Informatics 1

Lecture 8 Searching for Satisfaction

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 $\neg B \lor D$

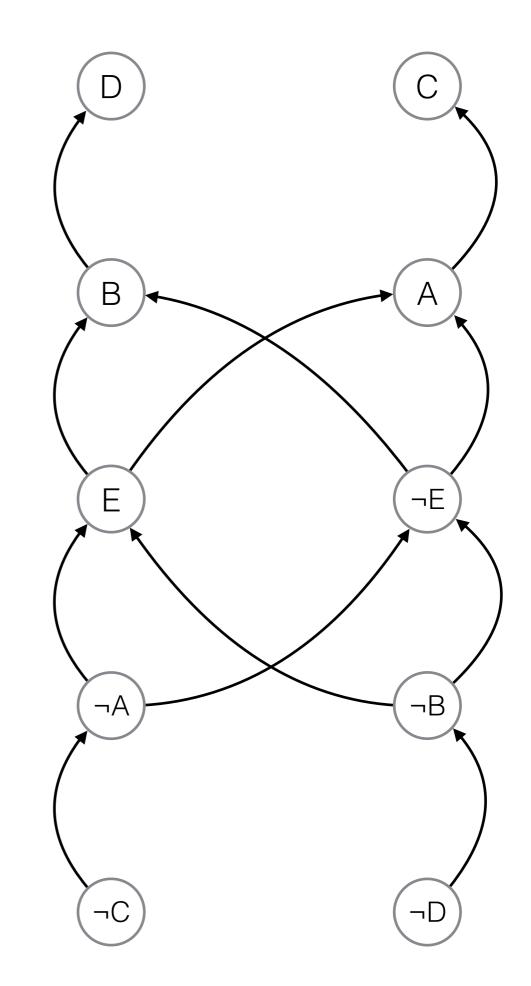
 $\neg E \lor B$

