

Exercise (cont'd)

- What is it for $\neg P \vee \neg(R \wedge P)$?

$$\begin{aligned} & \neg P \vee \neg(R \wedge P) \\ & \quad Q_0 \quad Q_1 \quad Q_2 \\ \rightsquigarrow & \quad Q_0 \\ & \wedge (Q_0 \rightarrow (\neg P \vee Q_1)) \\ & \wedge (Q_1 \rightarrow \neg Q_2) \\ & \wedge (Q_2 \leftarrow (R \wedge P)) \end{aligned}$$

Note that when we write 'introduce new symbols for every non-literal subformula' we are referring to the subformulae of the original formula.

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Summary

- language of resolution:
 - ▶ atoms
 - ▶ literals (positive & negative)
 - ▶ clauses (= multi-sets)
- calculus Res:
 - ▶ resolution & positive factoring
- optimised conversion to clause form:
 - ▶ structural transformation

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Lecture 3

Previously ...

- propositional clause logic:
 - atoms, literals (positive & negative), clauses (= multi-sets)
- calculus Res:
 - resolution & positive factoring
- conversion to clause form:
 - ▶ optimisation using structural transformation

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Ground Expressions, Ground Instances

- Ground terms are terms with no occurrences of variables.
- Ground atoms are atoms with no occurrences of variables.
- Ground literals, ground clauses, ground formulae are defined similarly.
- A ground instance of an expression (atom, literal, clause, formula) is obtained by uniformly instantiating the variables in it with ground terms.

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Herbrand Universe

- We assume there is at least one constant in our language Σ .
- The Herbrand universe (over Σ), denoted T_Σ , is the set of all ground terms over Σ .
- **Example:** Suppose the language has one binary function symbol f and two constants a and b . The following are in T_Σ :
 $a, b, f(a, a), f(a, b), f(b, a), f(b, b), f(a, f(a, a)), \dots$
- If Σ contains non-constant function symbols then T_Σ is infinite.

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Exercise

- Suppose Σ is the language with one unary function symbol f and one constant a .
Write down the elements of the Herbrand universe T_Σ .

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$$T_\Sigma = \{a, f(a), f(f(a)), \dots, f^n(a), \dots\}$$

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Herbrand Interpretations

- A Herbrand interpretation (over Σ), denoted I , is a set of ground atoms over Σ .
- Truth in I of ground formulae is defined inductively by:

$$\begin{aligned} I &\models \top & I &\not\models \perp \\ I &\models A \text{ iff } A \in I, \text{ for any ground atom } A \\ I &\models \neg F \text{ iff } I \not\models F \\ I &\models F \wedge G \text{ iff } I \models F \text{ and } I \models G \\ I &\models F \vee G \text{ iff } I \models F \text{ or } I \models G \end{aligned}$$

- Note: A ground atom A is true in I if $A \in I$ and false otherwise.

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Herbrand Interpretations (cont'd)

- Truth in I of any quantifier-free formula F with free variables x_1, \dots, x_n is defined by:

$$I \models F(x_1, \dots, x_n) \text{ iff } I \models F(t_1, \dots, t_n), \text{ for every } t_i \in T_\Sigma$$

- Truth in I of any set N of clauses/formulae is defined by:

$$I \models N \text{ iff } I \models C, \text{ for each } C \in N$$

- We say a formula F (or a set N of formulae) is **satisfiable** if there is an interpretation I such that $I \models F$ (or $I \models N$).

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Herbrand Interpretations (cont'd) (optional)

- In a Herbrand interpretation values are fixed to be ground terms and functions are fixed to be the (Skolem) functions in Σ .
- Only predicate symbols p may be freely interpreted as relations $p^{\mathcal{M}} \subseteq T_\Sigma^n$.
- I is an interpretation \mathcal{M} where the values are given by:
constant a : $a^{\mathcal{M},s} = a$
function f : $(f(t_1, \dots, t_n))^{\mathcal{M},s} = f(t_1^{\mathcal{M},s}, \dots, t_n^{\mathcal{M},s})$

Property 6

Every Herbrand interpretation (set of ground atoms) I uniquely determines an interpretation \mathcal{M} via

$$(s_1, \dots, s_n) \in p^{\mathcal{M}} \text{ iff } p(s_1, \dots, s_n) \in I$$

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Exercise

- Suppose Σ is the language with one unary function symbol f , one constant a and one predicate symbol p . Which of the following are Herbrand interpretations over Σ ?

