

# Intelligent Systems (AI-2)

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# Lecture Overview

- Finish Resolution in Propositional logics
- Satisfiability problems
- WalkSAT
- Start Encoding Example

# Proof by resolution

Key ideas

$KB \models \alpha$  <sup>proof</sup>  
equivalent to :  $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$  <sup>show</sup> *unsatisfiable*

- Simple Representation for
- Simple Rule of Derivation

*Conjunctive Normal Form*

*Resolution*

# Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

Rewrite  $KB \wedge \neg\alpha$  into **conjunction of disjunctions**

$$\underbrace{(A \vee \neg B)}_{\text{Clause}} \wedge \underbrace{(B \vee \neg C \vee \neg D)}_{\text{Clause}}$$

literals

- Any KB can be converted into CNF !

# Example: Conversion to CNF

$$A \Leftrightarrow (B \vee C)$$

1. Eliminate  $\Leftrightarrow$ , replacing  $\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta$  with  $(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha)$ .  
 $(A \Rightarrow (B \vee C)) \wedge ((B \vee C) \Rightarrow A)$
2. Eliminate  $\Rightarrow$ , replacing  $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$  with  $\neg \alpha \vee \beta$ .  
 $(\neg A \vee B \vee C) \wedge (\neg(B \vee C) \vee A)$
3. Using de Morgan's rule replace  $\neg(\alpha \vee \beta)$  with  $(\neg \alpha \wedge \neg \beta)$ :  
 $(\neg A \vee B \vee C) \wedge ((\neg B \wedge \neg C) \vee A)$
4. Apply distributive law ( $\vee$  over  $\wedge$ ) and flatten:  
 $(\neg A \vee B \vee C) \wedge (\neg B \vee A) \wedge (\neg C \vee A)$

# Example: Conversion to CNF

$$A \Leftrightarrow (B \vee C)$$

5. KB is the conjunction of all of its sentences (all are true), so write each clause (disjunct) as a sentence in KB:

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$$(\neg A \vee B \vee C)$$

$$(\neg B \vee A)$$

$$(\neg C \vee A)$$

...

# Full Propositional Logics

DEFs.

**Literal:** an atom or a negation of an atom

$$P \quad \neg q \quad r$$

**Clause:** is a disjunction of literals

$$p \vee \neg r \vee q$$

**Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF):** a conjunction of clauses

**INFERENCE:**  $KB \stackrel{?}{\models} \alpha$  formula  $(P) \wedge (q \vee \neg r) \wedge (\neg q \vee p)$

- Convert all formulas in KB and  $\neg \alpha$  in CNF
- Apply **Resolution Procedure**

$$p \vee q \quad r \vee \neg q \quad \rightarrow \quad p \vee r$$

$$KB \not\vdash \alpha$$

$$KB \vdash \alpha$$

# Resolution Deduction step

Resolution: inference rule for CNF: **sound and complete! \***

$$(A \vee B \vee C)$$

$$(\neg A)$$

“If A or B or C is true, but not A, then B or C must be true.”

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$$\therefore (B \vee C)$$

$$(A \vee B \vee C)$$

$$(\neg A \vee D \vee E)$$

“If A is false then B or C must be true, or if A is true then D or E must be true, hence since A is either true or false, B or C or D or E must be true.”

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$$\therefore (B \vee C \vee D \vee E)$$

$$(A \vee B)$$

$$(\neg A \vee B)$$

Simplification

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$$\therefore (B \vee B) \equiv B$$



# Resolution Algorithm

but this is equivalent to prove that  $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$  is unsatisfiable

- The resolution algorithm tries to prove:  $KB \models \alpha$
- $KB \wedge \neg \alpha$  is converted in CNF
- Resolution is applied to each pair of clauses with complementary literals  $\neg r \vee r \vee s \quad p \vee q \rightarrow r \vee s \vee p$
- Resulting clauses are added to the set (if not already there)

Process continues until one of two things can happen:

