

# **Propositional Definite Clause Logic: Syntax, Semantics and Bottom-up Proofs**

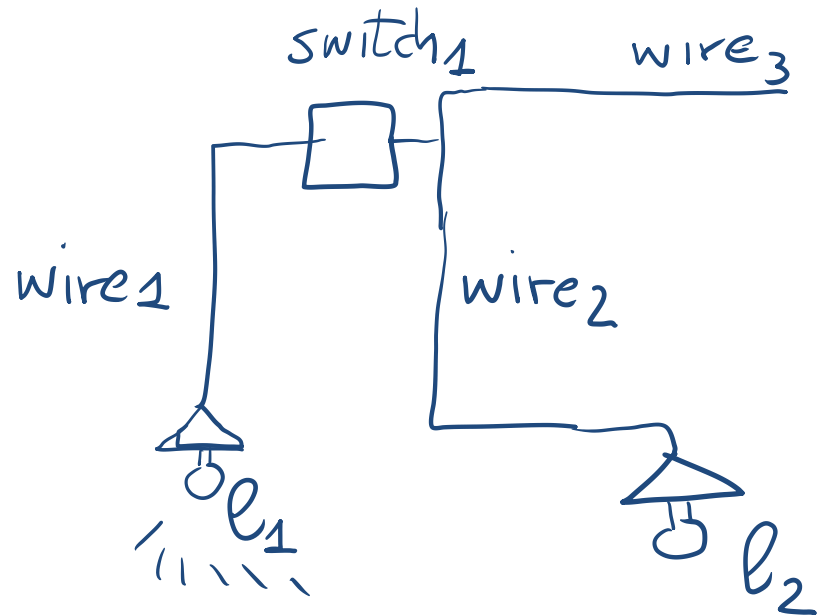
**CPSC 322 Lecture 19**

# Lecture Overview

- **Recap: Logic intro**
- Propositional Definite Clause Logic:  
Semantics
- PDCL: Bottom-up Proof

# Logics as a R&R system

- **represent a domain**



$\text{on\_l1} \leftarrow \text{live\_wire1}$

$\text{live\_wire1} \leftarrow \text{on\_switch1} \wedge \text{live\_wire3}$

- **reason about it**

if the agent knows  $\text{on\_switch1}$  and  $\text{live\_wire3}$ , it should be able to infer  $\text{on\_l1}$

# Propositional (Definite Clauses) Logic: Syntax

We start from a restricted form of Prop. Logic

Only two kinds of statements

- that a proposition is true
- that a proposition is true if one or more other propositions are true

# Learning Goals for today's class

**You can:**

- Verify whether an **interpretation** is a **model** of a PDCL KB.
- Verify when a conjunction of atoms is a **logical consequence** of a knowledge base.
- Define/read/write/trace/debug the **bottom-up proof procedure**.

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# Propositional Definite Clauses Semantics: Interpretation

Semantics allows you to relate the symbols in the logic to the domain you're trying to model. An **atom** can be **T** or **F**

## Definition (interpretation)

An **interpretation**  $I$  assigns a truth value to each atom.

So an interpretation is just a **possible world**

# PDC Semantics: Body

We can use the **interpretation** to determine the truth value of **clauses** and **knowledge bases**:

**Definition** (truth values of statements): A body  $b_1 \wedge b_2$  is true in  $I$  if and only if  $b_1$  is true in  $I$  and  $b_2$  is true in  $I$ .

|       | p     | q     | r     | s     | $p \wedge r$ | $p \wedge r \wedge s$ |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|-----------------------|
| $I_1$ | true  | true  | true  | true  | T            | T                     |
| $I_2$ | false | false | false | false | F            | F                     |
| $I_3$ | true  | true  | false | false | F            | F                     |
| $I_4$ | true  | true  | true  | false |              |                       |
| $I_5$ | true  | true  | false | true  |              |                       |

# PDC Semantics: definite clause

**Definition** (truth values of statements cont’): A rule  $h \leftarrow b$  is false in  $I$  if and only if  $b$  is true in  $I$  and  $h$  is false in  $I$ .

|       | p     | q     | r     | s     | $p \leftarrow s$ | $s \leftarrow q \wedge r$ |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|---------------------------|
| $I_1$ | true  | true  | true  | true  | T                | T                         |
| $I_2$ | false | false | false | false | T                | T                         |
| $I_3$ | true  | true  | false | false | T                | T                         |
| $I_4$ | true  | true  | true  | false | T                | F                         |
| ..... | ....  | ..... | ....  | ....  |                  |                           |

In other words: "if  $b$  is true I am claiming that  $h$  must be true, otherwise I am not making any claim"

# PDC Semantics: Knowledge Base (KB)

- A **knowledge base KB** is true in  $I$  if and only if every clause in KB is true in  $I$ .

|       | p           | q           | r            | s            |
|-------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| $I_1$ | <i>true</i> | <i>true</i> | <i>false</i> | <i>false</i> |

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Which of the three KB below are True in  $I_1$  ?