- $I_1 = \{p(a)\}$
- $I_2 = \{p(a), p(f(a))\}$
- $I_3 = \{p(a), \neg p(f(a))\}$

- For I_2 determine whether the following is true?

- $I_2 \models p(a)$
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 - $I_2 \models p(x)$ **no**

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Examples of Herbrand Interpretations

- Suppose $\Sigma_{\mathbb{N}}$ has constant 1, binary function $+$, unary predicate symbol p .
- Herbrand interpretation over $\Sigma_{\mathbb{N}}$:

$$I = \{ \begin{array}{l} p(1), \\ p(1 + 1), \\ p(1 + 1 + 1), \\ p(1 + 1 + 1 + 1), \\ \dots \end{array} \}$$

- Is model of: $p(x)$ representing that x is a natural number
Not model of: $p(x)$ representing that x is an odd number
- Notation: $n + m$ instead of $+(n, m)$

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Examples of Herbrand Interpretations (cont'd)

- Suppose Σ is any signature. Let I be a Herbrand interpretation over Σ .
 - $I \models r(x, x)$ iff $r(t, t) \in I$ for every ground term t in T_{Σ} .
 - $I \models \neg r(x, x)$ iff $r(t, t) \notin I$ for every ground term t in T_{Σ} .
 - $I \models \neg r(x, y) \vee r(y, x)$ iff when $r(s, t) \in I$ then $r(t, s) \in I$, for any ground terms $s, t \in T_{\Sigma}$.
 - $I \models \neg r(x, y) \vee \neg r(y, z) \vee r(x, z)$ iff when $r(s, t) \in I$ and $r(t, u) \in I$ then $r(s, u) \in I$, for any ground terms $s, t, u \in T_{\Sigma}$.

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Existence of Herbrand Models

- A Herbrand interpretation I is called a **Herbrand model** of F , if $I \models F$.
- Let $G_\Sigma(N)$ denote the set of all **ground instances of the clauses** in N over the language Σ . I.e.
 $G_\Sigma(N) = \{C\sigma \mid C \in N, \sigma : X \rightarrow T_\Sigma \text{ a ground substitution}\}$,
where X denotes the set of variables in the language.

Property 7 (Herbrand)

Let N be a set of Σ -clauses.

$$\begin{aligned} N \text{ satisfiable} & \quad \text{iff} \quad N \text{ has a Herbrand model (over } \Sigma) \\ & \quad \text{iff} \quad G_\Sigma(N) \text{ has a Herbrand model (over } \Sigma) \end{aligned}$$

(See optional, unassessed material – on completeness of general resolution – from course website for a proof.)

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Examples

- Consider

$$\begin{aligned} N &= \{p(x), q(f(y)) \vee r(y)\} \\ T_\Sigma &= \{a, f(a), f(f(a)), \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

- $p(a)$ and $p(f(a))$ are both ground instances of the first clause $p(x)$ in N .
- **Exercise:** Give examples of ground instances of the second clause in N .

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Example of a set of ground instances $G_\Sigma(N)$

- For $\Sigma_{\mathbb{N}}$ one obtains for

$$N = \{p(1), \neg p(x) \vee p(x+1)\}$$

the following ground instances:

$$\begin{aligned} G_\Sigma(N) = \{ & p(1) \\ & \neg p(1) \vee p(1+1) \\ & \neg p(1+1) \vee p(1+1+1) \\ & \neg p(1+1+1) \vee p(1+1+1+1) \\ & \dots \\ & \} \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise

- For N on the previous slide write down a Herbrand model of $G_\Sigma(N)$ (i.e. a Herbrand interpretation in which all clauses of $G_\Sigma(N)$ are true).
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- Is N satisfiable? **Answer: Yes. Why?**
By Herbrand's theorem.
In fact, I is also a model of N .

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Summary

- ground expressions, ground instances
- Herbrand universe
- Herbrand interpretation, Herbrand model
- satisfiability in I : \models
- Herbrand's Theorem

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Previously ...

- ground terms, ground atoms, ground literals, ground clauses
- Herbrand universe = set of ground terms
- Herbrand interpretation I = set of ground atoms
 - ▶ For atoms: $A \in I$ iff $I \models A$
 $A \notin I$ iff $I \not\models A$
- Herbrand's Theorem

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Recap: Soundness and Completeness

- Recall:
 - $N \vdash_{Cal} C$ means there exists a *Cal*-derivation of C from N .
 - $N \vdash_{Res} C$ means there exists a *Res*-derivation of C from N .
 - $N \models C$ means any model which satisfies N also satisfies C .
 C is true in each model of N ; C follows semantically from N
 - $N \models \perp$ means N is unsatisfiable, i.e. N has no model.
- *Res* is said to be **sound** iff
$$N \vdash_{Res} C \Rightarrow N \models C.$$
- *Res* is said to be **refutationally complete** iff
$$N \models \perp \Rightarrow N \vdash_{Res} \perp.$$
- In general, a calculus *Cal* is **complete** iff $N \models F \Rightarrow N \vdash_{Cal} F$.