1. Two clauses resolve in the empty clause. i.e. query is entailed

$$P \quad \neg P \rightarrow \emptyset \quad \Rightarrow \quad KB \models \alpha \quad \Rightarrow \quad KB \models \alpha$$

assuming Resol is sound

2. No new clauses can be added: We find no contradiction, there is a model that satisfies the sentence and hence we cannot entail the query.

$$\cancel{KB \models \alpha} \Rightarrow \cancel{KB \models \alpha}$$

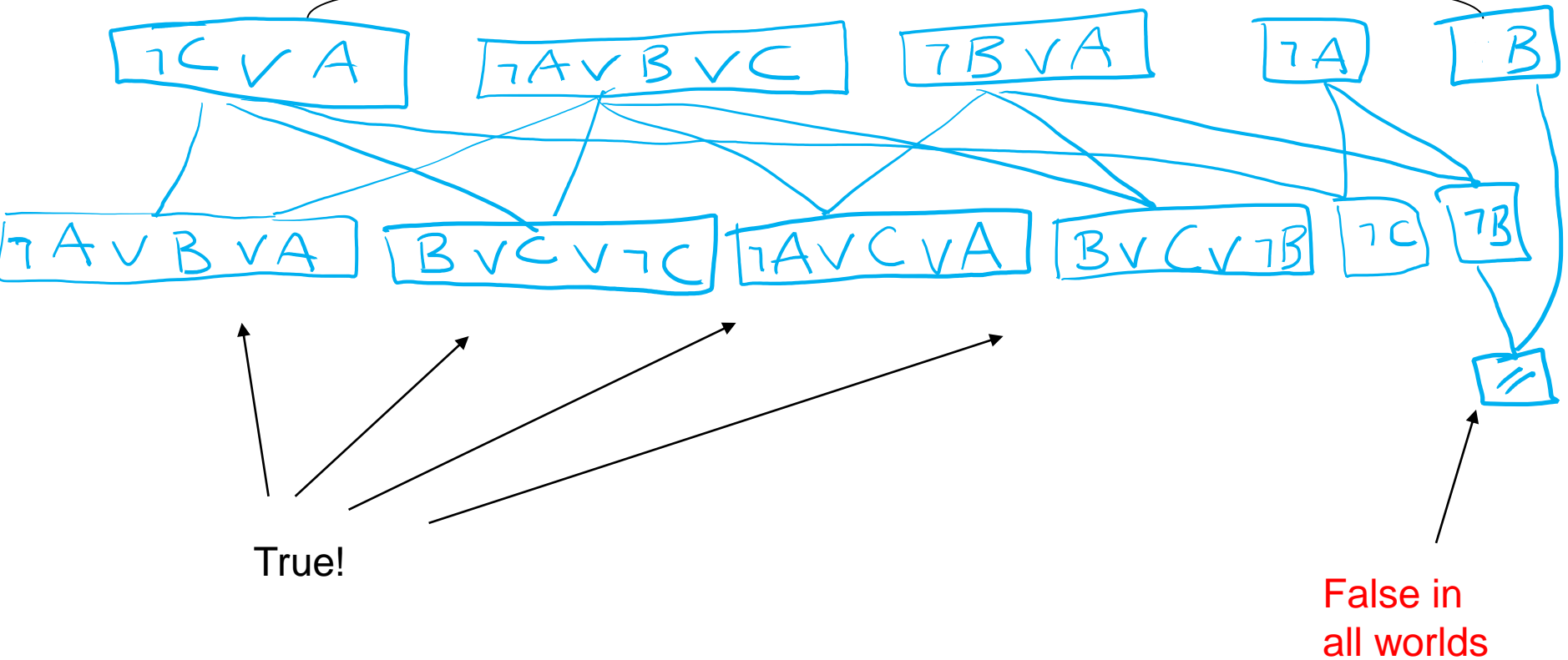
assuming Resol. is complete

# Resolution example

$$KB = (A \Leftrightarrow (B \vee C)) \wedge \neg A$$

$$\alpha = \neg B$$

$$KB \wedge \neg \alpha$$



# 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,

$clauses \leftarrow$  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* ; no new clauses were created

