

Relational Logic Semantics

Propositional Logic Semantics

A Propositional logic *interpretation* is an association between the propositional constants in a propositional language and the truth values T or F.

Relational Logic Semantics

The *big question*: what is a relational logic interpretation? There are no propositional constants, just object constants, function constants, and relation constants. To what do they refer?

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Universe of Discourse

The *Universe of Discourse* is the set of all objects about which we want to say something.

Primitive: *a quark*

Composite: *an engine, this class*

Real: *Sun, Mike*

Imaginary: *a unicorn, Sherlock Holmes*

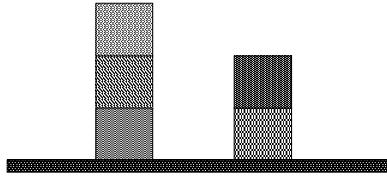
Physical: *Earth, Moon, Sun*

Abstract: *Justice*

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Blocks World



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Universe of Discourse



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Relations

A *relation* is a set of objects or tuples of objects each of which manifest a particular property or relationship.

clear - set of all blocks with no blocks on top.

table - set of all blocks on the table.

on - set of pairs of blocks in which first is on the second.

above - all pairs in which first block is above the second.

below - all pairs in which first is below the second.

stack - set of triples of blocks arranged in a stack.

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Arity

Each relation has an *arity* that determines the number of objects that can participate in an instance of the relation.

1-ary (unary): *clear*



2-ary (binary): *on*



3-ary (ternary): *stack*



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Relations as Tables

on

<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>
<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>
<i>d</i>	<i>e</i>

clear

<i>a</i>
<i>d</i>

stack

<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>
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Set Representation of Relations

Each row in a table with n columns can be represented as a single n -tuple. The table can be represented as the set of such tuples.

<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>
<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>
<i>d</i>	<i>e</i>

$\{\langle a,b \rangle, \langle b,c \rangle, \langle d,e \rangle\}$

<i>a</i>
<i>d</i>

$\{\langle a \rangle, \langle d \rangle\}$ or $\{a,d\}$

<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>
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$\{\langle a,b,c \rangle\}$

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Counting

Assume a universe of discourse with 5 objects.

Number of 2-tuples: $5^2=25$

Number of binary tables: 2^{25}

Assume a universe of discourse with n objects.

Number of k -tuples: n^k

Number of k -ary tables: 2^{n^k}

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Functions

An n -ary function is a relation associating each combination of n objects in a universe of discourse (called the *arguments*) with a single object (called the *value*).

Numerical Examples:

Unary: *sqrt*, *log*

Binary: *+*, *-*, ***, */*

Symbolic Examples:

Unary: *mother*, *father*

Binary: *grade*

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Functions

Functions are *total* and *single-valued* - one and exactly one value for each combination of arguments.

Partial - not defined for some combination of arguments

Multivalued - more than value for some argument combination

NB: We ignore partial and multi-valued functions.

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Unary Function

$a \rightarrow b$

$b \rightarrow a$

$c \rightarrow d$

$d \rightarrow c$

$e \rightarrow e$

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Binary Function

$$a \ a \rightarrow b$$

$$a \ b \rightarrow a$$

$$a \ c \rightarrow c$$

$$b \ a \rightarrow c$$

$$b \ b \rightarrow b$$

$$b \ c \rightarrow a$$

$$c \ a \rightarrow b$$

$$c \ b \rightarrow b$$

$$c \ c \rightarrow b$$

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Unary Functions as Binary Relations

$$a \rightarrow b$$

$$b \rightarrow a$$

$$c \rightarrow d$$

$$d \rightarrow c$$

$$e \rightarrow e$$

a	b
b	a
c	d
d	c
e	e

An n -ary function can always be viewed as an $n+1$ -ary relation.

