

# CS:4350 Logic in Computer Science

## Propositional Satisfiability

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# Outline

## Satisfiability Checking

- Satisfiability. Examples

- Truth Tables

- Splitting

- Positions and subformulas

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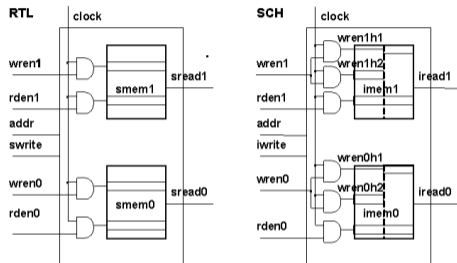
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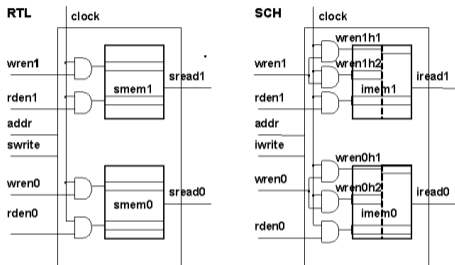
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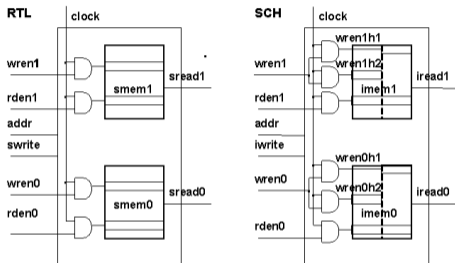
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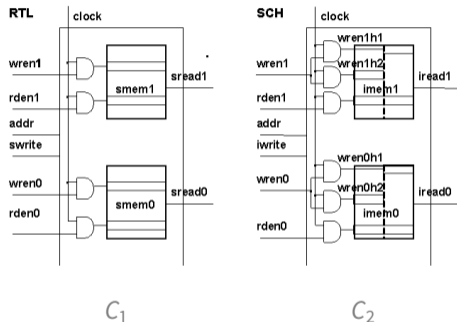
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# Idea for SAT: use formula evaluation methods

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

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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