$clauses \leftarrow clauses \cup new$

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- **Satisfiability problems**
- **WalkSAT**
- **Hardness of SAT**
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# Satisfiability problems

Consider a CNF sentence, e.g.,

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

*Is there an interpretation in which this sentence is true (i.e., that is a model of this sentence )?*

Many **combinatorial problems** can be reduced to checking the satisfiability of propositional sentences (example later)⋯ and returning the model

# How can we solve a SAT problem?

Consider a CNF sentence, e.g.,

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

*Each clause can be seen as a **constraint** that reduces the number of interpretations that can be models*

*Eg  $(A \vee C)$  eliminates interpretations in which  $A=F$  and  $C=F$*

So SAT is a **Constraint Satisfaction Problem**: Find a possible world that is satisfying all the constraints (here all the clauses)

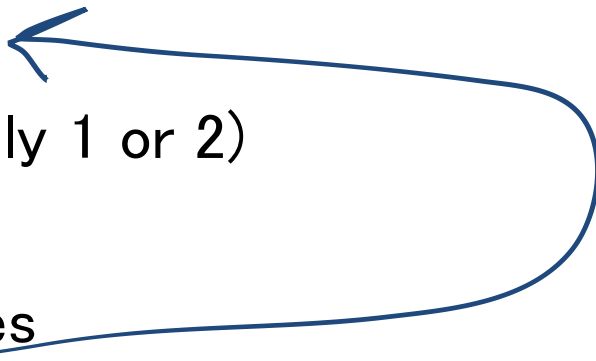
# WalkSAT algorithm

**(Stochastic) Local Search Algorithms** can be used for this task!

**Evaluation Function:** number of unsatisfied clauses

**WalkSat:** One of the simplest and most effective algorithms:

Start from a randomly generated interpretation

- Pick randomly an unsatisfied clause
  - Pick a proposition/atom to flip (randomly 1 or 2)
    1. Randomly
    2. To minimize # of unsatisfied clauses
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# WalkSAT: Example

unsatisfied clauses

|     |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| D=0 | V | X | V | V | X | 2 |
| E=1 | X | X | V | V | X | 3 |
| B=1 | V | X | V | V | V | 1 |
| 0   | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |   |
| 0   | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |   |
| 0   | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |   |

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

|   |   |   |   |   |          |
|---|---|---|---|---|----------|
| A | B | C | D | E |          |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | - flip B |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |          |

pick randomly unsatisfied clause

assume  $(E \vee \neg D \vee B)$

pick randomly 1 or 2

assume 2  
flip B  $\rightarrow B=1$

Because by flipping B we are left with only 1 unsatisfied clause, while by flipping E with 3 and by flipping D with 2 (see above)



# Pseudocode for WalkSAT

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function WALKSAT(clauses, p, max-flips) returns a satisfying model or failure
  inputs: clauses, a set of clauses in propositional logic
         p, the probability of choosing to do a “random walk” move
         max-flips, number of flips allowed before giving up

