Artificial Intelligence

First-order predicate logic
Chapter 8, AIMA

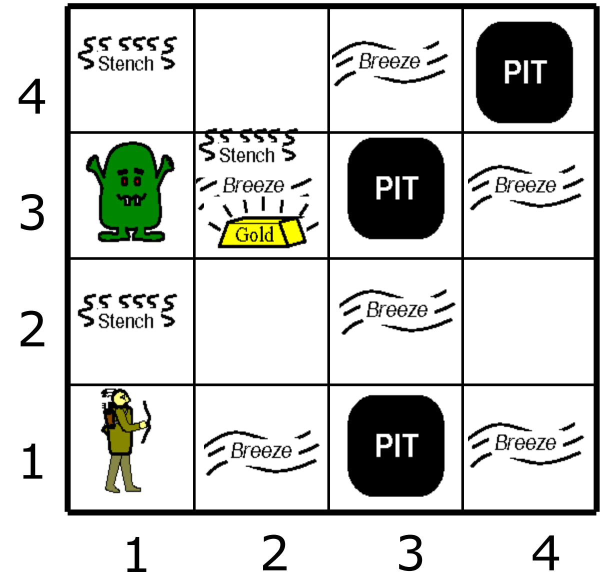
Why first order logic (FOL)?

- **Logic is a language** we use to express knowledge in rigorous manner
  - consists of syntax and semantics
- **Propositional (boolean) logic** is too limited for a lot of (even simple) domains
  - complex environments cannot be described in a sufficiently natural and concise way
- **First order logic (predicate calculus)** can express a lot more of common-sense knowledge in a reasonable manner

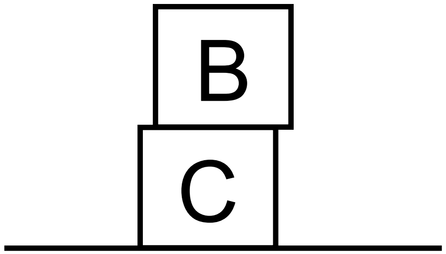
Limitations of propositional logic

Wumpus in (3,1) $\Rightarrow$ Stench in (3,2)

$W_{31} \Rightarrow S_{32}$



Propositional logic needs to express this for every square in the Wumpus world.



Block B is on top of C $\Rightarrow$ $\neg$(C is free to be moved)

If we have more blocks, we need *a lot* of statements like this.

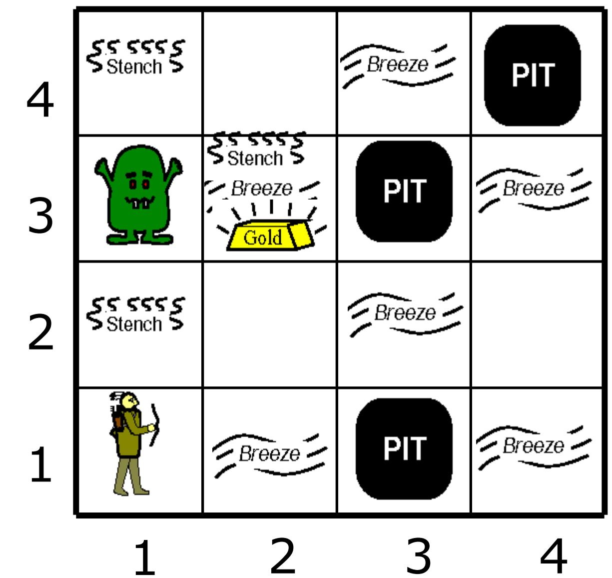
A = John has a bike $\wedge$ B = John has a car

Propositional logic cannot express that these two statements are about the same person.

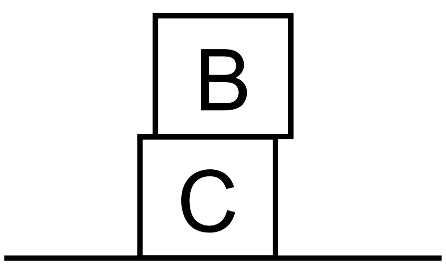
What we want:

”If there is a Wumpus in square x, then there will be a stench in all *neighboring* squares.”

Say it once and for all.



”We cannot move an object if there is something on top of it.”



”John has a bike and a car.”

...

”People with mutliple vehicles watch weather forecasts more often.”

