

Datalog and its Extensions for Semantic Web Databases

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Structure of the Lecture

- Relational Databases and Datalog
- Complexity of Datalog
- Datalog and Ontological Reasoning
- Datalog[±]

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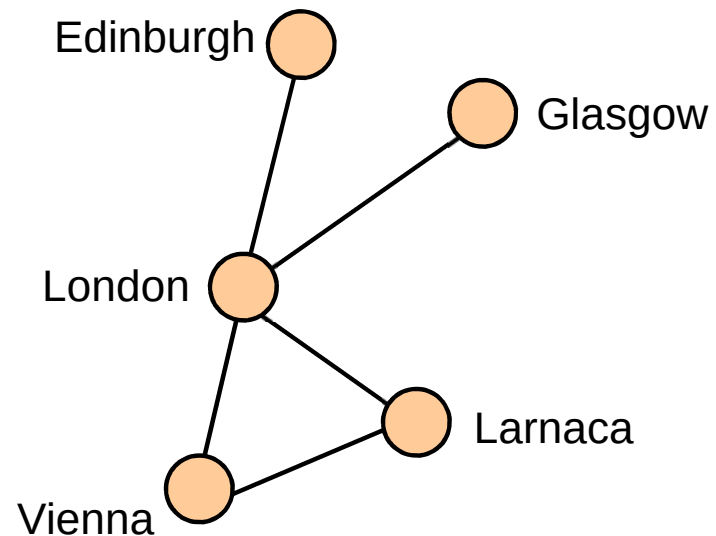
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"On the fly" example:



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Relational Databases (Terminology)

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Constants
(from a **domain**)

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BA, U2, OS

Vienna, London, ...

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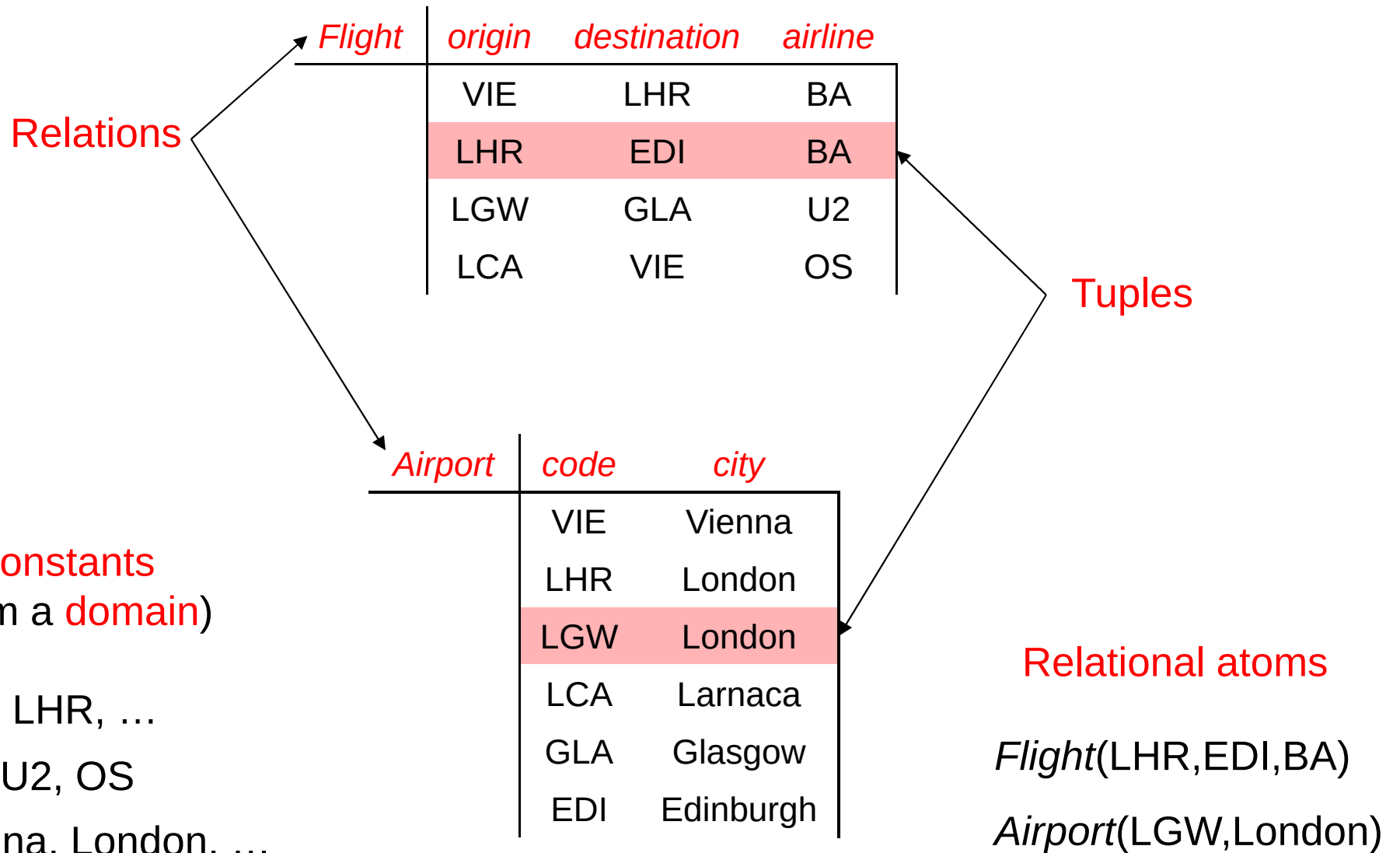
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Relational Databases (Terminology)



Querying: Relational Algebra

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Π_{airline} **Flight**

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{LHR, LGW}

$\Pi_{\text{code}} (\sigma_{\text{city} = \text{"London"}} \text{Airport})$

Querying: Relational Algebra

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$$T_4 \leftarrow T_3 \bowtie_{\text{destination} = \text{code}} T_2$$

Querying: Relational Algebra

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$\Pi_{\text{airline}} T_4$

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FOL Representation

$\exists X \exists Y \text{ Flight}(X, Y, Z)$

Z is free

SQL Representation

SELECT airline
FROM Flight

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FOL Representation

Airport(X,London)

SQL Representation

```
SELECT code
FROM   Airport
WHERE  city = "London"
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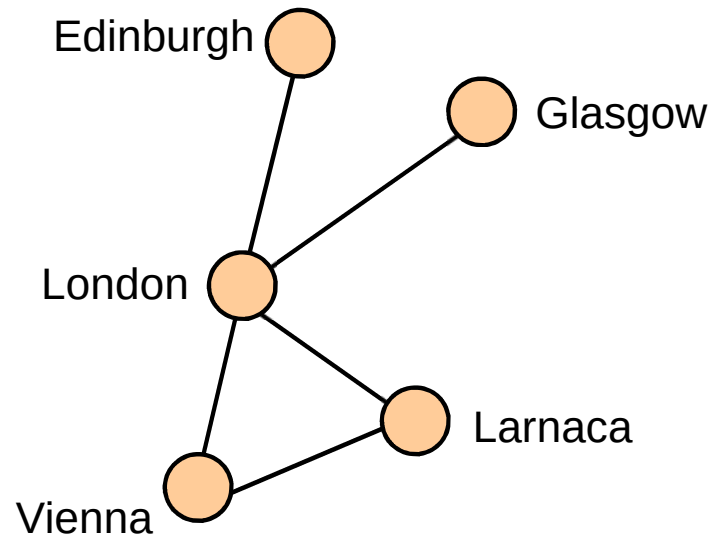
$\exists X \exists Y$ *Airport*(X,London) $\wedge$
 Airport(Y,Glasgow) $\wedge$
 Flight(X,Y,Z)

Z is free

