

Modal Logic: Overview

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LMU, The Modal Logic Sessions

The Basics

The first session

- Modal logics: syntax and semantics
- Invariance results: for K_n , the class of models is restricted to finite trees.
- Decidability: PSPACE-complete

Calculi for Modal Logics

The second session

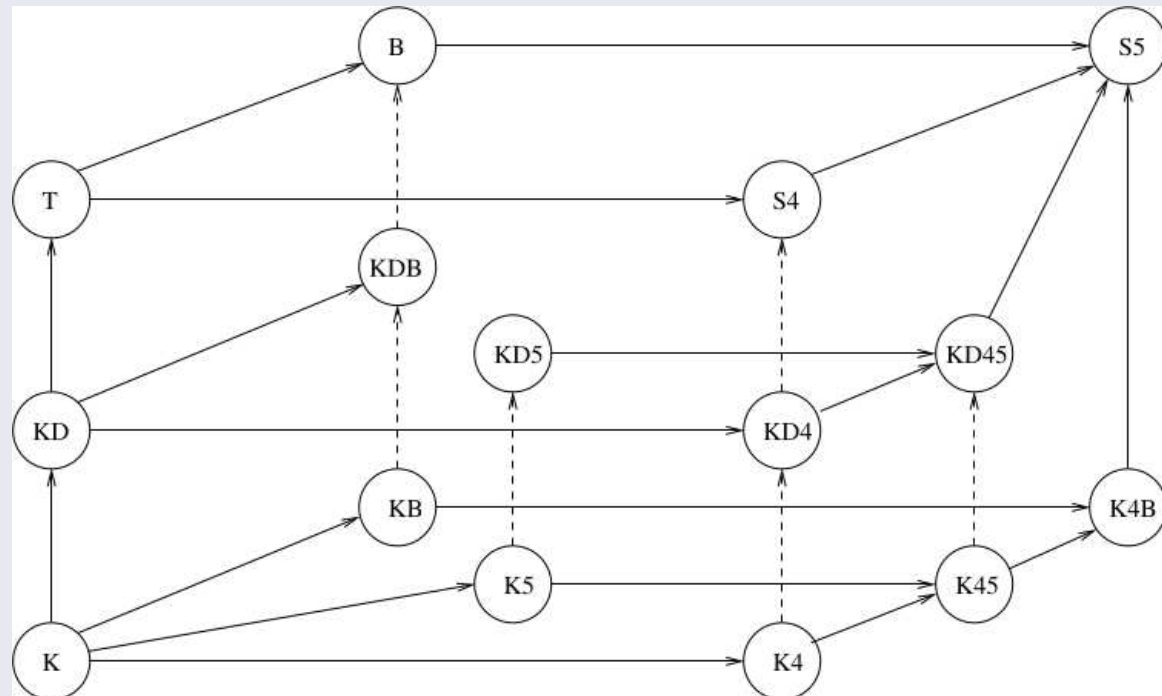
- Axiomatisations for monomodal logic K_1
- Prefixed tableaux for monomodal logic K_1
- How these are extended to deal with multimodal logics K_n

Extensions

Some Other Usual Modal Logics

Different restrictions on the **accessibility relations** \mathcal{R}_a define different modal logics:

- No restrictions: K_n ;
- Reflexive: KT_n ;
- Transitive: $K4_n$;
- Euclidean: $K5_n$;
- Serial: KD_n ;
- Symmetric: KB_n ;
- Reflexive and Transitive: $S4_n$;
- Reflexive and Euclidean: $S5_n$;



- This is the logic related to transitive relations:
 - Syntax is the same as before.
 - Semantics is given by a **Kripke Structure** \mathcal{M} for \mathcal{P} and $\mathcal{A} = \{1, \dots, n\}$ is a tuple

$$\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{R}_1, \dots, \mathcal{R}_n, \pi \rangle,$$

where:

- \mathcal{W} is a non-empty set;
 - For each $a \in \mathcal{A}$, $\mathcal{R}_a \subseteq \mathcal{W} \times \mathcal{W}$, where each \mathcal{R}_a is **transitive**;
 - $\pi : \mathcal{W} \times \mathcal{P} \longrightarrow \{T, F\}$.
- The satisfiability relation is defined as before.
 - The notions of satisfiability/validity of a formula are defined exactly as before.

