

Advanced topics on LOGIC and SEMANTICS

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- Resolution refutation is sound and complete
 - If we derive a contradiction, then the conclusion follows from the axioms
 - If we can't apply any more, then the conclusion cannot be proved from the axioms.

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Any conclusion follows from a contradiction – and so strict logic systems are very brittle.

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8	S	4,7
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10	P	1,9
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- Set of support: Choose a resolution involving the negated goal or any clause derived from the negated goal.
 - We're trying to produce a contradiction that follows from the negated goal, so these are "relevant" clauses.
 - If a contradiction exists, one can find one using the set-of-support strategy.

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First-Order Resolution -- Conversion to Clausal Form

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Two new things:

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- resolution with
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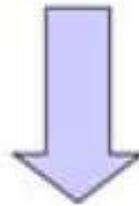
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Clausal Form

- like CNF in outer structure
- no quantifiers

$$\forall x. \exists y. P(x) \rightarrow R(x, y)$$



$$\neg P(x) \vee R(x, F(x))$$

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3. Rename variables apart

$$\forall x. \exists y. (\neg P(x) \vee \exists x. Q(x, y)) \Rightarrow$$

$$\forall x_1. \exists y_2. (\neg P(x_1) \vee \exists x_3. Q(x_3, y_2))$$

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$$\forall x. \exists y. \forall z. \exists w. P(x, y, z) \wedge R(y, z, w) \Rightarrow$$

$$P(x, F(x), z) \wedge R(F(x), z, G(x, z))$$

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7. Rename the variables in each clause

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First-Order Resolution -- Substitution and Unification

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Some Examples

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$A(x, y)$	$A(f(C,y), z)$	$\{x/f(C,y), y/z\}$
$P(A, x, f(g(y)))$	$P(y, f(z), f(z))$	$\{y/A, x/f(z), z/g(y)\}$
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$P(x, f(y))$	$P(z, g(w))$	none

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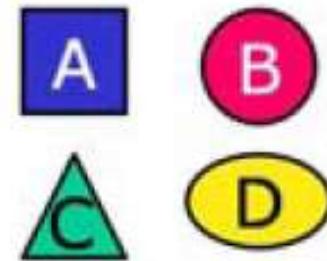
$$\forall x, y, z. \text{Eq}(x, y) \wedge \text{Eq}(y, z) \rightarrow \text{Eq}(x, z)$$

- For every predicate, allow substitutions

$$\forall x, y. \text{Eq}(x, y) \rightarrow (\text{P}(x) \rightarrow \text{P}(y))$$

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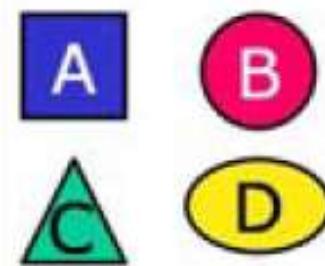
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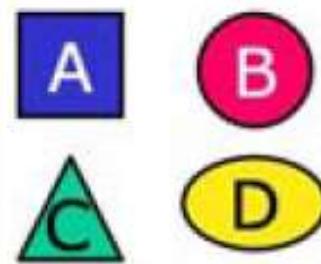
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- Desired conclusion: $\exists x. \text{hat}(A) = x$
- Use Green's trick to get the binding of x

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Who is Jane's Lover?

- Jane's lover drives a red car
- Fred is the only person who drives a red car
- Who is Jane's lover?

