

CS:4350 Logic in Computer Science

Propositional Satisfiability

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Credits

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Outline

Satisfiability Checking

- Satisfiability. Examples

- Truth Tables

- Splitting

- Positions and subformulas

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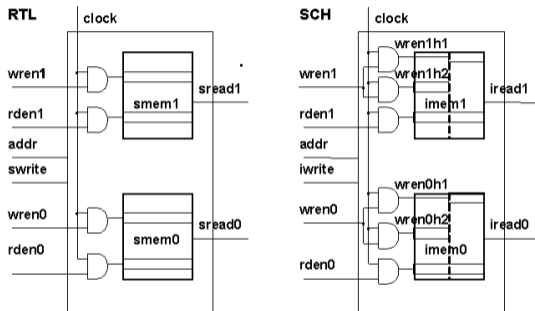
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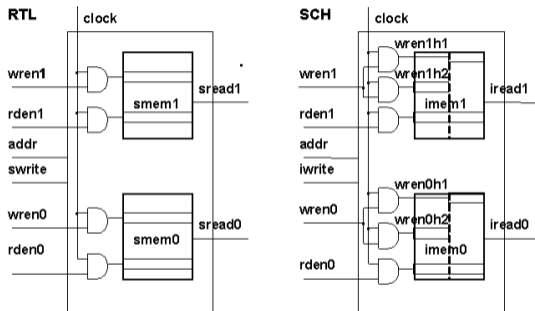


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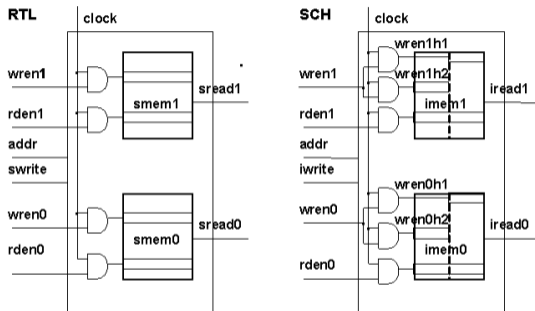


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Idea: use formula evaluation methods

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We can evaluate A in any interpretation, e.g., $\mathcal{I}_1 = \{p \mapsto 0, q \mapsto 0, r \mapsto 0\}$:

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Similarly, we can evaluate A in **all** interpretations:

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$p \wedge q \rightarrow r$		1	0	1
$p \rightarrow q$		0	1	
$p \wedge q$		0	1	
p	0	1	1	
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\mathcal{I}_2 stands for 2 (total) interpretations

\mathcal{I}_1 stands for 4 interpretations

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Guessing variable values (i.e., case analysis) and propagation are the key ideas in nearly all propositional satisfiability algorithms

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Note: we need new simplification rules since formulas we simplify may contain propositional variables.

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$\top \vee A_1 \vee \dots \vee A_n \Rightarrow \top$	
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Splitting algorithm

procedure *split*(G)

parameters: function *select*

input: formula G

output: “satisfiable” or “unsatisfiable”

begin

$G := \text{simplify}(G)$

// apply simplification rules to completion

if $G = \top$ then return “satisfiable”

if $G = \perp$ then return “unsatisfiable”

$(p, b) := \text{select}(G)$

// pick a variable p of G and a value b for it

case b of

1 \Rightarrow

if *split*(G_p^\top) = “satisfiable”

then return “satisfiable”

else return *split*(G_p^\perp)

0 \Rightarrow

if *split*(G_p^\perp) = “satisfiable”

then return “satisfiable”

else return *split*(G_p^\top)