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Recap: Sound Inference Rule

- An inference rule

$$\frac{F_1 \dots F_n}{F}$$

is called **sound**, if $F_1, \dots, F_n \models F$,

i.e., if F is a semantic/logical consequence of $F_1 \wedge \dots \wedge F_n$.

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Soundness of Resolution

Property 8

The propositional resolution calculus, *Res*, (resolution on ground clauses) is sound.

Proof: We have to show: $N \vdash_{Res} C \Rightarrow N \models C$,

It suffices to show that every rule is sound, i.e. for every rule

$\frac{C_1 \dots C_n}{D}$ we have $C_1, \dots, C_n \models D$.

For resolution, assume $I \models C \vee A$, $I \models \neg A \vee D$ and show $I \models C \vee D$.

(a) Case $I \models A$: Then $I \models D$, for else $I \not\models \neg A \vee D$. Hence $I \models C \vee D$. (b) Case $I \not\models A$: Then $I \models \neg A$. Since $I \models C \vee A$, $I \models C$ and consequently $I \models C \vee D$.

For factoring, assume $I \models C \vee A \vee A$ and show $I \models C \vee A$. Exercise.

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Refutational Completeness of Resolution

- How to show refutational completeness of ground resolution?
- We have to show: $N \models \perp \Rightarrow N \vdash_{Res} \perp$,
or equivalently: $N \not\vdash_{Res} \perp \Rightarrow N$ has a model.
- Idea:**
 - Suppose that we have computed **sufficiently possibly infinitely** many inferences from N (and not derived \perp).
 - Now **order** the clauses in **N the derivation** according to some appropriate ordering, inspect the clauses in ascending order, and construct a series of Herbrand interpretations.
 - The limit Herbrand interpretation can be shown to be a model of N .

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Defining Clause Orderings

- We assume that \succ is any fixed ordering on **ground atoms** that is **total** and **well-founded**. (There exist many such orderings, e.g., the length-based ordering on atoms when these are viewed as words over a suitable alphabet.)
- Extend \succ to an **ordering \succ_L on ground literals**:

$$\begin{aligned} [\neg]A &\succ_L [\neg]B, \text{ if } A \succ B \\ \neg A &\succ_L A \end{aligned}$$

(These are 5 conditions!)

- Extend \succ_L to an **ordering \succ_C on ground clauses**:
Let $\succ_C = (\succ_L)_{mul}$, the multi-set extension of \succ_L .

Notation: \succ also for \succ_L and \succ_C .

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Example

- Suppose $A_5 \succ A_4 \succ A_3 \succ A_2 \succ A_1 \succ A_0$.
- Then:

$$\neg A_5 \succ A_5 \succ \neg A_4 \succ A_4 \succ \dots \succ \neg A_0 \succ A_0$$

- And:

$$\begin{aligned} &A_0 \vee A_1 \\ \prec &A_1 \vee A_2 \\ \prec &\neg A_1 \vee A_2 \\ \prec &\neg A_1 \vee A_4 \vee A_3 \\ \prec &\neg A_1 \vee \neg A_4 \vee A_3 \\ \prec &\neg A_5 \vee A_5 \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise

- Suppose $A_4 \succ A_3 \succ A_2 \succ A_1$
- How are these clauses ordered by \succ_C ?

- $\neg A_3 \vee A_4$
- $A_3 \vee A_1 \vee A_1$
- $\neg A_4 \vee A_2$
- $A_3 \vee A_1$

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- $A_3 \vee A_1$

- Ordering of literals:

$$\neg A_4 \succ_L A_4 \succ_L \neg A_3 \succ_L A_3 \succ_L \neg A_2 \succ_L A_2 \succ_L \neg A_1 \succ_L A_1$$

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- Ordering of clauses: $3 \succ_C 1 \succ_C 2 \succ_C 4$
 $(4 \prec_C 2 \prec_C 1 \prec_C 3)$

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Properties of Clause Orderings

Property 9

- The orderings (\succ_L and \succ_C) on (ground) literals and clauses are total and well-founded.
- Let C and D be clauses with A an occurrence of a maximal atom in C and B an occurrence of a maximal atom in D .
 - If $A \succ B$ then $C \succ D$.
 - If $A = B$ and A occurs negatively in C but only positively in D , then $C \succ D$.

