



# Organizatorial

Midterm: **8. December 14:00 – 16:00** (during the lecture slot)



# Propositional Logic Calculi

- ~~1. Tableau: classics, natural from the semantics~~
2. Resolution: classics, first-order, prepares for CDCL ←
3. CDCL: current prime calculus for propositional logic ←
- 4. Superposition: first-order, prepares for first-order



## Resolution – quo vadis?

$$N = \{ \underline{P \vee Q}, P \vee \neg Q, \neg P \vee Q, \underline{\neg P \vee \neg Q} \}$$

$$N \Rightarrow_{\text{RES}} \text{Resolve } N_1 = \{ P \vee P \} \cup N$$

$$\Rightarrow_{\text{RES}} \text{Factoring } N_2 = N_1 \cup \{ P \}$$

$$\Rightarrow_{\text{RES}} \text{Resolve } N_3 = N_2 \cup \{ \neg P \vee \neg P \}$$

$$\Rightarrow_{\text{RES}} \text{Factoring } N_4 = N_3 \cup \{ \neg P \}$$

$$\Rightarrow_{\text{RES}} \text{Resolution } N_4 \cup \{ \perp \}$$

$$\text{But: } N \Rightarrow_{\text{RES}} N_1 = N \cup \{ Q \vee \neg Q \}$$

$$\Rightarrow_{\text{RES}} N_1 \cup \{ P \vee \neg P \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dots$$



## CDCL – quo vadis?

$$N = \{P \vee Q, P \vee \neg Q, \neg P \vee Q, \underline{\neg P \vee \neg Q}\}$$

$$(\varepsilon; N; \emptyset; 0; T)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Decide } (P^1; N; \emptyset; 1; T)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Propagate } (P^1 Q^{\neg P \vee Q}; N; \emptyset; 1; T)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Conflict } (P^1 Q^{\neg P \vee Q}; N; \emptyset; 1; \neg P \vee \neg Q)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Resolve } (P^1; N; \emptyset; 1; \neg P \vee \neg P)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Factor, Backtrack } (\neg P^{\neg P}; N; \{\neg P\}; 0; T)$$



# Entering First-Order...

$$N = \{ \underbrace{P(0)}, \neg P(x) \vee P(S(x)) \}$$

$$1P(0) \vee P(S(0))$$

Resolution:

$$N \Rightarrow \{ P(S(0)) \} \Rightarrow \{ P(S(S(0))) \} \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \dots$$

CDCL:

$$\Rightarrow \text{Propagate } (P(0)^{P(0)} ; N ; \emptyset ; 0 ; T)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Propagate } (P(0)^{P(0)} P(S(0))^{\neg P(0) \vee P(S(0))} ; \dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Propagate } \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$$



# Propositional Superposition

Propositional Superposition refines the propositional resolution calculus by

- (i) ordering and selection restrictions on inferences,
- (ii) an abstract redundancy notion,
- (iii) the notion of a partial model, based on the ordering for inference guidance
- (iv) a *saturation* concept.

Important: No implicit Condensation of literals!



## 2.7.1 Definition (Clause Ordering)

Let  $\prec$  be a total strict ordering on  $\Sigma$ .

Then  $\prec$  can be lifted to a total ordering on literals by  $\prec \subseteq \prec_L$  and  $P \prec_L \neg P$  and  $\neg P \prec_L Q, \neg P \prec_L \neg Q$  for all  $P \prec Q$ .

The ordering  $\prec_L$  can be lifted to a total ordering on clauses  $\prec_C$  by considering the multiset extension of  $\prec_L$  for clauses.

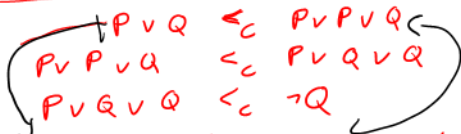
$$\Sigma = \{P, Q\}$$

$$\neg P \succ_L P$$

$$\neg P \prec_L \neg Q$$

$$P \prec Q$$

$$P \prec_L \neg P \prec_L Q \prec_L \neg Q$$



because  $\{P, Q\} <_L^{mul} \{P, P, Q\} <_L^{mul} \{P, Q, Q\} <_L^{mul} \{\neg Q\}$



## 2.7.2 Proposition (Properties of the Clause Ordering)

(i) The orderings on literals and clauses are total and well-founded.

(ii) Let  $C$  and  $D$  be clauses with

$$P = \text{atom}(\max(C)) \quad \leftarrow$$

$$Q = \text{atom}(\max(D)) \quad \leftarrow$$

where  $\max(C)$  denotes the maximal literal in  $C$ .