end

Splitting algorithm, example

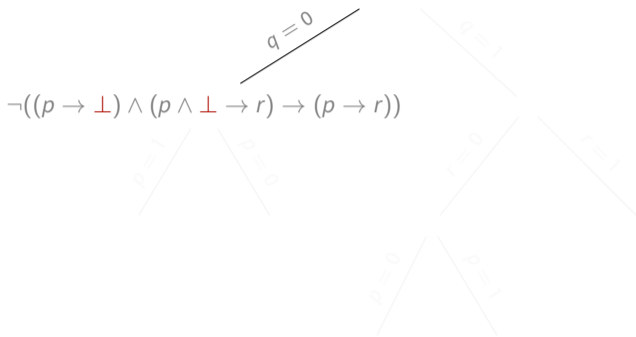
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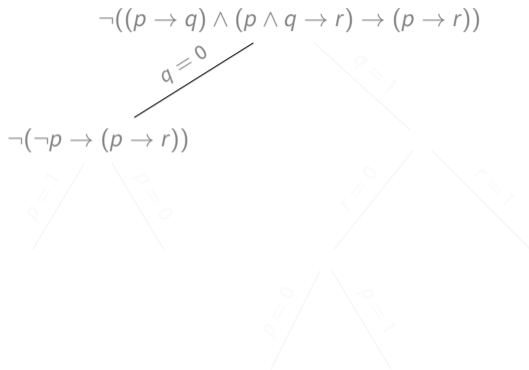
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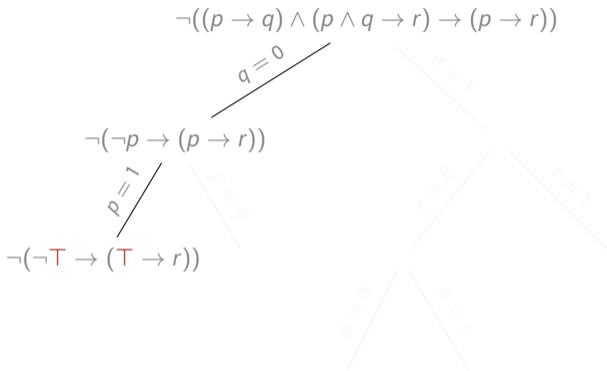
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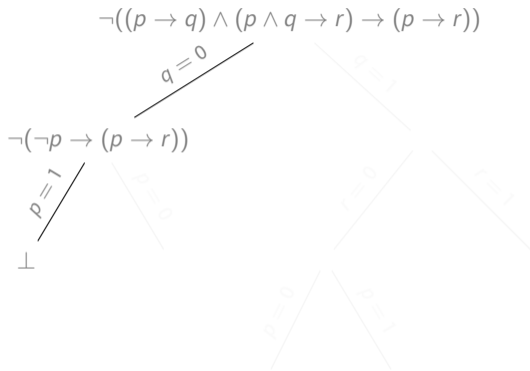
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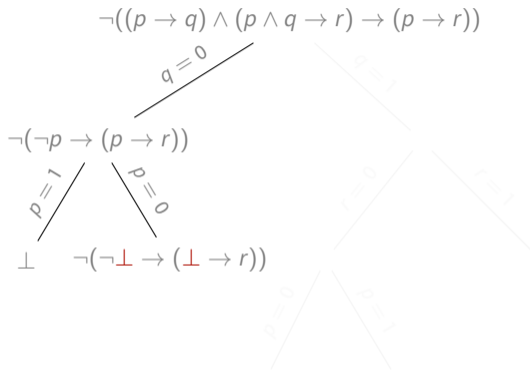
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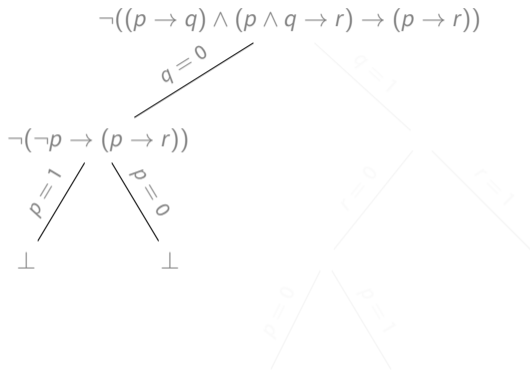
