

Logic: Top-down proof procedure and Datalog

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Lecture Overview

➔ Recap: Bottom-up proof procedure is sound and complete

- Top-down Proof Procedure
- Datalog

Logical consequence and BU proofs

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	a	c	h	$h \leftarrow a$	a	$a \leftarrow c$	Model of KB
I_1	F	F	F	T	F	T	no
I_2	F	F	T	T	F	T	no
I_3	F	T	F	T	F	F	no
I_4	F	T	T	T	F	F	no
I_5	T	F	F	F	T	T	no
I_6	T	F	T	T	T	T	yes
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select clause $h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$ in KB
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Trace: $\{a\}, \{a, h\}$. Thus $KB \vdash_{BU} a$ and $KB \vdash_{BU} h$.

Exactly the logical consequences!

Summary for bottom-up proof procedure BU

- Proved last time
 - BU is sound:
it derives **only** atoms that logically follow from KB
 - BU is complete:
it derives **all** atoms that logically follow from KB
- Together:
it derives **exactly** the atoms that logically follow from KB !
 - That's why the results for \models and \vdash_{BU} matched for the example above
- And, it is quite efficient!
 - Linear in the number of clauses in KB
 - Each clause is used maximally once by BU

Learning Goals Up To Here

- PDCL syntax & semantics
 - Verify whether a logical statement belongs to the language of propositional definite clauses
 - Verify whether an **interpretation** is a **model** of a PDCL KB.
 - Verify when a conjunction of atoms is a **logical consequence** of a knowledge base
- Bottom-up proof procedure
 - Define/read/write/trace/debug the Bottom Up (**BU**) proof procedure
 - Prove that the BU proof procedure is sound and complete

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Top-down Proof Procedure

- Datalog

Bottom-up vs. Top-down

Bottom-up



g is proved if $g \in C$

When does BU look at the query g ?

In every loop iteration Never

At the end At the beginning

Bottom-up vs. Top-down

- **Key Idea of top-down:** search backward from a query g to determine if it can be derived from KB .

Bottom-up

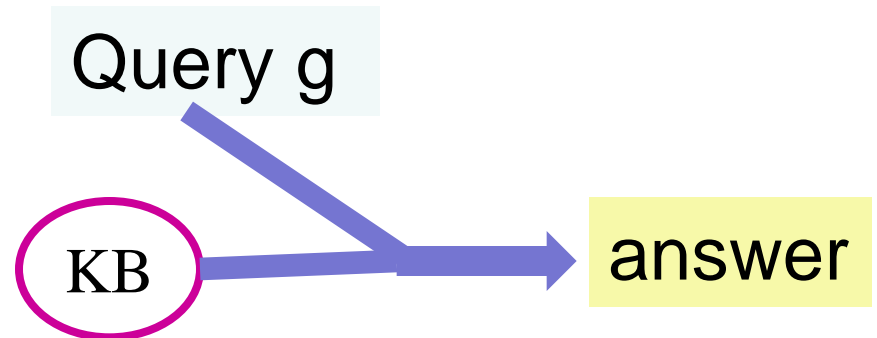


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When does BU look at the query g ?

- Never
- It derives the same C regardless of the query

Top-down



We'll see how g is proved

TD performs a backward search starting at g

Top-down Ground Proof Procedure

Idea: search backward from a query

An **answer clause** is of the form: $\text{yes} \leftarrow a_1 \wedge \dots \wedge a_m$
where a_1, \dots, a_m are atoms

We express the query as an answer clause

– E.g. query $q_1 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$ is expressed as $\text{yes} \leftarrow q_1 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$

Basic operation: **SLD Resolution** of an answer clause

$$\text{yes} \leftarrow c_1 \wedge \dots \wedge c_{i-1} \wedge c_i \wedge c_{i+1} \dots \wedge c_m$$

on an atom c_i with another clause

$$c_i \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_p$$

yields the clause

$$\text{yes} \leftarrow c_1 \wedge \dots \wedge c_{i-1} \wedge b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_p \wedge c_{i+1} \dots \wedge c_m$$

Rules of derivation in top-down and bottom-up

Top-down:
SLD Resolution

$$\frac{\text{yes} \leftarrow c_1 \wedge \dots \wedge c_{i-1} \wedge c_i \wedge c_{i+1} \dots \wedge c_m \quad c_i \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_p}{\text{yes} \leftarrow c_1 \wedge \dots \wedge c_{i-1} \wedge b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_p \wedge c_{i+1} \dots \wedge c_m}$$