First-order logic (FOL)
Syntax

- **Logical symbols** (always the same meaning)
  - logical connectives: *and, or, implication,* etc.
  - quantifiers: *for all* (∀) and *there exists* (∃)
  - an infinite set of variables: *x, y, z, …*
  - equality symbol and truth constants: *=, T, F*
- **Non-logical symbols** (depend on interpretation)
  - constants (objects): man, woman, house, car, conflict, slawek, stefan, denni, halmstaduniversity, ...
  - predicates (relations between objects): red, green, nice, larger, above, below, schedule, itinerary, ...
  - functions: fatherOf, brotherOf, beginningOf, birthday, employer, flightNumber, slideTitle, man, woman, …

constants are actually a special case of functions

First-order logic (FOL)
Syntax

Constants

A, 125, Q, John, KingJohn, TheCrown, EiffelTower, D215, Wumpus, HH, TravelAgent,...

Function constants (of various arities)

FatherOf^1(KingJohn), LeftLegOf^1(John), NeighborOf^1(HH),
DistanceBetween^2(A,B), Times^2(2,4), Price^2(Fruit,Weight),
Itinerary^3(DepartureAirport, ArrivalAirport, DepartureTime),
KingJohn^0(), A^0(), 125^0(), HH^0(), Agent^0(), ...

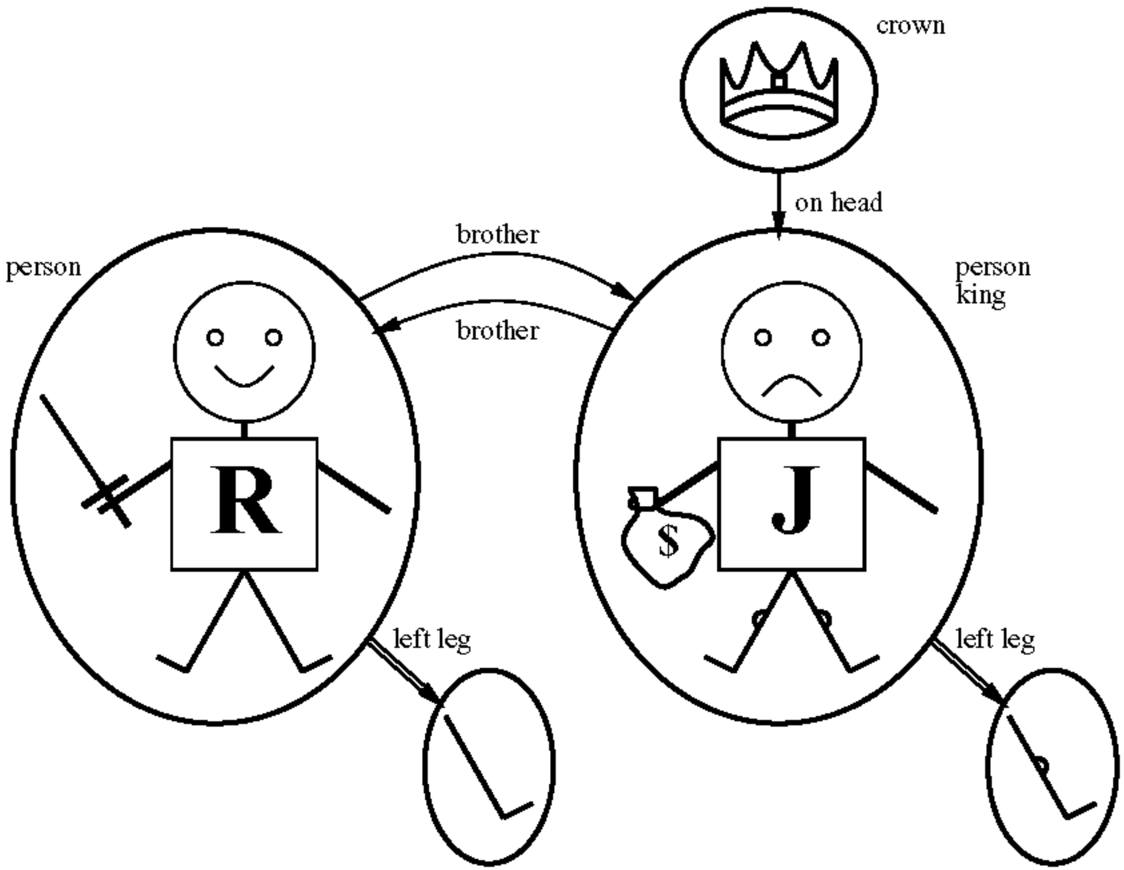
Relations/predicates (of various arities)

Unary predicates (properties): Orange^1, Nice^1, Rich^1, ...
N-ary relations: Parent^2, Brother^2, Married^2, Before^2, ...

