

# Knowledge Representation

## – Logic-based Knowledge & Ontology

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# Software



**SWI Prolog**



## Prolog



Most widely-used logic programming language

- Based on first-order logic
- Use backward chaining for inference



We'll use SWI Prolog: <http://www.swi-prolog.org/>



## Protégé <https://protege.stanford.edu/>



Ontology editor



Requires Java Runtime Environment

<https://www.java.com/en/download/manual.jsp>



With OWLViz for graphical interaction.

- <https://protegewiki.stanford.edu/wiki/OWLViz>
- Need Graphviz: <https://www.graphviz.org/download/>



Example ontology: Pizza

- <https://protege.stanford.edu/ontologies/pizza/pizza.owl>

# Outline

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- ❖ Overview of Knowledge Representation
- ❖ Propositional Logic
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  - ❑ Inference
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  - ❑ Inference
  - ❑ Application Examples – Logic Programming (Prolog) & Rule-based Expert System
- ❖ Ontology

# Knowledge Representation

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# Knowledge Base

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- ❖ Knowledge base (KB) consists of sentences
- ❖ A **sentence** show specific knowledge
- ❖ A piece of **knowledge** can be data, information derived from data or directives derived from data or information
- ❖ In a KB, the sentences are represented by **knowledge representation language**

# Knowledge Representation Language

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- ❖ The language should provide enough information for showing whether a sentence is true or false

## Components:

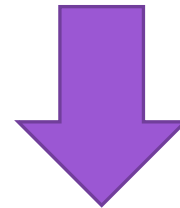
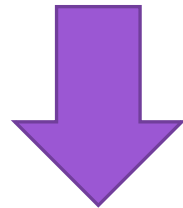
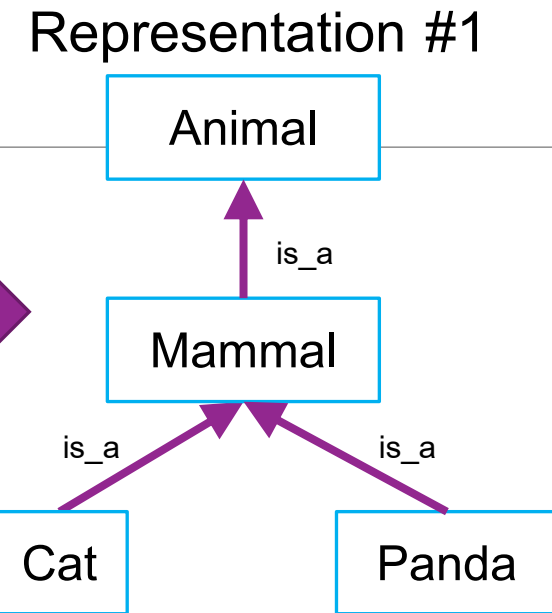
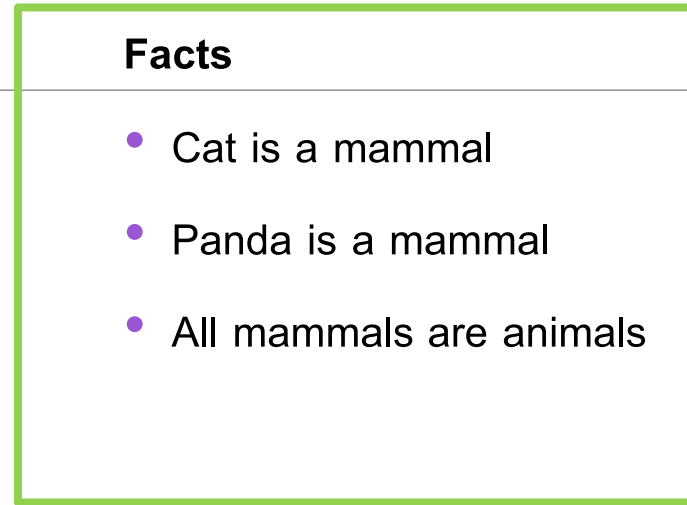
- ❖ **Object** – nouns in the problem domain such as person, places, etc.
- ❖ **Relation** – true/false for existence of relation between objects
- ❖ **Function** – Relation identifier, but provide object instead of true/false value
- ❖ **Interpretation of Symbols** – meaning for each symbol used

# Knowledge Representation

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- ❖ Knowledge representation is the act of keeping knowledge and facts in certain format for future use (in KB)
- ❖ A good knowledge representation should:
  - ☐ Reduce/remove ambiguity
  - ☐ Allow (different levels of) abstraction
  - ☐ Allow **inference** to create new knowledge, to aid in decision
  - ☐ Allow **acquisition** of new knowledge
  - ☐ Allow update of KB

One set of facts can  
have many  
representations



Representation #2

*CatIsMammal*

*PandaIsMammal*

*MammalsAnimal*

Representation #3

*Mammal(Cat)*

*Mammal(Panda)*

$\forall x \text{ Mammal}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Animal}(x)$



# Four Properties of Suitable Knowledge Representation

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Is this knowledge representation suitable for our problem?

## ❖ Representational Adequacy

☐ Can it represent knowledge for this problem domain?

## ❖ Inferential Adequacy

☐ Can new knowledge be inferred and stored properly?

## ❖ Inferential Efficiency

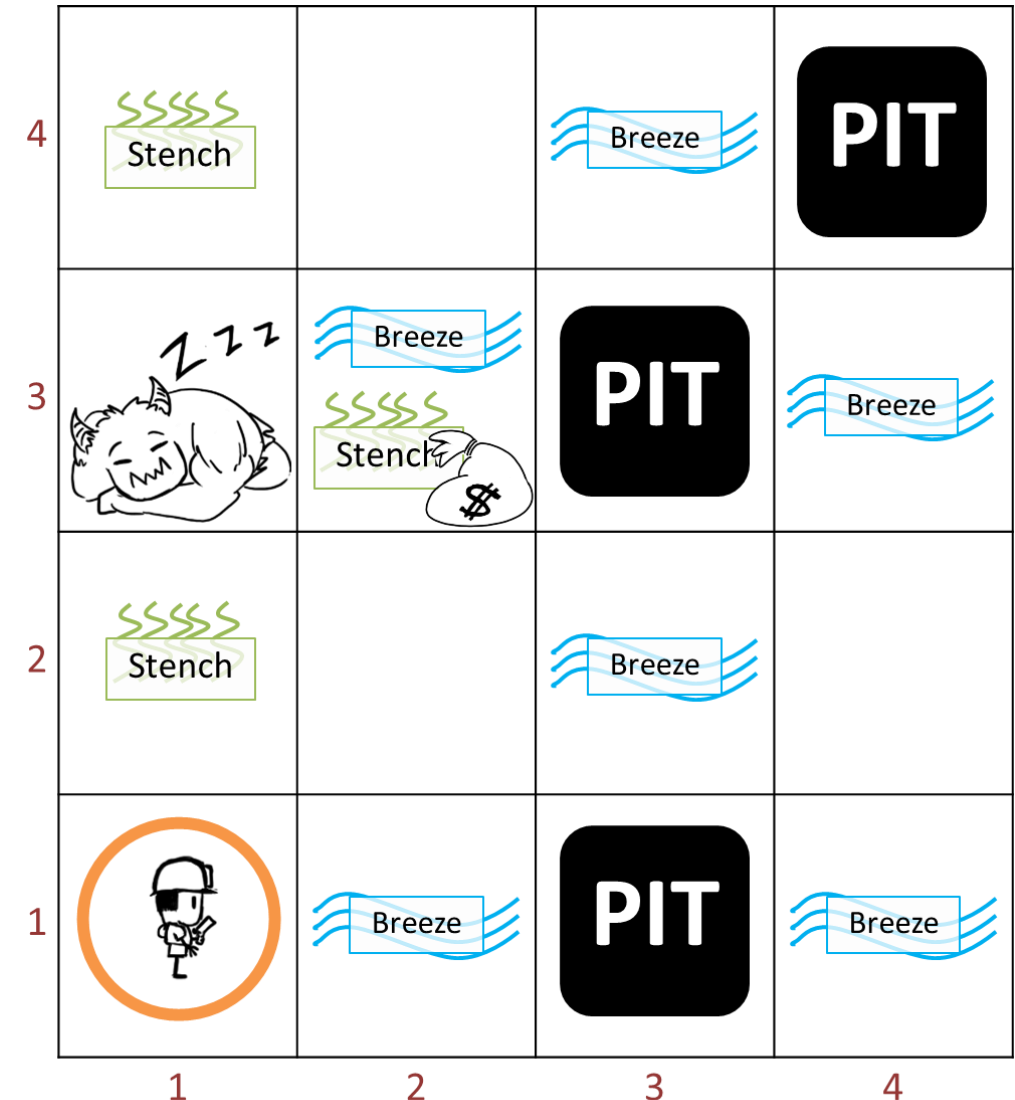
☐ Can new knowledge be inferred to the direction of our interest?

## ❖ Acquisitional Efficiency

☐ How easy it is to add new knowledge?

# Example Problem – Wumpus World

- ❖ Helping explorer to obtain treasure and leave the dark cave safely
- ❖ The cave is 4 x 4 grid of rooms, with wall on all sides
- ❖ The cave is completely dark, the explorer need to rely on other senses
- ❖ Goal: guide explorer to the treasure, pick it up, and come back to the entrance (and leave) without being eaten by Wumpus and falling into the pit



# Wumpus World (cont.) – Dangers

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- ❖ The cave will have a **Wumpus** at random location (not entrance nor treasure)
  - Wumpus is sleep and will not move
  - But if the explorer enter the room with Wumpus, they will be eaten
- ❖ The cave will also have one or more **pit** at random locations (not entrance nor treasure nor Wumpus)
  - If the explorer enter the pit room, they will fall down and die

# Wumpus World (cont.) – The Explorers

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- ❖ The explorer will start at [1, 1], lower-left corner
- ❖ Only senses available — [Stench, Breeze, Glitter, Bump]
  - The explorer will smell **stench** if the Wumpus is in one of the adjacent (non-diagonal) rooms
  - The explorer will feel **breeze** if there is at least one pit in adjacent (non-diagonal) rooms
  - The explorer will see **glitter** if they are in the same room as the treasure
  - The explorer will feel a **bump** if they move into a wall

# Wumpus World (cont.) – The Explorers (cont.)

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## ❖ Possible Actions


- ☐ Move **forward** 1 room on the direction the explorer is facing, or bump into a wall
- ☐ Turn **left**  $90^\circ$
- ☐ Turn **right**  $90^\circ$
- ☐ **Grab** the treasure, if it is at the same room as the explorer
- ☐ **Climb** out of the cave, only available at [1, 1]

# Wumpus World (cont.)

## ❖ Performance Measure (Scoring)

- ❑ If the explorer leaves the cave with the treasure → 1,000 points
- ❑ If they get eaten by the Wumpus or fall down a pit → -1,000 points
- ❑ -1 points per action

## ❖ To play Wumpus world, we need to interpret senses to infer which room is safe (or not)

?	?	?
Stench	?	?
	Breeze	?

# Wumpus World (cont.)

1,4	2,4	3,4	4,4
1,3	2,3	3,3	4,3
1,2 OK	2,2	3,2	4,2
1,1 A OK	2,1 OK	3,1	4,1

(a)

**A** = Agent  
 B = Breeze  
 G = Glitter, Gold  
 OK = Safe square  
 P = Pit  
 S = Stench  
 V = Visited  
 W = Wumpus

1,4	2,4	3,4	4,4
1,3	2,3	3,3	4,3
1,2 OK	2,2 P?	3,2	4,2
1,1 V OK	2,1 A B OK	3,1 P?	4,1

(b)

Source: AIMA

# Wumpus World (cont.)

1,4	2,4	3,4	4,4
1,3 W!	2,3	3,3	4,3
1,2 <b>A</b> S OK	2,2 OK	3,2	4,2
1,1 V OK	2,1 B V OK	3,1 p!	4,1

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(b)



# Logic

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# Logic in General

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- ❖ **Logics** is a formal language to represent knowledge so that new knowledge can be inferred from them
- ❖ **Syntax** specify the format of such formal language
- ❖ **Semantics** define meaning of sentences in that language
  - For example, truth value of a sentence
- ❖ For example, in mathematics:
  - $x + 2 \geq y$  is a sentence, but  $x^2 + y >$  isn't
  - $x + 2 \geq y$  is true iff  $x + 2$  is no less than  $y$
  - $x + 2 \geq y$  is true in a world (model) that  $x = 7$ , and  $y = 1$
  - $x + 2 \geq y$  is false in a world that  $x = 0$ , and  $y = 6$

# Models & Entailment

❖ **Models:** “Formally Structured Worlds with Respect to Which Truth Can Be Evaluated”

□ Model  $M$  is a model of  $A$  if  $A$  is true on  $M$

❖ **Entailment** ( $\models$ )

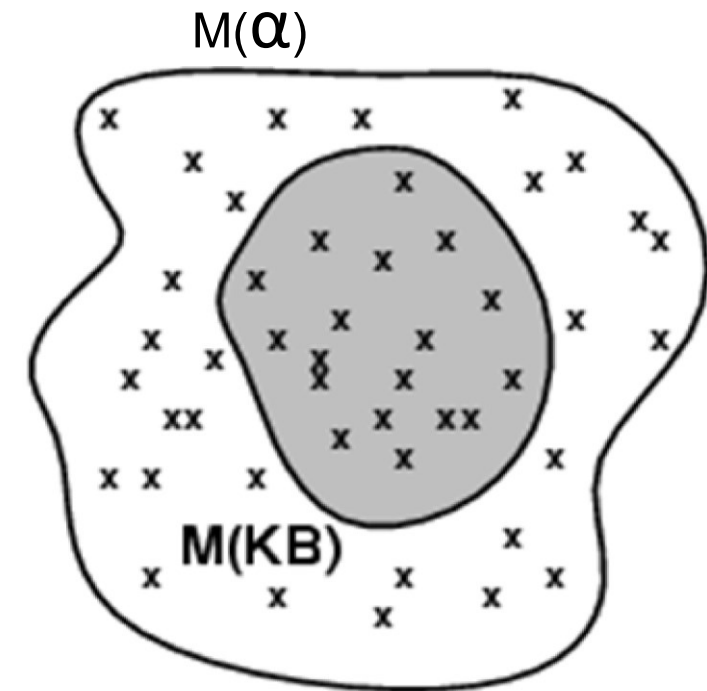
□ Let  $M(X)$  be set of all models of sentence  $X$

□ “ $A \models B$  iff  $M(A) \subseteq M(B)$ ”

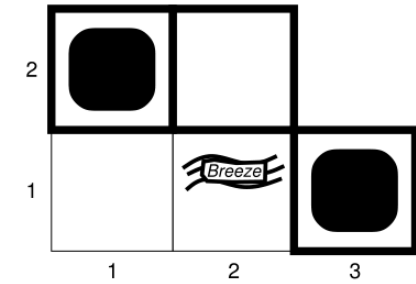
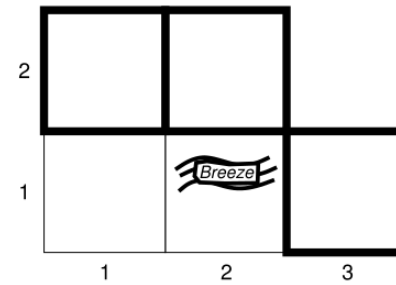
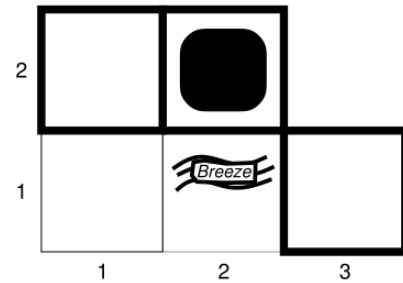
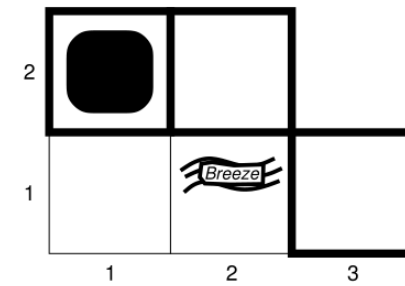
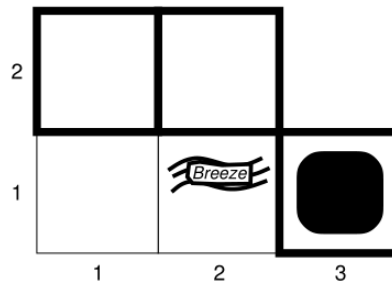
□ Or  $A$  is true in a model that,  $B$  will also be true in that model

□ Example of  $KB \models A$

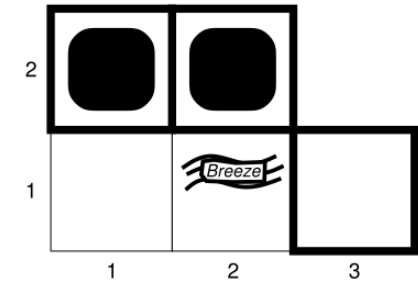
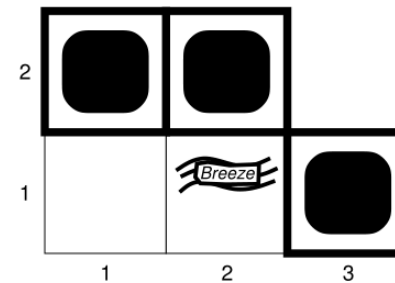
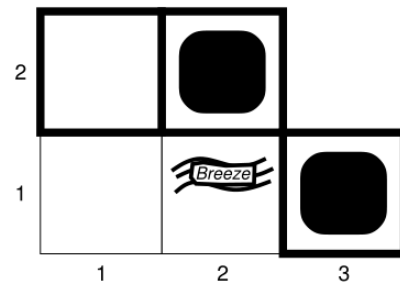
- $Kb$  = “I won a lottery and I went to Bangkok”
- $A$  = “I went to Bangkok”



# Wumpus Models

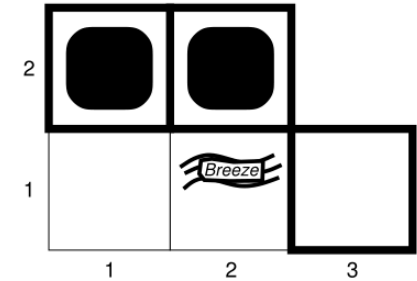
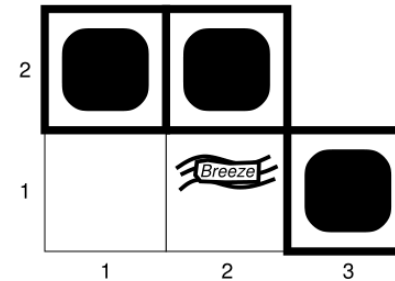
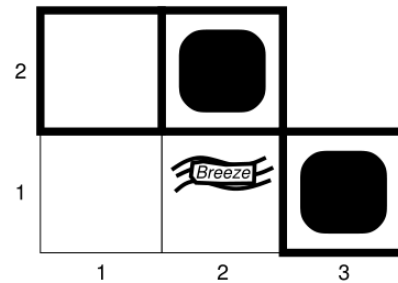
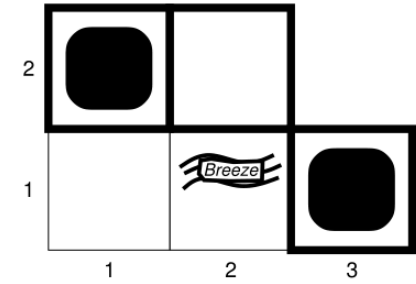
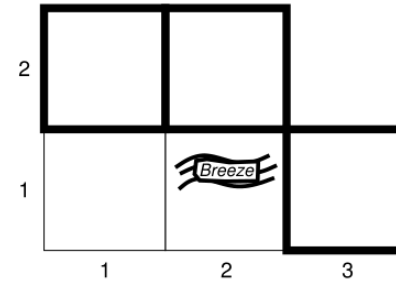
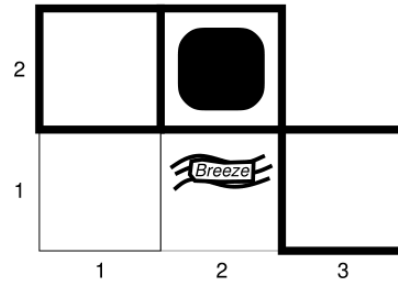
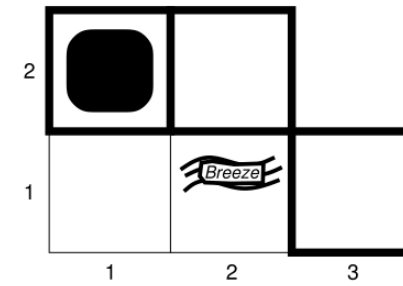
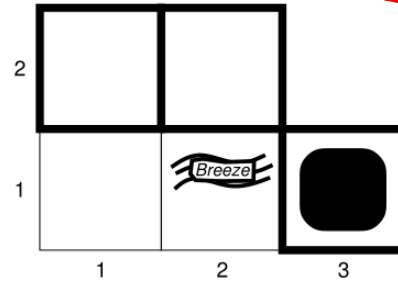


- ❖ “Start at [1, 1]”
- ❖ “Nothing at [1, 1]”
- ❖ “Move to [2, 1]”
- ❖ “[2, 1] is breezy”