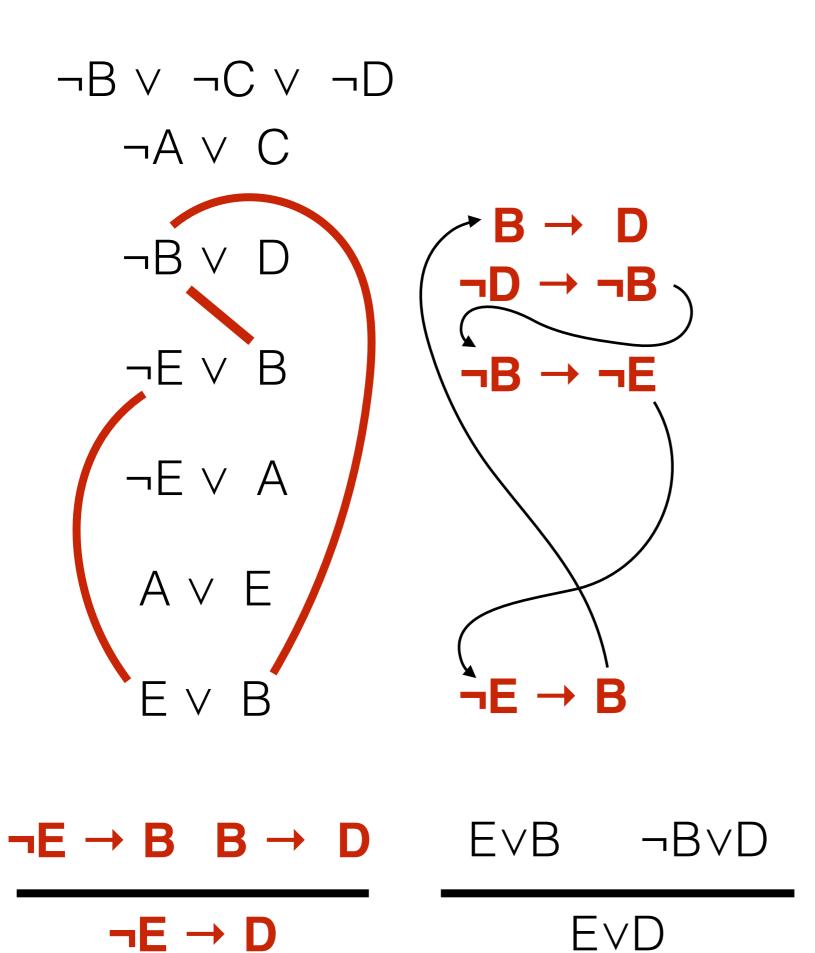
 $\neg E \lor A$

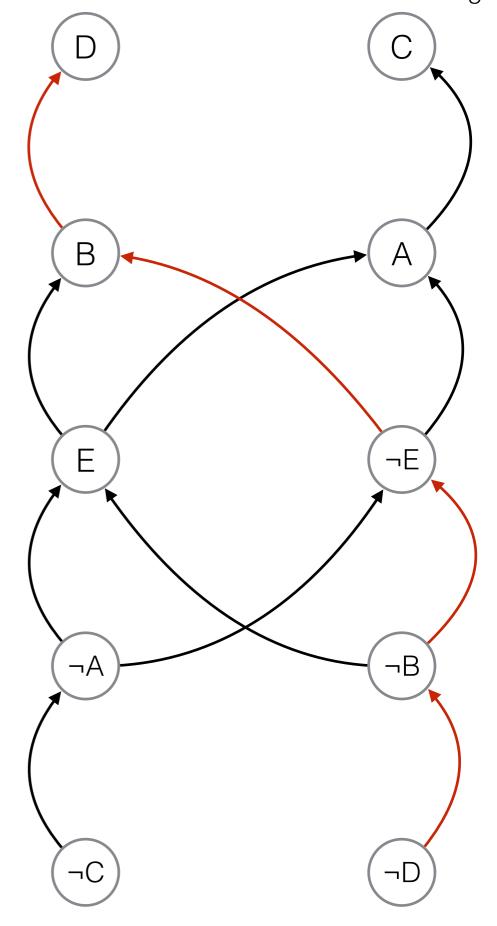
 $A \lor E$

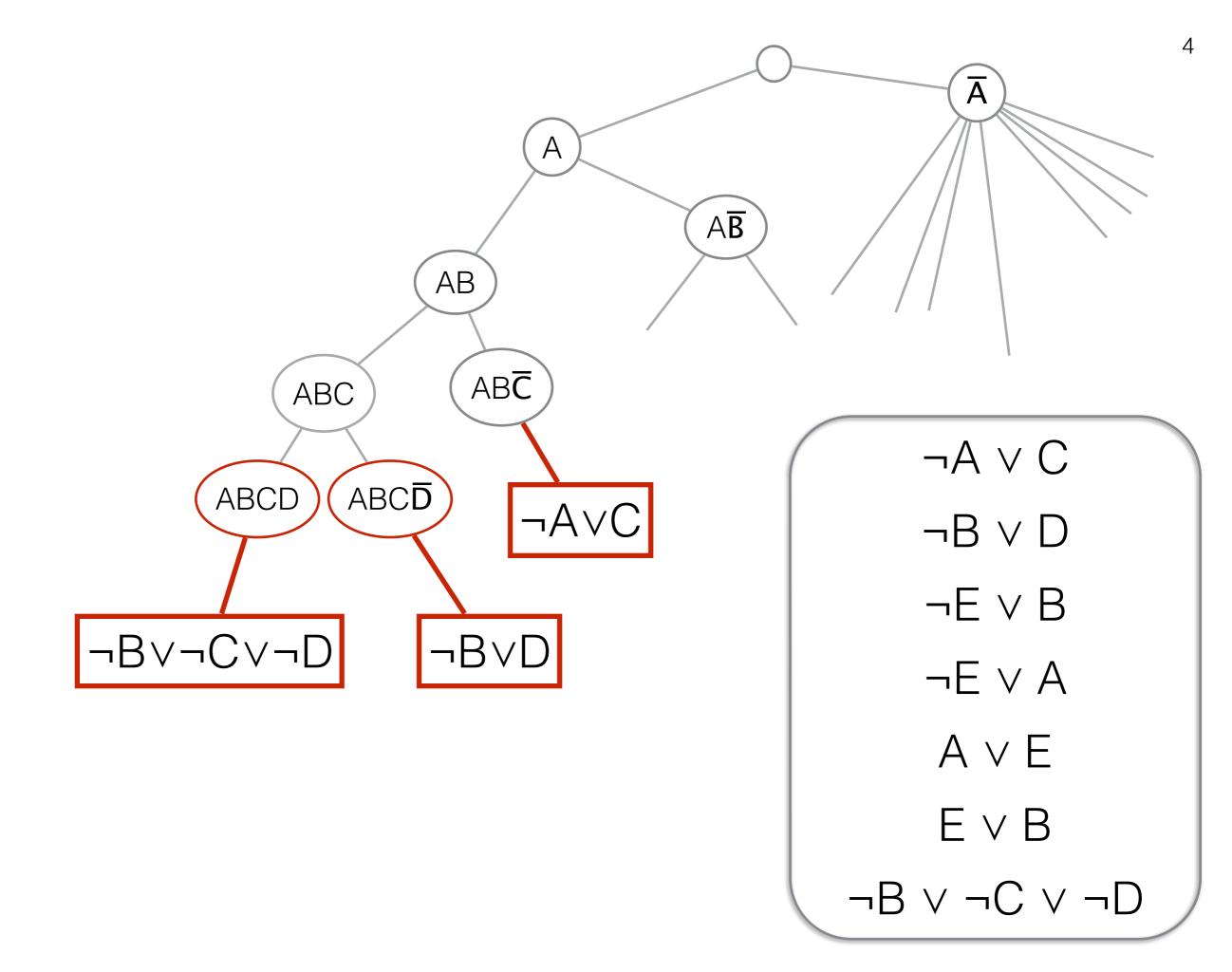
 $E \vee B$

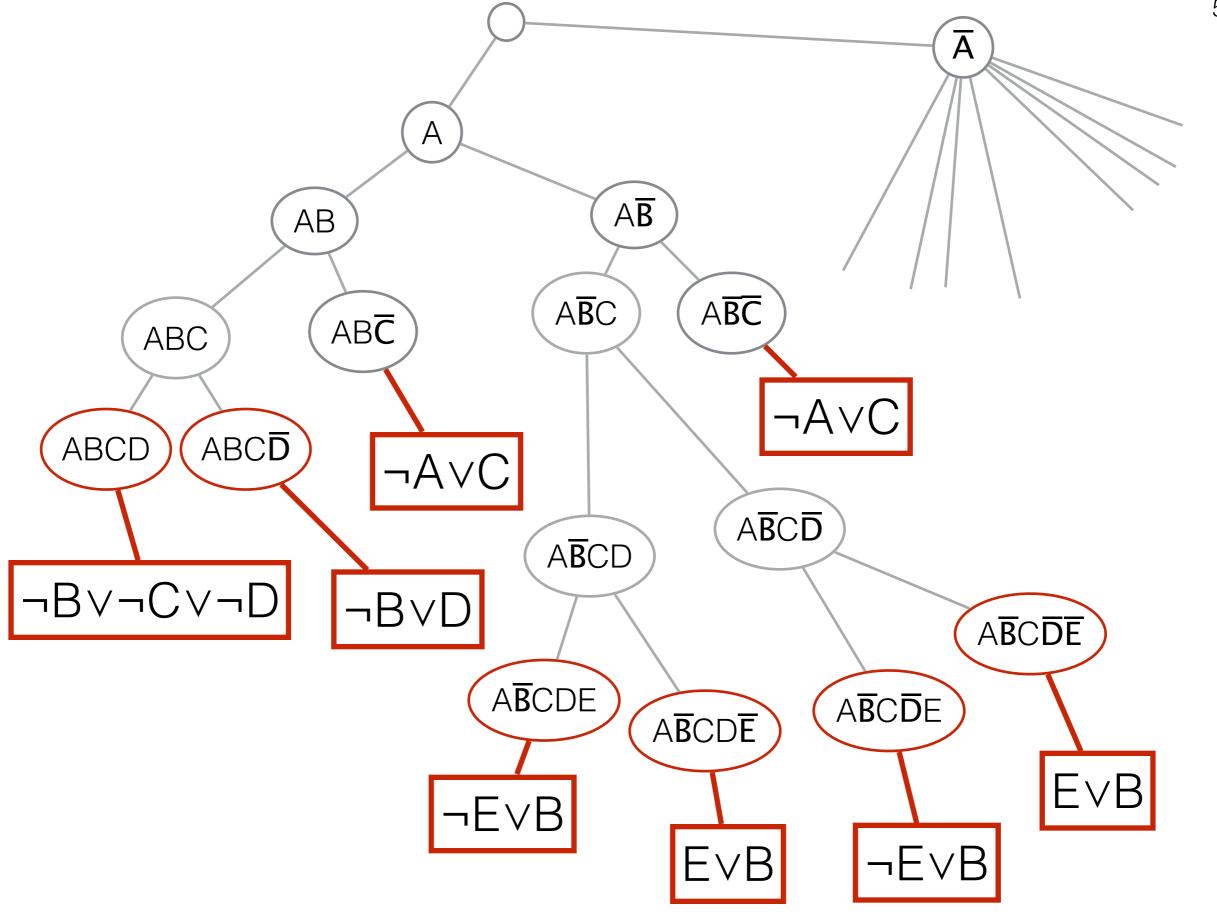
