

# Logics for Data and Knowledge Representation

ClassL (part 1): syntax and semantics

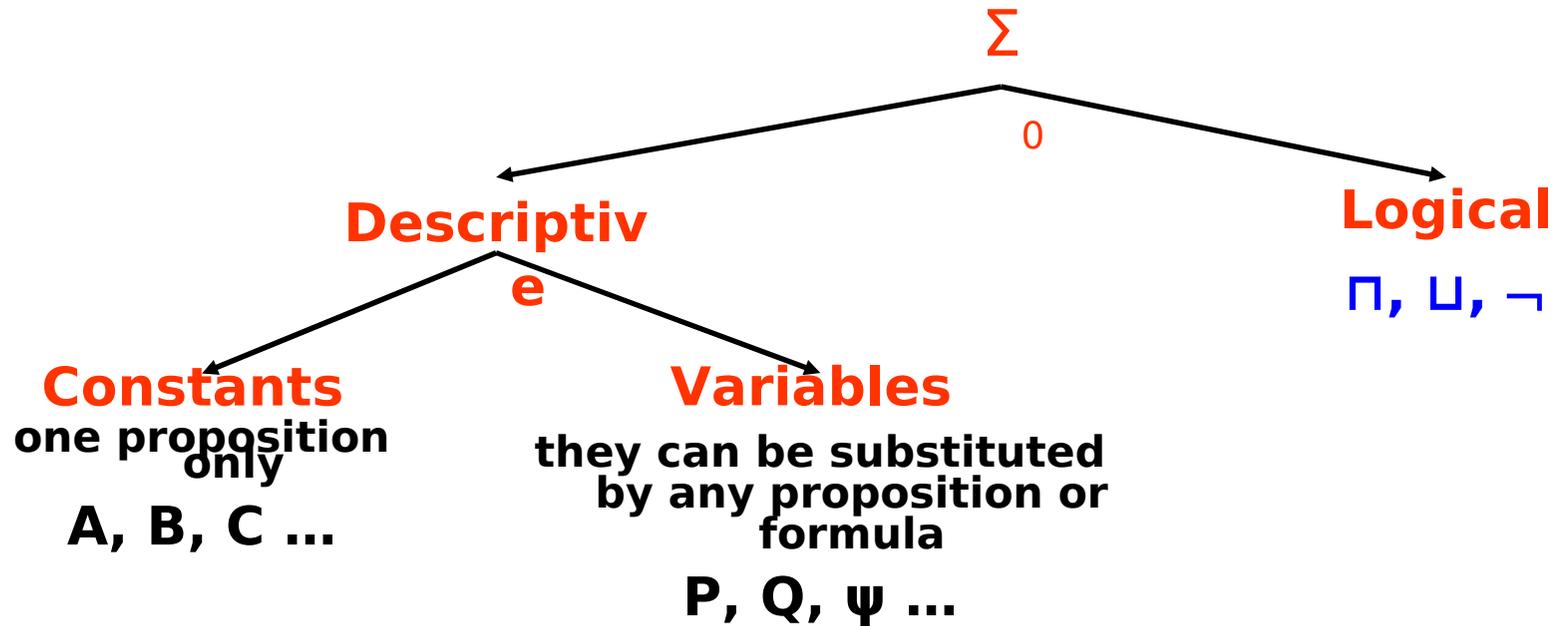
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# Language (Syntax)

- The syntax of ClassL is similar to PL
- Alphabet of symbols  $\Sigma_0$



- **Auxiliary symbols:** parentheses: ( )
- **Defined symbols:**
  - $\perp$  (falsehood symbol, false, bottom)     $\perp =_{df} P \wedge \neg P$
  - $\top$  (truth symbol, true, top)     $\top =_{df} \neg \perp$

# Formation Rules (FR): well formed formulas

- Well formed formulas (wff) in ClassL can be described by the following BNF (\*) grammar (codifying the rules):

$\langle \text{Atomic Formula} \rangle ::= A \mid B \mid \dots \mid P \mid Q \mid \dots \mid \perp \mid \top$

$\langle \text{wff} \rangle ::= \langle \text{Atomic Formula} \rangle \mid \neg \langle \text{wff} \rangle \mid \langle \text{wff} \rangle \wedge \langle \text{wff} \rangle \mid$

$\langle \text{wff} \rangle \vee \langle \text{wff} \rangle$

- Atomic formulas are also called **atomic propositions**
- Wff are **class-propositional formulas** (or just **propositions**)
- A formula is **correct** if and only if it is a wff