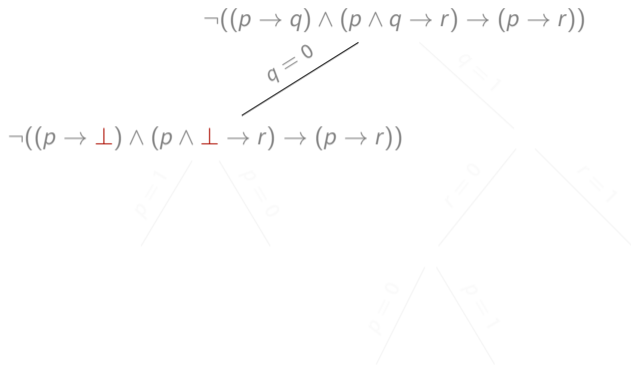
# Splitting algorithm, example

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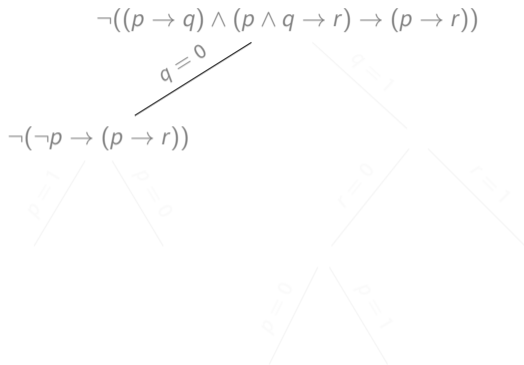
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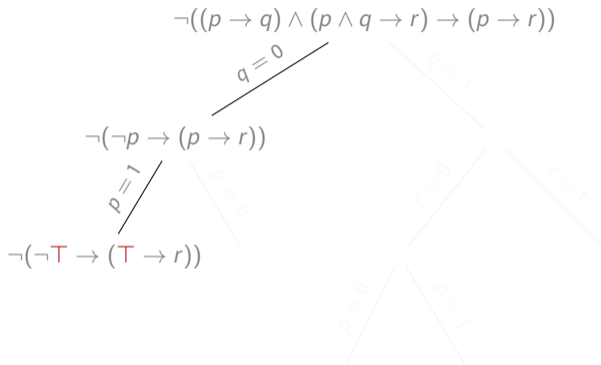
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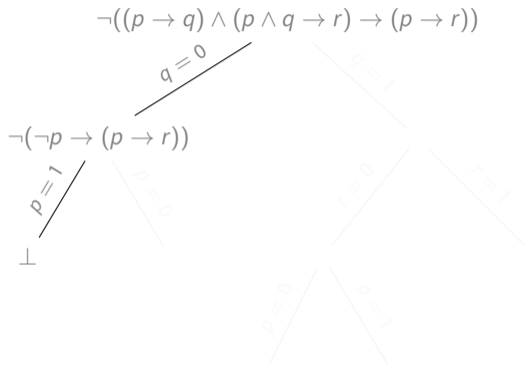
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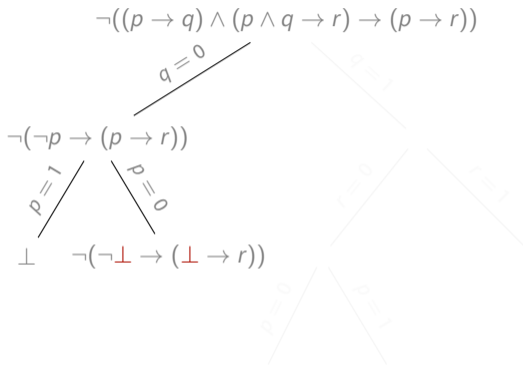
