

CS 480

Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

February 6, 2024

Announcements / Reminders

- Please follow the Week 04 To Do List instructions (if you haven't already):
- Quiz #03: due on Sunday (02/11/24) at 11:59 PM CST
 - New quiz will be posted on Monday!
- Written Assignment #01 due on Tuesday (02/06/24) at 11:59 PM CST
 - New written assignment will be posted this week!
- Programming Assignment #01 due on Sunday (02/18/24) at 11:59 PM CST

Plan for Today

- **Logical Agents and Reasoning**

Knowledge-based Agents

- **Central component: Knowledge Base (KB)**
- **Knowledge Base is a set of sentences**
- **All Sentences are expressed in knowledge representation language**
- **Sentences can be:**
 - **given (axioms)**
 - **derived**
 - **used for inference**
- **KB can have background knowledge**

Propositional Logic: Laws/Theorems

Equivalence	Law / Theorems
$p \vee q \Leftrightarrow q \vee p$ $p \wedge q \Leftrightarrow q \wedge p$	Commutative laws
$(p \vee q) \vee r \Leftrightarrow p \vee (q \vee r)$ $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \Leftrightarrow p \wedge (q \wedge r)$	Associative laws
$p \wedge (q \vee r) \Leftrightarrow (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ $p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$	Distributive laws
$\neg(p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q$ $\neg(p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge \neg q$	De Morgan's laws
$p \wedge (p \vee q) \Leftrightarrow p$ $p \vee (p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow p$	Absorption laws
$\neg(\neg p) \Leftrightarrow p$	Double Negation law (involution)
$p \wedge p \Leftrightarrow p$ $p \vee p \Leftrightarrow p$	Idempotent laws
$p \vee \neg p \Leftrightarrow \top$	Law of Excluded Middle (Negation law)
$p \wedge \neg p \Leftrightarrow \perp$	Contradiction (Negation law)
$p \wedge \top \Leftrightarrow p$ $p \vee \perp \Leftrightarrow p$	Identity laws
$p \wedge \perp \Leftrightarrow \perp$ $p \vee \top \Leftrightarrow \top$	Domination laws
$\neg p \vee q \Leftrightarrow p \Rightarrow q$	Implication law
$p \Rightarrow q \Leftrightarrow \neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$	Contraposition law
$(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg q \wedge \neg p) \Leftrightarrow (p \Leftrightarrow q)$ $(p \Rightarrow q) \wedge (q \Rightarrow p) \Leftrightarrow (p \Leftrightarrow q)$	Equivalence law

Propositional Logic and KB-Agents

**Propositional
Logic:
Syntax**

**Propositional
Logic:
Semantics**

**Propositional
Logic:
Inference and
Proof Systems**

**KB-Agents:
Inference
algorithms**

Interpretation

The truth value assignment to propositional sentences is called an **interpretation** (an assertion about their truth **in some possible world / model**).

Definition: A mapping $I : \Sigma \rightarrow \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$, which assigns a truth value to **every proposition variable**, is called an **interpretation**.

Sentence: $(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee r)$

Interpretation i: $p^i = \text{true}$, $q^i = \text{false}$, $r^i = \text{true}$

Evaluation

Evaluation is the process of **determining the truth values of compound/complex sentences** given a **truth assignment for the truth values of proposition constants/atomic sentences**. Consider the following truth assignment i:

$p^i = \text{true}, q^i = \text{false}, r^i = \text{true}$ Assignment

Let's evaluate the following complex sentence $(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee r)$:

$(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee r) \rightarrow (\text{true} \vee \text{false}) \wedge (\neg \text{false} \vee \text{true})$ Subsitute

$(\text{true} \vee \text{false}) \wedge (\neg \text{false} \vee \text{true})$ Disjunction

$\text{true} \wedge (\neg \text{false} \vee \text{true})$ Negation

$\text{true} \wedge (\text{true} \vee \text{true})$ Disjunction

$\text{true} \wedge \text{true}$ Conjunction

true Interpretation

Sentence Classes

SATISFIABLE

A sentence is **satisfiable** if it is **true for AT LEAST ONE interpretation**.

In plain English:
“You can find **AT LEAST one assignment** of logical values of true and false to individual propositional variables that will make this sentence **true**.”

Example:

$$p \Rightarrow q$$

p	q	$p \Rightarrow q$
true	true	true
true	false	false
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(LOGICALLY) VALID/TAUTOLOGY

A sentence is (logically) **valid** if it is **true for ALL interpretations**.
Also called a **tautology**.

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“This sentence is **ALWAYS true** regardless of value assignment to individual propositional variables.”

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UNSATISFIABLE/CONTRADICTION

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Complex Sentence: Truth Table

Consider a complex sentence R built with N propositional variables $p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_{N-1}, p_N$ and logical connectives ($\neg, \vee, \wedge, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$). Each truth assignment is a different possible world.

N Propositional Variables							Complex sentence R
p_1	p_2	p_3	...	p_{N-1}	p_N		
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...
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2^N Possible Worlds (Models)

2^N Interpretations of R

Sentence: Syntactic / Semantic Levels

Each propositional logic “exists” on two levels:

- Syntactic: where a sentence is just a legal arrangement of language symbols. Sentence

$$(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee r)$$

WITHOUT interpretation **HAS NO MEANING**

- we can manipulate symbols, but we CANNOT reason
- Semantic: where a sentence has a truth value is assigned to it (interpretation):

$$(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee r) \text{ where } p^i = \text{true}, q^i = \text{false}, r^i = \text{true}$$

HAS MEANING (through interpretation) → it is true

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HAS MEANING → we can deduce that a person is popular

Sentence Semantical Equivalence

Two propositional logic sentences F and G are called **semantically equivalent** if they take on the **same interpretation** for all truth value assignments. If that is the case $F \equiv G$.

Example: sentence $\neg a \vee b$ is equivalent to sentence $a \Rightarrow b$. Proof with a truth table:

a	b	$\neg a$	$\neg a \vee b$	\Leftrightarrow	$a \Rightarrow b$
true	true	false	true	\equiv	true
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Inference: The idea

The idea:

Given everything (expressed as sentences) that we know, can we infer if some query (another sentence) is true or not (satisfied or not)?

(Automated) Proof System

In AI we are interested in taking existing knowledge (sentences in KB) and from that:

- **deriving new knowledge (new sentences)**
- **answering questions (query sentences)**

In Propositional Logic this means showing that some sentence Q follows from a Knowledge Base KB

where:

- **Q - some query sentence**
- **KB - knowledge base (a sentence made of sentences)**

Inference: Real-life Example

If it is raining, I will need an umbrella. It is raining. Therefore, I will need an umbrella.

Inference: Real-life Example

If it is raining, **then** I will need an umbrella. It is raining. **Therefore**, I will need an umbrella.

Inference: Real-life Example

If it is raining, then I will need an umbrella. It is raining. Therefore, I will need an umbrella.

Propositional Logic: An Argument

An argument A in propositional logic has the following form:

A:	P1	PREMISES
	P2	
	...	
	PN	
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	$\therefore C$	CONCLUSION

An argument A is said to be **valid** if the implication formed by taking the conjunction of the premiseses (antecedent) and the conclusion C (consequent),

$(P1 \wedge P2 \wedge P3 \wedge \dots \wedge PN) \Rightarrow C$ is a **tautology**.

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Premises are taken for granted (assumed to be **true**).

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Therefore, I will need an umbrella.

Inference: Real-life Example

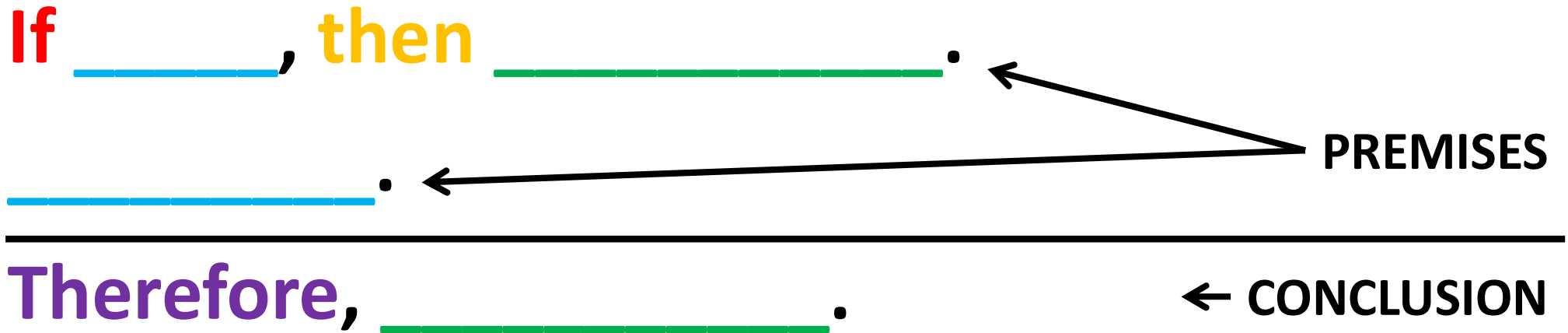
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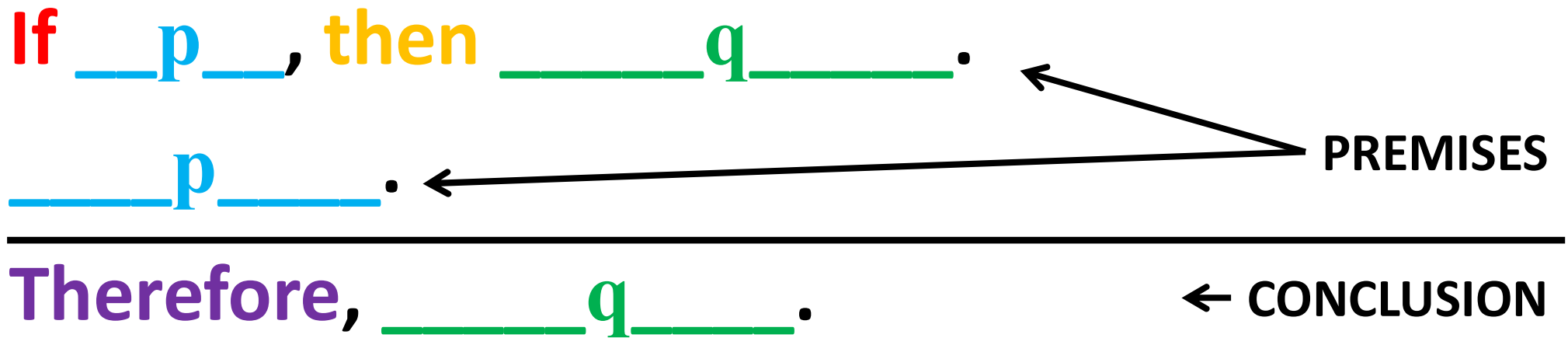
PREMISES

Therefore, I will need an umbrella. ← CONCLUSION

Inference: Real-life Example



Inference: Real-life Example



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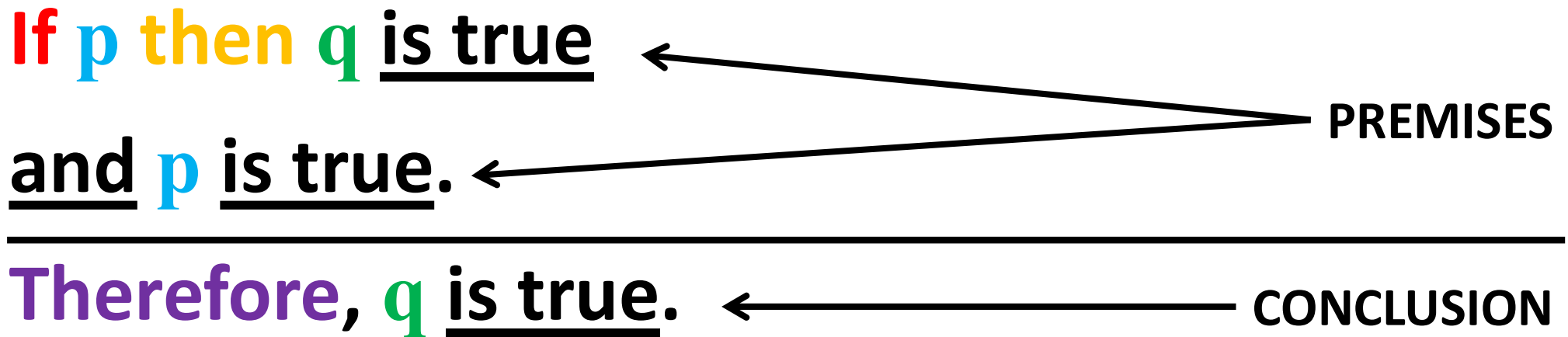
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CONCLUSION = "I will need an umbrella."