Note: in 2. A and B may be negated or unnegated occurrences.

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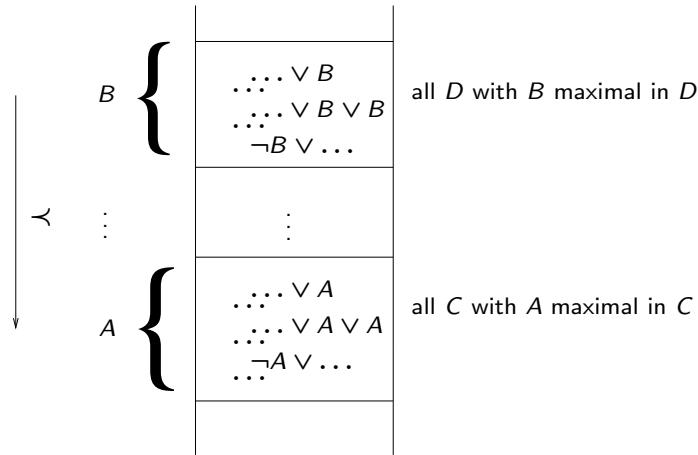
Aside: Determining $C \succ D$ for ground clauses

- Suppose L_1 is an occurrence of a maximal literal in C . Suppose L_2 is an occurrence of a maximal literal in D .
- Then
 - if $L_1 \succ L_2$ then $C \succ D$;
 - if $L_1 = L_2$ then delete L_1 and L_2 in C and D , respectively, and repeat for $C \setminus \{L_1\}$ and $D \setminus \{L_2\}$.

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Stratified Structure of Clause Sets

Let $A \succ B$. Clause sets are then stratified in this form:



Clauses in A -cluster are larger than clauses in B -cluster

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Saturation of Clause Sets under Res

- N is called **saturated** (wrt. resolution), if $Res(N) \subseteq N$.
- **Method of level saturation** computes the saturation of a set N as the **closure** of N which is given by $Res^*(N)$.

Property 10

- $Res^*(N)$ is saturated.
- Res is (sound and) refutationally complete iff for each set N of ground clauses:

$$N \models \perp \text{ iff } \perp \in Res^*(N)$$

- Intuition: $\perp \in Res^*(N)$ implies $N \vdash_{Res} \perp$

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Notation: ... Method of Computing All Conclusions

- Define the operators Res , Res^n , Res^* :

$$Res(N) = \{C \mid C \text{ is the conclusion of applying a rule in } Res \text{ to premises in } N\}$$

Define Res^n inductively by:

$$Res^0(N) = N$$

$$Res^{n+1}(N) = Res(Res^n(N)) \cup Res^n(N), \text{ for } n \geq 0$$

$$Res^*(N) = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} Res^n(N)$$

- $Res(N)$ is the set of 'immediate' resolvents and factors of N (all premises are in N). $Res^*(N)$ is the set of all possible resolvents and factors of N .

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Summary

- soundness and refutational completeness
- sound rule
- soundness of Res
- lifting ordering on ground atoms to ground literals and to ground clauses
- properties of \succ_L and \succ_C
- properties of ordered sets of clauses, stratification
- saturated clause set, level saturation

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Lecture 5

Previously ...

- soundness and refutational completeness
- sound rule
- soundness of Res
- literal ordering, clause ordering
- properties of ordered clause sets, stratification
- saturated clause set, level saturation

Construction of Herbrand Interpretations

- Our aim is to show the equivalence, where N is any set of ground clauses:

$$N \models \perp \text{ iff } \perp \in Res^*(N)$$

- The soundness result (Property 8) implies the “ \Leftarrow ” direction.
- We now show the “ \Rightarrow ” direction (i.e. refutational completeness), by showing

If $\perp \notin Res^*(N)$, then N has a model.

- **Given:** set N of ground clauses, atom ordering \succ .
- **Wanted:** Herbrand interpretation I such that
 - ▶ “many” clauses from N are true in I , and
 - ▶ $I \models N$, if N is saturated and $\perp \notin N$.