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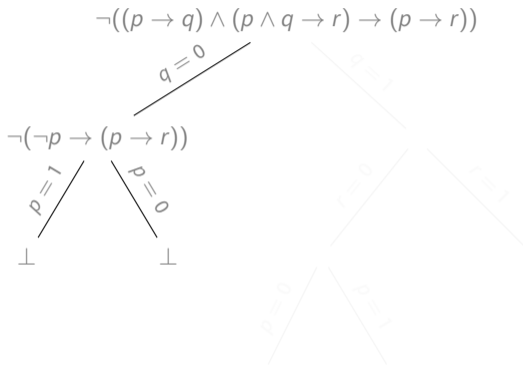
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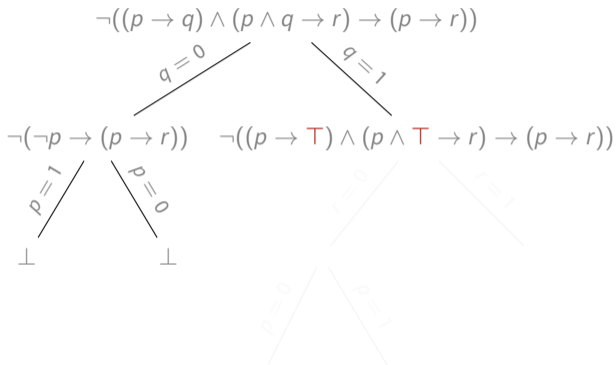
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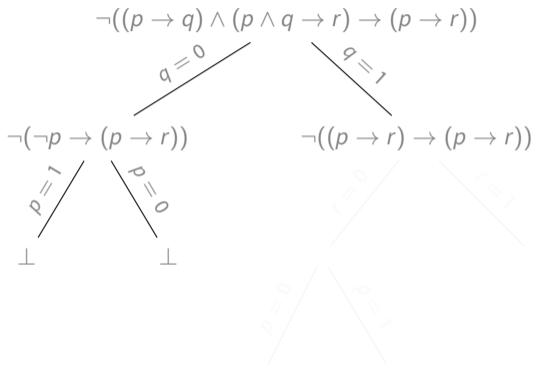
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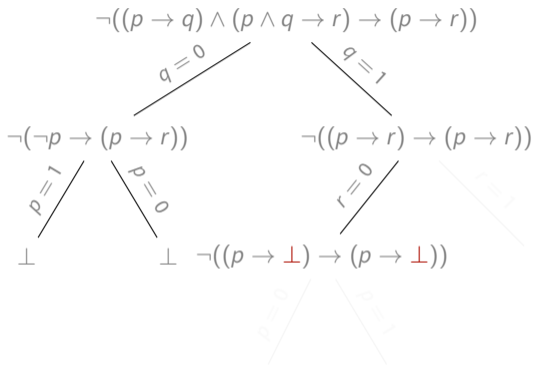