```
SELECT F.airline
FROM    Flight as F,
          Airport as A1,
          Airport as A2
WHERE   A1.code = F.origin AND
          A2.code = F.destination AND
          A1.city = "London" AND
          A2.city = "Glasgow"
```

What we Cannot Ask?

Is Glasgow reachable from Vienna?



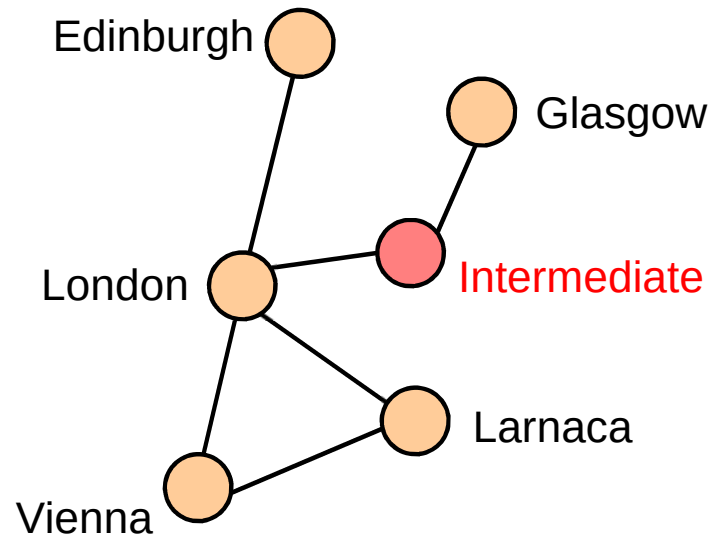
Looks like this FOL query can do the job...

$\exists X \exists Y \exists Z \exists W \exists V \text{ Airport}(X, \text{Vienna}) \wedge \text{Airport}(Y, \text{Glasgow}) \wedge \text{Flight}(X, Z, W) \wedge \text{Flight}(Z, Y, V)$

YES

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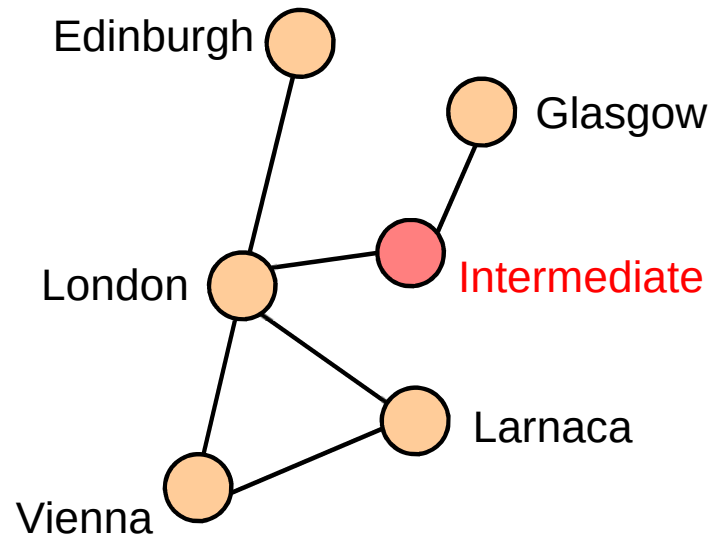
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Is Glasgow reachable from Vienna?



A possible strategy:

- List all the pairs of airports (A_1, A_2) such that A_2 is reachable from A_1
- Is there a pair (A_1, A_2) such that A_1 is in Vienna and A_2 is in Glasgow?

What we Cannot Ask?

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$Reachable(X, Y) \leftarrow Flight(X, Y, Z)$

$Reachable(X, W) \leftarrow Flight(X, Y, Z), Reachable(Y, W)$

- Is there a pair (A_1, A_2) such that A_1 is in Vienna and A_2 is in Glasgow?

$Ans() \leftarrow Airport(X, Vienna), Airport(Y, Glasgow), Reachable(X, Y)$

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RECURSION

RA, FOL, SQL not enough

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DATALOG

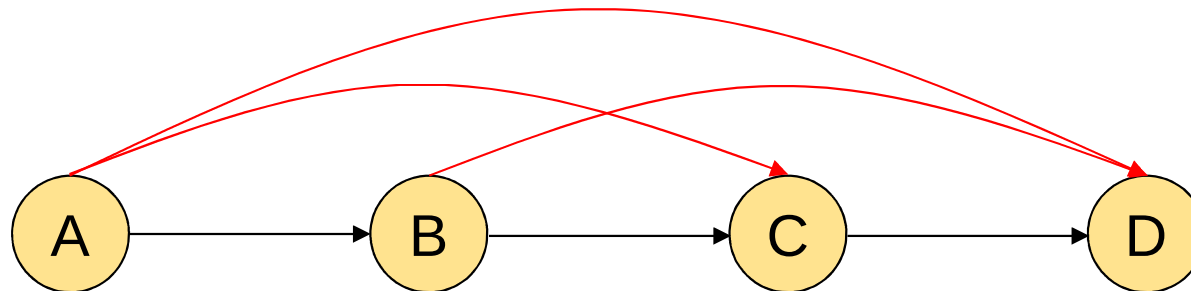
Select-Project-Join + Recursion

Datalog at First Glance

Transitive closure of a graph:

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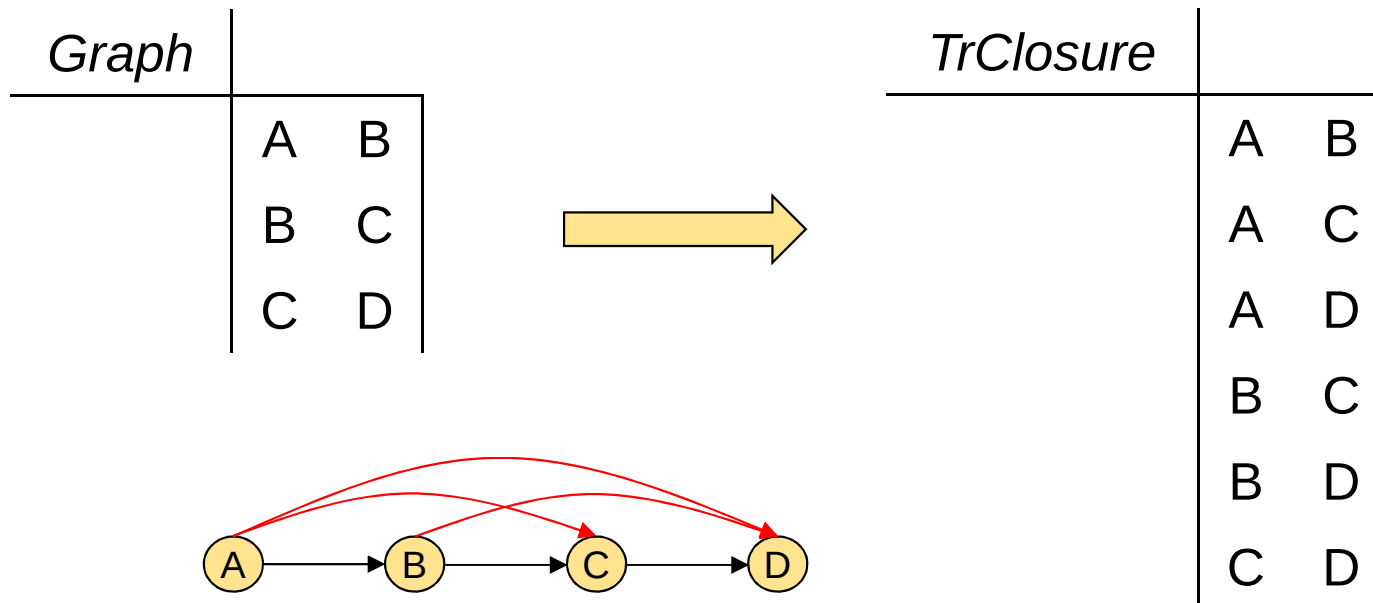


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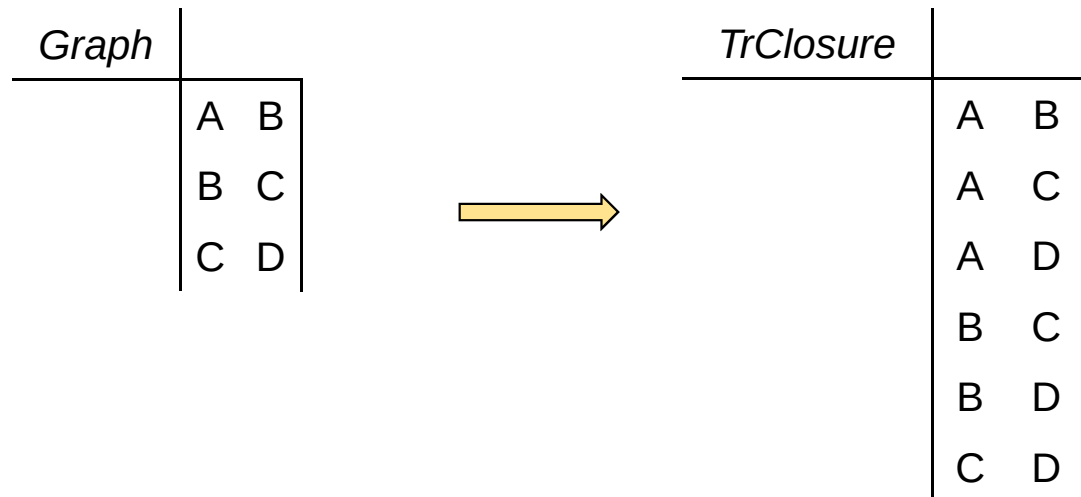
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Datalog at First Glance

- **Semantics** - a mapping from instances over body-relations to instances over head-relations



- Equivalent approaches for defining the semantics:
 - **Model-Theoretic** - logical sentences asserting a property of the result
 - **Fixpoint** - solution of a fixpoint equation
 - **Proof-Theoretic** - obtaining proofs of facts

Datalog

- Formal Syntax
- Fixpoint Semantics
- Complexity Results

Note: For details on the model-theoretic and proof-theoretic semantics see:

- *Foundations of Databases* by Abiteboul, Hull and Vianu
- *Logic Programming and Databases* by Ceri, Gottlob and Tanca

Syntax of Datalog

A **Datalog rule** is an expression

$$\underbrace{R_0(\mathbf{X}_0)}_{\text{head}} \leftarrow \underbrace{R_1(\mathbf{X}_1), \dots, R_n(\mathbf{X}_n)}_{\text{body}}$$

- $n \geq 0$ (empty body)
- $R_0, \dots, R_n$ are **relation symbols** (or **predicates**)
- $\mathbf{X}_0, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$ are tuples of **terms** (constants or variables)
- **Safe** - each variable occurring in head must occur in body

Syntax of Datalog

- **Datalog program P** - a (finite) set of Datalog rules
- **Extensional predicate** - does not occur in the head of a rule of P
- **Intensional predicate** - occurs in the head of some rule of P
- **$edb(P)$** - extensional predicates of P
- **$idb(P)$** - intensional predicates of P
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Example: Recursive Program *P*

Is Glasgow reachable from Vienna?

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$sch(P) = \{Flight, Airport, Reachable, Ans\}$

$edb(P) = \{Flight, Airport\}$

$idb(P) = \{Reachable, Ans\}$

Fixpoint Semantics

- Relies on the **immediate consequence operator** T_P
- Given a database D and a Datalog program P , an atom $R(c_1, \dots, c_n)$ is an **immediate consequence** for D and P if:
 - $R(c_1, \dots, c_n) \in D$, or
 - exists $R_0(\mathbf{X}_0) \leftarrow R_1(\mathbf{X}_1), \dots, R_n(\mathbf{X}_n)$ in P , and a homomorphism h :
$$\{h(R_1(\mathbf{X}_1)), \dots, h(R_n(\mathbf{X}_n))\} \subseteq D \quad \text{and} \quad h(R_0(\mathbf{X}_0)) = R(c_1, \dots, c_n)$$
- T_P - mapping from databases for $\text{sch}(P)$ to databases for $\text{sch}(P)$
- $T_P(D) = \{ \text{immediate consequences for } D \text{ and } P \}$

Fixpoint Semantics

- A crucial fact - for each P and D for $edb(P)$:

T_P has a **minimum fixpoint** containing D