 $\neg B \lor \neg C \lor \neg D$

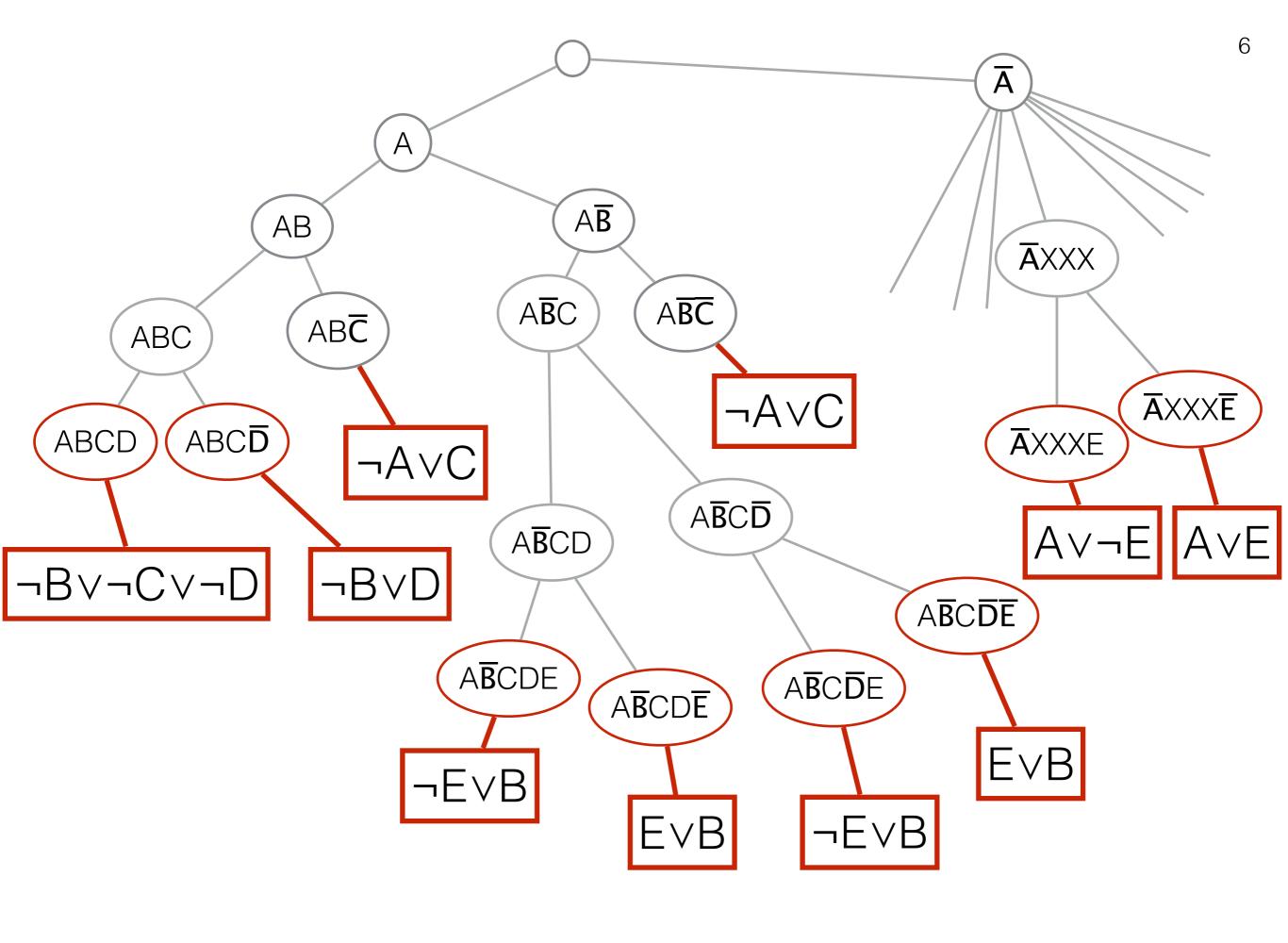


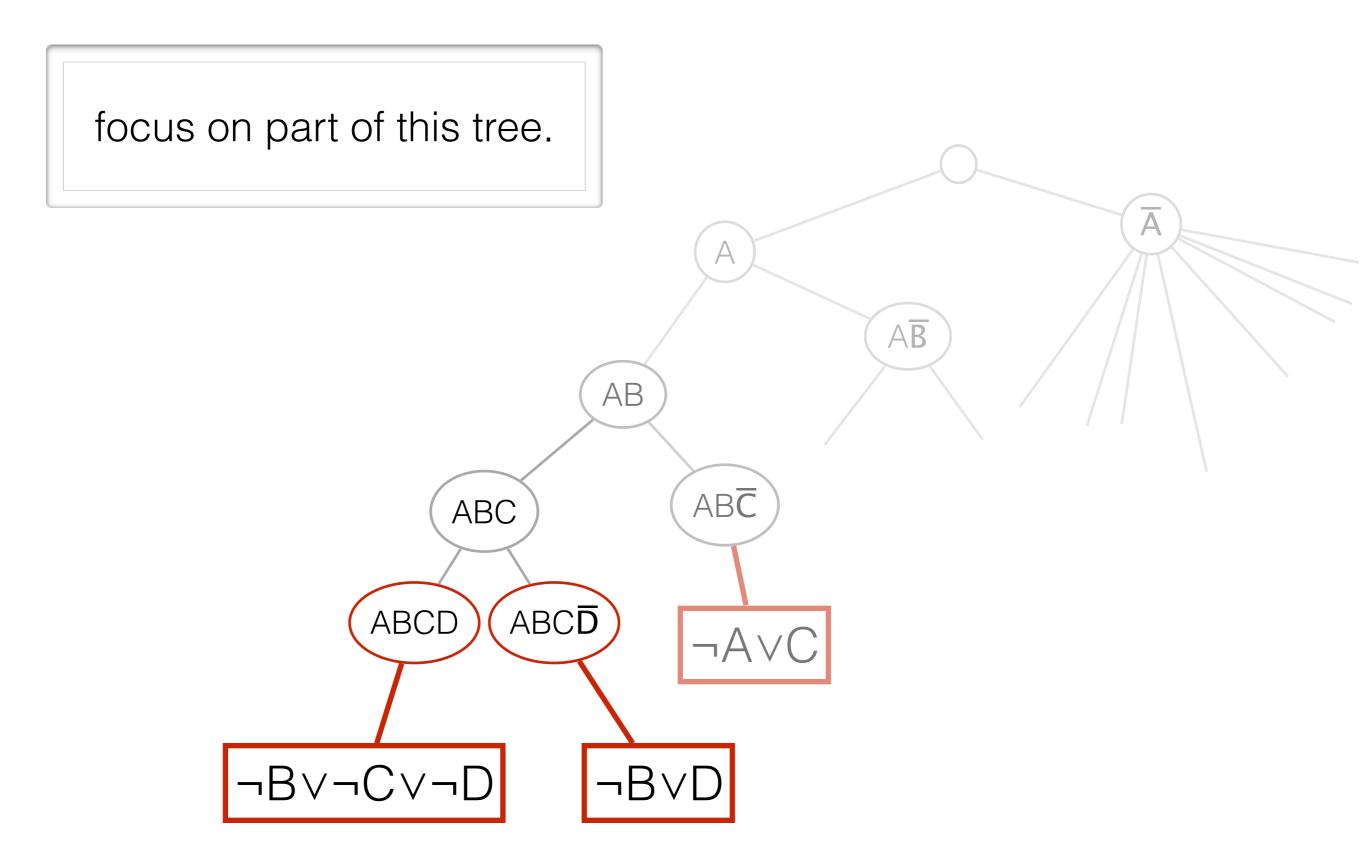


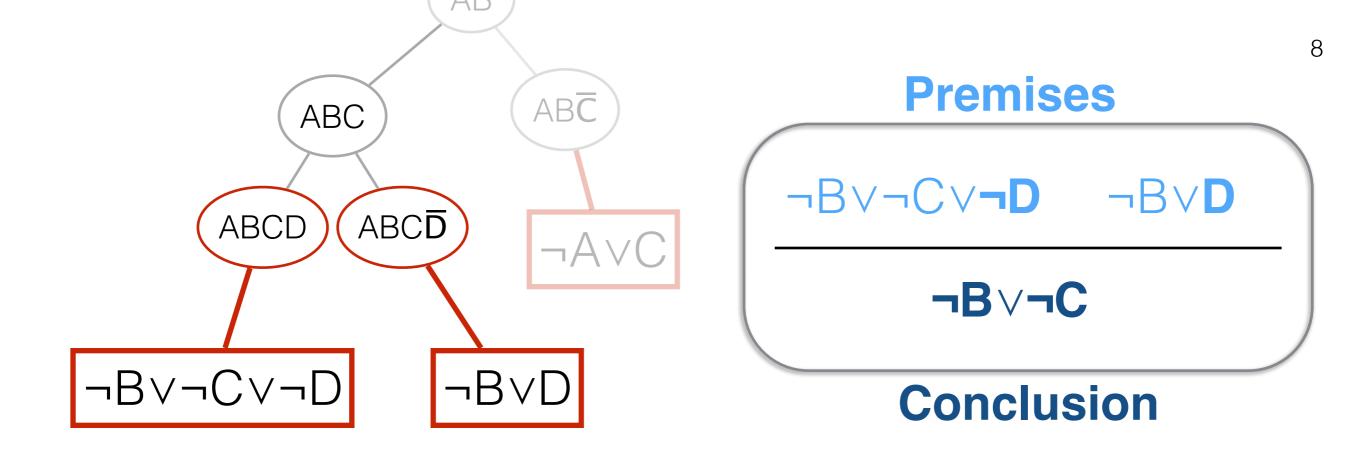








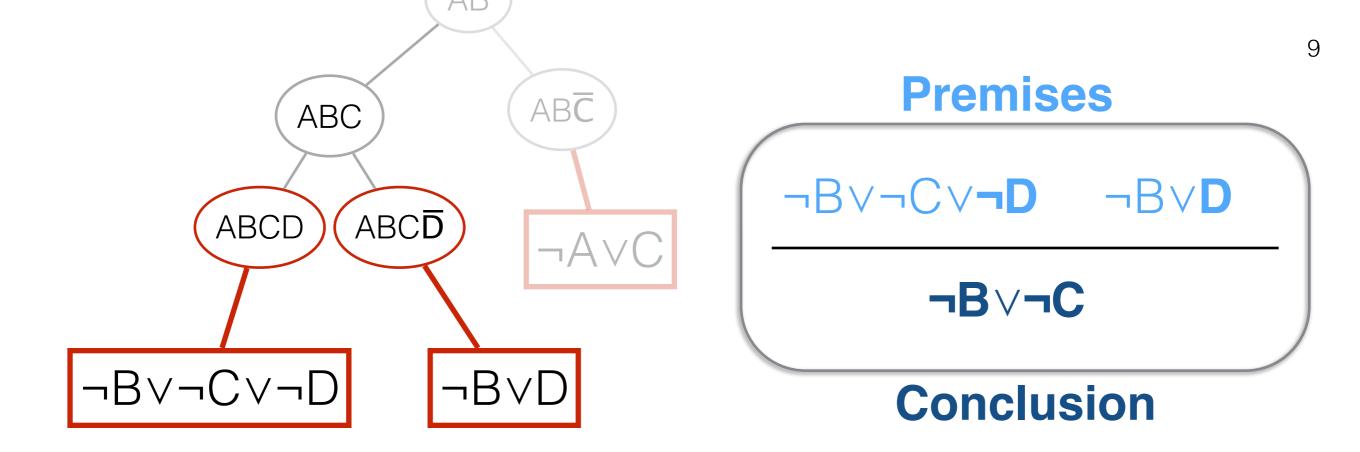




