



# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

## LECTURE 6



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- The slides for this lecture are based (partially) on chapter 7 of the Stuart Russel Lecture Notes [R, ch7], and on the same chapter from Russel & Norvig's book [RN, ch. 7]

# KNOWLEDGE-BASED AGENT

- A Knowledge Base (KB) is, informally a set of sentences,
  - each sentence is expressed in a “knowledge representation language”
  - and it represents some assertion about the world.
- Features of a KB:
  - It is possible to add new sentences and to query what is known (the tasks are called TELL and ASK)
  - Deriving new sentences from old ones is called inference
  - The new sentences are based on the knowledge already known to the KB, which was TELLED to the KB previously

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function KB-AGENT(percept) returns an action
  static: KB, a knowledge base
           t, a counter, initially 0, indicating time

  TELL(KB, MAKE-PERCEPT-SENTENCE(percept, t))
  action ← ASK(KB, MAKE-ACTION-QUERY(^))
  TELL(KB, MAKE-ACTION-SENTENCE(action, t))
  t ← t + 1
  return action

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**Figure 7.1** A generic knowledge-based agent.

The agent from Figure 7.1 [RN, 196] takes as input a knowledge (a percept) and returns an action.

The agent maintains a knowledge base (KB), initially composed of background knowledge.

Each time the agent program is called, it does three things:

- 1) It TELLS the knowledge base what it perceives.
- 2) It ASKS the knowledge base what action it should perform.
- 3) The agent records its choice with TELL and executes the action.

## DECLARATIVE VS. PROCEDURAL KNOWLEDGE

- Designing the representation language to make it easy to express this knowledge in the form of sentences simplifies the construction problem enormously.
- This is called **the declarative approach** to system building.[RN 197]
- In contrast, the **procedural approach** encodes desired behaviors directly as program code; minimizing the role of explicit representation and reasoning can result in a much more efficient system. [RN 197]
- The agents can be provided with a mechanism of **learning** new facts by themselves.
- The new knowledge incorporated in the KB can be used for decision making, making the agent **fully autonomous**.

## THE WUMPUS WORLD EXAMPLE [RN, 197]

- The **wumpus world** is a cave consisting of rooms connected by passageways.
- Lurking somewhere in the cave is the wumpus, a beast that eats anyone who enters its room.
- The wumpus can be shot by an agent, but the agent has only one arrow.
- Some rooms contain bottomless pits that will trap anyone who wanders into these rooms (except for the wumpus, which is too big to fall in).
- The only mitigating feature of living in this environment is the possibility of finding a heap of gold.
- This game is an excellent test bed for intelligent agents.

# THE WUMPUS WORLD EXAMPLE (II) [R, 7/5]

## Performance measure

gold +1000, death -1000

-1 per step, -10 for using the arrow

## Environment

Squares adjacent to wumpus are smelly

Squares adjacent to pit are breezy

Glitter iff gold is in the same square

Shooting kills wumpus if you are facing it

Shooting uses up the only arrow

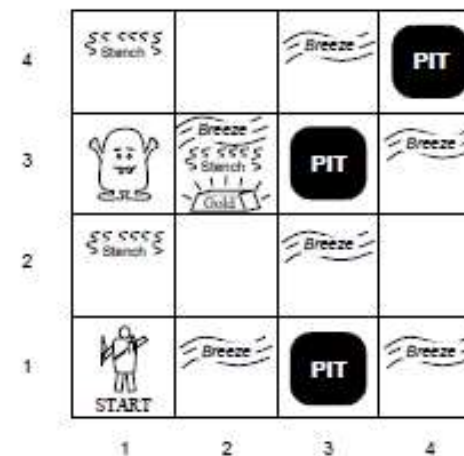
Grabbing picks up gold if in same square

