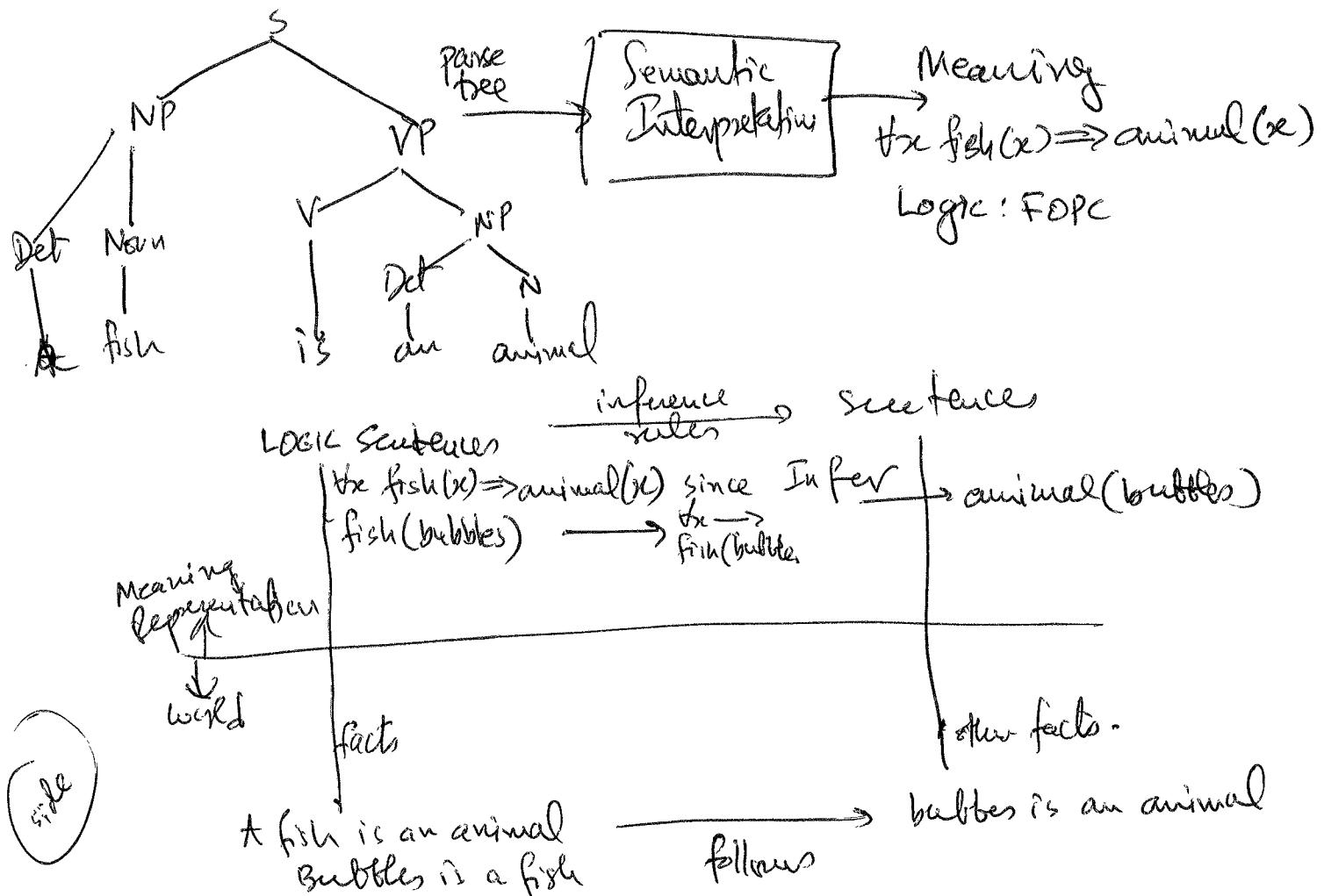


# \* Meaning Representations

- FOPC
- Examples

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## Logic

1. Define a formal language to write sentences - Syntax
2. What do the sentences ~~mean~~ mean? Semantics
3. Rules of Inference - Proof Theory.

## FOPC

### Syntax

#### • constants

refer to specific objects/individuals [nouns]  
 e.g. Deepak, bubbles, dog, etc.  
 [written starting with uppercase letter]

#### Semantics

- denote entities  
 concrete  
 abstract  
 fictional

#### • functions

refer to objects without naming them

(1)

e.g. locationOf (ArmyLawCollege)  
 colorOf (—)  
 distance (—, —)

[written in lowercase]

arity  
 # parameters

also denote objects w/o name

#### • terms

• an object is a term  
 • a function w/ arity n, followed by n terms is a term.

e.g. Cars<sup>5</sup>, distance (BMC, HCL), etc.

