Logic and Computability

Lecture 2

SAT Solving

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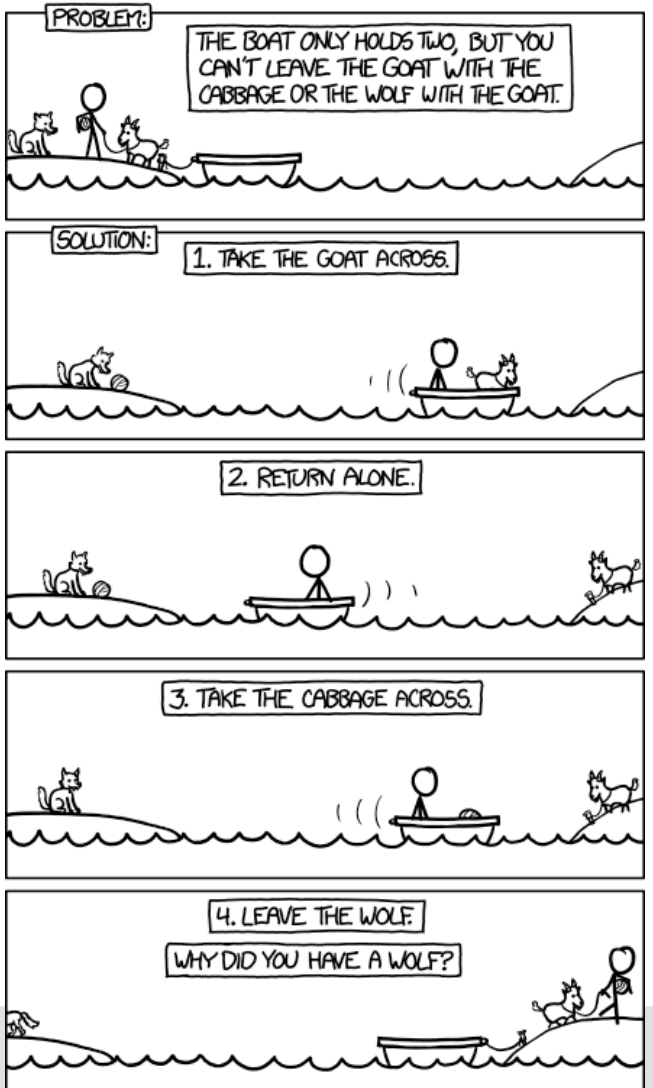

https://xkcd.com/287/

SAT Problem

- Decide whether a formula φ is satisfiable
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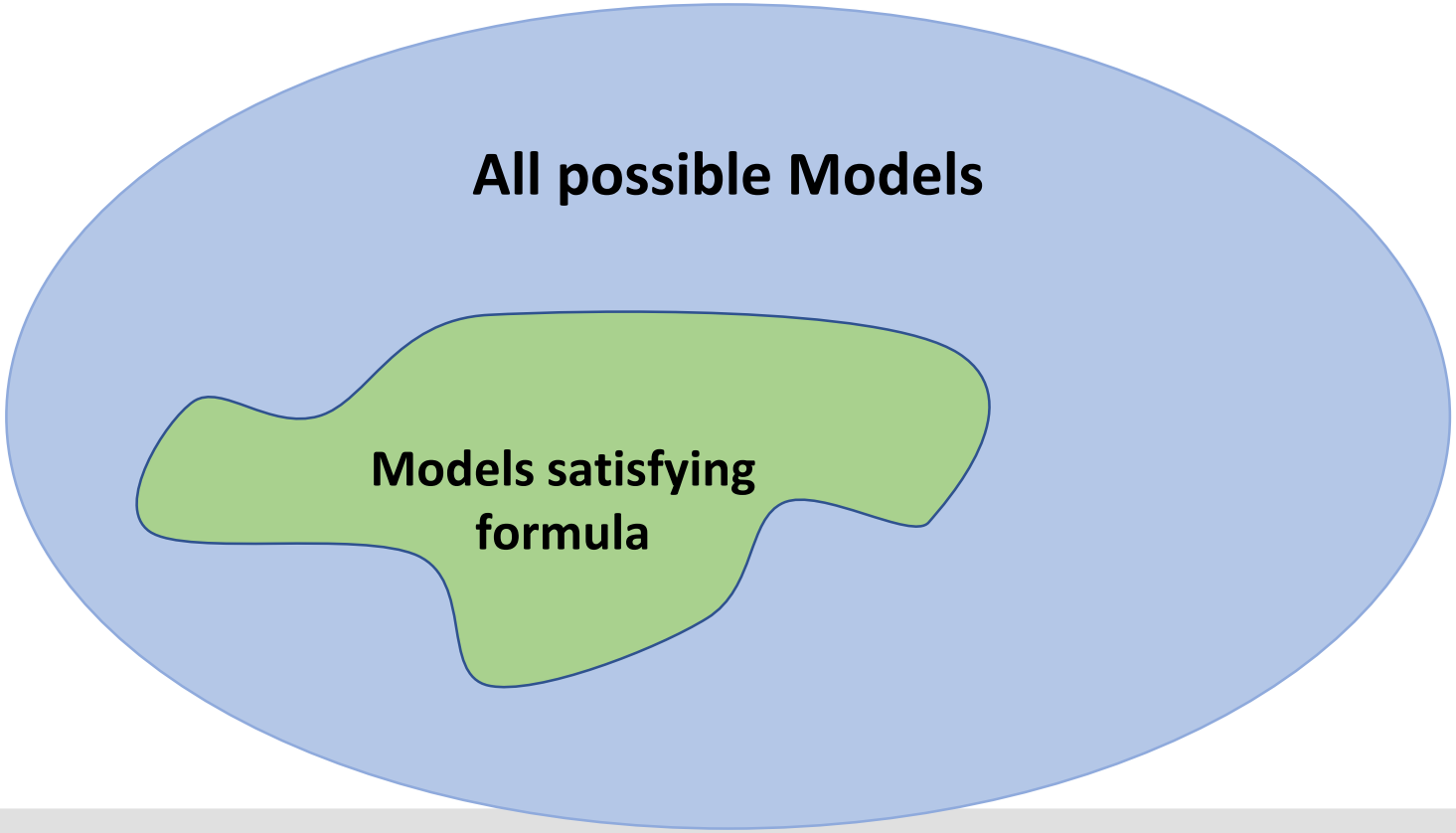
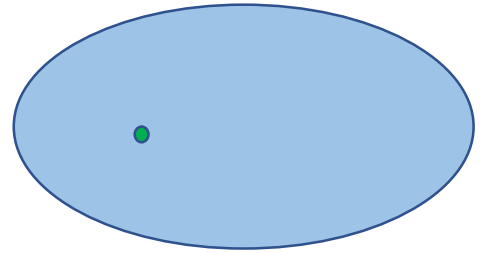
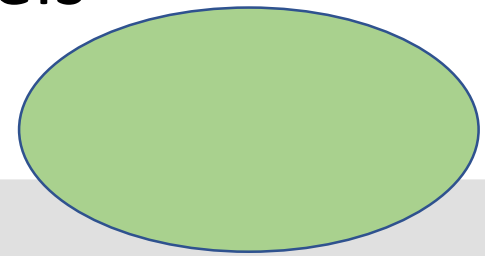