The superscript denotes the ”arity” = the number of arguments

R = RichardTheLionheart
J = KingJohn
C = Crown

Object constants



Function constants

LeftLegOf(R)
LeftLegOf(J)

Relations (predicates)

Person(R)
Person(J)
King(J)
Crown(C)

Unary

Brother(J,R)
Brother(R,J)
OnHead(C,J)

Binary

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Syntax

Term

1. An object constant is a term
2. A complete function constant is a term (complete = all arguments are provided and each one of them is a term)
3. A *variable* is a term.

Intuitively, a term corresponds to a well-defined object in the world.

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Syntax

Well-Formed Formula (wff)

1. A complete predicate symbol is a wff (complete = all arguments are provided and each one of them is a term)
2. An equality between two terms is a wff
3. Negation of a wff is a wff
4. Two wffs connected by a connective is a wff
5. Quantifier ($\forall$ or $\exists$ with a variable) followed by a wff is a wff.

Intuitively, a wff is something that could be true or false.

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Syntax

Variables and quantifiers

Variables refer to unspecified objects in the domain. We will denote them by lower case letters (at the end of the alphabet)

x, y, z, ...

Quantifiers constrain the meaning of a variable in a sentence. There are two quantifiers:

"For all" ($\forall$) and "There exists" ($\exists$)

Universal quantifier | Existential quantifier

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Syntax

Variables in wff

1. Variable is said to be *free* in a wff if it occurs in this wff and there is no quantifier *binding* this variable

   $Brother(x,y) \wedge King(x) \wedge Mother(x,y) \Rightarrow Woman(x)$

2. Variable is said to be *bound* in a wff if it occurs in this wff and it is not free

   $\forall_x \forall_y\ Mother(x,y) \Rightarrow Woman(x)$

   $\forall_y \exists_x\ Mother(x,y)$

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Syntax

Sentence

A well formed formula without any free variables is called a sentence

- Atomic sentence
  A complete predicate symbol (relation)
  Brother(RichardTheLionheart,KingJohn), Dead(Mozart), Married(CarlXVIGustaf,Silvia), Orange(Block(C)),...
- Complex sentence
  Formed by sentences and connectives
  Dead(Mozart) $\wedge$ Composer(Mozart),
  $\neg$King(RichardTheLionheart) $\Rightarrow$ King(KingJohn),
  King(CarlXVIGustaf) $\wedge$ Married(CarlXVIGustaf,Silvia) $\Rightarrow$
  $\Rightarrow$ Queen(Silvia)

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Semantics

Semantics assigns truth values to sentences

- terms and wffs that are not sentences do not, in general, have any truth values

King(X)

The truth value of atomic sentences comes from the model/interpretation

- just like in propositional logic

King(Richard)

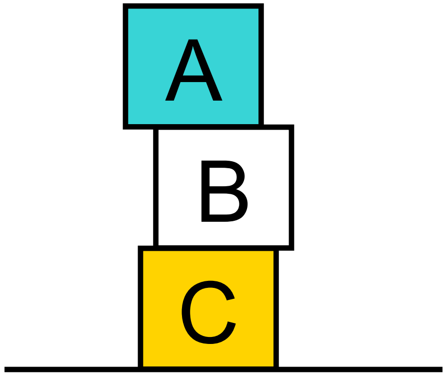
The truth value of complex sentences is determined by truth tables

- Quantifiers need to take into account *domain of discourse:*

$\forall_X \exists_Y \quad X = Y * Y$

Example: Block world

On(A,B)
On(B,C)
On(B,A)
On(C,B)
On(C,A)
On(A,C)
Clear(A)
Clear(B)
Clear(C)
Under(B,A)
Under(C,B)
Under(A,B)
Under(C,A)
Under(B,A) $\wedge$ Over(B,C)
Under(C,B) $\vee$ Under(C,A)



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Syntax

Variables and quantifiers

(∀ "For all...")