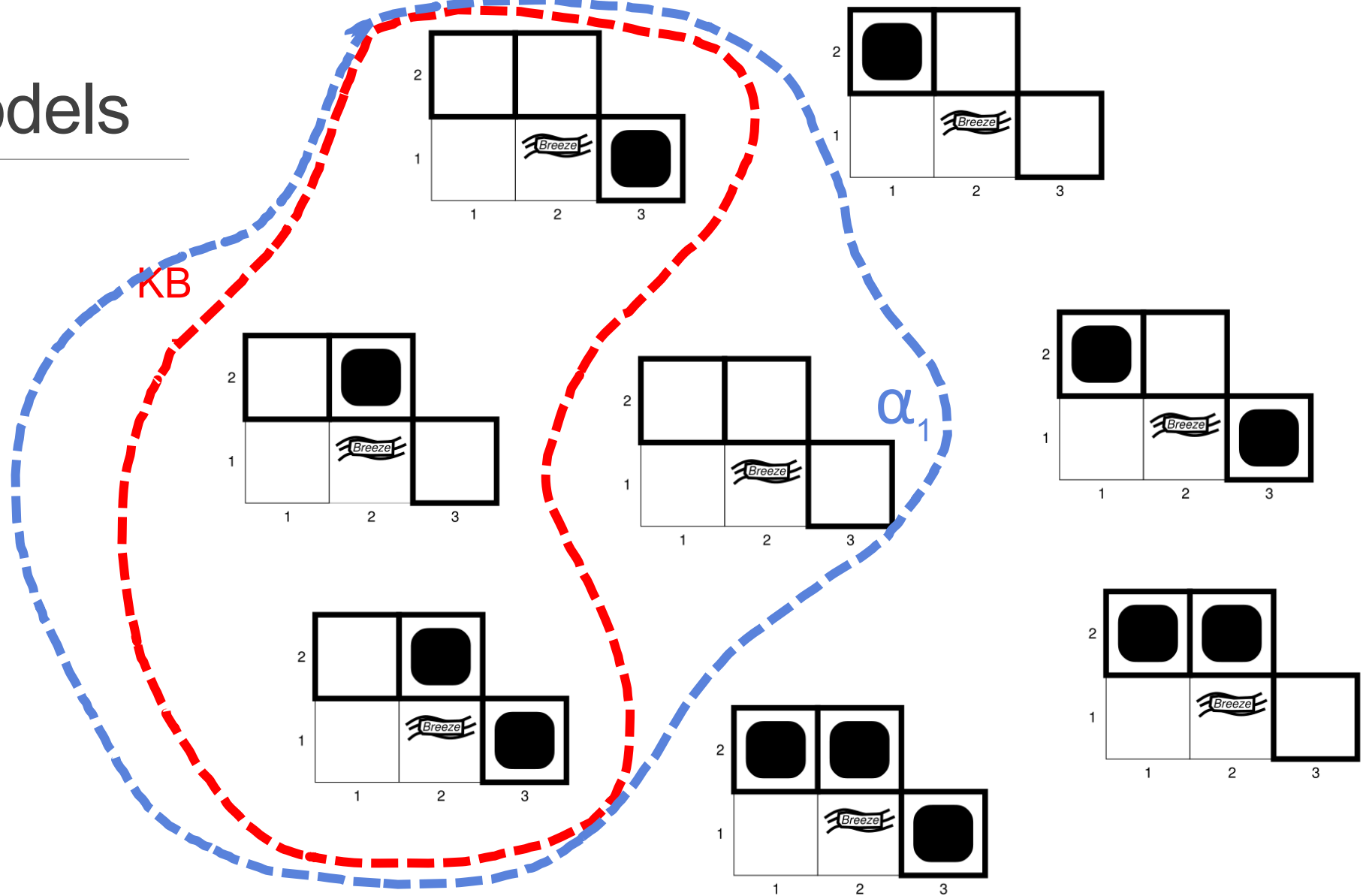
# Wumpus Models

KB



❖ KB = Wumpus-world rules + observations

# Wumpus Models



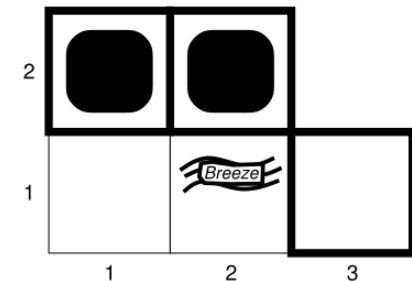
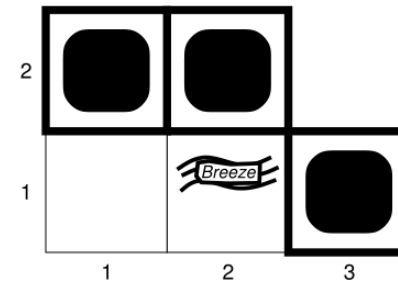
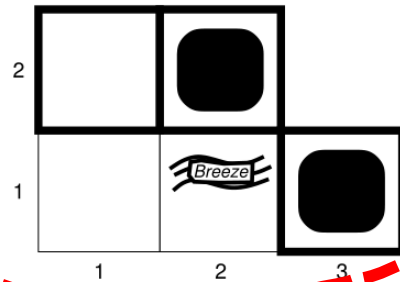
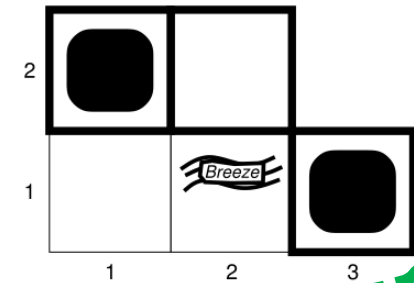
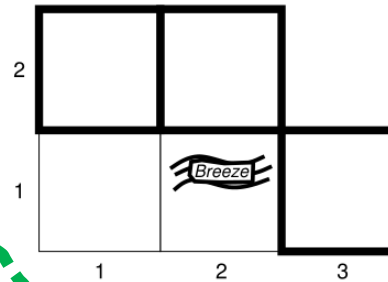
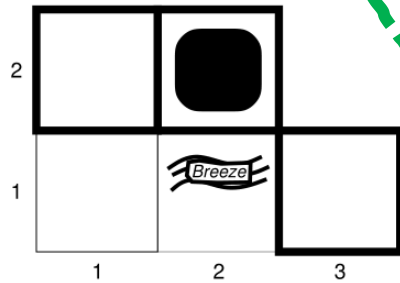
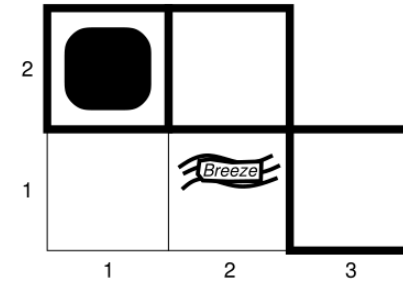
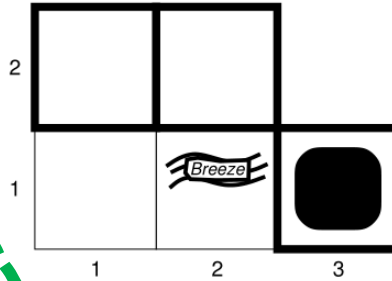
❖  $\alpha_1$  = "[1,2] is safe",  $KB \models \alpha_1$  which can be proven by [model-checking](#)

# Wumpus Models

KB

$\alpha_2$

❖  $\alpha_2 = \text{"[2,2] is safe", KB} \not\models \alpha_2$



# Inference

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❖  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$  – the sentence  $\alpha$  can be inferred from KB with the method  $i$

□ For example, from last pages:  $KB \vdash_{\text{model-checking}} \alpha_1$

❖ Soundness:  $i$  will be a **sound** method if:

If  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$  then  $KB \models \alpha$  always

❖ Completeness:  $i$  will be a **complete** method if:

If  $KB \models \alpha$  then  $KB \vdash_i \alpha$  always



# Propositional Logic

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# Propositional Logic: Syntax

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- ❖ Propositional logic is the simple logic syntax
- ❖ Use proposition symbols (literals)  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$ ,  $B_{1,3}$ , *North* for sentences
- ❖ Use logical connectives to create complex sentence:
  - $\neg$  (not) Negation
  - $\wedge$  (and) Conjunction
  - $\vee$  (or) Disjunction
  - $\Rightarrow$  (implies) Implication
    - *Antecedent/Premise/Body*  $\Rightarrow$  *Conclusion/Consequent/Head*
  - $\Leftrightarrow$  (if and only if, iff) Biconditional

# BNF (Backus-Naur Form) Grammar

Sentence  $\rightarrow$  AtomicSentence |  
ComplexSentence

AtomicSentence  $\rightarrow$  True | False | P | Q | R | ...

ComplexSentence  $\rightarrow$  ( Sentence ) | [ Sentence ]

|  $\neg$  Sentence

| Sentence  $\wedge$  Sentence

| Sentence  $\vee$  Sentence

| Sentence  $\Rightarrow$  Sentence

| Sentence  $\Leftrightarrow$  Sentence

OPERATOR PRECEDENCE :  $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$

# Propositional Logic: Semantics

❖ Each model must assign **truth value** (true/false) to each propositional symbol

□ Example:  $m1 = \{P_{1,2} = \text{false}, P_{2,2} = \text{false}, P_{3,1} = \text{true}\}$

□ If there are 3 symbols  $\rightarrow 2^3 = 8$  possible models

❖ For complex sentence:

□  $\neg P$  is true **iff**  $P$  is false

□  $P \wedge Q$  is true **iff**  $P$  is true **AND**  $Q$  is true

□  $P \vee Q$  is true **iff** at least either  $P$  is true **OR**  $Q$  is true

□  $P \Rightarrow Q$  is true **EXCEPT** when  $P$  is true **AND**  $Q$  is false

□  $P \Leftrightarrow Q$  is true **iff**  $P \Rightarrow Q$  **AND**  $Q \Rightarrow P$

# Truth Tables for Connectives

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$P$	$Q$	$\neg P$	$P \wedge Q$	$P \vee Q$	$P \Rightarrow Q$	$P \Leftrightarrow Q$
false	false	true	false	false	true	true
false	true	true	false	true	true	false
true	false	false	false	true	false	false
true	true	false	true	true	true	true

# Proof Method

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To check that  $KB \models \alpha$

2 main groups:

1. **Model checking** – enumerates all possible models to check if  $\alpha$  is true in all model in which KB is true
  - ☐ Truth table enumeration – very costly for complex problem
2. **Proof by inference rules**
  - ☐ Infer new sentence that does not contradict KB (sound) from existing sentences
  - ☐ Proving by applying inference rules in sequence until is  $\alpha$  found, or new sentences cannot be created

# Enumeration Inference with Truth Tables

- ❖ Create truth table for all literals involved
- ❖ Consider only row where KB is true
  - If the query  $q$  is also true/false, it can be proven true/false by KB
- ❖ Example: let  $P_{i,j}$  be true if there is a pit at  $[i, j]$ , and  $B_{i,j}$  be true if there is breeze at  $[i, j]$
- ❖ Initial Sentences:

$$R_1: \neg P_{1,1}$$

□ “a pit make nearby square breezy”

$$R_2: B_{1,1} \iff (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$$

$$R_3: B_{2,1} \iff (P_{1,1} \vee P_{2,2} \vee P_{3,1})$$

- ❖ After travel to  $[2, 1]$  and observe a breeze

$$R_4: \neg B_{1,1}$$

$$R_5: B_{2,1}$$

?	?	?
?	?	?
	Breeze <b>A</b>	?

# Enumeration Inference with Truth Tables

$B_{1,1}$	$B_{2,1}$	$P_{1,1}$	$P_{1,2}$	$P_{2,1}$	$P_{2,2}$	$P_{3,1}$	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	$R_4$	$R_5$	$KB$
false	false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	true	false	false
false	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	false	true	false	false
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
false	true	false	false	false	false	false	true	true	false	true	true	false
false	true	false	false	false	false	true	true	true	true	true	true	<u>true</u>
false	true	false	false	false	true	false	true	true	true	true	true	<u>true</u>
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$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
true	true	true	true	true	true	true	false	true	true	false	true	false

❖ We got  $P_{1,2} = \text{false}$  in all row that  $KB$  is true



# Proof by Inference Rules

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- ❖ Searching with KB as state

- ❖ Initial State:

  - Initial KB

- ❖ Actions:

  - Using an inference rules with matching conditions

- ❖ Result:

  - Adding the result of the inference rule into KB

- ❖ Goal:

  - KB with query sentence

# Logical Equivalence

❖ **Logical equivalence:** when two sentences are true to the same set of models:  $\alpha \equiv \beta$  iff  $\alpha \models \beta$  and  $\beta \models \alpha$

$$(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha) \quad \text{commutativity of } \wedge$$

$$(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\beta \vee \alpha) \quad \text{commutativity of } \vee$$

$$((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma)) \quad \text{associativity of } \wedge$$

$$((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma)) \quad \text{associativity of } \vee$$

$$\neg(\neg\alpha) \equiv \alpha \quad \text{double-negation elimination}$$

$$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha) \quad \text{contraposition}$$

$$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \beta) \quad \text{implication elimination}$$

$$(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) \equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)) \quad \text{biconditional elimination}$$

$$\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta) \quad \text{de Morgan}$$

$$\neg(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta) \quad \text{de Morgan}$$

$$(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma)) \quad \text{distributivity of } \wedge \text{ over } \vee$$

$$(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma)) \quad \text{distributivity of } \vee \text{ over } \wedge$$

# Validity and Satisfiability

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- ❖ A sentence is **valid** when it is true in all possible model
  - Examples:  $True$ ,  $A \vee \neg A$ ,  $A \Rightarrow A$ ,  $(A \wedge (A \Rightarrow B)) \Rightarrow B$
- ❖ Validity helps with inference by **deduction theorem**:
  - $KB \models \alpha$  iff  $(KB \Rightarrow \alpha)$  is valid
- ❖ A sentence is **satisfiable** if it can be true in some models
  - Examples:  $A \vee B$ ,  $C$
- ❖ A sentence is **unsatisfiable** if it **cannot** be true in any model
  - Examples:  $A \wedge \neg A$
- ❖ Satisfiability relates to inference as followed:
  - $KB \models \alpha$  iff  $(KB \wedge \neg \alpha)$  is unsatisfiable

# Example of Inference Rules

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## ❖ Modus Ponens

$$\frac{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta, \quad \alpha}{\beta}$$

## ❖ And-Elimination

$$\frac{\alpha \wedge \beta}{\alpha}$$

## ❖ Biconditional Elimination

$$\frac{\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta}{(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)} \text{ AND } \frac{(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)}{\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta}$$

# Forward and Backward Chaining

❖ Prove by inference rules

❖ KB in **Horn From**

□ KB = Conjunction ( $\wedge$ ) of **Horn clauses**

□ Horn clauses include

- **Fact**: single proposition symbol (**literal**)
- Implication: **Premise (Body)**  $\Rightarrow$  **Conclusion (Head)**
- No Negation

❖ Modus ponens results of horn clauses will be also be horn clauses

$$\frac{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \quad \alpha_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha_n \Rightarrow \beta}{\beta}$$

❖ Can be used with forward chaining and backward chaining

□ Linear-time

# Forward Chaining

**function** PL-FC-ENTAILS?(*KB*, *q*) **returns** *true* or *false*

**inputs:**    *KB*, the knowledge base, a set of propositional definite clauses

*q*, the query, a proposition symbol

*count*  $\leftarrow$  a table, where count[*c*] is the number of symbols in *c*'s premise

*inferred*  $\leftarrow$  a table, where inferred[*s*] is initially *false* for all symbols

*agenda*  $\leftarrow$  a queue of symbols, initially symbols known to be *true* in KB

**while** *agenda* is not empty **do**

*p*  $\leftarrow$  POP(*agenda*)

**if** *p* = *q* **then return** *true*

**if** *inferred*[*p*] = false **then**

*inferred*[*p*]  $\leftarrow$  *true*

**for each** clause *c* in KB where *p* is in *c*.PREMISE **do**

            decrement *count*[*c*]

**if** count[*c*] = 0 **then** add *c*.CONCLUSION to agenda

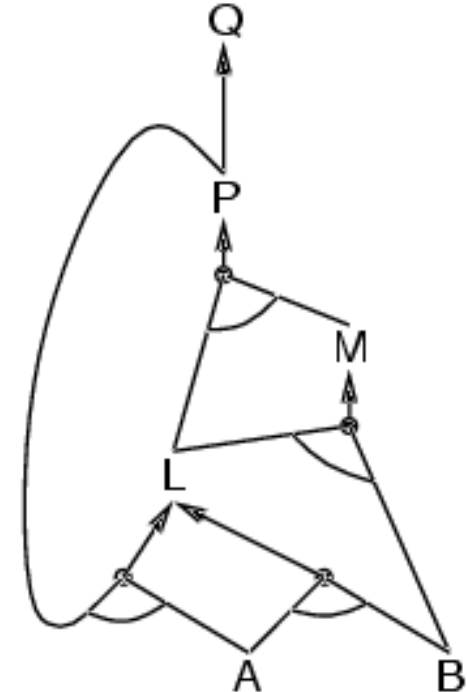
**return** *false*

# Forward Chaining

❖ Idea: Use rules in KB with all true literals in premise

□ Adding conclusion into KB until:

1. Found clause we want to prove (query proven true )  
OR
2. No more clauses can be added (can't prove query)

$$\begin{aligned} P &\Rightarrow Q \\ L \wedge M &\Rightarrow P \\ B \wedge L &\Rightarrow M \\ A \wedge P &\Rightarrow L \\ A \wedge B &\Rightarrow L \\ A \\ B \end{aligned}$$


❖ Sound and complete

# Forward chaining example

Proving Q

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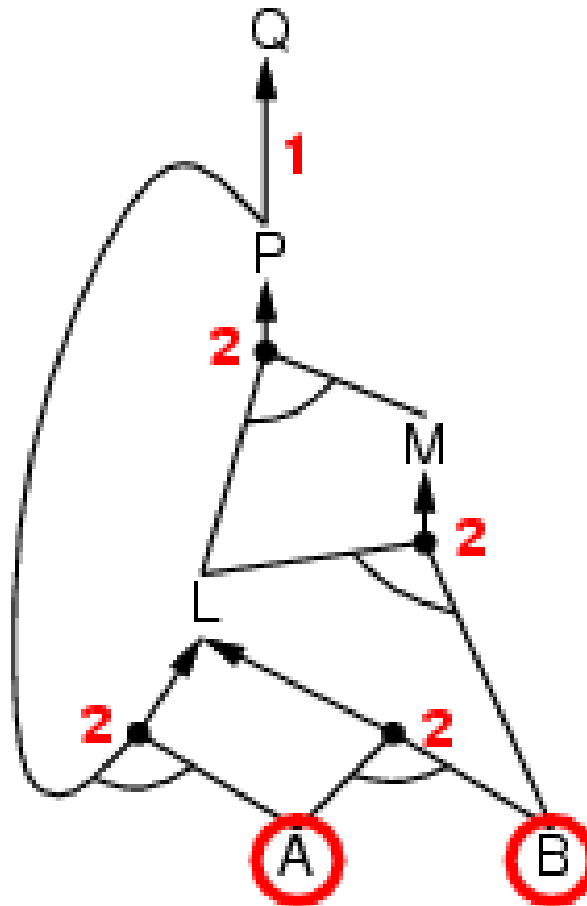
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Agenda = {A, B}