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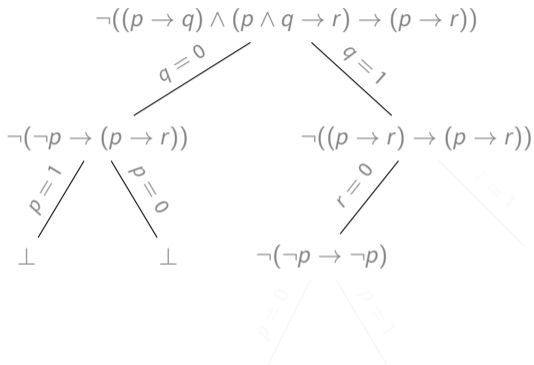
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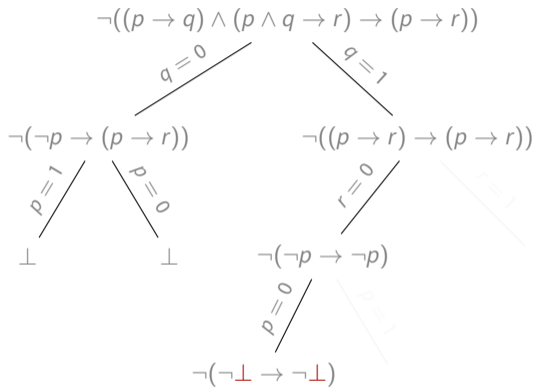
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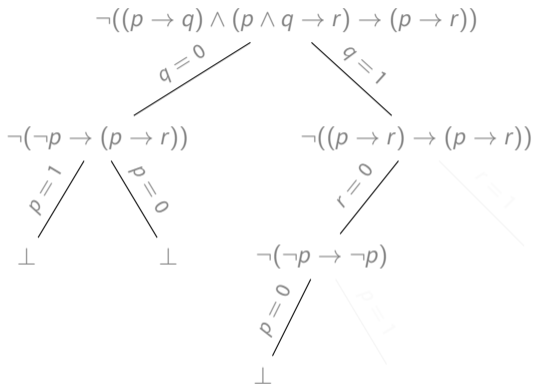
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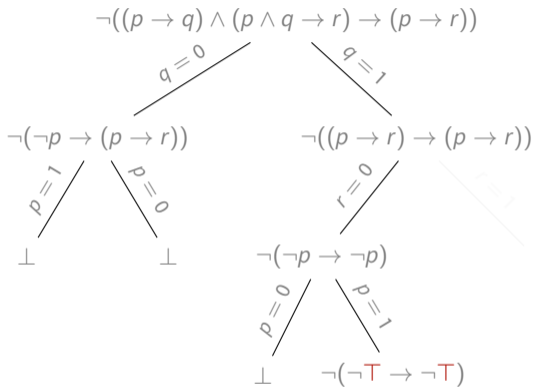
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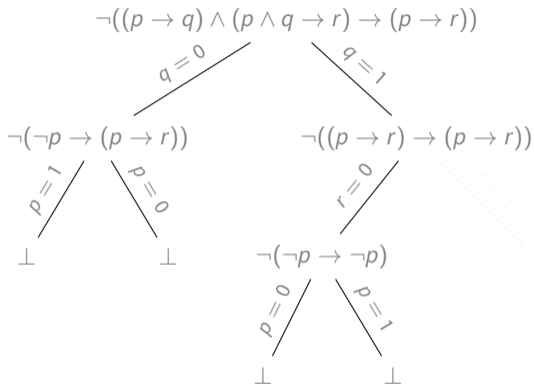
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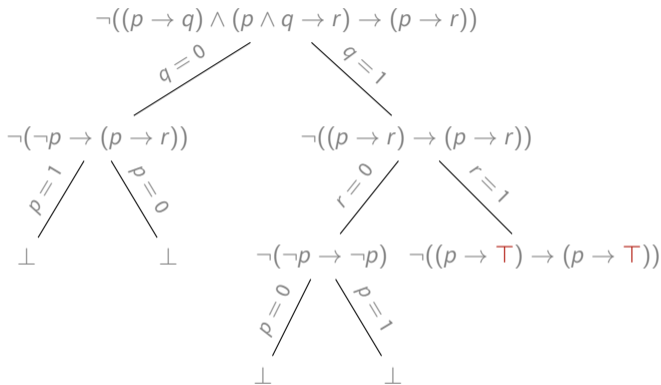
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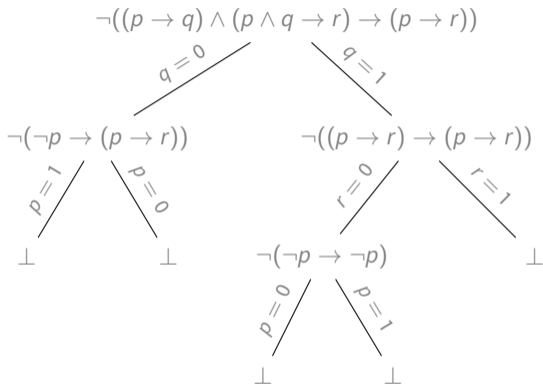
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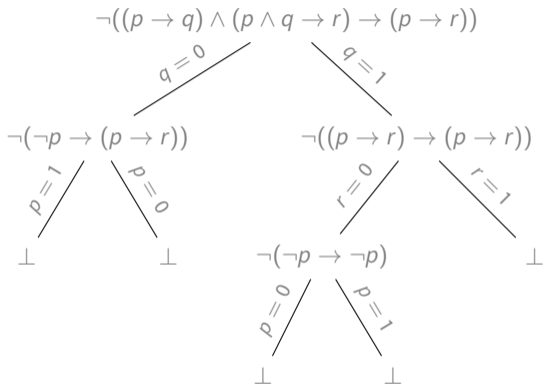