- $\Sigma_0$  + FR define a **propositional language**

(\*) BNF = Backus-Naur form (formal grammar)

# Extensional Semantics: Extensions

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- The meanings which are intended to be attached to the symbols and propositions form the **intended interpretation  $\sigma$**  (sigma) of the language
- The semantics of a propositional language of classes L are **extensional (semantics)**
- The extensional semantics of L is based on the notion of “extension” of a formula (proposition) in L
- The **extension of a proposition** is the **totality**, or **class**, or **set** of all objects D (domain elements) to which the proposition applies

# Extensional interpretation

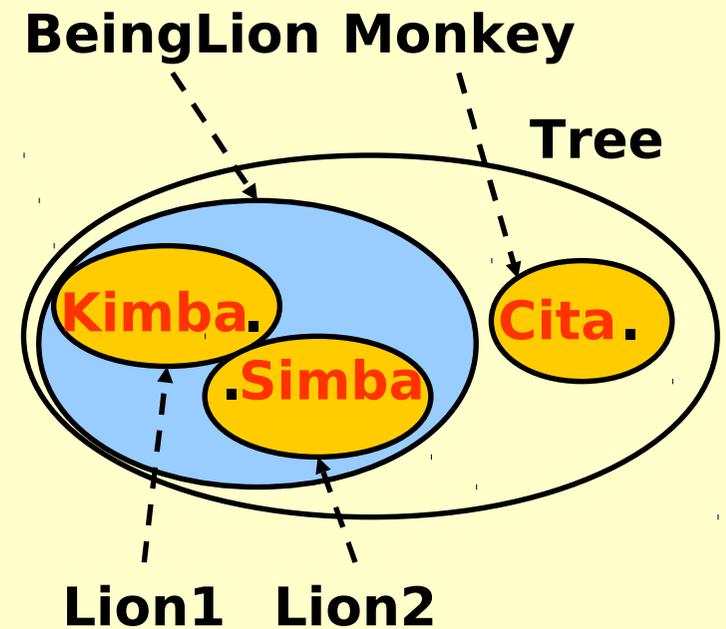
$D = \{Cita, Kimba, Simba\}$



The World



The Mental Model



The Formal Model

# Class-valuation $\sigma$

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- In extensional semantics, the first central semantic notion is that of class-valuation (the interpretation function)
  - Given a Class Language  $L$
  - Given a domain of interpretation  $U$
- A **class valuation**  $\sigma$  of a propositional language of classes  $L$  is a mapping (function) assigning to each formula  $\psi$  of  $L$  a set  $\sigma(\psi)$  of “objects” (**truth-set**) in  $U$ :

$$\sigma: L \rightarrow \text{pow}(U)$$

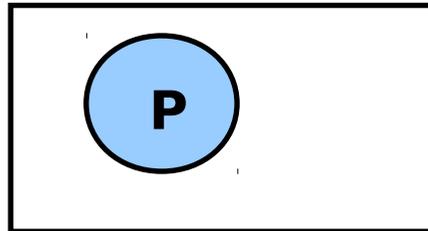
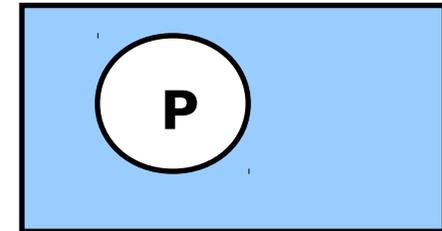
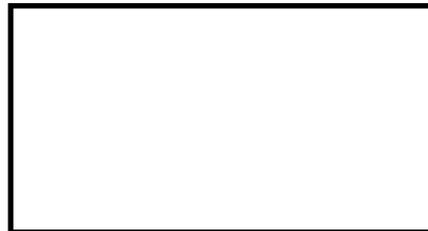
# Class-valuation $\sigma$