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Binary Functions as Ternary Relations

$a \ a \ \rightarrow \ b$
 $a \ b \ \rightarrow \ a$
 $a \ c \ \rightarrow \ c$
 $b \ a \ \rightarrow \ c$
 $b \ b \ \rightarrow \ b$
 $b \ c \ \rightarrow \ a$
 $c \ a \ \rightarrow \ b$
 $c \ b \ \rightarrow \ b$
 $c \ c \ \rightarrow \ b$

a	a	b
a	b	a
a	c	c
b	a	c
b	b	b
b	c	a
c	a	b
c	b	b
c	c	b

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Set Representation of Functions

A function can be represented as a set of associations of arguments and values.

a	b
b	a
c	d
d	c
e	e

$\{\langle a \rightarrow b \rangle, \langle b \rightarrow a \rangle, \langle c \rightarrow d \rangle, \langle d \rightarrow c \rangle, \langle e \rightarrow e \rangle\}$

Same as representation of tables except for the use of arrows as a reminder that the table is a function.

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Counting

Assume a universe of discourse with 5 objects.

Number of 1-tuples: 5

Number of unary functions: $5^5=3125$

Number of binary relations: $2^{25}=33554432$

Assume a universe of discourse with n objects.

Number of k -tuples: n^k

Number of k -ary functions: $n^n=2^{(n \log n)}$

Number of $k+1$ -ary relations: $2^{n^{k+1}}=2^{(n^k n)}$

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Role of Logic

Incomplete Information

Block a is on block b or it is on block c .

Block a is *not* on block b .

Integrity

A block may not be *on* itself.

A block may be *on* only one block at a time.

Definitions

A block is *under* another iff the second is *on* the first.

A block is *clear* iff there is no block *on* it.

A block is on the *table* iff there is no block *under* it.

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Our World



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Conceptualization

Universe of Discourse - a set U of objects.

$$\{\circ, \bullet\}$$

Functional Basis Set - set $\{f_1, \dots, f_m\}$ of functions on U .

$$f_i: U^k \rightarrow U$$

Relational Basis Set - set $\{r_1, \dots, r_n\}$ of relations on U .

$$r_i \subseteq U^k$$

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Interpretations

An *interpretation* is a mapping from the constants of a language into elements of a conceptualization $\langle U, F, R \rangle$.

$$i: \text{objconst} \rightarrow U$$

$$i: \text{funconst} \rightarrow F$$

$$i: \text{relconst} \rightarrow R$$

The arity of the function and relation constants must match the arity of their interpretations.

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Example

$$|i| = U = \{\circ, \bullet\}$$

$$i(a) = \circ$$

$$i(b) = \bullet$$

$$i(c) = \bullet$$

$$i(f_1) = \{\circ \rightarrow \bullet, \bullet \rightarrow \circ\}$$

$$i(q_1) = \{\langle \circ \rangle\}$$

$$i(r_2) = \{\langle \circ, \bullet \rangle, \langle \circ, \circ \rangle, \langle \bullet, \bullet \rangle\}$$

$$i(s_3) = \{\langle \circ, \bullet, \circ \rangle, \langle \bullet, \bullet, \circ \rangle\}$$

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Ground Value Assignments

A *ground value assignment* s_i based on interpretation i is a mapping from the ground terms of the language into the universe of discourse that agrees with i on constants and that, for functional terms, yields the result of applying the interpretation of the functional constant to the values assigned to the argument terms.

$$s_i(\sigma) = i(\sigma)$$
$$s_i(\pi(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n)) = i(\pi)(s_i(\tau_1), \dots, s_i(\tau_n))$$

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Example

Interpretation:

$$i(a) = \circ$$

$$i(b) = \bullet$$

$$i(f) = \{\circ \rightarrow \bullet, \bullet \rightarrow \circ\}$$

$$i(r) = \{\langle \circ, \bullet \rangle, \langle \bullet, \bullet \rangle\}$$

Ground Value Assignment:

$$s_i(a) = i(a) = \circ$$

$$s_i(f(a)) = i(f)(s_i(a)) = i(f)(\circ) = \bullet$$

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Ground Truth Assignments

A *ground truth assignment* t_i based on interpretation i is a mapping from the ground sentences of the language into $\{true, false\}$.

$$t_i: \text{ground sentences} \rightarrow \{true, false\}$$

The details of the definition are given on the following slides.