  pw ← a random assignment of true/false to the symbols in clauses
  for i = 1 to max-flips do
    if pw satisfies clauses then return pw
    clause ← a randomly selected clause from clauses that is false in pw
    1 with probability p flip the value in pw of a randomly selected symbol
      from clause
    2 else flip whichever symbol in clause maximizes the number of satisfied clauses
  return failure
```

pw = possible world / interpretation

# The WalkSAT algorithm

If it returns failure after it tries *max-flips* times, what can we say?

A. The sentence is unsatisfiable

B. Nothing

C. The sentence is satisfiable



Typically most useful when we expect a solution to exist

# Hard satisfiability problems

Consider *random* 3-CNF sentences. e.g.,

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

$m$  = number of clauses (5)

$n$  = number of symbols (5)

▪ Under constrained problems:

- ✓ Relatively few clauses constraining the variables
- ✓ Tend to be easy

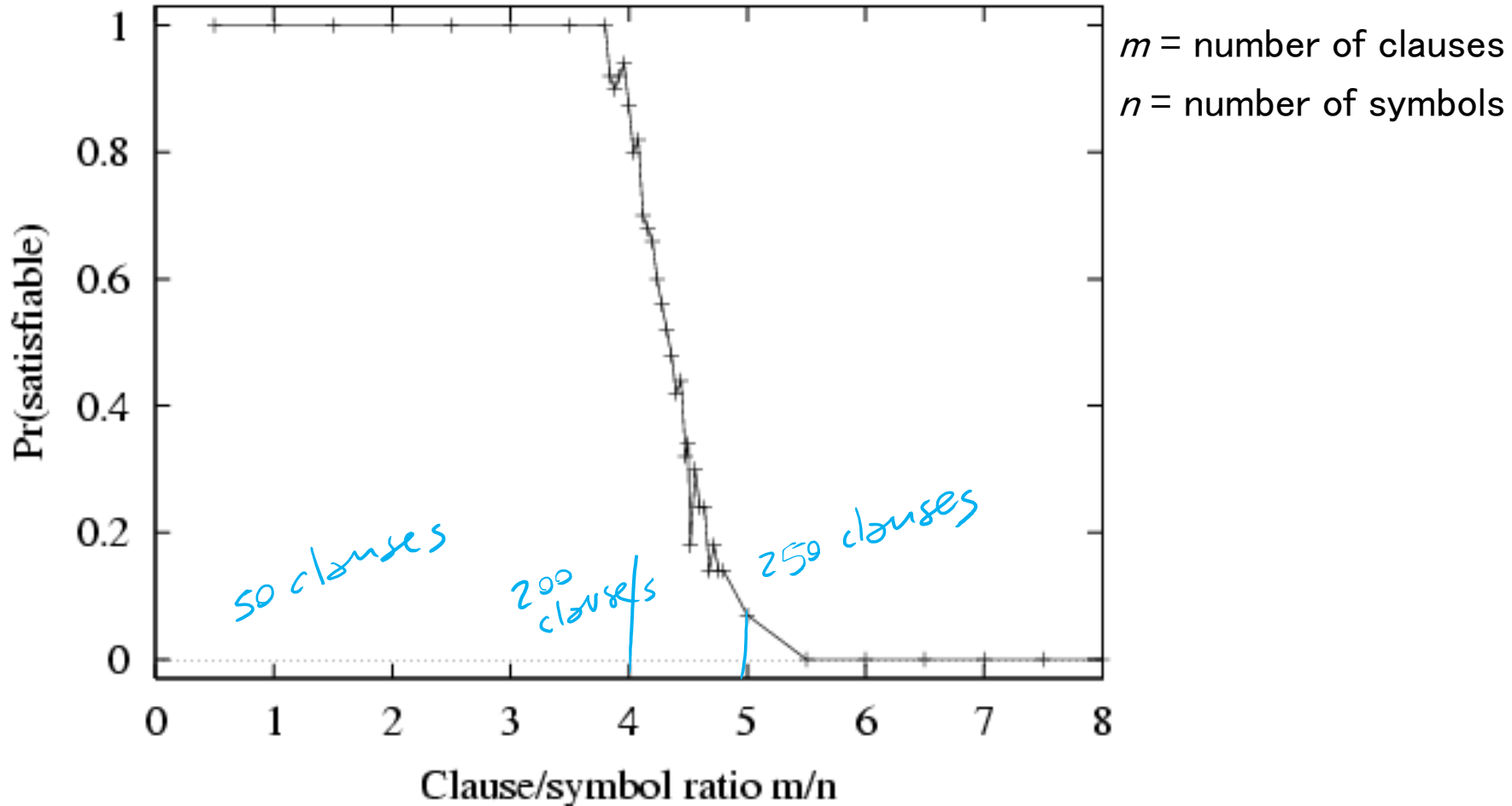
E.g. For the above problem 16 of 32 possible assignments are solutions  
– (so 2 random guesses will work on average)

# Hard satisfiability problems

What makes a problem hard?

- Increase the number of clauses while keeping the number of symbols fixed
- Problem is more constrained, fewer solutions
  
- You can investigate this experimentally...

# P(satisfiable) for random 3-CNF sentences, $n = 50$



- Hard problems seem to cluster near  $m/n = 4.3$  (critical point)

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# Encoding the Latin Square Problem in Propositional Logic

