

# Propositional logic

- propositional letters, propositions
- connectives  $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \neg$
- truth tables
- adequacy, adequate set of truth connectives
- truth assignement
  - assigns to each propositional letter a unique truth value
  - truth valuation
    - assigns to each proposition a unique truth value
- valid proposition, tautology
- logically equivalent propositions

## Propositional logic: axiomatic approach

- axioms ( $A, B, C =$  formulas):

$$\mathbf{A}_1 \quad A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A)$$

$$\mathbf{A}_2 \quad (A \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow C)) \Rightarrow ((A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow C))$$

$$\mathbf{A}_3 \quad (\neg B \Rightarrow \neg A) \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B)$$

- inference rule *modus ponens* (MP)

$$\frac{A \quad A \Rightarrow B}{B}$$

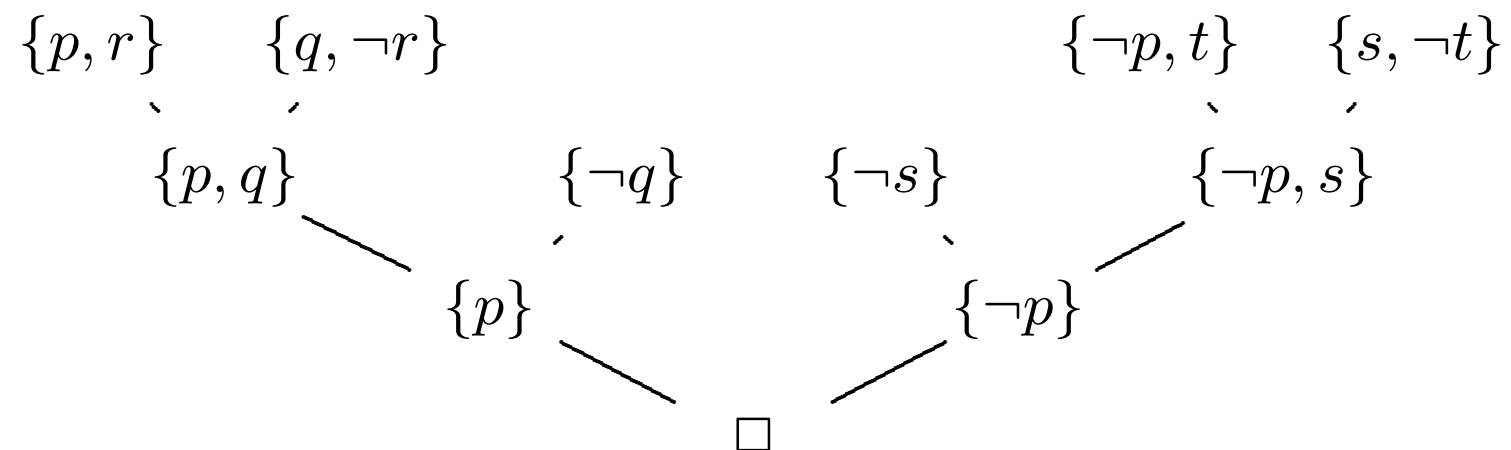
## Resolution in propositional logic – example

- $S \vdash_R \square$  ?

$$S = (p \vee r) \wedge (q \Leftrightarrow r) \wedge \neg q \wedge (t \Leftrightarrow p) \wedge \neg s \wedge (s \Leftrightarrow t)$$

$$S = (p \vee r) \wedge (q \vee \neg r) \wedge \neg q \wedge (\neg p \vee t) \wedge \neg s \wedge (s \vee \neg t)$$

$$S = \{\{p, r\}, \{q, \neg r\}, \{\neg q\}, \{\neg p, t\}, \{\neg s\}, \{s, \neg t\}\}$$



## Refining resolution I

- to narrow search space -  $SAT = \{S \mid S \text{ is satisfiable}\}$  is NP-complete
  - to terminate the search along paths that are unpromising
  - to specify the order in which to go down alternative paths

## Refining resolution II

- if there is a literal that is only positive(negative), remove all clauses that contain such a literal
- *T-resolution* : no parent clause is a tautology
- *Semantic resolution*. Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an interpretation. Semantic resolution with respect to  $\mathcal{I}$  permits applications of the resolution rule only when at least one of their premises has a ground instance which is not satisfied by  $\mathcal{I}$
- *Ordered resolution*. The propositional letters are indexed resolve on the literal with the higher index than any other in the parent clauses

- *Lock resolution.* Each occurrence of a literal has a distinct index the literal resolved on has in each parent the lowest index