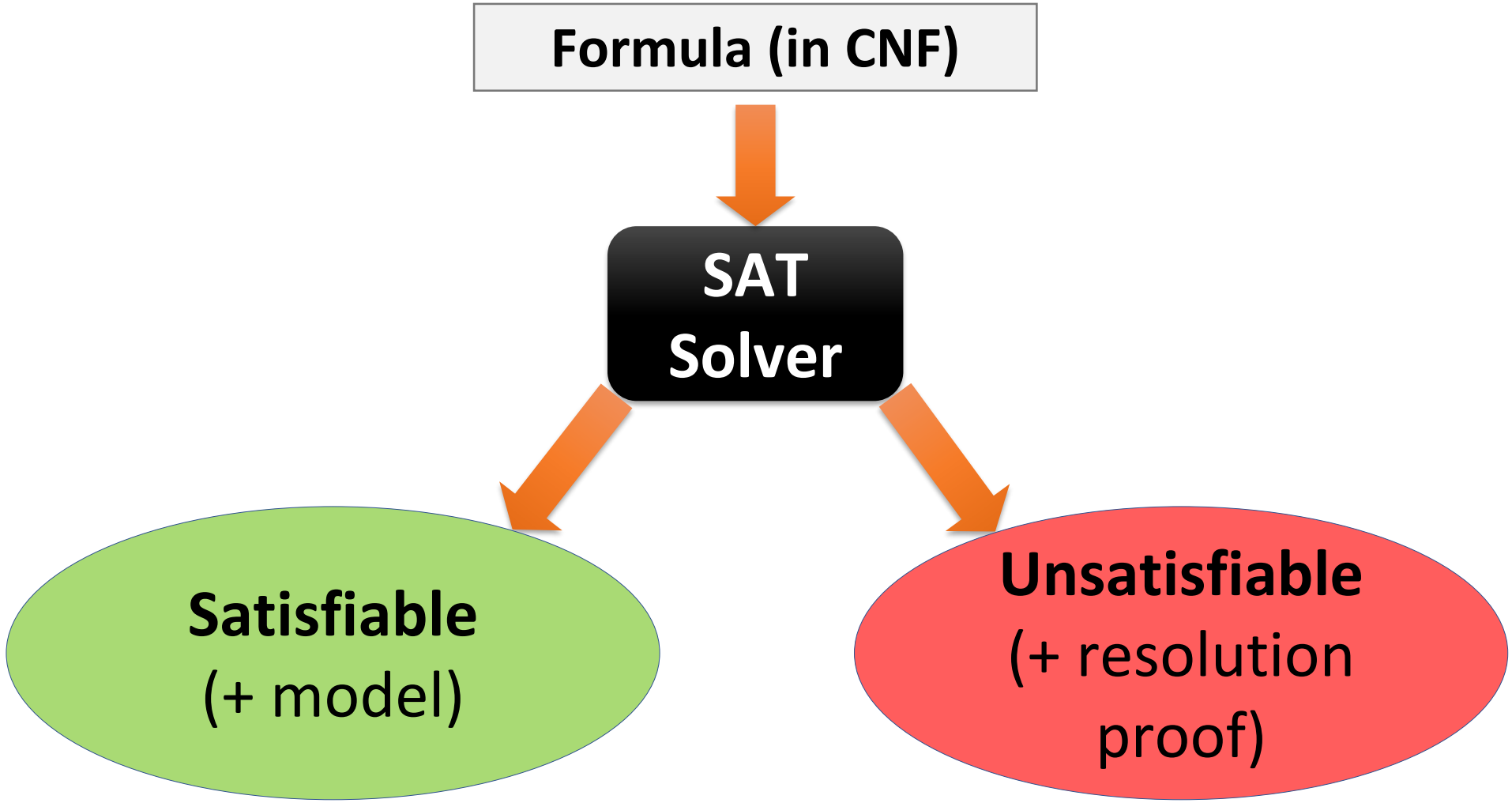
- One Model



- All Models



SAT-Solver


Formula (in CNF)
SAT Solver
Satisfiable (+ model)
Unsatisfiable (+ resolution proof)

Motivation – SAT Solving

- Applications
  - HW and SW Verification
  - Bounded Model Checking
  - Hardware Equivalence Checking
  - Circuit Synthesis
  - Planning (e.g., air-traffic control, telegraph routing)
  - Scheduling (sport tournaments)
  - Finite mathematics
  - Cryptanalysis
  - …

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- Decide whether a formula φ is satisfiable
  - φ is SAT iff there exists a model $\mathcal{M}$ such that $\mathcal{M} \vDash \varphi$
- The SAT problem is NP complete
  - $P \neq NP \Rightarrow$ worst-case exponential
- Problem: Formulas are huge!
- Automated Tools: **"SAT Solver"**
  - Highly efficient for many practical problem instances

Motivation – SAT Encoding

- Automatically generated from problem specifications

$(\neg x_1 \vee x_7) \wedge$
$(\neg x_1 \vee x_6) \wedge \cdots$

Nr variables Nr clauses

```
p cnf 51639 368352
-1 7 0
-1 6 0
-1 5 0
-1 -4 0
-1 3 0
-1 2 0
-1 -8 0
-9 15 0
-9 14 0
-9 13 0
-9 -12 0
-9 11 0
-9 10 0
-9 -16 0
-17 23 0
-17 22 0
```

Should x_1 be set to False?

10 Pages Later

- Automatically generated from problem specifications

```
185 −9 0
185 −1 0
177 169 161 153 145 137 129 121 113 105 97
 89 81 73 65 57 49 41
 33 25 17 9 1 −185 0
186 −187 0
186 −188 0
  ...
```

i.e., (x_{177} or x_{169} or x_{161} or x_{153} …
x_{33} or x_{25} or x_{17} or x_9 or x_1 or (not x_{185}))

Note x_1

4.000 Pages Later

- Automatically generated from problem specifications

```
10236 −10050 0
10236 −10051 0
10236 −10235 0
10008 10009 10010 10011 10012 10013 10014
 10015 10016 10017 10018 10019 10020 10021
 10022 10023 10024 10025 10026 10027 10028
 10029 10030 10031 10032 10033 10034 10035
 10036 10037 10086 10087 10088 10089 10090
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...

Finally, 15.000 Pages Later