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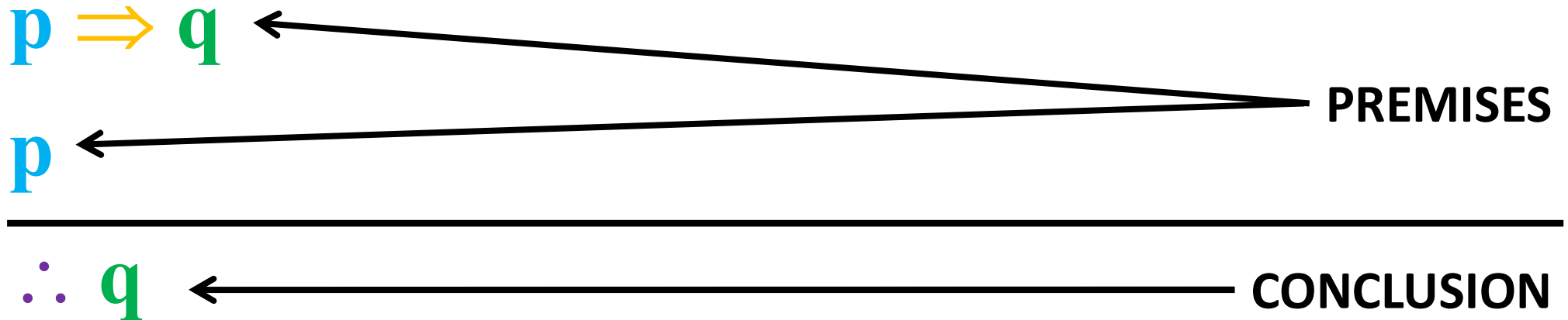
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Inference Rules: Modus Ponens



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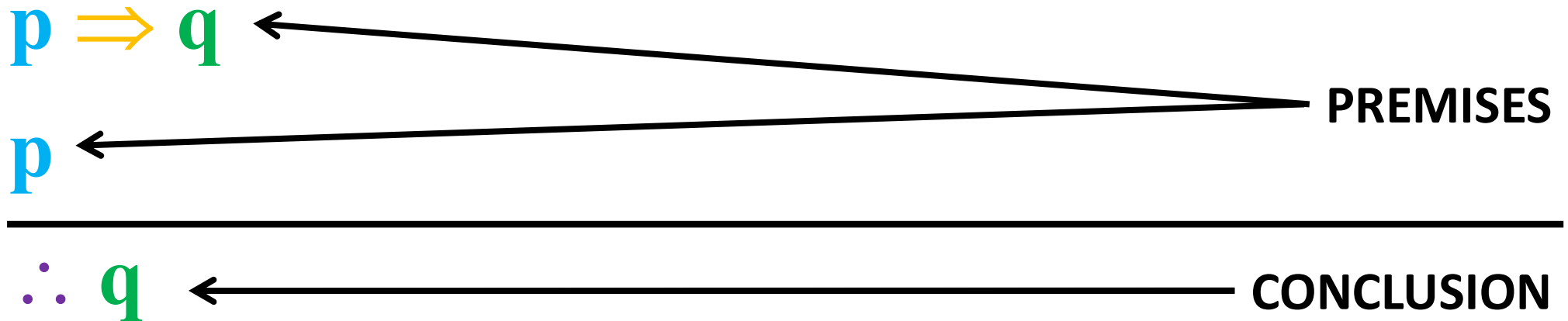
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PREMISE1 = $p \Rightarrow q$

PREMISE2 = p

CONCLUSION = q

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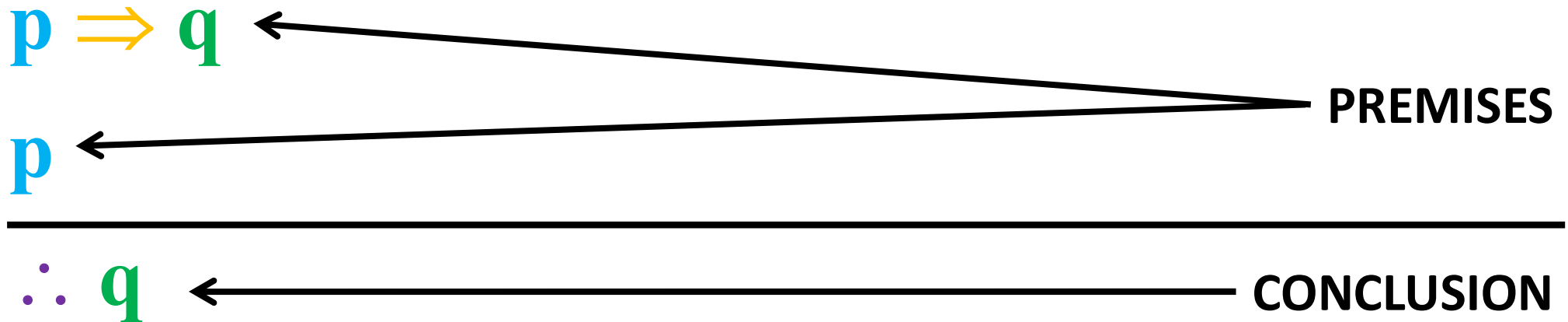
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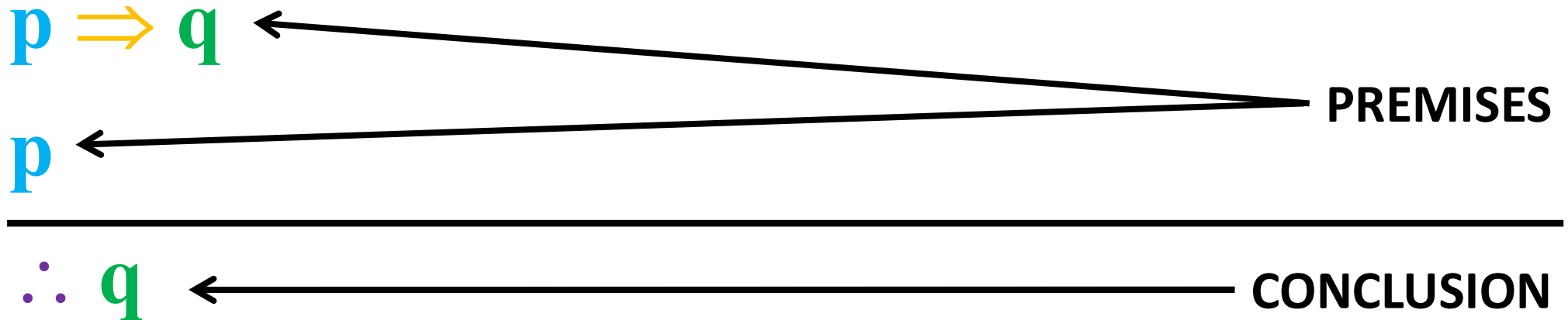
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PREMISE2 = p

CONCLUSION = q

PROPOSITIONAL VARIABLES		IMPLICATION
p	q	$p \Rightarrow q$
true	true	true
true	false	false
false	true	true
false	false	true

Inference Rules: Modus Ponens



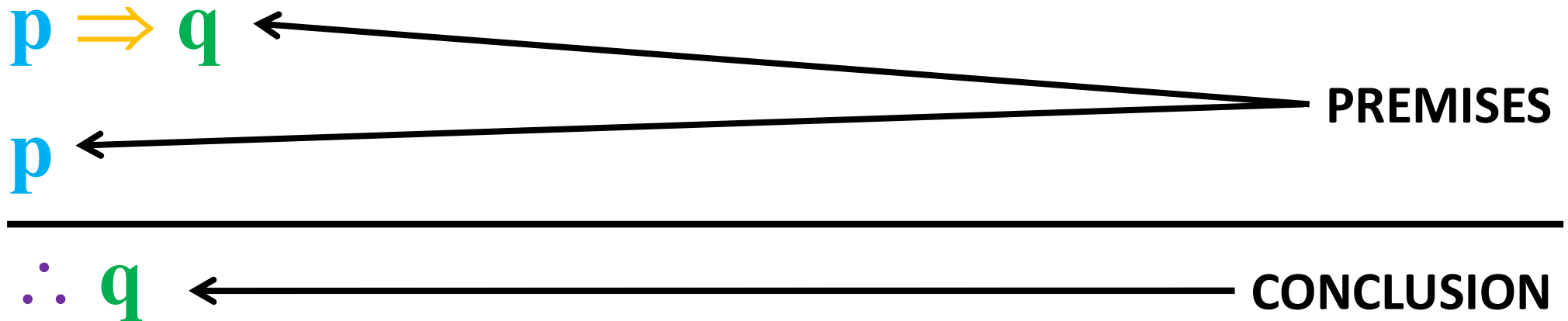
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PREMISES = PREMISE1 **AND** PREMISE2 = $(p \Rightarrow q) \wedge p$