In combinatorics and in experimental design, a **Latin square** is

- an  $n \times n$  array
- filled with  $n$  different symbols,
- each occurring exactly once in each row and exactly once in each column.

Here is an example:

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| A | B | C |
| C | A | B |
| B | C | A |

Here is another one:

|         |         |         |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Black   | Blue    | Red     | Magenta | Green   |
| Blue    | Red     | Green   | Black   | Magenta |
| Red     | Magenta | Blue    | Green   | Black   |
| Magenta | Green   | Black   | Blue    | Red     |
| Green   | Black   | Magenta | Red     | Blue    |

# Encoding Latin Square in Propositional Logic: Propositions

Variables must be binary! (They must be propositions)

Each variables represents a color assigned to a cell.

Assume colors are encoded as integers

$$x_{ijk} \in \{0,1\}$$

Assuming colors are encoded as follows

(black, 1) (red, 2) (blue, 3) (green, 4) (purple, 5)

|     | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | ...    |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1   | black  | blue   | red    | purple | green  |
| 2   | blue   | red    | green  | black  | purple |
| 3   | red    | purple | blue   | green  | black  |
| 4   | purple | green  | black  | blue   | red    |
| ... | green  | black  | purple | red    | blue   |

$$x_{234} = 1$$

$$x_{233} = 0$$

True or false, ie. 0 or 1 with respect to the interpretation represented by the picture?

How many vars/propositions overall?

$$n^3$$



# Encoding Latin Square in Propositional Logic: Clauses

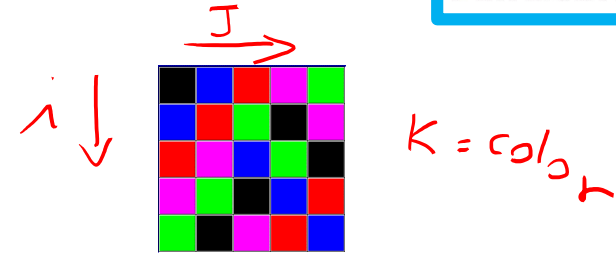