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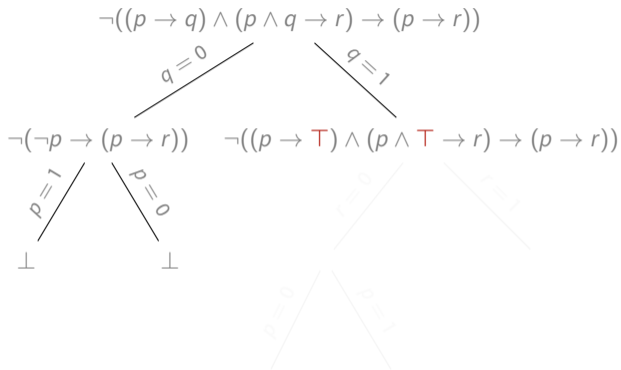
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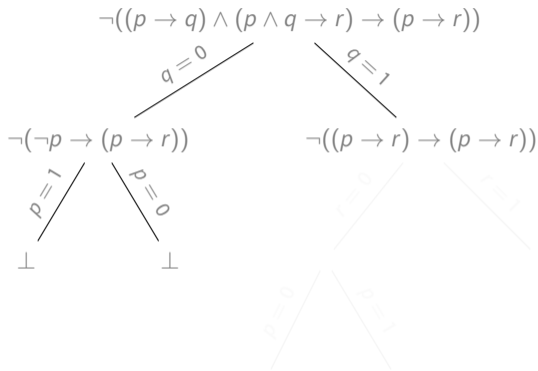
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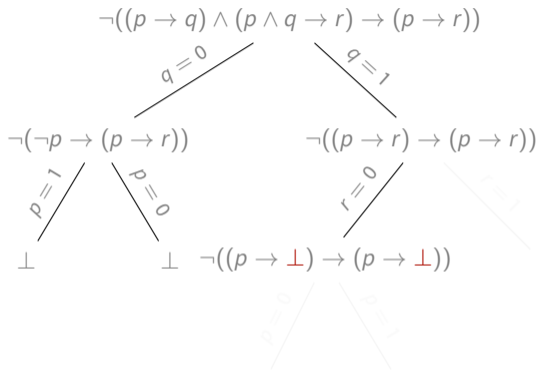
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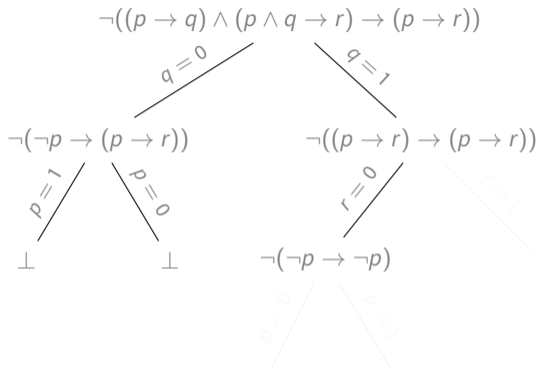
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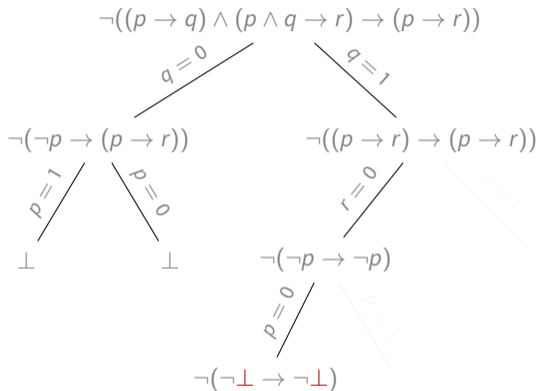
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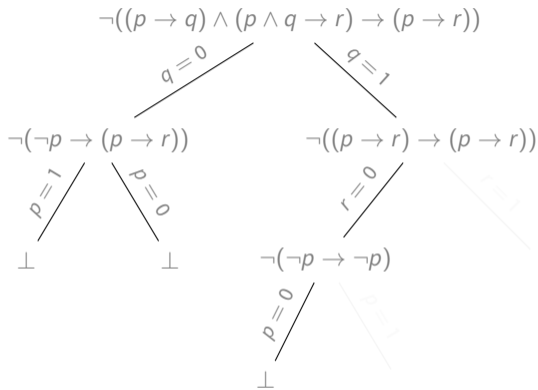