```
−7 260 0
7 −260 0
1072 1070 0
−15 −14 −13 −12 −11 −10 0
−15 −14 −13 −12 −11 10 0
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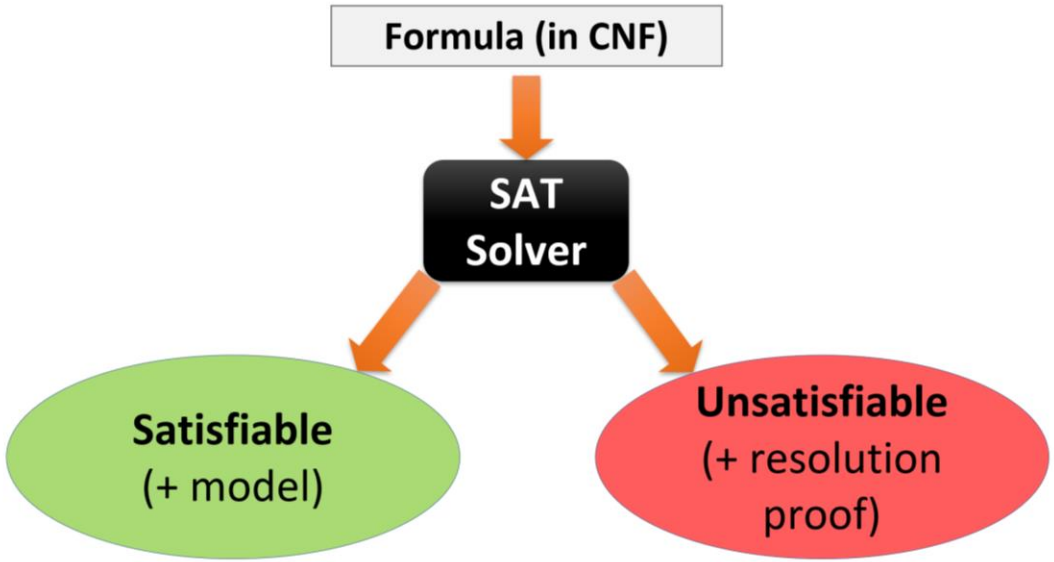
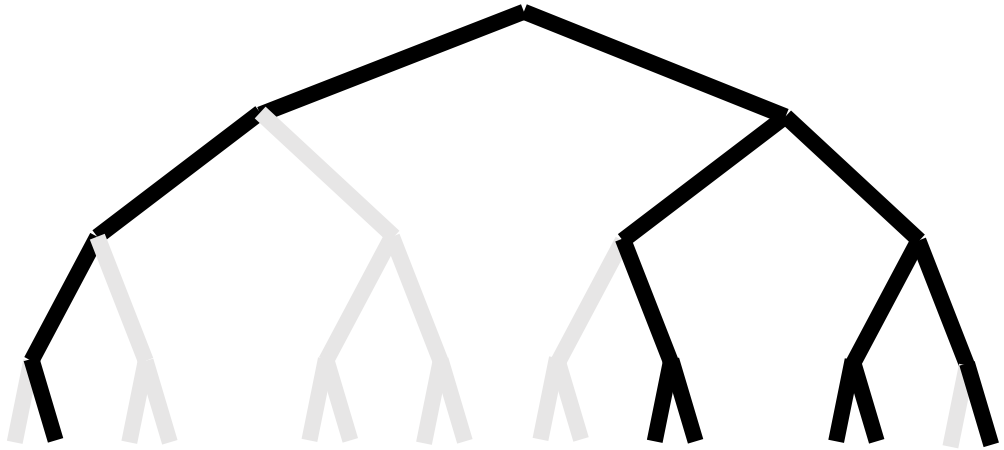
185 0
```

- Search space of truth assignments:
  - $2^{50000} \approx 3.1607 * 10^{15051}$
- How long to solve it?
  - Modern SAT solver needs just a few seconds!

Outline

- DPLL Algorithm
  - Boolean Constrain Propagation
  - Pure Literals
  - Conflict-Driven Clause Learning





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  - Formula in Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

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- **Examples**: $\varphi = a \wedge (b \vee \neg c) \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg b \vee c)$

  $\varphi = \neg a$

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  - Total or partial Assignment
- $\varphi[A]$: φ with all variables set according to A
  - $\varphi[A] = (\bot \vee \neg\bot) \wedge (\neg\top \vee \neg\bot \vee \bot) = \top \wedge (\bot \vee \top \vee \bot) = \top$

Basis Idea - Backtracking Binary Search

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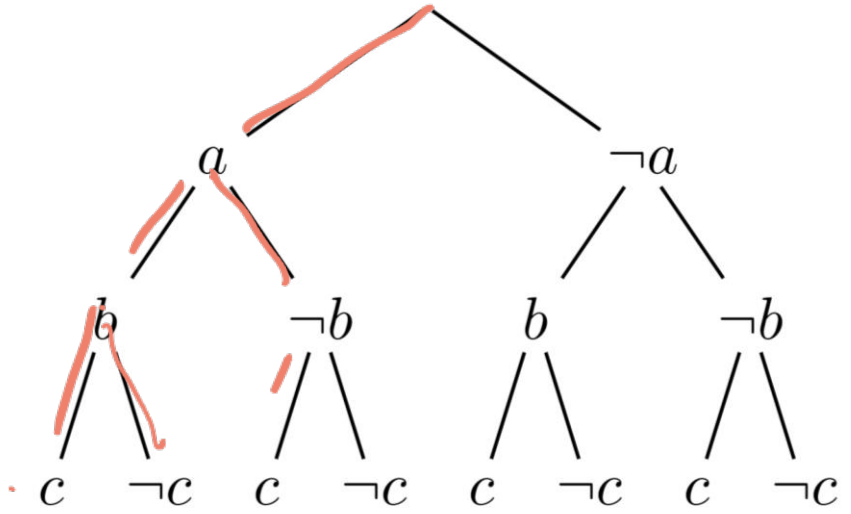
Search space for φ with variables a, b, c



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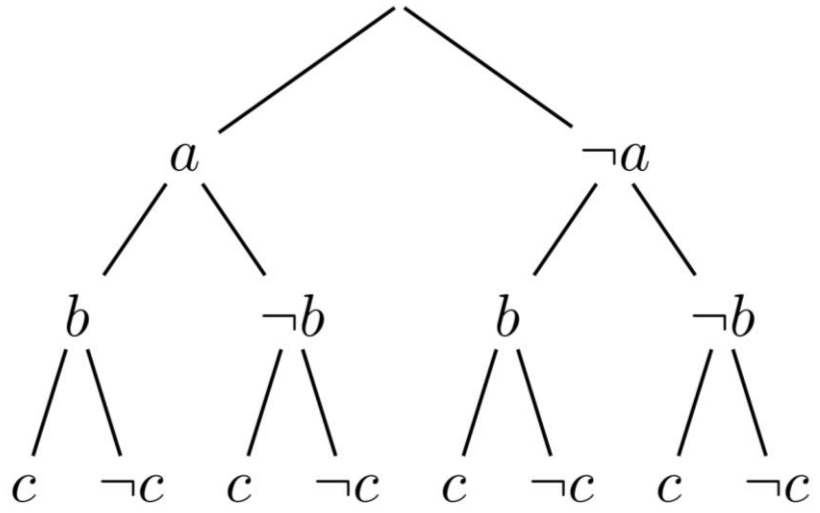

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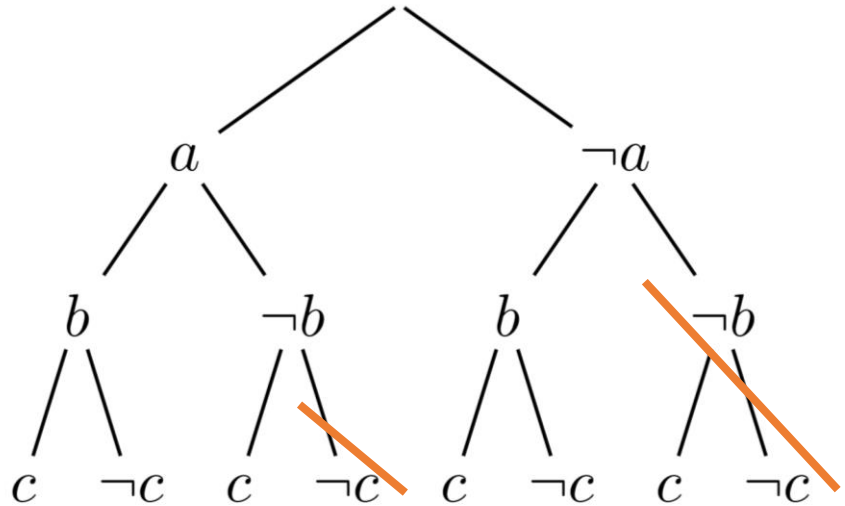

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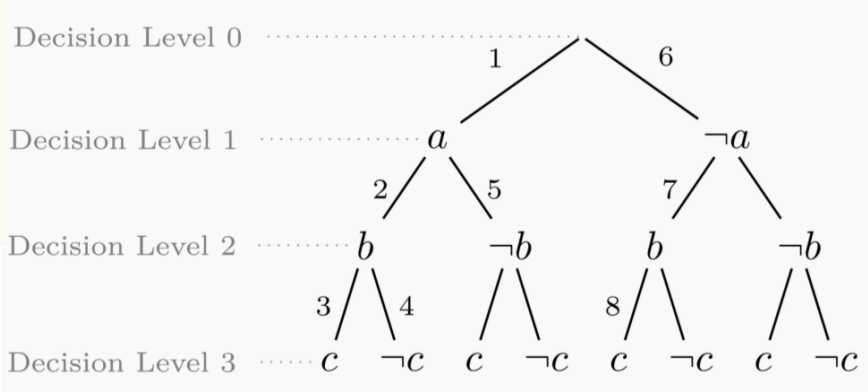
Decision Level:

- Decision = algorithm assigns truth value to a variable
- Decision level = number of currently made decisions



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Decision heuristic

- Heuristic to decide which variable should be assigned next
- Huge impact on solving time

E.g.: Dynamic Largest Individual Sum

- pick the variable and truth value, such that the most unresolved clauses become satisfied.

We will use a predefined order.

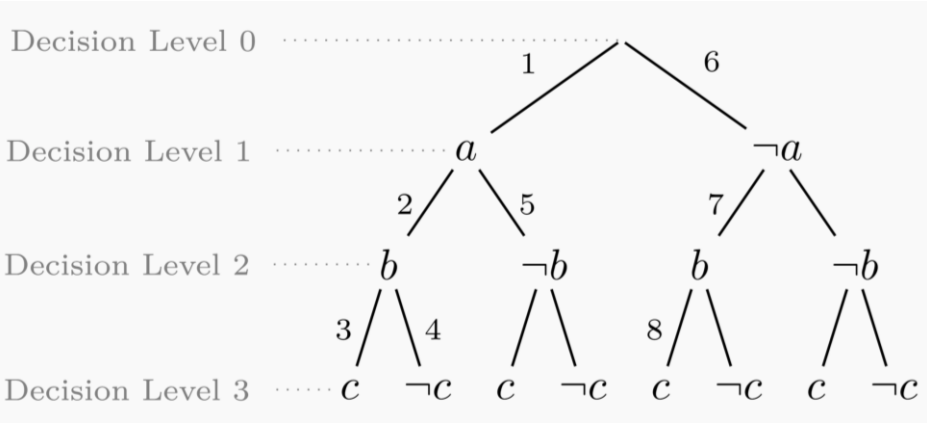
- E.g., lexicographical order, positive phase first

Tabular Execution of the Basic Search

$\varphi := (\neg a \vee b) \wedge (\neg b \vee c) \wedge (\neg c \vee \neg a)$

Decision heuristic: alphabetical order starting with the positive phase

Iteration	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Dec. Level	0								
Assignment	{}								
CL1: $\{\neg a, b\}$	$\{\neg a, b\}$								
CL2: $\{\neg b, c\}$	$\{\neg b, c\}$								
CL3: $\{\neg c, \neg a\}$	$\{\neg c, \neg a\}$								
Decision	a								



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CL3: $\{\neg c, \neg a\}$	{¬c, ¬a}	¬c	¬c	{} ✗					
Decision	a	b	c						