Bottom-up:
Generalized modus ponens

$$\frac{h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m \quad b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m}{h}$$

Example for (successful) SLD derivation

$a \leftarrow b \wedge c.$	1	$a \leftarrow e \wedge f.$	$b \leftarrow f \wedge k.$
$c \leftarrow e.$		$d \leftarrow k$	3 $e.$
$f \leftarrow j \wedge e.$	2	$f.$	$j \leftarrow c.$

Query: ?a

γ_0 : yes $\leftarrow a$

γ_1 : yes $\leftarrow e \wedge f$

γ_2 : yes $\leftarrow e$

γ_3 : yes \leftarrow

Done. The question was
“Can we derive a?”

The answer is “Yes, we can”

SLD Derivations

- An **answer** is an answer clause with $m = 0$.

$\text{yes} \leftarrow .$

- A **successful derivation** from KB of query $?q_1 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$ is a sequence of answer clauses $\gamma_0, \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n$ such that
 - γ_0 is the answer clause $\text{yes} \leftarrow q_1 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$.
 - γ_i is obtained by resolving γ_{i-1} with a clause in KB, and
 - γ_n is an answer $\text{yes} \leftarrow$
- An **unsuccessful derivation** from KB of query $?q_1 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$
 - We get to something like $\text{yes} \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_k$, where there is no clause in KB with any of the b_i as its head

Top-down Proof Procedure for PDCL

To solve the query $? q_1 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$:

ac:= yes \leftarrow body, where body is $q_1 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$

repeat

select $q_i \in$ body;

choose clause $C \in$ KB, C is $q_i \leftarrow b_c$;

replace q_i in body by b_c

until ac is an answer (fail if no clause with q_i as head)

Select: any choice will work

Choose: non-deterministic, have to pick the right one

Example for failing SLD derivation

$a \leftarrow b \wedge c.$ 1 $a \leftarrow e \wedge f.$ $b \leftarrow f \wedge k.$
 $c \leftarrow e.$ $d \leftarrow k$ 3 $e.$
2 $f \leftarrow k.$ $f .$ $j \leftarrow c.$

Query: ?a

$\gamma_0: \text{yes} \leftarrow a$
 $\gamma_1: \text{yes} \leftarrow e \wedge f$
 $\gamma_2: \text{yes} \leftarrow e \wedge k$
 $\gamma_3: \text{yes} \leftarrow k$

“Can we derive a?”
“This time we failed”

There is no rule
with k as its head,
thus ... **fail**

Correspondence between BU and TD proofs

If the following is a top-down (TD) derivation in a given KB, what would be the bottom-up (BU) derivation of the same query?

TD derivation

yes \leftarrow a.

yes \leftarrow b \wedge f.

yes \leftarrow b \wedge g \wedge h.

yes \leftarrow c \wedge d \wedge g \wedge h.

yes \leftarrow d \wedge g \wedge h.

yes \leftarrow g \wedge h.

yes \leftarrow h.

yes \leftarrow .

