



Logic

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1. Summary of Previous Lecture
2. Horn Formulas
3. Intermezzo
4. SAT
5. Tseitin's Transformation
6. Further Reading
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Definitions

- ▶ **semantic entailment**

$$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_n \models \psi$$

if $\bar{v}(\psi) = T$ whenever $\bar{v}(\varphi_1) = \bar{v}(\varphi_2) = \dots = \bar{v}(\varphi_n) = T$ for every valuation v

- ▶ **tautology** is formula φ such that $\models \varphi$
- ▶ formula φ is
 - ▶ **valid** if $\bar{v}(\varphi) = T$ for every valuation v
 - ▶ **satisfiable** if $\bar{v}(\varphi) = T$ for some valuation v
- ▶ formulas φ and ψ are **semantically equivalent** ($\varphi \equiv \psi$) if both $\varphi \models \psi$ and $\psi \models \varphi$

Theorem

formula φ is valid $\iff \neg\varphi$ is unsatisfiable $\iff \varphi$ is tautology

Definitions

- ▶ **literal** is atom p or negation $\neg p$ of atom
- ▶ **clause** is disjunction $l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_n$ of literals
- ▶ **conjunctive normal form (CNF)** is conjunction $C_1 \wedge \dots \wedge C_n$ of clauses
- ▶ literals l_1 and l_2 are **complementary** if $l_1 = \neg l_2$ or $\neg l_1 = l_2$

Theorem

- ▶ for every formula φ there exists CNF ψ such that $\varphi \equiv \psi$
- ▶ **validity** of CNFs is **efficiently** decidable:

CNF φ is valid \iff every clause of φ contains **complementary literals**

Part I: Propositional Logic

algebraic normal forms, binary decision diagrams, conjunctive normal forms, DPLL, **Horn formulas**, natural deduction, Post's adequacy theorem, resolution, **SAT**, semantics, sorting networks, soundness and completeness, syntax, **Tseitin's transformation**

Part II: Predicate Logic

natural deduction, quantifier equivalences, resolution, semantics, Skolemization, syntax, undecidability, unification

Part III: Model Checking

adequacy, branching-time temporal logic, CTL*, fairness, linear-time temporal logic, model checking algorithms, symbolic model checking

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Definitions

- ▶ **Horn clause** is propositional formula

$$P_1 \wedge P_2 \wedge \dots \wedge P_n \rightarrow Q$$

with $n \geq 1$ and where P_1, \dots, P_n, Q are atoms, \perp or \top

- ▶ **Horn formula** is conjunction of Horn clauses

Backus-Naur Form (H)

$$P ::= p \mid \perp \mid \top$$

$$A ::= P \mid P \wedge A$$

$$C ::= A \rightarrow P$$

$$H ::= C \mid C \wedge H$$

Theorem

satisfiability of Horn formulas is **efficiently** decidable

Procedure

- ① maintain list of atoms, \perp , \top occurring in φ
- ② mark \top if it appears in list
- ③ **while** Horn clause $P_1 \wedge \dots \wedge P_n \rightarrow Q$ exists in φ such that all P_1, \dots, P_n are marked and Q is unmarked
mark Q
- ④ **if** \perp is marked **then**
return **unsatisfiable**
else
return **satisfiable** satisfying assignment: $v(P) = \begin{cases} \top & \text{if } P \text{ is marked} \\ \text{F} & \text{if } P \text{ is unmarked} \end{cases}$

Examples

1 Horn formula

$$(p \wedge q \wedge w \rightarrow \perp) \wedge (t \rightarrow \perp) \wedge (r \rightarrow p) \wedge (\top \rightarrow r) \wedge (\top \rightarrow q) \wedge (\top \rightarrow u) \wedge (u \rightarrow s)$$

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⑥

list $p \ q \ r \ s \ t \ u \ w \ \perp \ \top$
①

satisfiable $v(p) = v(q) = v(r) = v(s) = v(u) = \top \quad v(t) = v(w) = \text{F}$

2 Horn formula

$$(p \wedge q \wedge w \rightarrow \perp) \wedge (t \rightarrow \perp) \wedge (r \rightarrow p) \wedge (\top \rightarrow r) \wedge (\top \rightarrow q) \wedge (\top \rightarrow u) \wedge (u \rightarrow w)$$


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unsatisfiable

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Question

Consider the formula $\varphi = (p \wedge \neg q \rightarrow \perp) \wedge (q \wedge p \rightarrow \neg q)$.
Which of the following statements hold for φ ?

- A φ is a CNF
- B φ is a Horn formula
- C $\varphi \equiv p \rightarrow \neg q$
- D φ is satisfiable
- E φ is valid



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Satisfiability (SAT)

instance: propositional formula φ
 question: is φ satisfiable ?

