# Forward, Backward, Inward, Outward and Omniward Chaining

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#### Inference Tree

- Formal proof as tree
- Axioms as leaves
- Theorem as root

$$\frac{P}{P} \text{ (P)} \quad \frac{\overline{P \to Q} \text{ (PQ)} \quad \overline{Q \to R}}{P \to R} \text{ (Deduction)}}{R}$$

$$\frac{P}{R} \text{ (Modus Ponens)}$$

Premises:  $P, P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R$ 

 $\underline{\mathsf{Premises}} \colon P, \, P \to Q, \, Q \to R$ 

$$\frac{1}{P}(P)$$
  $\frac{P \to Q}{P \to Q}(PQ)$   $\frac{1}{Q \to R}(QR)$ 

<u>Premises</u>:  $P, P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R$ 

$$\underline{\frac{P}}(\mathsf{P}) \quad \underline{\frac{P \to Q}{P \to R}}(\mathsf{PQ}) \quad \underline{\frac{Q \to R}{Q \to R}}(\mathsf{QR})$$

 $\underline{\mathsf{Premises}} \colon P,\, P \to Q,\, Q \to R$ 

$$\frac{P}{P}(P) = \frac{P \to Q}{P \to R} \frac{(PQ)}{P \to R} \frac{Q \to R}{(PQ)} \frac{(QR)}{(PQ)} \frac{(QR)}{(PQ$$

Conclusion: R



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$$\frac{P}{P} (P) \qquad \frac{P \to R}{R} (Modus Ponens)$$

#### Conclusion: R

$$\frac{}{P}\left(\mathsf{P}\right) \quad \frac{\overline{P \to Q} \; \left(\mathsf{PQ}\right) \quad \overline{Q \to R} \; \left(\mathsf{QR}\right)}{P \to R} \; \left(\mathsf{Modus} \; \mathsf{Ponens}\right)}$$

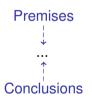
#### **Inward Chaining**



<u>Premises</u>:  $P, P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R$ , <u>Conclusion</u>: R

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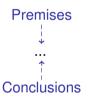
### **Inward Chaining**



Premises:  $P, P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R$ , Conclusion: R

$$\frac{P}{P} (P) \qquad \frac{\overline{P \to Q} (PQ) \qquad \overline{Q \to R}}{R} (QR)$$
(Modus Ponens)

## **Inward Chaining**



<u>Premises</u>:  $P, P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R,$  <u>Conclusion</u>: R

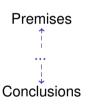
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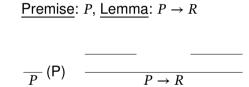
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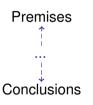
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Premise: P, Lemma:  $P \rightarrow R$ 

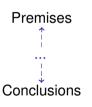






Premise: 
$$P$$
, Lemma:  $P \rightarrow R$ 

$$\underline{\frac{P}(P)} \quad \underline{\frac{P \to Q}{P \to R}} (PQ) \quad \underline{\frac{Q \to R}{Q \to R}} (QR)$$



Premise: P, Lemma:  $P \rightarrow R$ 

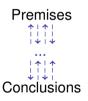
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 Premise:  $Q \rightarrow R$ , Lemma:  $P \rightarrow R$ 

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$$Q \to R$$
, Lemma:  $P \to R$ 

$$\frac{}{Q \to R} \text{ (QR)}$$

$$\frac{}{P \to R}$$



Premise: 
$$Q \to R$$
, Lemma:  $P \to R$ 

$$\frac{P \to Q}{P \to R} (PQ) = \frac{Q \to R}{Q \to R} (QR)$$
(Deduction)

Premise: 
$$Q \to R$$
, Lemma:  $P \to R$ 

$$\frac{}{R} \frac{\overline{P \to Q} \text{ (PQ)} \quad \overline{Q \to R}}{\overline{Q \to R}} \text{ (QR)} \\ \frac{P \to R}{R} \text{ (Modus Ponens)}$$

 Premise:  $Q \rightarrow R$ , Lemma:  $P \rightarrow R$ 

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