1. If  $Q \prec_L P$  then  $D \prec_C C$ .
2. If  $P = Q$ ,  $P$  occurs negatively in  $C$  but only positively in  $D$ , then  $D \prec_C C$ .

Eventually, I overload  $\prec$  with  $\prec_L$  and  $\prec_C$ .

For a clause set  $N$ , I define  $N^{\prec_C} = \{D \in N \mid D \prec C\}$ .





- $\prec$  is an ordering on  $\Sigma$
- $\prec_L$  is an extension for literals:  $\prec \subseteq \prec_L$  and  $P \prec_L \neg P$  and  $\neg P \prec_L Q, \neg P \prec_L \neg Q$  for all  $P \prec Q$ .
- $\prec_C$  is the *multiset extension* of  $\prec_L$  for clauses.

$$N^{\prec_C} = \{D \in N \mid D \prec C\}$$

$$N = \{P \vee \neg Q, P \vee Q, P \vee \neg S, P \vee Q \vee S\}$$

$$P \prec Q \prec R \prec S \quad \neq C$$

$$C = P \vee Q \Rightarrow N^{\prec_C} = \emptyset$$

$$C = S \Rightarrow N^{\prec_C} = \{P \vee Q, P \vee \neg Q\}$$

$$C = \neg S \Rightarrow N^{\prec_C} = \{P \vee Q, P \vee \neg Q, P \vee Q \vee S\}$$

$$C = P \vee Q \vee S \Rightarrow N^{\prec_C} = \{P \vee Q, P \vee \neg Q\}$$

$$(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \vee \neg Q) \neq P \vee Q \vee S$$

redundant!?

no!

no!

no!

yes!



## Definition (Abstract Redundancy)

A clause  $C$  is *redundant* with respect to a clause set  $N$  if  $N \setminus C \models C$ .

- Tautologies are always redundant.
- $N = \{ C_1, C_2, \dots \}$   
 $C_1 \not\subseteq C_2 \Rightarrow C_2$  is redundant  
 $P \vee Q \quad P \vee P \vee Q \vee Q$
- $N = \{ C_1, C_1, C_2, C_2, \dots \} = \{ C_1, C_2, \dots \}$



## 2.7.5 Definition (Selection Function)

The selection function  $\text{sel}$  maps clauses to one of its negative literals or  $\perp$ .

If  $\text{sel}(C) = \neg P$  then  $\neg P$  is called *selected* in  $C$ .

If  $\text{sel}(C) = \perp$  then no literal in  $C$  is *selected*.

$$P \vee \neg Q \vee \neg R \vee S$$

↑



## 2.7.6 Definition (Partial Model Construction)

Given a clause set  $N$  and an ordering  $\prec$  we can construct a (partial) Herbrand model  $N_{\mathcal{I}}$  for  $N$  inductively as follows:

$$N_C := \bigcup_{D \prec C, D \in N} \delta_D$$

$$\delta_D := \begin{cases} \{P\} & \text{if } D = D' \vee P, P \text{ strictly maximal, no literal} \\ & \text{selected in } D \text{ and } \underline{N_D} \not\models D \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

positive!

$$N_{\mathcal{I}} := \bigcup_{C \in N} \delta_C$$

Clauses  $C$  with  $\delta_C \neq \emptyset$  are called *productive*.



- $N$ : a set of clauses, interpreted as conjunction of all clauses.

$$N = \{P \vee R, \neg P \vee Q, Q \vee S, Q \vee R\}$$

- $N_I, N_C$  are sets of atoms, often called *Herbrand Interpretations*.
- $N_I$  is the overall (partial) model for  $N$

$$N_I = \{R, S\} \quad (i)$$

- $N_I \models P$  if  $P \in N_I$
- $N_I \models \neg P$  if  $P \notin N_I$
- $A(N_I) := N_I \cup \{\neg P \mid P \notin N_I\}$

$$A(N_I) = \{R, S, \neg Q\} \quad (ii)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} A(N_I)(R) &= 1 \\ A(N_I)(S) &= 1 \\ A(N_I)(Q) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (iii)$$



$$N_C := \bigcup_{D \prec C, D \in \mathcal{N}} \delta_D$$

$$\delta_D := \begin{cases} \{P\} & \text{if } D = D' \vee P, P \text{ strictly maximal, no literal} \\ & \text{selected in } D \text{ and } N_D \not\equiv D \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{N} = \{P \vee R^*, \neg P \vee Q^*, Q \vee S^*, Q \vee \neg R^*\}$$

$$P < Q < R < S$$

$$\neg P \vee Q^* < P \vee R^* < Q \vee \neg R^* < Q \vee S^*$$



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positive

$$\neg P \vee Q^* \prec P \vee R^* \prec Q \vee \neg R^* \prec Q \vee S^*$$

clause D	$N_0$	$S_0$	why?
$\neg P \vee Q^*$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$N_0 \models 0$ , clause is true in $N_0$
$P \vee R^*$	$\emptyset$	$\{R\}$	$\{\neg P, \neg Q, \neg R, \neg S\} \not\models P \vee R$ " " $\emptyset$
$Q \vee \neg R^*$	$\{R\}$	$\emptyset$	$\neg R^*$ is negative
$Q \vee S^*$	$\{R\}$	$\{S\}$	$Q \neq N_0, S \neq N_0 \Rightarrow N_0 \not\models Q \vee S$ S is strictly max.