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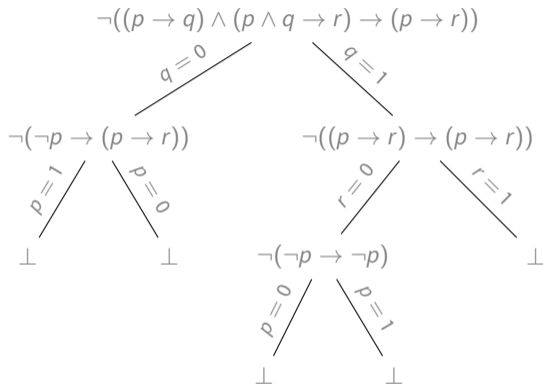
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What is happening here is very similar to using compact truth tables, but on the syntactic level

## Exercise

1. 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.

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  $A \wedge \top \Rightarrow A$ .

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

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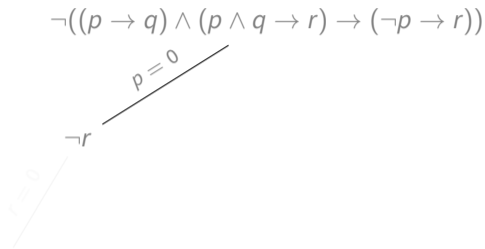
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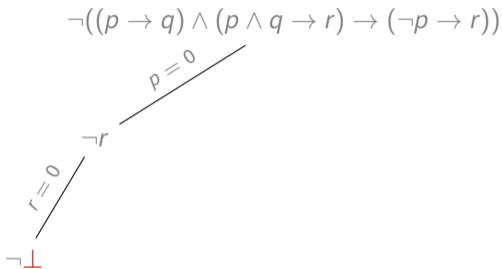
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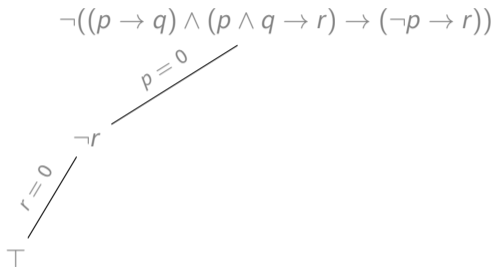
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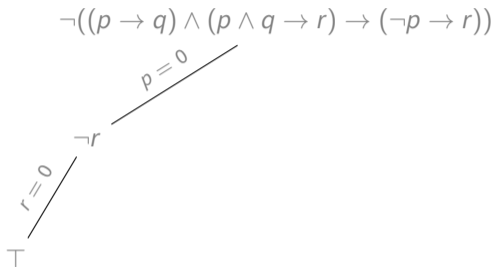
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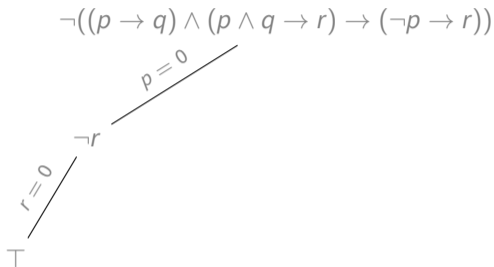
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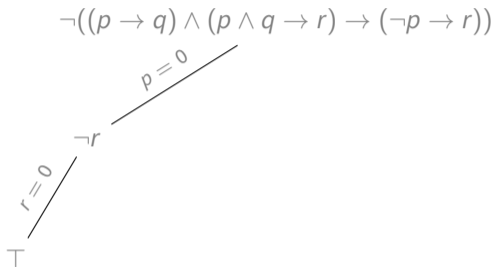
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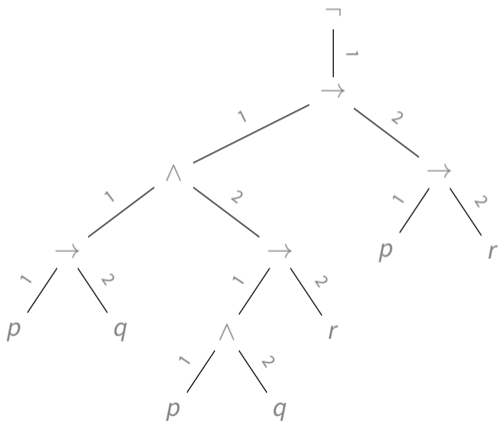
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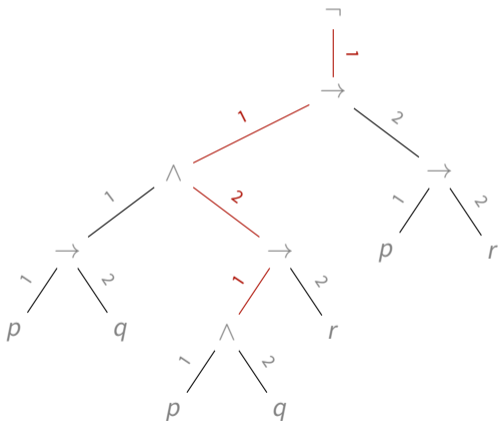
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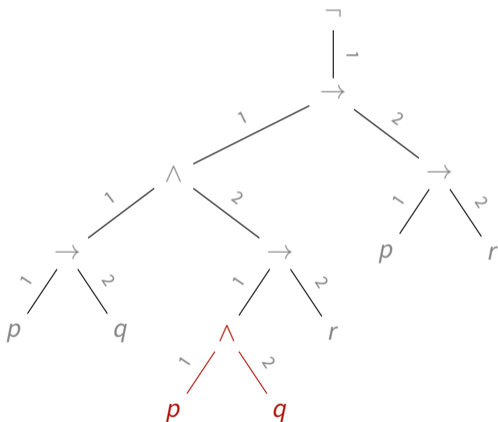