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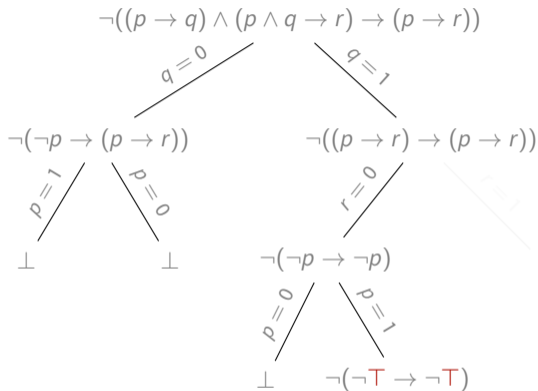
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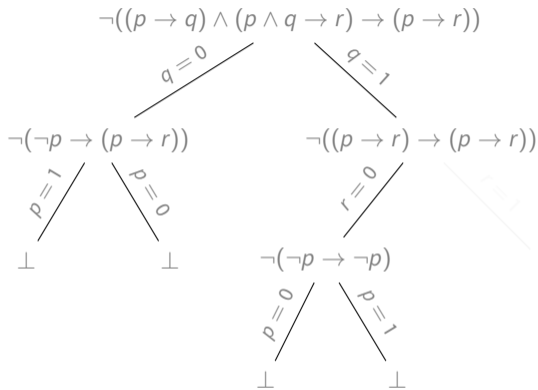
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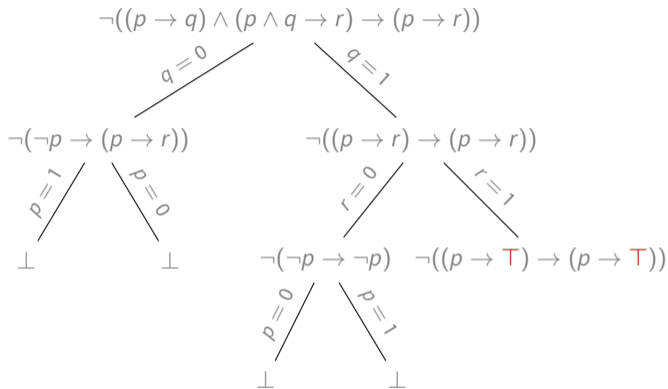
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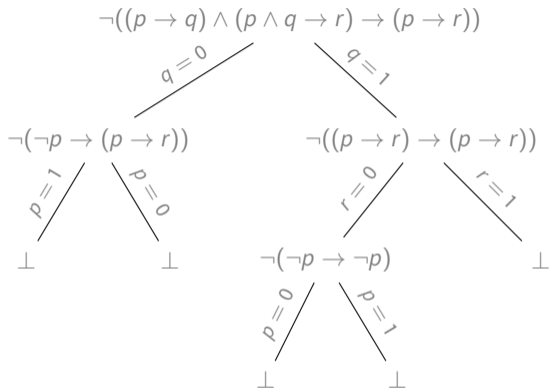
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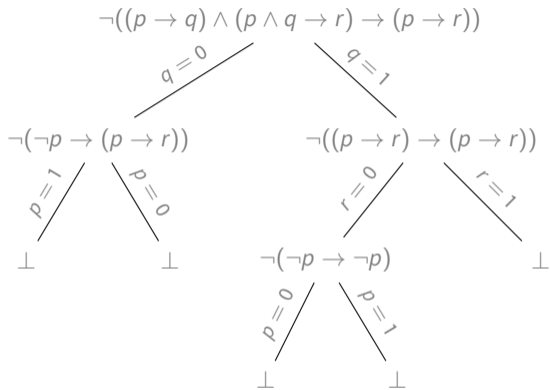
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Splitting algorithm, example