I is a fixpoint of T_P if $T_P(I) = I$



Note: For the proof see, e.g., Theorem 12.3.2
in *Foundations of Databases*

- The **semantics** of P on D , denoted $P(D)$, is this minimum fixpoint
- How do we **compute** it?

Fixpoint Semantics

$$- T_{P,0}(I) = I \quad \text{and} \quad T_{P,i+1}(I) = T_P(T_{P,i}(I))$$

$$- \text{Compute } T_{P,\omega}(I) = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} T_{P,i}(I)$$

Fixpoint Semantics: Example

- Let P the program which computes the transitive closure of a graph:

$$TrClosure(X,Y) \leftarrow Graph(X,Y)$$

$$TrClosure(X,Y) \leftarrow Graph(X,Z), TrClosure(Z,Y)$$

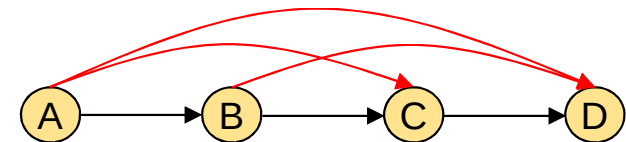
- Consider the input database $D = \{Graph(A,B), Graph(B,C), Graph(C,D)\}$

$$T_{P,1}(D) = D \cup \{TrClosure(A,B), TrClosure(B,C), TrClosure(C,D)\}$$

$$T_{P,2}(D) = T_{P,1}(D) \cup \{TrClosure(A,C), TrClosure(B,D)\}$$

$$T_{P,3}(D) = T_{P,2}(D) \cup \{TrClosure(A,D)\}$$

$$T_{P,4}(D) = T_{P,3}(D)$$



- Thus, $T_{P,\omega}(D) = T_{P,3}(D)$

Fixpoint Semantics

- $T_{P,0}(I) = I$ and $T_{P,i+1}(I) = T_P(T_{P,i}(I))$
- Compute $T_{P,\omega}(I) = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} T_{P,i}(I)$
- $T_{P,\omega}(D)$ is the **minimum fixpoint** of T_P containing D
- $T_{P,\omega}(D)$ is the **$\subseteq$ -minimal model** of P containing D

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Model-Theoretic Approach

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<i>Graph</i>	
A	B
B	C
C	D

<i>TrClosure</i>	
A	B
A	C
A	D
B	C
B	D
C	D

$\subseteq$ -minimal model

<i>M</i>	
A	A
A	B
A	C
A	D
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
D	D

not $\subseteq$ -minimal model

Complexity of Datalog

- **Fact inference** problem:
 - **Input:** program P , database D for $edb(P)$, atom α
 - **Question:** $P \cup D \models \alpha$, or, equivalently, $\alpha \in P(D)$?
- **Data complexity** - P fixed, D part of the input
[Vardi, STOC 1982]
- **Combined complexity** - both P and D part of the input
[Vardi, STOC 1982]

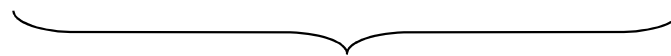
Data Complexity of Datalog

Theorem: Datalog is **PTIME-complete** in data complexity

Proof (in PTIME):

– consider a program P and a database D

$$- |P(D)| \leq |sch(P)| \cdot (|dom(P) \cup dom(D)|)^{maxarity}$$



maximum number of
tuples using constants of
 $dom(P) \cup dom(D)$

$dom(P)$ - constants in P

$dom(D)$ - constants in D

– $maxarity$ is a **constant** $\Rightarrow P(D)$ can be constructed in PTIME

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Proof (PTIME-hard): reduction from fact inference for **propositional LP(2)**

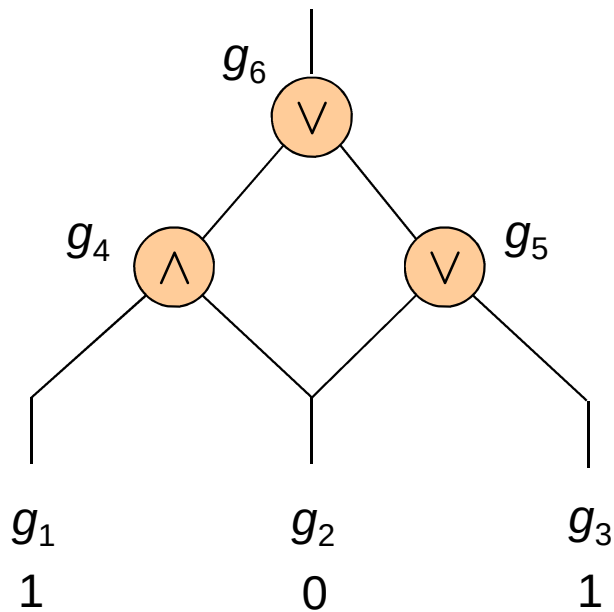
Data Complexity of Datalog

- **Propositional LP(2)** - set of rules $R_0 \leftarrow R_1, R_2$
- **Fact inference** for propositional LP(2):
 - **Input:** propositional LP(2) program P , propositional atom Q
 - **Question:** $P \models Q$?

PTIME-hardness of LP(2)

Theorem: LP(2) is PTIME-hard

Proof: Logspace reduction from Monotone Circuit Value Problem

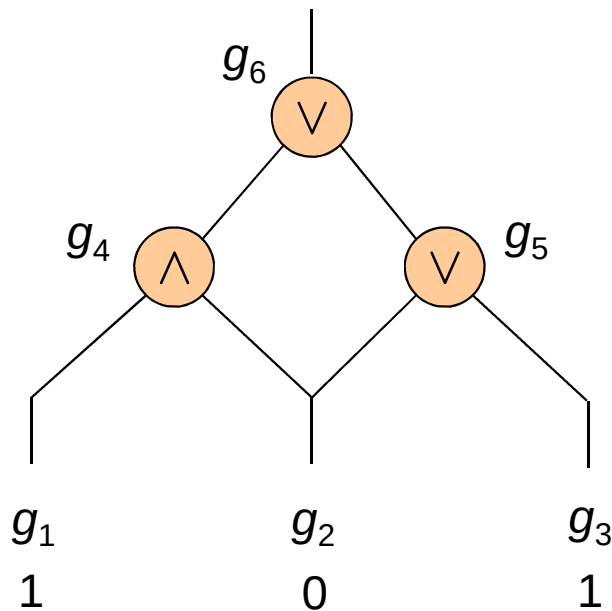


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Proof: Logspace reduction from **Monotone Circuit Value Problem**



encoding of the circuit as LP(2) program P

$$g_6 \leftarrow g_4$$

$$g_6 \leftarrow g_5$$

$$g_4 \leftarrow g_1, g_2$$

$$g_5 \leftarrow g_2$$

$$g_5 \leftarrow g_3$$

$$g_1 \leftarrow$$

$$g_3 \leftarrow$$

Does the circuit evaluate to *true*?

Circuit evaluates to *true* iff $P \models g_6$

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 - **Question:** $P \models Q$?
- **PTIME-hard** - we can also simulate a PTIME Turing machine
see, e.g., [Dantsin, Eiter, Gottlob & Voronkov, *ACM Computing Surveys* 2001]

Data Complexity of Datalog

Theorem: Datalog is **PTIME-complete** in data complexity

Proof (PTIME-hard): reduction from fact inference for **propositional LP(2)**

- For each $R_0 \leftarrow$ add in D the atom $True(R_0)$
 - For each $R_0 \leftarrow R_1, R_2$ add in D the atom $S(R_0, R_1, R_2)$
- } encode program P in database D
- Construct the fixed Datalog program P_{DAT} :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} T(X) \leftarrow True(X) \\ T(Z) \leftarrow T(X), T(Y), S(Z, X, Y) \end{array} \right\} \text{meta-interpreter for LP(2)}$$