A valid inference

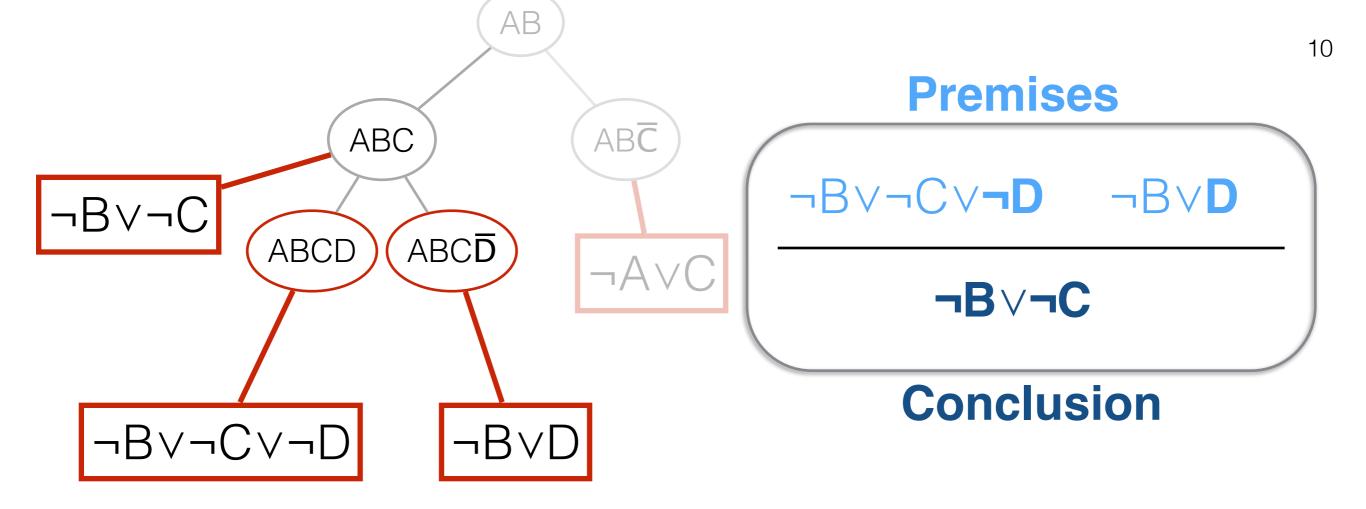
Any assignment of truth values that makes all the premises true will make the conclusion true.

The conclusion follows from the premises