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Example

Let $A_5 \succ A_4 \succ A_3 \succ A_2 \succ A_1 \succ A_0$ (strictly maximal literals in red)

	clauses C in N	I_C	Δ_C	Remarks
1	$\neg A_0$	\emptyset	\emptyset	true in I_C
2	$A_0 \vee A_1$	\emptyset	$\{A_1\}$	A_1 str. maximal
3	$A_1 \vee A_2$	$\{A_1\}$	\emptyset	true in I_C
4	$\neg A_1 \vee A_2$	$\{A_1\}$	$\{A_2\}$	A_2 str. maximal
5	$\neg A_1 \vee A_4 \vee A_3 \vee A_0$	$\{A_1, A_2\}$	$\{A_4\}$	A_4 str. maximal
6	$\neg A_1 \vee \neg A_4 \vee A_3$	$\{A_1, A_2, A_4\}$	\emptyset	A_3 not str. max. <i>min. exception</i>
7	$\neg A_1 \vee A_5$	$\{A_1, A_2, A_4\}$	$\{A_5\}$	A_5 str. maximal

$I = \{A_1, A_2, A_4, A_5\}$ is not a model of the clause set because there exists an **exception** (unfulfilled) clause, clause 6. By definition, an **exception clause** for I is a clause that is not true in I .

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Main Ideas of the Construction

- Approximate (!) description: Define I inductively by:
 - Starting with a minimal clause C in N .
(Since in the ground case the ordering is total, there is a smallest clause and we start in fact with this clause.)
 - Consider the largest atom in C and attempt to define (in a certain way) $I_C \cup \Delta_C$ (!) as the minimal extension of the partial interpretation constructed so far (I_C) so that C becomes true.
 - Iterate for $N \setminus \{C\}$, and so forth.
- I.e. clauses are considered in the order given by \prec .
- When considering C , one already has a partial interpretation I_C available (initially $I_C = \emptyset$).

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Main Ideas of the Construction (cont'd)

- If C is true in the partial interpretation I_C , nothing is done ($\Delta_C = \emptyset$).
- If C is false, change I_C such that C becomes true.
- Changes should, however, be **monotone**. One never deletes anything from I_C and the truth value of any clause smaller than C should be maintained the way it was in I_C .
- Hence, one chooses $\Delta_C = \{A\}$ iff C is false in I_C , and when both
 - A occurs **positively** in C , and
 - this occurrence of A in C is **strictly maximal** (i.e. largest) in the ordering on literals.
- Note: (i) \Rightarrow adding A will make C become true.
(ii) \Rightarrow changing the truth value of A has no effect on smaller clauses.

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Resolution Reduces Exceptions

$$\frac{\neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_4} \vee A_3 \vee A_0 \quad \neg A_1 \vee \underline{\neg A_4} \vee A_3}{\neg A_1 \vee \neg A_1 \vee A_3 \vee A_3 \vee A_0}$$

Construction of I for the extended clause set:

clauses C	I_C	Δ_C	Remarks
$\neg A_0$	\emptyset	\emptyset	
$A_0 \vee \underline{A_1}$	\emptyset	$\{A_1\}$	
$A_1 \vee \underline{A_2}$	$\{A_1\}$	\emptyset	
$\neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_2}$	$\{A_1\}$	$\{A_2\}$	
$\neg A_1 \vee \neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_3} \vee \underline{A_3} \vee A_0$	$\{A_1, A_2\}$	\emptyset	A_3 occurs twice <i>min. exception</i>
$\neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_4} \vee A_3 \vee A_0$	$\{A_1, A_2\}$	$\{A_4\}$	
$\neg A_1 \vee \underline{\neg A_4} \vee A_3$	$\{A_1, A_2, A_4\}$	\emptyset	exception
$\neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_5}$	$\{A_1, A_2, A_4\}$	$\{A_5\}$	

The same I , but smaller exception, hence some progress was made.

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Factoring Reduces Exceptions

$$\frac{\neg A_1 \vee \neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_3} \vee \underline{A_3} \vee A_0}{\neg A_1 \vee \neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_3} \vee A_0}$$

Construction of I for the extended clause set:

clauses C	I_C	Δ_C	Remarks
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$A_0 \vee \underline{A_1}$	\emptyset	$\{A_1\}$	
$A_1 \vee \underline{A_2}$	$\{A_1\}$	\emptyset	
$\neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_2}$	$\{A_1\}$	$\{A_2\}$	
$\neg A_1 \vee \neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_3} \vee A_0$	$\{A_1, A_2\}$	$\{A_3\}$	
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$\neg A_1 \vee \underline{A_4} \vee A_3 \vee A_0$	$\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$	\emptyset	
$\neg A_1 \vee \underline{\neg A_4} \vee A_3$	$\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$	\emptyset	true in I_C
$\neg A_3 \vee \underline{A_5}$	$\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$	$\{A_5\}$	

The resulting $I = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_5\}$ is a model of the clause set.

