

# Midterm Review

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AIMA CH 2-7

# Chapter 1&2

## Environments

- \* Observable / Partially Observable
- \* Deterministic / Stochastic
- \* Episodic / Sequential
- \* Static / Dynamic
- \* Discrete / Continuous
- \* Single-agent / Multi-agent

# Chapter 1&2

## Agent Designs

- \* Reflex
- \* Model-based
- \* Goal-based
- \* Utility

# Chapter 3

## Classical Search

- \* Problem Formulation
- \* Tree Search
- \* Uninformed Strategies
- \* Informed Strategies

# Problem Formulation

- \* The design decision of how to represent the agent's: **actions, states, costs**

# Problem Solving Steps



- \* Formulate the Goal
- \* Formulate the States, Actions, Costs
- \* Find Solution
- \* Execute sequence of actions

# Tree Search


- \* Root node is init state
- \* Transition model tells next states
- \* Goal test? yes -> done, no->expand more

**Search Strategy:** Which leaf node to expand 1st?



# Tree Search

What's in my node representation?

- \* **State** this node represents  Node != State  
represents path  
to a state
- \* **Parent** node that generated this
- \* **Action** that generated this
- \* **Cost** of path from init to here
- \* **Depth** of path from init to here




# General Tree Search

TreeSearch(problem) **returns** solution  
frontier={init-state}

loop:

1. if frontier empty **return** failure
2. choose leaf node, remove from frontier
3. if node.contains(goal) **return** node.solution
4. node.expand( ), add children to frontier



How they get  
added into queue  
is important

# Evaluating Search Strategies

- \* Strategy = order of node expansion
  - \* Complete: finds solution if one exists
  - \* Optimal: always finds least cost solution
  - \* Time Complexity: # nodes generated
  - \* Space Complexity: max nodes ever in memory

# Uninformed Search

Use only the info in the problem definition

- \* Breadth-first search
- \* Uniform-cost search
- \* Depth-first search
- \* Depth-limited search
- \* Iterative-deepening search

# Comparison of Algs

Criterion	Breadth-First	Uniform-Cost	Depth-First	Depth-Limited	Iterative Deepening
Complete?	Yes*	Yes*	No	Yes, if $l \geq d$	Yes
Time	$b^d$	$b^{\lceil C^*/\epsilon \rceil}$	$b^m$	$b^l$	$b^d$
Space	$b^d$	$b^{\lceil C^*/\epsilon \rceil}$	$bm$	$bl$	$bd$
Optimal?	Yes*	Yes	No	No	Yes*

\* BFS vs. DFS

\* memory

\* DFS vs. D-limited vs. Iterative-D

\* time

# Summary for Uninformed

- \* Variety of search strategies
- \* Iterative deepening uses only linear space and not much more time than other algorithms
- \* Graph search can be exponentially more efficient than tree search

# Informed Search

- \* What if you know more...
  - \* Designer knows something about the problem to help the agent
  - \* Domain knowledge
- \* Use this to expand the **BEST** node first



# Best-First Search

- \* Tree search + Evaluation Function
- \*  $f(n)$  = desirability of node  $n$

**Search Strategy:** How to define eval function

# Best-First Search

- \* Heuristic function  $h(n)$ 
  - \* estimated cheapest path,  $n$  to goal
  - \* estimated future path cost from  $n$

# Greedy Best-First

- \*  $f(n) = h(n)$ : expand node that looks closest from here
- \* Example -- a common heuristic for route planning: straight line distance to goal

# A\* Search

- \* Most widely known Best-First alg
- \*  $f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$ 
  - \*  $g(n)$  = cost to get to this node
  - \*  $h(n)$  = estimated cost from here
- \* Minimizes total solution cost

# Admissible Heuristic

- \*  $h(n) =$

- \* under-estimate of cost to goal

- \* zero for any goal state

- \* non-zero for all others

- \* Makes A\* Optimal & Complete!