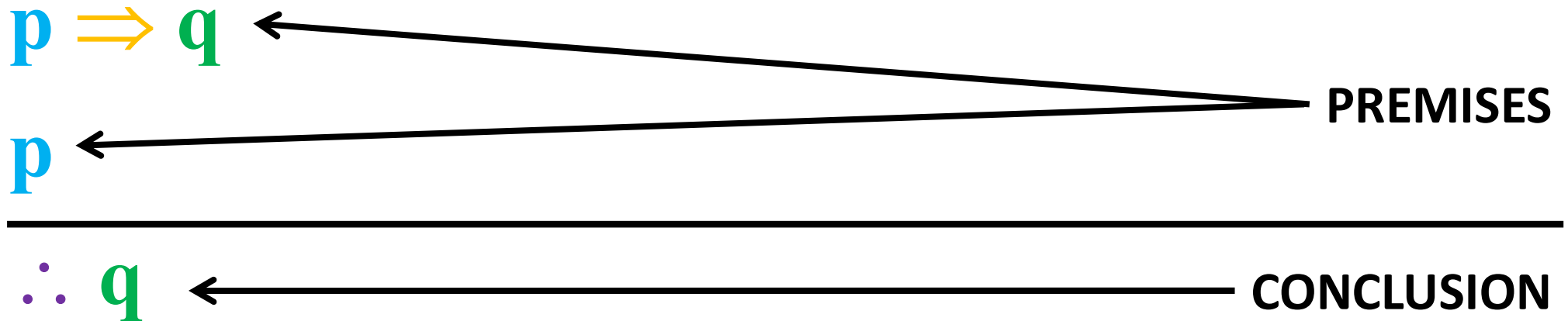
CONCLUSION = q

Inference Rules: Modus Ponens



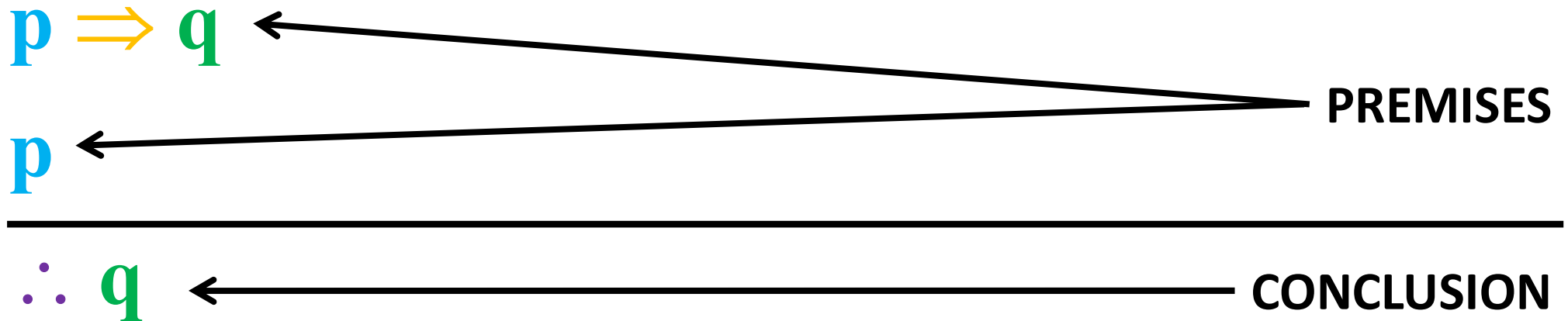
PROPOSITIONAL VARIABLES		INDIVIDUAL PREMISE		PREMISES	CONCLUSION
p	q	P1: $p \Rightarrow q$	P2: p	$P1 \wedge P2: (p \Rightarrow q) \wedge p$	q
true	true	true	true	true	true
true	false	false	true	false	false
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Inference Rules: Modus Ponens



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INDIVIDUAL PREMISE		PREMISES	CONCLUSION
P1: $p \Rightarrow q$	P2: p	$P1 \wedge P2: (p \Rightarrow q) \wedge p$	q
true	true	true	true
false	true	false	false
true	false	false	true
true	false	false	false

Inference Rules: Summary

Rules of Inference:

Modus Ponens	Modus Tollens	Hypothetical Syllogism (Transitivity)	Conjunction
$P \Rightarrow Q$ P	$P \Rightarrow Q$ $\neg Q$	$P \Rightarrow Q$ $Q \Rightarrow R$	P Q
$\therefore Q$	$\therefore P$	$\therefore P \Rightarrow R$	$\therefore P \wedge Q$
Addition	Simplification	Disjunctive Syllogism	Resolution
P	$P \wedge Q$	$P \vee Q$ $\neg P$	$P \vee Q$ $\neg P \vee R$
$\therefore P \vee Q$	$\therefore P$	$\therefore Q$	$\therefore Q \vee R$

Tautological forms:

Modus Ponens: $((P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge P) \Rightarrow Q$ | **Modus Tollens:** $((P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg Q) \Rightarrow P$

Hypothetical Syllogism: $((P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow R)) \Rightarrow (P \Rightarrow R)$

Disjunctive Syllogism: $((P \vee Q) \wedge \neg P) \Rightarrow Q$

Addition: $P \Rightarrow P \vee Q$ | **Simplification:** $(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow P$

Conjunction: $(P) \wedge (Q) \Rightarrow (P \wedge Q)$ | **Resolution:** $((P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee R)) \Rightarrow (Q \vee R)$

Argument Validity: Truth Table Proof

$$p \Rightarrow q$$

$$q \Rightarrow \neg r$$

$$\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r$$

$$\therefore \neg r$$

p	q	r	P1: $p \Rightarrow q$	P2: $q \Rightarrow \neg r$	P3: $\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r$	$P1 \wedge P2 \wedge P3$	$(P1 \wedge P2 \wedge P3) \Rightarrow \neg r$
true	true	true	true	false	true	false	true
true	true	false	true	true	true	true	true
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Argument Validity: Truth Table Proof

$$p \Rightarrow q$$

$$A \Leftrightarrow ((p \Rightarrow q) \wedge (q \Rightarrow \neg r) \wedge (\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r) \Rightarrow \neg r)$$

$$q \Rightarrow \neg r$$

An argument A is **valid** if it is a **tautology**.

$$\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r$$

$$\therefore \neg r$$

p	q	r	P1:p \Rightarrow q	P2:q \Rightarrow \neg r	P3: \neg p \Rightarrow \neg r	P1 \wedge P2 \wedge P3	(P1 \wedge P2 \wedge P3) \Rightarrow \neg r
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$$\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r$$

Argument A is valid, because it is a tautology

$$\therefore \neg r$$

(always true regardless of **p**, **q**, **r** truth assignments)

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Logical Entailment

A set of sentences (called **premises**) logically **entails** a sentence (called a **conclusion**) if and only if **every truth assignment that satisfies the premises also satisfies the conclusion.**

PREMISES \models CONCLUSION

Logical Entailment

Definition: A sentence KB entails a sentence Q (or Q follows from KB) if every model of KB is also a model of Q. We write:

$$KB \models Q$$

In other words:

- For every interpretation in which KB is **true**, Q is also **true**
- “Whenever KB is **true**, Q is also **true**”

Entailment: Deriving Conclusions

You can prove if:

$$KB \models Q$$

is **true** in a number of ways:

- Model checking (enumeration)
- Truth table proof (enumeration)
- Proof by resolution

You can also prove related sentences:

- prove that $KB \wedge \neg Q$ is **unsatisfiable** (by contradiction)
- prove that $KB \Rightarrow Q$ is a **tautology**

Model / “Possible World”

A **model** (a “possible world”) is a single truth assignment / interpretation.

If a sentence U is **true** in model K , K satisfies U .

$M(U)$: set of **ALL** models of U (that satisfy U)

Now:

$KB \models Q$ if and only if $M(KB) \subseteq M(Q)$

$KB \models Q$ is **true** if and only if **in EVERY model** in which KB is **true**, Q is also **true**.

Logical Entailment with Truth Table

$$p \Rightarrow q \quad \text{KB}$$

$$p \Rightarrow \neg r$$

$$\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r$$

$$\text{KB} \Leftrightarrow (p \Rightarrow q) \wedge (p \Rightarrow \neg r) \wedge (\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r)$$

$$Q \Leftrightarrow \neg r$$

$$\therefore \neg r \quad Q$$

Model	p	q	r	P1:p \Rightarrow q	P2:q \Rightarrow \neg r	P3: \neg p \Rightarrow \neg r	KB	Q
M1	true	true	true	true	false	true	false	false
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Entailment: Model Checking

$p \Rightarrow q$ KB

$p \Rightarrow \neg r$

$\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r$

$\therefore \neg r$ Q

$KB \Leftrightarrow (p \Rightarrow q) \wedge (p \Rightarrow \neg r) \wedge (\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r) \mid Q \Leftrightarrow \neg r$

Models where KB is true: $M(KB) = \{M2, M6, M8\}$

Models where Q is true: $M(Q) = \{M2, M4, M6, M8\}$

Model	p	q	r	P1: $p \Rightarrow q$	P2: $q \Rightarrow \neg r$	P3: $\neg p \Rightarrow \neg r$	KB	Q
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$M(KB) \subseteq M(Q)$ so Q follows KB

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KB \Rightarrow Q is a **Tautology** Proof

$$p \Rightarrow q$$

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$$\therefore \neg r$$

KB \Rightarrow Q is **true** for ALL models / interpretations

KB \Rightarrow Q is a **tautology**



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Enumeration: Issues

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2^N Possible Worlds (Models)

2^N Interpretations of R

Logical Entailment

Definition: A sentence **KB** entails sentence **Q** (or **Q** follows from **KB**) if every model of **KB** is also a model of **Q**. We write:

$$\mathbf{KB} \models \mathbf{Q}$$

One more way to look at it:

If **KB** entails **Q**,

- “the truth of **KB** guarantees truth of **Q**”
- “the falsity of **KB** guarantees falsity of **Q**”

Entailment: Deriving Conclusions

You can prove that:

$$KB \models Q$$

is **true** in a number of ways:

- Model checking (enumeration)
- Truth table proof (enumeration)
- Proof by resolution

You can also prove related sentences:

- prove that $KB \wedge \neg Q$ is **unsatisfiable** (by contradiction)
- prove that $KB \Rightarrow Q$ is a **tautology**

Entailment Proofs

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$M(KB) \subseteq M(Q)$ so KB entails Q

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Model Checking as a Search Problem

Model checking can be considered a search problem. Searching a truth table for models in which **KB** entails **Q** (**Q** follows from **KB**). It is a $O(2^N)$ problem.

N Propositional Variables							KB \models Q
p ₁	p ₂	p ₃	...	p _{N-1}	p _N		
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...	
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Can we do better?
Can we automate the process?

Java Programmers! Difference?

& vs. && operator?

as in:

`if (a & b) vs if (a && b)`

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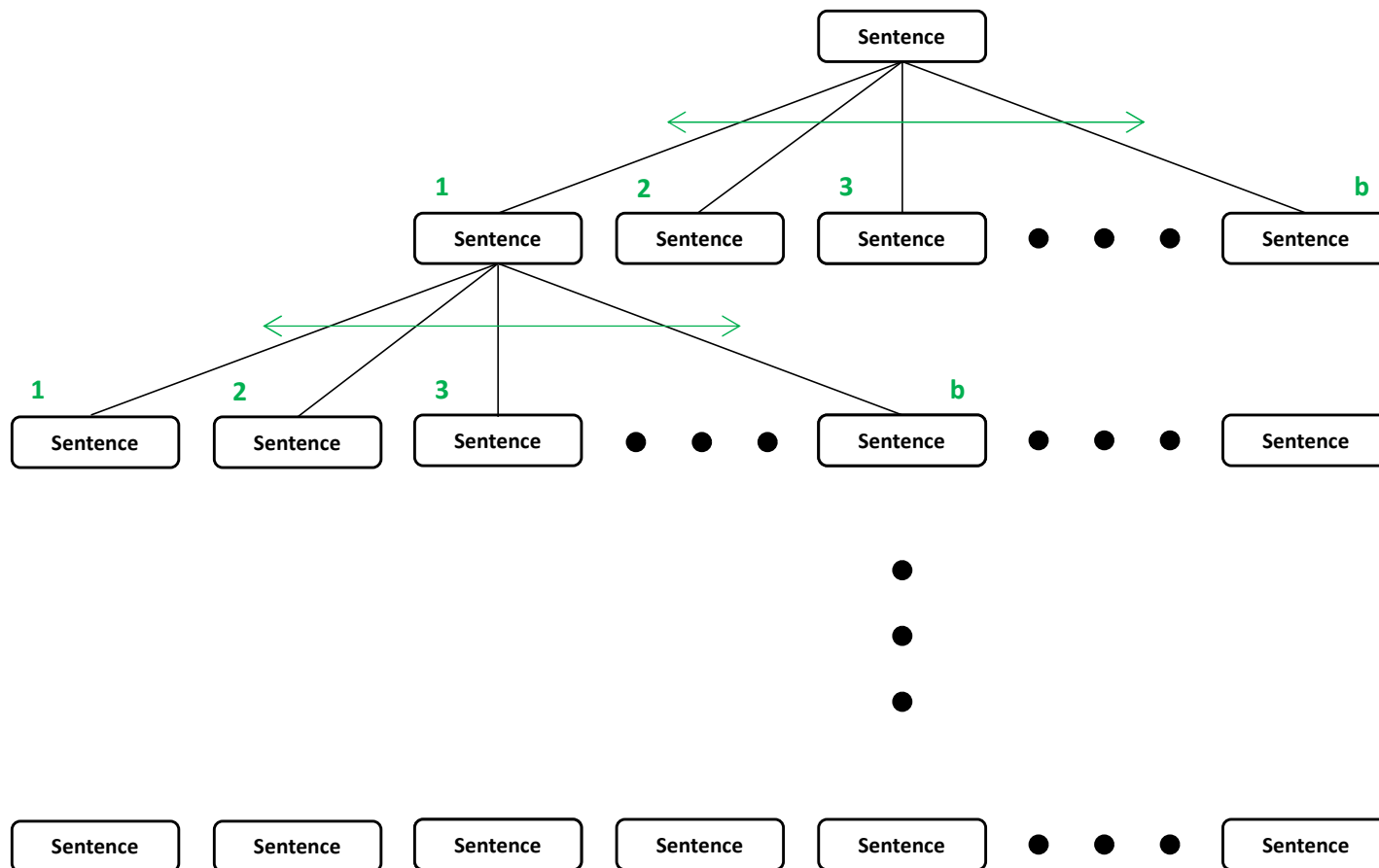
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What if I used?

$$KB \equiv \text{PREMISE1} \ \&\& \ \text{PREMISE2} \ \&\& \ \dots \ \&\& \ \text{PREMISEN}$$

What's the benefit?

