

HW 11

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Problem 1.

Consider the following facts, rules, and queries.

Facts:

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child('Jill', 'Zed').
child('Ned', 'Bea').
child('Tim', 'Jack').
child('Sue', 'Jack').
child('Anne', 'Jill').
child('Lou', 'Jane').
child('Mary', 'Tim').
child('Ron', 'Dan').
child('Anna', 'Kim').
child('Tim', 'Jill').
child('Mary', 'Jane').
child('Jill', 'Bea').
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Rules:

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ancestor(X,Y) :- child(Y,X).
ancestor(X,Y) :- child(Y,Z), ancestor(X,Z).
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Queries:

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ancestor('Zed', 'Mary')?
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- Write the rules as clauses (disjunctions of literals).
- Write one formal proof of the query using proof-by-contradiction, instantiation, and resolution. Give a justification for each line in your proof. Each step must be a premise or the result of instantiation or resolution.

a)

$a(X,Y) \vee !c(Y,X)$

$a(X,Y) \vee (!c(Y,Z) \vee !a(X,Z))$

b)

1.	$\neg a(\text{Zed}, \text{Mary})$	Negate Query
2.	$c(\text{Mary}, \text{Tim})$	Premise / Fact
3.	$a(\text{Zed}, \text{Mary}) \vee (\neg c(\text{Mary}, \text{Tim}) \vee \neg a(\text{Zed}, \text{Tim}))$	Instantiation: Rule2
4.	$\neg c(\text{Mary}, \text{Tim}) \vee \neg a(\text{Zed}, \text{Tim})$	Instantiation: 1,3
5.	$c(\text{Tim}, \text{Jill})$	Premise / Fact
6.	$a(\text{Zed}, \text{Tim}) \vee (\neg c(\text{Tim}, \text{Jill}) \vee \neg a(\text{Zed}, \text{Jill}))$	Instantiation: Rule2
7.	$\neg c(\text{Tim}, \text{Jill}) \vee \neg a(\text{Zed}, \text{Jill})$	Instantiation: 4, 6
8.	$c(\text{Jill}, \text{Zed})$	Premise / Fact
9.	$a(\text{Zed}, \text{Jill}) \vee \neg c(\text{Jill}, \text{Zed})$	Instantiation: Rule1
10.	$\neg c(\text{Jill}, \text{Zed})$	Resolution: 8,9
11.	FALSE	Resolution: 8, 11