$\forall x\ King(x) \Rightarrow Person(x)$	*"All kings are persons"*
$\forall x,y\ Brother(x,y) \Rightarrow Sibling(x,y)$	*"All brothers are siblings"*
$\forall x,y\ Son(x,y) \wedge King(y) \Rightarrow Prince(x)$	*"All sons of kings are princes"*
$\forall x\ AIstudent(x) \Rightarrow Overworked(x)$	*"All AI students are overworked"*

$\forall_{\text{<variables>}}$ <wff>

Everyone at Berkeley is smart:

$$\forall_x \quad At(x, Berkeley) \Rightarrow Smart(x)$$

$\forall_x P$ is equivalent to the *conjunction* of *instantiations* of P

$$\begin{array}{ll} & At(KingJohn, Berkeley) \Rightarrow Smart(KingJohn) \\ \wedge & At(Richard, Berkeley) \Rightarrow Smart(Richard) \\ \wedge & At(Berkeley, Berkeley) \Rightarrow Smart(Berkeley) \\ \wedge & \ldots \end{array}$$

Typically, $\Rightarrow$ is the main connective with $\forall$

Common mistake: using $\wedge$ as the main connective:

$$\forall_x \quad At(x, Berkeley) \wedge Smart(x)$$

„Everybody is at Berkeley and everybody is smart"

Slide from S. Russel @ Berkeley

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Syntax

Variables and quantifiers

(∃ ”There exists...”)

$\exists x$ King(x) $\wedge$ Person(x)	*”There is a king who is a person / There is a person who is a king”*
$\exists x$ Loves(x,KingJohn)	*”There is someone who loves King John”*
$\exists x$ $\neg$Loves(x,KingJohn)	*”There is someone who does not love King John”*
$\exists x$ AIstudent(x) $\wedge$ Overworked(x)	*”There is an AI student that is overworked”*

$\exists_{\text{<variables>}}$ <wff>

Someone at Stanford is smart:

$$\exists_x \quad At(x, Stanford) \ \wedge \ Smart(x)$$

$\exists_x P$ is equivalent to the *disjunction* of *instantiations* of P

$$\begin{aligned} & At(KingJohn, Stanford) \wedge Smart(KingJohn) \\ \vee \quad & At(Richard, Stanford) \wedge Smart(Richard) \\ \vee \quad & At(Berkeley, Stanford) \wedge Smart(Berkeley) \\ \vee \quad & \ldots \end{aligned}$$

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This is true whenever there is somebody not at Stanford

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Nested quantifiers

$\forall x\ \exists y\ Loves(x,y)$	*"Everybody loves somebody"*
$\exists y\ \forall x\ Loves(x,y)$	*"Someone is loved by everyone"*
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$\exists y\ \forall x\ Loves(y,x)$	*"Someone loves everyone"*
$\forall x\ \exists y\ Loves(x,y) \wedge (y \neq x)$	*"Everybody loves somebody else"*

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$\forall x\ \exists y\ Loves(x,y) \neq \exists y\ \forall x\ Loves(x,y)$

"Everybody loves somebody" ≠ "Someone is loved by everyone"

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The order of ∀ and ∃ matters!

Quantifier duality

DeMorgan's rules

$$\forall x\ \neg P(x) \equiv \neg \exists x\ P(x)$$

$$\neg \forall x\ P(x) \equiv \exists x\ \neg P(x)$$

$$\forall x\ P(x) \equiv \neg \exists x\ \neg P(x)$$

$$\exists x\ P(x) \equiv \neg \forall x\ \neg P(x)$$

Ponder these for a while...

Family fun

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Family axioms:
”A mother is a female parent”
”A husband is a male spouse”
”You’re either male or female”
”A child’s parent is the parent of the child” (sic!)
”My grandparents are the parents of my parents”
”Siblings are two children who share the same parents”

”A first cousin is a child of the siblings of my parents”

...etc.

Family theorems:
Sibling is reflexive

Write these in FOL

Family fun

Family axioms:

$\forall_{m,c}$ (m = Mother(c)) $\Leftrightarrow$ (Female(m) $\wedge$ Parent(m,c))

or $\forall$c Female(Mother(c)) $\wedge$ Parent(Mother(c),c)

$\forall_{w,h}$ Husband(h,w) $\Leftrightarrow$ Male(h) $\wedge$ Spouse(h,w)

$\forall_{x}$ Male(x) $\Leftrightarrow$ $\neg$Female(x)

$\forall_{p,c}$ Parent(p,c) $\Leftrightarrow$ Child(c,p)

$\forall_{g,c}$ Grandparent(g,c) $\Leftrightarrow$ $\exists_{p}$ (Parent(g,p) $\wedge$ Parent(p,c))

$\forall_{x,y}$ Sibling(x,y)$\Leftrightarrow$($\exists_{p}$ (Parent(p,x)$\wedge$Parent(p,y)))$\wedge$(x $\neq$ y)