# Dominance

If  $h_2(n) \geq h_1(n)$  for all  $n$  (both admissible)  
then  $h_2$  dominates  $h_1$  and is better for search

Typical search costs:

$d = 14$  IDS = 3,473,941 nodes

$A^*(h_1) = 539$  nodes

$A^*(h_2) = 113$  nodes

$d = 24$  IDS  $\approx$  54,000,000,000 nodes

$A^*(h_1) = 39,135$  nodes

$A^*(h_2) = 1,641$  nodes

Given any admissible heuristics  $h_a, h_b$ ,

$$h(n) = \max(h_a(n), h_b(n))$$

is also admissible and dominates  $h_a, h_b$



# Chapter 4

## Local Search

- \* Classical Search

- \* Solution = path to goal state

- \* Local Search

- \* Solution = goal state itself

- \* How to search for a solution when the path doesn't matter?

# Local Search

- \* **Complete** = always finds a goal state if there is one
- \* **Optimal** = always find the global max

# Local Search Algs

- \* Hill-Climbing
- \* Simulated Annealing
- \* Local Beam Search
- \* Genetic Algorithms

# Online Search

- \* **Offline:** simulate the world and reason about a plan to get to a goal
- \* **Online:** solve the search problem while executing actions
- \* Interleaves search and execution

# Chapter 6

## Constraint Satisfaction Problems

- \* Problem Formulation
- \* Backtracking Search
  - \* Variable order heuristics
  - \* Value order heuristics
  - \* Constraint Propagation

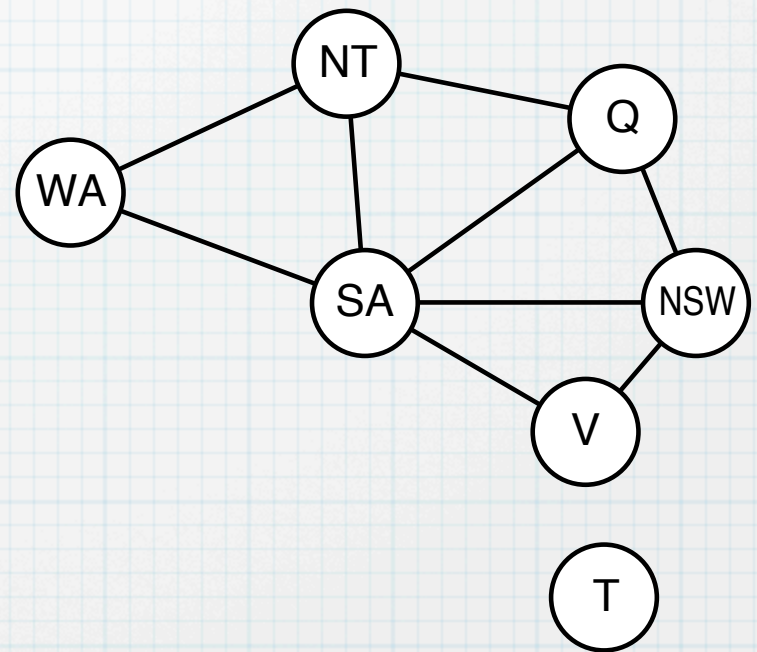
# Constraint Satisfaction Problem

- \* State: variables  $X_i$ , values from domain  $D_i$
- \* Goal Test: constraints specifying allowable combinations of values for variables
- \* Formal Representation Language
- \* Allows general-purpose algorithms with more power than standard search algs



# Constraint Graph

- \* **Nodes** are variables
- \* **Arcs** show constraints
- \* **Binary CSP**: each constraint relates only 2 variables
- \* **CSP algorithms** use the graph structure to speed up search for a goal state configuration



# Search for CSP Solution

- \* **Init State** =  $\{\}$
- \* **Successor()** = assign value (consistent with constraints) to any unassigned variable
- \* **Goal Test** = all vars are assigned
- \* Fail if no legal assignment to do
- \* **Same formulation** for every CSP problem, yea!
- \* Problem: **n** vars, with **d** values, branch factor at root is **nd**, then **(n-1)d** ...terrible!
- \* Order doesn't matter, consider 1 var at a time