Releasing drops the gold in same square

Actuators Left turn, Right turn,

Forward, Grab, Release, Shoot

Sensors Breeze, Glitter, Smell

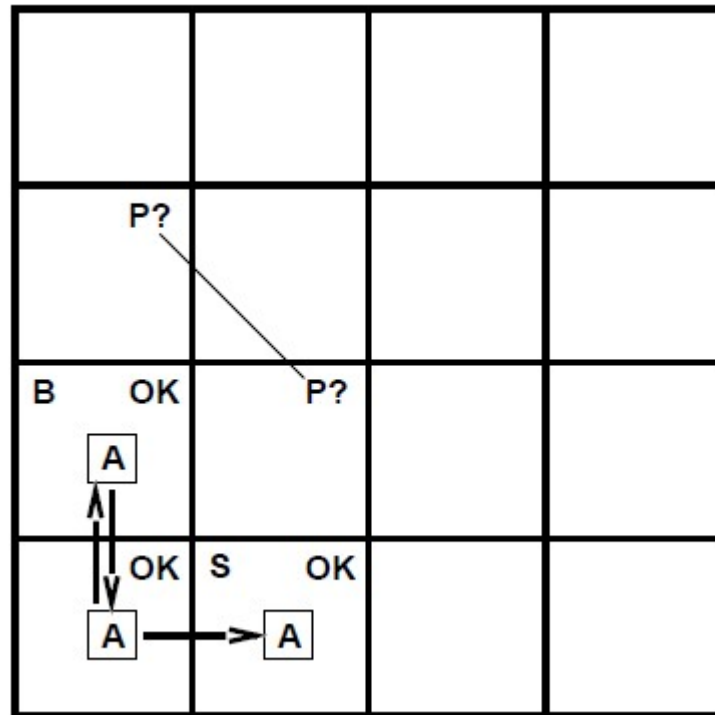


## WUMPUS WORLD CHARACTERIZATION [R, 7/6]

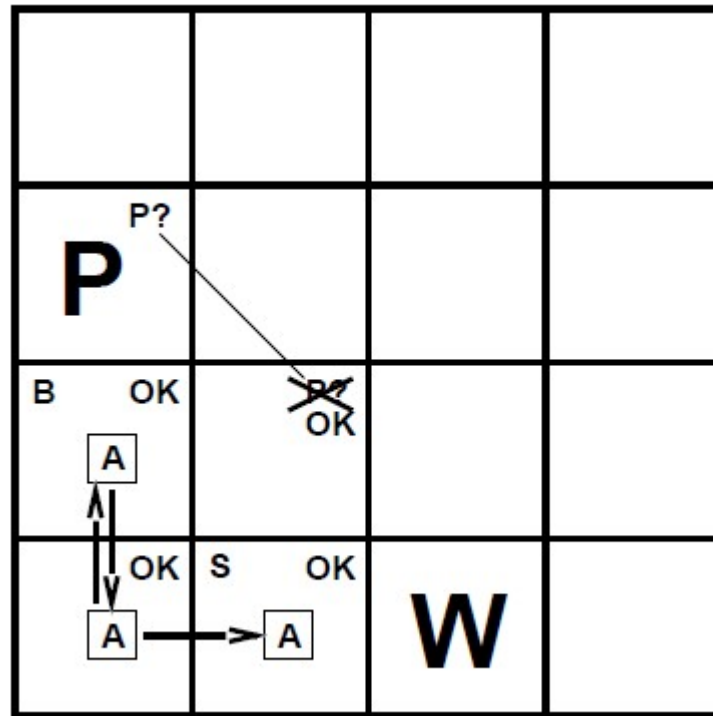
- Observable?? No – only local perception
- Deterministic?? Yes – outcomes exactly specified
- Episodic?? No – sequential at the level of actions
- Static?? Yes – Wumpus and Pits do not move
- Discrete?? Yes
- Single-agent?? Yes – Wumpus is essentially a natural feature



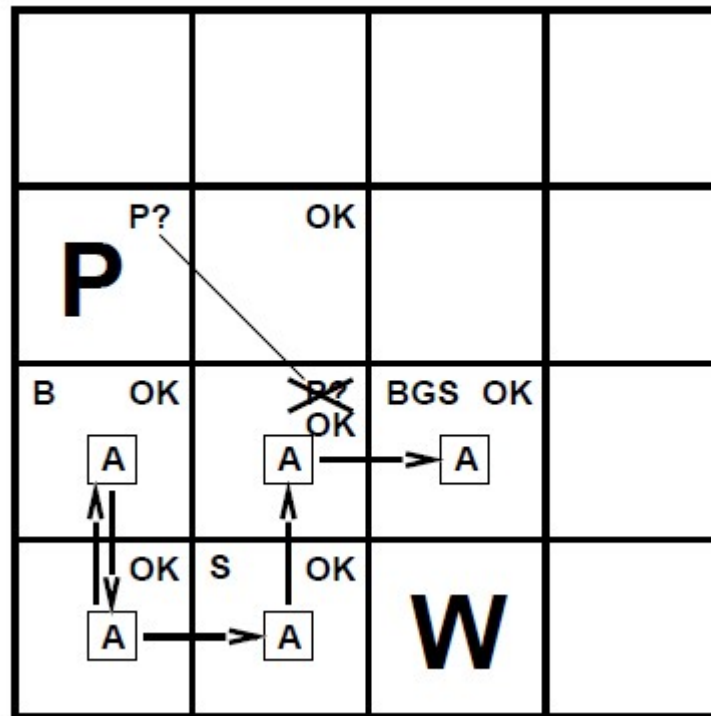
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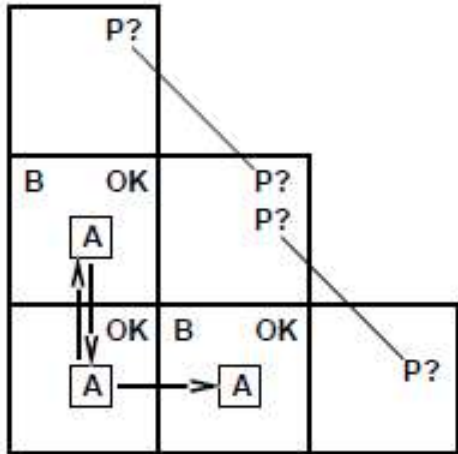
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# EXPLORING A WUMPUS WORLD [R, 7/20]