- $P \models Q$ iff $T(Q) \in P_{DAT}(D)$

Combined Complexity of Datalog

Theorem: Datalog is **EXPTIME-complete** in combined complexity

Proof (in EXPTIME):

- consider a program P and a database D
- $|P(D)| \leq |sch(P)| \cdot \underbrace{(|dom(P) \cup dom(D)|)^{maxarity}}_{\substack{\text{maximum number of} \\ \text{tuples using constants of} \\ dom(P) \cup dom(D)}}$
- $P(D)$ can be constructed in EXPTIME

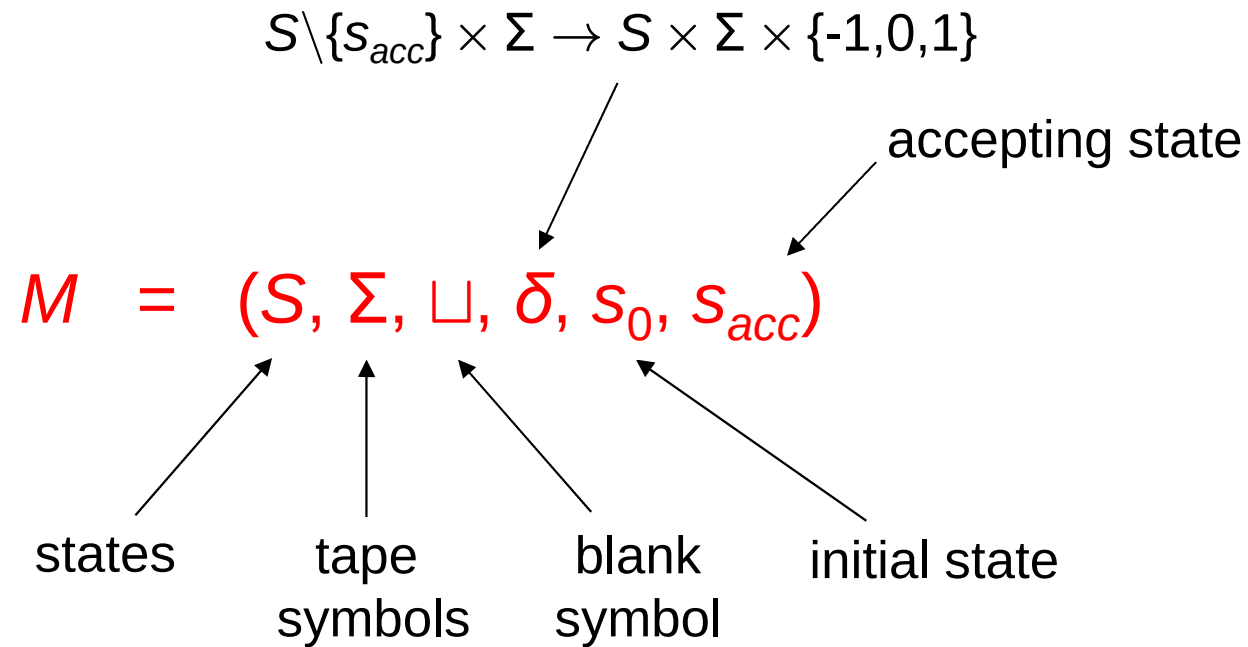
Combined Complexity of Datalog

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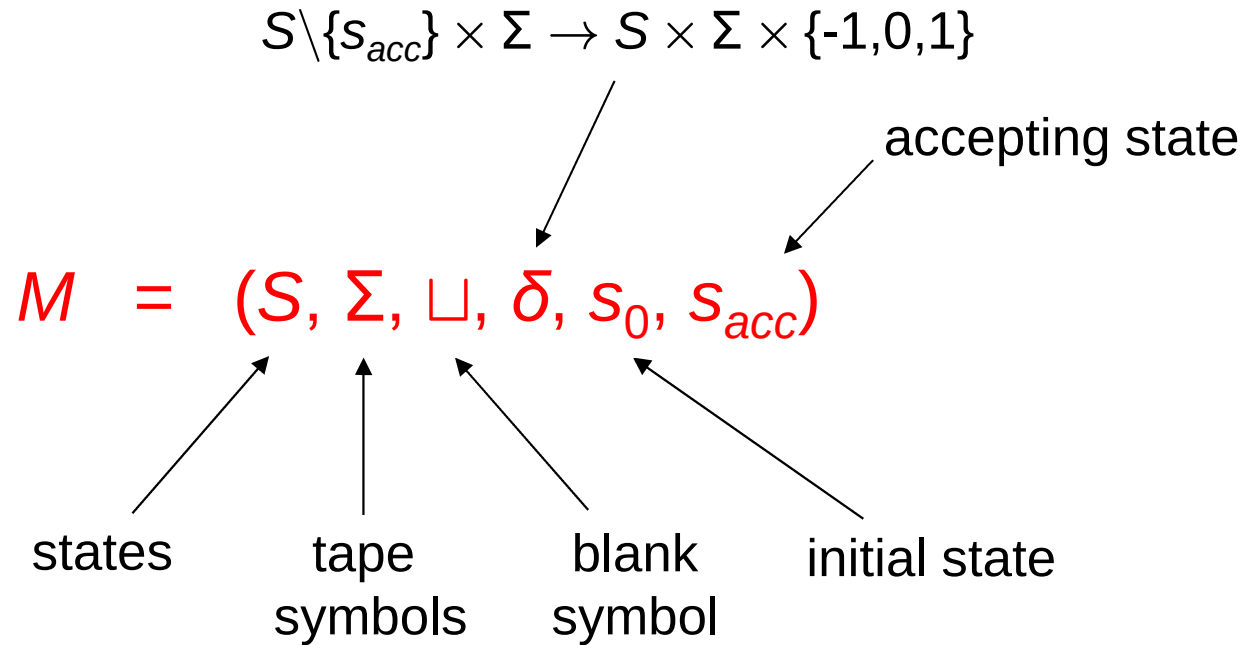
Proof (EXPTIME-hard):

by simulating an EXPTIME Turing machine

Deterministic Turing Machine (DTM)



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$$\delta(s_1, a) = (s_2, b, 1)$$

IF at some time instant τ the machine is in state s_1 , the cursor points to cell κ , and this cell contains a
THEN at instant $\tau+1$ the machine is in state s_2 , cell κ contains b , and the cursor points to cell $\kappa+1$

EXPTIME-hardness of Datalog

The goal: encode the EXPTIME computation of a DTM M on input string I with a Datalog program P , a database D , and an atom α such that $\alpha \in P(D)$ iff M accepts I in at most $N = 2^m$ steps, where $m = |I|^k$

The Relational Schema

Time points and tape positions from 0 to $N-1$, are encoded using m -ary tuples $\{0,1\}^m$ (recall that $N = 2^m$) such that $0 = (0, \dots, 0)$, $1 = (0, \dots, 1)$, ..., $N-1 = (1, \dots, 1)$

- *Symbol*[a]($\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{C}$) - at time instant $\mathbf{T}$, cell $\mathbf{C}$ contains a
- *Cursor*($\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{C}$) - at time instant $\mathbf{T}$, cursor points to cell $\mathbf{C}$
- *State*[s]($\mathbf{T}$) - at time instant $\mathbf{T}$, the machine is in state s
- *Accept*($\mathbf{T}$) - at time instant $\mathbf{T}$, the machine accepts

where $\mathbf{T} = T_1, \dots, T_m$ and $\mathbf{C} = C_1, \dots, C_m$

Initialization Rules

- Assume that $I = a_1 \dots a_n$
- Assume that we have the relations $First_m$, $Succ_m$ and $\prec_m$ (will be defined later)

the number i



$$Symbol[a_i](T, t_i) \leftarrow First_m(T)$$
$$Cursor(T, T) \leftarrow First_m(T)$$
$$State[s_0](T) \leftarrow First_m(T)$$
$$Symbol[\sqcup](T, C) \leftarrow First_m(T), \prec_m(t, C)$$



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Transition Rules

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$$\text{Symbol}[b](\mathbf{T}', \mathbf{C}) \leftarrow \text{State}[s_1](\mathbf{T}), \text{Symbol}[a](\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{C}), \text{Cursor}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{C}), \text{Succ}_m(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{T}')$$

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Inertia Rules

Cells which are not changed during the transition **keep their old values**

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Accepting Rule

Once we reach the accepting state we accept

$$\textit{Accept} \leftarrow \textit{State}[s_{acc}](\mathbf{T})$$

Defining $First_m$, $Succ_m$ and $\prec_m$

We assume that $D = \{First_0(0), Last_1(1), Succ_1(0,1)\}$

$Z \in \{0,1\}$

$$Succ_{i+1}(Z, \mathbf{X}, Z, \mathbf{Y}) \leftarrow Succ_i(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$$

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inductive definition
of $First_{i+1}$ and $Succ_{i+1}$

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definition of $\prec_m$

Concluding EXPTIME-hardness of Datalog

- Several rules but polynomially many $\Rightarrow$ feasible in **PTIME**
- *Accept* $\in P(D)$ iff M accepts I in at most N steps
- Can be formally shown **by induction** on the time steps

Datalog as an Ontology Language

- Ontology languages are usually based on **description logics** (prev. lecture)
- Much **is possible** with Datalog

DL Axiom	Datalog Rule
$Parent \sqcap Male \sqsubseteq Father$	$Father(X) \leftarrow Parent(X), Male(X)$
$MetalDevice \sqsubseteq \forall hasPart.Metal$	$Metal(Y) \leftarrow MetalDevice(X), hasPart(X, Y)$
$brotherOf \sqsubseteq relativeOf$	$relativeOf(X, Y) \leftarrow brotherOf(X, Y)$
