### Linear Algebraic Characterization of Logic Programs

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# Why LP in LA?

- Linear algebra is at the core of many applications of scientific computation, and integrating linear algebraic and symbolic computation is a challenging topic in AI.
- Linear algebraic computation has potential to cope with Web scale symbolic data, and several studies develop scalable techniques to process huge relational knowledge bases.
- The next challenge is applying LA to relational facts with rules, which would enable us to use efficient (parallel) algorithms of numerical linear algebra for computing LP.

# Logical Reasoning in LA

- Grefenstette (2013) introduces tensor-based predicate calculus.
- Yang, *et al*. (2015) mine Horn clauses from relational facts in a vector space.
- Serafini, *et al*. (2016) integrate deductive reasoning and relational learning in logic tensor networks.
- Sato (2017) formalizes FOL in vector spaces and realizes efficient computation of Datalog.

I These studies do not target at computing LP semantics.

# Contribution

- 1. A propositional Herbrand base is represented in a **vector space** and if-then rules in a logic program are encoded in a **matrix**.
- 2. The least model of a (propositional) Horn logic program is computed using **matrix products**.
- 3. Disjunctive logic programs are represented in **3rdorder tensors** and their minimal models are computed by algebraic manipulation of tensors.
- 4. Normal logic programs are represented by **3rdorder tensors** in terms of disjunctive LPs, and stable models are computed using **tensor products**.

# **Tensor Logic Programming**

• A Horn program is a finite set of rules of the form

 $h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge b_m \quad (m \ge 0)$ 

where h and  $b_i$  are propositional variables.

- Given a rule r of the above form, head(r)=h and body(r)={ b<sub>1</sub>,..., b<sub>m</sub> }.
- A rule  $h \leftarrow \top$  is a **fact** where  $\top$  represents **true**.
- A rule  $\bot \leftarrow b_1 \land \dots \land b_m$  is a **constraint** where  $\bot$  represents **false**.
- The set of all propositional variables appearing in a program *P* is the **Herbrand base** of *P* (written  $B_P$ ).

# **T<sub>P</sub>** Operator

- Given an interpretation I s.t.  $\{\top\} \subseteq I \subseteq B_P$ , a **mapping**   $T_P: 2^{BP} \rightarrow 2^{BP}$  is defined as  $T_P(I) = \{h \mid h \leftarrow b_1 \land \dots \land b_m \in P \text{ and } \{b_1, \dots, b_m\} \subseteq I\}$ if  $\bot \notin I$ ; otherwise,  $T_P(I) = B_P$
- The **powers** of  $T_P$  are defined as  $T_P^{k+1}(I) = T_P(T_P^k(I))$  (k  $\geq 0$ ) and  $T_P^0(I) = I$
- Given  $\{T\} \subseteq I \subseteq B_P$  there is a **fixpoint**  $T_P^{n+1}(I) = T_P^n(I)$ (n  $\geq 0$ ).
- For a definite program, the fixpoint T<sub>P</sub><sup>n</sup>({⊤}) coincides with the **least model** of *P*.

## **Multiple Definitions (MD) Condition**

• We assume a Horn program satisfying the condition:

for any two rules  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  in P, head $(r_1)$ =head $(r_2)$ implies  $|body(r_1)| \le 1$  and  $|body(r_2)| \le 1$ 

*i.e.*, if two different rules have the same head, those rules contain at most one atom in their bodies.

• Every Horn program *P* is transformed to a semantically equivalent program *P'* that satisfies the MD condition.

### Example

- P={p←q∧r, p←r∧s, p←t, r←t, s←, t← } is transformed to P'={p1←q∧r, p2←r∧s, p←t, r←t, s←, t←, p←p1, p←p2}
   where p1 and p2 are new propositional variables.
- P' has the least model  $M' = \{ p, p2, r, s, t \}$  and  $M' \cap B_P = \{ p, r, s, t \}$  is the least model of P.
- We consider programs satisfying the MD condition without loss of generality.

## Vector Representation of Interpretations

- Let  $B_p = \{p_1, ..., p_n\}$  be the Herbrand base. An interpretation I ( $\{T\} \subseteq I \subseteq B_p$ ) of a program P is represented by a column vector  $v = (a_1, ..., a_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ where each  $a_i$  represents the truth value of the proposition  $p_i$  such that
  - $-a_i = 1$  if  $p_i \in I$  ( $1 \le i \le n$ )
  - $-a_i = 0$  otherwise
- The vector representing  $I=\{T\}$  is written by  $v_0$
- We write  $row_i(v) = p_i$

### Matrix Representation of Horn Programs

• Let *P* be a Horn program and  $B_P = \{p_1, ..., p_n\}$ . *P* is represented by a matrix  $M_P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  s.t. for each element  $a_{ij}$  ( $1 \le i, j \le n$ ) in  $M_P$ ,

$$-a_{ij} = 1 \text{ if } p_i = \top \text{ or } p_j = \bot$$
$$-a_{ij_k} = 1/m (1 \le k \le m; 1 \le i, j_k \le n)$$
$$\text{ if } p_i \leftarrow p_{j1} \land \dots \land p_{jm} \text{ is in } P$$

- otherwise  $a_{ii} = 0$ 

• We write  $row_i(\mathbf{M}_P) = p_i$  and  $col_i(\mathbf{M}_P) = p_j$ 

#### Example

•  $P = \{ p \leftarrow q, p \leftarrow r, q \leftarrow r \land s, r \leftarrow \top, \bot \leftarrow q \}$  with  $B_P = \{ p, q, r, s, \top, \bot \}$  is represented by  $M_P \in \mathbb{R}^{6 \times 6}$ :



