### First-order Deduction in Neural Networks

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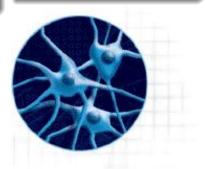
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#### Neural Networks

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- spontaneous behavior;
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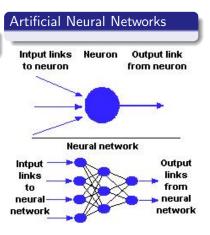
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### An Important Result, [Kalinke, Hölldobler, 94]

#### Theorem

For each propositional program P, there exists a 3-layer feedforward neural network which computes  $T_P$ .

- No learning or adaptation;
- Require infinitely long layers in the first-order case.

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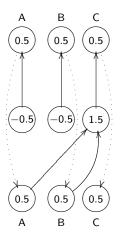
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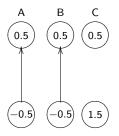
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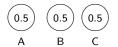
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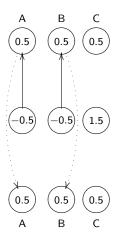
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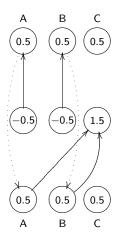
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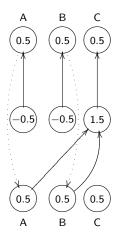
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### Most General Unifier

#### MGU

Let S be a finite set of atoms. A substitution  $\theta$  is called a unifier for S if S is a singleton. A unifier  $\theta$  for S is called a *most general unifier* (mgu) for S if, for each unifier  $\sigma$  of S, there exists a substitution  $\gamma$  such that  $\sigma = \theta \gamma$ .

**Example:** If  $S = (Q(f(x_1, x_2)), Q(f(a_1, a_2)))$ , then  $\theta = \{x_1/a_1; x_2/a_2\}$  is the mgu.

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To find the *disagreement set*  $D_S$  of S locate the leftmost symbol position at which not all atoms in S have the same symbol and extract from each atom in S the term beginning at that symbol position. The set of all such terms is the disagreement set.

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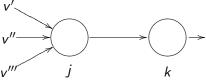
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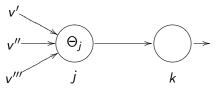
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## Gödel Numbers of Formulae

Each symbol of the first-order language receives a **Gödel number** as follows:

- variables  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \ldots$  receive numbers (01), (011), (0111), ...;
- constants *a*<sub>1</sub>, *a*<sub>2</sub>, *a*<sub>3</sub>, ... receive numbers (21), (211), (2111), ...;
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- predicate symbols Q<sub>1</sub>, Q<sub>2</sub>, Q<sub>3</sub>, ... receive numbers (41), (411), (4111), ...;
- symbols (, ) and , receive numbers 5, 6 and 7 respectively.

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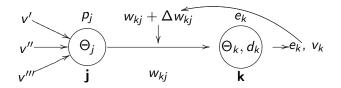
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#### Claim 1

Unification Algorithm can be performed in finite (and very small) neural networks with error-correction learning.

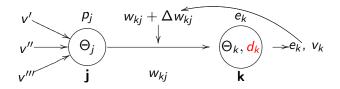
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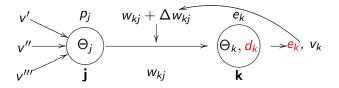
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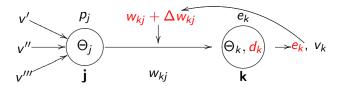
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## Main Lemma

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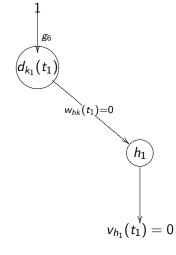
Given two first-order atoms A and B, there exists a two-neuron learning neural network that performs the algorithm of unification for A and B.

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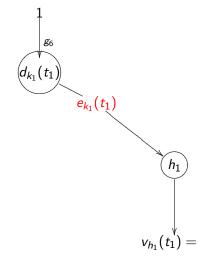
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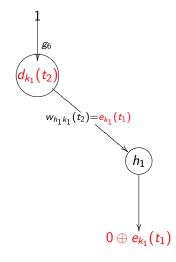
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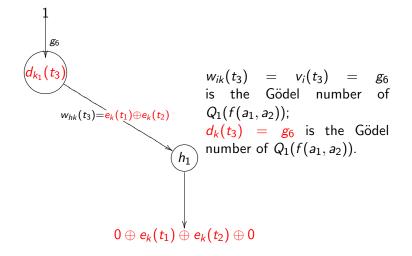


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#### Example of Unification in Neural Networks: time $= t_{2-3}$ .