- Some color must be assigned to each cell (clause of length n); 

$$\forall_{ij} (x_{ij1} \vee x_{ij2} \dots x_{ijn})$$

A.

$$\forall_{ik} (x_{ik} \vee x_{i2k} \dots x_{ink})$$

B.

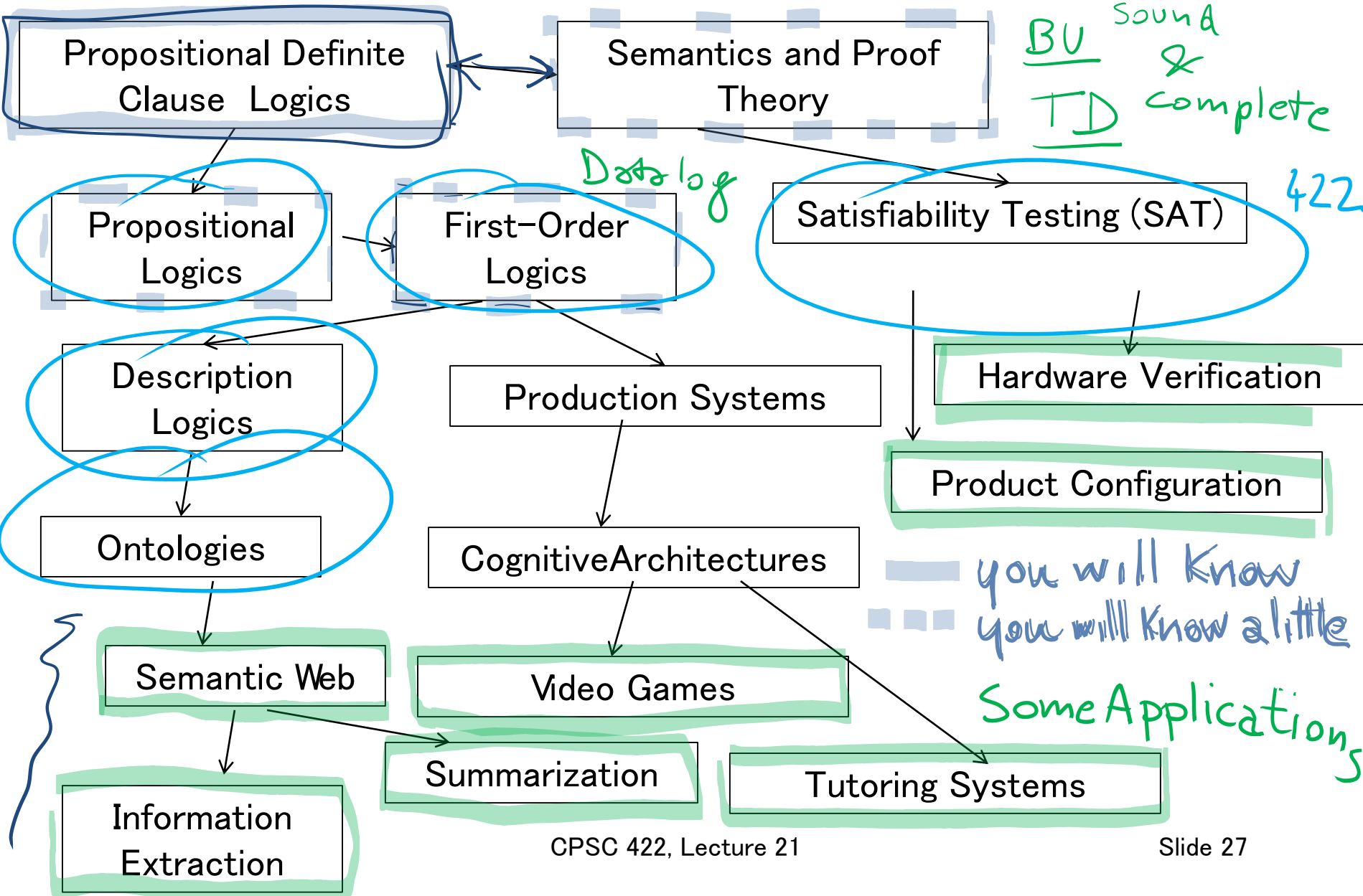


- No color is repeated in the same row (sets of negative binary clauses);

$$\forall_{ik} (\neg x_{ik} \vee \neg x_{i2k}) \wedge (\neg x_{ik} \vee \neg x_{i3k}) \dots (\neg x_{ik} \vee \neg x_{ink}) \dots (\neg x_{ink} \vee \neg x_{i(n-1)k})$$

How many clauses?

# Logics in AI: Similar slide to the one for planning



# Relationships between different Logics

(better with colors)

First Order Logic

$$\forall X \exists Y p(X, Y) \Leftrightarrow \neg q(Y)$$

$p(a_1, a_2)$   
 $\neg q(a_5)$

Propositional Logic

$$\neg(p \vee q) \rightarrow (r \wedge s \wedge t),$$

$p, r$

Datalog

$$p(X) \leftarrow q(X) \wedge r(X, Y)$$

$$r(X, Y) \leftarrow s(Y)$$

$s(a_1), q(a_2)$

PDCL

$$p \leftarrow s \wedge t$$

$$r \leftarrow s \wedge q \wedge p$$

$r$   
 $p$

# Learning Goals for today's class

## You can:

- Specify, Trace and Debug the resolution proof procedure for propositional logics
- Specify, Trace and Debug WalkSat
- Explain differences between Proposition Logic and First Order Logic

# Announcements (last year 2015)

## Midterm

- Avg 72      Max 103      Min 13
- If score below 70 need to very seriously revise all the material covered so far
- You can pick up a printout of the solutions along with your midterm

## Next class Wed

- First Order Logic
- Extensions of FOL
  
- TA is sick – could not do marking last week. It will be done this week.
- Assignment-3 will be posted on Wed!