Evaluate clauses under current A:

- Satisfied Clause:
  - At least on of its literals is satisfied under A
  - Marked with ✓
- Conflicting clauses:
  - all of its literals are not satisfied under A
  - Marked with {}✗
- Unresolved clauses:
  - Otherwise

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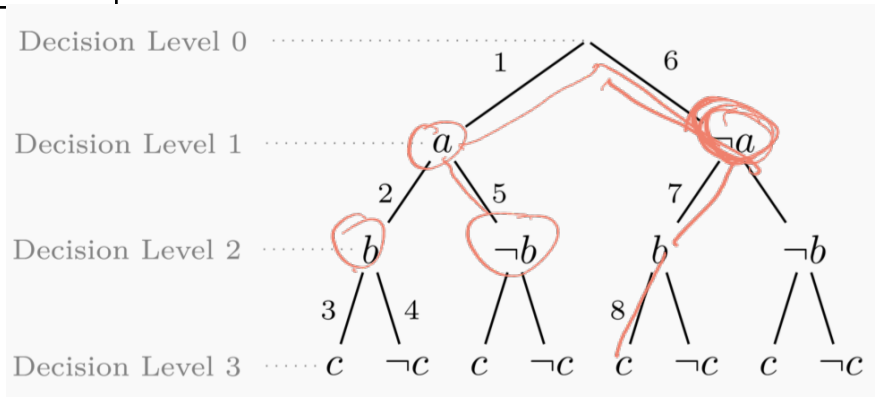
Assignment	{}	a	a,b	a,b,c	$a\,b\,\neg c$	$a\,\neg b$	$\neg a$	$\neg a\,b$	$\neg a\,b\,c$
CL1: $\{\neg a, b\}$	$\neg a, b$	b	✓	✓	✓	↯	✓	✓	✓
CL2: $\{\neg$b, $c\}$	$\neg$b, c	$\neg$b, c	c	✓	↯	✓	$\neg b, c$	c	✓
CL3: $\{\neg$c, $\neg a\}$	$\neg$c, $\neg a$	$\neg$c	$\neg$c	{} X	✓	$\neg c$	✓	✓	
Decision	a	b	c	$\neg c$	$\neg b$	$\neg a$	b	c	SAT

$\mathcal{M}$: $\varphi^{\mathcal{M}} = \top$

Found a conflicting clause: {} ✗

- All of its literals are not satisfied under A
- Backtrack
  - Remove last decision
  - Reduce Decision



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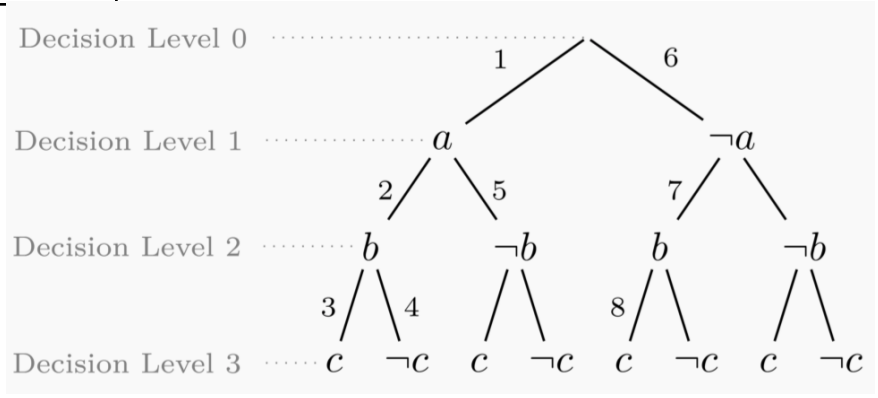
All clauses are satisfied ✓

- Report SAT and
  A as satisfying assignment



Boolean Constrain Propagation (BCP)

- Unit clause:
  - a clause with a single unassigned literal
  - Examples:
    - (a)
    - (¬b)

- Unit Clause exists → set its literal
  - Very simple but very important heuristic!

DPLL + BCP Example

- $\varphi := (\neg a \vee b) \wedge (\neg b \vee c) \wedge (\neg c \vee \neg a)$

Step	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Dec. Level	0	1	1	1	1	2	2		
Assignment	✓	a	a, b	a, b, c	¬a	¬a, b	¬a, b, c		
CL1: $\{\neg a, b\}$	¬a, b	(b)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
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BCP	-	b	c	-	-	c	-
Decision	a	-	-	$\neg a$	b	-	SAT

Pure Literals

- **Pure Literal:**
  - Unassigned literal
  - Complement does not occur in any unsatisfied clause

- Pure literals → set to **TRUE**

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BCP									
Pure Literal	$\neg a$	$\neg b$							
Decision			SAT						

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Cl. 3: $\neg c, \neg a$	$\neg c, \neg a$	✓	✓
BCP	-	-	-
PL	$\neg a$	$\neg b$	-
Decision	-	-	SAT

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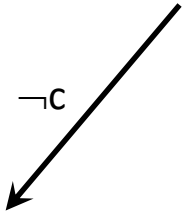

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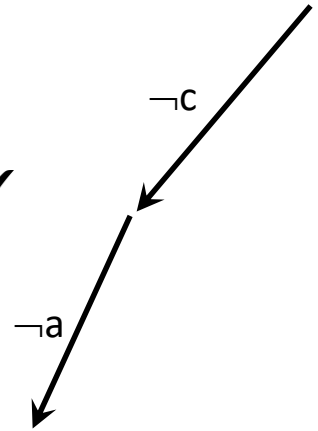

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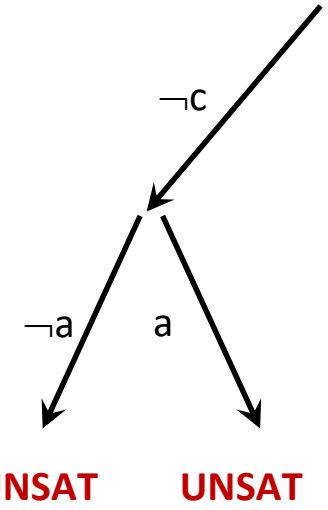

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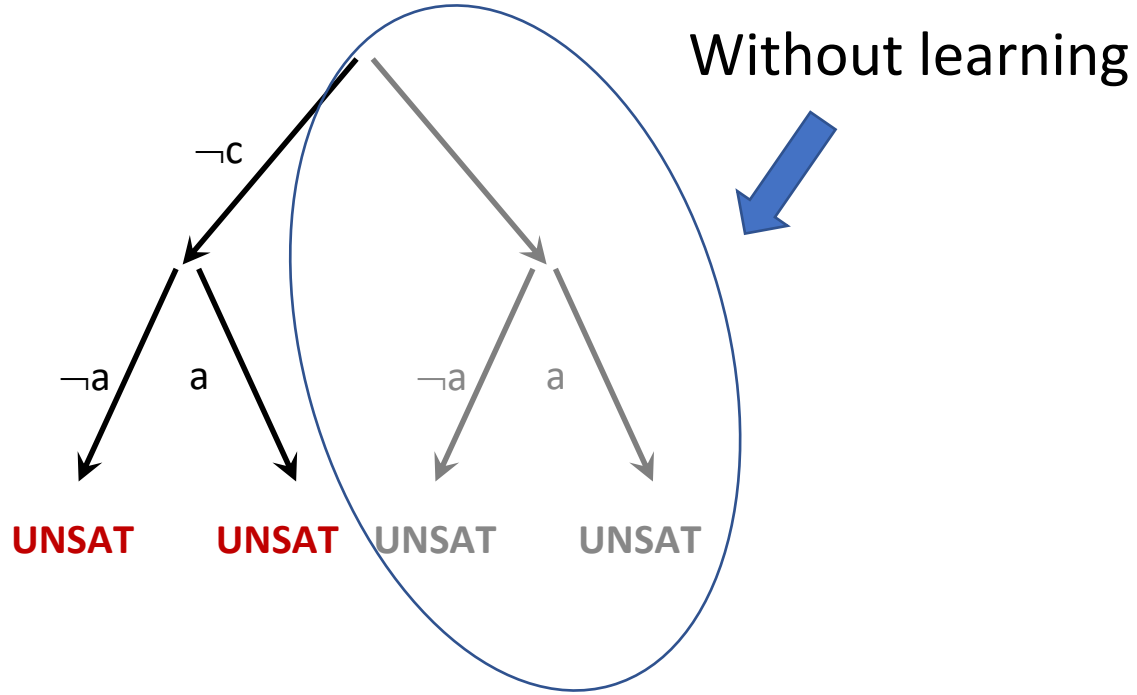

Problem is with "a":
➔ No need to try c=TRUE!

Conflict Graph

- Draw conflict graph for every conflict
- Illustrates decisions involved in conflict

1. $(a \vee \neg c)$