# Backtracking Search

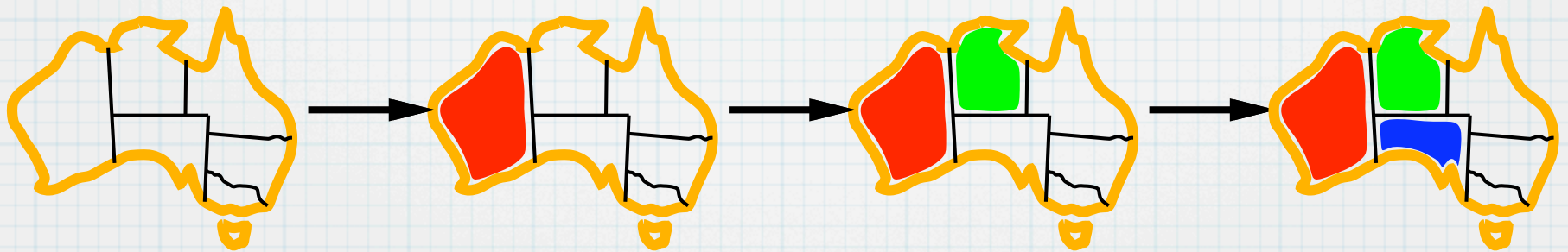
```
function BACKTRACKING-SEARCH(csp) returns solution/failure
  return RECURSIVE-BACKTRACKING({ }, csp)

function RECURSIVE-BACKTRACKING(assignment, csp) returns soln/failure
  if assignment is complete then return assignment
  var ← SELECT-UNASSIGNED-VARIABLE(VARIABLES[csp], assignment, csp)
  for each value in ORDER-DOMAIN-VALUES(var, assignment, csp) do
    if value is consistent with assignment given CONSTRAINTS[csp] then
      add {var = value} to assignment
      result ← RECURSIVE-BACKTRACKING(assignment, csp)
      if result ≠ failure then return result
      remove {var = value} from assignment
  return failure
```

- \* Repeatedly choose value for unassigned var, return fail if inconsistency detected

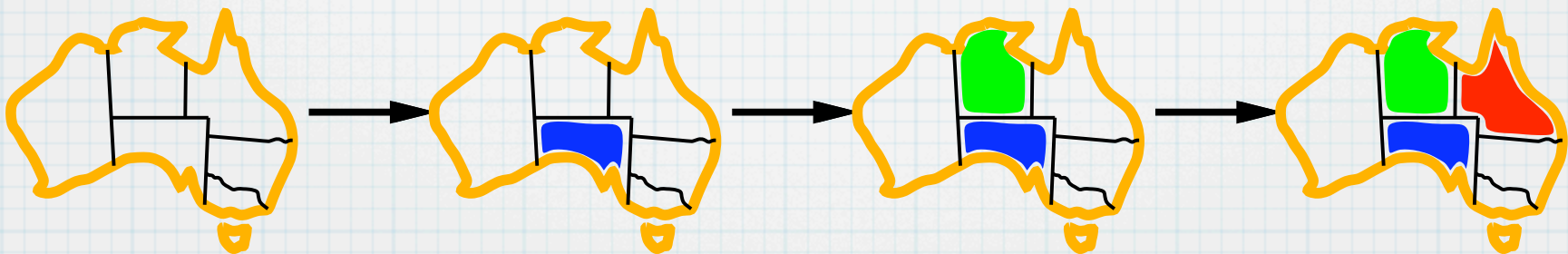
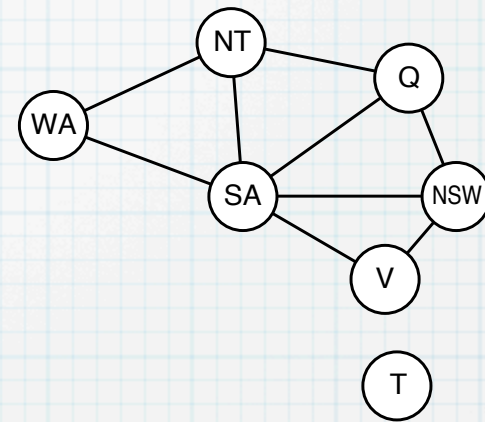
# Minimum Remaining Values (MRV)