$\forall_{x,y}$ FirstCousin(x,y) $\Leftrightarrow$ $\exists_{p,s}$ (Parent(p,x) $\wedge$ Sibling(p,s) $\wedge$ Parent(s,y))

Family theorems:

$\forall$x,y Sibling(x,y) $\Leftrightarrow$ Sibling(y,x)

Spouse(Gomez,Morticia)
Parent(Morticia,Wednesday)
Sibling(Pugsley,Wednesday)
Sister(Ophelia,Morticia)
FirstCousin(Gomez,Itt)
$\exists$p (Parent(p,Morticia) $\wedge$ Sibling(p,Fester))

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a) ”Not every integer is positive”
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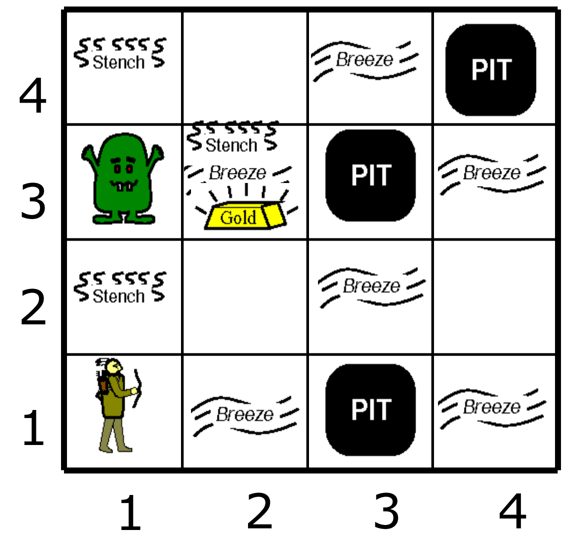
The Wumpus world revisited

<u>Object constants:</u>

Square **s** = [x,y], Agent, Time (t),
Percept **p** = $[p_1,p_2,p_3,p_4,p_5]$, Gold

<u>Predicates:</u>

Pit(**s**), Breezy(**s**), EvilSmelling(**s**), Wumpus(**s**), Safe(**s**), Breeze(**p**,t), Stench(**p**,t), Glitter(**p**,t), Wall(**p**,t), Scream(**p**,t), Adjacent(**s**,**r**), At(Agent,**s**,t), Hold(Gold,t)



(There are other possible representations)

$\forall\, x,y,z,w\ \mathrm{Adjacent}([x,y],[z,w]) \Leftrightarrow ([z,w] \in \{[x+1,y],[x-1,y],[x,y+1],[x,y-1]\})$

$\forall \mathbf{s}\ \mathrm{Breezy}(\mathbf{s}) \Leftrightarrow \exists \mathbf{r}\ (\mathrm{Adjacent}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{s}) \wedge \mathrm{Pit}(\mathbf{r}))$

$\forall \mathbf{s}\ \mathrm{EvilSmelling}(\mathbf{s}) \Leftrightarrow \exists \mathbf{r}\ (\mathrm{Adjacent}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{s}) \wedge \mathrm{Wumpus}(\mathbf{r}))$

$\forall \mathbf{s}\ (\neg \mathrm{EvilSmelling}(\mathbf{s}) \wedge \neg \mathrm{Breezy}(\mathbf{s})) \Leftrightarrow \forall \mathbf{r}\ (\mathrm{Adjacent}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{s}) \wedge \mathrm{Safe}(\mathbf{r}))$

$\forall \mathbf{s},t\ (\mathrm{At}(\mathrm{Agent},\mathbf{s},t) \wedge \mathrm{Breeze}(\mathbf{p},t)) \Rightarrow \mathrm{Breezy}(\mathbf{s})$

$\forall \mathbf{s},t\ (\mathrm{At}(\mathrm{Agent},\mathbf{s},t) \wedge \mathrm{Stench}(\mathbf{p},t)) \Rightarrow \mathrm{EvilSmelling}(\mathbf{s})$

Compare to the 275 rules in boolean KB!

Puzzles with nested quantifiers

- Are both these statements true?

$$\forall x \exists y \;\; x^2 < y$$ TRUE

$$\exists y \forall x \;\; x^2 < y$$ FALSE

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$$\forall x \exists y \;\; x + y = 0 \qquad \text{TRUE}$$

$$\exists y \forall x \;\; x + y = 0 \qquad \text{FALSE}$$

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