Truth Table Enumeration as Search



Depth: 0
No assignment

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 p_1 : value assigned
partial assignment

Depth: 2
 p_2 : value assigned
partial assignment

Depth: N
 p_N : value assigned
complete assignment

Some truth assignments will quickly become **false**.
Not all propositional variables p_i need their values assigned to know that

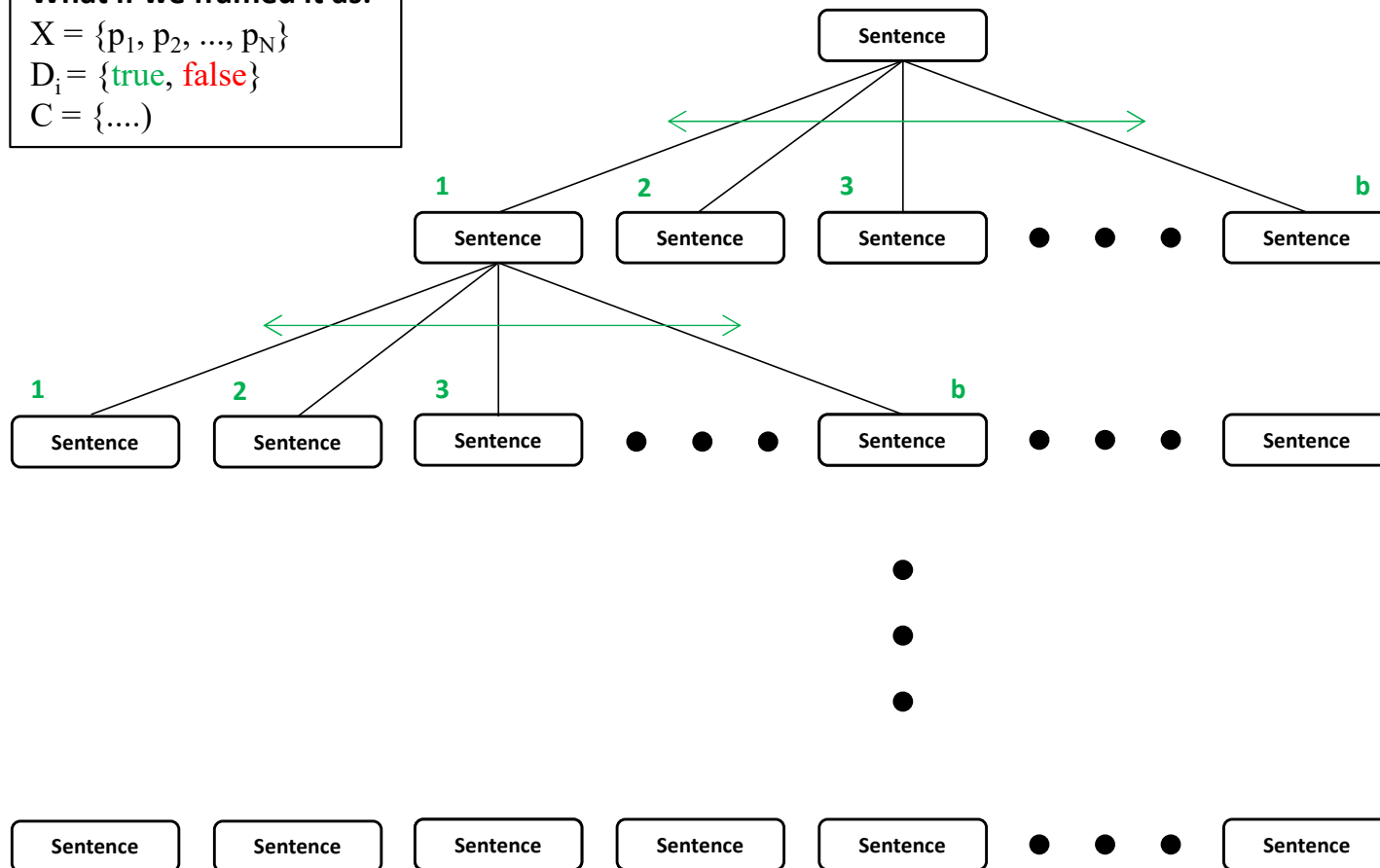
Truth Table Enumeration as Search

What if we framed it as:

$X = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N\}$

$D_i = \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$

$C = \{\dots\}$



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Truth Table Enumeration: Pseudocode

function TT-ENTAILS?(KB, α) **returns** *true* or *false*

inputs: KB , the knowledge base, a sentence in propositional logic
 α , the query, a sentence in propositional logic

$symbols \leftarrow$ a list of the proposition symbols in KB and α

return TT-CHECK-ALL($KB, \alpha, symbols, \{ \}$)

function TT-CHECK-ALL($KB, \alpha, symbols, model$) **returns** *true* or *false*

if EMPTY?($symbols$) **then**

if PL-TRUE?($KB, model$) **then return** PL-TRUE?($\alpha, model$)

else return *true* // when KB is false, always return true

else

$P \leftarrow$ FIRST($symbols$)

$rest \leftarrow$ REST($symbols$)

return (TT-CHECK-ALL($KB, \alpha, rest, model \cup \{P = true\}$)
 and
 TT-CHECK-ALL($KB, \alpha, rest, model \cup \{P = false\}$))

Returns true if EITHER “top” OR “bottom” recursive call returns true.

Evaluation

Evaluation is the process of **determining the truth values of compound/complex sentences** given a **truth assignment for the truth values of proposition constants/atomic sentences**. Consider the following truth assignment i :

$p^i = \text{true}, q^i = \text{false}, r^i = \text{true}$ Assignment

Let's evaluate the following complex sentence $(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee r)$:

$(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee r) \rightarrow (\text{true} \vee \text{false}) \wedge (\neg \text{false} \vee \text{true})$ Substitution

$(\text{true} \vee \text{false}) \wedge (\neg \text{false} \vee \text{true})$ Disjunction

$\text{true} \wedge (\neg \text{false} \vee \text{true})$ Negation

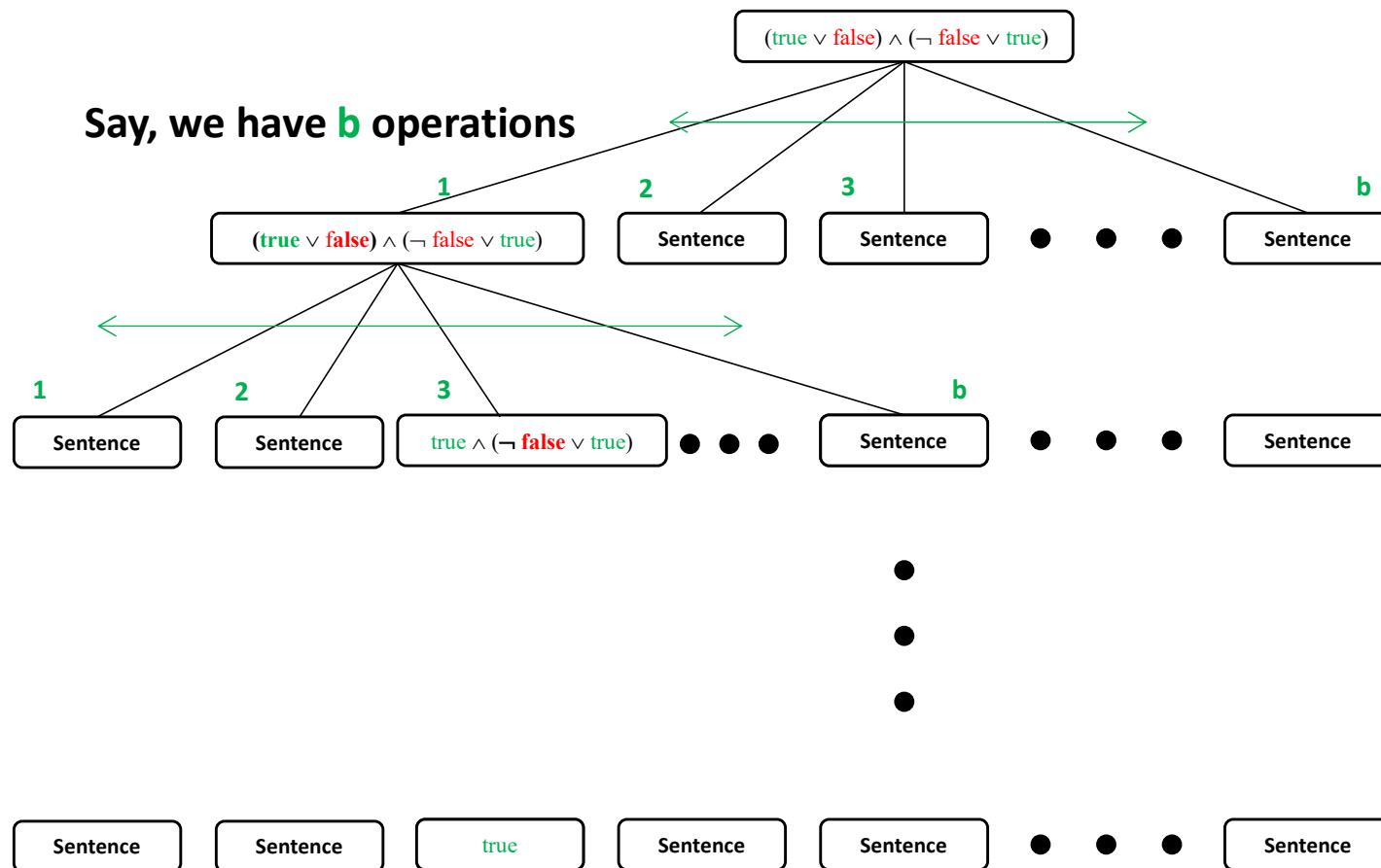
$\text{true} \wedge (\text{true} \vee \text{true})$ Disjunction

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true Interpretation

There is a path of operations that leads from substitution to the final interpretation.

Sentence Evaluation as Searching



Deduction / Proof

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There is a path of operations to get from the beginning to the end



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How were the laws
chosen for each
step?