**A**

$p$   
 $r$   
 $s \leftarrow q \wedge p$

**B**

$p$   
 $q$   
 $s \leftarrow q$

**C**

$p$   
 $q \leftarrow r \wedge s$

# Example: Models

$$KB = \begin{cases} p \leftarrow q. \\ q. \\ r \leftarrow s. \end{cases}$$

## Definition (model)

A **model** of a set of clauses (a KB) is an interpretation in which all the clauses are **true**.

|       | p     | q     | r     | s     |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $I_1$ | true  | true  | true  | true  |
| $I_2$ | false | false | false | false |
| $I_3$ | true  | true  | false | false |
| $I_4$ | true  | true  | true  | false |
| $I_5$ | true  | true  | false | true  |

*Which interpretations are models?*

- A. 1 only
- B. 1, 3 and 5
- C. 3 and 4
- D. 1, 3 and 4
- E. none

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# Logical Consequence

## Definition (logical consequence)

If  $KB$  is a set of clauses and  $G$  is a conjunction of atoms,  $G$  is a **logical consequence** of  $KB$ , written  $KB \models G$ , if  $G$  is *true* in every model of  $KB$ .

- we also say that  $G$  **logically follows** from  $KB$ , or that  $KB$  **entails**  $G$ .
- In other words,  $KB \models G$  if there is no interpretation in which  $KB$  is *true* and  $G$  is *false*.

# Example: Logical Consequences

|       | p     | q    | r     | s     |
|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| $I_1$ | true  | true | true  | true  |
| $I_2$ | true  | true | true  | false |
| $I_3$ | true  | true | false | false |
| $I_4$ | true  | true | false | true  |
| $I_5$ | false | true | true  | true  |
| $I_6$ | false | true | true  | false |
| $I_7$ | false | true | false | false |
| $I_8$ | false | true | false | true  |
| ...   | ....  | ...  | ...   | ...   |

Models

$$KB = \begin{cases} p \leftarrow q. \\ q. \\ r \leftarrow s. \end{cases}$$

Of the  $2^4$  interpretations,  
only 3 are models

*Which of the following is/are true?*

- $KB \models p, KB \models q, KB \models r, KB \models s$

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# One simple way to prove that $G$ logically follows from a KB

- Collect all the models of the KB
- Verify that  $G$  is true in all those models

*Any problem with this approach?*

- The goal of proof theory is to find **proof procedures** that allow us to prove that a logical formula follows from (i.e. is logically entailed by) a KB while avoiding the above

# Soundness and Completeness

- Suppose I tell you I have a **proof procedure for PDCL**; what do I need to show you in order for you to trust my procedure?
- $KB \vdash G$  means  $G$  can be derived by my proof procedure from  $KB$ .
- Recall  $KB \models G$  means  $G$  is true in all models of  $KB$ .

## Definition (soundness)

A proof procedure is **sound** if  $KB \vdash G$  implies  $KB \models G$ .

## Definition (completeness)

A proof procedure is **complete** if  $KB \models G$  implies  $KB \vdash G$ .

# Bottom-up Ground Proof Procedure

One **rule of derivation**, a generalized form of ***modus ponens***:

If “ $h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$ ” is a clause in the knowledge base, and each  $b_i$  has been derived, then  $h$  can be derived.

You are **forward chaining** on this clause.

(This rule also covers the case when  **$m=0$**  - i.e., when the entire clause consists only of an atom )

# Bottom-up proof procedure

$KB \vdash G$  if  $G \subseteq C$  at the end of this procedure:

$C := \{\}$ ;

**repeat**

- **select** clause " $h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$ " in  $KB$  such that  $b_i \in C$  for all  $i$ , and  $h \notin C$ ;
- $C := C \cup \{h\}$ ;

**until** no more clauses can be selected.

*KB:*  $e \leftarrow a \wedge b$

$e \leftarrow d$

$a$

$b \leftarrow a$

$d \leftarrow g$

← in-class Activity

# Bottom-up proof procedure: Example

KB

$z \leftarrow f \wedge e$

$q \leftarrow f \wedge g \wedge z$

$e \leftarrow a \wedge b$

$a$

$b$

$r$

$f$

$C := \{\};$

**repeat**

**select** clause " $h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$ " in  $KB$   
such that  $b_i \in C$  for all  $i$ , and  $h \notin C$ ;

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Which is  
correct?

A.  $KB \vdash \{a, q, z\}$

B.  $KB \vdash \{b, r, z\}$

C.  $KB \vdash \{a, q\}$



# Next class

(still section 5.3)

- Soundness and Completeness of Bottom-up Proof Procedure
- Using PDC Logic to model the electrical domain
- Reasoning in the electrical domain