- \* What variable to do next?
- \* Choose var with the fewest legal values



# Degree Heuristic

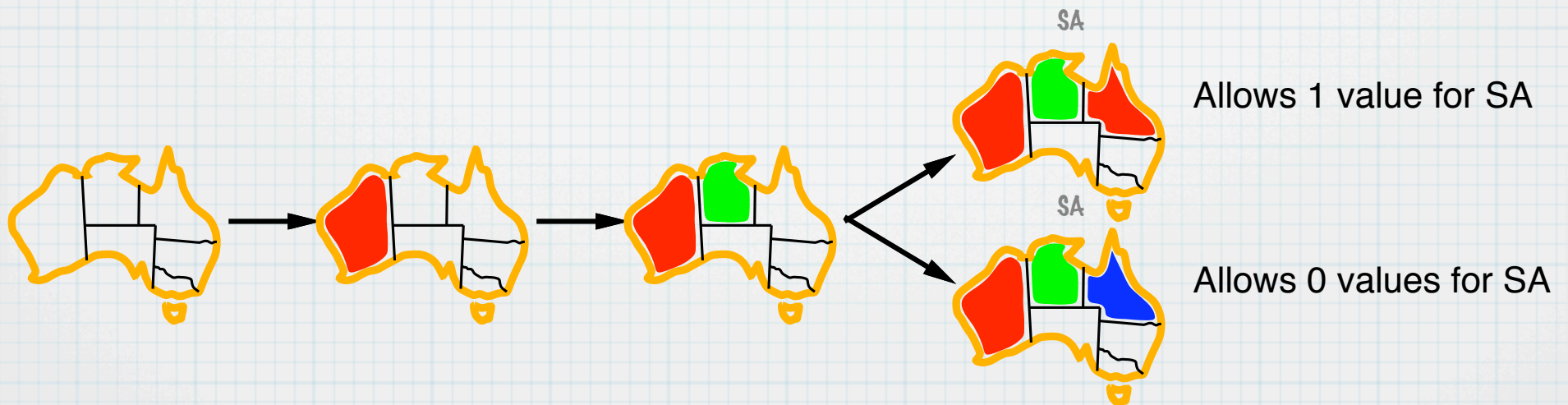
- \* Tie breaker for MRV
- \* Choose var with most constraints on remaining variables





# Least Constraining Value

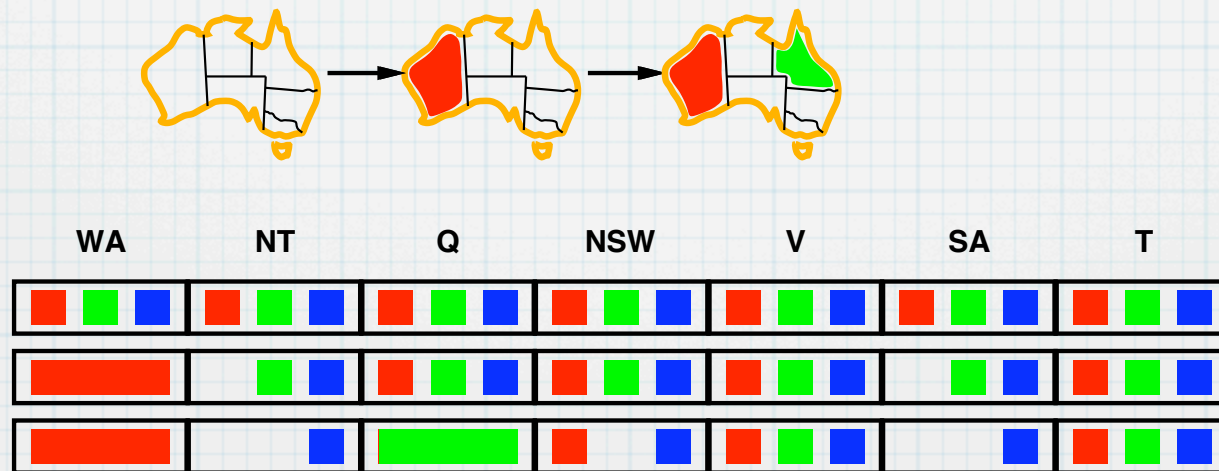
- \* What value to try next?
- \* Given a variable, choose value that rules out the least values in remaining vars





# Constraint Propagation

- \* Can stop a branch even earlier by propagating constraints and values
- \* After deleting neighbors run constraints