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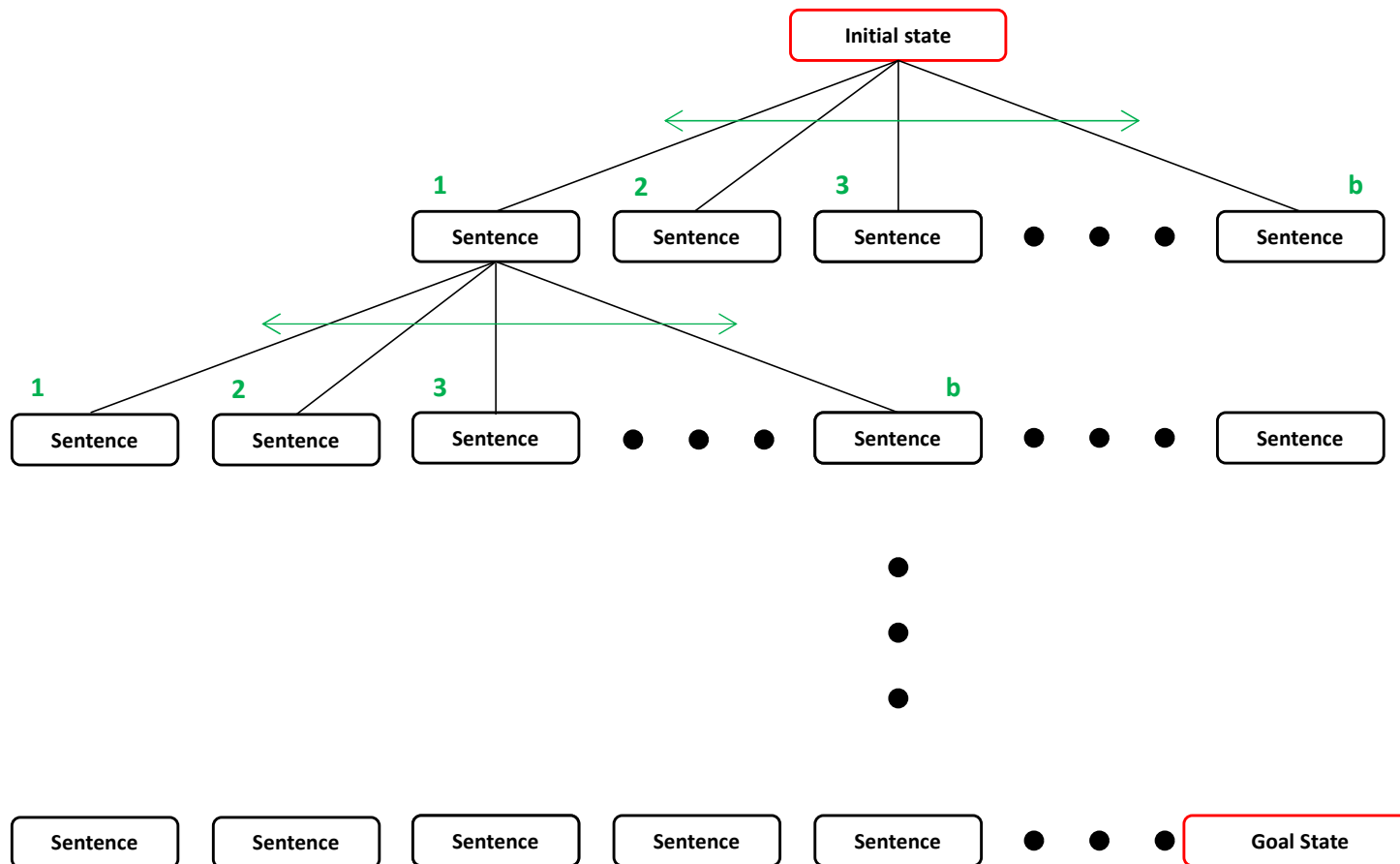
Proof as Search

Search algorithms can be used to find a sequence of steps that constitute a proof.

Just define the proof problem as a search problem:

- **INITIAL STATE:** initial knowledge base (sentence)
- **ACTIONS:** the set of all language rules
- **RESULT:** resulting sentence after applying a rule
- **GOAL:** a sentence that we are trying to prove

Deduction / Proof as Search



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Pick a rule/law

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Initial state

Goal state

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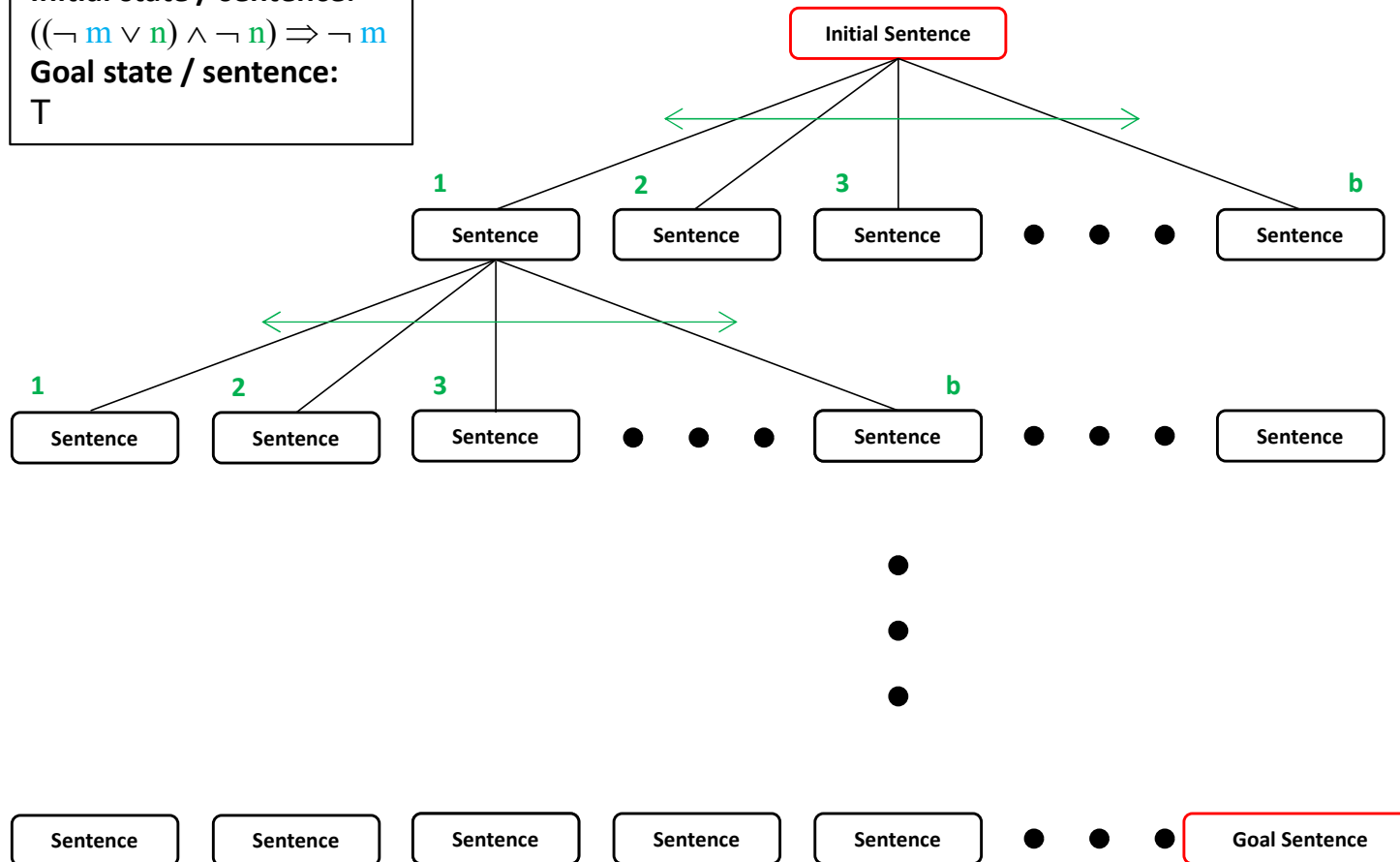
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Model Checking: Q is Satisfiable

$$KB \equiv P1 \wedge P2 \wedge P3 \mid Q \equiv \dots$$

If $M(KB) \subseteq M(Q)$ Q follows KB, otherwise it does NOT.

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Again: Tautology Proved by Deduction

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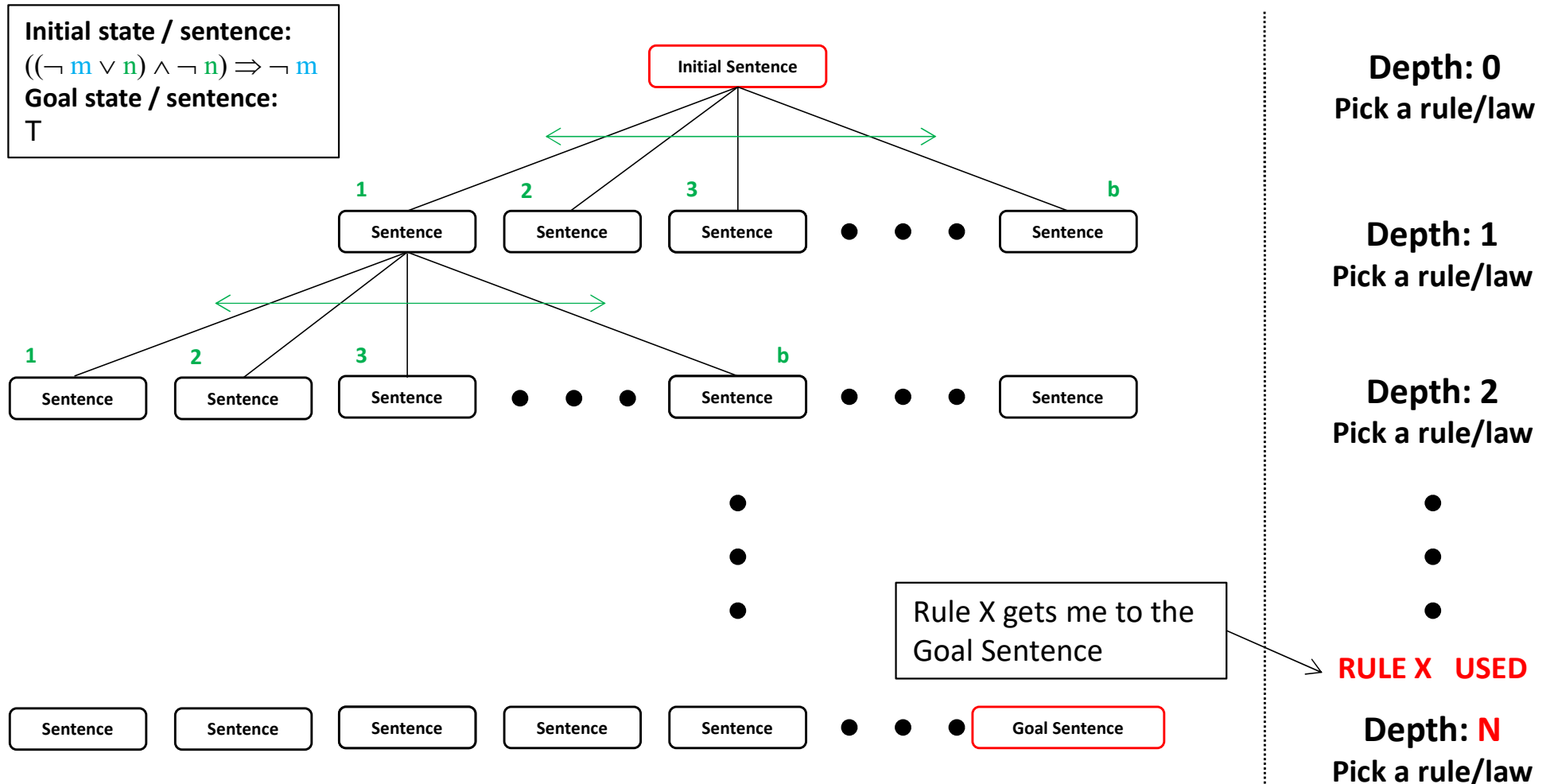
Proving Entailment: Two Levels