$parentOf \text{ inv } childOf$	$childOf(Y, X) \leftrightarrow parentOf(X, Y)$
$\text{trans}(ancestorOf)$	$ancOf(X, Z) \leftarrow ancOf(X, Y), ancOf(Y, Z)$
$SeniorEmp \times Emp \sqsubseteq moreThan$	$moreThan(X, Y) \leftarrow SeniorEmp(X), Emp(Y)$

Datalog as an Ontology Language

- Ontology languages are usually based on **description logics** (prev. lecture)
- Much **is not possible** with Datalog
[Patel-Schneider & Horrocks, *Journal of Web Semantics* 2007]

DL Axiom	?
$Employee \sqsubseteq \exists reportsTo$	$\exists Y \text{ reportsTo}(X, Y) \leftarrow Employee(X)$
$\text{funct}(\text{reportsTo})$	$Y = Z \leftarrow \text{reportsTo}(X, Y), \text{reportsTo}(X, Z)$
$Employee \text{ disj } Customer$	$\perp \leftarrow Employee(X), Customer(X)$

Datalog[±]

– Extend Datalog by allowing in the head:

- Existential quantification ($\exists$)

- Equality atoms ($=$)

- Constant false ($\perp$)

Datalog[$\exists, =, \perp$]

– As we shall see, Datalog[$\exists$] is **undecidable**

– Datalog[$\exists, =, \perp$] is **syntactically restricted** $\rightarrow$ **Datalog[±]**

Datalog Extensions

- Formal Syntax of Datalog[$\exists$]
- Fixpoint Semantics of Datalog[$\exists$]
- Undecidability of Datalog[$\exists$]
- Guardedness, Linearity and Stickiness
- Additional Features ($=, \perp$)

Syntax of Datalog[$\exists$]

A **Datalog[$\exists$ rule** is an expression

$$\underbrace{\exists Y R_0(X_0, Y)}_{\text{head}} \leftarrow \underbrace{R_1(X_1), \dots, R_n(X_n)}_{\text{body}}$$

- $n \geq 0$ (empty body)
- $R_0, \dots, R_n$ are **relation symbols** (or **predicates**)
- $X_0, \dots, X_n$ are tuples of **terms** (constants or variables)
- Y is a tuple of **variables** (disjoint from $X_0 \cup \dots \cup X_n$)

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DL Ontology	Datalog[$\exists$] Program P
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$\exists hasFather - \sqsubseteq Person$	$Person(Y) \leftarrow hasFather(X, Y)$

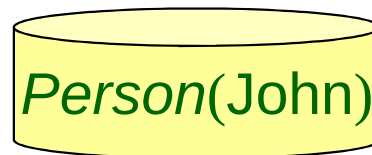
All predicates of $sch(P)$ appear in the body and in the head

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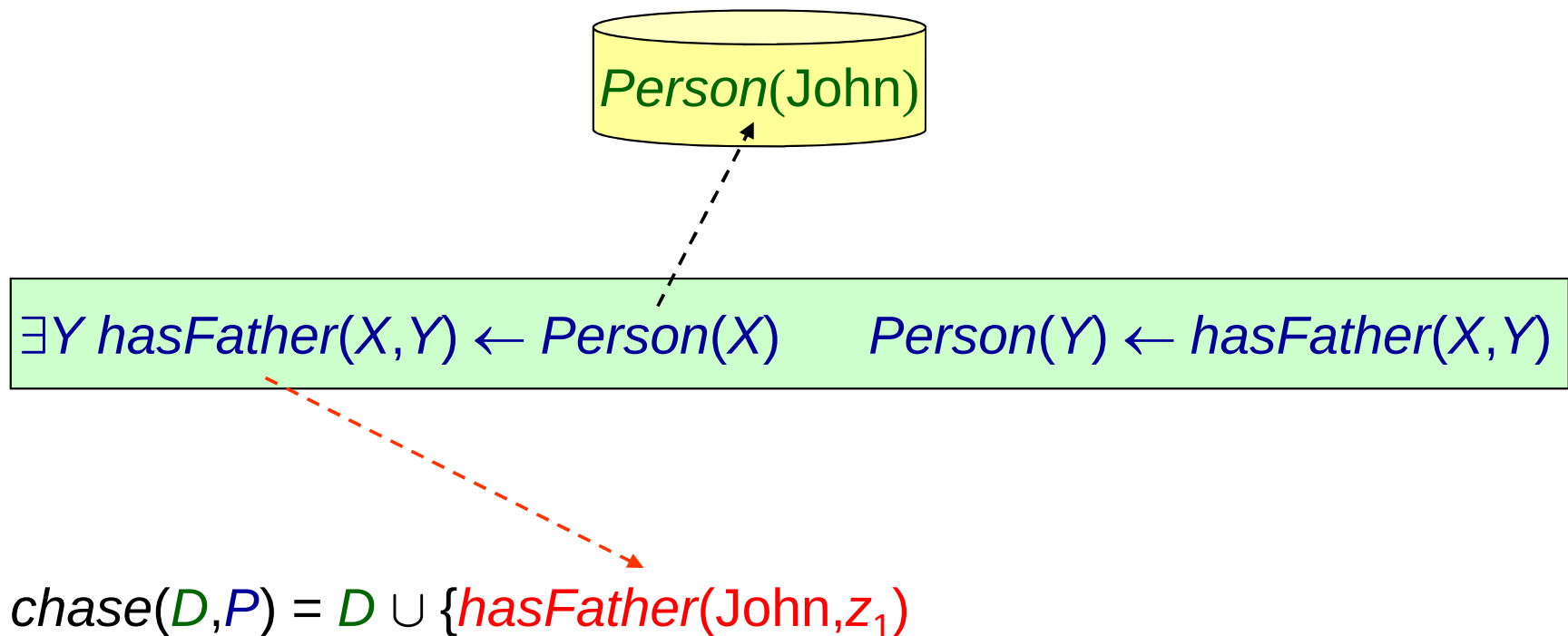
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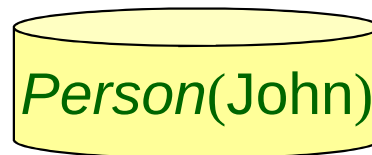


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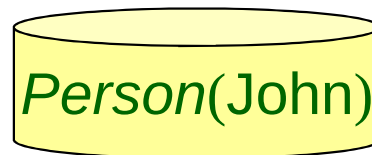
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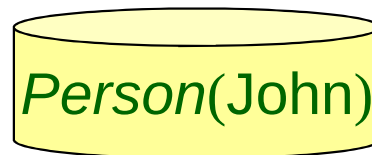
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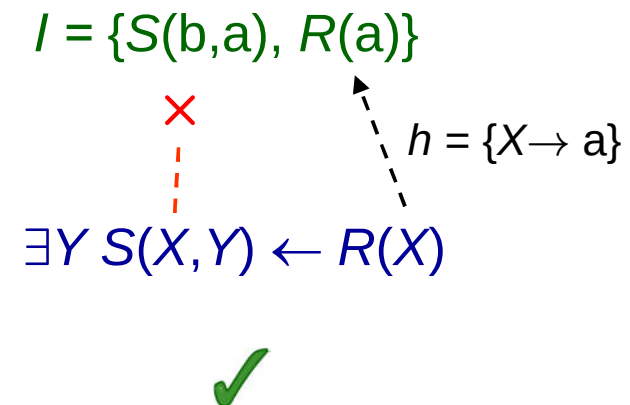
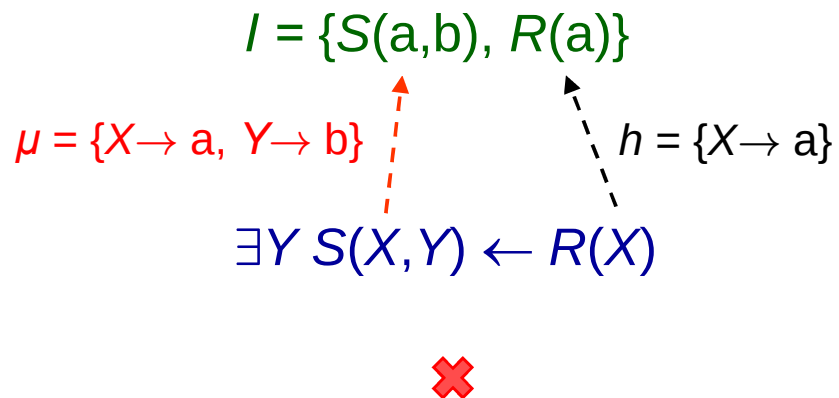


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Fixpoint Semantics

- **Chase rule** - the building block of the chase procedure
- A rule $\rho = \exists \mathbf{Y} R_0(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{Y}) \leftarrow R_1(\mathbf{X}_1), \dots, R_n(\mathbf{X}_n)$ is **applicable** to instance I if:
 - exists homomorphism h such that $\{h(R_1(\mathbf{X}_1)), \dots, h(R_n(\mathbf{X}_n))\} \subseteq I$
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- Let $J = I \cup \{\mu(R_0(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{Y}))\}$, where $\mu \supseteq h$ and $\mu(Y_i)$ is a fresh value not in I
- The result of applying ρ to I is J , denoted $I \xrightarrow{\rho, h} J$ - **chase step**

Fixpoint Semantics

- A **finite chase** of D w.r.t. to P is a finite sequence

$$D \xrightarrow{\rho_1, h_1} I_1 \xrightarrow{\rho_2, h_2} I_2 \xrightarrow{\rho_3, h_3} \dots \xrightarrow{\rho_m, h_m} I_m$$

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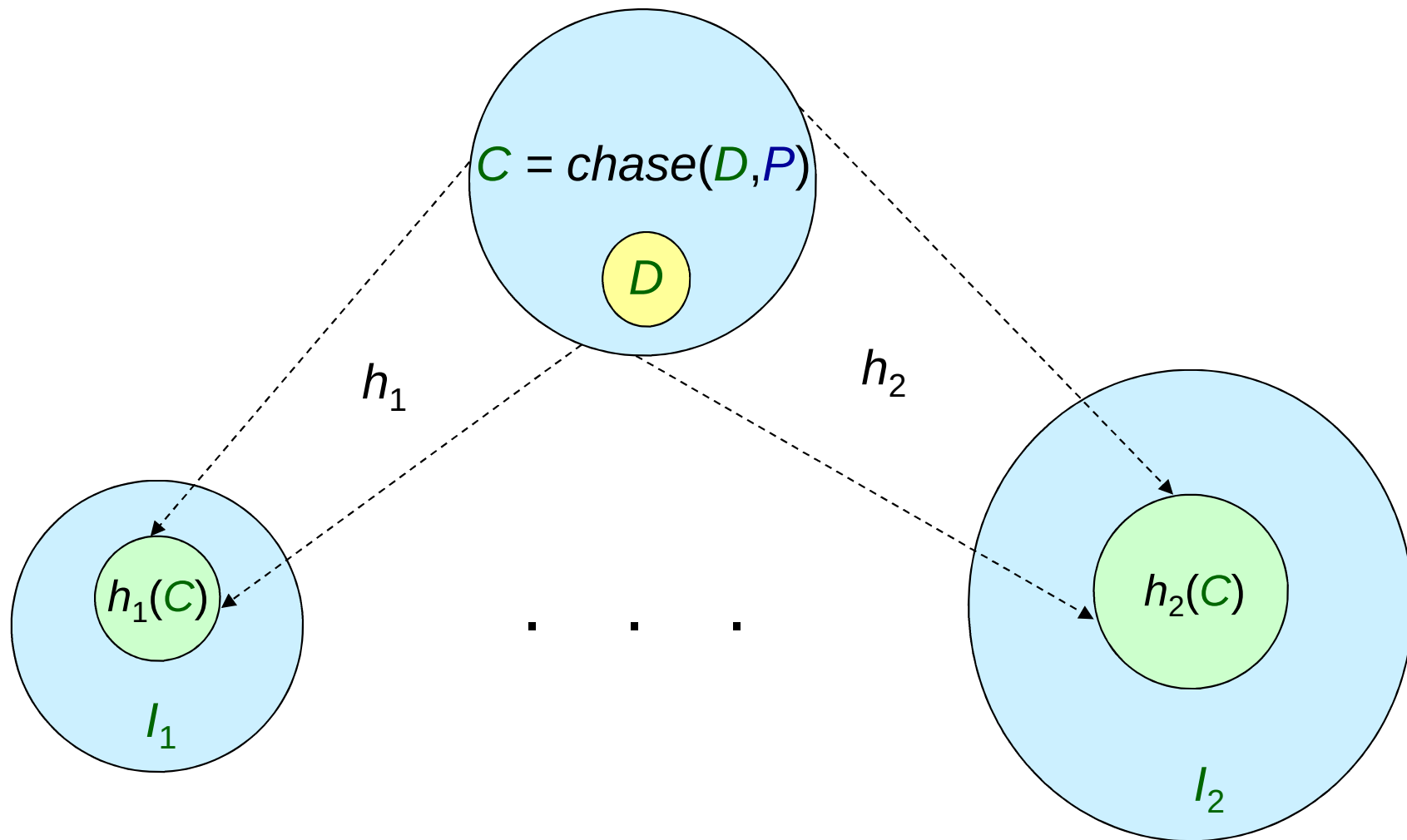
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and $\text{chase}(D, P)$ is defined as the instance $\cup_{j \geq 0} I_j$ (with $I_0 = D$)

- The **semantics** of P on D , denoted $P(D)$, is defined as $\text{chase}(D, P)$

Chase: A Universal Model



$$\forall I (I \text{ model of } D \text{ and } P \Rightarrow \text{chase}(D, P) \xrightarrow{\text{hom}} I)$$

Chase: Uniqueness Property

- In general **is not unique** - depends on the order of rule application

$$D = \{R(a)\}$$

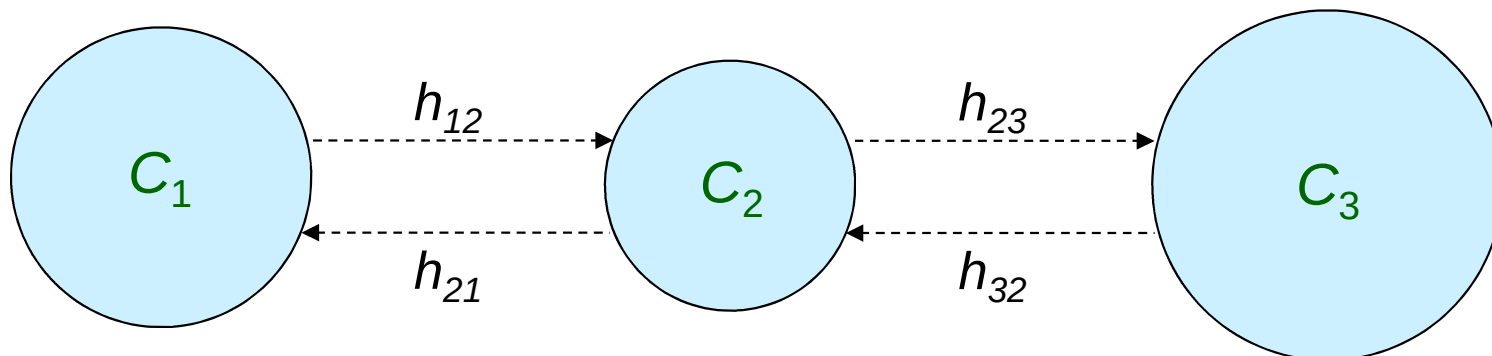
$$\rho_1 = \exists Y S(Y) \leftarrow R(X)$$