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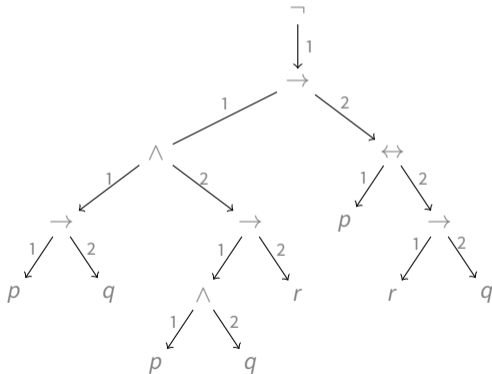
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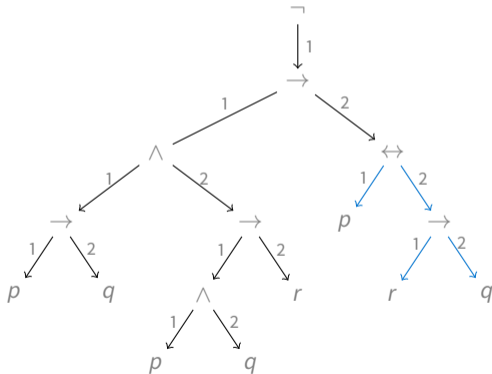


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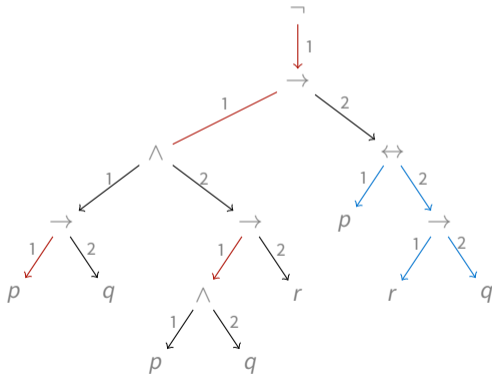


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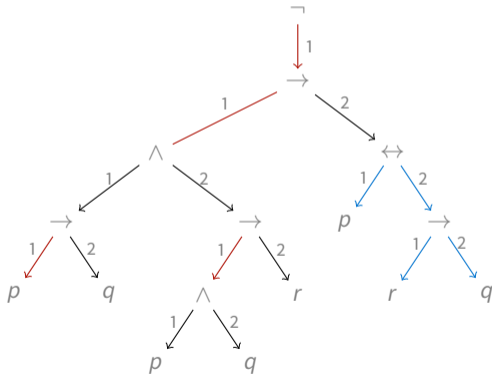


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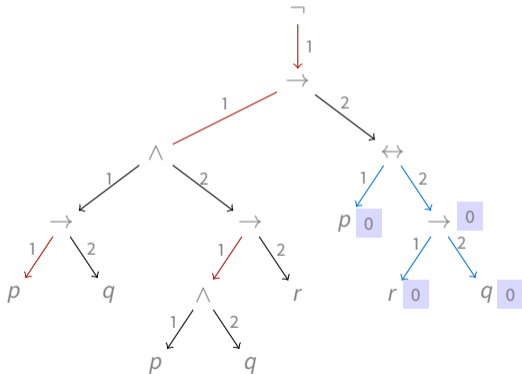
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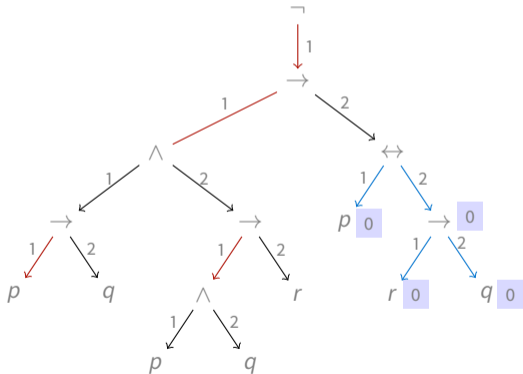
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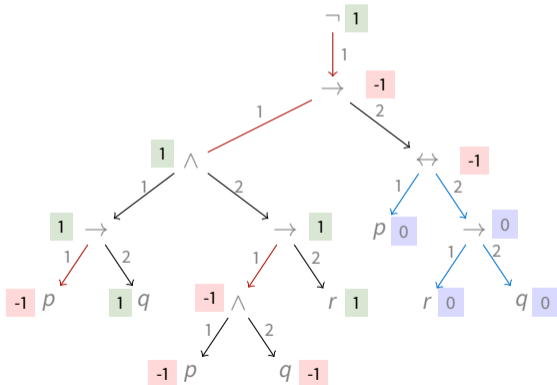
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## Position and polarity, again