Syntax level

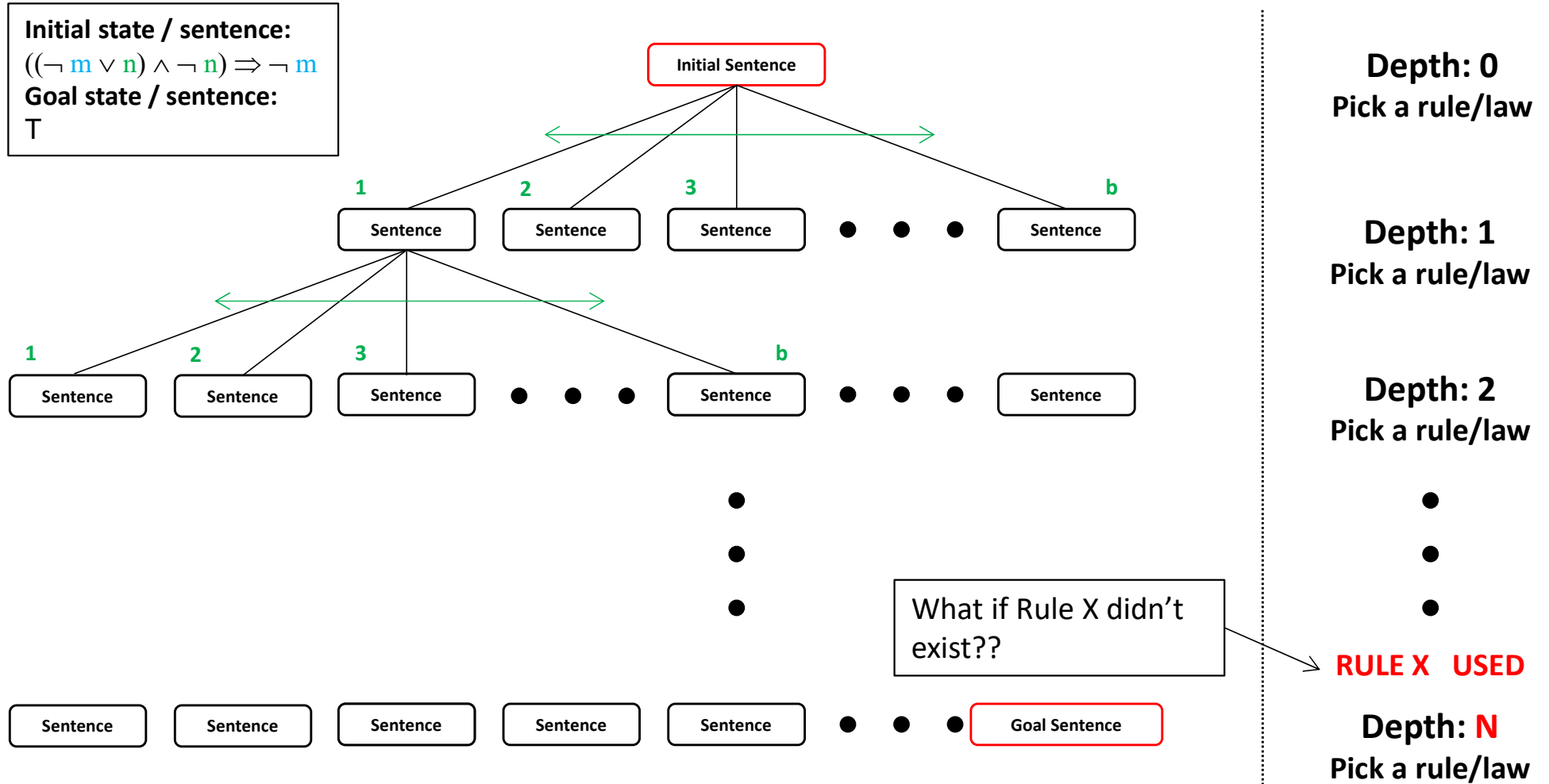


I was able to check entailment at
this level for a particular problem,
but will it always work?

Deduction as Search



Deduction as Search



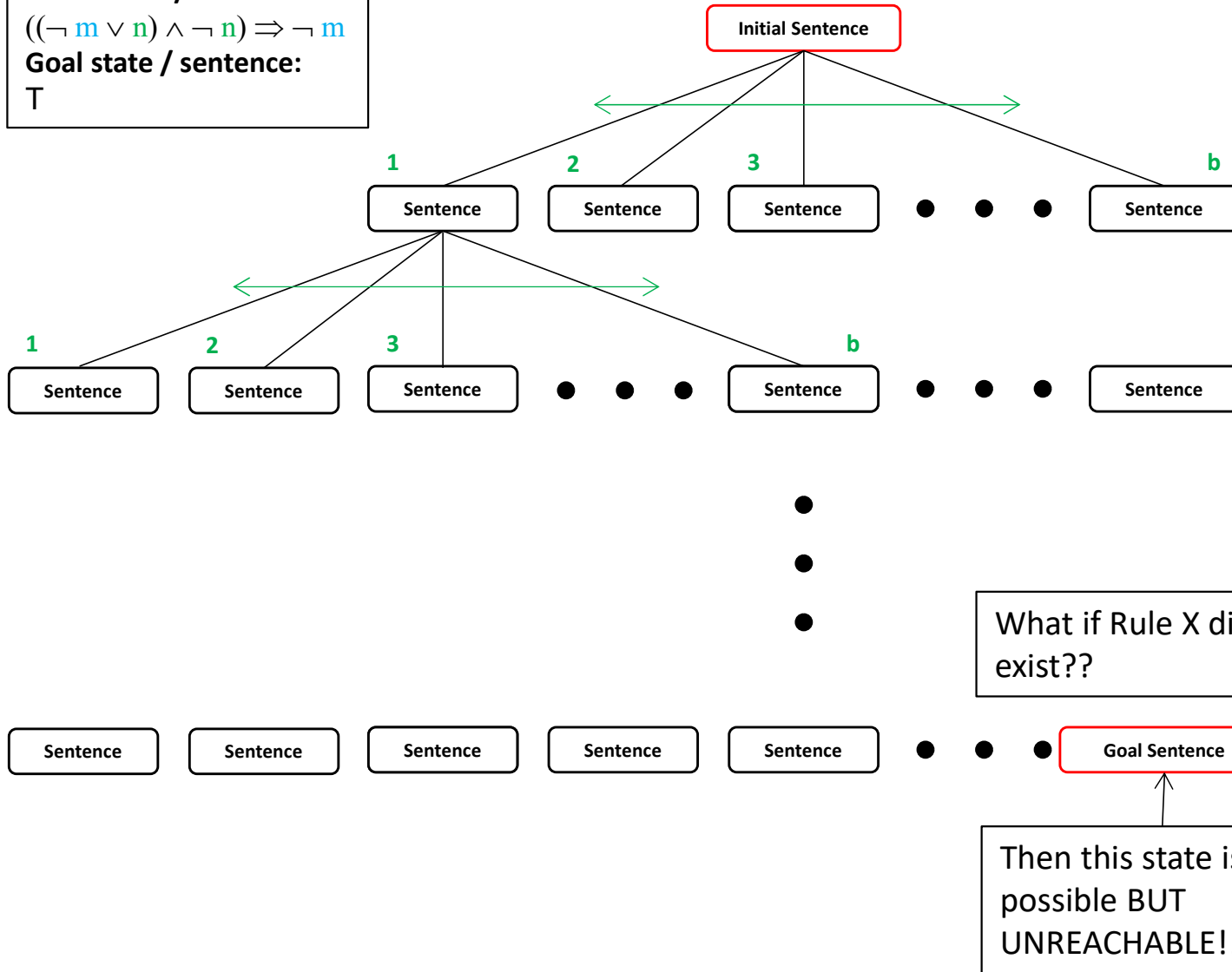
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RULE X USED

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Propositional Logic Calculus

Syntactic proof systems are called calculi.

To ensure that a calculus DOES NOT generate errors, two properties need to be satisfied:

- A calculus is **SOUND** if every derived proposition follows semantically
- A calculus is **COMPLETE** if all semantic consequences can be derived

Propositional Logic Calculus

Soundness:

The calculus does NOT produce any FALSE consequences

Completeness:

A complete calculus ALWAYS find a proof if the sentence to be proved follows from the knowledge base

If a calculus is **sound and complete**, then syntactic derivation and semantic entailment are two **equivalent relations**.

Entailment: Two Levels

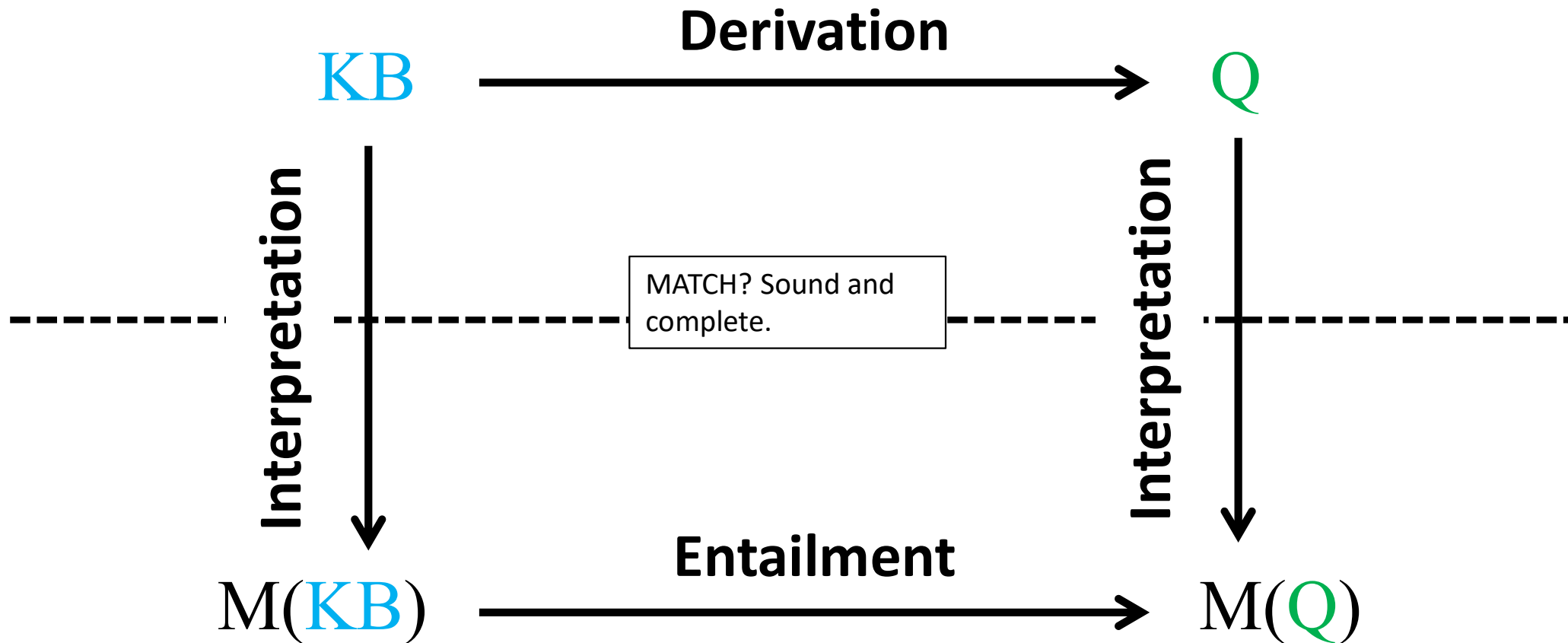
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Semantic level

Proving Entailment: Two Levels

Syntax level



Semantic level

Inference

Bottom line:

An inference system has to be sound and complete.

