

SCIENCE PASSION TECHNOLOGY

#### Logic and Computability

#### Lecture 1

# **Propositional Logic**



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  - Use techniques like model checking, theorem proving, SMT solving

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Deduce new knowledge: Prove that sentence 4 follows from the sentences 1,2, and 3.

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    - "Florian is back in Austria."
    - "Tomorrow is Wednesday."
    - "10 divided by 5 is 3."
  - With Structure
    - "Tomorrow is Saturday and not Sunday."

#### Examples:

- Questions
  - "What time is it?"
- Commands
  - "Do your homework!"
- Exclamations
  - "Oh my god!"
- Various others
  - "Good morning."
  - "Ready, steady, go."
  - "May the force be with you."
  - ...

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  - Backus-Naur form (BNF)
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  - We need possibility to assign truth values to propositional variables
  - Use assignment to interpret formulas

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- Falsifying Model:  $\mathcal{M} \not\models \varphi$ 
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  - $\varphi$  evaluates to false under  $\mathcal M$
  - Example
    - $\varphi = a \lor b$
    - $\mathcal{M}: \{a \to \bot, b \to \bot\}$

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- Base cases for assignment of truth values
  - $\mathcal{M} \models \mathsf{T}$
  - $\mathcal{M} \nvDash \bot$
  - $\mathcal{M} \models p$  iff  $\mathcal{M}[p] = \mathsf{T}$
  - $\mathcal{M} \not\models p$  iff  $\mathcal{M}[p] = \bot$

p has the value  $\top$  if  $\mathcal{M}$  assigns the value  $\top$  to p has the value  $\perp$  if  $\mathcal{M}$  assigns the value  $\perp$  to p

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## Semantics – Definition via Truth Tables

- Base cases as before
  - Prop variables get truth values from  $\mathcal{M}$

 $\mathcal{M} \vDash \varphi$   $\varphi \text{ evaluates to true under } \mathcal{M}$   $\mathcal{M} \nvDash \varphi$  $\varphi \text{ evaluates to false under } \mathcal{M}$ 

Truth tables summarize truth assignments for compounded formulas

$\varphi$	$\psi$	$\varphi \wedge \psi$	$\varphi$	$\psi$	$\varphi \vee \psi$	]	$\varphi$	$\neg \varphi$	$\varphi$	$\psi$	$\varphi \to \psi$	$\varphi$	$\psi$	$\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi$
F	$\mathbf{F}$	F	F	$\mathbf{F}$	F		F	Т	F	F	Т	F	F	Т
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# Satisfiability (SAT)

At least one model satisfies the formula.

•  $\varphi$  is SAT iff there exists a model  $\mathcal M$  such that  $\mathcal M \vDash \varphi$ 



# Validity - Tautology

- All models satisfy the formula
  - $\varphi$  is valid iff for all models  $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{M} \vDash \varphi$



### Unsatisfiability - UNSAT

A formula that is not satisfiable

•  $\varphi$  is UNSAT iff for all models  $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{M} \neq \varphi$ 

**All possible Models** 

SAT and Validity are **dual** concepts

 $\varphi$  is valid iff  $\neg \varphi$  is UNSAT

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  - b. Is  $\varphi$  valid?

a	b	c	$b \rightarrow c$	$\neg(b \rightarrow c)$	$\varphi$
$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	T	F	F
$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	T	F	F
$\mathbf{F}$	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	F	T	F
$\mathbf{F}$	Т	Т	T	F	F
Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	T	F	F
Т	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	T	F	F
Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	F	T	$\mid T \mid$
Т	Т	Т	T	F	F

## Usage of Truth Table: $\varphi = a \land \neg(b \rightarrow c)$

- Draw a truth table
- Answer the following questions:
  - a. Is  $\varphi$  Satisfiability?
  - b. Is  $\varphi$  valid?

a	b	c	$b \rightarrow c$	$\neg(b \rightarrow c)$	$\varphi$
$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	T	F	F
$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	T	F	F
$\mathbf{F}$	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	F	T	F
$\mathbf{F}$	Т	Т	T	F	F
Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	T	F	F
Т	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	T	F	$ F_{-} $
Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	F	T	T
Т	Т	Т	T	F	F

Solution a. Yes b. No

# Learning Targets



#### Syntax

- Explain syntax of prop. formulas
- Draw parse tree of prop. formulas

#### Semantics

- Model sentences as prop. formula
- Explain semantics of prop. Formulas
- Explain what models are
- Construct and use truth tables
- Explain and decide validity and satisfiability
  - Using truth tables





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