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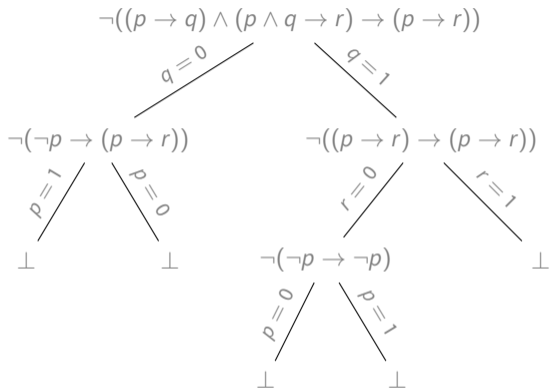
Splitting algorithm, example



The formula is **unsatisfiable**

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Splitting algorithm, example



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What is happening here is very similar to using compact truth tables, but on the syntactic level.

Exercise

For each unsimplified node of the tree in the previous slide, simplify the formula one step at a time by applying in each step one of the simplification rules in the slide.

Verify that the formula you obtain in each case corresponds to the simplified formula provided in the previous slide.

Apply the rules modulo commutativity of \wedge , \vee and \leftrightarrow . For instance, consider the rule $\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$ as also standing for the rule $A \wedge \top \Rightarrow A$.

Splitting algorithm, example 2

$$\neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow r))$$



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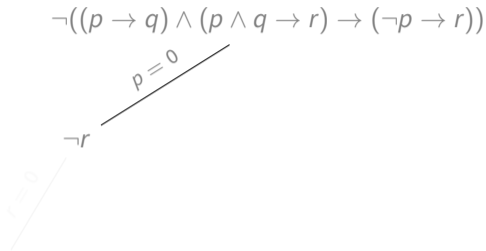
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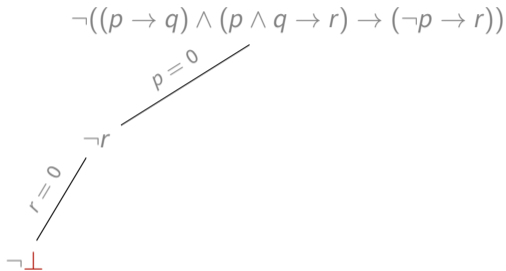
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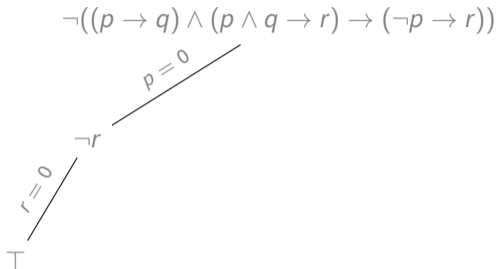
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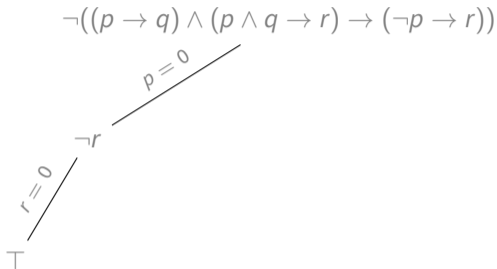
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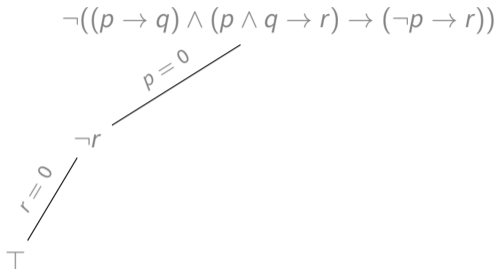
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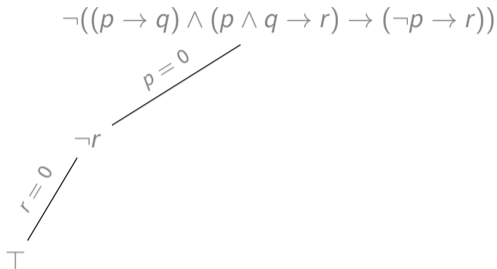
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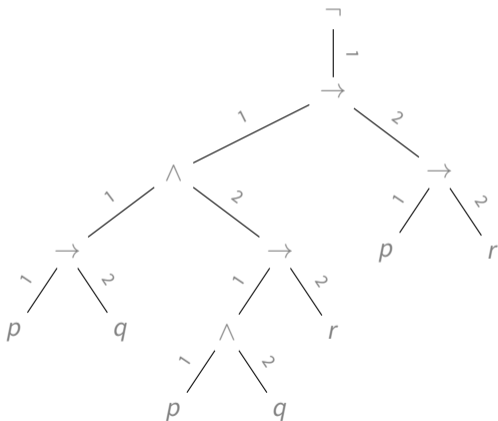
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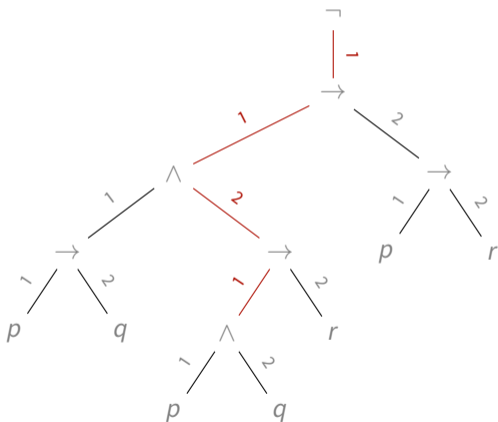


