

Propositional logic: Syntax

■ Propositional logic is the simplest logic – illustrates basic ideas

■ The proposition symbols S, P₁, P₂ etc are sentences

□ If S is a sentence, ¬S is a sentence (negation)

□ If S₁ and S₂ are sentences, S₁ ∧ S₂ is a sentence (conjunction)

□ If S₁ and S₂ are sentences, S₁ ∨ S₂ is a sentence (disjunction)

□ If S₁ and S₂ are sentences, S₁ ⇔ S₂ is a sentence (implication)

□ If S₁ and S₂ are sentences, S₁ ⇔ S₂ is a sentence (biconditional)

Example

P_{1,2}={T/F} (there is/isn't a pit in cell [1,2])

P_{2,2}={T/F} (there is/isn't a pit in cell [2,2])

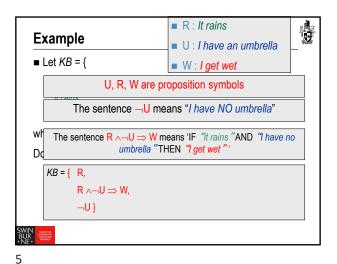
P_{3,1}={T/F} (there is/isn't a pit in cell [3,1])

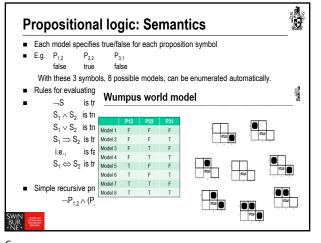
Situation after detecting nothing in [1,1],

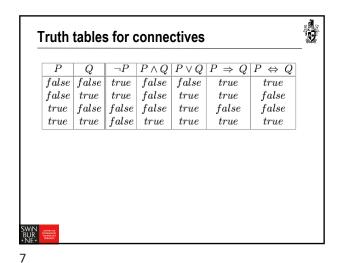
P_{1,2}, P_{2,2}, P_{3,1} are proposition symbols

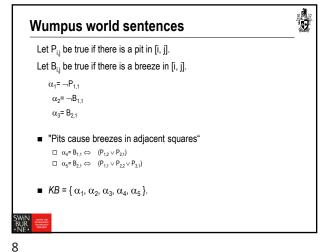
Consider possible models for ?s
assuming only pits

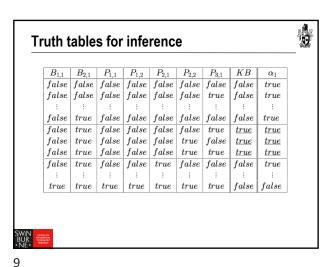
3 Boolean choices ⇒ 8 possible models

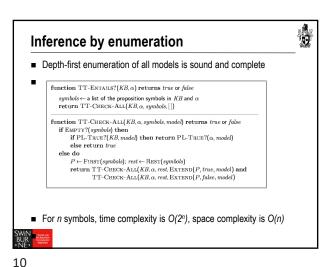








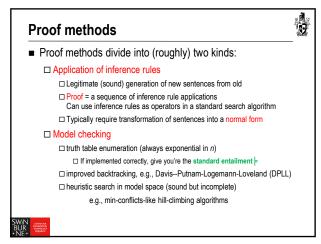


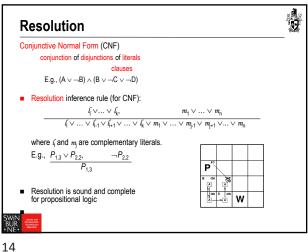


Logical equivalence

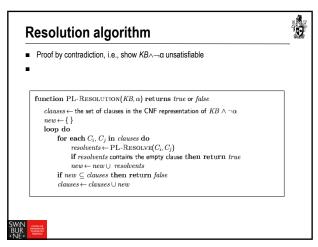
Two sentences are logically equivalent iff true in same models:

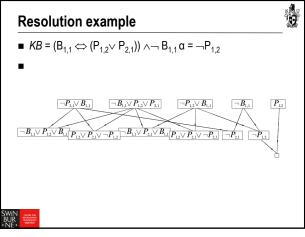
Validity and satisfiability
■ A sentence is valid if it is true in all models, e.g., True, A ∨¬A, A ⇒ A, (A ∧ (A ⇒ B)) ⇒ B
■ Validity is connected to inference via the Deduction Theorem: KB ⊨ α if and only if (KB ⇒ α) is valid
■ A sentence is satisfiable if it is true in some model e.g., A∨ B, C
■ A sentence is unsatisfiable if it is true in no models e.g., A∧¬A
■ Satisfiability is connected to inference via the following: KB ⊨ α if and only if (KB ∧¬α) is unsatisfiable



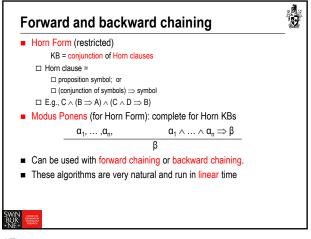


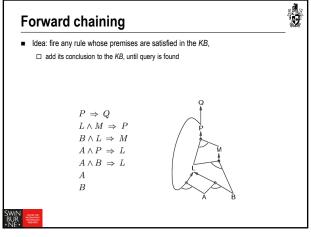
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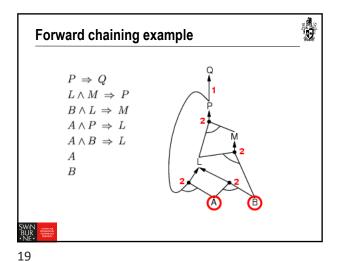


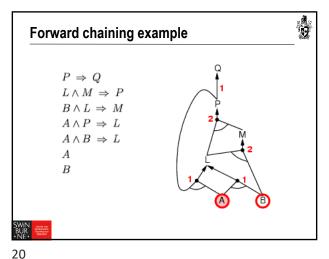


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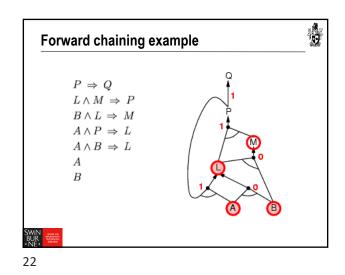




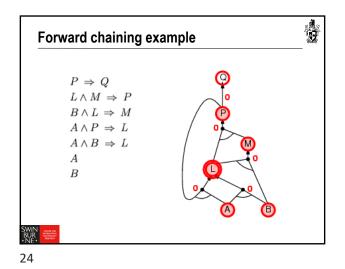




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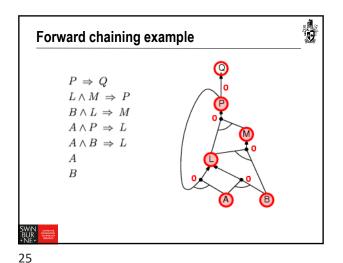


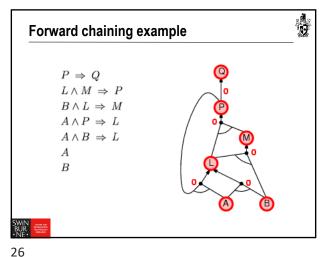
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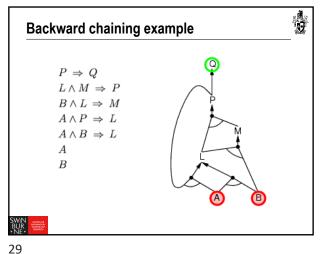
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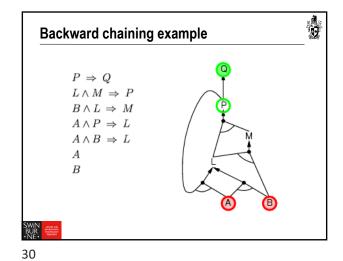


