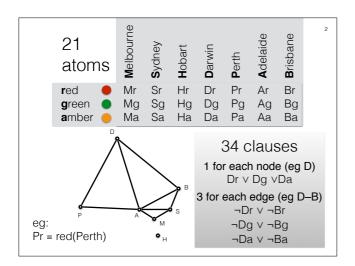
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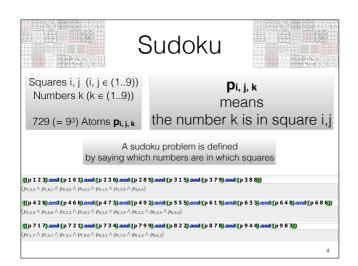
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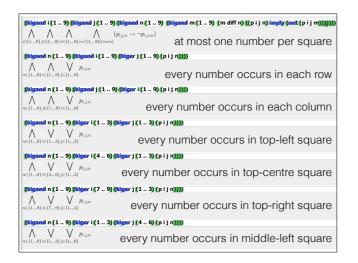
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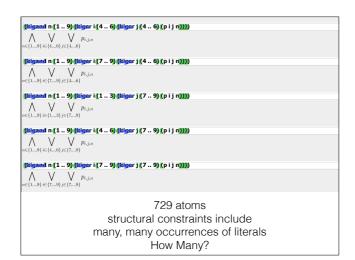


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A valuation makes some atoms true and the rest false.
Once we have a valuation, for each atom, we can compute the truth value of every expression. If an atom is true its negation is false, and vice versa.



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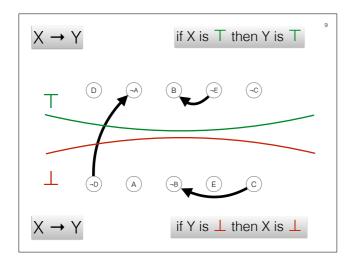
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An implication between literals is represented by an arrow. D ¬A B ¬E ¬C

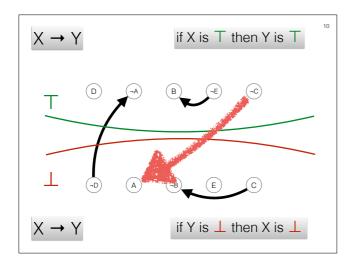


The valuation makes the implication true, unless the arrow goes from true to false.

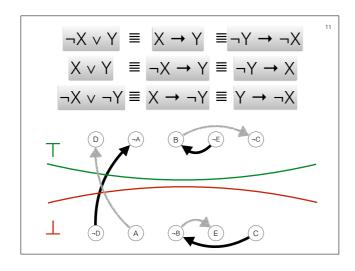
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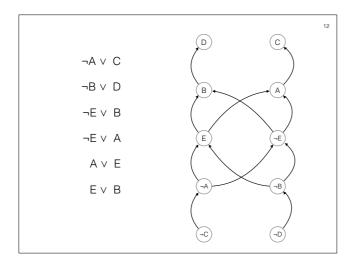
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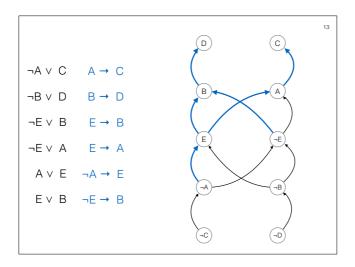
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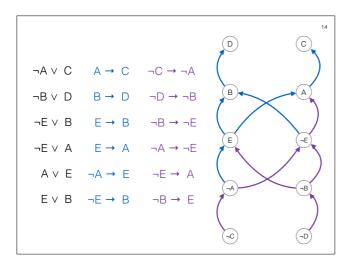
The arrows actually come in pairs, since each arrow is just one way of expressing a binary constraint:



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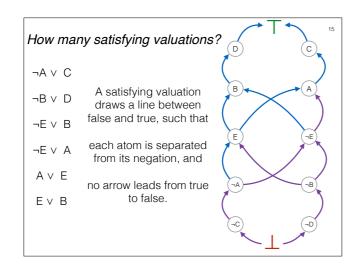
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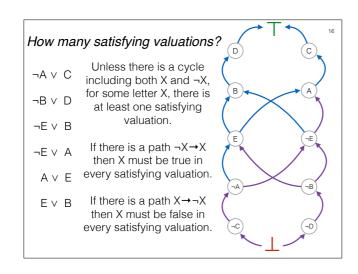
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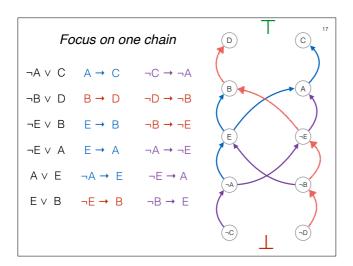
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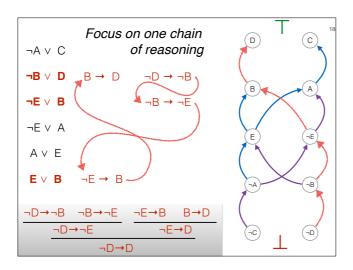
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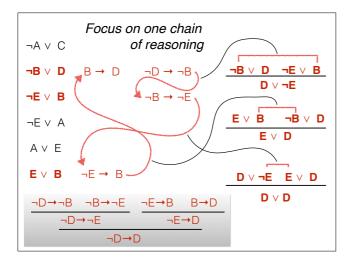
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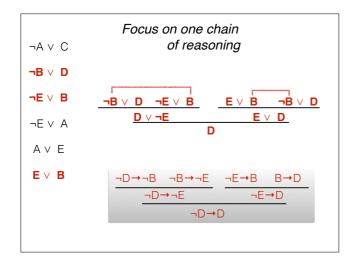


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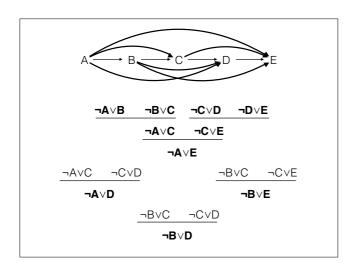
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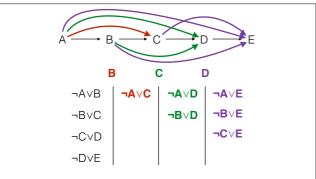
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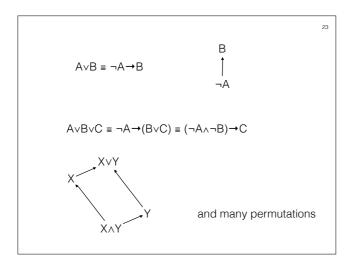




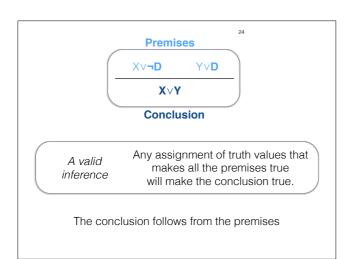
We keep adding clauses obtained by resolution.

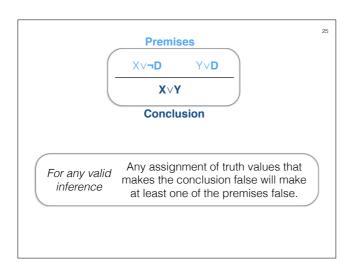
Davis Putnam - choose a variable then add all instances.

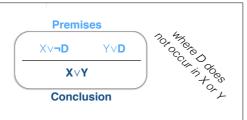
Different orders for resolution will give the same results.



Once we have more than 2 literals in a clause things get more complicated.







A **special property** If some assignment of this inference abc of values for ABC makes the conclusion false then the assignments abc⊤ and abc⊥ for ABCD each make one or other of the two premises false.