Frame Characterisation and Axioms

Name	Axiom	Frame Property	
D	$\Box^a \varphi \rightarrow \Diamond^a \varphi$	Serial	$\forall v \exists w. \mathcal{R}_a v w$
T	$\Box^a \varphi \rightarrow \varphi$	Reflexive	$\forall w. \mathcal{R}_a w w$
B	$\varphi \rightarrow \Box^a \Diamond^a \varphi$	Symmetric	$\forall v w. \mathcal{R}_a v w \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_a w v$
4	$\Box^a \varphi \rightarrow \Box^a \Box^a \varphi$	Transitive	$\forall u v w. (\mathcal{R}_a u v \wedge \mathcal{R}_a v w) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_a u w$
5	$\Diamond^a \varphi \rightarrow \Box^a \Diamond^a \varphi$	Euclidean	$\forall u v w. (\mathcal{R}_a u v \wedge \mathcal{R}_a u w) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_a v w$

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We want a proof for 5 ($\diamond_a p \rightarrow \Box_a \diamond_a p$) in the system containing the axioms K, B, and 4. In the following,

- **K** : $\Box_a(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow (\Box_a\varphi \rightarrow \Box_a\psi)$
- **B** : $\varphi \rightarrow \Box_a \diamond_a \varphi$
- **4** : $\Box_a\varphi \rightarrow \Box_a\Box_a\varphi$
- **chaining**: $((\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \wedge (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow (\varphi \rightarrow \chi)$.

1. $\Box_a \neg p \rightarrow \Box_a \Box_a \neg p$ [4, $\varphi = \neg p$]
2. $\diamond_a \diamond_a p \rightarrow \diamond_a p$ [contrapositive, 1]
3. $\Box_a(\diamond_a \diamond_a p \rightarrow \diamond_a p)$ [NEC, 2]
4. $\Box_a(\diamond_a \diamond_a p \rightarrow \diamond_a p) \rightarrow (\Box_a \diamond_a \diamond_a p \rightarrow \Box_a \diamond_a p)$ [K, $\varphi = \diamond_a \diamond_a p$, $\psi = \diamond_a p$]
5. $\Box_a \diamond_a \diamond_a p \rightarrow \Box_a \diamond_a p$ [MP, 3, 4]
6. $\diamond_a p \rightarrow \Box_a \diamond_a \diamond_a p$ [B, $\varphi = \diamond_a p$]
7. $\diamond_a p \rightarrow \Box_a \diamond_a p$ [Chaining, 6, 5]

Note that because we have uniform substitution, replacing p in the conclusion gives us all instances of 5.

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Note: For S5 we have (T+4+4r).

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Clausal Resolution for Propositional Logic

- Resolution is a refutational procedure: if we want to prove φ , we apply the rules to $\neg\varphi$.
- Reasoning is performed backwards: from what we want to prove to axioms (in this case, a contradiction).
- Resolution can be clausal or non-clausal: for clausal resolution, we transform $\neg\varphi$ into CNF before applying the inference rule.
- There is only one inference rule:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{[RES]} \quad (\varphi \vee l) \\ \quad \quad (\psi \vee \neg l) \\ \hline (\varphi \vee \psi) \end{array}$$

- Premises are called parent clauses (or the resolvends). The conclusion is called the resolvent. The literals l and $\neg l$ are known as complementary literals. The parent clauses are *resolved* on the complementary literals, generating the resolvent.
- The inference rule is applied until either a contradiction is found or no new clauses can be generated.

Procedure

Let Γ_0 be a set of clauses.

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CNF

- A literal is a propositional symbol or its negation.
- A clause is a disjunction of literals.
- A formula of the form

$$\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \bigvee_{j=1}^m l_{ij}$$

is in conjunctive normal form (CNF).