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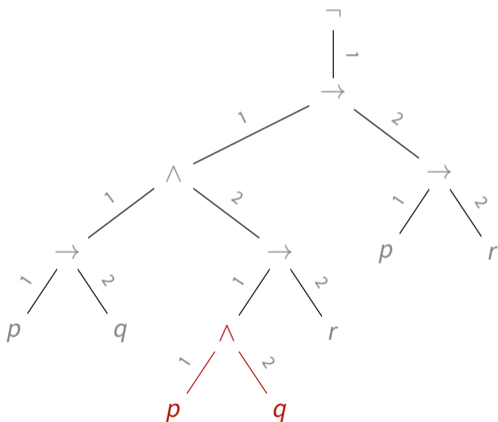


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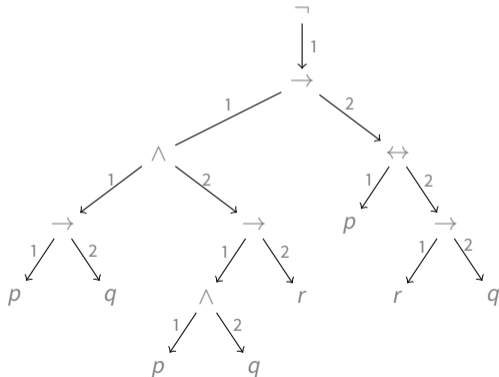
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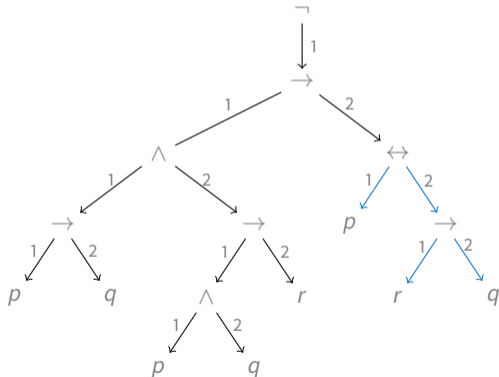


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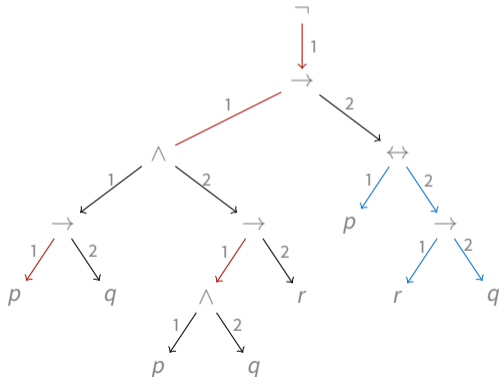


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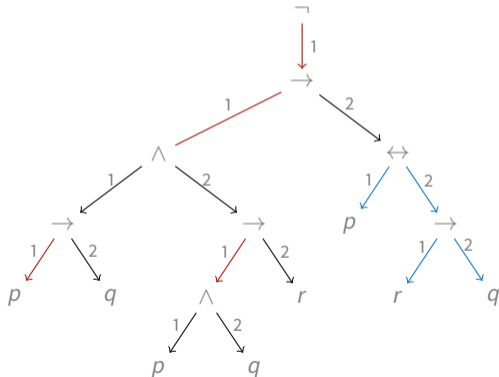