#### Some conclusions

#### Properties of these neural networks

- First-order atoms are embedded directly into a neural network via Gödel numbers.
- Neural networks are finite and give deterministic results, comparing with infinite layers needed to perform substitutions in [HK94].
- Unification algorithm is performed as an adaptive process, which corrects one piece of data relatively to the other piece of data.

#### Main theorem

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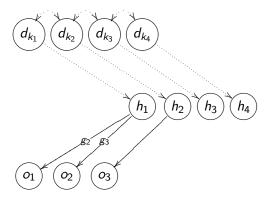
Let P be a definite logic program and G be a definite goal. Then there exists a 3-layer recurrent neural network which computes the Gödel number s of substitution  $\theta$  if and only if SLD-refutation derives  $\theta$  as an answer for  $P \cup \{G\}$ . (We will call these neural networks SLD neural networks).

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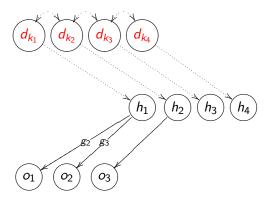
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#### Example. Time = $t_1$ .



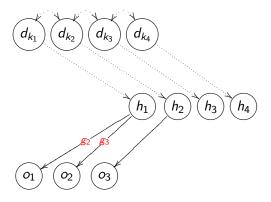
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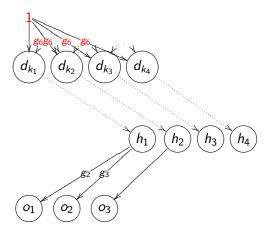


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#### Example. Time = $t_1$ .



$$g_{6} = Q_{1}(f(a_{1}, a_{2})).$$

$$Q_{1}(f(x_{1}, x_{2})) \leftarrow$$

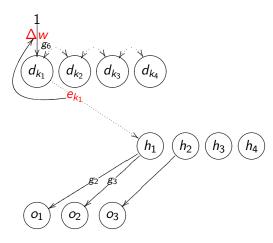
$$Q_{2}(x_{1}), Q_{3}(x_{2});$$

$$Q_{1}(f(x_{1}, x_{2})) \leftarrow Q_{4}(x_{1});$$

$$Q_{2}(a_{1}) \leftarrow;$$

$$Q_{3}(a_{2}) \leftarrow.$$

# Example. Time $t_1$ : signals are filtered and unification initialized.



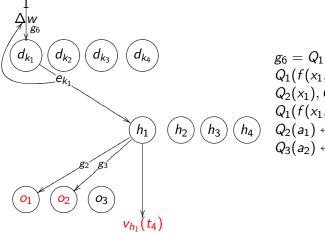
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## Example. Time $t_2 - t_4$ : unification.



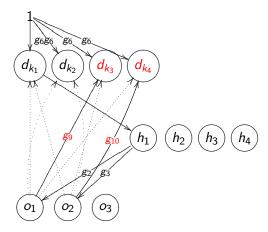
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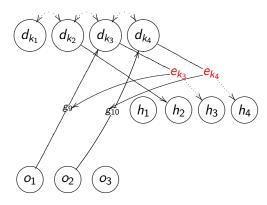
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#### Example. Time = $t_5$ : values at layer *o* are computed:



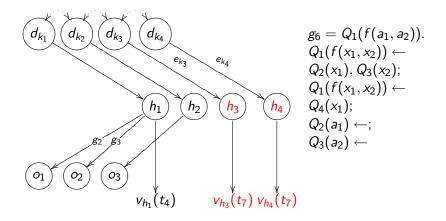
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## Example. Time = $t_6$ : new iterations starts, excessive signals are filtered, and unification initialized:



$$egin{aligned} g_6 &= Q_1(f(a_1,a_2)). \ Q_1(f(x_1,x_2)) \leftarrow \ Q_2(x_1), Q_3(x_2); \ Q_1(f(x_1,x_2)) \leftarrow \ Q_4(x_1); \ Q_2(a_1) \leftarrow; \ Q_3(a_2) \leftarrow \end{aligned}$$

# Example. Time = $t_7$ : unification is performed, answers are sent as an output:



### Conclusions

- SLD neural networks have finite architecture, but their effectiveness is due to several learning functions.
- Unification is performed as adaptive process.
- Atoms and substitutions are represented in SLD neural networks directly, via Gödel numbers, and hence allow easier machine implementations.

## Future Work

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- Theoretical development:
  - SLD neural networks allow higher-order generalizations.
  - ...can therefore be extended to higher-order Horn logics, hereditary Harrop logics...
  - ...can be extended to non-classical logic programs: linear, many-valued, etc...

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#### Thank you!