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Relational Sentences

A ground truth assignment *satisfies* a ground relational sentence if and only if the tuple of objects denoted by the arguments is a member of the relation denoted by the relation constant.

$$t_i(\rho(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n)) = \begin{aligned} & true \text{ if } \langle i(\tau_1), \dots, i(\tau_n) \rangle \in i(\rho) \\ & = false \text{ otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

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Example

Interpretation:

$$i(a) = \circ$$

$$i(b) = \bullet$$

$$i(f) = \{\circ \rightarrow \bullet, \bullet \rightarrow \circ\}$$

$$i(r) = \{\langle \circ, \bullet \rangle, \langle \bullet, \bullet \rangle\}$$

Example:

$$t_{iv}(r(a,b)) = \text{true} \text{ since } \langle \circ, \bullet \rangle \in i(r)$$

$$t_{iv}(r(b,a)) = \text{false} \text{ since } \langle \circ, \bullet \rangle \notin i(r)$$

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Logical Sentences

$$t_i(\neg \varphi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_i(\varphi) = \text{false}$$

$$t_i(\varphi \wedge \psi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_i(\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ and } t_i(\psi) = \text{true}$$

$$t_i(\varphi \vee \psi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_i(\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ or } t_i(\psi) = \text{true}$$

$$t_i(\varphi \Rightarrow \psi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_i(\varphi) = \text{false} \text{ or } t_i(\psi) = \text{true}$$

$$t_i(\varphi \Leftarrow \psi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_i(\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ or } t_i(\psi) = \text{false}$$

$$t_i(\varphi \Leftrightarrow \psi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_i(\varphi) = t_i(\psi)$$

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Quantified Sentences

Intuitively, a universally quantified sentence is true if and only if it is true no matter what *value* we assign to the universally quantified variable.

Intuitively, an existentially quantified sentence is true if and only if it is true for some *value* of the existentially quantified variable.

Stating these definitions precisely is a little tricky due to the possibility of nested quantifiers.

$$\forall x.(\exists y.r(x,y) \Rightarrow \forall x.r(x,x))$$

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Variable Assignments

An *variable assignment* for a conceptualization $\langle U, F, R \rangle$ is a mapping of variables into U .

$$v: \text{variable} \rightarrow U$$

Universe of Discourse:

$$U = \{\circ, \bullet\}$$

Example:

$$v(x) = \circ$$

$$v(y) = \bullet$$

$$v(z) = \bullet$$

Example:

$$v(x) = \bullet$$

$$v(y) = \bullet$$

$$v(z) = \bullet$$

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Value Assignments

A *value assignment* s_{iv} based on interpretation i and variable assignment v is a mapping from the terms of the language into the universe of discourse that agrees with i on constants, that agrees with v on variables, and that, for functional terms, yields the result of applying the interpretation of the functional constant to the values assigned to the argument terms.

$$\begin{aligned}s_{iv}(\sigma) &= i(\sigma) \\ s_{iv}(v) &= v(v) \\ s_{iv}(\pi(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n)) &= i(\pi)(s_{iv}(\tau_1), \dots, s_{iv}(\tau_n))\end{aligned}$$

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Truth Assignments

A *truth assignment* t_{iv} based on interpretation i and variable assignment v is a mapping from the sentences of the language into $\{true, false\}$.

$$t_{iv}: \text{sentence} \rightarrow \{true, false\}$$

The details of the definition are given on the following slides.

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Relational Sentences

A truth assignment satisfies a relational sentence if and only if the tuple of objects denoted by the arguments is a member of the relation denoted by the relation constant.

$$t_{iv}(\rho(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n)) = \text{true} \text{ if } \langle s_{iv}(\tau_1), \dots, s_{iv}(\tau_n) \rangle \in i(\rho) \\ = \text{false} \text{ otherwise}$$

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Logical Sentences

$$t_{iv}(\neg \varphi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_{iv}(\varphi) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{iv}(\varphi \wedge \psi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_{iv}(\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ and } t_{iv}(\psi) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{iv}(\varphi \vee \psi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_{iv}(\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ or } t_{iv}(\psi) = \text{true}$$

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$$t_{iv}(\varphi \Leftrightarrow \psi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_{iv}(\varphi) = t_{iv}(\psi)$$

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Versions

A *version* $w[v \leftarrow x]$ of a variable assignment w is the variable assignment that agrees with w on all variables except v , which is assigned the value x .