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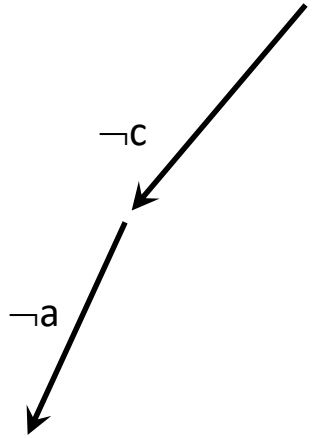
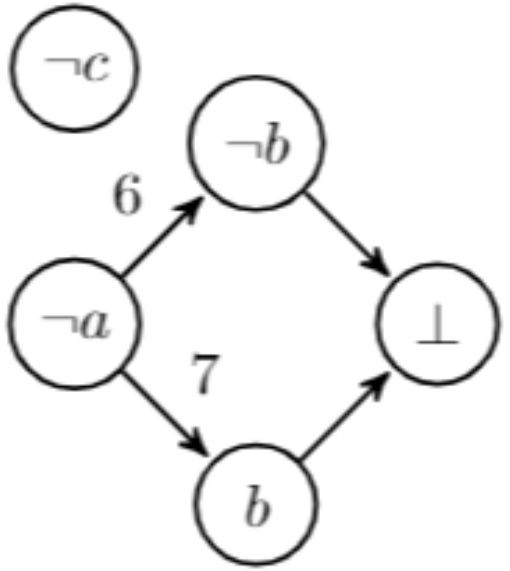
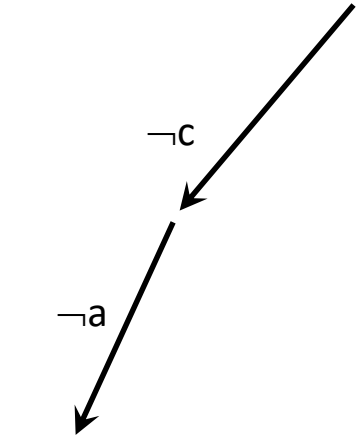


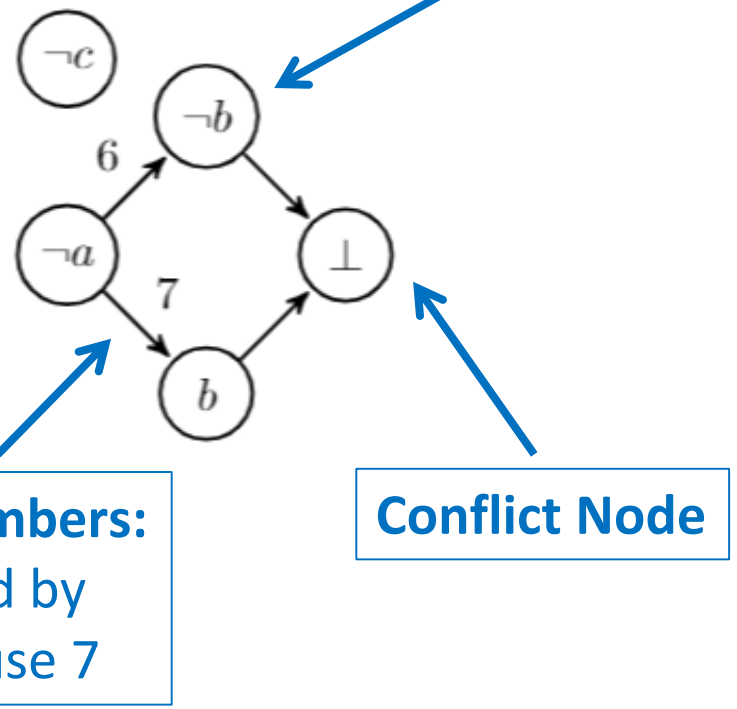


Conflict Graph

- Draw conflict graph for every conflict
- Illustrates decisions involved in conflict

1. $(a \vee \neg c)$
2. $(b \vee \neg c)$
3. $(\neg a \vee \neg b \vee c)$
4. $(\neg a \vee \neg b)$
5. $(\neg a \vee b)$
6. $(a \vee \neg b)$
7. $(a \vee b)$





Root nodes:
Decisions

Internal nodes:
Implied (by BCP)

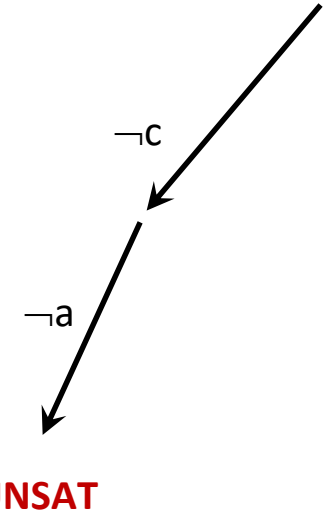
Clause numbers:
b is implied by
¬a via clause 7

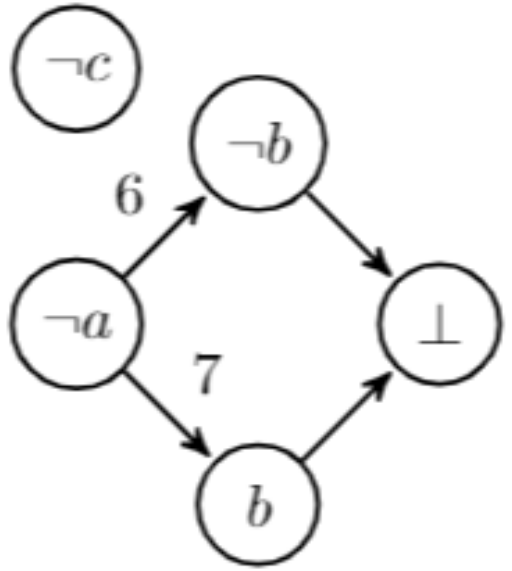
Conflict Node

Conflict Graph

- Draw conflict graph for every conflict
- Illustrates decisions involved in conflict
- To avoid conflict: change at least one decision that was involved

1. (a ∨ ¬c)
2. (b ∨ ¬c)
3. (¬a ∨ ¬b ∨ c)
4. (¬a ∨ ¬b)
5. (¬a ∨ b)
6. (a ∨ ¬b)
7. (a ∨ b)

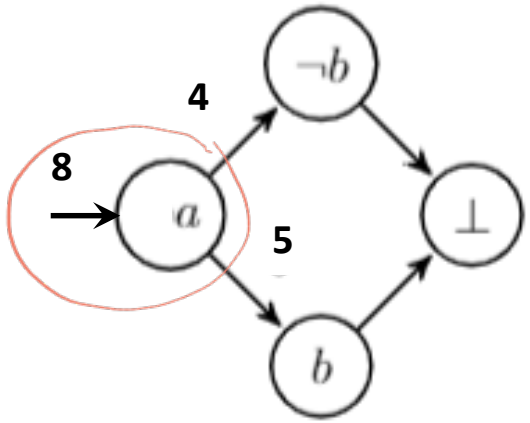




➔ **Learn New Clause: (a)**

Backtracking

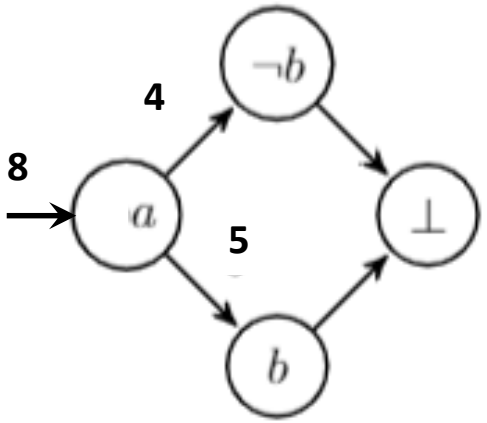
1. $(a \vee \neg c)$ ✓
2. $(b \vee \neg c)$
3. $(\neg a \vee \neg b \vee c)$
4. $(\neg a \vee \neg b)$
5. $(\neg a \vee b)$
6. $(a \vee \neg b)$ ✓
7. $(a \vee b)$ ✓
8. a ✓

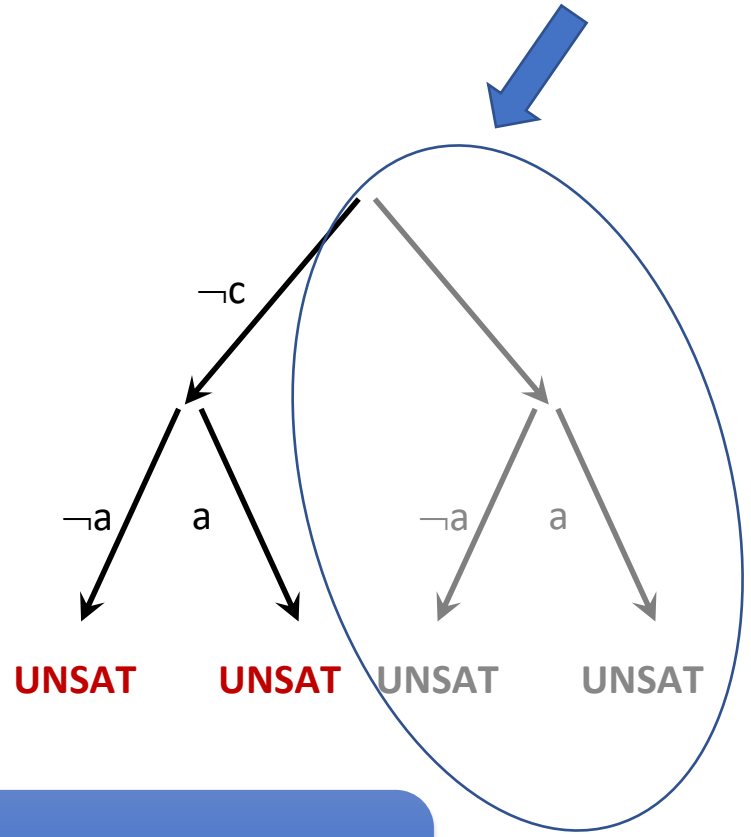


No decision was necessary
➔ We learn: UNSAT

Backtracking

1. (a ∨ ¬c) ✓
2. (b ∨ ¬c)
3. (¬a ∨ ¬b ∨ c)
4. (¬a ∨ ¬b)
5. (¬a ∨ b)
6. (a ∨ ¬b) ✓
7. (a ∨ b) ✓
8. a ✓





No decision was necessary
➔ We learn: UNSAT

DPLL + BCP + PL + Learning

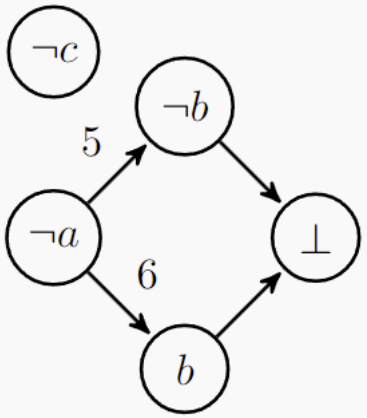
- $\varphi := (a \vee \neg c) \wedge (b \vee \neg c) \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg b \vee c) \wedge (\neg a \wedge \neg b) \wedge (\neg a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee \neg b) \wedge (a \vee b)$

$Order: \neg c < c < \neg a < a < \neg b < b$

Step	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Dec. Level	0	1	2	2	0	0			
Assignment	α	$\neg c$	$\neg a \neg c$	$\neg a \neg b \neg c$	a	$a \neg b$			
CL1: $\{a, \neg c\}$	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
CL2: $\{b, \neg c\}$	2	✓	✓	✓	$b, \neg c$	$\neg c$			
CL3: $\{\neg a, \neg b, c\}$	3	$\neg a, \neg b$	✓	✓	$\neg b, c$	✓			
CL4: $\{\neg a, \neg b\}$	4	4	✓	✓	$\neg b$	✓			
CL5: $\{\neg a, b\}$	5	5	✓	✓	b	α			
CL6: $\{a, \neg b\}$	6	6	$\neg b$	✓	✓	✓			
CL7: $\{a, b\}$	7	7	b	α ✗	✓	✓			
LC: a				learned a					
BCP			$\neg b$	a	$\neg b$	UNSAT			
Pure Literal									
Decision	$\neg c$	$\neg a$							

DPLL + BCP + PL + Learning

Step	1	2	3	4	(1)	5	6	7
Decision Level	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0
Assignment	-	$\neg c$	$\neg a, \neg c$	$\neg a, \neg b, \neg c$	-	a	$a, \neg b$	$a, \neg b, \neg c$