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Construction of Candidate Models Formally

- Let N, \succ be given. Guided by \succ , we define sets I_C and Δ_C for all ground clauses C over the given signature inductively by:

$$I_C := \bigcup_{C \succ D} \Delta_D$$

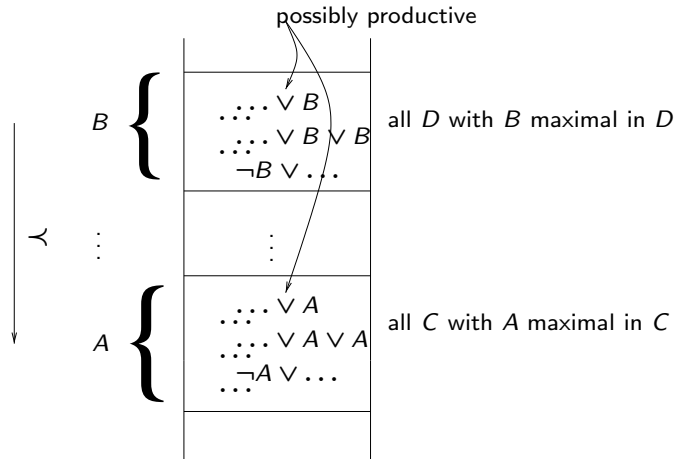
$$\Delta_C := \begin{cases} \{A\}, & \text{if } C \in N, \ C = C' \vee A, \\ & A \succ C' \text{ and } I_C \not\models C \\ \emptyset, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- We say, C produces A , or just C is productive, if $\Delta_C = \{A\}$.
- The candidate model for N (wrt. \succ) is given as $I_N^\succ := \bigcup_{C \in N} \Delta_C$.
- We also simply write I_N , or I , for I_N^\succ , if \succ is either irrelevant or known from the context.

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Structure of (N, \succ)

Let $A \succ B$; producing a new atom does not affect smaller clauses.



The smallest clauses in each cluster are possibly productive; but not necessarily (particularly if they are already true in I_C).

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Some Properties of the Construction

Property 11

- (i) $C = \neg A \vee C' \Rightarrow$ no D s.t. $D \succeq C$ produces A .
- (ii) C productive $\Rightarrow I_C \cup \Delta_C \models C$ and $I_N \models C$.
- (iii) Let $D' \succ D \succeq C$. Then

$$I_D \cup \Delta_D \models C \Rightarrow I_{D'} \cup \Delta_{D'} \models C \text{ and } I_N \models C.$$

If, in addition, $C \in N$ or $B \succ A$, where B and A are maximal atoms in D and C , respectively, then

$$I_D \cup \Delta_D \not\models C \Rightarrow I_{D'} \cup \Delta_{D'} \not\models C \text{ and } I_N \not\models C.$$

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Some Properties of the Construction (cont'd)

- (iv) Let $D' \succ D \succ C$. Then

$$I_D \models C \Rightarrow I_{D'} \models C \text{ and } I_N \models C.$$

If, in addition, $C \in N$ or $B \succ A$, where B and A are maximal atoms in D and C , respectively, then

$$I_D \not\models C \Rightarrow I_{D'} \not\models C \text{ and } I_N \not\models C.$$

- (v) $C = C' \vee A$ produces $A \Rightarrow I_N \not\models C'$.

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Model Existence Theorem

Property 12 (Bachmair, Ganzinger 1990)

Let \succ be a clause ordering, let N be saturated wrt. Res , and suppose that $\perp \notin N$. Then

$$I_N^\succ \models N.$$

Corollary 13

Let N be saturated wrt. Res . Then

$$N \models \perp \text{ iff } \perp \in N.$$

Corollary 14

Res is refutationally complete.

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Model Existence Theorem (cont'd)

Proof of Property 12:

Suppose $\perp \notin N$, but $I_N^\succ \not\models N$.

Let $C \in N$ be minimal (wrt. \succ) such that $I_N^\succ \not\models C$.

Since C is false in I_N , C is not productive. (NB: $I_N = I_N^\succ$)

As $C \neq \perp$, there exists a maximal atom A in C .

Case 1: $C = \neg A \vee C'$ (i.e., the maximal atom occurs negatively)

$\Rightarrow I_N \not\models \neg A$ and $I_N \not\models C' \Rightarrow I_N \models A$ and $I_N \not\models C'$

\Rightarrow some $D = D' \vee A \in N$ produces A . As $\frac{D' \vee A}{D' \vee C'} \frac{\neg A \vee C'}{\neg A \vee C'}$, we

infer that $D' \vee C' \in N$, and $C \succ D' \vee C'$ and $I_N \not\models D' \vee C'$

\Rightarrow contradicts minimality of C .