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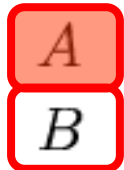
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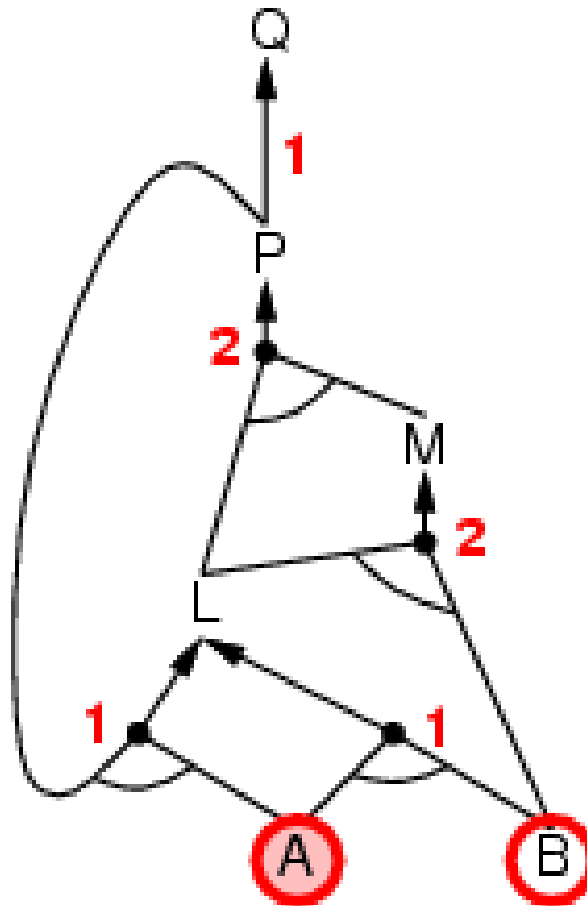
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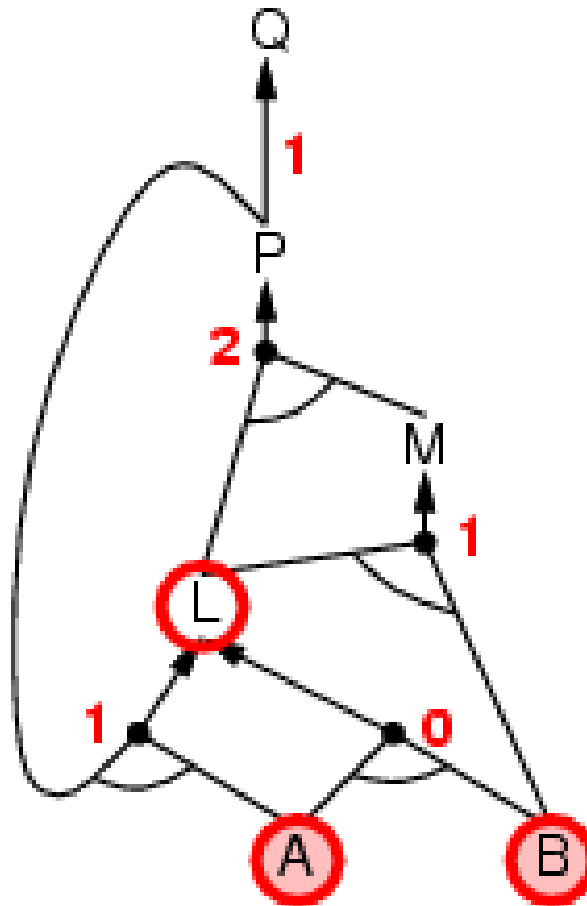
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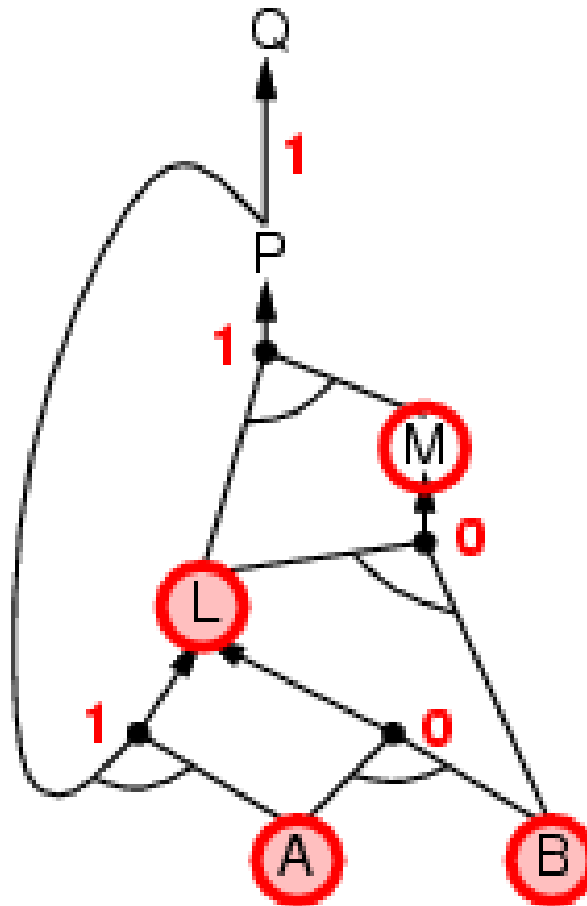
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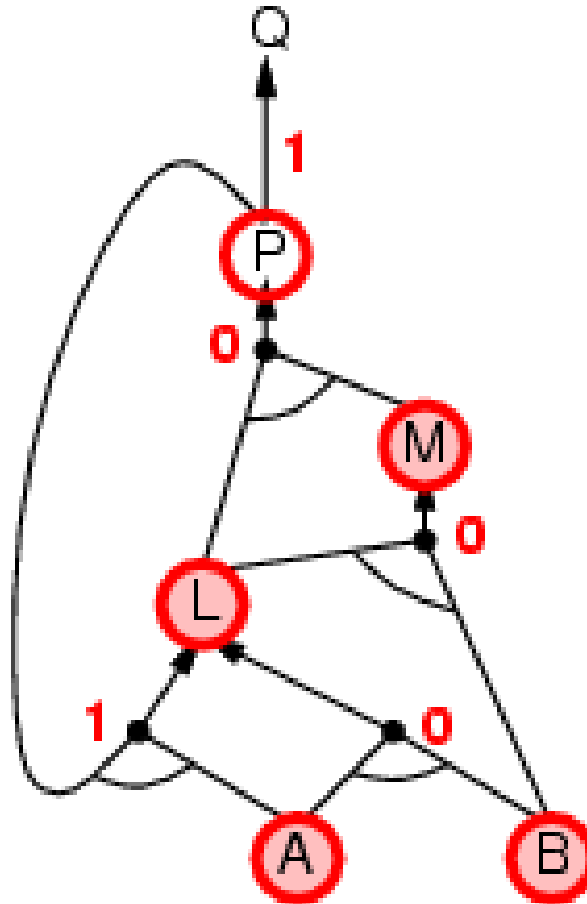
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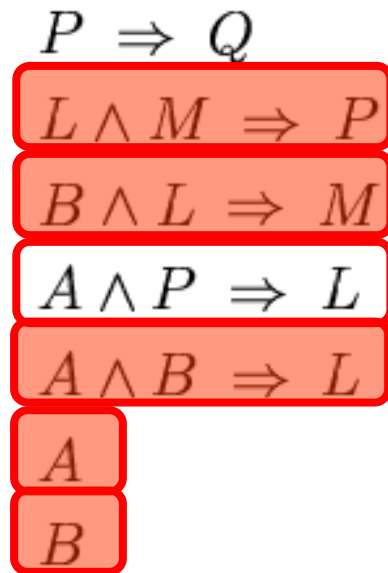
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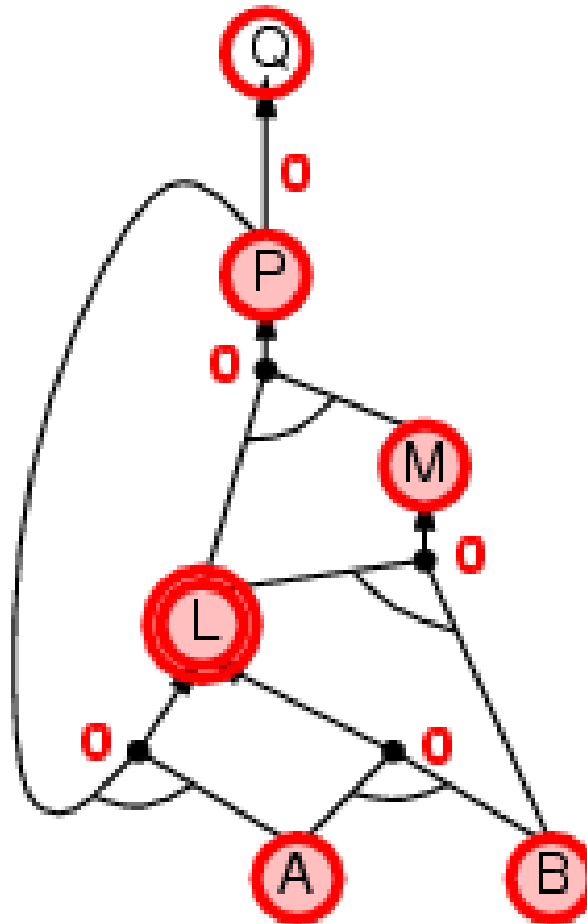
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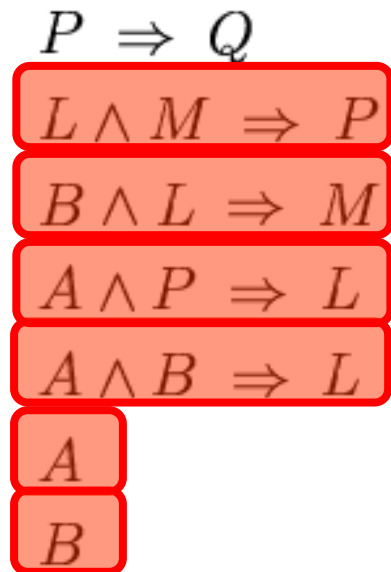
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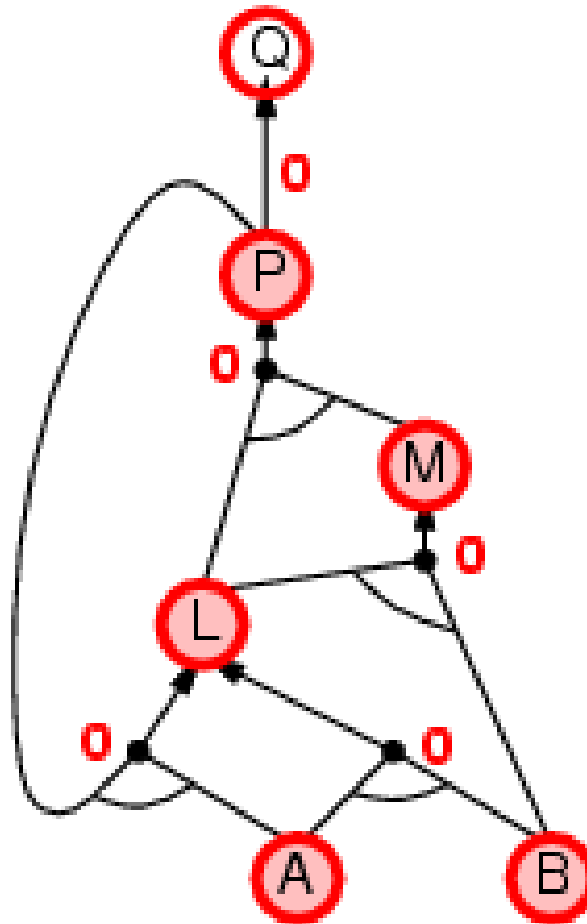
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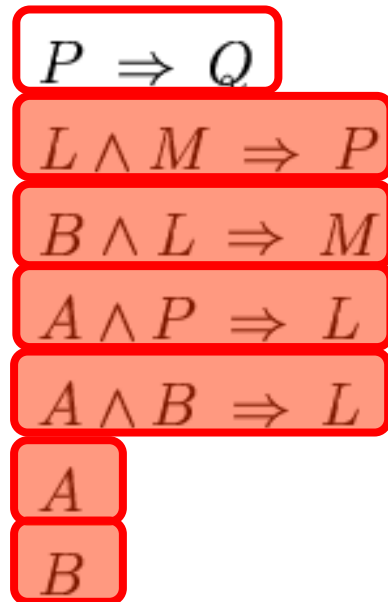
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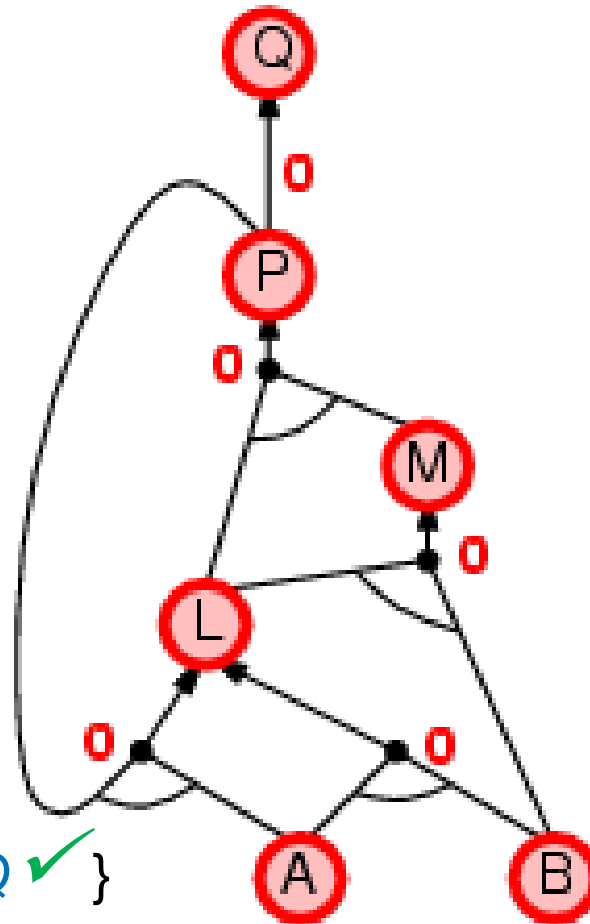


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$Q$  ✓ }



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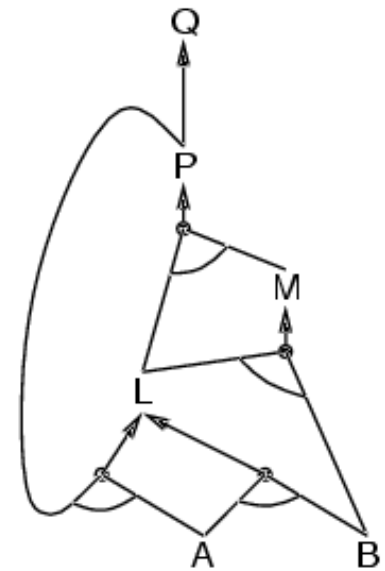
❖ Idea: Start from the target query  $q$

□ Prove  $q$  by:

1. Check whether  $q$  is already proven true
2. If not, check if there is an implication with  $q$  as conclusion. If so, add the premise of that implication as subgoals to be proven

□ To avoid looping: check first if a subgoal already exists

□ To avoid repetition: check first if a subgoal has already been proven true/false

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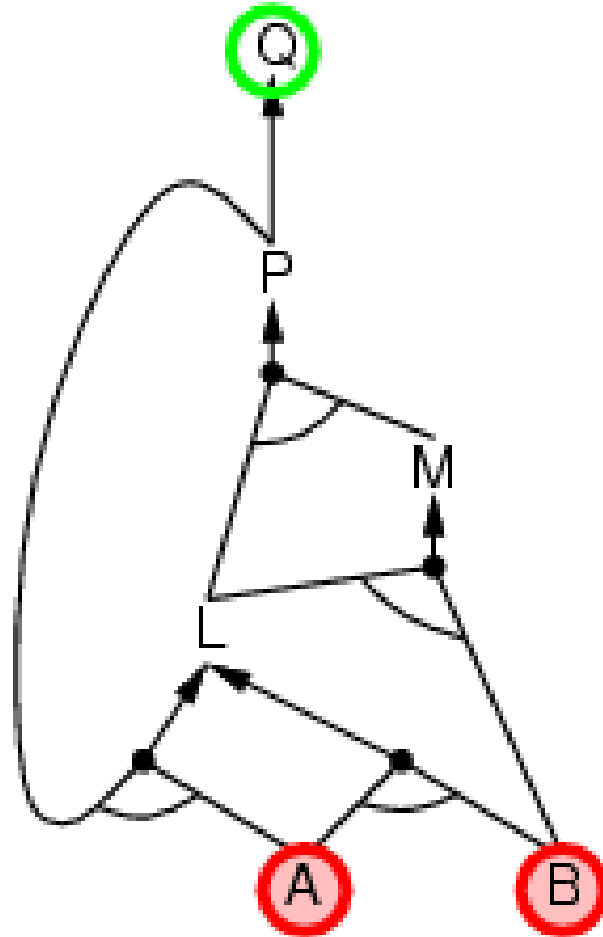
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Query = Q

Subgoals = { Q }



# Backward chaining example

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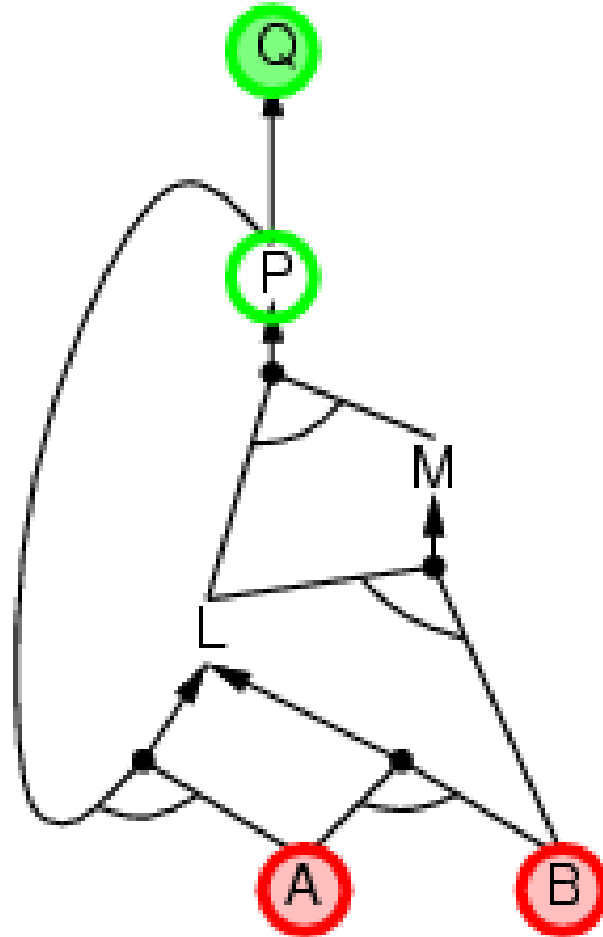
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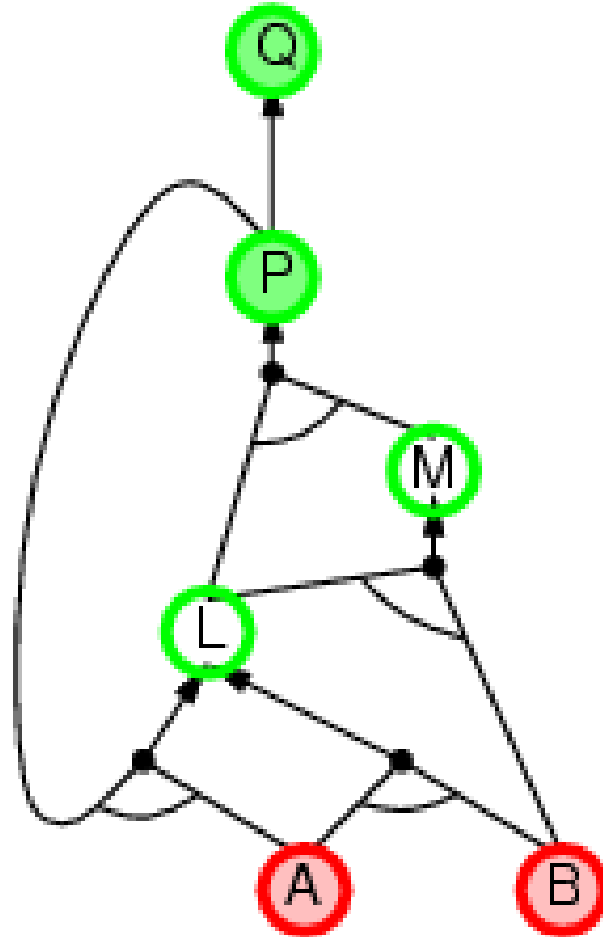
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Subgoals = {  $Q$ ,  $P$  }