$$N_I = \{R, S\}$$

$$N_I \neq N$$



## 2.7.7 Proposition (Model Construction Properties)

Some properties of the partial model construction.

- (i) For every  $D$  with  $(C \vee \neg P) \prec D$  we have  $\delta_D \neq \{P\}$ .
- (ii) If  $\delta_C = \{P\}$  then  $N_C \cup \delta_C \models C$ .
- (iii) If  $N_C \models D$  and  $D \prec C$  then for all  $C'$  with  $C \prec C'$  we have  $N_{C'} \models D$  and in particular  $N_{\mathcal{I}} \models D$ .
- (iv) There is no clause  $C$  with  $P \vee P \prec C$  such that  $\delta_C = \{P\}$ .





## 2.7.7 Proposition (Model Construction Properties)

(i) For every  $D$  with  $(C \vee \neg P) < D$  we have  $\delta_D \neq \{P\}$ .

$$\delta_D := \begin{cases} \{P\} & \text{if } D = D' \vee P, P \text{ strictly maximal, no literal} \\ & \text{selected in } D \text{ and } N_D \not\models D \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



## 2.7.7 Proposition (Model Construction Properties)

(ii) If  $\delta_C = \{P\}$  then  $N_C \cup \delta_C \models C$ .

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$$N_C := \bigcup_{D \prec C, D \in \mathcal{N}} \delta_D$$



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# Superposition Inference Rules

*"Resolution"*

**Superposition Left**  $(N \uplus \{C_1 \vee \underline{P}, C_2 \vee \underline{\neg P}\}) \Rightarrow_{\text{SUP}}$   
 $(N \cup \{C_1 \vee P, C_2 \vee \neg P\} \cup \{\underline{C_1} \vee \underline{C_2}\})$

where (i)  $P$  is strictly maximal in  $C_1 \vee P$  (ii) no literal in  $C_1 \vee P$  is selected (iii)  $\neg P$  is maximal and no literal selected in  $C_2 \vee \neg P$ , or  $\neg P$  is selected in  $C_2 \vee \neg P$

*"Factoring"*

**Factoring**  $(N \uplus \{C \vee \underline{P} \vee \underline{P}\}) \Rightarrow_{\text{SUP}}$   
 $(N \cup \{C \vee P \vee P\} \cup \{\underline{C} \vee \underline{P}\})$

where (i)  $P$  is maximal in  $C \vee P \vee P$  (ii) no literal is selected in  $C \vee P \vee P$



**Superposition Left**  $(N \uplus \{C_1 \vee P, C_2 \vee \neg P\}) \Rightarrow_{\text{SUP}} (N \cup \{C_1 \vee P, C_2 \vee \neg P\} \cup \{C_1 \vee C_2\})$

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$$\neg P \vee Q^* \prec P \vee R^* \prec Q \vee \neg R^* \prec Q \vee S^*$$

$D$	$w_0$	$\delta_0$	Why?
$\neg P \vee Q^*$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	
$P \vee R^*$	$\emptyset$	$\{R\}$	"productive counterpart"
$Q \vee \neg R^*$	$\{R\}$	$\emptyset$	"minimal false clause"
$Q \vee S^*$	$\{R\}$	$\{S\}$	

$N \Rightarrow_{\text{Superposition Left}} N \cup \{P \vee Q\}$



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$$P \vee Q^* \prec \neg P \vee Q^* \prec P \vee R^* \prec Q \vee \neg R^* \prec Q \vee S^*$$

$D$	$N_D$	$\delta_D$	why?
$P \vee Q^*$	$\emptyset$	$\{Q\}$	$Q^*$ is str. max, $N_D \neq P \vee Q$
$\neg P \vee Q^*$	$\{Q\}$	$\emptyset$	true
$P \vee R^*$	$\{Q\}$	$\{R\}$	$N_D \neq P \vee R$ , $R$ strict. max.
$Q \vee \neg R$	$\{Q, R\}$	$\emptyset$	true
$Q \vee S$	$\{Q, R\}$	$\emptyset$	true

$N_I = \{Q, R\}$        $N_I \neq N$

