# Part 2: Logic

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# Logic: the Second Pillar of Semantic Modeling

#### Propositional Logic

- A *proposition* is a statement which can be either *true* or *false* 
  - i. e.g., "it is raining (here, now)"
- A proposition is often represented by a letter, often 'p' or 'q'
- There are 5 logical operators that can generate additional propositions
  - i. Conjunction: '^', '&', 'and'
    - Given *p* is *true* and *q* is *false*, what is '*p* and *q*'? (*false*)
    - Given p is true and q is true, what is 'p and q'? (true)
  - ii. Disjunction: 'v', '|', 'or'
    - Given *p* is *true* and *q* is *false*, what is '*p* or *q*'? (*true*)
    - Given *p* is *true* and *q* is *true*, what is '*p* or *q*'? (*true*)
  - iii. Implication: '→', 'implies', '*if ... then...*'
    - Given *p* is *true* and *if p then q*, what can you say about *q*? (*true*)
    - Given q is true and if p then q, what can you say about p? (nothing)

## Logic (cont.)

- Propositional Logic (cont.)
  - There are 5 logical operator (cont.)
    - iv. Necessary and sufficient conditions: '↔', 'if and only if
      - Given p is true and p if and only if q, what can you say about q? (true)
      - Given q is true and p if and only if q, what can you say about p? (true)
    - v. Negation: '¬', 'not'
      - Given *p* is *true*, what is *not p*? (false)
      - Given p is true, what is not (not p)? (true)

## Logic (cont.)

- Predicate Logic, AKA First Order Logic
  - Predicate logic allows representation of the contents of a proposition
  - A predicate is a symbol which takes argument(s) and returns true or false
    - The number of arguments is called *arity*
  - Predicates with arity 1 can represent class membership
    - PresidentOfUSA(GeorgeWashington) means GeorgeWashington ∈ PresidentOfUSA
  - Predicates with arity 2 can represent binary relationships between things
    - wife(GeorgeWashington, MarthaDandridge)
  - Predicates with arity 2 can also represent characteristics--data about something
    - dateOfBirth(GeorgeWashington, "22 February 1732")
  - Predicates with arity 1 can be transformed to arity 2
    - PresidentOfUSA(GeorgeWashington) => is-a(GeorgeWashington, PresidentOfUSA)

# Logic (cont.)

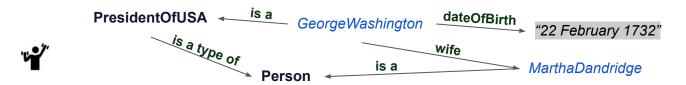
- Predicate Logic, AKA First Order Logic (cont.)
  - Models with only arity-2 predicates are directed mathematical graphs and can be so visualized



- Each arity-2 predicate forms a triple with a subject, predicate, and object
  - predicate(subject, object) = <subject> predicate> <object>
  - $\blacksquare$  wife(GeorgeWashington, MarthaDandridge)  $\equiv$  <GeorgeWashington> <wife> <MarthaDandridge>
- We will often refer to a predicate as a property
- A *function* is a symbol that takes 0 or more arguments and returns another non-logical symbol:
   not *true*, not *false*, not one of the 5 logical operators. More about functions later.

## Logic Exercise

Create a model equivalent to this visual graph



#### Solution

```
uri "http://sadl.org/Logic1.sadl" alias Logic1.

Person is a class.
PresidentOfUSA is a type of Person.

dateOfBirth is a property .
wife is a property.

GeorgeWashington is a PresidentOfUSA.
MarthaDandridge is a Person.

GeorgeWashington has dateOfBirth "22 February 1732", has wife MarthaDandridge.
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#### **Alternate Solution**

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uri "http://sadl.org/Logic1bb.sadl"alias logic1bb.

Person is a class.
PresidentOfUSA is a type of Person.

dateOfBirth is a property .
wife is a property.

GeorgeWashington is a PresidentOfUSA,
    with dateOfBirth "22 February 1732",
    with wife MarthaDandridge.

MarthaDandridge is a Person.
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### Things to Note

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PresidentOfUSA is a type of Person.

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A concept can be used before it is defined.

#### Quantification

- Quantifiers bind variables to non-variable symbols
  - Quantifiers allow us to make statements about multiple things declaratively
  - There are two quantifiers
- Existential quantifier
  - Symbol: ∃, read as "there exists"
  - Example: ∃x: Person(x) ^ loves(x, Logic)
    - "There exists x such that x is a Person and x loves Logic" ("Someone loves logic")
- Universal Quantifier
  - Symbol: ∀, read "for all"
  - Example:  $\forall x$ : RichPerson(x)  $\rightarrow$  loves(x, Money)
    - "For all x, if x is a RichPerson then x loves Money" ("All rich people love money")
- Example with multiple quantifiers
  - $\exists x: (Man(x) \land \forall y: (Man(y) \rightarrow (shaves(x,y) \leftrightarrow \neg shaves(y,y))))$ 
    - "There is a man who shaves all and only men who do not shave themselves" (the barber 10 paradox -- why is it a paradox?)<sup>2</sup>

#### **Additional Information**

• For a layman's overview of logic see <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logic">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logic</a>.