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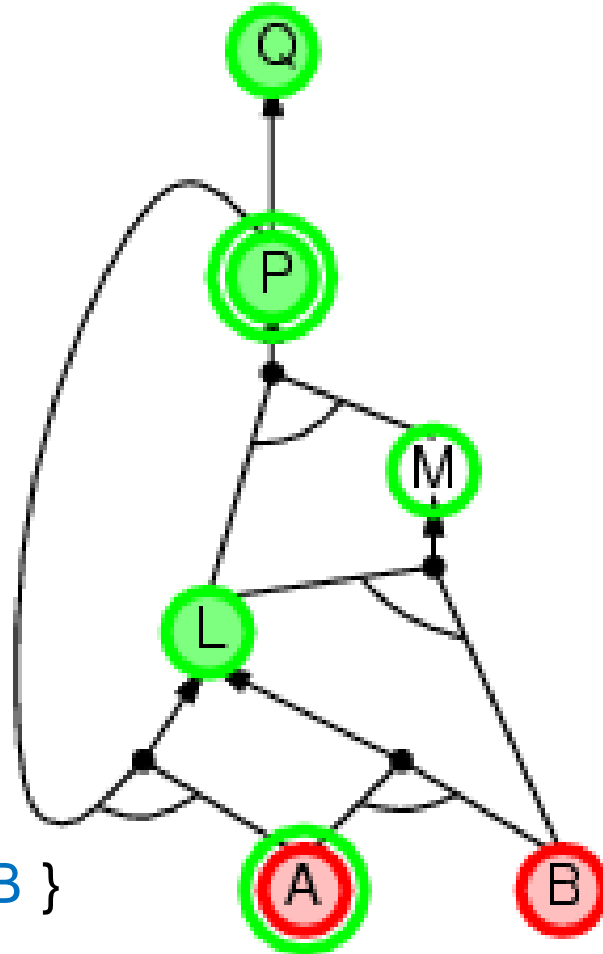
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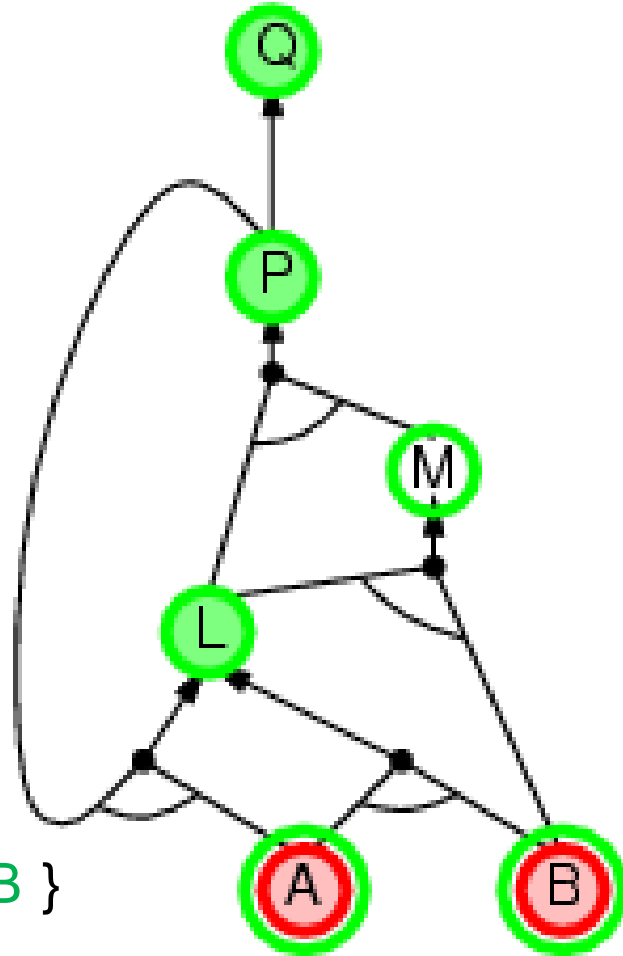
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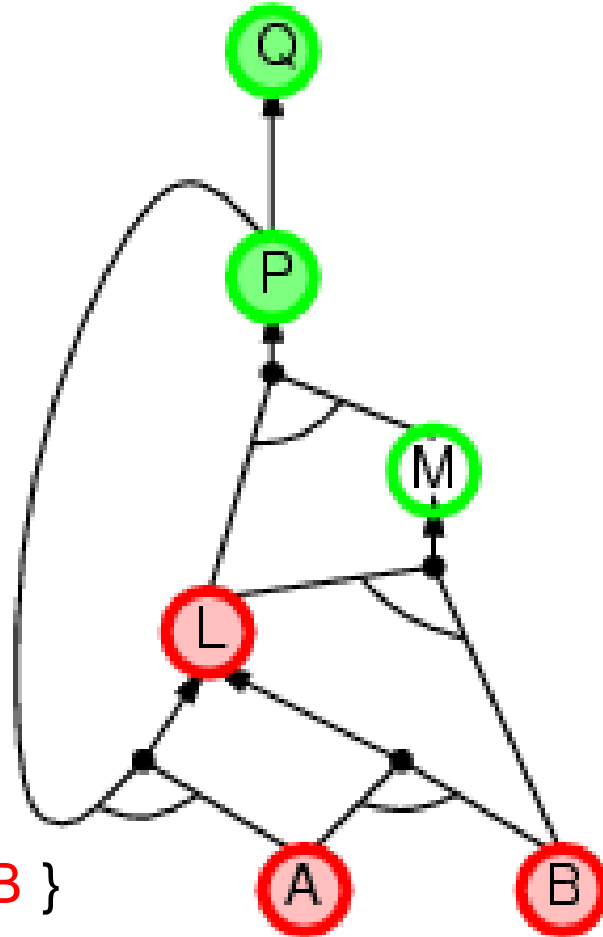
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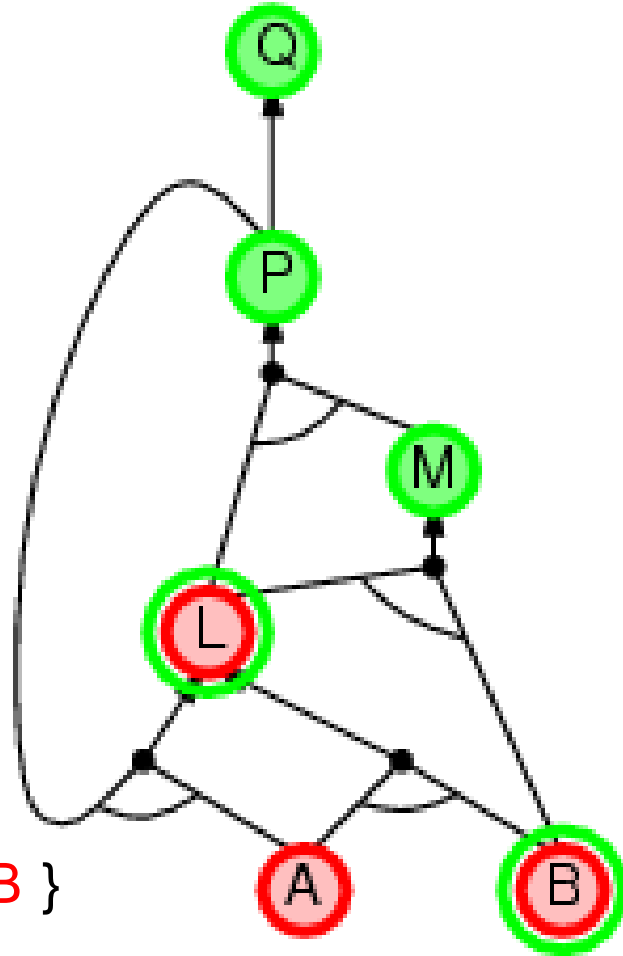
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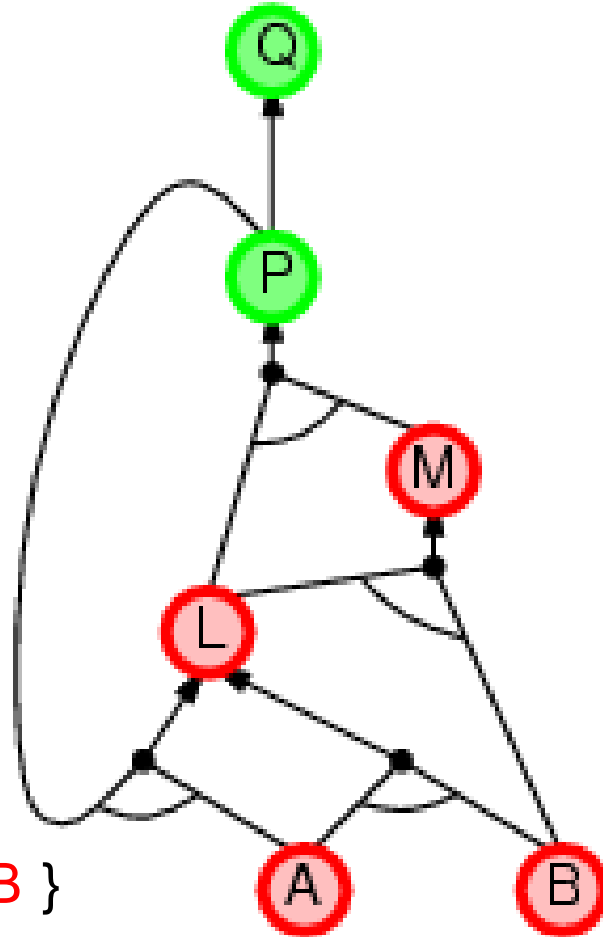
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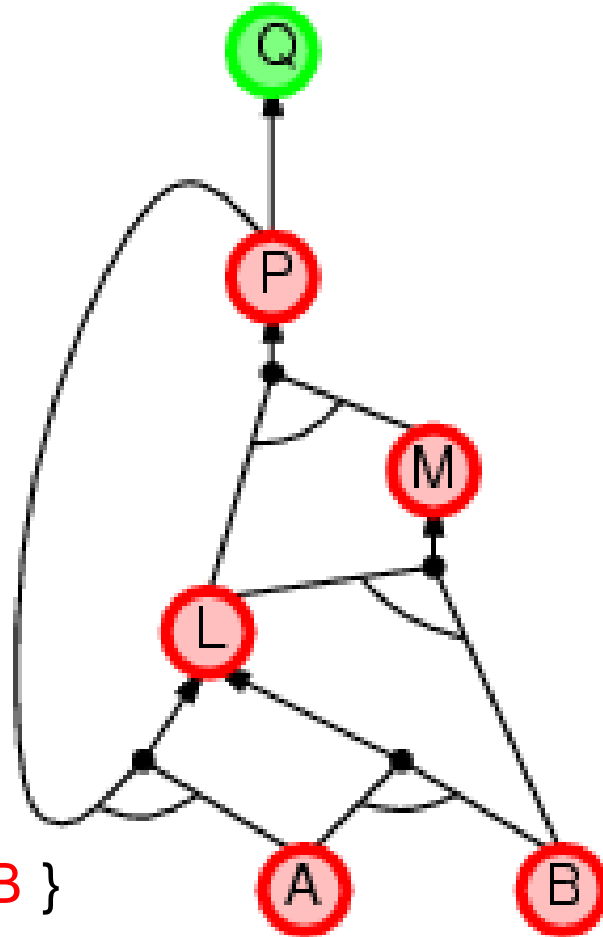


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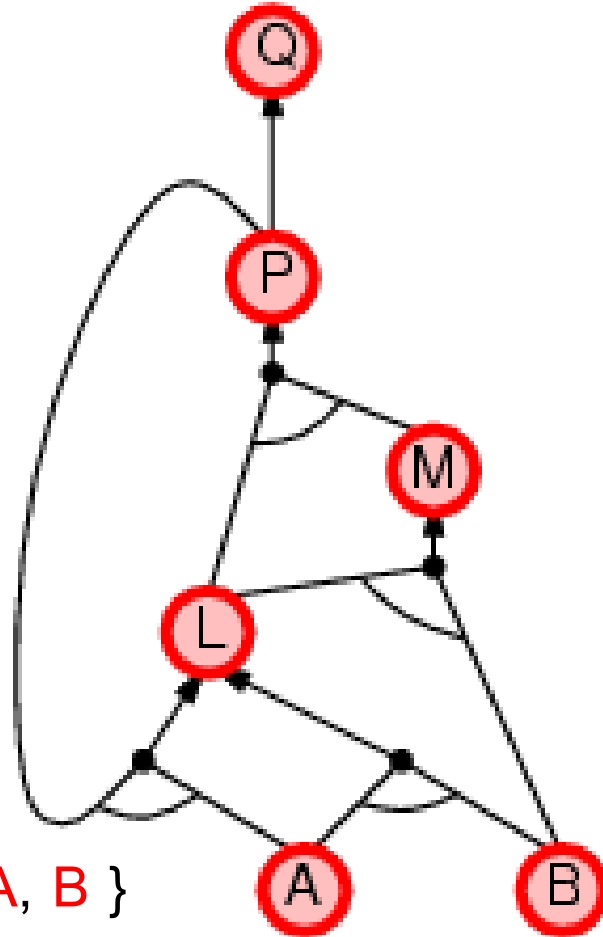
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Subgoals = {  $Q$ ,  $P$ ,  $L$ ,  $M$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$  }

# Backward chaining example

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Subgoals = {  $Q$  ✓,  $P$ ,  $L$ ,  $M$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$  }

# Forward vs. Backward Chaining

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## ❖ Forward chaining is **data-driven reasoning**

- ❑ Start with known data/facts
- ❑ Good for deriving new conclusions for incoming facts
- ❑ Can create unnecessary works, need to keep track of which conclusions are useful/desired

## ❖ Backward chaining is **goal-driven reasoning**

- ❑ The process only touches relevant facts – much less cost
- ❑ Suitable of specific questions
  - “Should I retire?”
  - “Where are my keys?”

# Resolution

- ❖ Logic Representation: Use **conjunctive normal form** (CNF)

- Conjunction ( $\wedge$ ) of disjunctions ( $\vee$ )

- Example:  $(A \vee \neg B) \wedge (B \vee \neg C \vee \neg D)$

- ❖ Use resolution reference rule

$$\frac{l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_k, \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_{i-1} \vee l_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee l_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n}$$

- When  $l_i = \neg m_j$  these two literals in effect eliminate each other

- ❖ Example

$$\frac{P_{1,3} \vee P_{2,2} \quad , \neg P_{2,2}}{P_{1,3}}$$

- ❖ Sound and complete

# Converting Sentences to CNF

Example:  $B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$

1. Eliminate  $\Leftrightarrow$ , by replacing  $\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta$  with  $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$   
 $(B_{1,1} \Rightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge ((P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \Rightarrow B_{1,1})$
2. Eliminate  $\Rightarrow$ , by replacing  $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$  with  $\neg \alpha \vee \beta$ .  
 $(\neg B_{1,1} \vee P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \wedge (\neg(P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \vee B_{1,1})$
3. Distribute  $\neg$  inside the parentheses with de Morgan's rules and Double-negation:  
 $(\neg B_{1,1} \vee P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \wedge ((\neg P_{1,2} \wedge \neg P_{2,1}) \vee B_{1,1})$
4. Use distributivity law to distribute  $\wedge$  inside the parentheses, and  $\vee$  outside the parentheses :  
 $(\neg B_{1,1} \vee P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{1,2} \vee B_{1,1}) \wedge (\neg P_{2,1} \vee B_{1,1})$

# Resolution Algorithm

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❖ To prove  $\alpha$

❖ Use proof by contradiction: prove  $KB \models \alpha$  by showing that we cannot satisfy  $(KB \wedge \neg\alpha)$

1. Add  $\neg\alpha$  into KB to get  $(KB \wedge \neg\alpha)$
2. Convert  $(KB \wedge \neg\alpha)$  into CNF
3. Use resolution inference rule and add the results into KB until:
  1. Resolve into empty clause  $\rightarrow KB \models \alpha$
  2. No more clauses to be added  $\rightarrow KB$  does not entail  $\alpha$

# Resolution Algorithm

**function** PL-RESOLUTION( $KB$ ,  $\alpha$ ) **returns** *true* or *false*

**inputs:**  $KB$ , the knowledge base, sentences in propositional logic

$\alpha$ , the query, a sentence in propositional logic

*clauses*  $\leftarrow$  the set of clauses in the CNF representation of  $KB \wedge \neg\alpha$

*new*  $\leftarrow \{\}$

**loop do**

**for each** pair of clauses  $C_i$ ,  $C_j$  **in** *clauses* **do**

*resolvents*  $\leftarrow$  PL-RESOLVE( $C_i$ ,  $C_j$ )

**if** *resolvents* contains the empty clause **then return** *true*

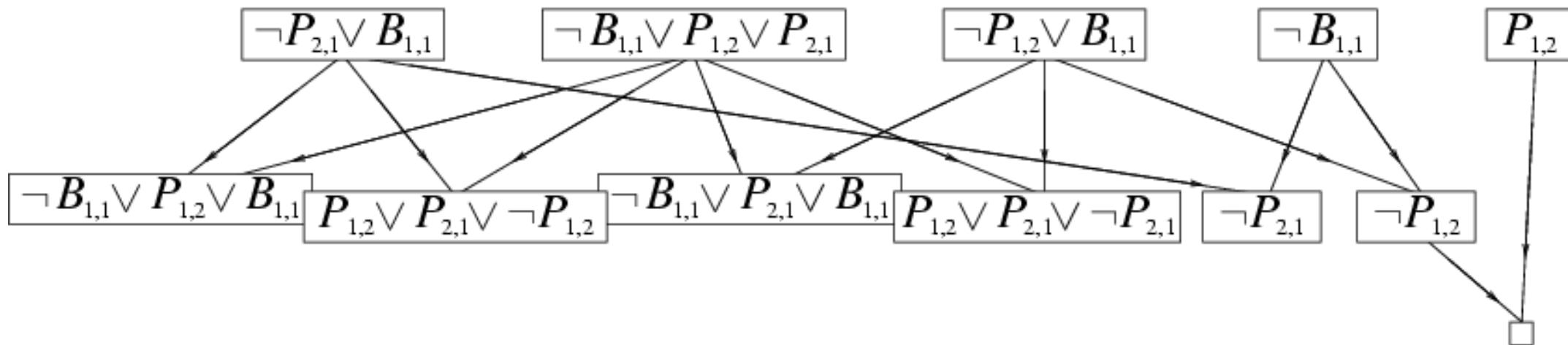
*new*  $\leftarrow$  *new*  $\cup$  *resolvents*

**if** *new*  $\subseteq$  *clauses* **then return** *false* #no new clause

*clauses*  $\leftarrow$  *clauses*  $\cup$  *new*

# Example of Resolution

❖  $KB = (B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})) \wedge \neg B_{1,1} \quad \alpha = \neg P_{1,2}$





# Limits of Propositional Logic

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- ❖ No variable, so you will need a rule for each object
- ❖ Example (Wumpus' world): you will need a rule for the existence of pit in a square
  - $B_{1,1} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,2} \vee P_{2,1})$
  - $B_{1,2} \Leftrightarrow (P_{1,1} \vee P_{1,3} \vee P_{2,2})$
  - ...
- ❖ Need a more expressive language

# First-order Logic

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# First-order Logic

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❖ First-order logic (FOL) consists of:

□ **Objects**: nouns and noun phrases in the problem domain

- Examples: people, houses, numbers, colors, baseball games, wars, ...

□ **Relations**: verbs, verb phrases, adjectives and adverbs that refer to relation among objects.

- Examples: red, round, prime, brother of, bigger than, part of, comes between, ...

□ **Functions**: relations that represents an object

- Examples: father of, best friend, one more than, +, ...

➤ Which explain **domain elements** in a problem **domain**

❖ Each symbol in FOL needed to be given **interpretation**: what it means

# Syntax of First-order Logic

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## Components

- ❖ Constants: *Tom, Bob, 2*
- ❖ Variables (lowercase): *x, y*
- ❖ Predicates: *HasCold(Steven)*
- ❖ Functions: *+, Father(Steven)*
- ❖ Connectives:  $\wedge, \vee, \neg, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$
- ❖ Equality:  $=$
- ❖ Quantifiers:  $\forall, \exists$

*Sentence*  $\rightarrow$  *AtomicSentence* | *Sentence*

*AtomicSentence*  $\rightarrow$  *Predicate* | *Predicate*(*Term*,...)  
| *Term* = *Term*

*ComplexSentence*  $\rightarrow$  (*Sentence*)  
|  $\neg$  *Sentence*  
| *Sentence*  $\wedge$  *Sentence*  
| *Sentence*  $\vee$  *Sentence*  
| *Sentence*  $\Rightarrow$  *Sentence*  
| *Sentence*  $\Leftrightarrow$  *Sentence*  
| *Quantifier* *Variable*,... *Sentence*

*Term*  $\rightarrow$  *Function*(*Term*,...)

| *Constant*

| *Variable*

*Quantifier*  $\rightarrow$   $\forall$  |  $\exists$

*Constant*  $\rightarrow$  *A* | *X*<sub>1</sub> | *John* | ...

*Variable*  $\rightarrow$  *a* | *x* | *s* | ...

*Predicate*  $\rightarrow$  *True* | *False* | *After* |  
*Loves* | *HasCold*

*Function*  $\rightarrow$  *Mother* | *LeftLeg* | ...

*Operator Precedence* :  $\neg, =, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$

# Function vs. Predicate

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- ❖ **Function** symbol represents a function will return an object

$$\textit{Advisor}(\textit{John}) = \textit{Tom}$$

- ❖ **Predicate** symbol represents relation, and will return a truth value (true/false/unknown)

$$\textit{IsAdvisor}(\textit{ProfRoberts}, \textit{John}) = \textit{false}$$

- ❖ Both will have **arity**: number of arguments they can take

# Terms & Quantifiers

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❖ **Terms** include everything that represent objects

- Constants, variables, functions

- A term with no variable is called a **ground term**

❖ **Quantifiers** are symbols for expressing properties for the entire collections of objects

- We have universal quantification (for all... ,  $\forall$ )  
and existential quantification (for some... ,  $\exists$ )

# Quantifiers (cont.)

❖ Quantifiers can be nested, but order of nesting is important

□ Considering  $FBFriend(x, y)$  to mean “ $x$  is a Facebook friend with  $y$ ”, the compared the following sentences

$$\forall x \exists y FBFriend(x, y)$$

$$\exists y \forall x FBFriend(x, y)$$

❖ Quantifiers and negations

$$\neg \forall x P(x) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$$

$$\neg \exists x P(x) \equiv \forall x \neg P(x)$$



# Assumptions:

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- ❖ **Unique-names Assumption:** every constant symbol refer to a distinct object Object
- ❖ **Close World Assumption:** atomic sentences not known to be (or, cannot proven to be) true are in fact false
- ❖ **Domain Closure:** each model contains no more domain elements than those named by the constant symbols

# Using First-order Logic

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- ❖ FOL KB can be updated using **assertion**, adding new sentence into KB and **retraction**, removing sentence from KB
- ❖ KB can be asked with **queries** or **goals**
  - And the answer can be *true/false* of **substitution list**, list of variable substitution to make the goal true

# Example: Wumpus World

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- ❖ Precept predicate can be used to describe what is perceived at the time

*Percept([Stench, Breeze, Glitter, None, None])*

- ❖ And can be used to check current status at time  $t$

$\forall t, s, g, m, c \text{ Percept}([s, \text{Breeze}, g, m, c], t) \Rightarrow \text{Breeze}(t)$

$\forall t, s, b, m, c \text{ Percept}([s, b, \text{Glitter}, m, c], t) \Rightarrow \text{Glitter}(t)$

- ❖ Also used for reflex behavior

$\forall t \text{ Glitter}(t) \Rightarrow \text{Grab}(t)$

# Example: Wumpus World (cont.)

- ❖ Can also be used to explain more complex relationship, for example, whether the location  $[x, y]$  is adjacent to location  $[a, b]$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x, y, a, b \text{ Adjacent}([x, y], [a, b]) \Leftrightarrow \\ (x = a \wedge (y = b - 1 \vee y = b + 1)) \\ \vee (y = b \wedge (x = a - 1 \vee x = a + 1)) \end{aligned}$$

- ❖ And explain the relationship between location ( $s$ ) and time ( $t$ ).  $At(s, t)$ . Note that variable of the same name on different sentences can represent different types of objects altogether

$$\forall s, t \text{ At}(s, t) \wedge \text{Breeze}(t) \Rightarrow \text{Breezy}(s)$$

# Example: Wumpus World (cont.)

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- ❖ Then, we use those to explain the relationship between pit and breeze. Variable  $r$  and  $s$  represent locations

$$\forall s \text{ Breezy}(s) \iff \exists r \text{ Adjacent}(r, s) \wedge \text{Pit}(r)$$

- ❖ Need fewer rules than propositional logic

# Knowledge Engineering in FOL

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❖ Or, how to create a knowledge base in FOL form

1. Identify the questions

- ☐ All questions that can be asked in the problem domain
- ☐ KB should have enough knowledge to cover those questions

2. Assemble the relevant knowledge – **knowledge acquisition**

- ☐ Not yet represented formally (by FOL, in this case)

3. Decide on a vocabulary of predicates, functions, and constants

- ☐ Need to identify all symbols in the problem domain
- ☐ Create **ontology**: determines what kinds of things exist, but does not determine their specific properties and interrelationships

# Knowledge Engineering in FOL (cont.)

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4. Encode general knowledge about the domain
  - ☐ Meaning of symbols
  - ☐ General relationship
  - ☐ May need to include **common knowledge** not specified in the problem statement
5. Encode a description of the problem instance
  - ☐ Writing simple sentences about instances of concepts that are already part of the ontology
6. Pose queries to the inference procedure and get answers
7. Debug and evaluate the knowledge base

# Example – Criminal Problem

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“The law says that it is a crime for an American to sell weapons to hostile nations. The country Nono, an enemy of America, has some missiles, and all of its missiles were sold to it by Colonel West, who is American.

is Colonel West a criminal?”

❖ Part 1 – 2 are done.



# Example – Criminal Problem (cont.)

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## 3. Deciding on a vocabulary (and their meaning, which is part 4.)