Resolution rule is. Couple it with a complete search algorithm and an inference system is in place.

Inference Rules: Resolution

Rules of Inference:

Modus Ponens $P \Rightarrow Q$ P <hr/> $\therefore Q$	Modus Tollens $P \Rightarrow Q$ $\neg Q$ <hr/> $\therefore \neg P$	Hypothetical Syllogism (Transitivity) $P \Rightarrow Q$ $Q \Rightarrow R$ <hr/> $\therefore P \Rightarrow R$	Conjunction P Q <hr/> $\therefore P \wedge Q$
Addition P <hr/> $\therefore P \vee Q$	Simplification $P \wedge Q$ <hr/> $\therefore P$	Disjunctive Syllogism $P \vee Q$ $\neg P$ <hr/> $\therefore Q$	Resolution $P \vee Q$ $\neg P \vee R$ <hr/> $\therefore Q \vee R$

Tautological forms:

Modus Ponens: $((P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge P) \Rightarrow Q$ | **Modus Tollens:** $((P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg Q) \Rightarrow \neg P$

Hypothetical Syllogism: $((P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \Rightarrow R)) \Rightarrow (P \Rightarrow R)$

Disjunctive Syllogism: $((P \vee Q) \wedge \neg P) \Rightarrow Q$

Addition: $P \Rightarrow P \vee Q$ | **Simplification:** $(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow P$

Conjunction: $(P) \wedge (Q) \Rightarrow (P \wedge Q)$ | **Resolution:** $((P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee R)) \Rightarrow (Q \vee R)$

Proof by Resolution

Recall that we can show that KB entails sentence Q (or Q follows from KB):

$$KB \models Q$$

by proving that:

$$(KB \wedge \neg Q) \Leftrightarrow \perp$$

(show that $KB \wedge \neg Q$ is a **contradiction / empty clause**)

Resolution: Two Forms of Notation

Resolution

$$P \vee Q$$

$$\neg P \vee R$$

$$\therefore Q \vee R$$

Resolution (textbook)

$$(P \vee Q), (\neg P \vee R)$$

$$(Q \vee R)$$

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$(Q \vee R)$

←
derived clause (resolvent)

The Empty Clause: $(p \wedge \neg p) \Leftrightarrow \perp$

Symbol	Name	Alternative symbols*	Should be read
\neg	Negation	$\sim, !$	not
\wedge	(Logical) conjunction	$\bullet, \&$	and
\vee	(Logical) disjunction	$+, $	or
\Rightarrow	(Material) implication	\rightarrow, \supset	implies
\Leftrightarrow	(Material) equivalence	$\leftrightarrow, \equiv, \text{iff}$	if and only if
\top	Tautology	$T, 1, \blacksquare$	truth
\perp	Contradiction	$F, 0, \square$	falsum empty clause
\therefore	Therefore		therefore

* you can encounter it elsewhere in literature

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

A sentence is in conjunctive normal form (CNF) if and only if consists of **conjunction**:

$$K_1 \wedge K_2 \wedge \dots \wedge K_m$$

of clauses. A clause K_i consists of a **disjunction**

$$(l_{i1} \vee l_{i2} \vee \dots \vee l_{ini})$$

of literals. Finally, a literal is propositional variable (positive literal) or a negated propositional variable (negative literal).

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

Example:

$$(a \vee b \vee \neg c) \wedge (a \vee b \vee \neg c) \wedge (\neg b \vee \neg c)$$

where: a, b, c are literals.

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

Example:

Convert $m \Leftrightarrow (n \vee o)$ into CNF:

by Equivalence law $(p \Rightarrow q) \wedge (q \Rightarrow p) \Leftrightarrow (p \Leftrightarrow q)$

$$(m \Rightarrow (n \vee o)) \wedge ((n \vee o) \Rightarrow m)$$

by Implication law $\neg p \vee q \Leftrightarrow p \Rightarrow q$

$$(\neg m \vee (n \vee o)) \wedge (\neg (n \vee o) \vee m)$$

we can remove parentheses

$$(\neg m \vee n \vee o) \wedge (\neg (n \vee o) \vee m)$$

by De Morgan's law $\neg (p \wedge q) \Leftrightarrow \neg p \vee \neg q$

$$(\neg m \vee n \vee o) \wedge ((\neg n \wedge \neg o) \vee m)$$

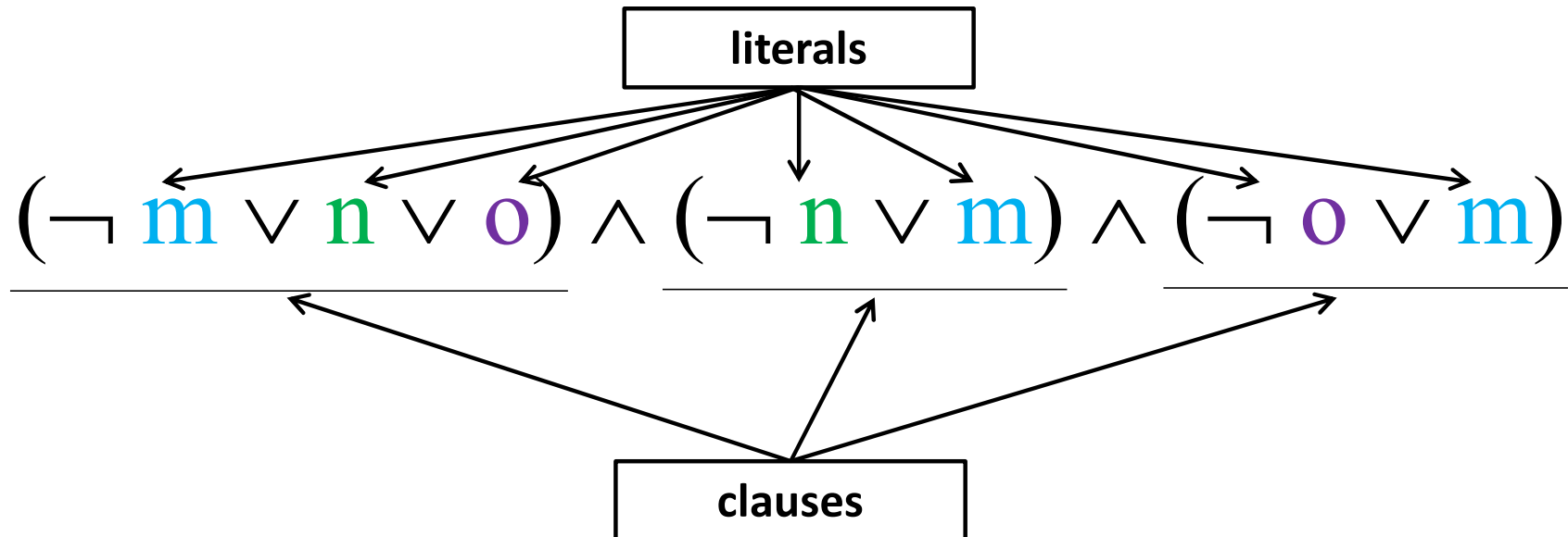
by Distributive law $p \vee (q \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$

$$(\neg m \vee n \vee o) \wedge (\neg n \vee m) \wedge (\neg o \vee m)$$

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

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Sentence $m \Leftrightarrow (n \vee o)$ converted into CNF:



CNF Grammar

$CNFSentence \rightarrow Clause_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Clause_n$

$Clause \rightarrow Literal_1 \vee \dots \vee Literal_m$

$Fact \rightarrow Symbol$

$Literal \rightarrow Symbol \mid \neg Symbol$

$Symbol \rightarrow P \mid Q \mid R \mid \dots$

$HornClauseForm \rightarrow DefiniteClauseForm \mid GoalClauseForm$

$DefiniteClauseForm \rightarrow Fact \mid (Symbol_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Symbol_l) \Rightarrow Symbol$

$GoalClauseForm \rightarrow (Symbol_1 \wedge \dots \wedge Symbol_l) \Rightarrow False$

*** I will:**

- **be using true and false instead of True and False**
- **use lowercase p, q for atomic and uppercase P, Q for complex**

General Resolution Rule

General resolution rule allows clauses with arbitrary number of literals

$$\frac{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee b), (\neg b \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n)}{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n)}$$

where: $a_i, b, \neg b, c_j$ are **literals**.

Unit Resolution

General resolution rule allows clauses with arbitrary number of literals

$$\frac{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee \mathbf{b}), (\neg \mathbf{b} \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n)}{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n)}$$

Literals \mathbf{b} and $\neg \mathbf{b}$ are **complementary**. The resolution rule deletes a pair of complementary literals from two clauses and combines the rest.

Unit Resolution

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The diagram illustrates the general resolution rule. At the top, a box labeled "initial clauses" has two arrows pointing to the two clauses in the premise. The first clause is $(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee \mathbf{b})$ and the second is $(\neg \mathbf{b} \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n)$. The literal \mathbf{b} in the first clause and $\neg \mathbf{b}$ in the second are highlighted in green. A horizontal line separates the premise from the conclusion. Below the line is the derived clause (resolvent): $(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n)$. An arrow points from a box labeled "derived clause (resolvent)" to this conclusion.

$$\frac{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee \mathbf{b}), (\neg \mathbf{b} \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n)}{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n)}$$

Literals \mathbf{b} and $\neg \mathbf{b}$ are **complementary**. The clause $(\mathbf{b} \wedge \neg \mathbf{b})$ is a **contradiction** (an **empty clause**).

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Factorization

Occasionally, unit resolution will produce a new clause with the the following clause ($d \vee d$):

$$\frac{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee d \vee b), (\neg b \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n \vee d)}{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n \vee d \vee d)}$$

Disjunction of multiple copies of literals ($d \vee d$) can be replaced by a single literal d . This is called **factorization**.

Resolution and Factorization

In this example resolution along with factorization will generate a new clause:

$$\frac{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee \mathbf{d} \vee \mathbf{b}), (\neg \mathbf{b} \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n \vee \mathbf{d})}{(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m \vee c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n \vee \mathbf{d})}$$

Clause is $(\mathbf{d} \vee \mathbf{d})$ is replaced by a single literal \mathbf{d} .
This is called **factorization**. Contradiction $(\mathbf{b} \wedge \neg \mathbf{b})$ becomes an “**empty clause**” and is removed.