For any valid inference

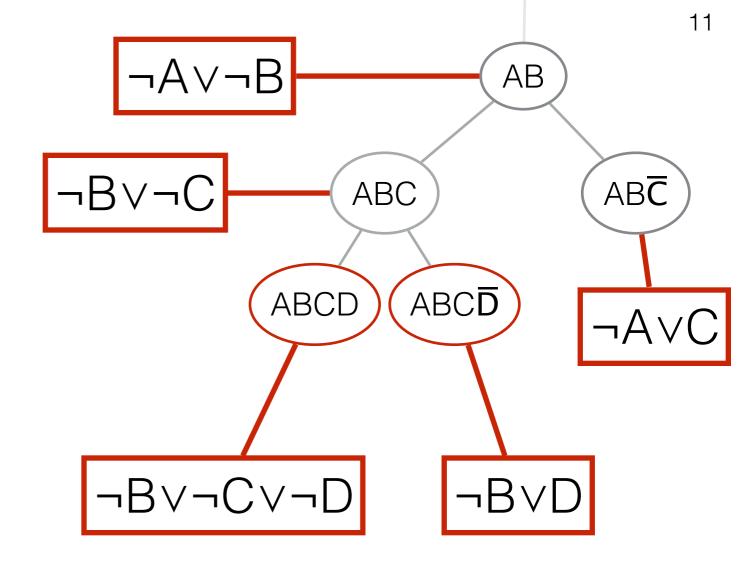
Any assignment of truth values that makes the conclusion false will make at least one of the premises false.