❖ Constants: West, America, Nono

❖ Predicates:

☐ *American*( $x$ ) –  $x$  is an American

☐ *Criminal*( $x$ ) –  $x$  is a criminal

☐ *Enemy*( $x, y$ ) –  $x$  is an enemy of  $y$

☐ *Hostile*( $x$ ) –  $x$  is a hostile nation

(to America)

☐ *Missile*( $x$ ) –  $x$  is a missile

☐ *Owns*( $x, y$ ) –  $x$  owns  $y$

☐ *Weapon*( $x$ ) –  $x$  is a weapon

☐ *Sells*( $x, y, z$ ) –  $x$  sells  $z$   $y$

# Example – Criminal Problem (cont.)

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## 4. Encode general knowledge about the domain

- ❖ (Common knowledge) “A missile is a weapon”

$$\forall x \text{ Missile}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Weapon}(x)$$

- ❖ (Common knowledge) “An enemy of America is a hostile nation”

$$\forall x,y \text{ Enemy}(x, \text{America}) \Rightarrow \text{Hostile}(x)$$

- ❖ “The law says that it is a crime for an American to sell weapons to hostile nations”

$$\forall x,y,z \text{ American}(x) \wedge \text{Weapon}(y) \wedge \text{Sells}(x, y, z) \wedge \text{Hostile}(z) \\ \Rightarrow \text{Criminal}(x)$$

# Example – Criminal Problem (cont.)

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## 5. Encode a description of the problem instance

- ❖ “The country Nono is an enemy of America”

*$Enemy(Nono, America)$*

- ❖ “The country Nono has some missiles” (use conjunction for  $\exists$ )

*$\exists y \text{ Missile}(y) \wedge Owns(Nono, y)$*

- ❖ “Colonel West is American”

*$American(West)$*

- ❖ “All of Nono’s missiles were sold to it by Colonel West”

*$\forall x \text{ Missile}(x) \wedge Owns(Nono, x) \Rightarrow Sells(West, x, Nono)$*

# Example – Criminal Problem (cont.)

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**We now have a KB**

- *American(West)*
- *Enemy(Nono, America)*
- $\forall x \text{ Missile}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Weapon}(x)$
- $\forall x,y \text{ Enemy}(x, \text{America}) \Rightarrow \text{Hostile}(x)$
- $\forall x,y,z \text{ American}(x) \wedge \text{Weapon}(y) \wedge \text{Sells}(x, y, z) \wedge \text{Hostile}(z) \Rightarrow \text{Criminal}(x)$
- $\forall x \text{ Missile}(x) \wedge \text{Owns}(\text{Nono}, x) \Rightarrow \text{Sells}(\text{West}, x, \text{Nono})$
- $\exists y \text{ Missile}(y) \wedge \text{Owns}(\text{Nono}, y)$

# Inference with FOL

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- ❖ Create new sentences from existing KB ( $KB \models \alpha_1$ )
  - Either just true/false answer, or substitution list
- ❖ To use inference technique mentioned earlier, FOL sentences need to be converted to propositional logic first
  - Need to substitute all variables, or dealing with quantifiers

# Dealing with Quantifiers

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- ❖ Substitute variables to get rid of quantifiers
- ❖  $\text{SUBST}(\{v/g\}, \alpha)$ , substitutes ground term  $g$  into variable  $v$  in sentence  $\alpha$
- ❖ UNIFY
  - $\text{UNIFY}(p, q) = \theta$  when  $\text{SUBST}(\theta, p) = \text{SUBST}(\theta, q)$
  - $\theta$  is a unifier between  $p$  and  $q$ 
    - $\theta$  is a substitution list that will make sentences  $p$  and  $q$  turn into the same sentence

# Unification Algorithm

**function** UNIFY( $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $\theta$ ) **returns** a substitution to make  $x$  and  $y$  identical

**inputs:**      $x$ , a variable, constant, list, or compound expression ( $F(x)$ )

$y$ , a variable, constant, list, or compound expression

$\theta$ , the substitution built up so far (optional, defaults to empty)

**if**  $\theta = \text{failure}$  **then return**  $\text{failure}$

**else if**  $x = y$  **then return**  $\theta$

**else if** VARIABLE?( $x$ ) **then return** UNIFY-VAR( $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $\theta$ )

**else if** VARIABLE?( $y$ ) **then return** UNIFY-VAR( $y$ ,  $x$ ,  $\theta$ )

**else if** COMPOUND?( $x$ ) **and** COMPOUND?( $y$ ) **then**

**return** UNIFY( $x$ .ARGS,  $y$ .ARGS, UNIFY( $x$ .OP,  $y$ .OP,  $\theta$ ))

**else if** LIST?( $x$ ) **and** LIST?( $y$ ) **then**

**return** UNIFY( $x$ .REST,  $y$ .REST, UNIFY( $x$ .FIRST,  $y$ .FIRST,  $\theta$ ))

**else return**  $\text{failure}$

In case of compound  $F(s, t)$

$F(s, t).OP = F$

$F.ARGS = \{s, t\}$

**function** UNIFY-VAR( $var$ ,  $x$ ,  $\theta$ ) **returns** a substitution

**if**  $\{var/val\} \in \theta$  **then return** UNIFY( $val$ ,  $x$ ,  $\theta$ )

**else if**  $\{x/val\} \in \theta$  **then return** UNIFY( $var$ ,  $val$ ,  $\theta$ )

**else if** OCCUR-CHECK?( $var$ ,  $x$ ) **then return**  $\text{failure}$

**else return** add  $\{var/x\}$  to  $\theta$

OCCUR-CHECK will check whether a term exists in another term, such as  $S(x)$  in  $S(S(x))$

# SUBST and UNIFY Examples

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- ❖  $\text{SUBST}(\{x/\text{Mary}\}, \text{Knows}(\text{John}, x)) = \text{Know}(\text{John}, \text{Mary})$
- ❖  $\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John}, x), \text{Knows}(\text{John}, \text{Jane})) = \{x/\text{Jane}\}$
- ❖  $\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John}, x), \text{Knows}(y, \text{Bill})) = \{x/\text{Bill}, y/\text{John}\}$
- ❖  $\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John}, x), \text{Knows}(y, \text{Mother}(y))) = \{y/\text{John}, x/\text{Mother}(\text{John})\}$
- ❖  $\text{UNIFY}(\text{Knows}(\text{John}, x), \text{Knows}(x, \text{Elizabeth})) = \text{fail}$



# Dealing with Quantifiers (cont.)

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## ❖ Universal Instantiation (UI)

$$\frac{\forall v \alpha}{\text{SUBST}(\{v/g\}, \alpha)}$$

- ❑ Where  $g$  is a ground term
- ❑ Creating new sentence
- ❑ Can be done multiple time on  $\alpha$  with different ground term

# Dealing with Quantifiers (cont.)

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## Example of UI

❖ If in KB, we have

$$\forall x \text{ CMUStudent}(x) \Rightarrow \text{GoodLooking}(x)$$

and the Constants: *Ken, Toon, Yo*

❖ UI will be able to create the following:

$$\text{CMUStudent}(\text{Ken}) \Rightarrow \text{GoodLooking}(\text{Ken})$$

$$\text{CMUStudent}(\text{Toon}) \Rightarrow \text{GoodLooking}(\text{Toon})$$

$$\text{CMUStudent}(\text{Yo}) \Rightarrow \text{GoodLooking}(\text{Yo})$$

# Dealing with Quantifiers (cont.)

## ❖ Existential Instantiation (EI)

$$\frac{\exists v \alpha}{\text{SUBST}(\{v/k\}, \alpha)}$$

❖  $k$  is a **Skolem Constant**, a constant that does not appear elsewhere in the KB

❖ Example:

□ KB:  $\exists x \text{ Car}(x) \wedge \text{OwnBy}(x, \text{John})$

□ EI can yield  $\text{Car}(C1) \wedge \text{OwnBy}(C1, \text{John})$

- If  $C1$  does not appear in KB before

# Dealing with Quantifiers (cont.)

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- ❖ UI can be used multiple time to the same sentence, adding new sentences
  - The new KB is equivalent to the old KB
- ❖ EI can only be used once per one sentence, replacing the sentence
  - $\exists$  can then be discarded
  - The new KB is **NOT** equivalent to the old KB
  - But the new KB is only satisfiable **iff** the old KB is satisfiable

# Inference Example

## ❖ KB

1. StudyHard(John)
2. StudyHard(Tom)
3. Sick(Tom)
4.  $\neg$ Sick(John)
5.  $\forall x$  StudyHard(x)  
 $\wedge \neg$ Sick(x)  $\Rightarrow$  GetA(x)

## ❖ Query

*GetA(John)*

## ❖ Inference

- 1)  $\text{SUBST}(\{x/\text{John}\}, 5) \rightarrow$   
6. StudyHard(John)  $\wedge \neg$ Sick(John)  $\Rightarrow$   
GetA(John)
- 2) From 1, 2, and 6 use modus ponens:  
  
GetA(John)

Answer: True

# Dealing with Quantifiers (cont.)

## ❖ Generalized Modus Ponens

- For atomic sentences  $p_i, p_i'$  and  $q$
- Where there is a substitution  $\theta$  such that  $\text{SUBST}(\theta, p_i') = \text{SUBST}(\theta, p_i)$ , for all  $i$

$$\frac{p_1', p_2', \dots, p_n', \quad (p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n \Rightarrow q)}{\text{SUBST}(\theta, q)}$$

- ❖ This can be use for forward and backward chaining in FOL

# Preparing FOL KB for Generalized Modus Ponens

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## ❖ Need to convert sentence into Horn form

- ❑ Convert sentences to implication  $\Rightarrow$

- ❑ Use EI to get rid of  $\exists$

- ❑  $\forall$  can be omitted

## ❖ Example: Criminal Problem

- ❑ For sentence  $\exists y \text{ Missile}(y) \wedge \text{Owns}(\text{Nono}, y)$

- ❑ Use EI and replace  $y$  with Skolem constant  $M1$

- ❑ Result:  $\text{Missile}(M1) \wedge \text{Owns}(\text{Nono}, M1)$  – 2 sentences

# Converted Criminal Problem KB

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- *American(West)*
- *Enemy(Nono, America)*
- *Missile(x)  $\Rightarrow$  Weapon(x)*
- *Enemy(x, America)  $\Rightarrow$  Hostile(x)*
- *American(x)  $\wedge$  Weapon(y)  $\wedge$  Sells(x, y, z)  $\wedge$  Hostile(z)  $\Rightarrow$  Criminal(x)*
- *Missile(x)  $\wedge$  Owns(Nono, x)  $\Rightarrow$  Sells(West, x, Nono)*
- *Missile(M1)*
- *Owns(Nono, M1)*



# Inference in FOL – Forward Chaining

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## ❖ Data-driven

- Start with existing sentences in KB
- Use generalized modus ponens to create new sentences, until
  1. Goal is created (succeed)
  2. No sentences can be created (fail)
- If succeed, return substitution list  $\Theta$  that prove the goal

**function** FOL-FC-ASK( $KB$ ,  $\alpha$ ) **returns** a substitution or *false*

**inputs:**  $KB$ , the knowledge base, a set of first-order definite clauses

$\alpha$ , the query, an atomic sentence

**local variables:**  $new$ , the new sentences inferred on each iteration

**repeat until**  $new$  is empty

$new \leftarrow \{\}$

**for each**  $rule$  in  $KB$  **do**

$(p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n \Rightarrow q) \leftarrow \text{STANDARDIZE-VARIABLES}(rule)$

**for each**  $\theta$  such that  $\text{SUBST}(\theta, p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n) = \text{SUBST}(\theta, p'_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p'_n)$  for  
some  $p'_1, \dots, p'_n$  in  $KB$

$q' \leftarrow \text{SUBST}(\theta, q)$

**if**  $q'$  does not unify with some sentence already in  $KB$  or  $new$  **then**

add  $q'$  to  $new$

$\phi \leftarrow \text{UNIFY}(q', \alpha)$

**if**  $\phi$  is not *fail* **then return**  $\phi$

add  $new$  to  $KB$

**return** *false*

Change the name of variables, so unrelated variables  
do not share a name

# Example of Forward Chaining

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*American(West)*

*Missile(MI)*

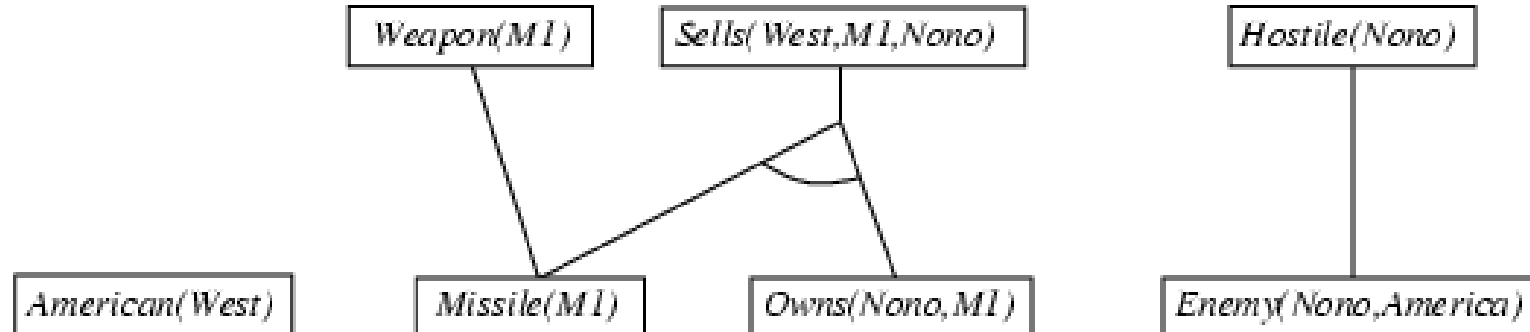
*Owns(Nono,MI)*

*Enemy(Nono,America)*

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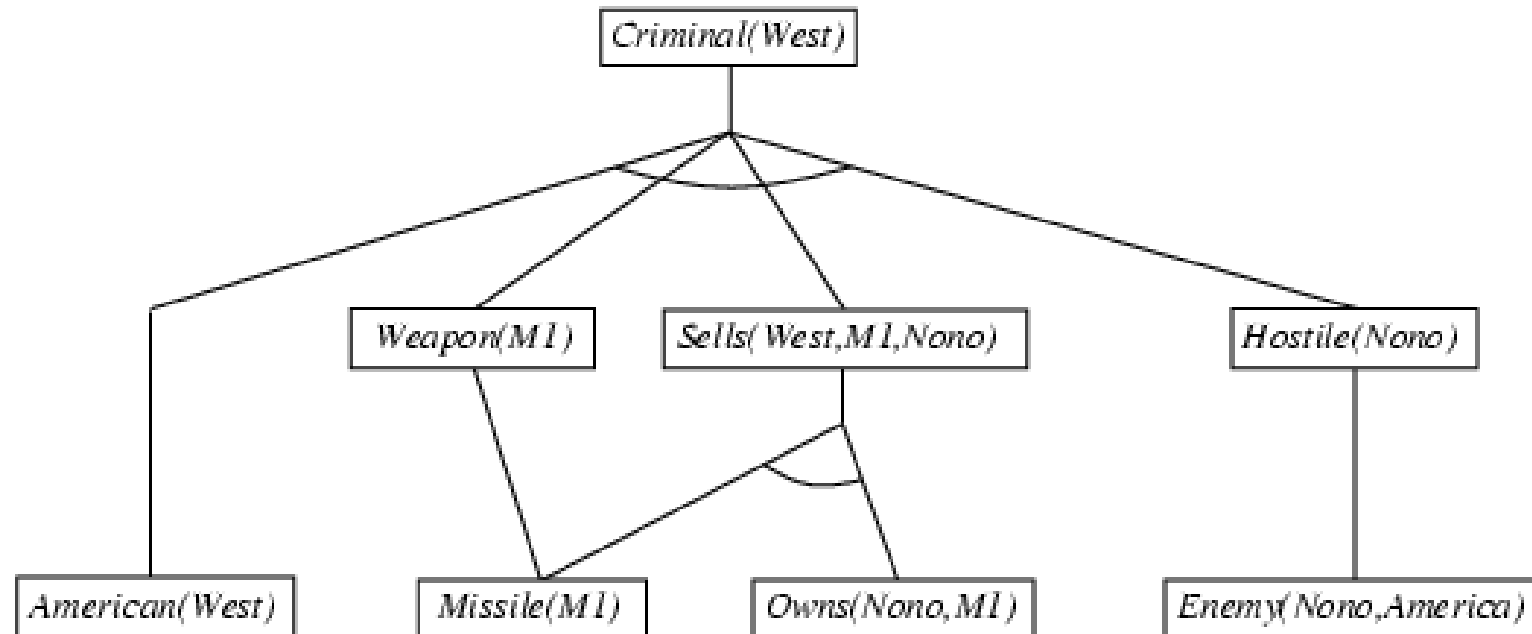
# Example of Forward Chaining (cont.)

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# Example of Forward Chaining (cont.)



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# Inference in FOL – Backward Chaining

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## ❖ Goal-driven

- Start from goal and find implication with the target as conclusion

$$P \Rightarrow Goal$$

- The recursively trying to prove that the premise  $P$  is true
- If succeed, return substitution list  $\Theta$  that prove the goal

**function** FOL-BC-ASK(*KB*, *query*) **returns** a generator of substitutions

**return** FOL-BC-OR(*KB*, *query*, { })

**generator** FOL-BC-OR(*KB*, *goal*,  $\theta$ ) **yields** a substitution

**for each** rule (*lhs*  $\Rightarrow$  *rhs*) in FETCH-RULES-FOR-GOAL(*KB*, *goal*) **do**

(*lhs*, *rhs*)  $\leftarrow$  STANDARDIZE-VARIABLES((*lhs*, *rhs*))

**for each**  $\theta'$  in FOL-BC-AND(*KB*, *lhs*, UNIFY(*rhs*, *goal*,  $\theta$ )) **do**

**yield**  $\theta'$

**generator** FOL-BC-AND(*KB*, *goals*,  $\theta$ ) **yields** a substitution

**if**  $\theta$  = *failure* **then return**

**else if** LENGTH(*goals*) = 0 **then yield**  $\theta$

**else do**

*first*, *rest*  $\leftarrow$  FIRST(*goals*), REST(*goals*)

**for each**  $\theta'$  in FOL-BC-OR(*KB*, SUBST( $\theta$ , *first*),  $\theta$ ) **do**

**for each**  $\theta''$  in FOL-BC-AND(*KB*, *rest*,  $\theta'$ ) **do**

**yield**  $\theta''$

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# Backward chaining example

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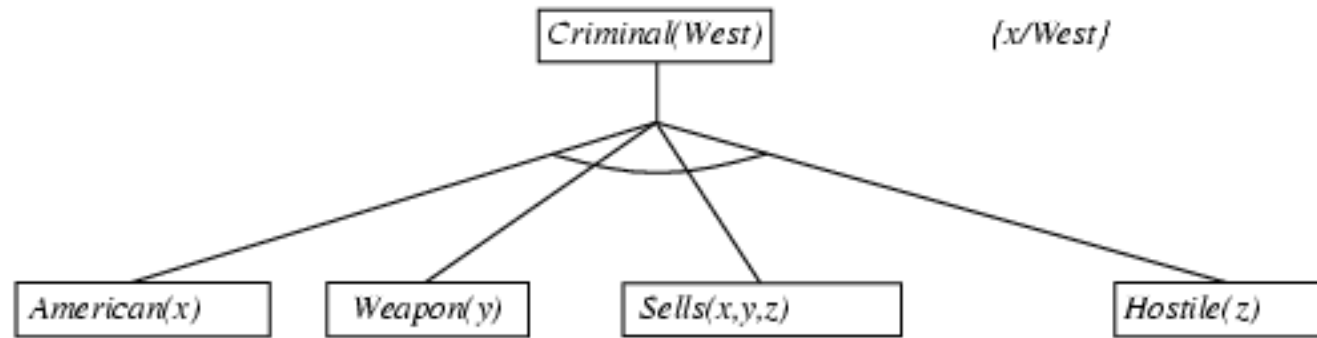
*Criminal(West)*