$$w[v \leftarrow x](\mu) = w(\mu)$$

$$w[v \leftarrow x](v) = x$$

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Examples

Interpretation:

$$|i| = \{\circ, \bullet\}$$

Variable Assignment:

$$v(x) = \circ$$

$$v(y) = \bullet$$

Version 1:

$$v[x \leftarrow \circ](x) = \circ$$

$$v[x \leftarrow \circ](y) = \bullet$$

Version 2:

$$v[x \leftarrow \bullet](x) = \bullet$$

$$v[x \leftarrow \bullet](y) = \bullet$$

Version 3:

$$v[y \leftarrow \circ](x) = \circ$$

$$v[y \leftarrow \circ](y) = \circ$$

Version 4:

$$v[y \leftarrow \bullet](x) = \circ$$

$$v[y \leftarrow \bullet](y) = \bullet$$

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Quantified Sentences

A universally quantified sentence is true in interpretation I and variable assignment v if and only if the scope is true for I and every version of v .

$$t_{iv}(\forall v.\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_{iv[v \leftarrow x]}(\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ for all } x \in \text{li}.$$

An existentially quantified sentence is true in interpretation I and variable assignment v if and only if the scope is true for I and some version of v .

$$t_{iv}(\exists v.\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ iff } t_{iv[v \leftarrow x]}(\varphi) = \text{true} \text{ for some } x \in \text{li}.$$

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Examples

Interpretation:

$$\begin{aligned} i(a) &= \circ \\ i(b) &= \bullet \\ i(r) &= \{ \langle \circ, \bullet \rangle, \langle \bullet, \bullet \rangle \} \end{aligned}$$

Variable Assignment:

$$\begin{aligned} v(x) &= \circ \\ v(y) &= \bullet \end{aligned}$$

$$t_{iv}(\forall x.r(x,x)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{iv[x \leftarrow \circ]}(r(x,x)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{iv[x \leftarrow \bullet]}(r(x,x)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{iv}(\exists y.r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{iv[y \leftarrow \circ]}(r(x,y)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{iv[y \leftarrow \bullet]}(r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{iv}(\exists x.r(x,x)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{iv[x \leftarrow \circ]}(r(x,x)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{iv[x \leftarrow \bullet]}(r(x,x)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{iv}(\forall x.\exists y.r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{iv[x \leftarrow \circ]}(\exists y.r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{iv[x \leftarrow \bullet]}(\exists y.r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

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Models

A universally quantified sentence is *true in interpretation I and a particular variable assignment v* if and only if the scope is true for *I* and every version of *v*.

A universally quantified sentence is *true in interpretation I* if and only if the scope is true for *I* and every variable assignment *v*.

An interpretation of a sentence is a *model* if and only if the sentence is true in that interpretation.

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Examples

Interpretation

$$i(a) = \bigcirc$$

$$i(b) = \bullet$$

$$i(r) = \{ \langle \bigcirc, \bullet \rangle, \langle \bullet, \bullet \rangle \}$$

$$t_i(\forall x.r(x,x)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{i|x \leftarrow \bigcirc}(r(x,x)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{i|x \leftarrow \bullet}(r(x,x)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_i(\exists y.r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{i|y \leftarrow \bigcirc}(r(x,y)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{i|y \leftarrow \bullet}(r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_i(\exists x.r(x,x)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{i|x \leftarrow \bigcirc}(r(x,x)) = \text{false}$$

$$t_{i|x \leftarrow \bullet}(r(x,x)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_i(\forall x.\exists y.r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{i|x \leftarrow \bigcirc}(\exists y.r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

$$t_{i|x \leftarrow \bullet}(\exists y.r(x,y)) = \text{true}$$

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Properties of Sentences

A sentence is *valid* if and only if every interpretation is a model.

A sentence is *satisfiable* if and only some interpretation is a model.

A sentence is *unsatisfiable* if and only if no interpretation is a model.

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Logical Entailment

A set of premises Δ *logically entails* a conclusion φ (written $\Delta \models \varphi$) if and only if every model of Δ is a model of φ .

NB: *Some* authors say that Δ *logically entails* a conclusion φ (written $\Delta \models \varphi$) if and only if every interpretation and variable assignment that satisfy Δ also satisfy φ . This leads to slightly different properties. (*Exercise: find such a difference.*) However, all important results are the same (e.g. expressiveness, computability, and so forth).

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