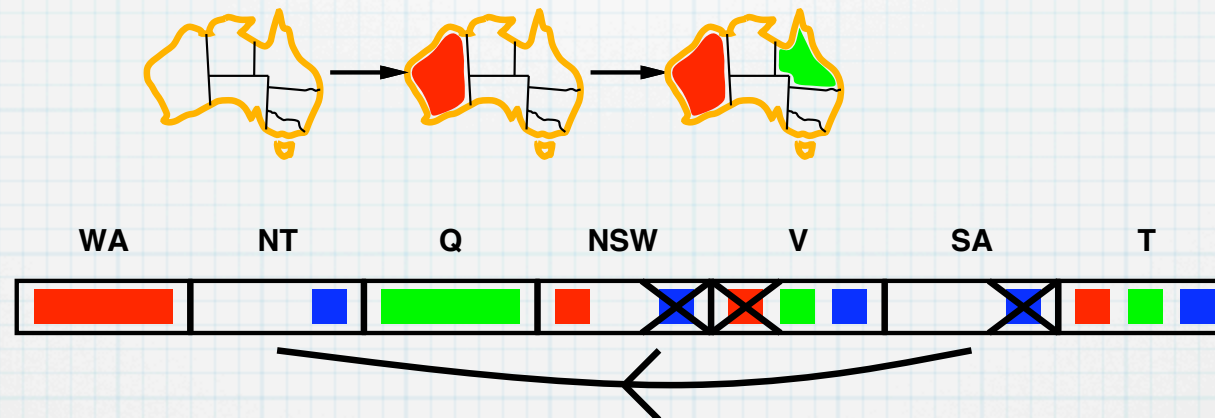
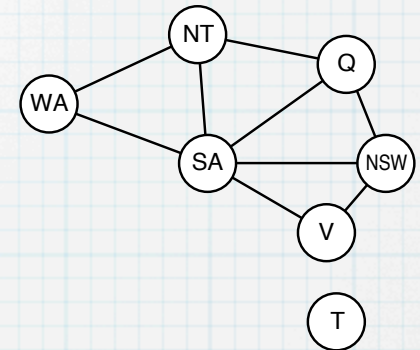


*NT* and *SA* cannot both be blue!

# Arc Consistency

Simplest form of propagation makes each arc **consistent**

$X \rightarrow Y$  is consistent iff  
for **every** value  $x$  of  $X$  there is **some** allowed  $y$



If  $X$  loses a value, neighbors of  $X$  need to be rechecked

Arc consistency detects failure earlier than forward checking

Can be run as a preprocessor or after each assignment

# Chapter 7

## Logical Agents

- \* Propositional Logic
- \* Inference in Propositional Logic
  - \* by Enumeration
  - \* Forward/Backward Chaining
  - \* Resolution

# Simple KB-agent

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

The agent must be able to:

- Represent states, actions, etc.

- Incorporate new percepts

- Update internal representations of the world

- Deduce hidden properties of the world

- Deduce appropriate actions

# Propositional Logic: Syntax

Propositional logic is the simplest logic—illustrates basic ideas

The proposition symbols  $P_1, P_2$  etc are sentences

If  $S$  is a sentence,  $\neg S$  is a sentence (negation)

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \wedge S_2$  is a sentence (conjunction)

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \vee S_2$  is a sentence (disjunction)

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \Rightarrow S_2$  is a sentence (implication)

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are sentences,  $S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_2$  is a sentence (biconditional)

# Truth Table for Connectives

Model

Truth value w.r.t. given Model

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



# Inference by Enumeration

**function** **TT-ENTAILS?**( $KB, \alpha$ ) **returns** *true* or *false*

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

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

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

**return** TT-CHECK-ALL( $KB, \alpha, symbols, []$ )

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**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*

**else do**

$P \leftarrow$  FIRST( $symbols$ );  $rest \leftarrow$  REST( $symbols$ )

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

\* DFS enumeration of all variables

\* Checking if query  $\top$  everywhere  $KB$  is  $\top$

# Truth Tables for Inference

Model

KB sentences

$B_{1,1}$	$B_{2,1}$	$P_{1,1}$	$P_{1,2}$	$P_{2,1}$	$P_{2,2}$	$P_{3,1}$	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	$R_4$	$R_5$	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
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
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	true
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⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
true	true	true	true	true	true	true	false	true	true	false	true	false

Enumerate rows (different assignments to symbols),  
if KB is true in row, check that  $\alpha$  is too

# Inference as Search

- \* **Init State:** initial KB
- \* **Transition model:** all logical inference rules and resulting additions to the KB
- \* **Goal:** KB that contains the sentence we are trying to prove

# Forward and Backward Chaining

Horn Form (restricted)

KB = **conjunction** of **Horn clauses**

Horn clause =

◇ proposition symbol; or

◇ (conjunction of symbols)  $\Rightarrow$  symbol

E.g.,  $C \wedge (B \Rightarrow A) \wedge (C \wedge D \Rightarrow B)$

Modus Ponens (for Horn Form): complete for Horn KBs

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

Can be used with **forward chaining** or **backward chaining**.