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# Backward chaining example

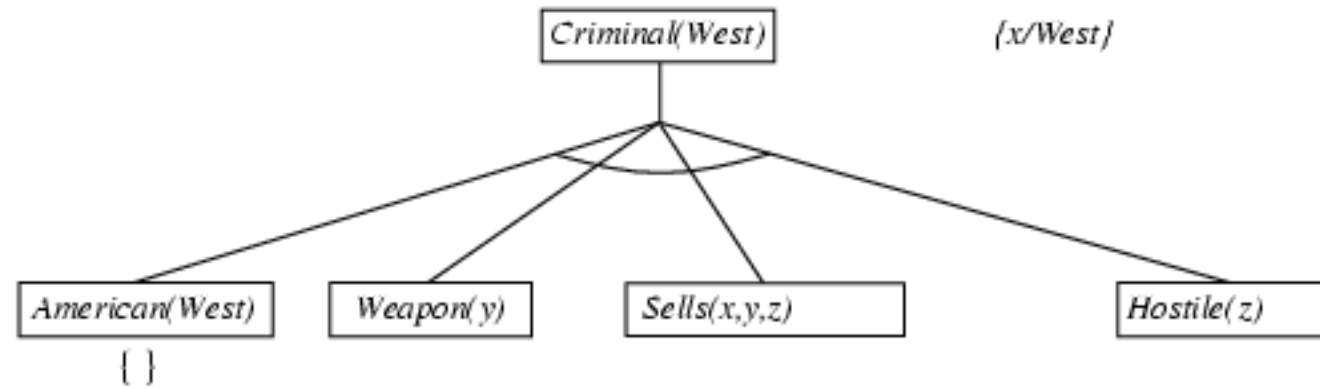
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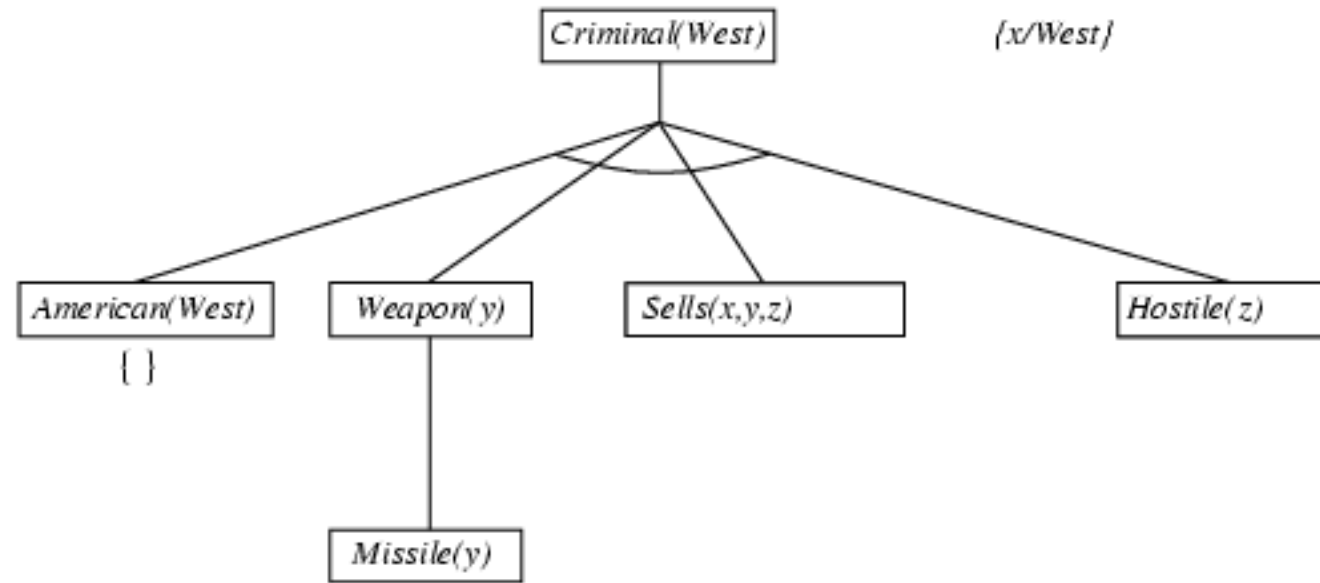
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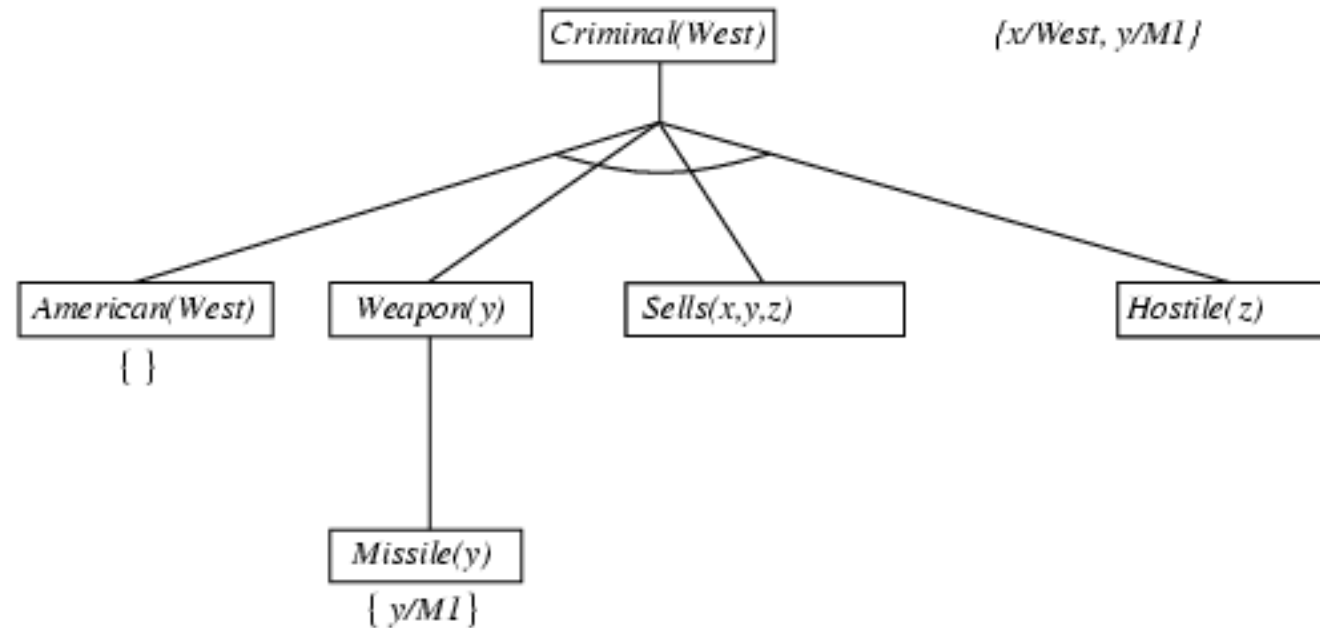
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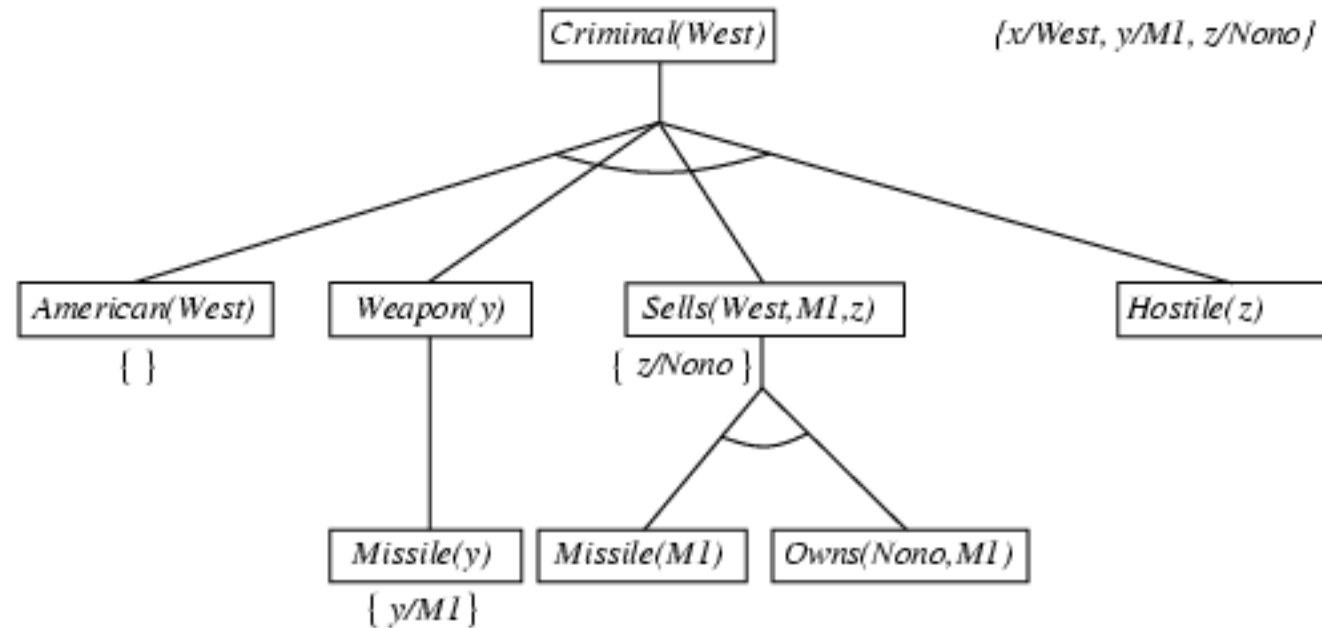
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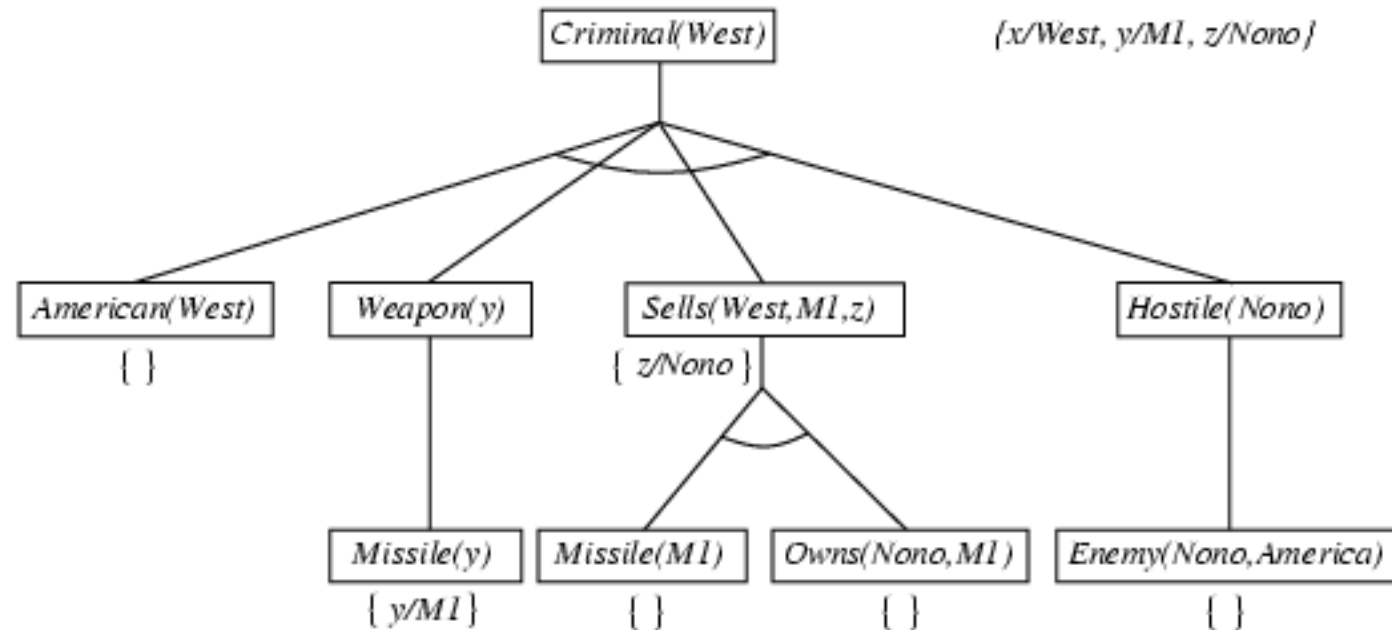
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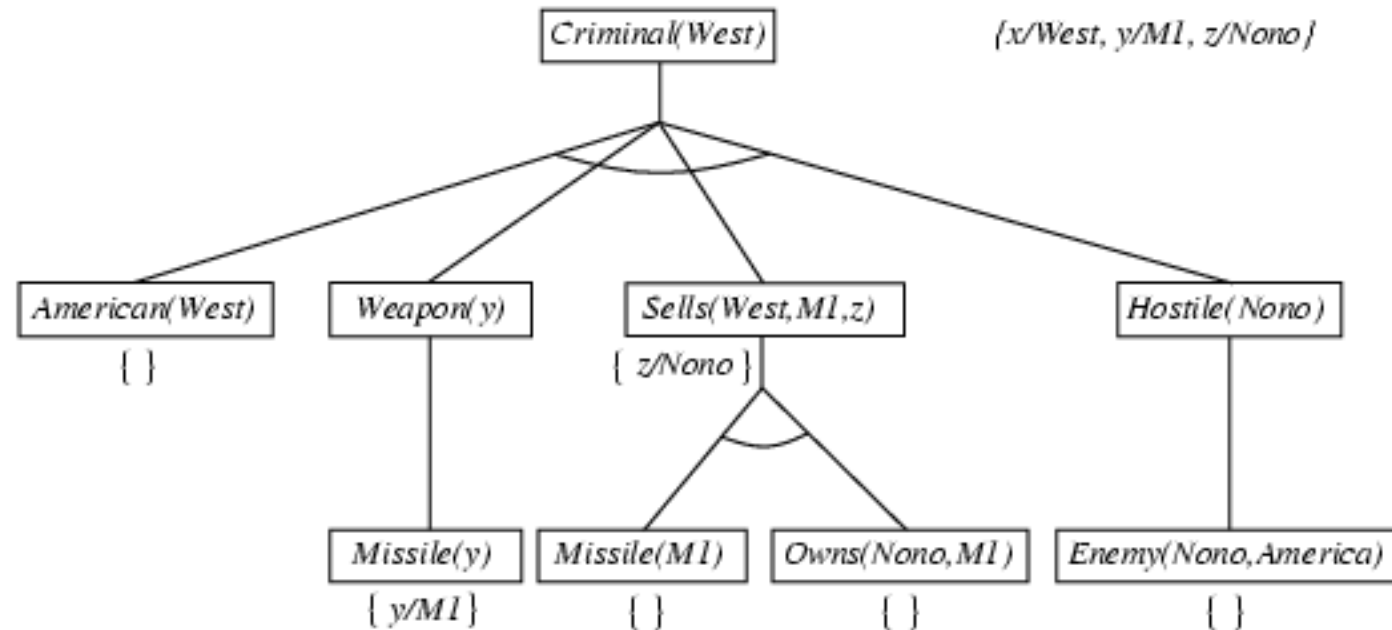
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# Resolution: Brief Summary

- ❖ Full first-order version:

$$\frac{l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_k \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{SUBST(\theta, l_1 \vee \dots \vee l_{i-1} \vee l_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee l_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n)}$$

When  $Unify(l_i, \neg m_j) = \theta$ .

- The sentences are standardized  $\rightarrow$  no shared variables

- ❖ Example:

$$\frac{\neg Rich(x) \vee Unhappy(x) \quad Rich(Ken)}{Unhappy(Ken)}$$

with  $\theta = \{x/Ken\}$

- ❖ Usage: perform Resolution on  $CNF(KB \wedge \neg \alpha)$  step-by-step – only work with conjunctive normal form (CNF)
- If a contradiction (empty result) occur  $\Rightarrow KB \models \alpha$  ;
- ❖ Resolution is complete for FOL



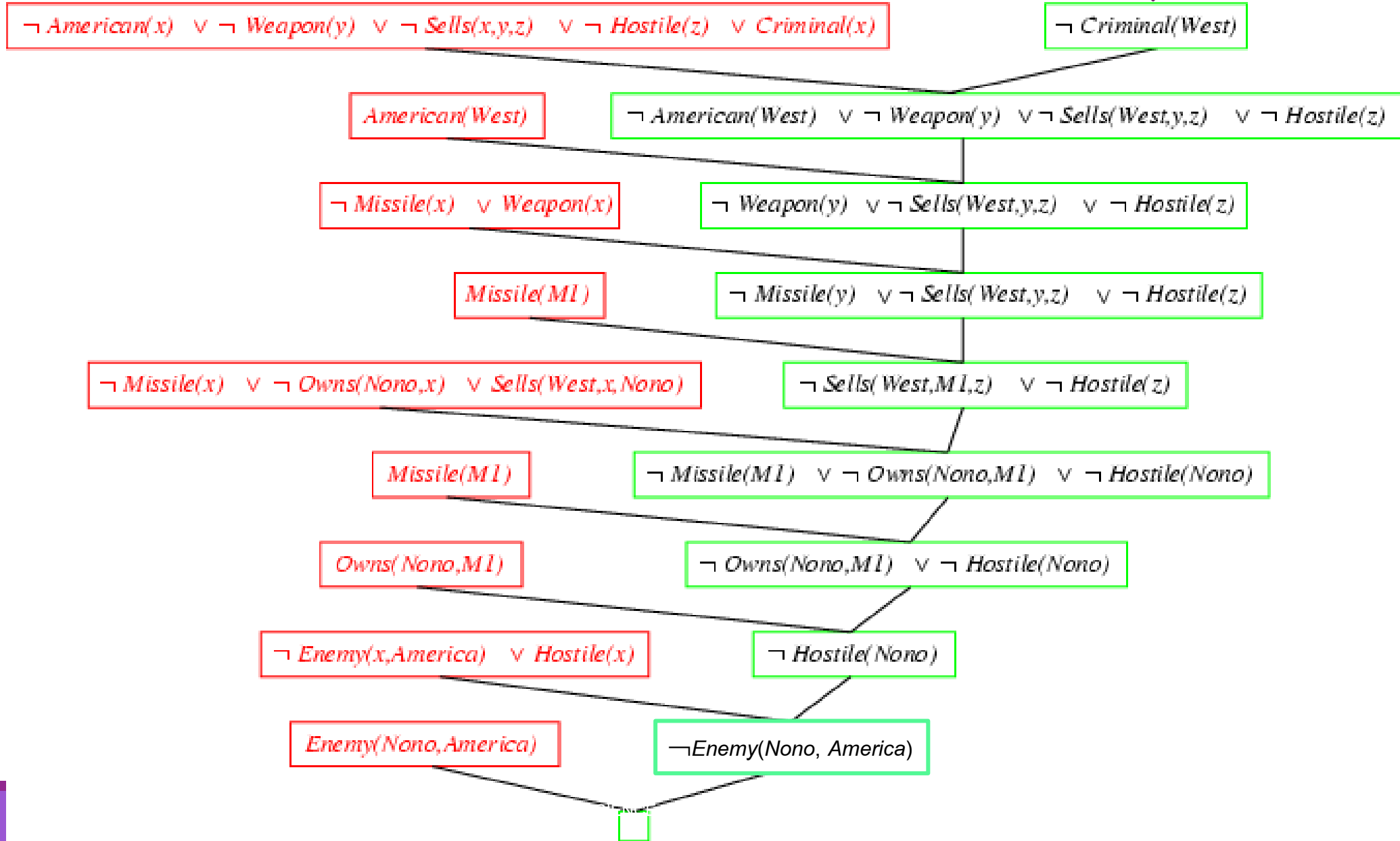
# Criminal Problem KB in CNF

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- *American(West)*
- *Enemy(Nono, America)*
- $\neg \text{Missile}(x) \vee \text{Weapon}(x)$
- $\neg \text{Enemy}(x, \text{America}) \vee \text{Hostile}(x)$
- $\neg \text{American}(x) \vee \neg \text{Weapon}(y) \vee \neg \text{Sells}(x, y, z) \vee \neg \text{Hostile}(z) \vee \text{Criminal}(x)$
- $\neg \text{Missile}(x) \vee \neg \text{Owns}(\text{Nono}, x) \vee \text{Sells}(\text{West}, x, \text{Nono})$
- *Missile(M1)*
- *Owns(Nono, M1)*

# Example of Resolution

$\neg \alpha$



# FOL Application: Logic Programming with Prolog

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❖ Logic Programming is declarative programming instead of procedural programming

- ❑ Describe the problem, and have inference engine answer the question

- ❑ No need to write steps of solutions

❖ Need to:

1. Describe the problem by Providing general rules and facts for KB
2. Use the KB by asking question (query)
3. Debug as needed

# Prolog

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- ❖ Is the most widely-used logic programming language
- ❖ Sentences are in first-order logic form
- ❖ Inference is done by backward chaining
- ❖ KB consists of:
  - ❑ Constant (Atom), Predicate – name starts with lowercase letter
  - ❑ Variables – name starts with capital letters (and underscore(\_))
  - ❑ Sentences are either **facts** or **rules**, always end with full stop(.)

# Prolog (cont.)

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## ❖ Fact

- ❑ Single predicate, ground sentence
- ❑ Example:      `love(sam, jill)`

## ❖ Rule

- ❑ Implication, but written backward

- From implication

$$\underline{\text{love}(X, Y) \wedge \text{love}(Y, X)} \Rightarrow \underline{\text{happy}(X)}$$

- ... to Prolog rule

$$\underline{\text{happy}(X)} \text{ :- } \underline{\text{love}(X, Y), \text{love}(Y, X)}.$$

# Prolog Rules

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❖ From:  $\text{premise} \Rightarrow \text{consequent}$

❖ To:  $\text{consequent} \text{ :- } \text{premise}$  or, using Prolog's terms:  
 $\text{head} \text{ :- } \text{body}$

❖ If all terms in body are proven true, the term in head will also be proven true

❖ For connectives, use:

- :- instead of  $\Rightarrow$  (and in reverse)
- , instead of  $\wedge$
- ; instead of  $\vee$

# Example Prolog KB: Criminal Problem

owns(nono, m1).

Skolem Constant

american(west).

missile(m1).

enemy(nono, america).

criminal(X) :- american(X), weapon(Y), sells(X, Y, Z), hostile(Z).

sells(west, X, nono) :- missile(X), owns(nono, X).

weapon(X) :- missile(X).

hostile(X) :- enemy(X, america).

criminal\_01.pl

# Running Prolog

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❖ After the KB is compiled (Compile  $\rightarrow$  Compile Buffer), a query can be asked

☐ Can be question for yes/no (true/false) answers

☐ Or the query can have variables, in that case the answer will be substitution list

❖ Example:

7 ?- criminal(west).

**true.**

8 ?- sells(west, X, Y).

X = m1,

Y = nono.

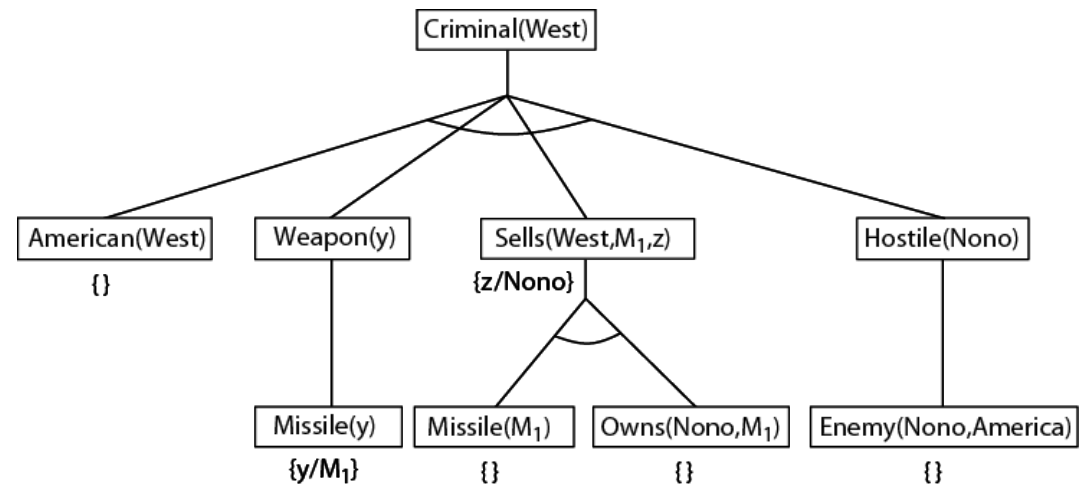
❖ A query can be continued with comma(,) to find another possible substitution list



# Tracing

```
[trace] 6 ?- visible(+all), trace, criminal(west).  
Call: (8) visible(+all) ? creep  
Exit: (8) visible(+all) ? creep  
Call: (8) criminal(west) ? creep  
Unify: (8) criminal(west)  
Call: (9) american(west) ? creep  
Unify: (9) american(west)  
Exit: (9) american(west) ? creep  
Call: (9) weapon(_G4725) ? creep  
Unify: (9) weapon(_G4725)  
Call: (10) missile(_G4725) ? creep  
Unify: (10) missile(m1)  
Exit: (10) missile(m1) ? creep  
Exit: (9) weapon(m1) ? creep  
Call: (9) sells(west, m1, _G4727) ? creep  
Unify: (9) sells(west, m1, nono)  
Call: (10) missile(m1) ? creep  
Unify: (10) missile(m1)  
Exit: (10) missile(m1) ? creep  
Call: (10) owns(nono, m1) ? creep  
Unify: (10) owns(nono, m1)  
Exit: (10) owns(nono, m1) ? creep  
Exit: (9) sells(west, m1, nono) ? creep  
Call: (9) hostile(nono) ? creep  
Unify: (9) hostile(nono)  
Call: (10) enemy(nono, america) ? creep  
Unify: (10) enemy(nono, america)  
Exit: (10) enemy(nono, america) ? creep  
Exit: (9) hostile(nono) ? creep  
Exit: (8) criminal(west) ? creep  
true.
```

- ❖ Trace command will show the search step in backward chaining
- ❖ For example, `trace, criminal(west), visible(+all)`. Numbers in parentheses is the level of the step in the search tree.
- ❖ Use `notrace` to quit tracking



# Other command

- ❖ Assertion – add a clause (fact or rule) into the KB
  - ❑ asserta(**clause**) assert the argument as first clause
  - ❑ assertz(**clause**) assert the argument as last clause
- ❖ retract(**clause**) – remove the clause from the KB
- ❖ listing(**predicate**)
  - ❑ Show facts or rules with **predicate** as head

```
?- listing(american).  
american(west).  
  
true.  
  
?- listing(criminal).  
criminal(X) :-  
    american(X),  
    weapon(Y),  
    sells(X, Y, Z),  
    hostile(Z).  
  
true.
```

# Recursion

❖ Recursion can be used  
(ancestor in the example)  
but be careful of infinite loop!