BU derivation

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BU derivation

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{h}

{g,h}

{d,g,h}

{c,d,g,h}

{b,c,d,g,h}

{b,c,d,f,g,h}

{a,b,c,d,f,g,h}

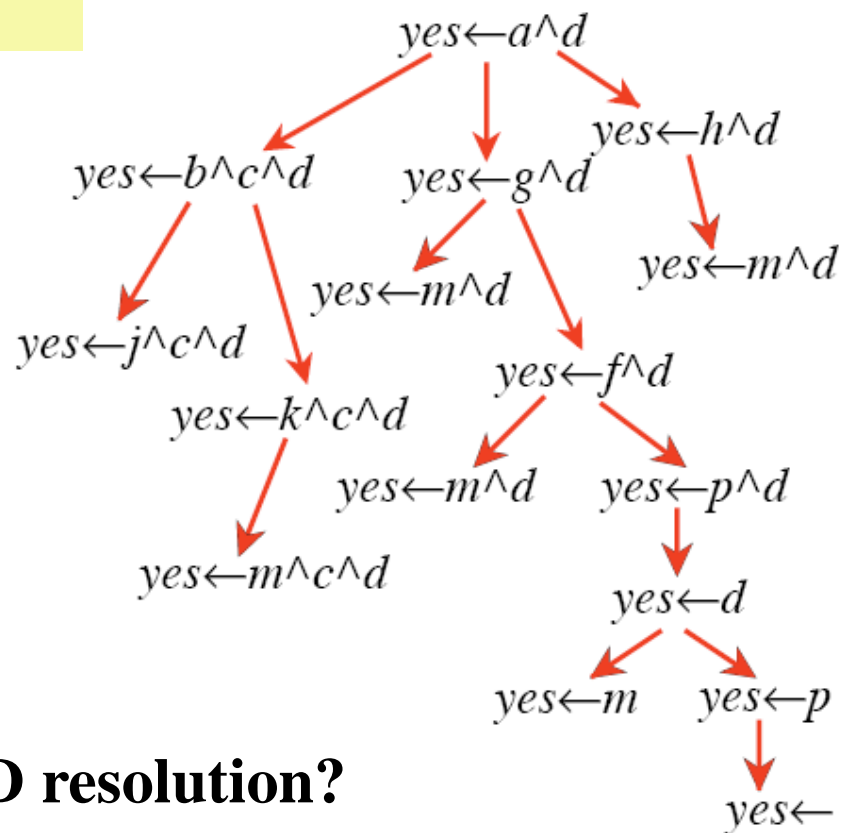
Is the Top-down procedure sound and complete?

- Yes, since there is a 1:1 correspondence between top-down and bottom-up proofs
 - The two methods derive exactly the same atoms (if the SLD resolution picks the successful derivations)

Search Graph for Top-down proofs

Query: $?a \wedge d$.

$a \leftarrow b \wedge c.$	$a \leftarrow g.$
$a \leftarrow h.$	$b \leftarrow j.$
$b \leftarrow k.$	$d \leftarrow m.$
$d \leftarrow p.$	$f \leftarrow m.$
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What kind of search is SLD resolution?