#### • relations

(2)

denote properties/relationships between objects

[propositions] → True/False

denote propositions  
 (properties)

e.g. Parent ( $\underline{x}, \underline{y}$ ) :  $x$  is a parent of  $y$

Animal ( $\underline{x}$ ) :  $x$  is an animal

Isa ( $\underline{x}, \underline{y}$ ) :  $x$  is a  $y$

Saw ( $\underline{x}, \underline{y}$ ) :  $x$  saw  $y$

etc.

WFFS - Well-formed formulas  
represent propositions T/F under an interpretation

e.g. Saw(Jack, dog)

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• Atomic WFFs

Bubbles

Animal(~~Jack~~)

Isa(Deepak, Human)

Semantics

T/F when the relation denoted by it holds for its arguments

• Propositional WFFs

if  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  are WFFs, then so are

•  $w_1$

¬  $w_1$  negation

$w_1 \wedge w_2$  conjunction

$w_1 \vee w_2$  disjunction

$w_1 \Rightarrow w_2$  implication

Semantics  
is defined by  
truth tables

• Variables

- A variable is a term -

denotes/can denote an object.

[lowercase letters]

• Quantifier

• Universal  $\forall$

if  $w$  is a wff &  $x$  is a variable then  $(\forall x)w$   
is a wff.

•  $\forall x(w)$  or  $\forall x [w]$  scope of  $x$

③

e.g.  $\forall x [P(x) \Rightarrow R(x)]$

$\forall x [Fish(x) \Rightarrow Animal(x)]$

$\forall x [Human(x) \Rightarrow Mortal(x)]$

$\forall x Vegetarian(x) \wedge Restaurant(x) \Rightarrow Serves(x, Vegetable)$

• Existential Quantifier:  $\exists$

If  $w$  is a wff +  $x$  is a variable

(6)  $\exists x(w)$  or  $\exists x w$  or  $\exists x [w]$  is a wff.

e.g.  $\exists x [P(x) \Rightarrow \exists y [R(x,y) \Rightarrow S(f(x))]]$

$\exists x$  Restaurant( $x$ )  $\wedge$  Servers( $x$ , MexicanFood)  $\wedge$  Near([locationOf( $x$ ),  
locationOf(BMG)])

Semantics of  $\forall$  and  $\exists$

$\forall$  - wffs with  $\forall$  must be true under all  
possible variable substitutions

$\exists$  - wffs with  $\exists$  are true if one substitution  
of term for variable(s) results in wff being true.

[skip Inference Rules]

## Examples:

Relations:

- $\text{Near}^2(x, y) : x \text{ is near } y$
- $\text{Likes}^2(x, y) : x \text{ likes } y$
- $\text{Closed}^1(x) : x \text{ is closed.}$
- $\text{Serves}(x, y) : x \text{ serves } y$

1. Bill is near HC  
 $\text{Near}(\text{Bill}, \text{HC})$

2. Deepak likes Xolo  
 $\text{Likes}(\text{Deepak}, \text{Xolo})$

3. Xolo is closed.  
 $\text{Closed}(\text{Xolo})$

4. Xolo serves Mexican food  
 $\text{Serves}(\text{Xolo}, \text{Mexicanfood})$

## Granularity

or  $\exists x [\text{Food}(x) \wedge \text{Mexican}(x) \wedge \text{Serves}(\text{Xolo}, x)]$

or  $\exists x [\text{Isa}(x, \text{Food}) \wedge \text{Isa}(x, \text{Mexican}) \wedge \text{Serves}(\text{Xolo}, x)]$

5. Deepak eats a burrito.  
 $\text{Eats}(\text{Deepak}, \text{Burrito})$

$\exists x [\text{Burrito}(x) \wedge \text{Eats}(\text{Deepak}, x)]$

$\exists x [\text{Isa}(x, \text{Burrito}) \wedge \text{Eats}(\text{Deepak}, x)]$

6. Every person who eats a burrito is happy  
 $\forall x \forall y [\text{Person}(x) \wedge \text{Burrito}(y) \wedge \text{Eats}(x, y) \Rightarrow \text{Happy}(x)]$

Back to ~~ML~~ + MLR. Next Algorithm. Good Break!