❖ Priority is given to upper  
clause, so put base case in  
the top.

```
mother_child(trude, sally).  
father_child(tom, sally).  
father_child(tom, erica).  
father_child(mike, tom).  
  
parent_child(X, Y) :- father_child(X, Y).  
parent_child(X, Y) :- mother_child(X, Y).  
sibling(X, Y)      :- parent_child(Z, X), parent_child(Z, Y).  
ancestor(X, Y)     :- parent_child(X, Y).  
ancestor(X, Z)     :- ancestor(X, Y), parent_child(Y, Z).
```

family\_fixed.pl

# FOL Application: Rule-based Expert System

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- ❖ **Expert system** is a computer (AI usually) system that provide user with expertise, such as advices or actions
- ❖ Usually, the expert system maintain a knowledge base (KB) and use inference engine to infer the most response to the situation
  - ❑ A situation is determined by user's update of facts and query
- ❖ First-order logic can be used as KB for an expert system
  - ❑ Such system is called rule-based expert system or production system

# Rule-based Expert Systems

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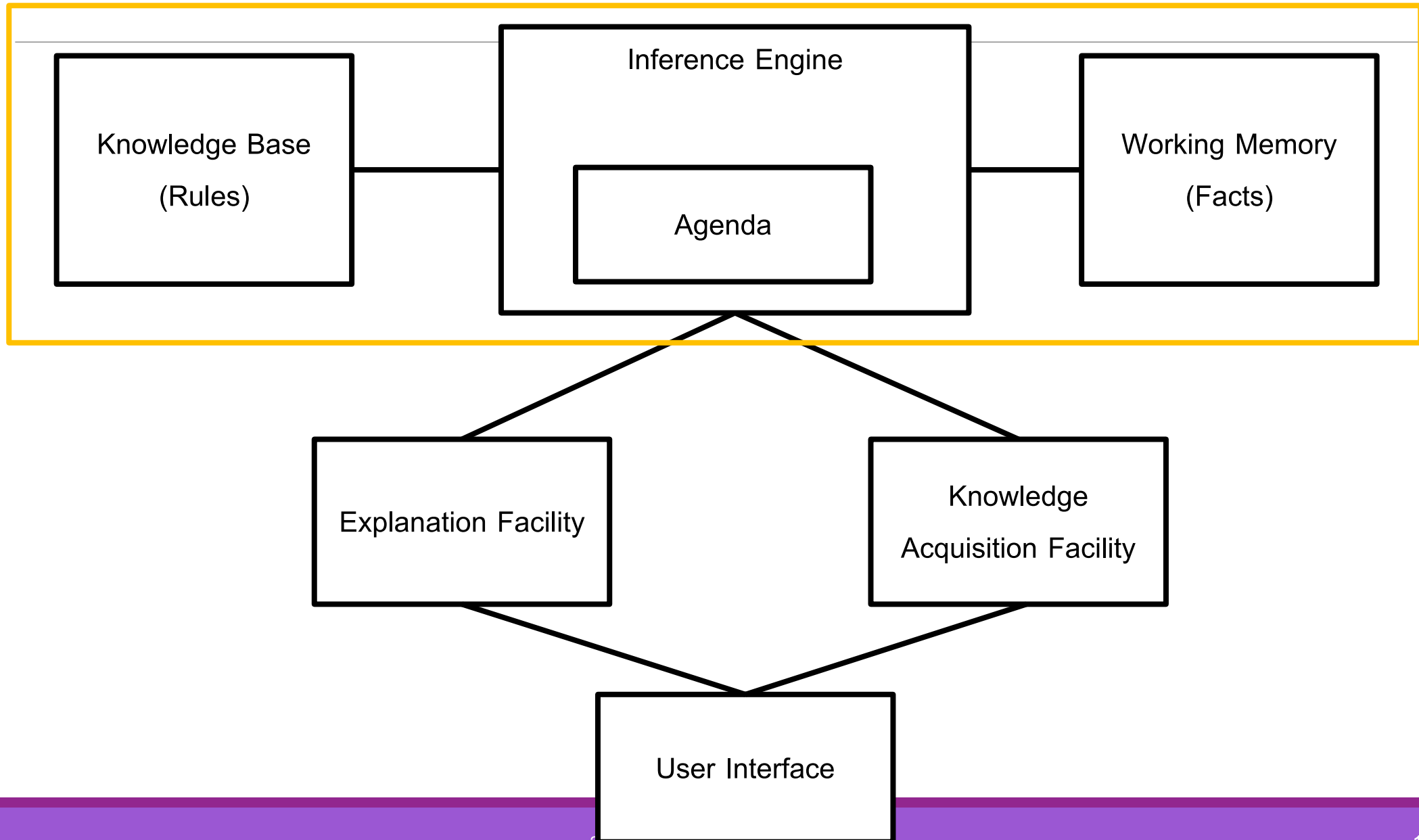
❖ KB (or **production memory**) consists of rules in the form of **post production system** (FOL)

**antecedent** (LHS, condition, premise) → **consequence** (RHS, actions, conclusion)

❖ The system also has **user interface**, **explanation facility**, **working memory**, **inference engine**, **agenda**, and **(optional) knowledge acquisition facility**

- ❑ **Agenda** holds **activated rule/activation** – rules that are ready to be used
- ❑ **Inference engine** perform inference. Forward chaining is used in this case
- ❑ **Working memory** hold facts that occur during the operation

# Expert System



# Example of KB in Production System

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1.  $\text{car}(x) \text{ won't start} \rightarrow \text{check } (x)\text{'s battery}$
2.  $\text{car}(x) \text{ won't start} \rightarrow \text{check } (x)\text{'s gas}$
3.  $\text{check } (x)\text{'s battery} \wedge (x)\text{'s battery bad} \rightarrow \text{replace } (x)\text{'s battery}$
4.  $\text{check } (x)\text{'s gas} \wedge (x) \text{ has no gas} \rightarrow \text{fill } (x)\text{'s gas tank}$
5.  $\text{check } (x)\text{'s battery} \wedge (x)\text{'s battery good} \rightarrow \text{check } (x)\text{'s headlight}$
6.  $\text{check } (x)\text{'s headlight} \wedge (x)\text{'s headlight on} \rightarrow \text{replace } (x)\text{'s starter}$

# Inference Engine

❖ Forward Chaining: Work in cycle  
(select-execute, situation-  
response/action)

□ Rule with substituted LHS  
becomes true become activation,  
select one to execute

□ Repeat until and halt condition is  
met

WHILE not done

**Conflict Resolution:** If there are more than one  
activations, pick the one with highest priority

**Act:** Perform RHS of chosen activation

update working memory with new facts

Remove executed activation from agenda

**Match:** Add rules that LHS become true as activation in  
agenda (pattern/predicate matching)

Also remove activations that LHSs are no longer true

**Check for Halt:**

If halt action or break command occur → break from  
WHILE loop

END-WHILE



# Pattern Matching

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Need control strategy to consider which rules to activated

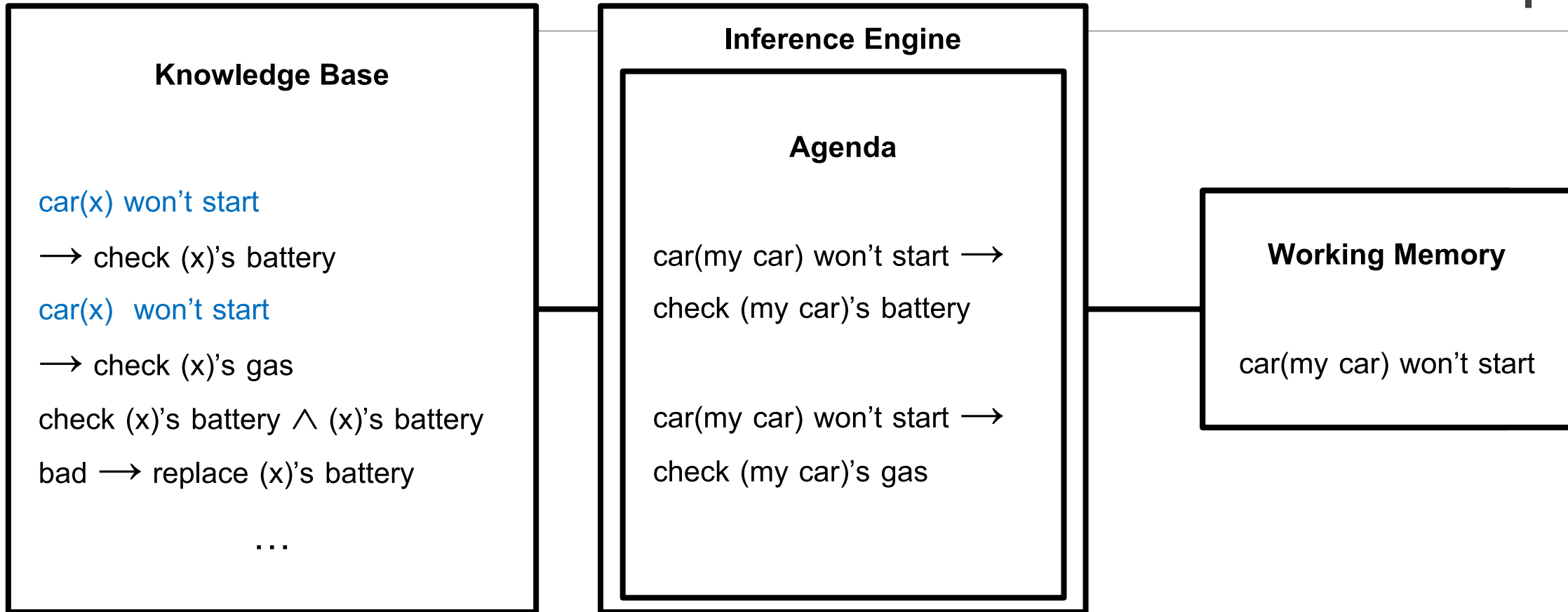
## ❖ Markov Algorithm

- ❑ Rules  $\rightarrow$  Facts
- ❑ Sort rules by priority, then check them. one by one
- ❑ If high-priority cannot be activated yet, consider the next one in line
- ❑ Can be inefficient if KB is large

## ❖ Rete algorithm

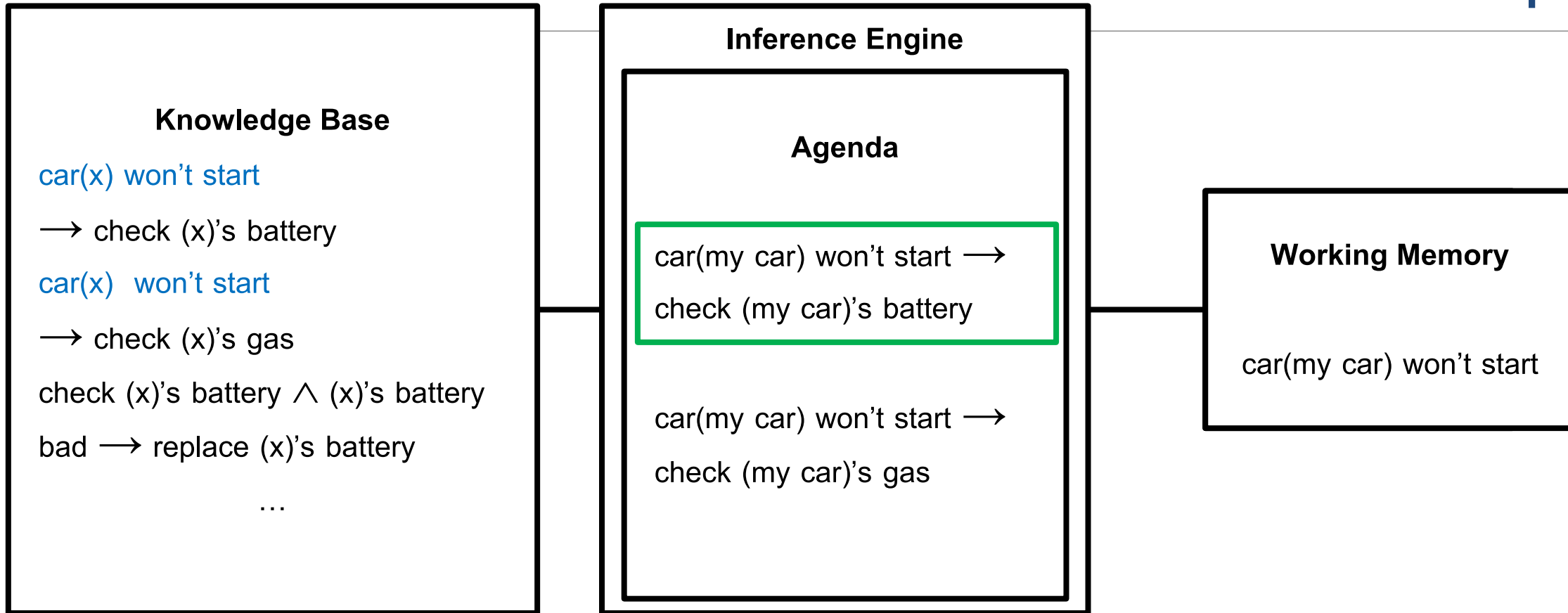
- ❑ Facts  $\rightarrow$  Rules
- ❑ Only consider **matches** (facts) that change

# Markov Example



❖ Matching: Activate all (substituted) rules that LHS become true and put them in agenda

# Example



❖ Check for Halt: no halting action yet

❖ Conflict Resolution: Pick activation to execute (need priority system)

# Example

## Knowledge Base

car(x) won't start

→ check (x)'s battery

car(x) won't start

→ check (x)'s gas

check (x)'s battery  $\wedge$  (x)'s battery

bad → replace (x)'s battery

...

## Inference Engine

### Agenda

~~car(my car) won't start~~

~~→ check (my car)'s  
battery~~

car(my car) won't start

→ check (my car)'s gas

## Working Memory

car(my car) won't start

check (my car)'s battery

(my car)'s battery bad

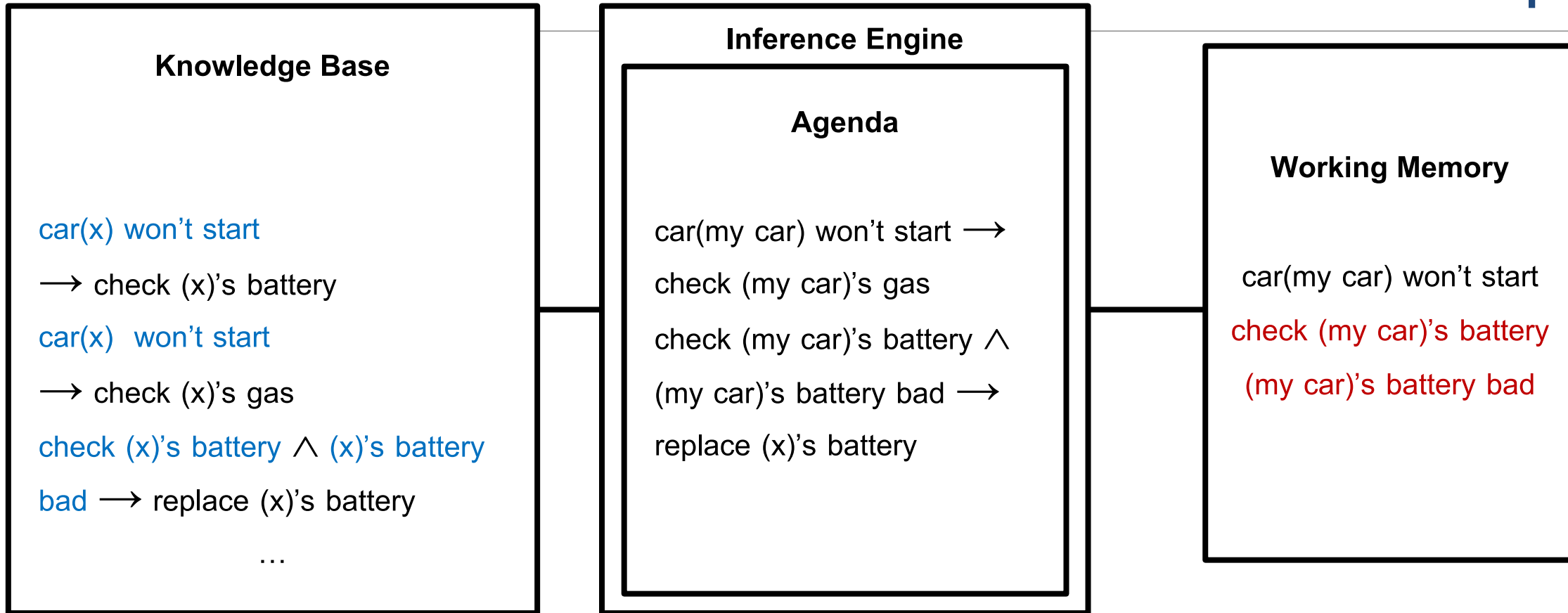
Update from user

❖ Act: execute chosen activation

☐ Update working memory

☐ Delete execute activation from agenda

# Example



- ❖ Matching: find rules with matched LHS to facts, activate them
- ❖ Repeat the cycle until halting action is detected (or other halting condition)

# Rete Algorithm

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- ❖ Markov Algorithm consider all rules, which can be time-consuming
- ❖ However, facts in working memory are unlikely to change in great number → only a few rules need to be considered
  - Rules with LHS that match the added facts
- ❖ Also, many rules will share patterns (predicates)

# Rete Algorithm (cont.)

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- ❖ Rete (Latin for web) algorithm work by creating graph for LHS of rules, consisted of
  - ❖ Root Node: where the facts start
  - ❖ **Pattern Network** checks if a fact match a pattern
    - ❑ Consists if **pattern (alpha) nodes** for each pattern, with **alpha memory** to remember substituted patterns already found
  - ❖ **Join Network** combine substituted patterns together
    - ❑ There is one **join (beta) nodes** for each rule, with **beta memory** to check whether a substitution is enough to activate a rule
- ❖ Fact flow: Facts → Root → Pattern Nodes → Join Nodes → Agenda

# Example of Rete Algorithm

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## ❖ Using 2 rules

1. check (x)'s battery  $\wedge$  (x)'s battery bad  $\rightarrow$  replace (x)'s battery
2. check (x)'s battery  $\wedge$  (x)'s battery good  $\rightarrow$  check (x)'s headlight

## ❖ With 3 Patterns:

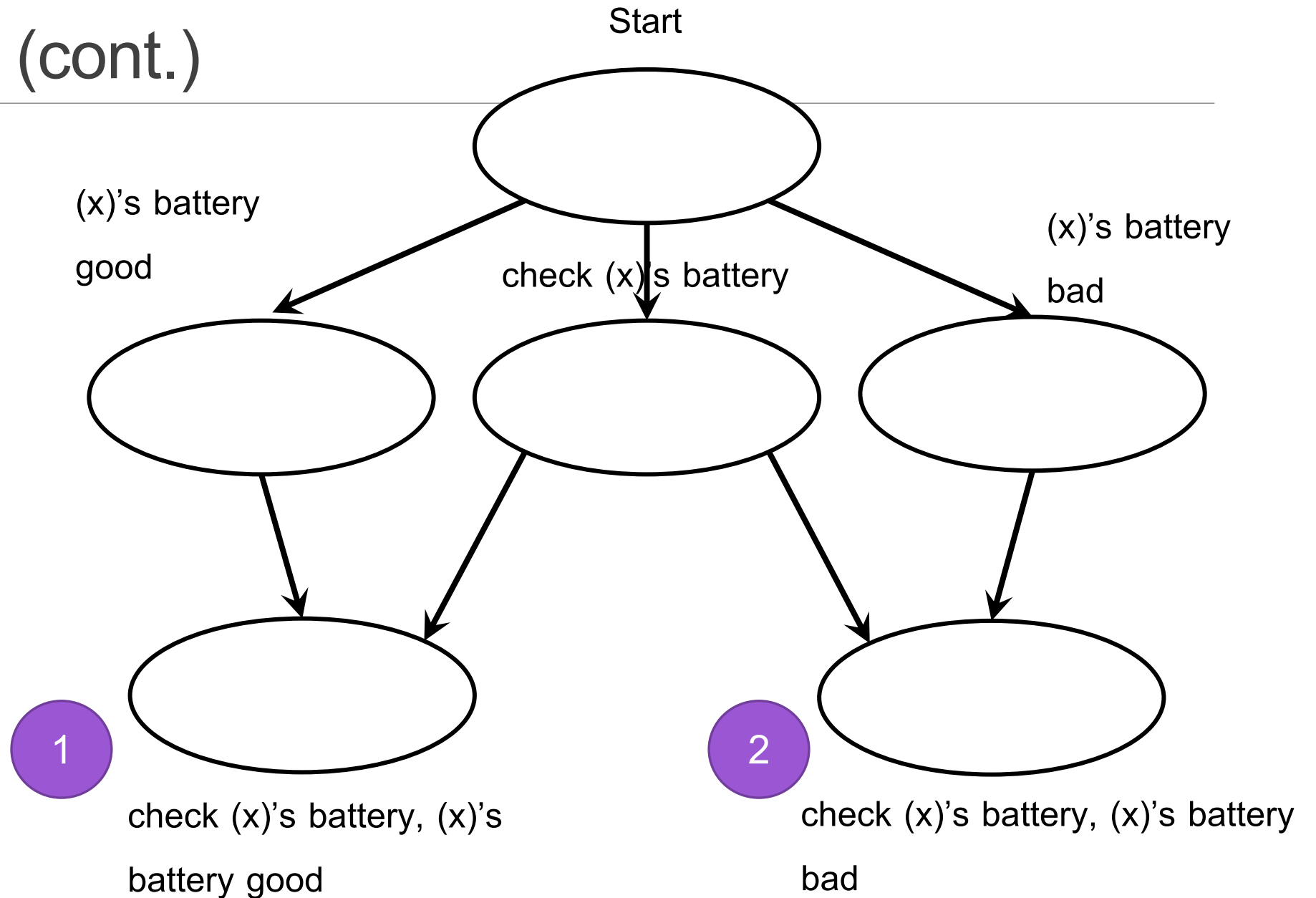
1. check (x)'s battery
2. (x)'s battery bad
3. (x)'s battery good