Theorem

SAT is NP-complete

Links

- ▶ SAT competition
- ▶ Millennium Problems – P vs NP

SAT Applications

- ▶ bounded model checking
- ▶ combinatorial design theory
- ▶ haplotyping in bioinformatics
- ▶ hardware verification
- ▶ logic puzzles
- ▶ package management in software distributions
- ▶ planning and scheduling
- ▶ software verification
- ▶ sorting networks
- ▶ statistical physics
- ▶ term rewriting
- ▶

Popular SAT Solvers

MiniSat PicoSAT Z3

Example (数独 Sudoku)

	6		1	4	5		
		8	3	5	6		
2							1
8			4	7			6
		6			3		
7			9	1			4
5							2
		7	2	6	9		
	4		5	8		7	

11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99

Variables

- ▶ propositional atoms x_{ijd} for $i, j, d \in \{1, \dots, 9\}$
- ▶ $v(x_{ijd}) = T \iff$ cell ij contains digit d

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51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59
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Constraints

- ▶ every cell contains **at least one** digit
- ▶ every cell contains **at most one** digit
- ▶ in every **row / column / 3 × 3 block** every digit appears **at most once**

Cardinality Constraints

for non-empty set A of propositional atoms:

$$\text{at-least-one}(A) = \bigvee_{x \in A} x \quad \text{at-most-one}(A) = \bigwedge_{\substack{x, y \in A \\ x \neq y}} (\neg x \vee \neg y)$$

Example

$$\text{at-least-one}(\{p, q, r\}) = p \vee q \vee r$$

$$\text{at-most-one}(\{p, q, r\}) = (\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg r) \wedge (\neg q \vee \neg r)$$

Useful Abbreviations

$$D = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

$$\mathcal{G} = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{4, 5, 6\}, \{7, 8, 9\}\}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \{\{x_{ijd} \mid j \in D\} \mid i, d \in D\} \cup \{\{x_{ijd} \mid i \in D\} \mid j, d \in D\} \cup \{\{x_{ijd} \mid (i, j) \in I \times J\} \mid I, J \in \mathcal{G}, d \in D\}$$

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	6			3	
7		9	1		4
5					2
	7	2	6	9	
4	5	8	7		

SAT Encoding

$$\varphi: \bigwedge \{\text{at-least-one}(\{x_{ijd} \mid d \in D\}) \mid i, j \in D\} \wedge \bigwedge \{\text{at-most-one}(A) \mid A \in \mathcal{C}\} \wedge \bigwedge \{\text{at-most-one}(\{x_{ijd} \mid d \in D\}) \mid i, j \in D\} \wedge x_{126} \wedge x_{141} \wedge x_{164} \wedge \dots \wedge x_{987}$$

- ▶ φ is satisfiable \iff Sudoku puzzle has solution
- ▶ satisfying assignment gives rise to Sudoku solution

$$D = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\mathcal{G} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}\}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \{\{x_{ijd} \mid j \in D\} \mid i, d \in D\} \cup \{\{x_{ijd} \mid i \in D\} \mid j, d \in D\} \cup \{\{x_{ijd} \mid (i, j) \in I \times J\} \mid I, J \in \mathcal{G}, d \in D\}$$

Example (2 × 2 数独 Sudoku)

		1	
3			
	4		

11	12	13	14
21	22	23	24
31	32	33	34
41	42	43	44

$$\mathcal{C} = \{\{x_{111}, x_{121}, x_{131}, x_{141}\}, \{x_{112}, x_{122}, x_{132}, x_{142}\}, \dots, \{x_{414}, x_{424}, x_{434}, x_{444}\}\} \cup \{\{x_{111}, x_{211}, x_{311}, x_{411}\}, \{x_{121}, x_{221}, x_{321}, x_{421}\}, \dots, \{x_{144}, x_{244}, x_{344}, x_{444}\}\} \cup \{\{x_{111}, x_{121}, x_{211}, x_{221}\}, \{x_{112}, x_{122}, x_{212}, x_{222}\}, \dots, \{x_{334}, x_{344}, x_{434}, x_{444}\}\}$$

Pythagorean Triples Problem

can one color all natural numbers with two colors such that whenever $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$ not all of x, y, z have same color?