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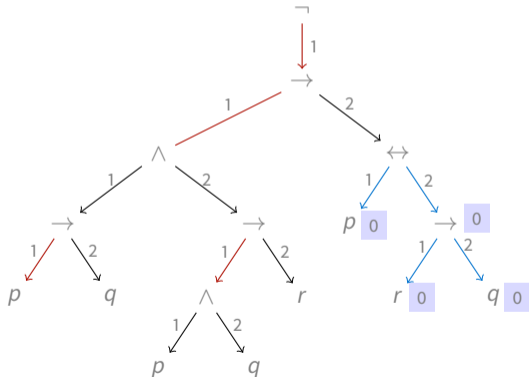
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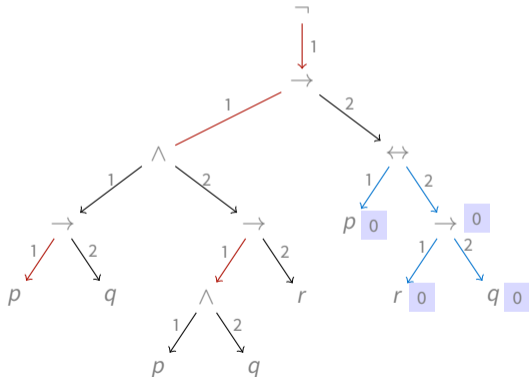
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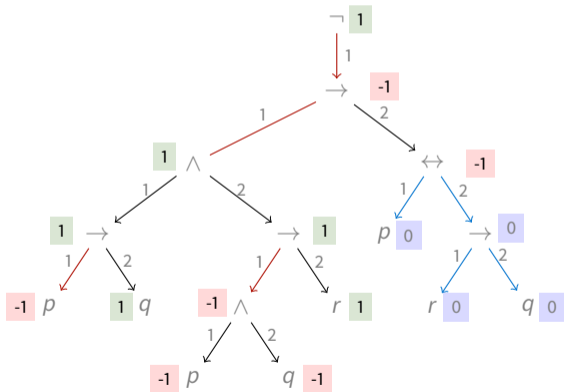
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Position and polarity, again

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1	$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)$	-1
1.1	$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r)$	1
1.1.1	$p \rightarrow q$	1
1.1.1.1	p	-1
1.1.1.2	q	1
1.1.2	$p \wedge q \rightarrow r$	1
1.1.2.1	$p \wedge q$	-1
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1.1.2.2	r	1
1.2	$p \rightarrow r$	-1
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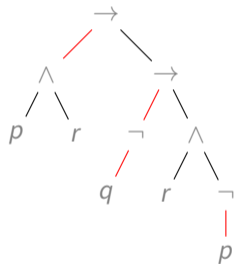
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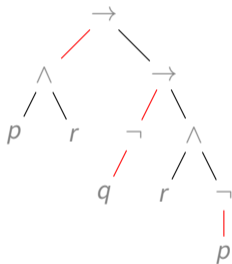
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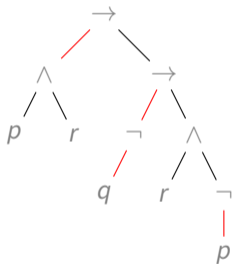


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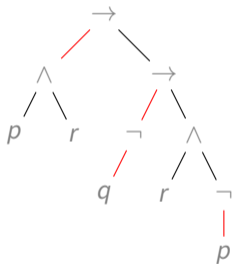


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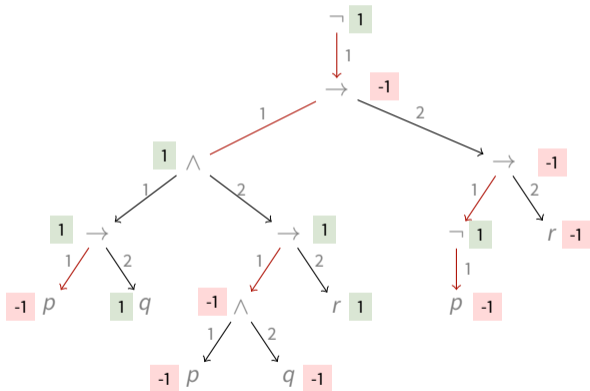
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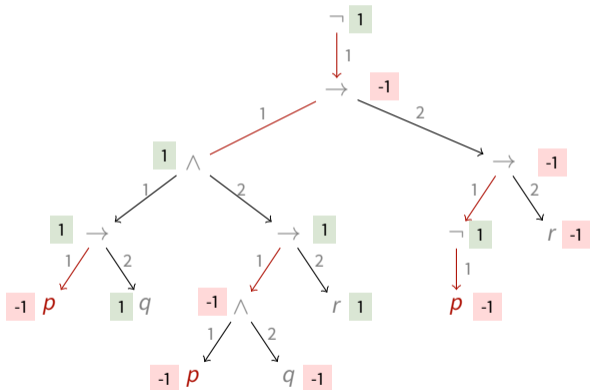
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$$\neg \perp$$

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We have shown the satisfiability of this formula **deterministically** (no guesses), using only the pure atom rule