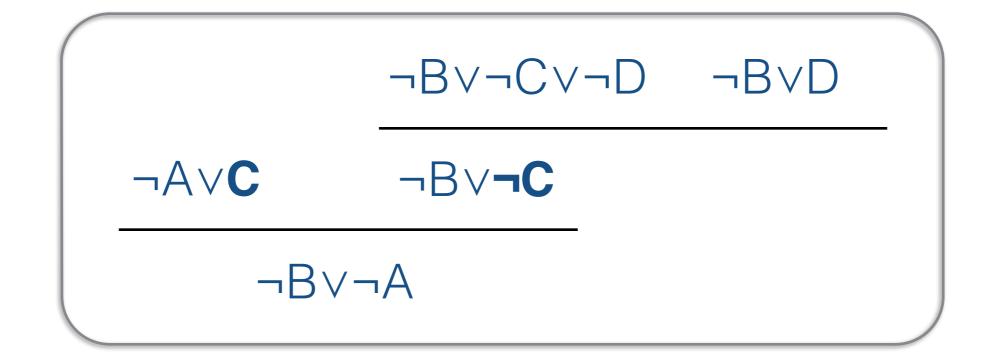


A **special property**of this inference

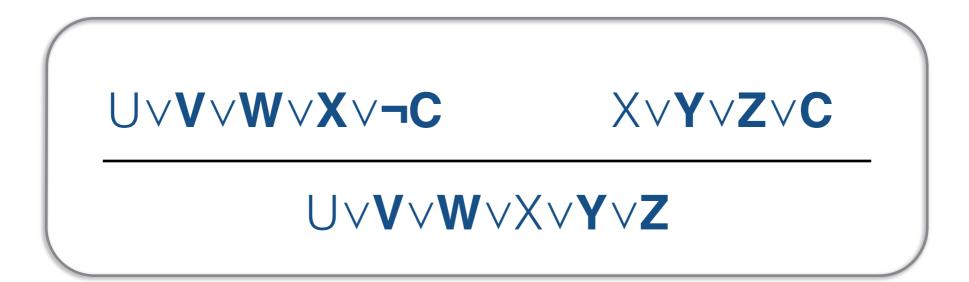
The makes the conclusion false then the assignments XYZ **D** and XYZ **D** each make one or other of the two premises false.