Example

$$3^2 + 4^2 = 5^2 \quad 5^2 + 12^2 = 13^2 \quad \dots$$

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 ... ☹

SAT Encoding

- ▶ propositional atoms x_i for $1 \leq i \leq n$
- ▶ $v(x_i) = \text{T} \iff$ number i is colored **red**
- ▶ encoding contains clauses $(x_a \vee x_b \vee x_c)$ and $(\neg x_a \vee \neg x_b \vee \neg x_c)$ for all $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

Solution

- ▶ **NO** if (and only if) $n \geq 7825$
- ▶ 2 days (in May 2016) on University of Texas' Stampede supercomputer with 800 processors
- ▶ 200 terabyte proof of unsatisfiability
- ▶ extensive media coverage (Nature, der Spiegel)

Example (Sports League Scheduling)

- ▶ **round robin tournament** scheduling for n teams and p periods consisting of $n - 1$ rounds, satisfying several other constraints like venue restrictions

- ▶ **Austrian Football Bundesliga**

12 teams play 2 periods (of 11 rounds), periods 1 and 2 are mirrored

- ▶ SAT encoding

- ▶ variables x_{ijpr} with $v(x_{ijpr}) = \text{T}$ if team i plays team j at home in round r of period p
- ▶ constraints (fragment):

$$\bigwedge_{i,p,r} \bigvee_{j \neq i} (x_{ijpr} \vee x_{jipr}) \quad \bigwedge_{i,p,r} \bigwedge_{j \neq i} \bigwedge_{\substack{k \neq i \\ k \neq j}} (x_{ijpr} \rightarrow \neg(x_{ikpr} \vee x_{kipr})) \quad \bigwedge_{i,j,r} (x_{ij1r} \rightarrow x_{ji2r})$$

- ▶ further details

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Remark

most SAT solvers require CNF as input

Theorem

deciding satisfiability of CNF formulas is NP-complete

DIMACS Input Format

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c
c comments
c
p cnf 4 3          4 atoms and 3 clauses
1 -2 4 0          x1 ∨ ¬x2 ∨ x4
-1 2 -3 -4 0     ¬x1 ∨ x2 ∨ ¬x3 ∨ ¬x4
3 -2 0           x3 ∨ ¬x2

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Remarks

- ▶ translation from arbitrary formula to **equivalent** CNF is expensive
- ▶ translation to **equisatisfiable** CNF is possible in linear time

Definition

formulas φ and ψ are **equisatisfiable** ($\varphi \approx \psi$) if

$$\varphi \text{ is satisfiable} \iff \psi \text{ is satisfiable}$$

Examples

$$(p \vee q) \wedge \neg p \approx \top$$

$$(p \vee q) \wedge \neg p \not\approx q \wedge \neg q$$

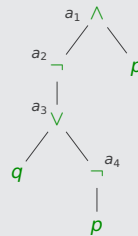
Example (Tseitin's Transformation)

▶ $\varphi = \neg(q \vee \neg p) \wedge p$

▶ introduce new variable for each propositional connective:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
a_1 & \neg(q \vee \neg p) \wedge p \\
a_2 & \neg(q \vee \neg p) \\
a_3 & q \vee \neg p \\
a_4 & \neg p
\end{array}$$

▶ $\varphi \approx a_1 \wedge (a_1 \leftrightarrow a_2 \wedge p) \wedge (a_2 \leftrightarrow \neg a_3) \wedge (a_3 \leftrightarrow q \vee a_4) \wedge (a_4 \leftrightarrow \neg p)$



Definition

new propositional connective

▶ **equivalence** \leftrightarrow $p \leftrightarrow q$ "p is equivalent to q"

$$\bar{v}(\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi) = \begin{cases} \top & \text{if } \bar{v}(\varphi) = \bar{v}(\psi) \\ \text{F} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Notational Convention

binding precedence $\neg > \wedge, \vee > \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow$

Lemma

$$\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi \equiv (\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \wedge (\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$$

Proof

φ	ψ	$\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi$	$(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \wedge (\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	T

Lemma

- 1 $(\varphi \leftrightarrow \neg\psi) \equiv (\varphi \vee \psi) \wedge (\neg\varphi \vee \neg\psi)$
- 2 $(\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi \wedge \chi) \equiv (\neg\varphi \vee \psi) \wedge (\neg\varphi \vee \chi) \wedge (\varphi \vee \neg\psi \vee \neg\chi)$
- 3 $(\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi \vee \chi) \equiv (\varphi \vee \neg\psi) \wedge (\varphi \vee \neg\chi) \wedge (\neg\varphi \vee \psi \vee \chi)$

Example (cont'd)

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi &\approx a_1 \wedge (a_1 \leftrightarrow a_2 \wedge p) \wedge (a_2 \leftrightarrow \neg a_3) \wedge (a_3 \leftrightarrow q \vee a_4) \wedge (a_4 \leftrightarrow \neg p) \\ &\equiv a_1 \wedge (\neg a_1 \vee a_2) \wedge (\neg a_1 \vee p) \wedge (a_1 \vee \neg a_2 \vee \neg p) \wedge (a_2 \vee a_3) \wedge (\neg a_2 \vee \neg a_3) \\ &\quad \wedge (a_3 \vee \neg q) \wedge (a_3 \vee \neg a_4) \wedge (\neg a_3 \vee q \vee a_4) \wedge (a_4 \vee p) \wedge (\neg a_4 \vee \neg p) \end{aligned}$$

