFF and Implies

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- $E1 \text{ implies } E2 \Rightarrow \text{not } E1 \text{ or } E2$

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## Eliminate IFF: Engine Example

(mode(E1) = ok implies

**((thrust(E1) = on iff (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on)))** and

(mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and

not (mode(E1) = ok and mode(E1) = unknown)



(mode(E1) = ok implies

**((thrust(E1) = on implies (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on))** and

**((flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on) implies thrust(E1) = on))**) and

(mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and

not (mode(E1) = ok and mode(E1) = unknown)

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## Eliminate Implies: Engine Example

(mode(E1) = ok implies

**((thrust(E1) = on implies (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on))** and

**((flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on) implies thrust(E1) = on))**) and

(mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and

not (mode(E1) = ok and mode(E1) = unknown)



**(not (mode(E1) = ok) or**

**((not (thrust(E1) = on) or (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on))** and

**(not (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on) or thrust(E1) = on))**) and

(mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and

not (mode(E1) = ok and mode(E1) = unknown)

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## Reducing Propositional Formula to Clauses (CNF)

2) Move negations in towards propositions using De Morgan's Theorem:

- Not (E1 and E2)  $\Rightarrow$  (not E1) or (not E2)
- Not (E1 or E2)  $\Rightarrow$  (not E1) and (not E2)
- Not (not E1)  $\Rightarrow$  E1

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## Move Negations In: Engine Example

(not (mode(E1) = ok) or  
((not (thrust(E1) = on) or (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on)) and  
(not (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on) or thrust(E1) = on))) and  
(mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and  
not (mode(E1) = ok and mode(E1) = unknown))



(not (mode(E1) = ok) or  
((not (thrust(E1) = on) or (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on)) and  
(not (flow(V1) = on) or not (flow(V2) = on) or thrust(E1) = on) ) and  
(mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and  
(not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (mode(E1) = unknown)))

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## Reducing Propositional Formula to Clauses (CNF)

3) Move conjunctions out using distributivity

- E1 or (E2 and E3)  $\Rightarrow$  (E1 or E2) and (E1 or E3)

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## Move Conjunctions Out: Engine Example

(not (mode(E1) = ok) or  
 ((not (thrust(E1) = on) or (flow(V1) = on and flow(V2) = on)) and  
 (not (flow(V1) = on) or not (flow(V2) = on) or thrust(E1) = on))) and  
 (mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and  
 (not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (mode(E1) = unknown))



(not (mode(E1) = ok) or  
 (((not (thrust(E1) = on) or flow(V1) = on) and  
 (not (thrust(E1) = on) or flow(V2) = on)) and  
 (not (flow(V1) = on) or not (flow(V2) = on) or thrust(E1) = on))) and  
 (mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and  
 (not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (mode(E1) = unknown))

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## Move Conjunctions Out: Engine Example

(not (mode(E1) = ok) or  
 (((not (thrust(E1) = on) or flow(V1) = on) and  
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 (mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and  
 (not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (mode(E1) = unknown))



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 (not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (thrust(E1) = on) or flow(V2) = on) and  
 (not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (flow(V1) = on) or not (flow(V2) = on)  
 or thrust(E1) = on) and  
 (mode(E1) = ok or mode(E1) = unknown) and  
 (not (mode(E1) = ok) or not (mode(E1) = unknown))

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- 3) Move conjunctions out using Distributivity
  - $E1 \text{ or } (E2 \text{ and } E3) \Rightarrow (E1 \text{ or } E2) \text{ and } (E1 \text{ or } E3)$

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