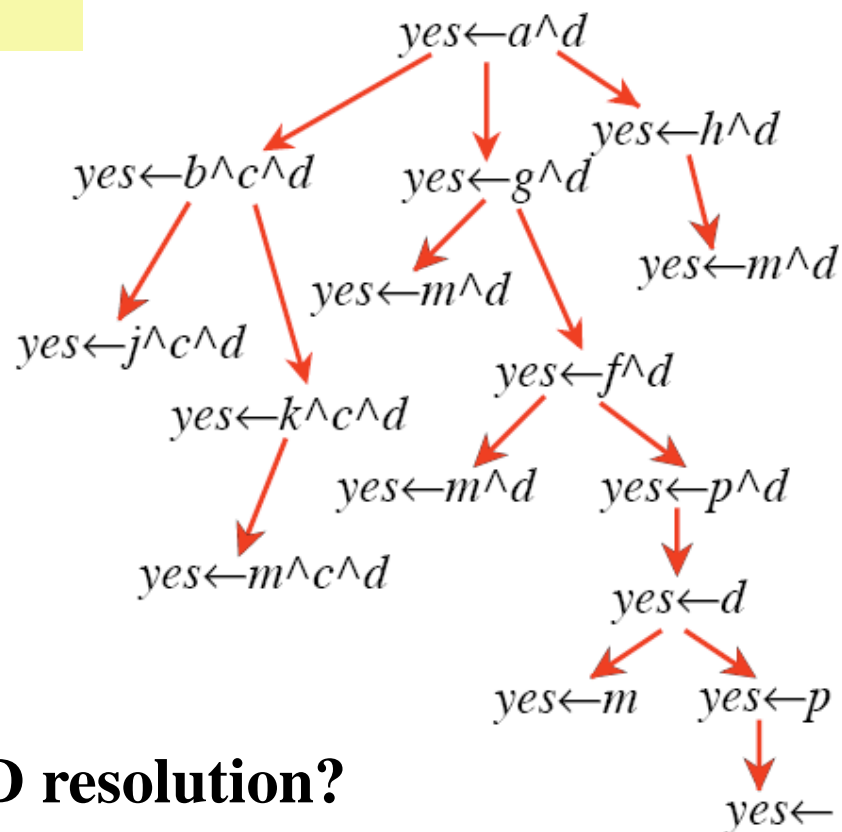
Breadth-first search

Depth-first-search

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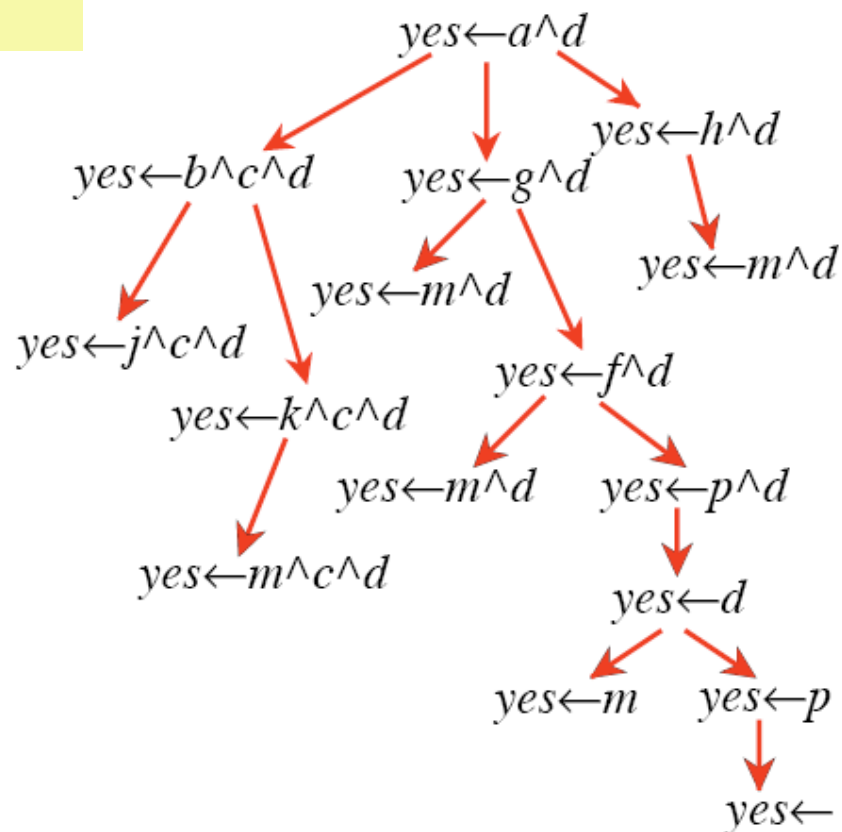
What kind of search is SLD resolution?

It's a depth-first-search. Failing resolutions are paths where the search has to backtrack.

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E.g.: number of atoms in the answer clause

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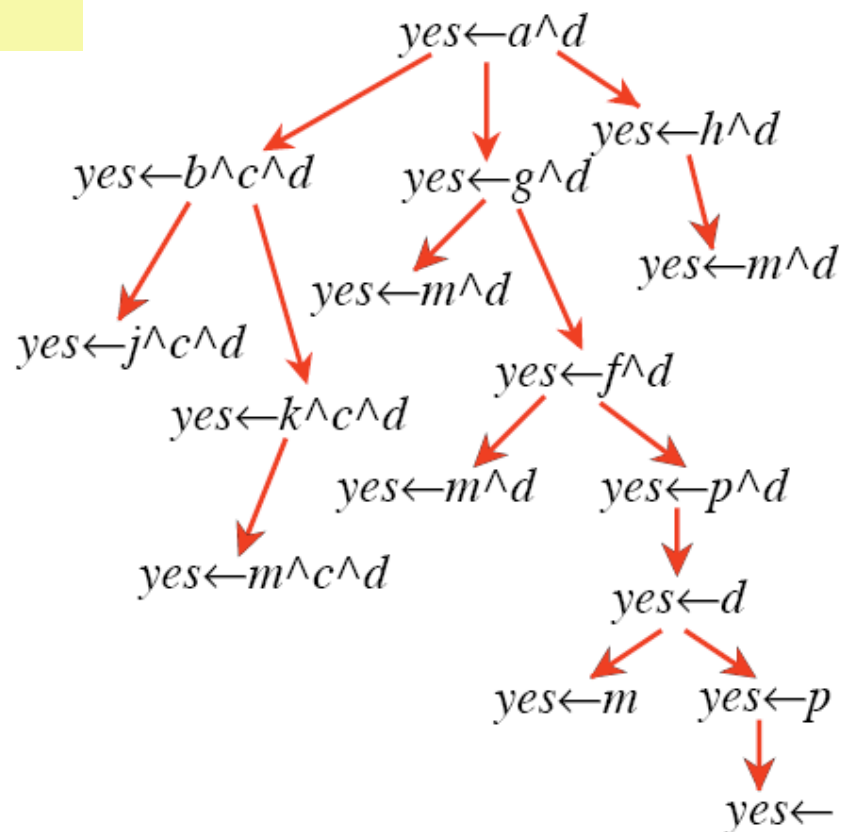
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No

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Admissible?