Cl. 1: $a, \neg c$	1	✓	✓	✓	1	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 2: $b, \neg c$	2	✓	✓	✓	2	2	$\neg c$	✓
Cl. 3: $\neg a, \neg b, c$	3	$\neg a, \neg b$	✓	✓	3	$\neg b, c$	✓	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg a, \neg b$	4	4	✓	✓	4	$\neg b$	✓	✓
Cl. 5: $a, \neg b$	5	5	$\neg b$	✓	5	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 6: a, b	6	6	b	{} ✗	6	✓	✓	✓
LC 1				learned a	7	✓	✓	✓
BCP	-	-	$\neg b$	-	a	$\neg b$	$\neg c$	-
PL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Decision	$\neg c$	$\neg a$	-	-	-	-		SAT



Backtrack Level

- Ongoing Research Problem

- In this course:
  - → **earliest level where conflict clause is a unit clause**
  - New clause immediately be used

$\varphi := (a \vee \neg c \vee \neg e) \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg e) \wedge (b \vee e) \wedge (\neg b \vee d \vee e) \wedge (\neg b \vee \neg d) \wedge (c \vee \neg d) \wedge (c \vee d)$

*Decision heuristic: alphabetical order starting with the **negative** phase*

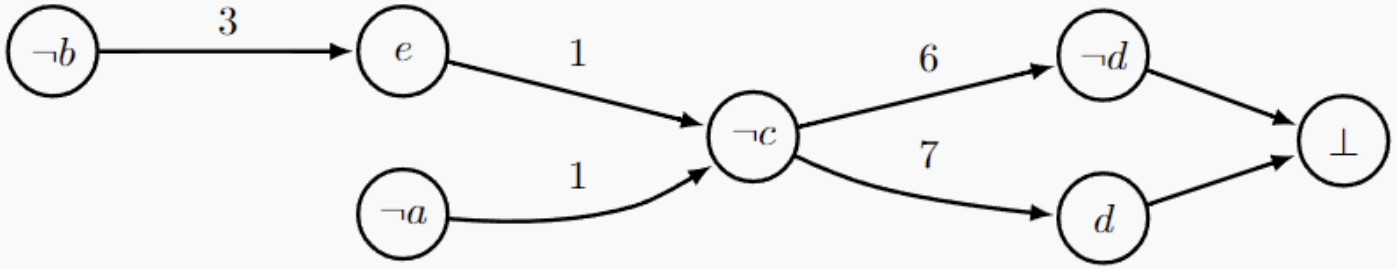
Step	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Dec. Level																
Assignment																
1: $\{a, \neg c, \neg e\}$																
2: $\{\neg a, \neg e\}$																
3: $\{b, e\}$																
4: $\{\neg b, d, e\}$																
5: $\{\neg b, \neg d\}$																
6: $\{c, \neg d\}$																
7: $\{c, d\}$																
LC 1																
LC 2																
BCP																
Pure Literal																
Decision																

$\varphi := (a \vee \neg c \vee \neg e) \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg e) \wedge (b \vee e) \wedge (\neg b \vee d \vee e) \wedge (\neg b \vee \neg d) \wedge (c \vee \neg d) \wedge (c \vee d)$

*Decision heuristic: alphabetical order starting with the **negative** phase*

Step	1	2	3	4	5	6
Decision Level	0	1	2	2	2	2
Assignment	-	$\neg a$	$\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg a, \neg b, e$	$\neg a, \neg b, e, \neg c$	$\neg a, \neg b, e, \neg c, \neg d$
Cl. 1: $a, \neg c, \neg e$	$a, \neg c, \neg e$	$\neg c, \neg e$	$\neg c, \neg e$	$\neg c$	✓	✓
Cl. 2: $\neg a, \neg e$	$\neg a, \neg e$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 3: b, e	b, e	b, e	e	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg b, d, e$	$\neg b, d, e$	$\neg b, d, e$	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 5: $\neg b, \neg d$	$\neg b, \neg d$	$\neg b, \neg d$	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 6: $c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	$\neg d$	✓
Cl. 7: c, d	c, d	c, d	c, d	c, d	d	$\{\}$ ✗
BCP	-	-	e	$\neg c$	$\neg d$	-
PL	-	-	-	-	-	-