Proof by Resolution

The process of proving by resolution is as follows:

- A. Formalize the problem: “English to Propositional Logic”
- B. derive $KB \wedge \neg Q$
- C. convert $KB \wedge \neg Q$ into CNF (“standardized”) form
- D. Apply resolution rule to resulting clauses. New clauses will be generated (add them to the set if not already present)
- E. Repeat (D) until:
 - a. no new clause can be added (KB does NOT entail Q)
 - b. last two clauses resolve to yield the empty clause (KB entails Q)

Logical Entailment

So far, we have been asking the question:

“Does **KB** entail **Q** (does **Q** follow from **KB**)?”

$$\text{KB} \models \text{Q}$$

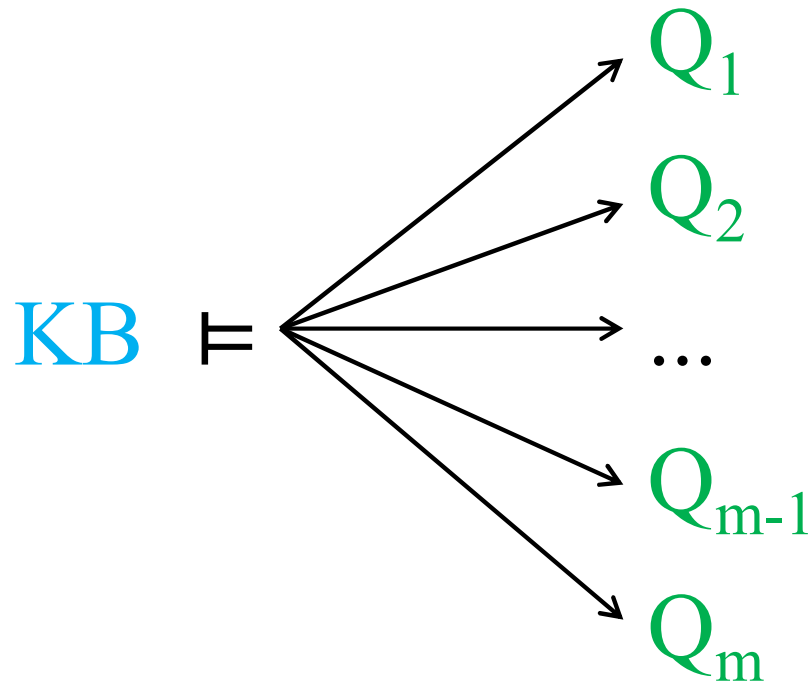
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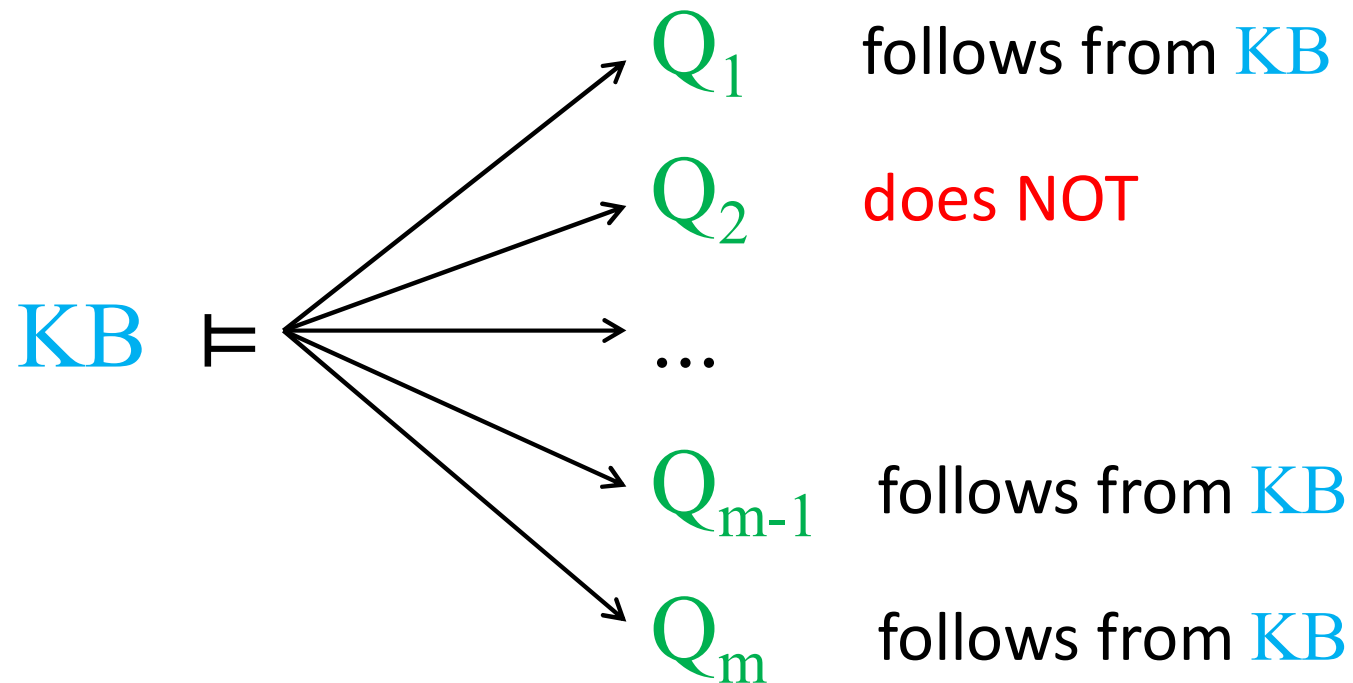
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KB Agents

Sentences are physical configurations of the agent, and reasoning is a process of constructing new physical configurations from old ones.

Logical reasoning should ensure that the new configurations represent aspects of the world that actually follow from the aspects that the old configurations represent.

Knowledge-based Agents

function KB-AGENT(*percept*) **returns** an *action*
persistent: *KB*, a knowledge base
t, a counter, initially 0, indicating time

KBBEFORE



```
TELL(KB, MAKE-PERCEPT-SENTENCE(percept, t))  
action ← ASK(KB, MAKE-ACTION-QUERY(t))  
TELL(KB, MAKE-ACTION-SENTENCE(action, t))  
t ← t + 1  
return action
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CURRENTKB



new percept

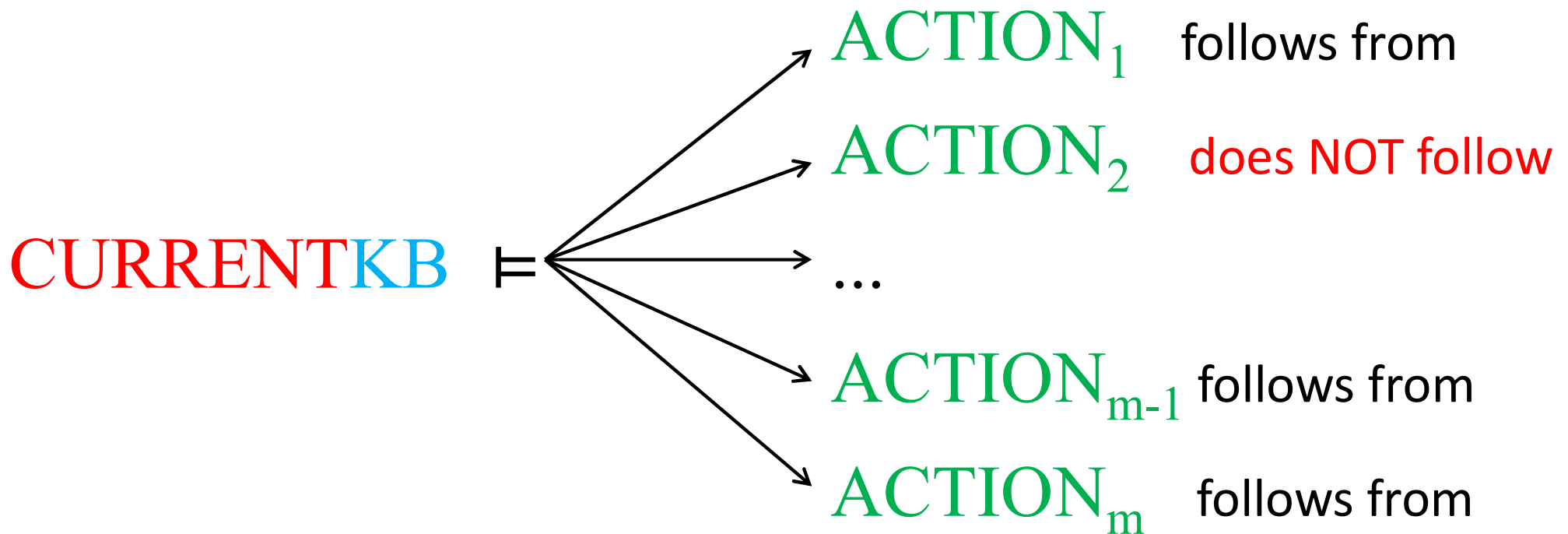


$\text{CURRENTKB} \Leftrightarrow \text{KBBEFORE} \wedge \text{percept}$

Logical Entailment with KB Agents

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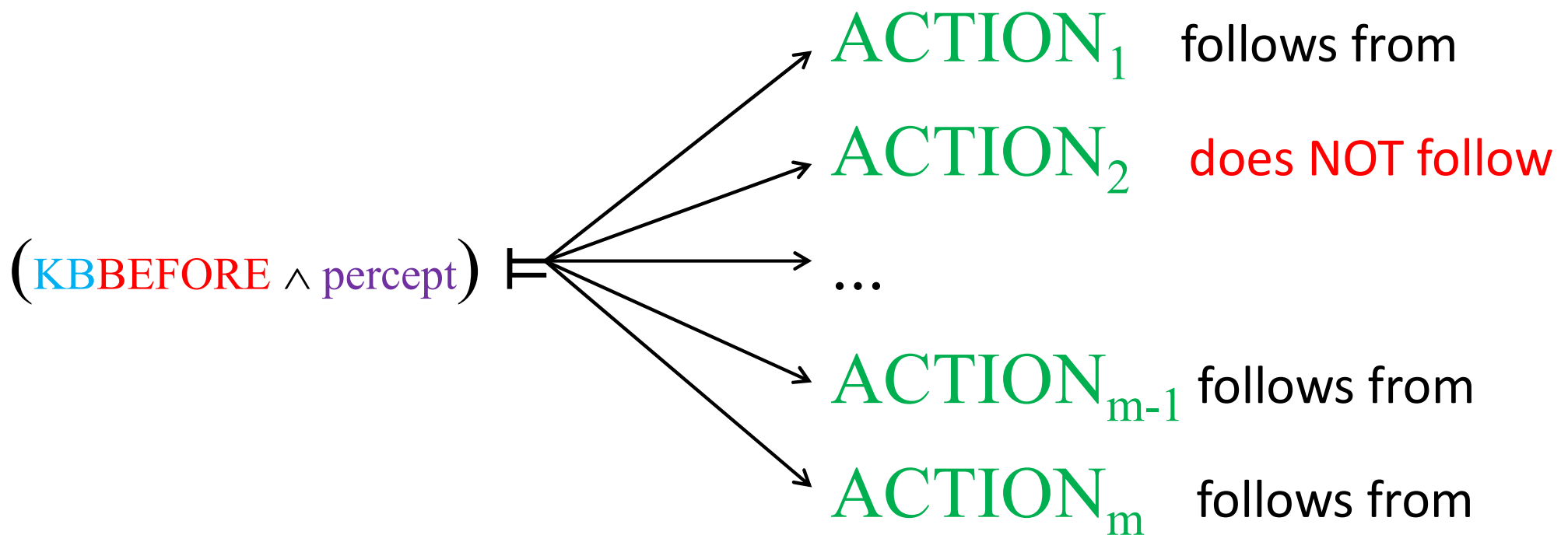
“Which **ACTION**s follow from **CURRENTKB**?”



Logical Entailment with KB Agents

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“Which **ACTION**s follow from **CURRENTKB**?”



Logical Entailment with KB Agents

Let's try a simpler example with just ONE ACTION to consider. The question is:

“Does ACTION follow from CURRENTKB?”

Test / prove:

$(\text{KB}_{\text{BEFORE}} \wedge \text{percept}) \models \text{ACTION}$ follows from

to decide whether to apply ACTION or not.