$$\rho_2 = S(X) \leftarrow R(X)$$

$$\text{Solution}_1 = \{R(a), S(z), S(a)\} \quad \rho_1 \text{ then } \rho_2$$

$$\text{Solution}_2 = \{R(a), S(a)\} \quad \rho_2 \text{ then } \rho_1$$

- **Unique up to homomorphic equivalence**



Chase: The Challenge of Infinity

- In general **is infinite**

$$D = \{R(a,b)\} \quad \exists Z R(Y,Z) \leftarrow R(X,Y)$$

$$\text{Solution} = \{R(a,b), R(b,z_1), R(z_1,z_2), R(z_2,z_3), \dots\}$$

- For plain Datalog, the fixpoint semantics provides an **algorithm**
- The situation changes dramatically for Datalog[$\exists$] - **undecidable**

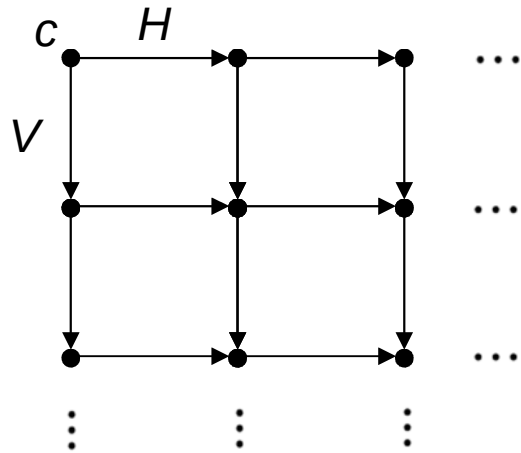
Undecidability of Datalog[$\exists$]

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Proof :

by simulating a deterministic Turing machine with an empty tape

Build an Infinite Grid



i -th horizontal line represents the
 i -th configuration of the machine

$Start(c)$ fixes
the starting point

$Node(X) \leftarrow Start(X)$

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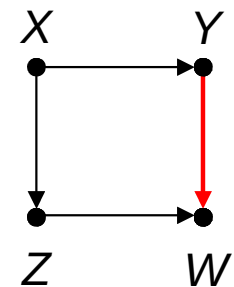
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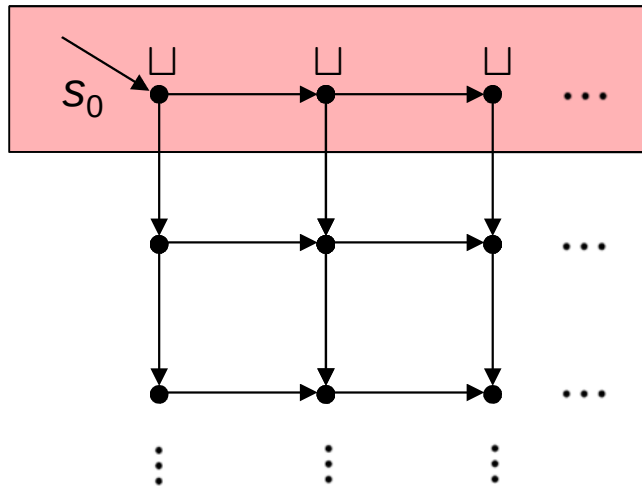
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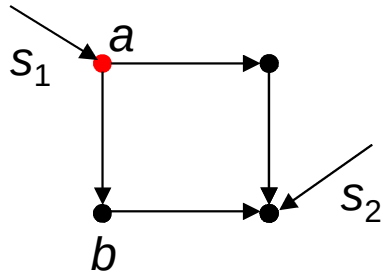


$$Initial(Y) \leftarrow Initial(X), H(X, Y)$$

$$Cursor[s_0](X) \leftarrow Start(X)$$

$$Symbol[\square](X) \leftarrow Initial(X)$$

Transition Rules



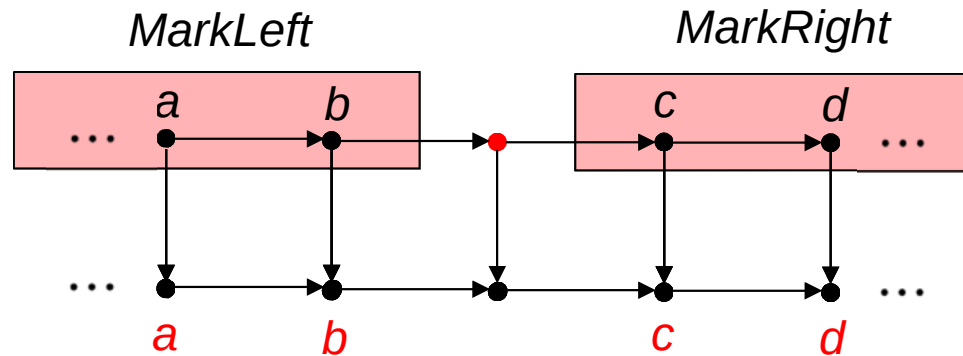
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$$\text{Symbol}[b](Y) \leftarrow \text{Cursor}[s_1](X), \text{Symbol}[a](X), V(X, Y)$$

$$\text{Mark}(X) \leftarrow \text{Cursor}[s_1](X), \text{Symbol}[a](X)$$

Inertia Rules



$$\text{MarkRight}(Y) \leftarrow \text{Mark}(X), H(X, Y)$$

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We need similar rules for the **cells before the cursor**

Accepting Rule

Once we reach the accepting state we accept

$$\textit{Accept} \leftarrow \textit{Cursor}[s_{acc}](X)$$

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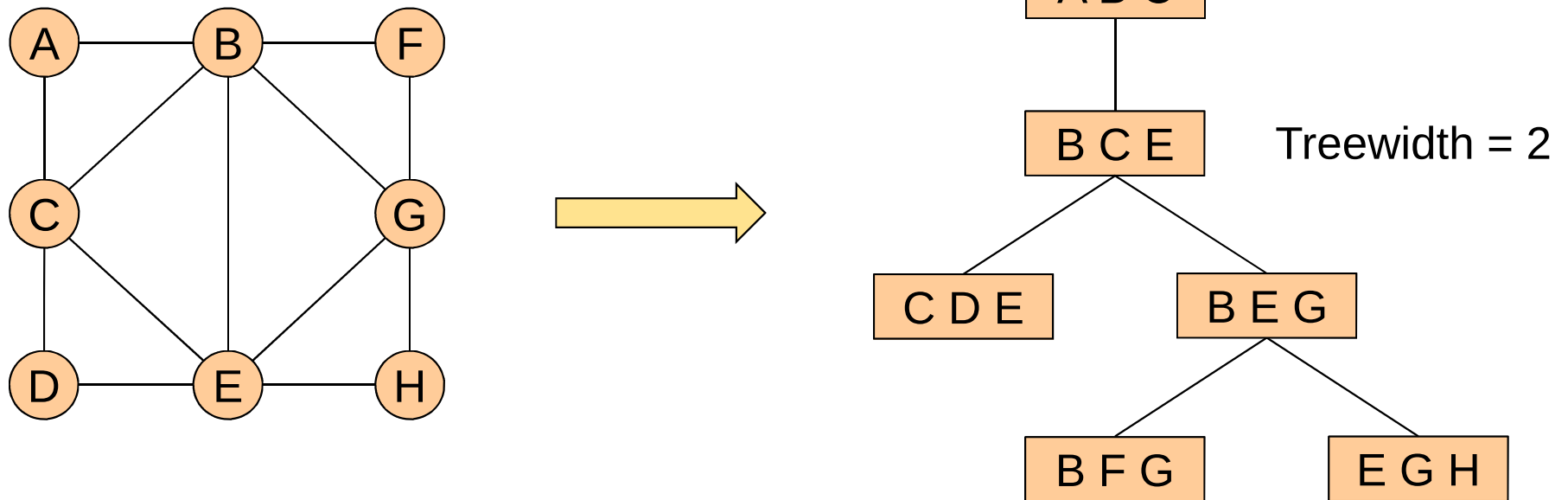
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- Chase has **finite treewidth** $\Rightarrow$ Guarded Datalog[$\exists$] is **decidable**

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Treewidth of the Chase

- **Tree decomposition** - a mapping of a graph into a tree



- **Treewidth** - number of graph vertices mapped to any treenode (in fact, -1)

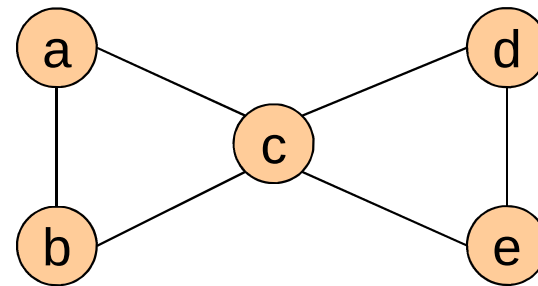
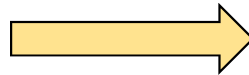
Treewidth of the Chase

- An instance I can be represented as a graph - **Gaifman graph**

$R(a,b,c)$

$S(c,d)$

$T(c,d,e)$



- Treewidth of I is defined as the treewidth of its Gaifman graph
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- What about the **complexity** of Guarded Datalog[$\exists$]? - now we consider **ontological query answering** (previous lecture)

Complexity of Guarded Datalog[$\exists$]

– **Ontological query answering** problem:

- **Input:** program P , database D for $\text{sch}(P)$, conjunctive query Q

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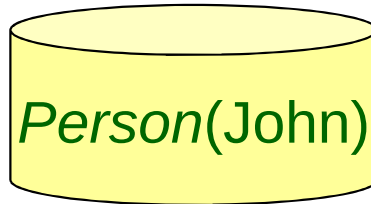
- **Question:** $P \cup D \models Q$, or, equivalently, $P(D) \models Q$?

– **Data complexity** - P and Q fixed, D part of the input

– **Combined complexity** - everything part of the input

Ontological Query Answering: Example

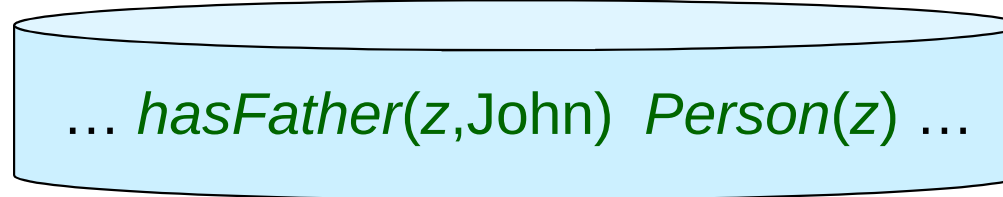
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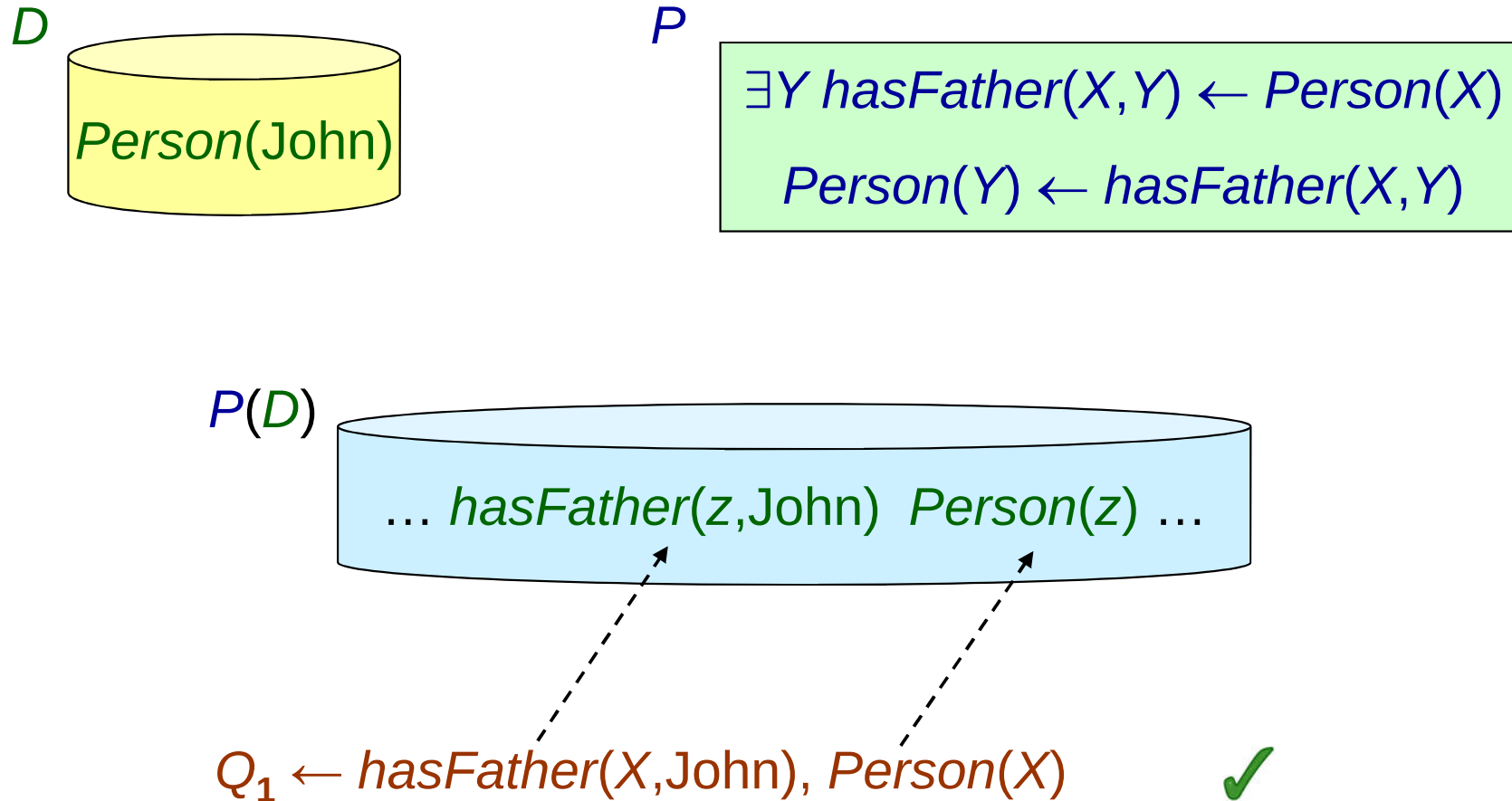
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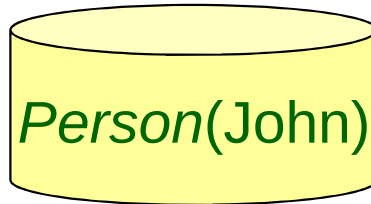


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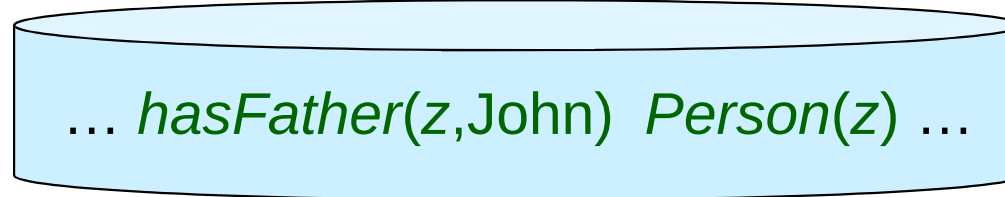
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$Q_1 \leftarrow \text{hasFather}(X, \text{John}), \text{Person}(X)$



$Q_2 \leftarrow \text{hasFather}(\text{John}, X)$



Data Complexity of Guarded Datalog[$\exists$]

Theorem: Guarded Datalog[$\exists$] is **PTIME-complete** in data complexity

Proof (in PTIME):

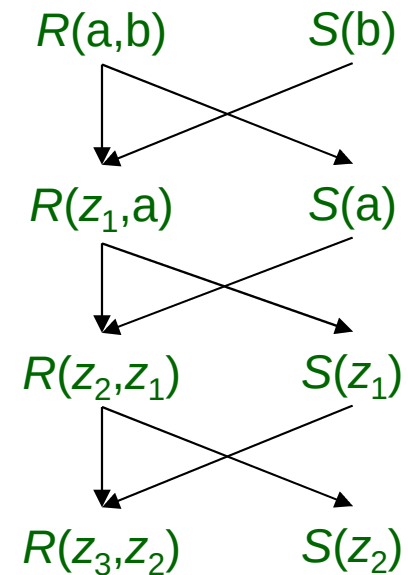
- Guarded Datalog[$\exists$] enjoys the **bounded guard-depth property**
- Construct **in PTIME** the finite part **C** of the guarded chase forest