Yes, you need at least these many SLD steps to get an answer

Inference as Standard Search

- Constraint Satisfaction (Problems):
 - State: assignments of values to a subset of the variables
 - Successor function: assign values to a “free” variable
 - Goal test: set of constraints
 - Solution: possible world that satisfies the constraints
 - Heuristic function: none (all solutions at the same distance from start)
- Planning :
 - State: full assignment of values to features
 - Successor function: states reachable by applying valid actions
 - Goal test: partial assignment of values to features
 - Solution: a sequence of actions
 - Heuristic function: relaxed problem! E.g. “ignore delete lists”
- Inference (Top-down/SLD resolution)
 - State: answer clause of the form $\text{yes} \leftarrow q_1 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$
 - Successor function: all states resulting from substituting first atom a with $b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$ if there is a clause $a \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$
 - Goal test: is the answer clause empty (i.e. $\text{yes} \leftarrow$) ?
 - Solution: the proof, i.e. the sequence of SLD resolutions
 - Heuristic function: number of atoms in the query clause

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Representation and Reasoning in complex domains

- Expressing knowledge with **propositions** can be quite limiting

up_s₂
up_s₃
ok_cb₁
ok_cb₂
live_w₁
connected_w₁_w₂

E.g. **there is no notion** that *w₁* is the same in *live_w₁* and in *connected_w₁_w₂*

- It is often **natural** to consider **individuals** and their **properties**

up(s₂)
up(s₃)
ok(cb₁)
ok(cb₂)
live(w₁)
connected(w₁ , w₂)

Now there is a notion that *w₁* is the same in *live(w₁)* and in *connected(w₁, w₂)*

What do we gain?

- Express knowledge that holds for set of individuals (by introducing variables), e.g.

$$\text{live}(W) \leftarrow \text{connected_to}(W, W_1) \wedge \text{live}(W_1) \wedge \text{wire}(W) \wedge \text{wire}(W_1).$$

- We can ask generic queries, such as “which wires are connected to w_1 ?”

$$? \text{ connected_to}(W, w_1)$$

Datalog: a relational rule language

Datalog expands the syntax of PDDL....

A **variable** is a symbol starting with an upper case letter

Examples: X, Y

A **constant** is a symbol starting with lower-case letter or a sequence of digits.

Examples: alan, w1

A **term** is either a variable or a constant.

Examples: X, Y, alan, w1

A **predicate symbol** is a symbol starting with a lower-case letter.

Examples: live, connected, part-of, in

Datalog Syntax (cont')

An **atom** is a symbol of the form p or $p(t_1 \dots t_n)$ where p is a predicate symbol and t_i are terms

Examples: sunny, in(alan,X)

A **definite clause** is either an atom (a fact) or of the form:

$$h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$$

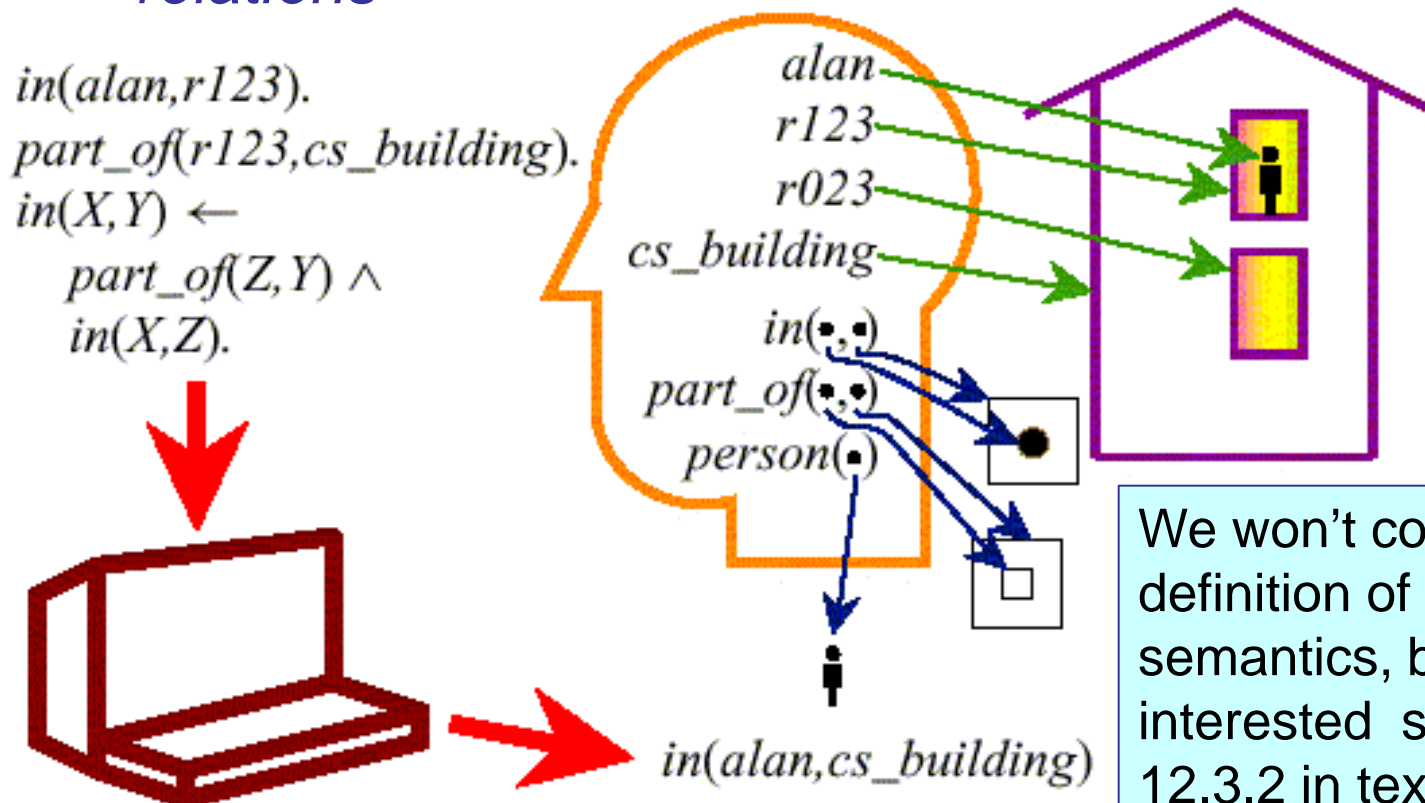
where h and the b_i are atoms (Read this as "` h if b ."")

Example: $\text{in}(X,Z) \leftarrow \text{in}(X,Y) \wedge \text{part-of}(Y,Z)$

A **knowledge base** is a set of definite clauses

Datalog Semantics

- Role of semantics is still to connect symbols and sentences in the language with the target domain. Main difference:
 - need to create correspondence both *between terms and individuals*, as well as *between predicate symbols and relations*



We won't cover the formal definition of Datalog semantics, but if you are interested see 12.3.1 and 12.3.2 in textbook

Datalog: Top Down Proof

- Extension of TD for PDCL. How to deal with variables?
 - Idea: TD finds clauses with consequence predicates that match the query, then substitutes variables with the appropriate constants *throughout* the clause
 - We won't look at the details of the formal process (called *unification*)

Example:

```
in(alan, r123).  
part_of(r123,cs_building).  
in(X,Y) <- part_of(Z,Y) & in(X,Z).
```

Query: `yes <- in(alan, cs_building).`



.....

yes <-

See trace of how the answer is found in Deduction Applet, example *in-part-of* available in course schedule

Datalog: queries with variables

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Query: in(alan, X1).



Yes(X1) <- in(alan, X1).

See outcome in Deduction Applet,
example *in-part-of* available at
<http://cs.ubc.ca/~hutter/teaching/cpsc322/alan.pl>

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 - Prove that the BU proof procedure is **sound and complete**
- Top-down proof procedure
 - Define/read/write/trace/debug the Top-down (**SLD**) proof procedure (as a search problem)
- Datalog
 - Represent simple domains in Datalog
 - Apply the **Top-down** proof procedure in Datalog