Case 2: $C = C' \vee A \vee A$. Then $I_N \not\models A$ and $I_N \not\models C'$. Then

$\frac{C' \vee A \vee A}{C' \vee A}$ yields a smaller exception $C' \vee A \in N$.

\Rightarrow contradicts minimality of C .

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Summary

- Refutational completeness of Res
- Model construction
 - Given: Set N of ground clauses; atom ordering \succ
 - Output: Candidate model I_N^\succ
- Model Existence Theorem
- productive clause

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Lecture 6

Previously ...

- Basic resolution calculus for ground clauses
- Soundness
- Refutational completeness
- Model existence theorem
- Model construction, guided by \succ

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Ordered Resolution with Well-Behaved Selection

- Motivation: Search space for *Res* is *very* large.
- Ideas for improvement:
 - ▶ In the completeness proof (Model Existence Theorem, Pty 12) one only needs to resolve upon and factor maximal atoms
 - \Rightarrow if the calculus is restricted to inferences involving maximal atoms, the proof remains correct
 - \Rightarrow *ordering restrictions*
 - ▶ In the generalised completeness proof, it does not really matter with which negative literal an inference is performed
 - \Rightarrow choose a negative literal don't-care-nondeterministically
 - \Rightarrow *well-behaved selection*

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Selection Functions

- **Note:** Since in Part II we are exclusively interested in well-behaved selection, we drop the reference 'well-behaved' and talk only about 'selection'. Thus, 'selection' in this part is not the same as in Part I.
- A *selection function* is a mapping

$S : C \mapsto$ (multi-)set of occurrences of *negative* literals in C

- Example of selection with selected literals indicated as \boxed{L} :

$$\boxed{\neg A} \vee \neg A \vee B$$

$$\boxed{\neg B_0} \vee \boxed{\neg B_1} \vee A$$

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Maximality wrt ground & non-ground clauses

- In the completeness proof for the ground calculus, we talk about (strictly) maximal literals of *ground* clauses.
 - General refutational completeness can be proved using refutational completeness of ground resolution, Herbrand's Theorem and
 - ▶ the 'lifting lemma': every ground refutation of a ground instance of N can be mapped step-wise to a non-ground refutation of N .
- (See optional material on website, for details about refutational completeness of general resolution.)
- Fact: In the non-ground calculus, we have to consider those literals that correspond to (strictly) maximal literals of ground instances.

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Maximal and strictly maximal literals

- Let \succ be a total and well-founded ordering on ground atoms.
- A ground literal L is called **maximal wrt.** a ground clause C iff for all L' in C : $L \succeq L'$.
- A ground literal L is called **strictly maximal wrt.** a ground clause C iff for all L' in C : $L \succ L'$.
- A non-ground literal L is **[strictly] maximal wrt.** a clause C iff there exists a ground substitution σ such that for all L' in C : $L\sigma \succeq L'\sigma$ [$L\sigma \succ L'\sigma$].
- If L is [strictly] maximal wrt. a clause C then we say that L is **[strictly] maximal in $L \vee C$** .
- Notation: maximal literals indicated by \underline{L}

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Resolution Calculus Res_{\succ}^S

- Let \succ be an atom ordering and S a selection function.
- General ordered resolution calculus with selection Res_{\succ}^S :**

$$\frac{C \vee A \quad \neg B \vee D}{(C \vee D)\sigma} \quad (\text{ordered resolution with selection})$$

provided $\sigma = \text{mgu}(A, B)$ and

- (i) $A\sigma$ strictly maximal wrt. $C\sigma$;
 - (ii) nothing is selected in C by S ;
 - (iii) either $\neg B$ is selected,
or else nothing is selected in $\neg B \vee D$ and $\neg B\sigma$ is maximal wrt. $D\sigma$.
- Note, variable standardisation needs to be applied to the premises before applying resolution.

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Resolution Calculus Res_{\succ}^S (cont'd)

$$\frac{C \vee A \vee B}{(C \vee A)\sigma} \quad (\text{ordered factoring})$$

provided $\sigma = \text{mgu}(A, B)$ and

- (i) $A\sigma$ is maximal wrt. $C\sigma$ and
- (ii) nothing is selected in C .