- Evaluate the given query over **C**

Bounded Guard-Depth Property

- Chase graph

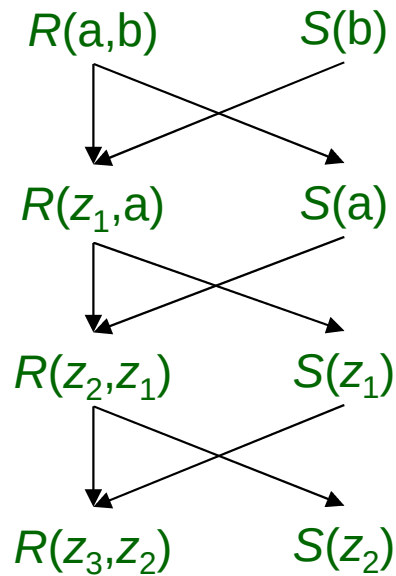
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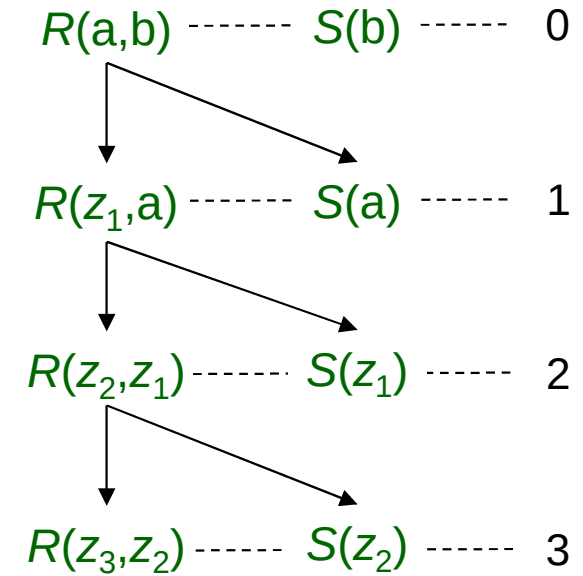
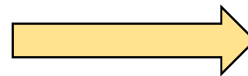


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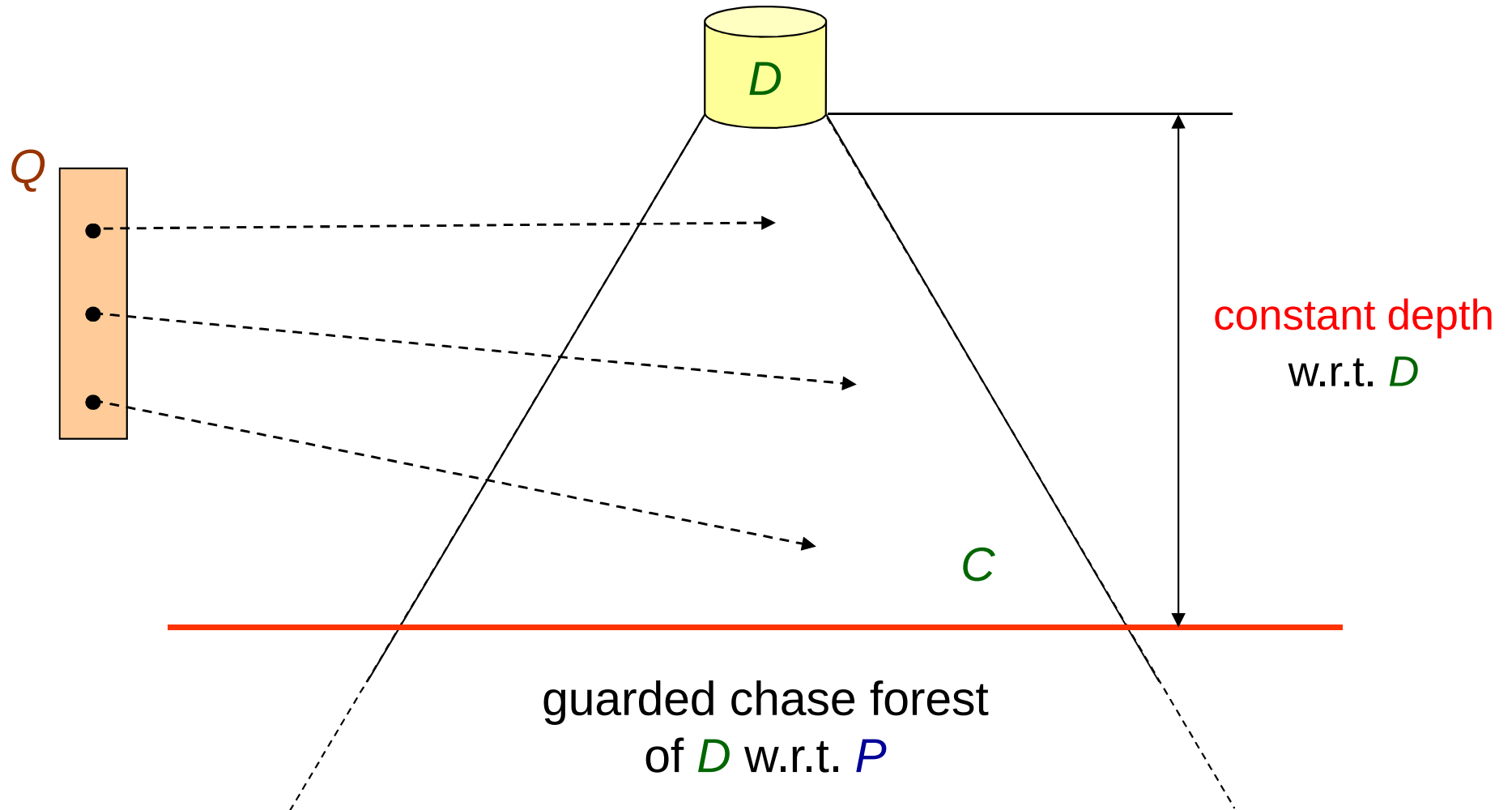
- Guarded chase forest



restriction to guards
and their children



Bounded Guard-Depth Property



$$P(D) \models Q \Rightarrow C \models Q$$

Data Complexity of Guarded Datalog[$\exists$]

Theorem: Guarded Datalog[$\exists$] is **PTIME-complete** in data complexity

Proof (in PTIME):

- Guarded Datalog[$\exists$] enjoys the **bounded guard-depth property**
- Construct **in PTIME** the finite part **C** of the guarded chase forest
- Evaluate the given query over **C**

Data Complexity of Datalog

Theorem: Datalog[$\exists$] is **PTIME-complete** in data complexity

Proof (PTIME-hard): reduction from fact inference for **propositional LP(2)**

- For each $R_0 \leftarrow$ add in D the atom $True(R_0)$
 - For each $R_0 \leftarrow R_1, R_2$ add in D the atom $S(R_0, R_1, R_2)$
- } encode program P in database D
- Construct the fixed Guarded Datalog[$\exists$] program P_{DAT} :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} T(X) \leftarrow True(X) \\ T(Z) \leftarrow T(X), T(Y), S(Z, X, Y) \end{array} \right\} \text{meta-interpreter for LP(2)}$$

- $P \models Q$ iff $T(Q) \in P_{DAT}(D)$

Combined Complexity of Guarded Datalog[$\exists$]

Theorem: Guarded Datalog[$\exists$] is **2EXPTIME-complete** in comb. complexity

Proof:

- Upper bound: **alternating EXPSPACE algorithm**
- Lower bound: **by simulating an alternating EXPSPACE TM**

DLs vs Guarded Datalog[$\exists$]

ELH: Popular DL (for biological applications) with **PTIME** data complexity

[Baader, **IJCAI 2003** and Rosati, **DL 2007**]

ELH TBox	Datalog[$\exists$] Representation		
$A \sqsubseteq B$	$B(X) \leftarrow A(X)$		
$A \sqcap B \sqsubseteq C$	$C(X) \leftarrow A(X), B(X)$		
$\exists R.A \sqsubseteq B$	$B(X) \leftarrow R(X, Y), A(Y)$		
$A \sqsubseteq \exists R.B$	$\exists Y \text{ Aux}(X, Y) \leftarrow A(X)$	$R(X, Y) \leftarrow \text{Aux}(X, Y)$	$B(Y) \leftarrow \text{Aux}(X, Y)$
$R \sqsubseteq S$	$S(X, Y) \leftarrow R(X, Y)$		

DLs vs Guarded Datalog[$\exists$]

DL-Lite: Popular family of DLs with AC_0 data complexity (OWL 2 QL)

[Calvanese, De Giacomo, Lembo, Lenzerini & Rosati, *Journal of Automated Reasoning* 2007]

DL-Lite _R TBox	Datalog[$\exists$] Representation
$A \sqsubseteq B$	$B(X) \leftarrow A(X)$
$A \sqsubseteq \exists R$	$\exists Y R(X, Y) \leftarrow A(X)$
$\exists R \sqsubseteq A$	$A(X) \leftarrow R(X, Y)$
$R \sqsubseteq S$	$S(X, Y) \leftarrow R(X, Y)$

Note: Disjointness assertions are harmless - will be treated differently

Linear Datalog[$\exists$]

- Goal: Lightweight Datalog[$\exists$] fragment which is **highly tractable**

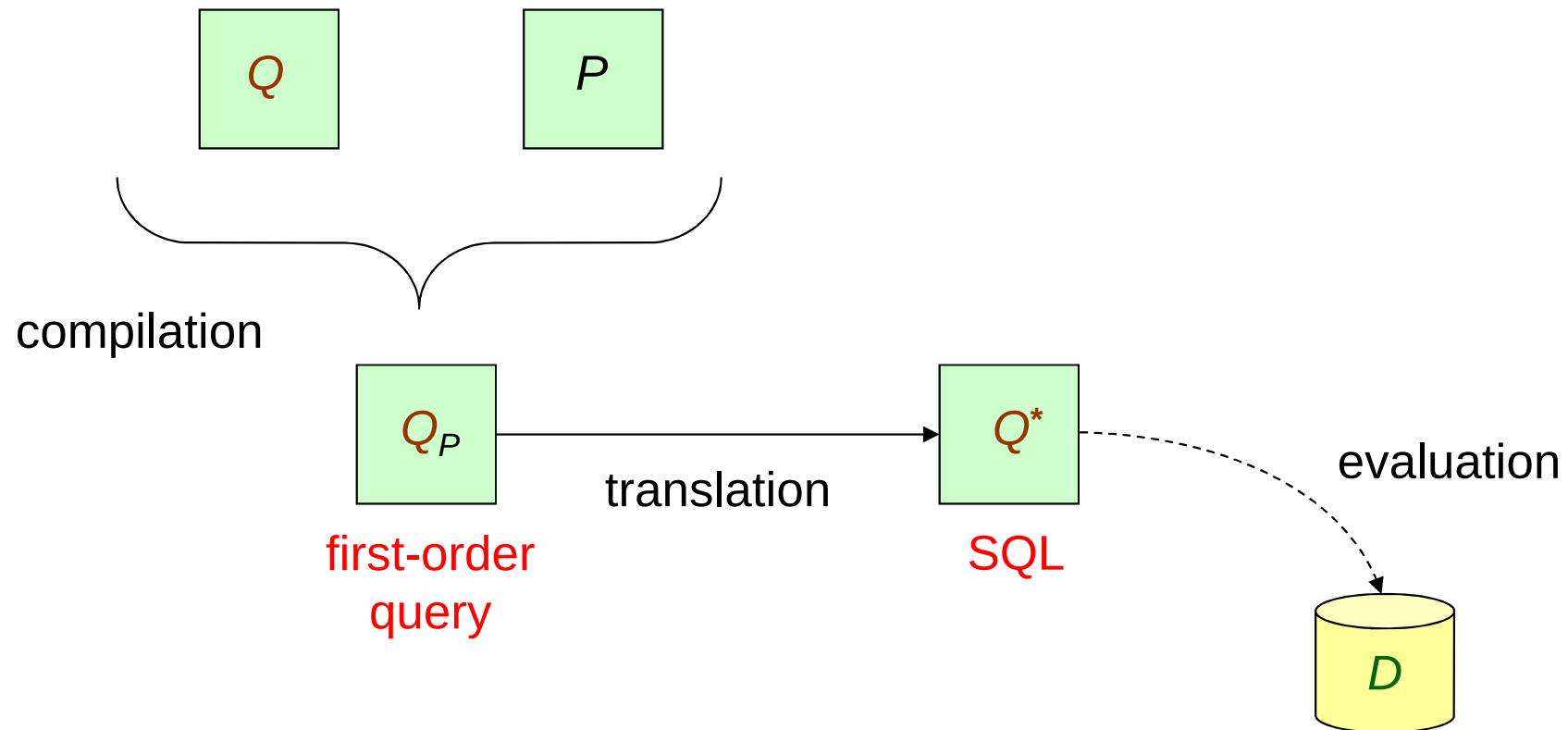
- There exists only **one atom** in the body

$$\exists Y \textit{ hasFather}(X, Y) \leftarrow \textit{Person}(X)$$

- Enjoys **first-order rewritability**

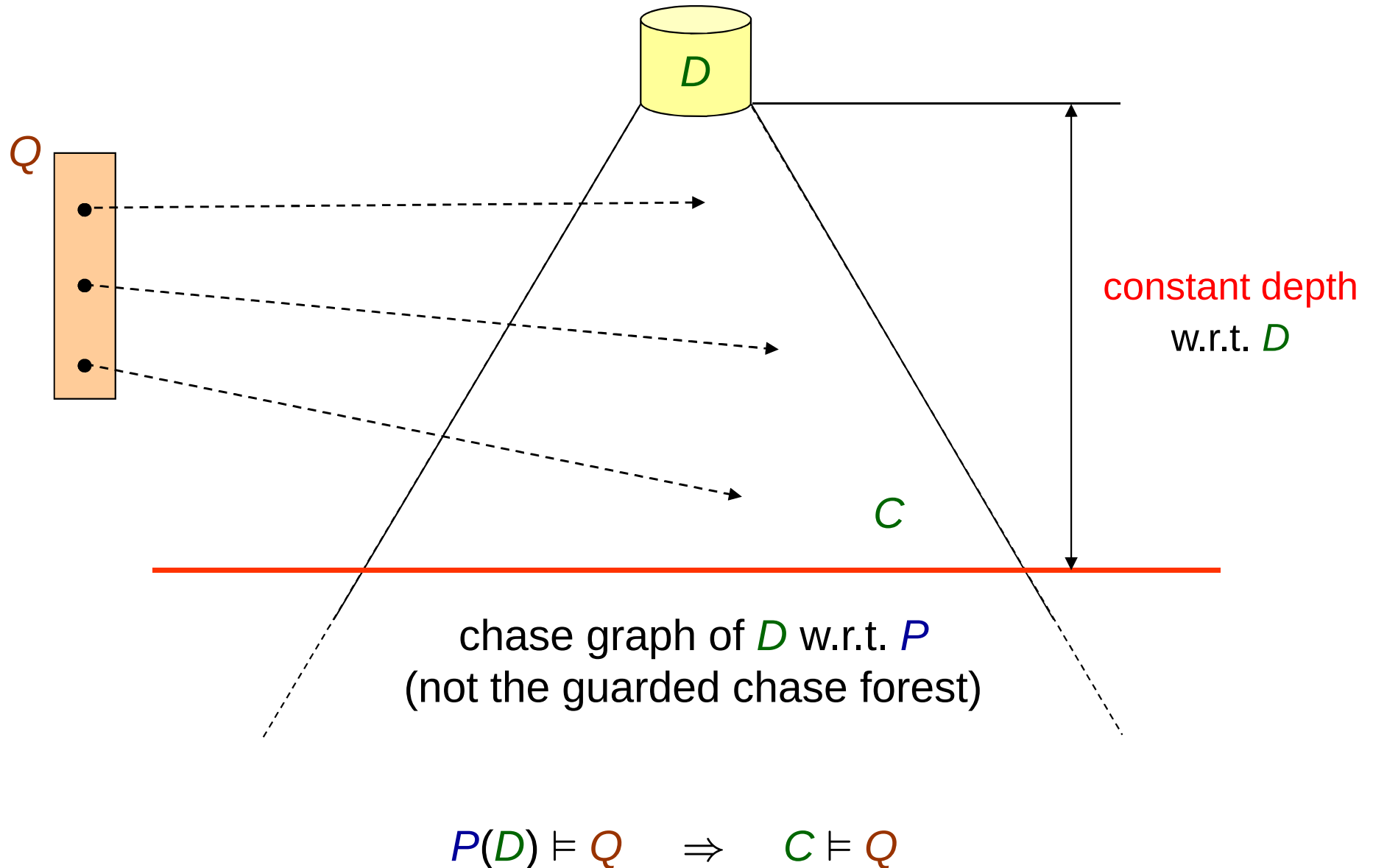
[Calì, Gottlob & Lukasiewicz, *Journal of Web Semantics* 2012]

First-Order Rewritability

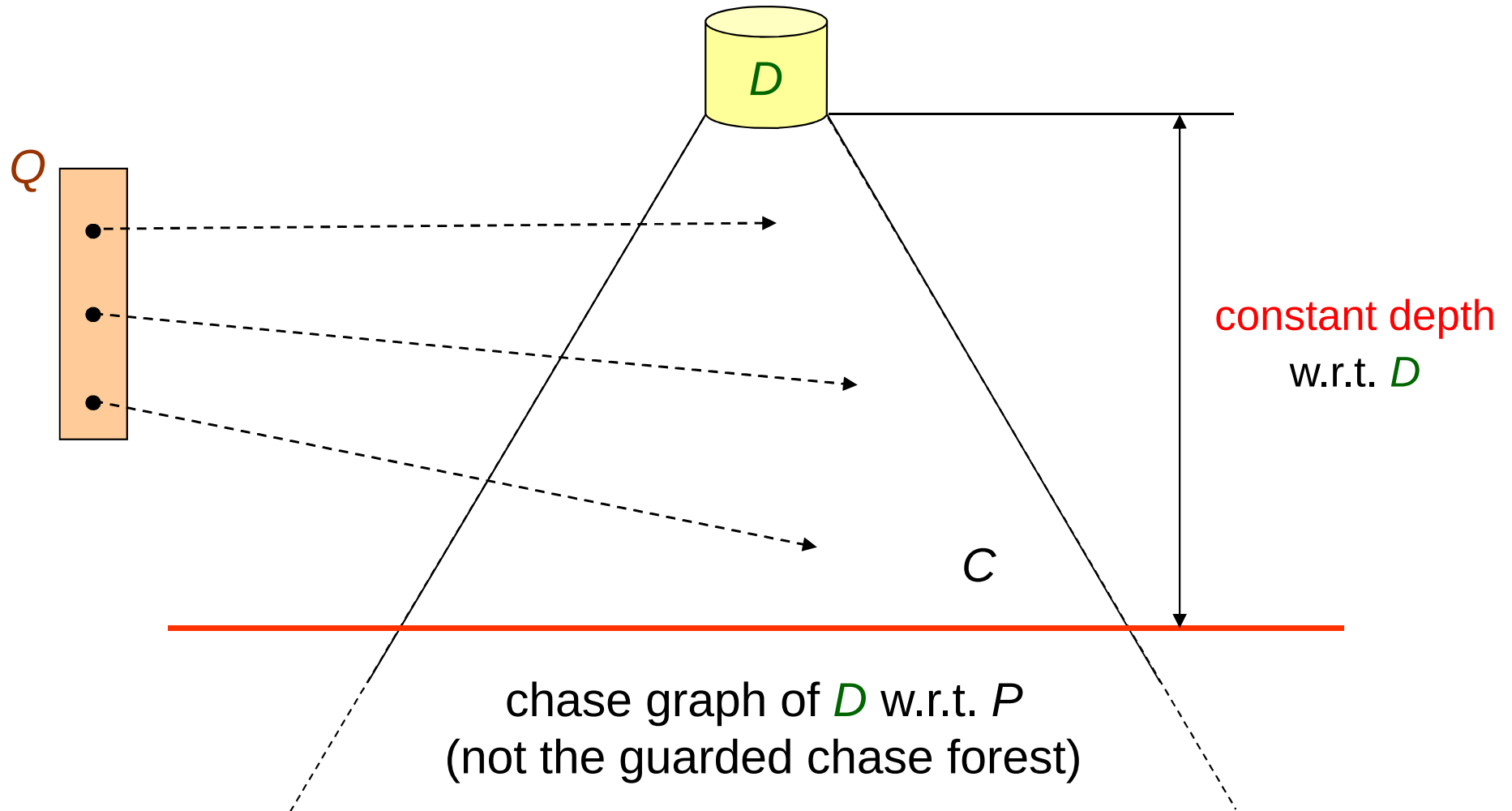


$$\forall D (P(D) \models Q \Leftrightarrow D \models Q^*)$$

Bounded Derivation-Depth Property (BDDP)



Bounded Derivation-Depth Property (BDDDP)



Sufficient condition for first-order rewritability

Linear Datalog[$\exists$]

- Goal: Lightweight Datalog[$\exists$] fragment which is **highly tractable**

- There exists only **one atom** in the body

$\exists Y \text{ hasFather}(X, Y) \leftarrow \text{Person}(X)$

- Enjoys **first-order rewritability**

[Calì, Gottlob & Lukasiewicz, *Journal of Web Semantics* 2012]

- What about the **complexity** of Linear Datalog[$\exists$]?

Data Complexity of Linear Datalog[$\exists$]

Theorem: Linear Datalog[$\exists$] is in AC_0 in data complexity

Proof:

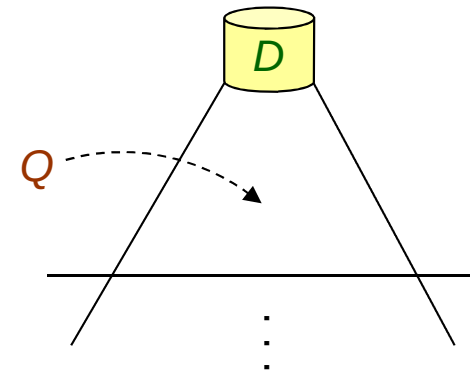
- We exploit first-order rewritability of Linear Datalog[$\exists$]
- Construct the first-order rewritten query Q_{FO} (in constant time)
- Evaluate Q_{FO} over the given database (in AC_0)