These algorithms are very natural and run in **linear** time

# Forward Chaining

```
function PL-FC-ENTAILS?(KB, q) returns true or false
  inputs: KB, the knowledge base, a set of propositional Horn clauses
         q, the query, a proposition symbol
  local variables: count, a table, indexed by clause, initially the number of premises
                  inferred, a table, indexed by symbol, each entry initially false
                  agenda, a list of symbols, initially the symbols known in KB

  while agenda is not empty do
    p ← POP(agenda)
    unless inferred[p] do
      inferred[p] ← true
      for each Horn clause c in whose premise p appears do
        decrement count[c]
        if count[c] = 0 then do
          if HEAD[c] = q then return true
          PUSH(HEAD[c], agenda)

  return false
```



# Resolution

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF—universal)

**conjunction** of **disjunctions** of **literals**  
**clauses**

E.g.,  $(A \vee \neg B) \wedge (B \vee \neg C \vee \neg D)$

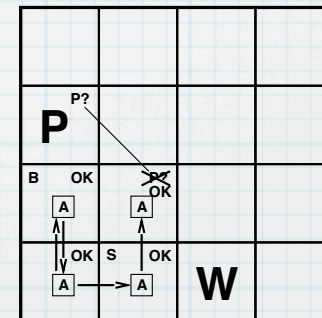
Resolution inference rule (for CNF): complete for propositional logic

$$\frac{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_k, \quad m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_n}{\ell_1 \vee \dots \vee \ell_{i-1} \vee \ell_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee \ell_k \vee m_1 \vee \dots \vee m_{j-1} \vee m_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee m_n}$$

where  $\ell_i$  and  $m_j$  are complementary literals. E.g.,

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

Resolution is sound and complete for propositional logic





# Example CNF Convert

- \* Great! Can we make everything CNF?
- \* Convert sentences to Conjunctive Normal Form with our rules of logical equivalence

$(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha)$	commutativity of $\wedge$
$(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\beta \vee \alpha)$	commutativity of $\vee$
$((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma))$	associativity of $\wedge$
$((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma))$	associativity of $\vee$
$\neg(\neg\alpha) \equiv \alpha$	double-negation elimination
$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg\beta \Rightarrow \neg\alpha)$	contraposition
$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \beta)$	implication elimination
$(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) \equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha))$	biconditional elimination
$\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta)$	De Morgan
$\neg(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta)$	De Morgan
$(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma))$	distributivity of $\wedge$ over $\vee$
$(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma))$	distributivity of $\vee$ over $\wedge$

# Example CNF Convert

$$B_{11} \Leftrightarrow (P_{12} \vee P_{21})$$

**Biconditional  
Elimination**

$$B_{11} \Rightarrow (P_{12} \vee P_{21}) \wedge (P_{12} \vee P_{21}) \Rightarrow B_{11}$$

**Implication  
Elimination**

$$(\neg B_{11} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{21}) \wedge (\neg(P_{12} \vee P_{21}) \vee B_{11})$$

**Move neg. in,  
DeMorgans**

$$(\neg B_{11} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{21}) \wedge ((\neg P_{12} \wedge \neg P_{21}) \vee B_{11})$$

**Distribute  
over and/or**

$$(\neg B_{11} \vee P_{12} \vee P_{21}) \wedge (\neg P_{12} \vee B_{11}) \wedge (\neg P_{21} \vee B_{11})$$

# Resolution Algorithm

Proof by contradiction, i.e., show  $KB \wedge \neg\alpha$  unsatisfiable

```
function PL-RESOLUTION( $KB, \alpha$ ) returns true or false
  inputs:  $KB$ , the knowledge base, a sentence 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  $C_i, C_j$  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
   $clauses \leftarrow clauses \cup new$ 
```