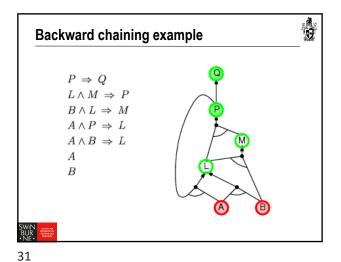


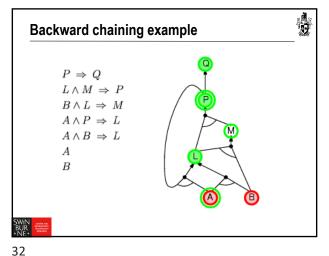
Forward chaining algorithm function PL-FC-ENTAILS?(KB, q) returns true or false local variables: count, a table, indexed by clause, initially the number of premises inferred, a table, indexed by symbol, each entry initially false agenda, a list of symbols, initially the symbols known to be true while agenda is not empty do $p \leftarrow POP(agenda)$ unless inferred[p] do $\begin{array}{l} \mathit{inferred}[p] \leftarrow \mathit{true} \\ \mathbf{for\ each\ Horn\ clause}\ \mathit{c}\ \mathsf{in\ whose\ premise}\ \mathit{p}\ \mathsf{appears\ do} \end{array}$ decrement count[c]
if count[c] = 0 then do
 if Head[c] = q then return true
 PUSH(HEAD[c], agenda) ■ Forward chaining is sound and complete for Horn KB

Backward chaining Idea: work backwards from the query q: to prove q by BC, check if q is known already, or prove by BC all premises of some rule concluding \boldsymbol{q} Avoid loops: check if new subgoal is already on the goal stack Avoid repeated work: check if new subgoal 1. has already been proved true, or has already failed

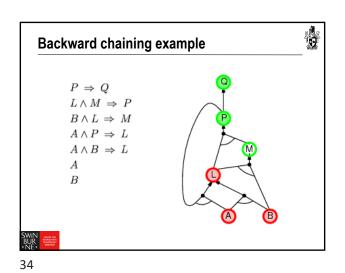




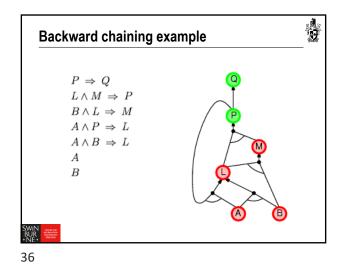


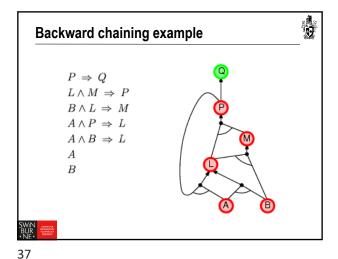


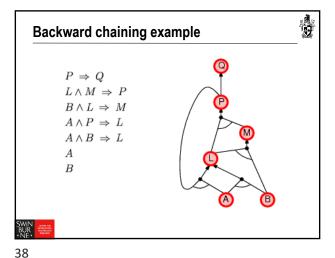
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Forward vs. backward chaining



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- FC is data-driven, automatic, unconscious processing, \square e.g., object recognition, routine decisions
- May do lots of work that is irrelevant to the goal
- BC is goal-driven, appropriate for problem-solving, $\hfill\Box$ e.g., Where are my keys? How do I get into a PhD program?
- Complexity of BC can be much less than linear in size of



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Summary Logical agents apply inference to a knowledge base to derive new information and make decisions Basic concepts of logic: □ syntax: formal structure of sentences □ semantics: truth of sentences wrt models $\hfill\Box$ entailment: necessary truth of one sentence given another $\hfill \square$ inference: deriving sentences from other sentences □ soundness: derivations produce only entailed sentences $\hfill\Box$ completeness: derivations can produce all entailed sentences Wumpus world requires the ability to represent partial and negated information, reason by cases, etc. Resolution is complete for propositional logic Forward, backward chaining are linear-time, complete for Hom clauses Propositional logic lacks expressive power ■ First order logic (FOL) addresses this issue – WEEK 8