[Vardi, PODS 1995]

Combined Complexity of Linear Datalog[$\exists$]

Theorem: Linear Datalog[$\exists$] is **PSPACE-complete** in comb. complexity

Proof:

- Upper bound: **exploit the BDDP**
implicit in [Johnson & Klug, JCSS 1984]



- Lower bound: **by simulating a PSPACE Turing machine**

PSPACE-hardness of Linear Datalog[$\exists$]

- Assume that the tape alphabet is $\{0, 1, \sqcup\}$
- Suppose that M halts on $I = a_1 \dots a_m$ using $n = m^k$ cells, for $k > 0$
- Initial configuration (the database D)

$$\text{Config}(s_{\text{init}}, a_1, \dots, a_m, \underbrace{\sqcup, \dots, \sqcup}_{n-m}, \underbrace{1, 0, \dots, 0}_{n-1})$$

- Transition rule - $\delta(s_1, a) = (s_2, b, 1)$

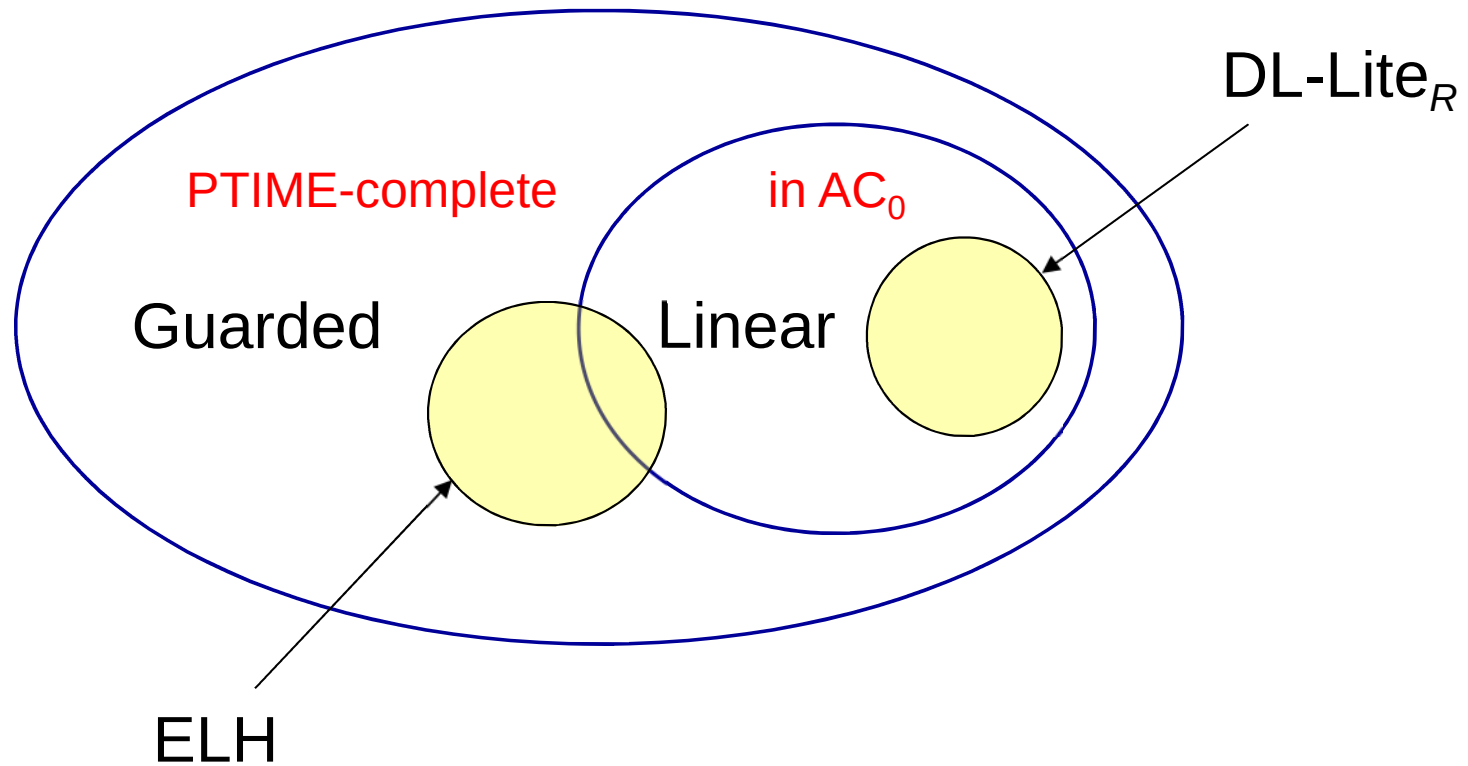
$$\text{Config}(s_1, X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, a, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{i-1}, \underbrace{1, 0, \dots, 0}_{n-i})$$

$$\text{Config}(s_2, X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}, b, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_i, \underbrace{1, 0, \dots, 0}_{n-i-1}) \leftarrow$$

- Accepting rule

$$\text{Accept} \leftarrow \text{Config}(s_{\text{acc}}, X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$$

Datalog[$\exists, =, \perp$]: Overview



But...

- What about **joins** in rule bodies?

$\exists E \text{ Employee}(E,D,P,A) \leftarrow \text{Runs}(D,P), \text{Area}(P,A)$



- What about the DL assertion **concept product**?

$\text{biggerThan}(E,M) \leftarrow \text{Elephant}(E), \text{Mouse}(M)$

Sticky Datalog[$\exists$]

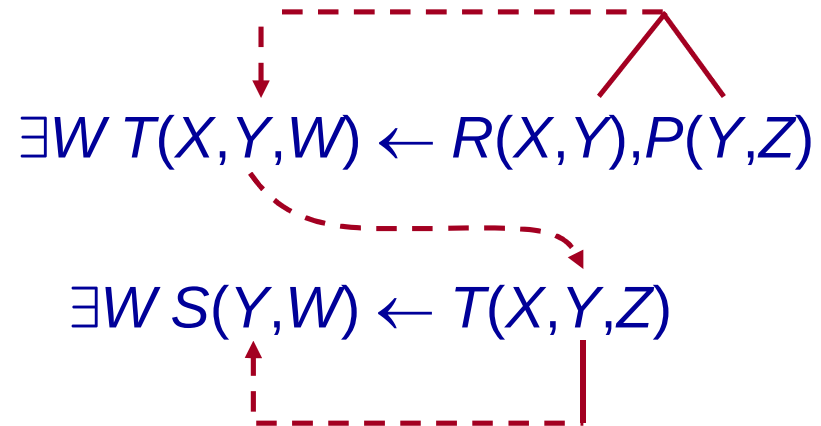
$\exists E$ *Employee*(*E,D,P,A*) $\leftarrow$ *Runs*(*D,P*), *Area*(*P,A*)



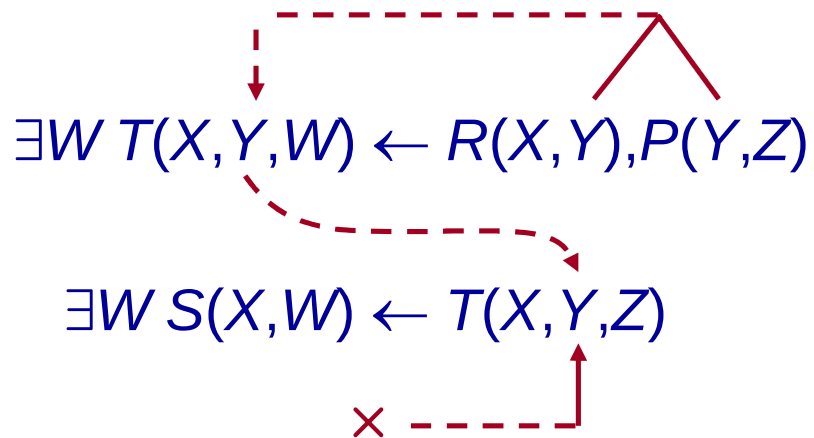
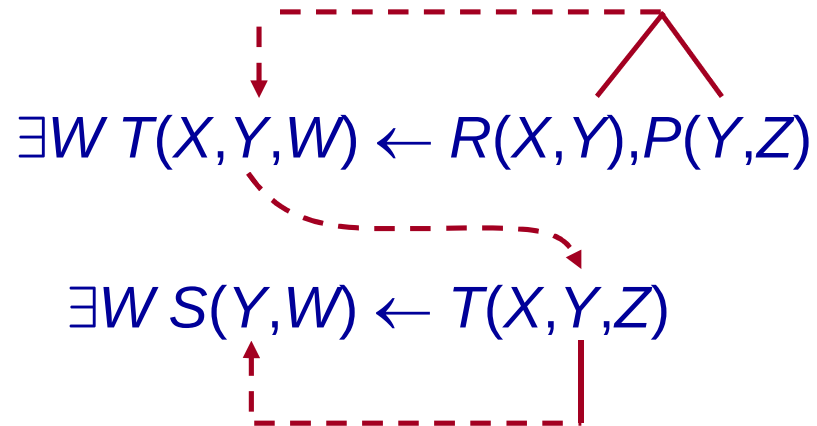
biggerThan(*E,M*) $\leftarrow$ *Elephant*(*E*), *Mouse*(*M*)



Sticky Datalog[$\exists$]



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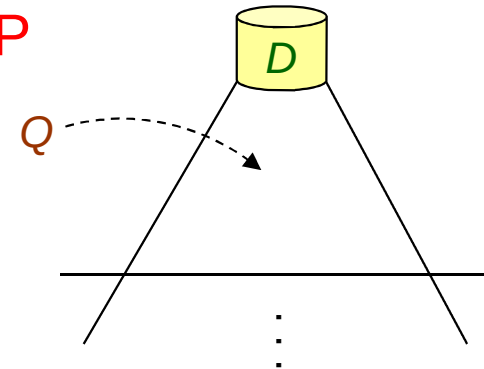


Data Complexity of Sticky Datalog[$\exists$]

Theorem: Sticky Datalog[$\exists$] is in AC_0 in data complexity

Proof:

- Sticky Datalog[$\exists$] enjoys the **BDDP**



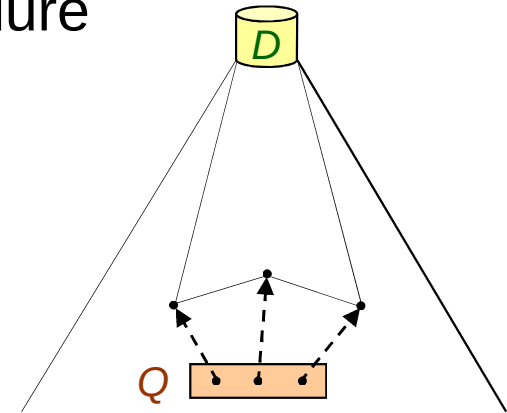
- Thus, Sticky Datalog[$\exists$] is **first-order rewritable** $\Rightarrow$ in AC_0

Combined Complexity of Sticky Datalog[$\exists$]

Theorem: Sticky Datalog[$\exists$] is **EXPTIME-complete** in combined complexity

Proof:

- **EXPTIME-membership:** construct a **proof of the query** by applying an APSPACE procedure



- **EXPTIME-hardness:** fact inference for **lossless Datalog** programs over $\{0,1\}$ is EXPTIME-hard

$$S(X,Y,Z) \leftarrow P(X,Y), P(Y,Z), R(Z)$$

Datalog as an Ontology Language

- Ontology languages are based on **description logics** (previous lecture)
- Much **is not possible** with Datalog
[Patel-Schneider & Horrocks, *Journal of Web Semantics* 2007]

DL Axiom	?
$Employee \sqsubseteq \exists reportsTo$	$\exists Y \text{ reportsTo}(X, Y) \leftarrow Employee(X)$
funct (reportsTo)	$Y = Z \leftarrow \text{reportsTo}(X, Y), \text{reportsTo}(X, Z)$
$Employee \text{ disj } Customer$	$\perp \leftarrow Employee(X), Customer(X)$

Equality Atom

$$X_i = X_j \leftarrow R_1(\mathbf{X}_1), \dots, R_n(\mathbf{X}_n)$$

- Linear Datalog[$\exists, =$] is already **undecidable**
implicit in [Chandra & Vardi, *SIAM Journal on Computing* 1985]

- **Separability**: given $P = P_{\exists} \cup P_{=}$,

$$\forall D \forall Q: D \models P_{=} \Rightarrow P(D) \models Q \text{ iff } P_{\exists}(D) \models Q$$

[Calì, Lembo & Rosati, *PODS* 2003]

- **Non-conflicting Datalog[$\exists, =$]**: sufficient condition for separability
see, e.g., [Calì, Gottlob & Lukasiewicz, *Journal of Web Semantics* 2012]

Truth Constant False

$$\perp \leftarrow R_1(\mathbf{X}_1), \dots, R_n(\mathbf{X}_n)$$

- Preliminary check **without adding complexity** - given $P = P_{\exists} \cup P_{\perp}$

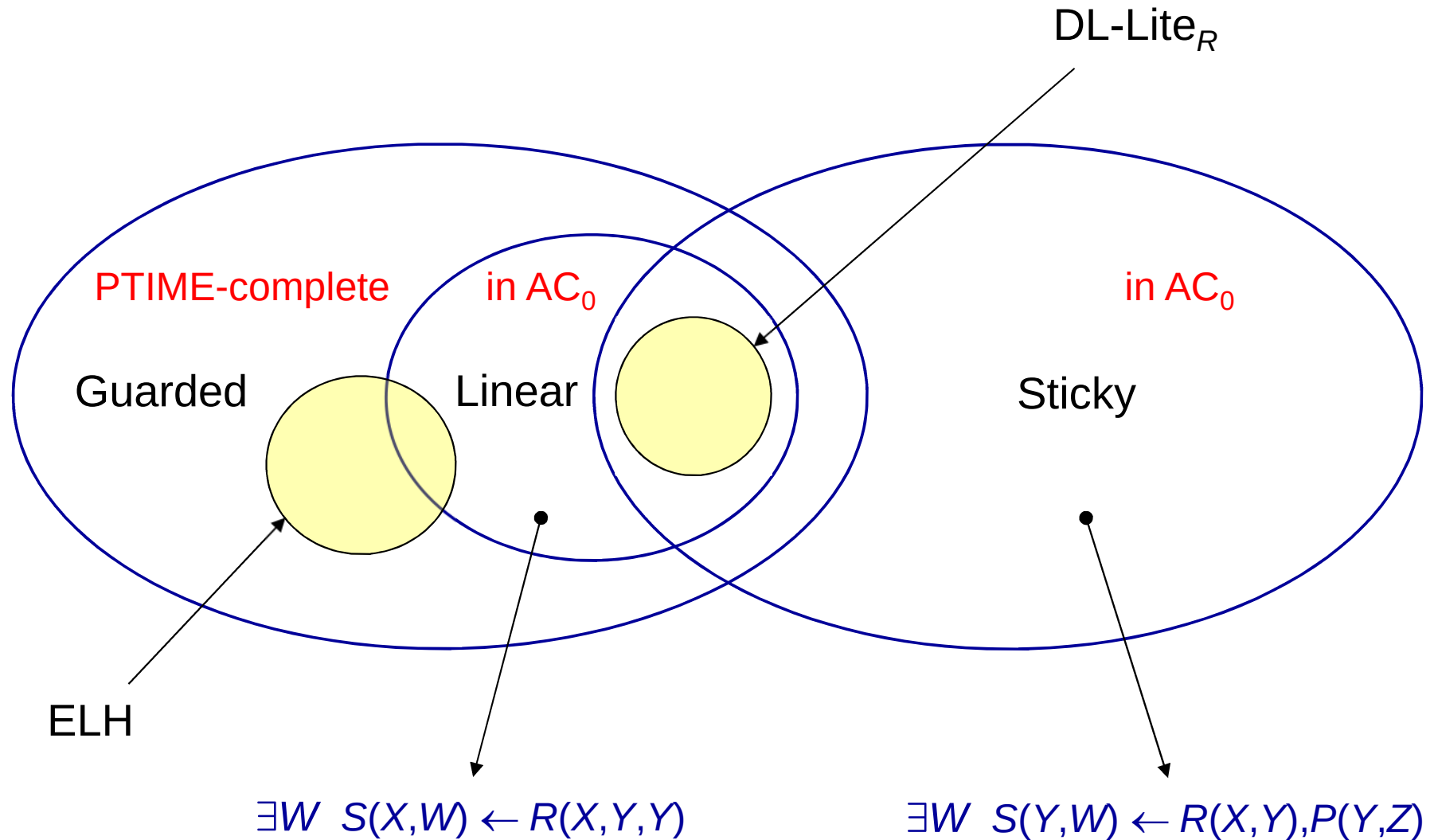
$$P(D) \models Q$$



$$P_{\exists}(D) \models Q \quad \text{OR} \quad P_{\exists}(D) \models Q_{\rho}, \text{ for some } \rho \in P_{\perp}$$

$$Q_{\rho} \leftarrow \text{body}(\rho)$$

Non-Conflicting Datalog[$\exists, =, \perp$]: Overview



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