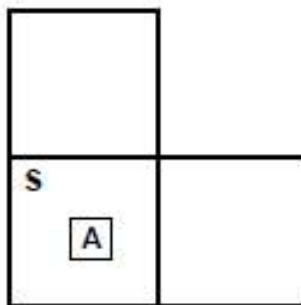


# REASONING IN THE WUMPUS WORLD [R, 7/21]



Breeze in (1,2) and (2,1)  
 $\Rightarrow$  no safe actions

Assuming pits uniformly distributed,  
 (2,2) has pit w/ prob 0.86, vs. 0.31



Smell in (1,1)

$\Rightarrow$  cannot move

Can use a strategy of coercion:

shoot straight ahead

wumpus was there  $\Rightarrow$  dead  $\Rightarrow$  safe

wumpus wasn't there  $\Rightarrow$  safe

## LOGIC [R, 7/22]

- **Logics** are formal languages for representing information such that conclusions can be drawn
- **Syntax** defines the sentences in the language
- **Semantics** define the “meaning” of sentences; i.e., define **truth** of a sentence in a world
- E.g., the language of arithmetic
  - $x + 2 \geq y$  is a sentence;  $x^2 + y >$  is not a sentence
  - $x + 2 \geq y$  is true if the number  $x + 2$  is no less than the number  $y$
  - $x + 2 \geq y$  is true in a world where  $x=7$ ;  $y=1$
  - $x + 2 \geq y$  is false in a world where  $x=0$ ;  $y=6$

# ENTAILMENT [R, 7/23]

- Entailment means that one thing follows from another:
- $KB \models \alpha$
- Knowledge base  $KB$  entails sentence  $\alpha$   
if and only if  
 $\alpha$  is true in all worlds where  $KB$  is true
- E.g., the KB containing "the Giants won" and "the Reds won"  
entails "Either the Giants won or the Reds won"
- E.g.,  $x + y = 4$  entails  $4 = x + y$
- Entailment is a relationship between sentences (i.e., syntax) that is based on semantics
- Note: brains process syntax (of some sort)

# MODELS [R, 7/24]

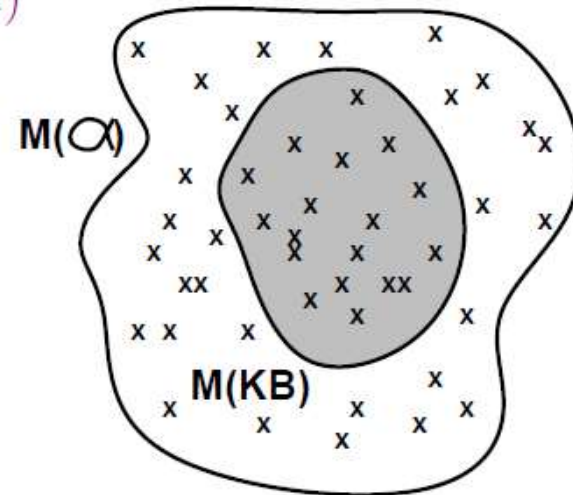
Logicians typically think in terms of **models**, which are formally structured worlds with respect to which truth can be evaluated

We say  $m$  is a **model** of a sentence  $\alpha$  if  $\alpha$  is true in  $m$

$M(\alpha)$  is the set of all models of  $\alpha$

Then  $KB \models \alpha$  if and only if  $M(KB) \subseteq M(\alpha)$

E.g.  $KB =$  Giants won and Reds won  
 $\alpha =$  Giants won



# INFERENCE [R, 7/31]

- $KB \vdash_i \alpha$  = sentence  $\alpha$  can be derived from  $KB$  by procedure  $i$
- Consequences of  $KB$  are a haystack;  $\alpha$  is a needle.
- Entailment = needle in haystack; inference = finding it
- **Soundness:**  $i$  is sound if
  - whenever  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$ , it is also true that  $KB \models \alpha$
- **Completeness:**  $i$  is complete if
  - whenever  $KB \models \alpha$ , it is also true that  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$
- Preview: we will define a logic (first-order logic) which is expressive enough to say almost anything of interest, and for which there exists a sound and complete inference procedure.
- That is, the procedure will answer any question whose answer follows from what is known by the  $KB$ .



# PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC: SYNTAX [R, 7/32]

- Propositional logic is the simplest logic, it illustrates basic ideas
- The proposition symbols  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$  etc are sentences

If  $S$  is a sentence,  $\neg S$  is a sentence (negation)

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \wedge S_2$  is a sentence (conjunction)

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \vee S_2$  is a sentence (disjunction)

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$  is a sentence (implication)

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_2$  is a sentence (biconditional)

# PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC: SEMANTICS [R, 7/33]

Each model specifies true/false for each proposition symbol

E.g.  $P_{1,2}$   $P_{2,2}$   $P_{3,1}$   
*true true false*

(With these symbols, 8 possible models, can be enumerated automatically.)

Rules for evaluating truth with respect to a model  $m$ :

$\neg S$	is true iff	$S$	is false
$S_1 \wedge S_2$	is true iff	$S_1$	is true <b>and</b> $S_2$ is true
$S_1 \vee S_2$	is true iff	$S_1$	is true <b>or</b> $S_2$ is true
$S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$	is true iff	$S_1$	is false <b>or</b> $S_2$ is true
	i.e., is false iff	$S_1$	is true <b>and</b> $S_2$ is false
$S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_2$	is true iff	$S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$	is true <b>and</b> $S_2 \Rightarrow S_1$ is true

Simple recursive process evaluates an arbitrary sentence, e.g.,

$\neg P_{1,2} \wedge (P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1}) = \textit{true} \wedge (\textit{false} \vee \textit{true}) = \textit{true} \wedge \textit{true} = \textit{true}$

# TRUTH TABLES [R, 7/37]

$B_{1,1}$	$B_{2,1}$	$P_{1,1}$	$P_{1,2}$	$P_{2,1}$	$P_{2,2}$	$P_{3,1}$	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	$R_4$	$R_5$	$KB$
false	false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	true	false	false
false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	false	true	false	false
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
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true	true	true	true	true	true	true	false	true	true	false	true	false

Enumerate rows (different assignments to symbols),  
if **KB** is true in row, check that  $\alpha$  is too

# INFERENCE BY ENUMERATION [R, 7/38]

Depth-first enumeration of all models is sound and complete

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function TT-ENTAILS?(KB,  $\alpha$ ) returns true or false
  inputs: KB, the knowledge base, a sentence in propositional logic
          $\alpha$ , the query, a sentence in propositional logic
  symbols  $\leftarrow$  a list of the proposition symbols in KB and  $\alpha$ 
  return TT-CHECK-ALL(KB,  $\alpha$ , symbols, [])

function TT-CHECK-ALL(KB,  $\alpha$ , symbols, model) returns true or false
  if EMPTY?(symbols) then
    if PL-TRUE?(KB, model) then return PL-TRUE?( $\alpha$ , model)
    else return true
  else do
    P  $\leftarrow$  FIRST(symbols); rest  $\leftarrow$  REST(symbols)
    return TT-CHECK-ALL(KB,  $\alpha$ , rest, EXTEND(P, true, model)) and
           TT-CHECK-ALL(KB,  $\alpha$ , rest, EXTEND(P, false, model))
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$O(2^n)$  for  $n$  symbols; problem is **co-NP-complete**

# LOGICAL EQUIVALENCE [R 7/39]

Two sentences are **logically equivalent** iff true in same models:

$\alpha \equiv \beta$  if and only if  $\alpha \models \beta$  and  $\beta \models \alpha$

$(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha)$	commutativity of $\wedge$
$(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\beta \vee \alpha)$	commutativity of $\vee$
$((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma))$	associativity of $\wedge$
$((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma))$	associativity of $\vee$
$\neg(\neg\alpha) \equiv \alpha$	double-negation elimination
$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha)$	contraposition
$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \beta)$	implication elimination
$(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) \equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha))$	biconditional elimination
$\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta)$	De Morgan
$\neg(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta)$	De Morgan
$(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma))$	distributivity of $\wedge$ over $\vee$
$(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma))$	distributivity of $\vee$ over $\wedge$





- The lecture continues (until its final form is completed) with the slides from [R ch. 7] starting with slide 40

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