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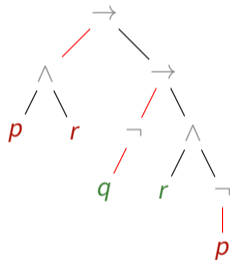


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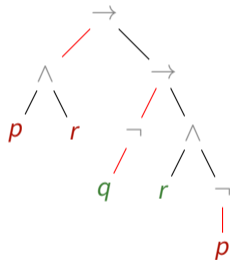


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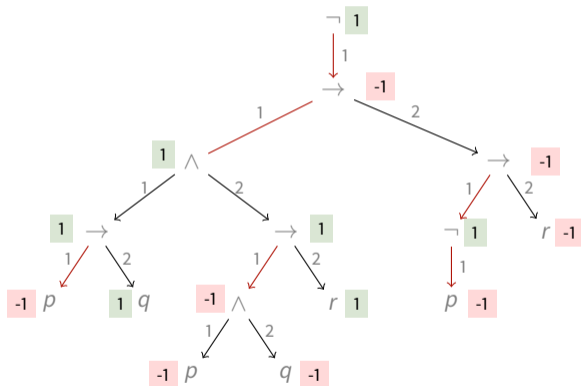
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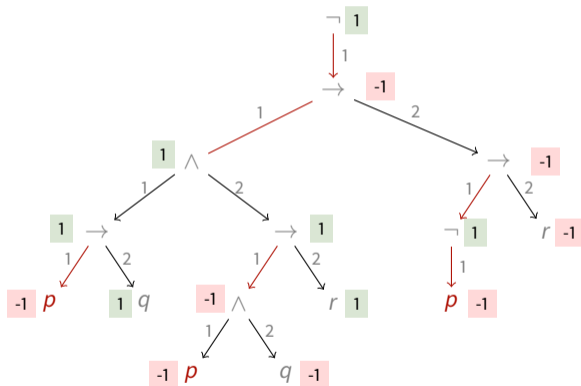
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$A \rightarrow \top \Rightarrow \top$
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$A \leftrightarrow \top \Rightarrow A$
$\top \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$\neg \perp \Rightarrow \top$
$\perp \wedge A \Rightarrow \perp$
$\perp \vee A \Rightarrow A$
$A \rightarrow \perp \Rightarrow \neg A$
$\perp \rightarrow A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \leftrightarrow \perp \Rightarrow \neg A$
$\perp \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow \neg A$

## Example, continued

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

$$\neg((\perp \rightarrow q) \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) \Rightarrow$$

$$\neg(\top \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) \Rightarrow$$

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

$$\neg((\perp \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r))$$

$$\neg(\top \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r))$$

$$\neg(\neg \perp \rightarrow r)$$

$$\neg(\top \rightarrow r)$$

$$\neg r$$

$$\neg \perp$$

$$\top$$

$\neg \top \Rightarrow \perp$
$\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$
$\top \vee A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \rightarrow \top \Rightarrow \top$
$\top \rightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$A \leftrightarrow \top \Rightarrow A$
$\top \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$\neg \perp \Rightarrow \top$
$\perp \wedge A \Rightarrow \perp$
$\perp \vee A \Rightarrow A$
$A \rightarrow \perp \Rightarrow \neg A$
$\perp \rightarrow A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \leftrightarrow \perp \Rightarrow \neg A$
$\perp \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow \neg A$

## Example, continued

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \rightarrow q) \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\top \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \quad \neg((\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \quad \quad \neg((\perp \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \neg(\top \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg(\neg \perp \rightarrow r) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg(\top \rightarrow r) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg r && \Rightarrow \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg \perp && \Rightarrow \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \top && \Rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$\neg \top \Rightarrow \perp$
$\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$
$\top \vee A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \rightarrow \top \Rightarrow \top$
$\top \rightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$A \leftrightarrow \top \Rightarrow A$
$\top \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$\neg \perp \Rightarrow \top$
$\perp \wedge A \Rightarrow \perp$
$\perp \vee A \Rightarrow A$
$A \rightarrow \perp \Rightarrow \neg A$
$\perp \rightarrow A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \leftrightarrow \perp \Rightarrow \neg A$
$\perp \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow \neg A$