Decision	$\neg a$	$\neg b$	-	-	-	-

Conflict in step 6

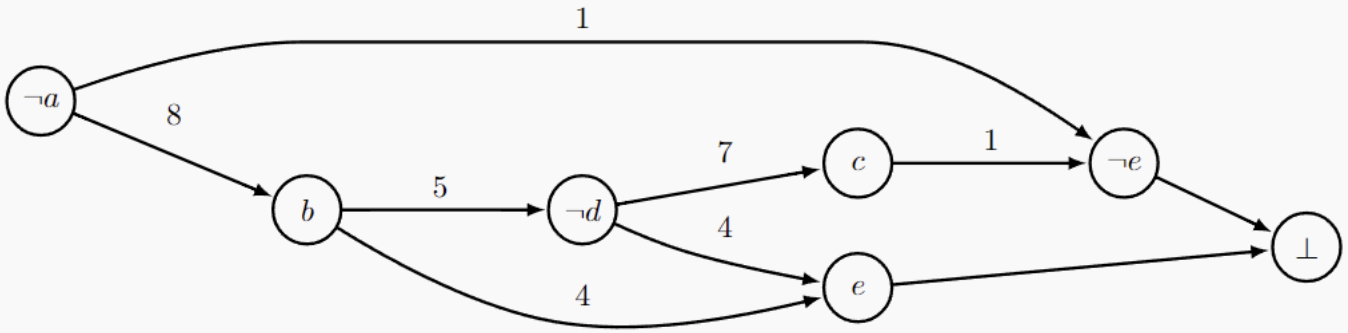


$\varphi := (a \vee \neg c \vee \neg e) \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg e) \wedge (b \vee e) \wedge (\neg b \vee d \vee e) \wedge (\neg b \vee \neg d) \wedge (c \vee \neg d) \wedge (c \vee d)$

*Decision heuristic: alphabetical order starting with the **negative** phase*

Step	7	8	9	10	11
Decision Level	1	1	1	1	1
Assignment	$\neg a$	$\neg a, b$	$\neg a, b, \neg d$	$\neg a, b, \neg d, c$	$\neg a, b, \neg d, c, \neg e$
Cl. 1: $a, \neg c, \neg e$	$\neg c, \neg e$	$\neg c, \neg e$	$\neg c, \neg e$	$\neg e$	✓
Cl. 2: $\neg a, \neg e$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 3: b, e	b, e	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg b, d, e$	$\neg b, d, e$	d, e	e	e	$\{\}$ ✗
Cl. 5: $\neg b, \neg d$	$\neg b, \neg d$	$\neg d$	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 6: $c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 7: c, d	c, d	c, d	c	✓	✓
Cl. 8: a, b	b	✓	✓	✓	✓
BCP	b	$\neg d$	c	$\neg e$	-
PL	-	-	-	-	-
Decision	-	-	-	-	-

Conflict in step 11

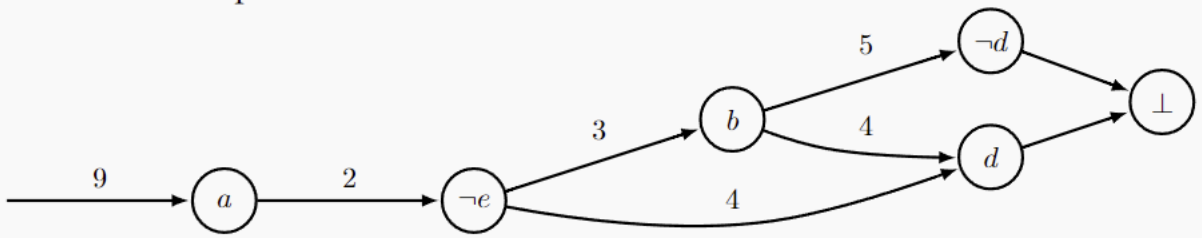


$\varphi := (a \vee \neg c \vee \neg e) \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg e) \wedge (b \vee e) \wedge (\neg b \vee d \vee e) \wedge (\neg b \vee \neg d) \wedge (c \vee \neg d) \wedge (c \vee d)$

*Decision heuristic: alphabetical order starting with the **negative** phase*

Step	12	13	14	15	16
Decision Level	0	0	0	0	0
Assignment	-	a	$a, \neg e$	$a, \neg e, b$	$a, \neg e, b, \neg d$
Cl. 1: $a, \neg c, \neg e$	$a, \neg c, \neg e$	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 2: $\neg a, \neg e$	$\neg a, \neg e$	$\neg e$	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 3: b, e	b, e	b, e	b	✓	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg b, d, e$	$\neg b, d, e$	$\neg b, d, e$	$\neg b, d$	d	$\{\}$ ✗
Cl. 5: $\neg b, \neg d$	$\neg b, \neg d$	$\neg b, \neg d$	$\neg b, \neg d$	$\neg d$	✓
Cl. 6: $c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	$c, \neg d$	✓
Cl. 7: c, d	c, d	c, d	c, d	c, d	c
Cl. 8: a, b	a, b	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cl. 9: a	a	✓	✓	✓	✓
BCP	a	$\neg e$	b	$\neg d$	-
PL	-	-	-	-	-
Decision	-	-	-	-	UNSAT

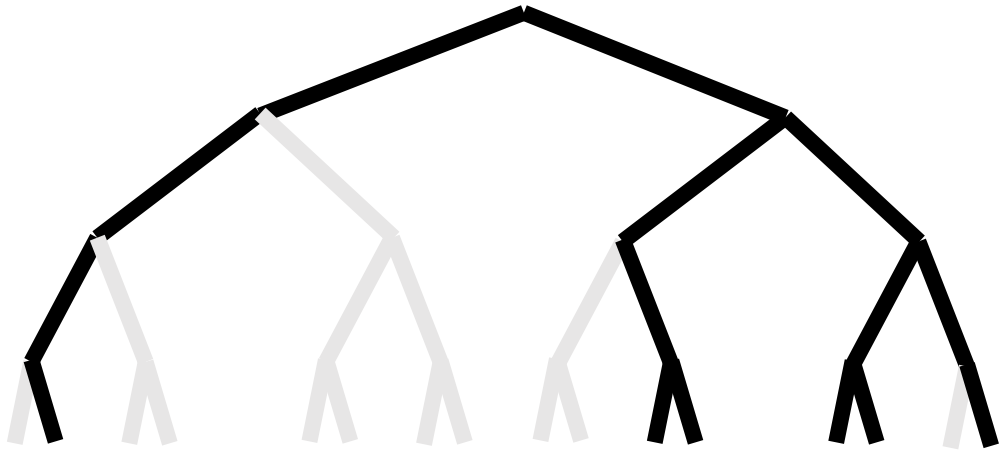
Conflict in step 16



DPLL + BCP + PL + Clause Learning

- Binary Search Tree
  - Worst Case: Exponential Time

- Pruning
  - Boolean Constraint Propagation (BCP)
  - Pure Literals
  - Learn Conflict Clauses



SAT Solver Output

- **Satisfiable:**
  - Satisfying Assignment

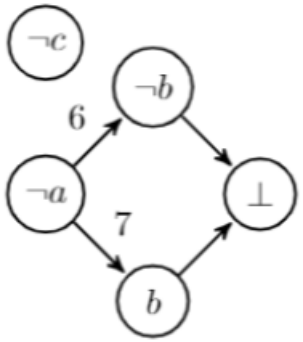
- **Unsatisfiable**
  - Proof of Unsatisfiability

Proving Unsatisfiability

- **Resolution Rule:**