•  $row_1(\mathbf{M}_p) = p$  and  $col_2(\mathbf{M}_p) = q$ 

# **Need of MD-condition**

• 
$$P_1 = \{ p \leftarrow q \land r, p \leftarrow s \land t \}$$
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- The matrix representation does not distinguish  $P_1$ ,  $P_2 = \{ p \leftarrow q \land s, p \leftarrow r \land t \}$  and  $P_3 = \{ p \leftarrow q \land t, p \leftarrow r \land s \}$ .
- Then  $P_1$  is transformed to  $P_1' = \{ p1 \leftarrow q \land r, p2 \leftarrow s \land t, p \leftarrow p1, p \leftarrow p2 \}$  which is represented by

	<b>p</b>	<b>p1</b>	<b>p</b> 2	2 q	r	S	t	
р	/0	1	1	0	0	0	<b>0</b> \	
<b>p1</b>	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	
p2	0	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	
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## Product

- Given a matrix  $M_P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  representing a program and a vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  representing an interpretation  $I \subseteq B_P$ , the product  $M_P \cdot v = (a_1, ..., a_n)^T$  is computed.
- Transform  $M_{P} \cdot v$  to a vector  $w = (a'_{1}, ..., a'_{n})^{T}$  where  $a'_{i} = 1 \ (1 \le i \le n)$  if  $a_{ij} \ge 1$ ; otherwise,  $a'_{i} = 0$
- We write  $w = M_{P} \bullet v$

# Example (cont.)

- $P = \{ p \leftarrow q, p \leftarrow r, q \leftarrow r \land s, r \leftarrow, \leftarrow q \}$
- Given  $v = (0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0)^T$  representing  $I = \{q, r, T\}$ ,

$$M_{\rm p} \bullet v = \begin{pmatrix} p & q & r & s + \bot \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}$$

• Then  $w = M_{P} \bullet v = (1,0,1,0,1,1)^{T}$  represents  $J = \{p, r, T, \bot\}$ 

# **Deduction by Matrix Product**

• <u>**Proposition</u>** Let *P* be a Horn program and  $M_P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ its matrix representation. Let  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a vector representing  $I \subseteq B_P$ . Then  $w \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a vector representing  $J=T_P(I)$  iff  $w = M_P \bullet v$ </u>

#### **Fixpoint Computation**

• Given a matrix  $M_P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and a vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , define

$$M_{P} \bullet^{k+1} v = M_{P} \bullet (M_{P} \bullet^{k} v)$$
 and  $M_{P} \bullet^{1} v = M_{P} \bullet v$  (k≥1)

• When  $M_{p} \bullet^{k+1} v = M_{p} \bullet^{k} v$  for some  $k \ge 1$ , write  $FP(M_{p} \bullet v) = M_{p} \bullet^{k} v$ 

#### Computing Least Model by Matrix Product

- <u>Theorem</u> Let *P* be a Horn program and  $M_P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ its matrix representation. Then  $m \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a vector representing the least model of *P* iff  $m = \mathbb{FP}(M_P \bullet v_0)$ and  $a_i = 1$  implies  $row_i(m) \neq \bot$  for any element  $a_i$  in m
- <u>Corollary</u> *P* is inconsistent iff a vector  $w = M_P^k \bullet v_0$ ( $k \ge 1$ ) has an element  $a_i = 1$  ( $1 \le i \le n$ ) such that  $row_i(w) = \bot$

## Example (cont.)

• 
$$P = \{ p \leftarrow q, p \leftarrow r, q \leftarrow r \land s, r \leftarrow, \leftarrow q \}$$
  
 $M_{P} \bullet v_{\theta} = \prod_{\substack{q \\ r \\ s \\ T \\ \downarrow}}^{p} \binom{q}{0} \frac{r}{1} \frac{s}{1} \frac{\tau}{0} \frac{\tau}{0} \frac{r}{1} \frac{s}{1} \frac{\tau}{2} \frac{1}{0} \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{0} \frac{\sigma}{0} \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma}{0} \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{1}$ 

• **FP**( $M_{P} \bullet v_{0}$ )=(1,0,1,0,1,0)<sup>T</sup> represents the least model {p, r, T} of P.

## **Computing Disjunctive Logic Programs by 3<sup>rd</sup>-Order Tensor**

1. Split a disjunctive program into Horn programs. ex.  $P = \{ p \lor r \leftarrow s, q \lor r \leftarrow \}$  is split into  $SP_1 = \{ p \leftarrow s, q \leftarrow \}, SP_2 = \{ p \leftarrow s, r \leftarrow \},$  $SP_3 = \{ r \leftarrow s, q \leftarrow \}, SP_4 = \{ r \leftarrow s, r \leftarrow \}.$ 

2. Represent split programs by a 3<sup>rd</sup>-order tensor.



3. Compute least models of split programs by tensor product and select minimal models among them.

### Computing Normal Logic Programs by 3<sup>rd</sup>-Order Tensor

• Transform a normal program to a semantically equivalent disjunctive program (Fernandez, *et al.*, 1993).

where  $\varepsilon p$  is a new atom associated with p.

• Compute stable models via minimal models of the transformed disjunctive program.

# Complexity

- The least model of a Horn program is computed in O(N) time and space where N is the size of the program (Dowling& Gallier, 1984).
- The proposed method requires O(n<sup>2</sup>) space and O(n<sup>4</sup>) time in the worst case where n is the number of propositional variables in B<sub>P</sub>
- Since the size of a matrix is independent of the size of a program, LA computation would be advantageous in a large knowledge base on a fixed language.

# Conclusion

- Linear algebraic characterization of logic programs bridges symbolic and linear algebraic approaches, which would contribute to a step for realizing logical inference in huge scale of knowledge bases.
- We are now implementing/evaluating the algorithm and also plan to use parallel computing on GPU.