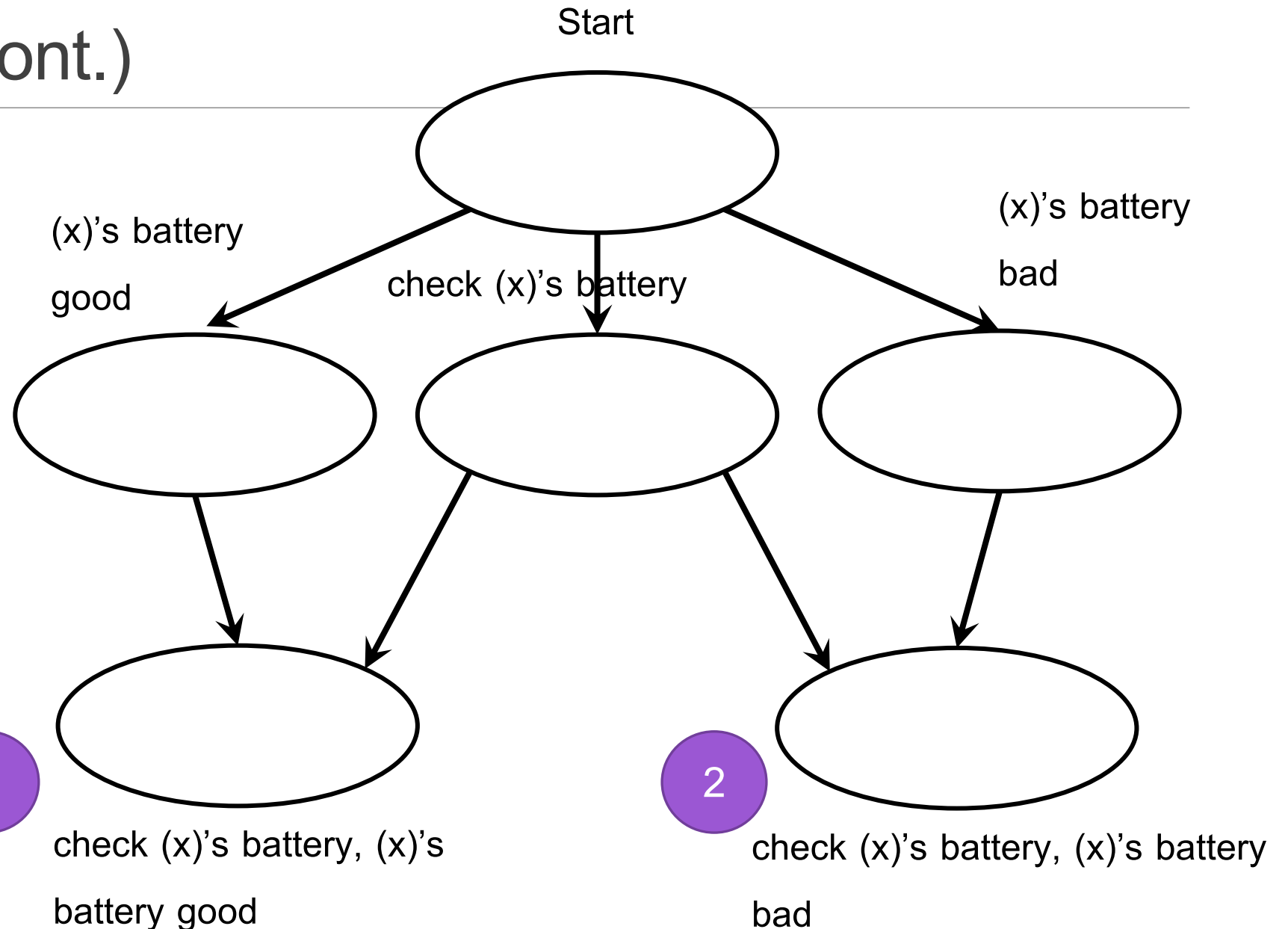
# Rete Example (cont.)

Pattern Nodes:

Join Nodes:



# Rete Example (cont.)



## Incoming Facts

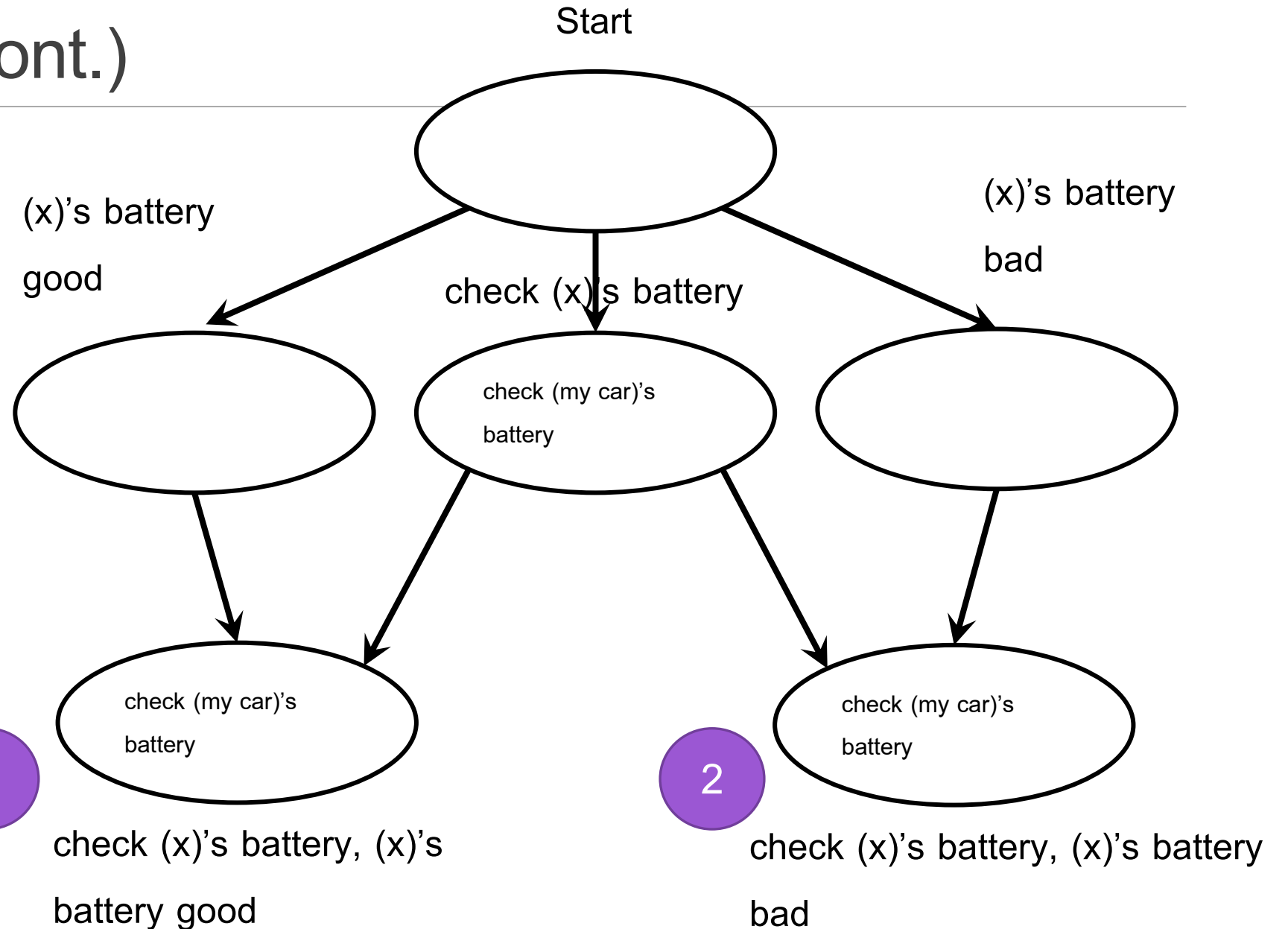
- check (my car)'s battery
- (my car)'s battery bad

# Rete Example (cont.)

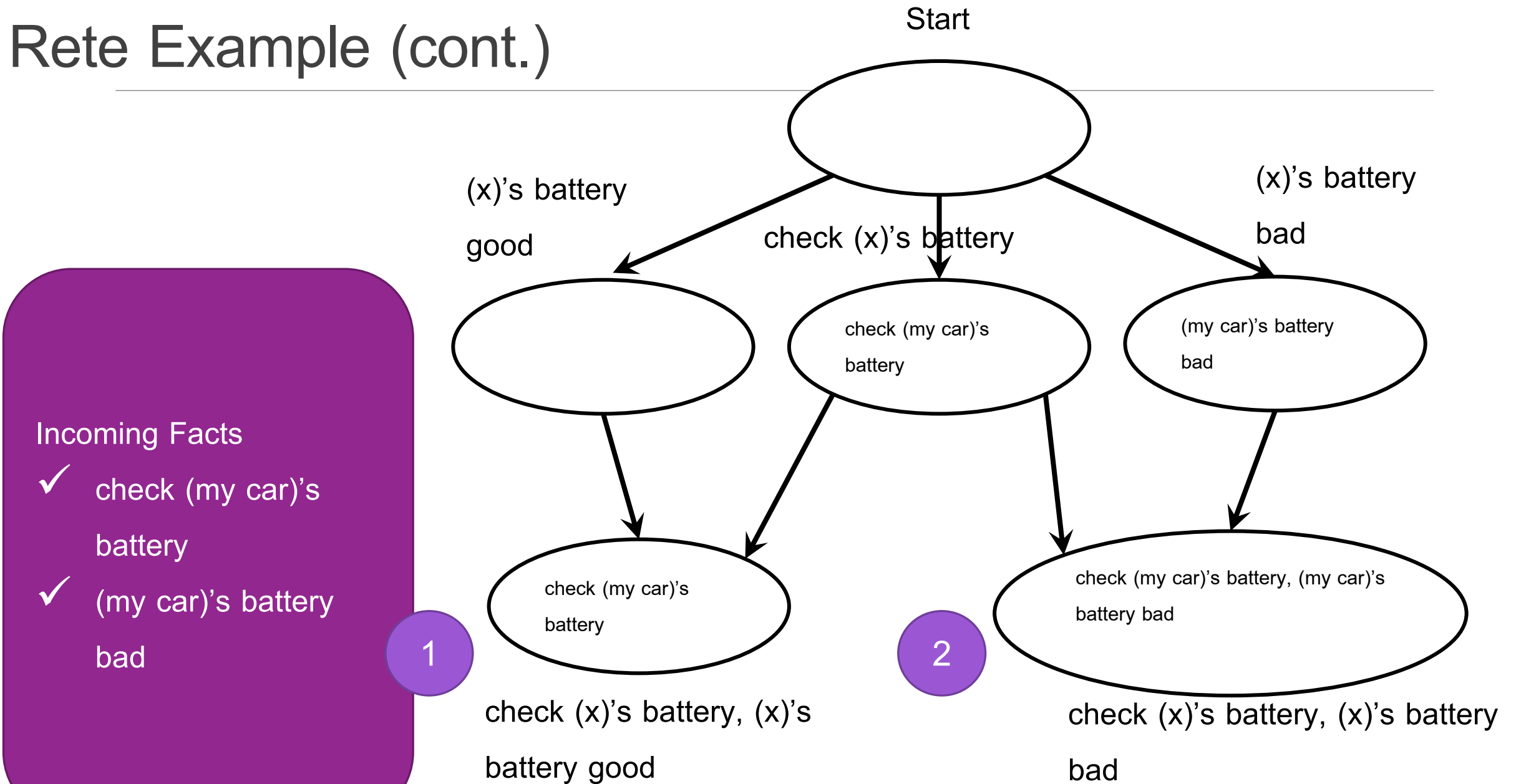
## Incoming Facts

- ✓ check (my car)'s battery
- (my car)'s battery bad

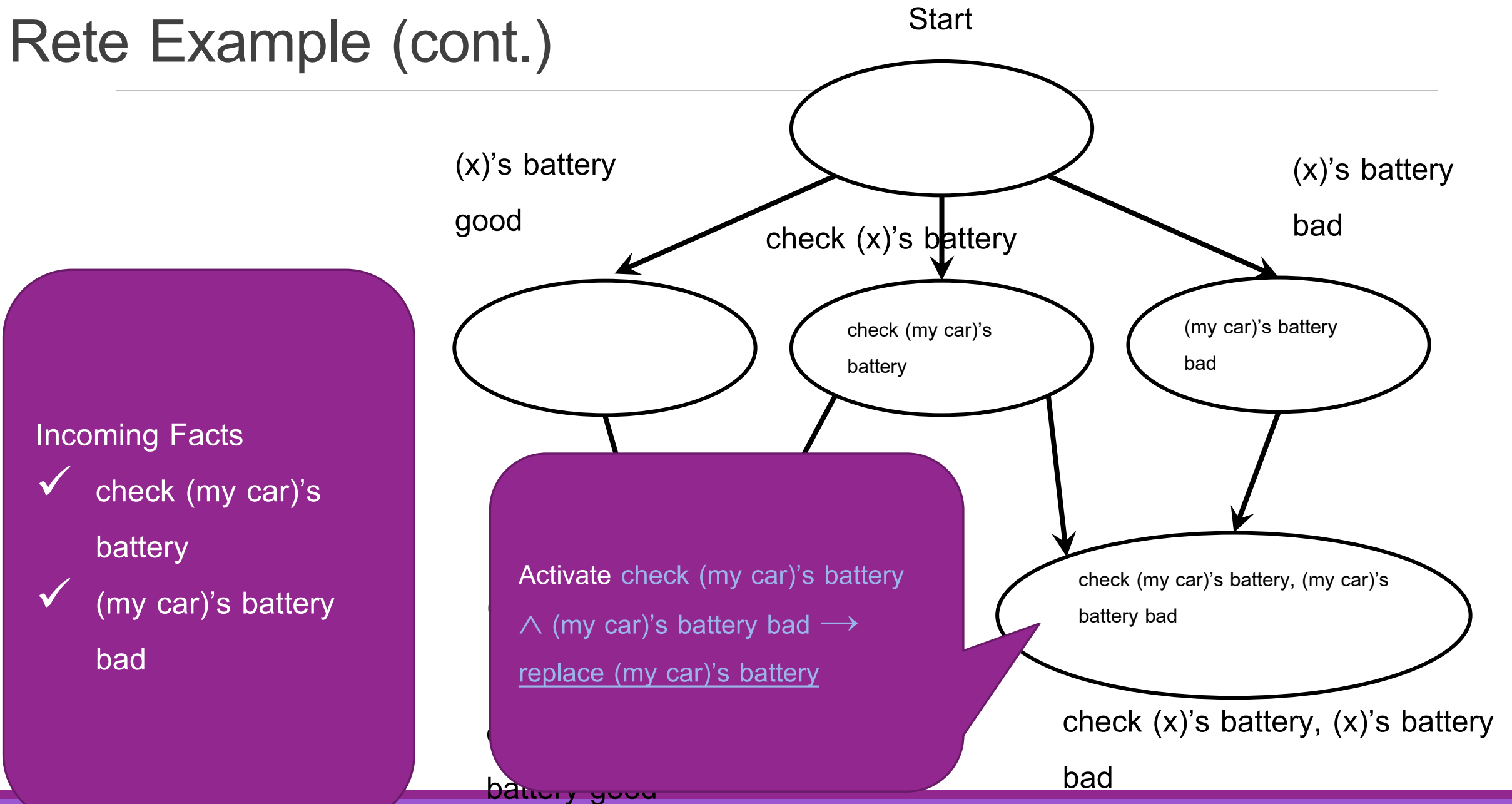
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# Rete Example (cont.)



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# Ontology

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# Ontology

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- ❖ Ontology is an explicit formal specifications of the **terms** in the **domain** and **relations** among them (Gruber 1993)
- ❖ Why ontology?
  - ☐ To share common understanding of the structure of information among people or software agents
  - ☐ To enable reuse of domain knowledge
  - ☐ To make domain assumptions explicit
  - ☐ To separate domain knowledge from the operational knowledge
  - ☐ To analyze domain knowledge
- ❖ Ontology can be used as a knowledge base

# Class, Instance, and Properties

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An ontology consists of classes, properties, and individuals.

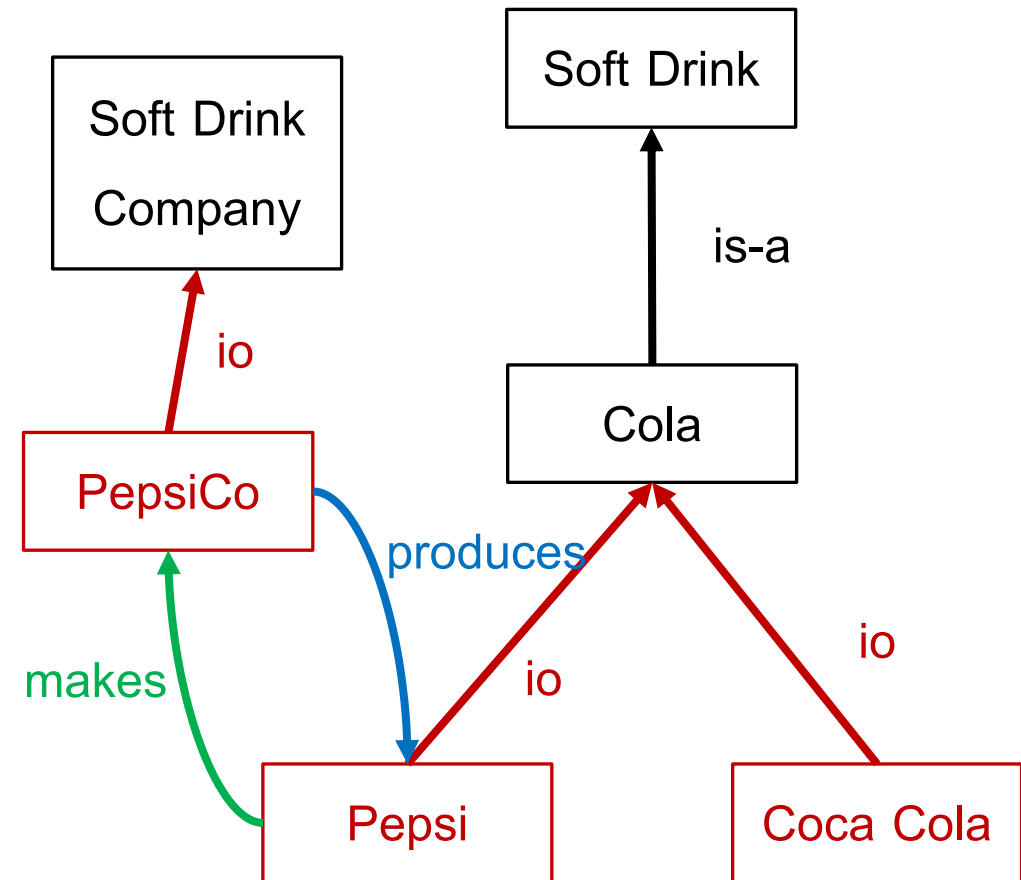
- ❖ **Class** describe concepts in the domain of interest
  - ❑ Classes can have superclass (more general) – subclass (more specific) hierarchy
- ❖ **Instances**, or **individuals**, represent objects in the domain
  - ❑ Instances will belong to at least one classes
- A class can be considered a set of individuals that are members of that class
- ❖ **Properties**, or **slots**, are binary relation on individuals, describe certain characteristic or relationship of a class or an instance
  - ❑ A slot will have **domain** (class it belong to) and **range** of allowed (instances of) classes/values it can be
  - ❑ Domain  $\rightarrow$  Range



# Example of an Ontology

Domain: soft drink (cola in particular)

- ❖ Black boxes are classes
- ❖ Red boxes are instance
- ❖ Direct edge represents slots
  - is\_a denote “...is a kind of...”  
for  
subclass → superclass
  - io = “instance of”



# Creating an Ontology

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Using Knowledge Engineering, from *Ontology Development 101*

1. Determine the domain and scope of the ontology
2. Consider reusing existing ontologies
3. Enumerate important terms in the ontology
4. Define the classes and the class hierarchy
5. Define the properties of classes—slots
6. Define the facets of the slots
7. Create instances

# Uses of Ontology

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## ❖ Semantic Web

- ❑ Encode semantics with the data, making them machine-readable
- ❑ [Web Ontology Language](#) (OWL) is widely used for ontology development

## ❖ Question-answering

- ❑ Encode knowledge from human-readable source, such as Wikipedia
- ❑ Question-answering system can then parse a question, search relevant information, and then answer the question
- ❑ Example: chapter 6 of YAGO2007.pdf

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