$$\frac{(a \vee b_1 \vee \ldots \vee b_n) \qquad (\neg a \vee c_1 \vee \ldots \vee c_m)}{(b_1 \vee \ldots \vee b_n \vee c_1 \vee \ldots \vee c_m)}$$

- Turn Conflict Graph Around
  - Select clause that implies conflict
  - Iteratively, resolve while back-traversing graph



$$\frac{7.\ a \vee b \qquad 6.\ a \vee \neg b}{8.\ a}$$

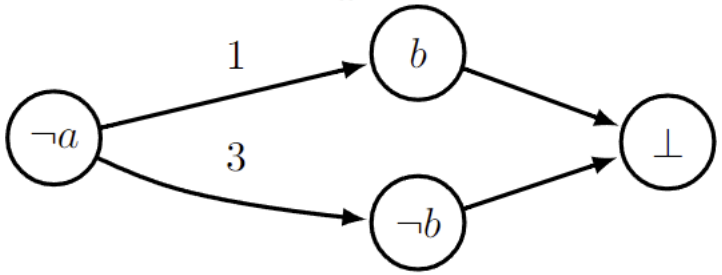
Resolution Proof

Step	1	2	3
Decision Level	0	1	1
Assignment	-	$\neg a$	$\neg a, \neg b$
Cl. 1: a, b	a, b	b	$\{\}$ ✗
Cl. 2: $\neg a, b$	$\neg a, b$	✓	✓
Cl. 3: $a, \neg b$	$a, \neg b$	$\neg b$	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg a, \neg b$	✓	✓
BCP	-	$\neg b$	-
PL	-	-	-
Decision	$\neg a$	-	-

Resolution Proof

Step	1	2	3
Decision Level	0	1	1
Assignment	-	$\neg a$	$\neg a, \neg b$
Cl. 1: a, b	a, b	b	$\{\}$ ✗
Cl. 2: $\neg a, b$	$\neg a, b$	✓	✓
Cl. 3: $a, \neg b$	$a, \neg b$	$\neg b$	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg a, \neg b$	✓	✓
BCP	-	$\neg b$	-
PL	-	-	-
Decision	$\neg a$	-	-

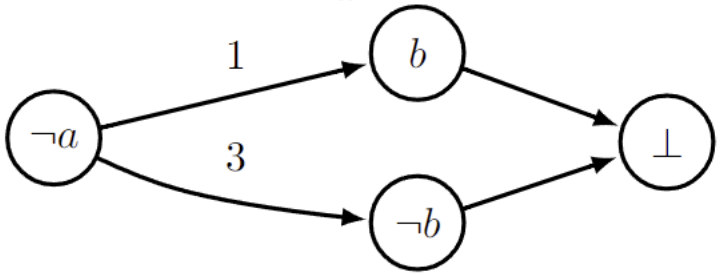
Conflict in step 3



Resolution Proof

Step	1	2	3
Decision Level	0	1	1
Assignment	-	$\neg a$	$\neg a, \neg b$
Cl. 1: a, b	a, b	b	$\{\}$ ✗
Cl. 2: $\neg a, b$	$\neg a, b$	✓	✓
Cl. 3: $a, \neg b$	$a, \neg b$	$\neg b$	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg a, \neg b$	✓	✓
BCP	-	$\neg b$	-
PL	-	-	-
Decision	$\neg a$	-	-

Conflict in step 3



$$\frac{1.\ a \vee b \qquad 3.\ a \vee \neg b}{a}$$

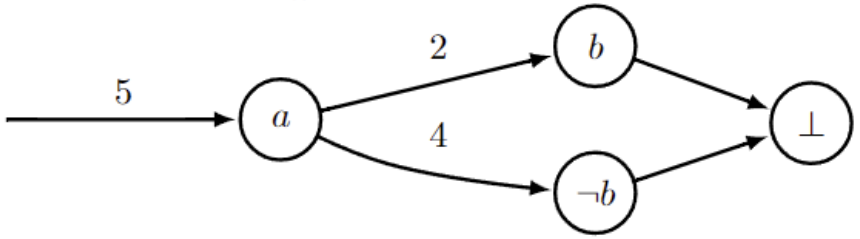
Resolution Proof

Step	4	5	6
Decision Level	0	0	0
Assignment	-	a	$a, \neg b$
Cl. 1: a, b	a, b	✓	✓
Cl. 2: $\neg a, b$	$\neg a, b$	b	$\{\}$ ✗
Cl. 3: $a, \neg b$	$a, \neg b$	✓	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg b$	✓
Cl. 5: a	a	✓	✓
BCP	a	$\neg b$	-
PL	-	-	-
Decision	-	-	UNSAT

Resolution Proof

Step	4	5	6
Decision Level	0	0	0
Assignment	-	a	$a, \neg b$
Cl. 1: a, b	a, b	✓	✓
Cl. 2: $\neg a, b$	$\neg a, b$	b	$\{\}$ ✗
Cl. 3: $a, \neg b$	$a, \neg b$	✓	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg b$	✓
Cl. 5: a	a	✓	✓
BCP	a	$\neg b$	-
PL	-	-	-
Decision	-	-	UNSAT

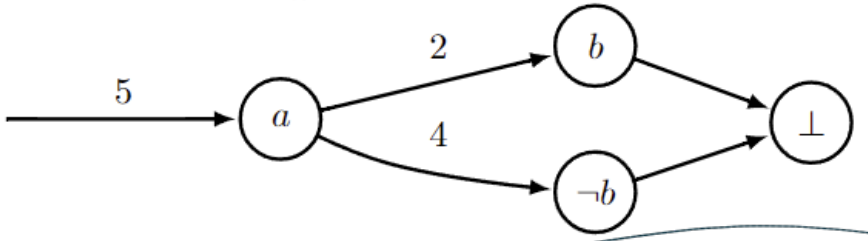
Conflict in step 6



Resolution Proof

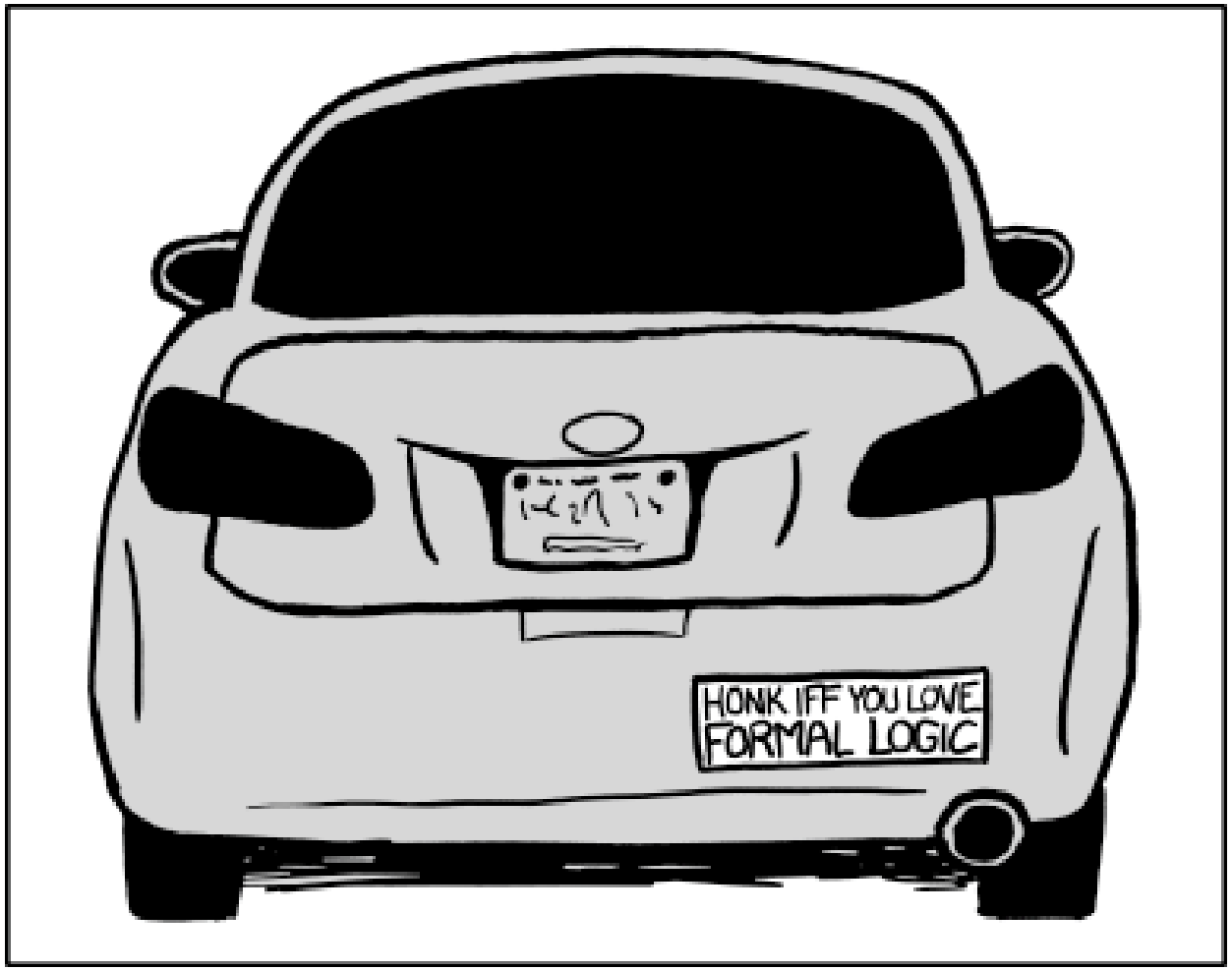
Step	4	5	6
Decision Level	0	0	0
Assignment	-	a	$a, \neg b$
Cl. 1: a, b	a, b	✓	✓
Cl. 2: $\neg a, b$	$\neg a, b$	b	$\{\}$ ✗
Cl. 3: $a, \neg b$	$a, \neg b$	✓	✓
Cl. 4: $\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg a, \neg b$	$\neg b$	✓
Cl. 5: a	a	✓	✓
BCP	a	$\neg b$	-
PL	-	-	-
Decision	-	-	UNSAT

Conflict in step 6



$$\dfrac{\dfrac{2.\ \neg a \vee b \qquad 4.\ \neg a \vee \neg b}{\neg a} \qquad 5.\ a}{\bot}$$

Thank You



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