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Special Instance: Res_{\succ}^S for Propositional Logic

- For propositional and ground clauses the resolution inference simplifies to

$$\frac{C \vee A \quad \neg A \vee D}{C \vee D}$$

provided

- (i) A is strictly maximal wrt. C , i.e. $A \succ C$;
 - (ii) nothing is selected in C by S ;
 - (iii) $\neg A$ is selected in $\neg A \vee D$,
or else nothing is selected in $\neg A \vee D$ and $\neg A$ is max. wrt. D .
- Note:
 - $A \succ C$ is the same as: $A \succ B$, for B a maximal atom in C .
 - $\neg A$ is maximal wrt. D means $\neg A \succeq L$, for every literal L in D , which means $A \succeq B$ for every maximal atom B in D .

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Special Instance: Res_S^\succ for Propositional Logic (cont'd)

- Ordered factoring:

$$\frac{C \vee A \vee A}{C \vee A}$$

provided

- (i) A is maximal wrt. C and
- (ii) nothing is selected in C .

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Search Spaces Become Smaller

- Example:

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| 1. $\underline{A} \vee B$ | given | we assume $A \succ B$ and S as indicated by \boxed{L} . The maximal literal in a clause is depicted in <u>red</u> . |
| 2. $\underline{A} \vee \boxed{\neg B}$ | given | |
| 3. $\neg \underline{A} \vee B$ | given | |
| 4. $\neg \underline{A} \vee \boxed{\neg B}$ | given | |
| 5. $\underline{B} \vee \underline{B}$ | Res 1, 3 | |
| 6. \underline{B} | Fact 5 | |
| 7. $\neg \underline{A}$ | Res 6, 4 | |
| 8. \underline{A} | Res 6, 2 | |
| 9. \perp | Res 8, 7 | |

- With this ordering and selection function the refutation proceeds strictly deterministically in this example. Generally, proof search will still be non-deterministic but the search space will be much smaller than with unrestricted resolution.

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Exercise

Consider the following set N of clauses.

- $\neg P(x) \vee P(f(x))$
- $P(a)$

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- $P(f(f(a)))$ (1,4)
- \vdots

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Avoiding Rotation Redundancy

- From

$$\frac{\frac{C_1 \vee A \quad C_2 \vee \neg A \vee B}{C_1 \vee C_2 \vee B} \quad C_3 \vee \neg B}{C_1 \vee C_2 \vee C_3}$$

we can obtain by rotation

$$\frac{C_1 \vee A \quad \frac{C_2 \vee \neg A \vee B \quad C_3 \vee \neg B}{C_2 \vee \neg A \vee C_3}}{C_1 \vee C_2 \vee C_3}$$

another proof of the same clause.

- In large proofs many rotations are possible.
- However, if $A \succ B$, then the second proof does not fulfill the ordering restrictions.

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Avoiding Rotation Redundancy (cont'd)

- **Conclusion:**

In the presence of ordering restrictions (however one chooses \succ) no rotations are possible. In other words, orderings identify exactly one representative in any class of rotation-equivalent proofs.

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Soundness and Refutational Completeness

Property 15

Let \succ be an atom ordering and S a selection function such that $\text{Res}_S^\succ(N) \subseteq N$. Then

$$N \models \perp \text{ iff } \perp \in N$$

Proof:

The “ \Leftarrow ” part is trivial. For the “ \Rightarrow ” part consider the propositional level only: Construct a candidate model I_N^\succ as for unrestricted resolution, except that clauses C in N that have selected literals are not productive, even when they are false in I_C and when their maximal atom occurs only once and positively.

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Summary

- ground and non-ground maximality of literal wrt. clause
- ordered resolution with selection Res_S^\succ
 - inferences limited by ordering \succ
 - inferences limited by selection function S
- soundness and refutational completeness

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Previously ...

- Ways of limiting inferences & enhancing efficiency
 - ordering restriction \succ
 - selection function S
- ground and non-ground maximality of literal wrt. clause

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Lecture 7

Application: Compactness of Propositional Logic

- A theoretical application of the refutational completeness of Res is compactness of propositional logic.
- Observe: If $N \vdash_{Cal} F$ then
there exist $F_1, \dots, F_n \in N$ s.t. $F_1, \dots, F_n \vdash_{Cal} F$
(resembles compactness).
If $N \vdash_{Res} \perp$ then
there exist $C_1, \dots, C_n \in N$ s.t. $C_1, \dots, C_n \vdash_{Res} \perp$
Note, N can be an infinite set of formulae.
- Recall

N is unsatisfiable iff for any interpretation I , $I \not\models N$.

$I \not\models N$ iff for some $C \in N$, $I \not\models C$

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