## Example, continued

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \rightarrow q) \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\top \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\top \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \\
 & \neg(\neg \perp \rightarrow r) && \\
 & \neg(\top \rightarrow r) && \\
 & \neg r && \\
 & \neg \perp && \\
 & \top &&
 \end{aligned}$$

$\neg \top \Rightarrow \perp$
$\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$
$\top \vee A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \rightarrow \top \Rightarrow \top$
$\top \rightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$A \leftrightarrow \top \Rightarrow A$
$\top \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$\neg \perp \Rightarrow \top$
$\perp \wedge A \Rightarrow \perp$
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## Example, continued

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 & \neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \rightarrow q) \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\top \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\top \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\neg \perp \rightarrow r) && \\
 & \neg(\top \rightarrow r) && \\
 & \neg r && \\
 & \neg \perp && \\
 & \top &&
 \end{aligned}$$

$\neg \top \Rightarrow \perp$
$\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$
$\top \vee A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \rightarrow \top \Rightarrow \top$
$\top \rightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$A \leftrightarrow \top \Rightarrow A$
$\top \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$\neg \perp \Rightarrow \top$
$\perp \wedge A \Rightarrow \perp$
$\perp \vee A \Rightarrow A$
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$\perp \rightarrow A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \leftrightarrow \perp \Rightarrow \neg A$
$\perp \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow \neg A$

## Example, continued

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 \neg((\perp \rightarrow q) \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) &&& \Rightarrow \\
 \neg(\top \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) &&& \Rightarrow \\
 \neg((\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) &&& \Rightarrow \\
 \neg((\perp \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) &&& \Rightarrow \\
 \neg(\top \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) &&& \Rightarrow \\
 \neg(\neg \perp \rightarrow r) &&& \Rightarrow \\
 \neg(\top \rightarrow r) &&& \Rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$\neg r$

$\neg \perp$

$\top$

$\neg \top \Rightarrow \perp$
$\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$
$\top \vee A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \rightarrow \top \Rightarrow \top$
$\top \rightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
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$\neg \perp \Rightarrow \top$
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$\perp \rightarrow A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \leftrightarrow \perp \Rightarrow \neg A$
$\perp \leftrightarrow A \Rightarrow \neg A$

## Example, continued

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\neg((\perp \rightarrow q) \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \neg(\top \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \neg((\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \neg((\perp \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \neg(\top \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg(\neg \perp \rightarrow r) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg(\top \rightarrow r) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg r \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg \perp \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \top
 \end{aligned}$$

$\neg \top \Rightarrow \perp$
$\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$
$\top \vee A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \rightarrow \top \Rightarrow \top$
$\top \rightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$A \leftrightarrow \top \Rightarrow A$
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All occurrences of  $r$  are negative, so, for the purpose of checking satisfiability we can replace  $r$  by  $\perp$ .

## Example, continued

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \neg((p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg p \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \rightarrow q) \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\top \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg((\perp \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\top \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\neg \perp \rightarrow r) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg(\top \rightarrow r) && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg r && \Rightarrow \\
 & \neg \perp && \Rightarrow \\
 & \top && \Rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$\neg \top \Rightarrow \perp$
$\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$
$\top \vee A \Rightarrow \top$
$A \rightarrow \top \Rightarrow \top$
$\top \rightarrow A \Rightarrow A$
$A \leftrightarrow \top \Rightarrow A$
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All occurrences of  $r$  are negative; so, for the purpose of checking satisfiability we can **replace  $r$  by  $\perp$**



## Example, continued

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 &\neg((\perp \rightarrow q) \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \neg(\top \wedge (\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \neg((\perp \wedge q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \neg((\perp \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \neg(\top \rightarrow (\neg \perp \rightarrow r)) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg(\neg \perp \rightarrow r) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg(\top \rightarrow r) && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg r && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg \perp && \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \top && \Rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$\neg \top \Rightarrow \perp$
$\top \wedge A \Rightarrow A$
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We have shown the satisfiability of this formula **deterministically** (no guesses), using only the pure atom rule