Resolution

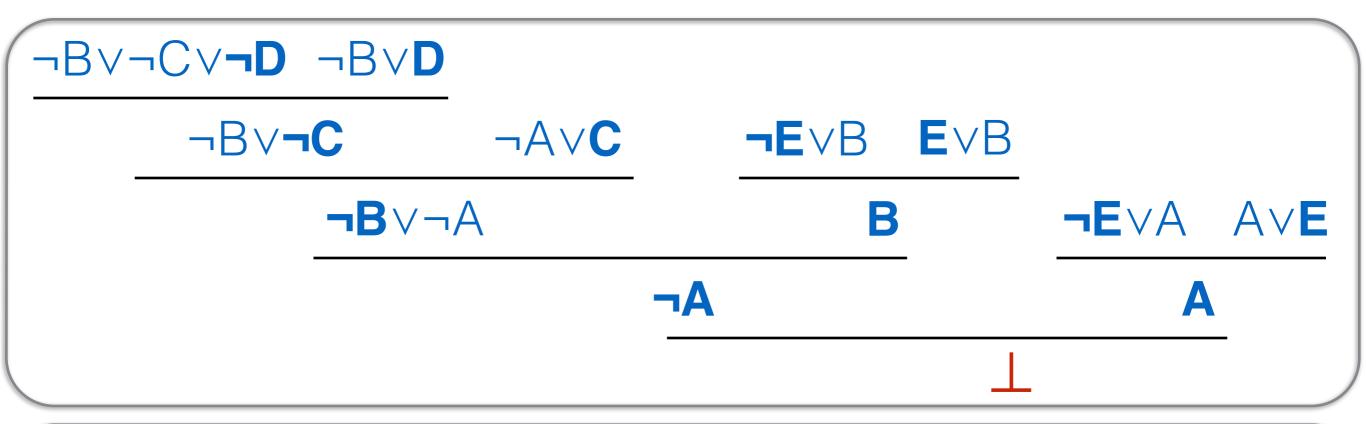


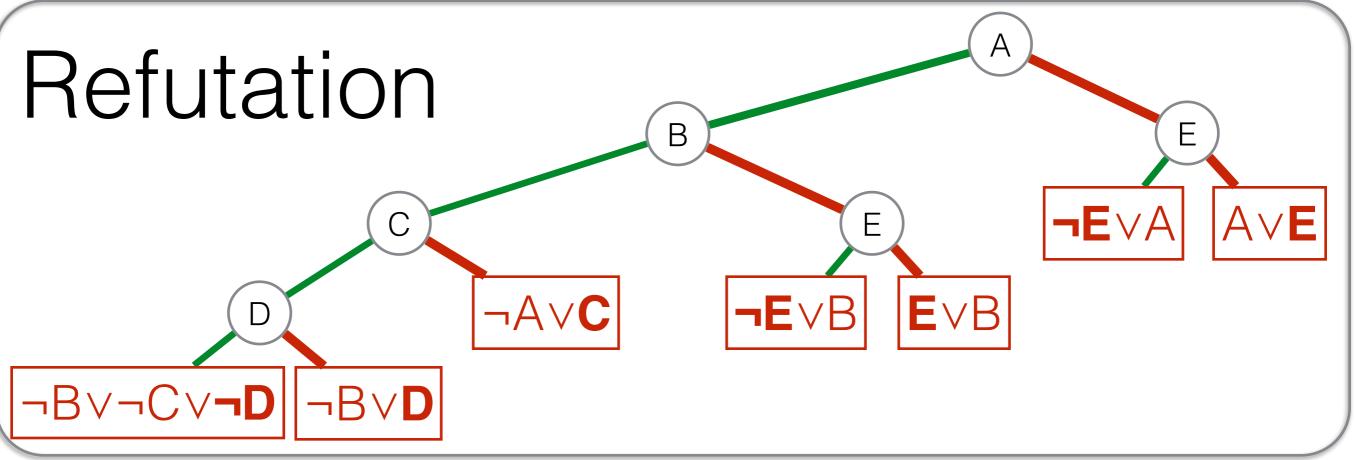


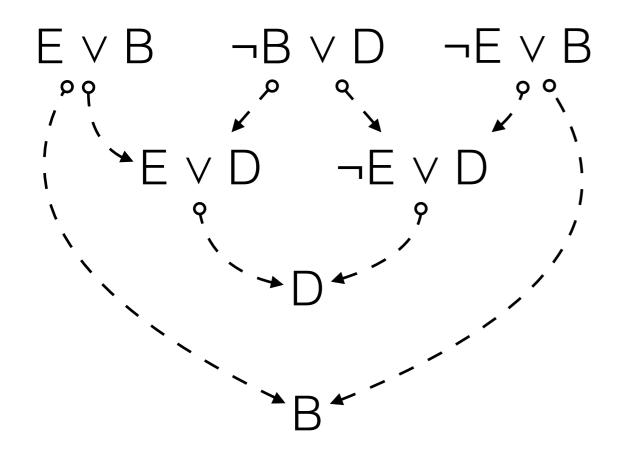
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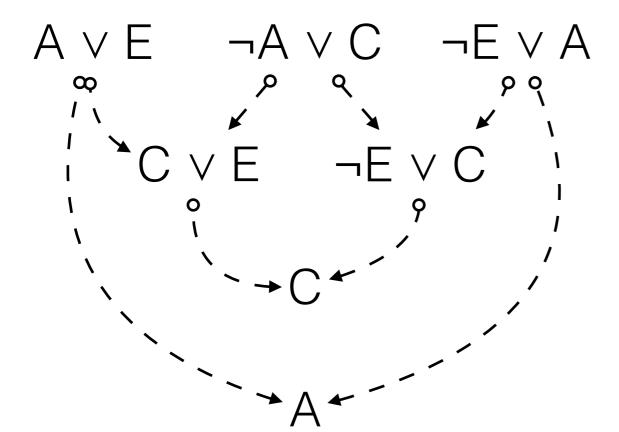


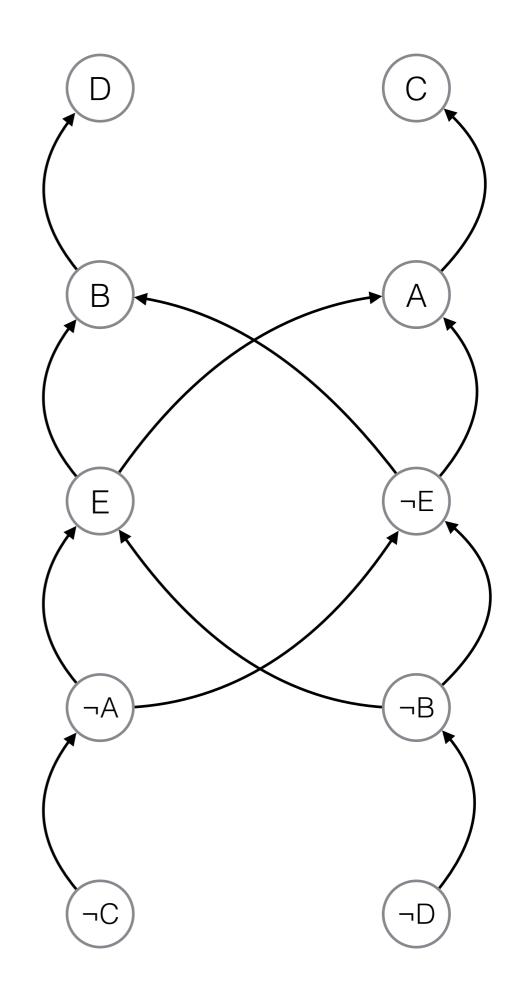
Resolution











Clausal Form

Resolution uses CNF a conjunction of disjunctions of literals $(\neg A \lor C) \land (\neg B \lor D) \land (\neg E \lor B) \land (\neg E \lor A) \land (A \lor E) \land (E \lor B) \land (\neg B \lor \neg C \lor \neg D)$

Clausal form is a set of sets of literals

 $\{ \{ \neg A, C \}, \{ \neg B, D \}, \{ \neg E, B \}, \{ \neg E, A \}, \{ A, E \}, \{ E, B \}, \{ \neg B, \neg C, \neg D \} \}$

Each set of literals represents the disjunction of its literals.

An empty set of literals $\{\}$ represents false \bot .

The clausal form represents the conjunction of these disjunctions

Clausal Form

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Clausal form is a set of sets of literals  \left\{ \{\neg A,C\}, \{\neg B,D\}, \{\neg E,B\}, \{\neg E,A\}, \{A,E\}, \{E,B\}, \{\neg B,\neg C,\neg D\} \right\}
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A (partial) truth assignment makes a clause true iff it makes at least one of its literals true (so it can never make the empty clause {} true)

A (partial) truth assignment makes a clausal form true iff it makes all of its clauses true (so the empty clausal form {} is always true).

Clausal form is a set of sets of literals $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \boldsymbol{x}_{0},\,\boldsymbol{x}_{1},\,\dots\,,\,\boldsymbol{x}_{n\text{-}1} \end{array} \right\}$

Resolution rule for clauses

$$\frac{\mathbf{X}}{\mathbf{X} \cup \mathbf{Y}) \setminus \{ \neg A, A \}} \quad \text{where } \neg A \in \mathbf{X}, A \in \mathbf{Y}$$

(A?B:C)