Lemma

- 1 any satisfying valuation for φ can be (uniquely) extended to satisfying valuation for $\text{TT}(\varphi)$
- 2 restriction of any satisfying valuation for $\text{TT}(\varphi)$ to atoms in φ is satisfying valuation for φ

Definition (Tseitin's Transformation)

for propositional formula φ

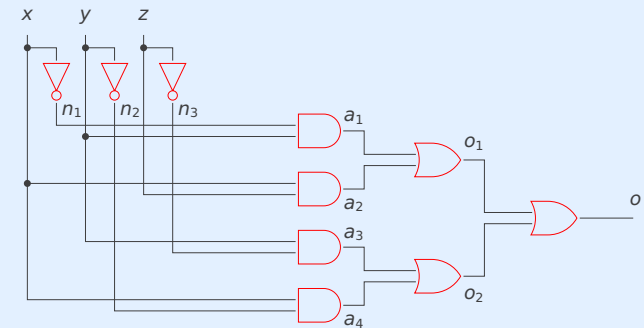
- ▶ atom a_φ is defined as $a_\varphi = \begin{cases} \varphi & \text{if } \varphi \text{ is atom} \\ \text{fresh atom} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- ▶ formula $\text{TT}(\varphi)$ is defined as

$$\text{TT}(\varphi) = \begin{cases} a_\varphi & \text{if } \varphi \text{ is atom} \\ a_\varphi \wedge \text{TT}'(a_\varphi, \varphi) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

with

$$\text{TT}'(a, \varphi) = \begin{cases} (a \leftrightarrow \neg a_\psi) \wedge \text{TT}'(a_\psi, \psi) & \text{if } \varphi = \neg\psi \\ (a \leftrightarrow (a_{\psi_1} \wedge a_{\psi_2})) \wedge \text{TT}'(a_{\psi_1}, \psi_1) \wedge \text{TT}'(a_{\psi_2}, \psi_2) & \text{if } \varphi = \psi_1 \wedge \psi_2 \\ (a \leftrightarrow (a_{\psi_1} \vee a_{\psi_2})) \wedge \text{TT}'(a_{\psi_1}, \psi_1) \wedge \text{TT}'(a_{\psi_2}, \psi_2) & \text{if } \varphi = \psi_1 \vee \psi_2 \\ (a \leftrightarrow (a_{\psi_1} \rightarrow a_{\psi_2})) \wedge \text{TT}'(a_{\psi_1}, \psi_1) \wedge \text{TT}'(a_{\psi_2}, \psi_2) & \text{if } \varphi = \psi_1 \rightarrow \psi_2 \\ \top & \text{if } \varphi \text{ is atom} \end{cases}$$

Logic Circuit



Equisatisfiable CNF

$$\begin{aligned} o \wedge (o \leftrightarrow o_1 \vee o_2) \wedge (o_1 \leftrightarrow a_1 \vee a_2) \wedge (o_2 \leftrightarrow a_3 \vee a_4) \wedge (a_1 \leftrightarrow n_1 \wedge y) \wedge (a_2 \leftrightarrow x \wedge z) \\ \wedge (a_3 \leftrightarrow y \wedge n_3) \wedge (a_4 \leftrightarrow x \wedge n_2) \wedge (n_1 \leftrightarrow \neg x) \wedge (n_2 \leftrightarrow \neg y) \wedge (n_3 \leftrightarrow \neg z) \end{aligned}$$

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Huth and Ryan

- ▶ Section 1.5

SAT and P – NP

- ▶ SAT live! [accessed March 9, 2026]
- ▶ The Science of Brute Force
Marijn J. H. Heule and Oliver Kullmann
Communications of the ACM 60(8), pp. 70–97, 2017
doi: [10.1145/3107239](https://doi.org/10.1145/3107239)
- ▶ Fifty Years of P vs. NP and the Possibility of the Impossible
Lance Fortnow
Communications of the ACM 65(1), pp. 76–85, 2022
doi: [10.1145/3460351](https://doi.org/10.1145/3460351)

Important Concepts

- ▶ DIMACS format
- ▶ Horn clause
- ▶ SAT
- ▶ equisatisfiability
- ▶ Horn formula
- ▶ Tseitin's transformation
- ▶ equivalence

homework for March 19

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Tutorium

new slot: Wednesday 10:15–11:00 in RR 26

Mentoring

- ▶ for international master students (SKZ 648 and 921)
- ▶ Friday March 27, 10:15–11:00 in 3W04
- ▶ registration (group 1) required