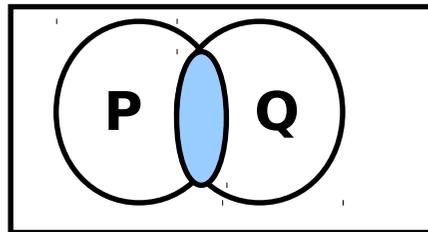
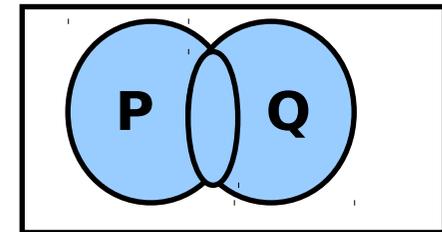
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- $\sigma(\perp) = \emptyset$
- $\sigma(\top) = U$  (**Universal Class**, or **Universe**)
- $\sigma(P) \subseteq U$ , **as defined by  $\sigma$**
- $\sigma(\neg P) = \{a \in U \mid a \notin \sigma(P)\} = \text{comp}(\sigma(P))$   
(**Complement**)
- $\sigma(P \sqcap Q) = \sigma(P) \cap \sigma(Q)$  (**Intersection**)
- $\sigma(P \sqcup Q) = \sigma(P) \cup \sigma(Q)$  (**Union**)

# Venn Diagrams and Class-Values

- By regarding propositions as classes, it is very convenient to use **Venn diagrams**

 $\sigma(P)$ 

 $\sigma(\neg P)$ 

 $\sigma(\perp)$ 

 $\sigma(\top)$ 

 $\sigma(P \cap Q)$ 

 $\sigma(P \sqcup Q)$ 


# Truth Relation (Satisfaction Relation)

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- Let  $\sigma$  be a class-valuation on language  $L$ , we define the **truth-relation** (or **class-satisfaction** relation)  $\models$  and write

$$\sigma \models P$$

(read:  $\sigma$  **satisfies**  $P$ ) iff  $\sigma(P) \neq \emptyset$

- Given a set of propositions  $\Gamma$ , we define

$$\sigma \models \Gamma$$

iff  $\sigma \models \theta$  for all formulas  $\theta \in \Gamma$

# Model and Satisfiability

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- Let  $\sigma$  be a class valuation on language  $L$ .  $\sigma$  is a **model** of a proposition  $P$  (set of propositions  $\Gamma$ ) iff  $\sigma$  satisfies  $P$  ( $\Gamma$ ).
- $P$  ( $\Gamma$ ) is **class-satisfiable** if there is a class valuation  $\sigma$  such that  $\sigma \models P$  ( $\sigma \models \Gamma$ ).

# Truth, satisfiability and validity

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- Let  $\sigma$  be a class valuation on language L.
- P is **true under**  $\sigma$  if P is satisfiable by  $\sigma$  ( $\sigma \models P$ )
- P is **valid** if  $\sigma \models P$  for all  $\sigma$  (notation:  $\models P$ )  
In this case, P is called a **tautology** (always true)

NOTE: the notions of 'true' and 'false' are relative to some truth valuation.

NOTE: A proposition is true iff it is satisfiable

# Reasoning on Class-Propositions

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- Given a class-propositions  $P$  we want to reason about the following:
  - **Model checking** Does  $\sigma$  satisfy  $P$ ? ( $\sigma \models P$ ?)
  - **Satisfiability** Is there any  $\sigma$  such that  $\sigma \models P$ ?
  - **Unsatisfiability** Is it true that there are no  $\sigma$  satisfying  $P$ ?
  - **Validity** Is  $P$  a tautology? (true for all  $\sigma$ )

# PL and ClassL are notational variants

- **Theorem:** P is satisfiable w.r.t. an intensional interpretation  $\nu$  if and only if P is satisfiable w.r.t. an extensional interpretation  $\sigma$

	<b>PL</b>	<b>ClassL</b>
<b>Syntax</b>	$\wedge$	$\sqcap$
	$\vee$	$\sqcup$
	$\neg$	$\neg$
	$\top$	$\top$
	$\perp$	$\perp$
	P, Q...	P, Q...
<b>Semantics</b>	$\Delta = \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$	$\Delta = \{0, \dots\}$ (compare models)

# ClassL reasoning using DPLL

- Given the theorem and the correspondences above, ClassL reasoning can be implemented using DPLL.
- The first step consists in translating  $P$  into  $P'$  expressed in PL
  - **Model checking** Does  $\sigma$  satisfy  $P$ ? ( $\sigma \models P$ ?)  
Find the corresponding model  $v$  and check that  $v(P') = \text{true}$
  - **Satisfiability** Is there any  $\sigma$  such that  $\sigma \models P$ ?  
Check that  $\text{DPLL}(P')$  succeeds and returns a  $v$
  - **Unsatisfiability** Is it true that there are no  $\sigma$  satisfying  $P$ ?  
Check that  $\text{DPLL}(P')$  fails
  - **Validity** Is  $P$  a tautology? (true for all  $\sigma$ )  
Check that  $\text{DPLL}(\neg P')$  fails