1.	Drives(lover(Jane))	
2.	\sim Drives(x) \vee Eq(x,Fred)	
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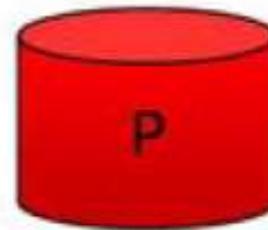
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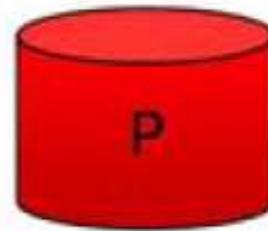
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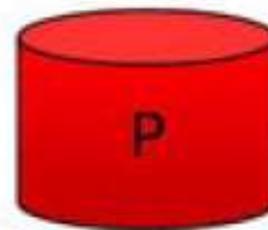
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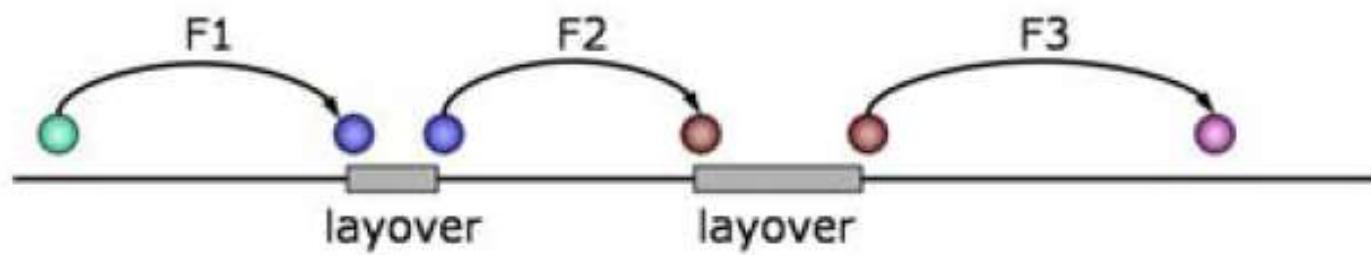
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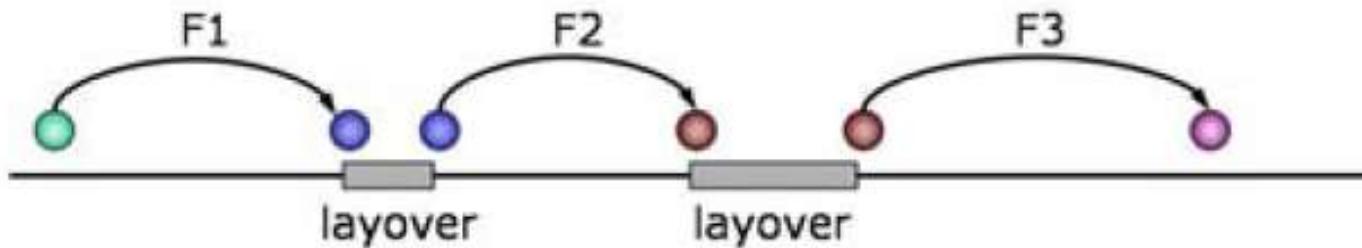
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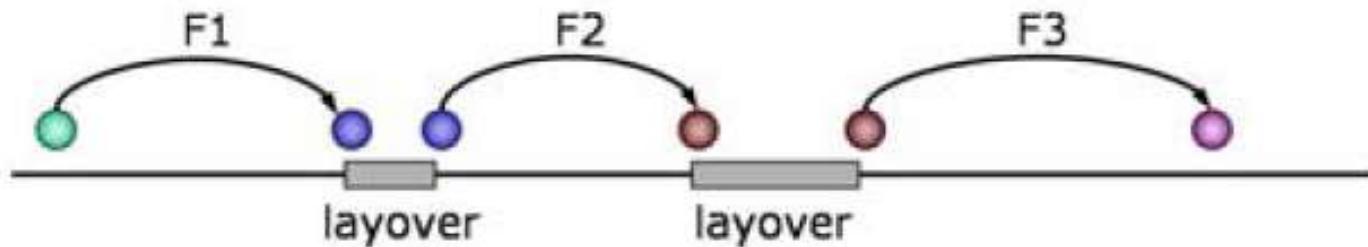
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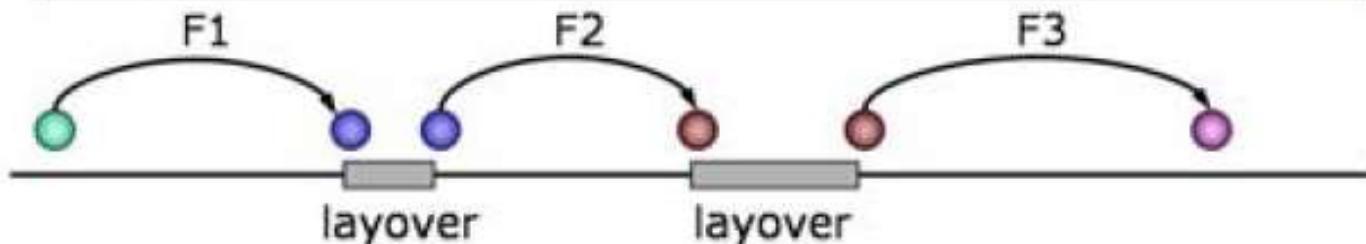


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- These are like the rules the airlines use, but it could involve all of common sense to know how long to allow someone to change planes

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- A layover is also not too long if there was no other way to make the next leg of your journey sooner

$$\forall f_1, f_2. (\exists o, d, t_2. \text{Origin}(f_2, o) \wedge \text{Destination}(f_2, d) \wedge \\ \text{DepartureTime}(f_2, t_2) \wedge \\ \neg \exists f_3, t_3. (\text{Origin}(f_3, o) \wedge \text{Destination}(f_3, d) \wedge \\ \text{DepartureTime}(f_3, t_3) \wedge (t_3 < t_2) \wedge \\ \text{LayoverNotTooShort}(f_1, f_3))) \\ \rightarrow \text{LayoverNotTooLong}(f_1, f_2)$$

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