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The usual rewriting rules

- Combinatorial explosion:

$$(l_1 \wedge \dots \wedge l_m) \vee (k_1 \wedge \dots \wedge k_n) \Rightarrow O(m \times n)$$

- In general:

ψ	$w(\psi)$	$\bar{w}(\psi)$
$\varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_n$	$\sum_{i=1}^n w(\varphi_i)$	$\prod_{i=1}^n \bar{w}(\varphi_i)$
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Let $\varphi \in \text{WFF}$. There is $\varphi' \in \text{WFF}$, φ' is in CNF, and φ' is satisfiable if, and only if, φ is satisfiable. Moreover, $\text{size}(\varphi') = O(\text{size}(\varphi))$.

Example

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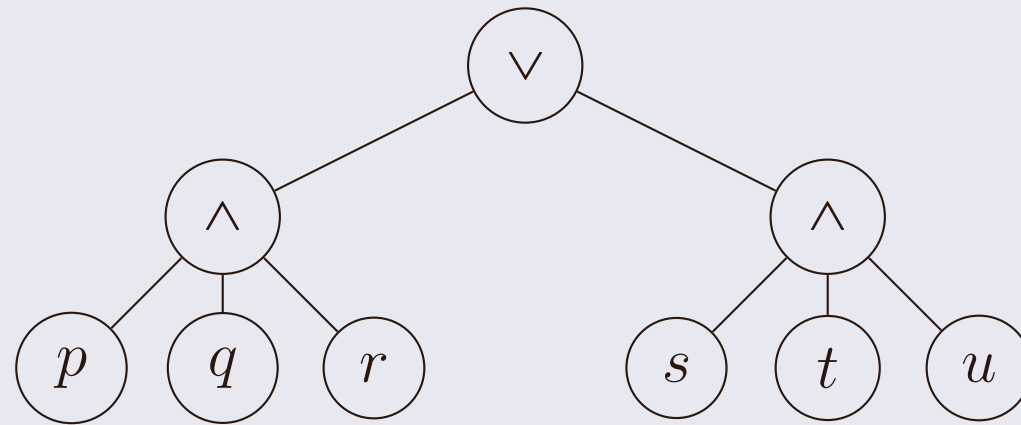
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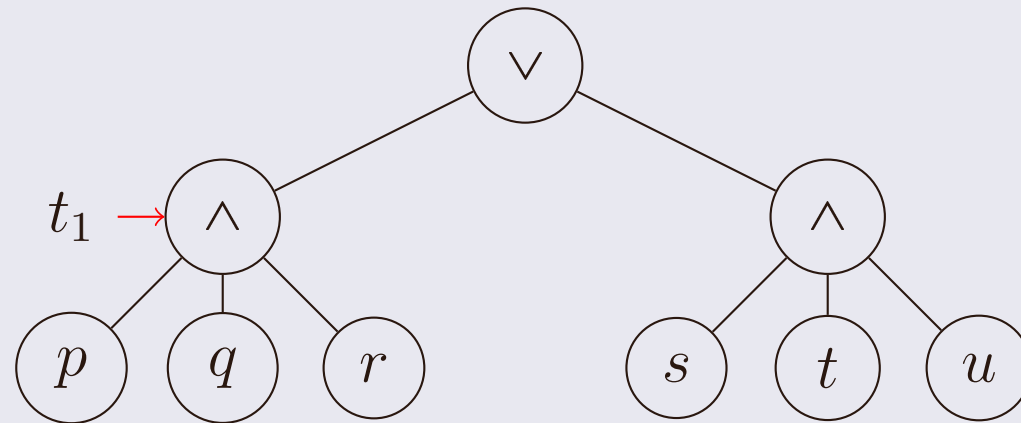
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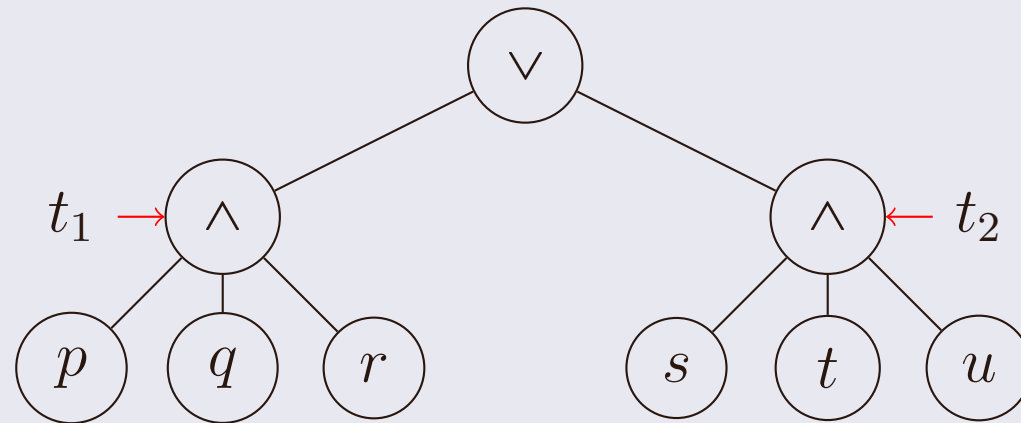
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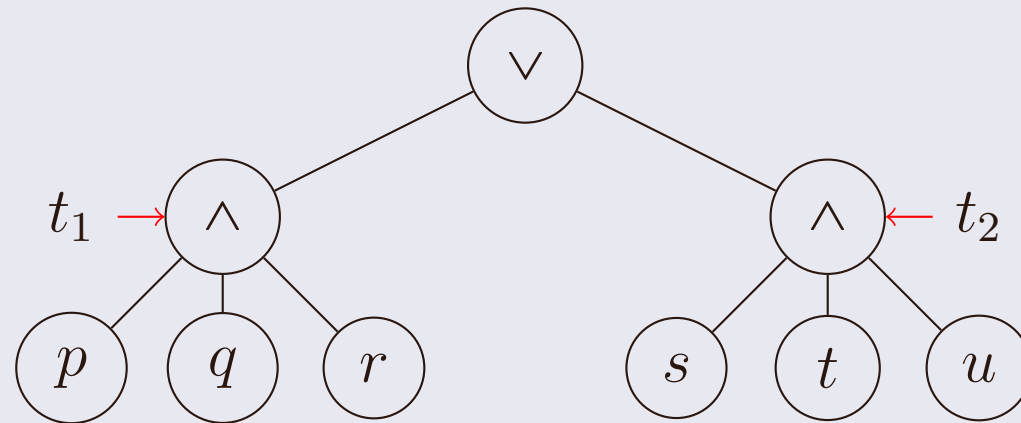
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Resolution-based Calculi for Modal Logics

There are some few:

- Fitting's destructive resolution for modal logics [Fit90]
- Mint's resolution for modal logics [Mints, 1990]
- Fariñas de Cerro and colleagues [Far82, dCH88, EdC89, dCH90]
- Non-clausal resolution by Abadi & Manna [AM86]

This was introduced in [ND, 2007].

- We came up with the normal form while investigating techniques for preprocessing of formulae (prenex and antiprenexing) [ND, 2006]
- The calculus is now referred to as GMR for Global Modal Resolution, as it uses global renaming.
- It is quite simple, the propositional and the modal part are completely separated.
- The (truly) modal rules are hyper-rules.

The Normal Form

In [ND, 2006, ND, 2007]:

- Initial clause $\boxed{*}(\text{start} \rightarrow \bigvee_{b=1}^r l_b)$
- Literal clause $\boxed{*}(\text{true} \rightarrow \bigvee_{b=1}^r l_b)$
- Positive a -clause $\boxed{*}(l' \rightarrow \boxed{a}l)$
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where $l, l', l_b \in \mathcal{L}$. Positive and negative a -clauses are together known as *modal a -clauses*; the index a may be omitted if it is clear from the context.

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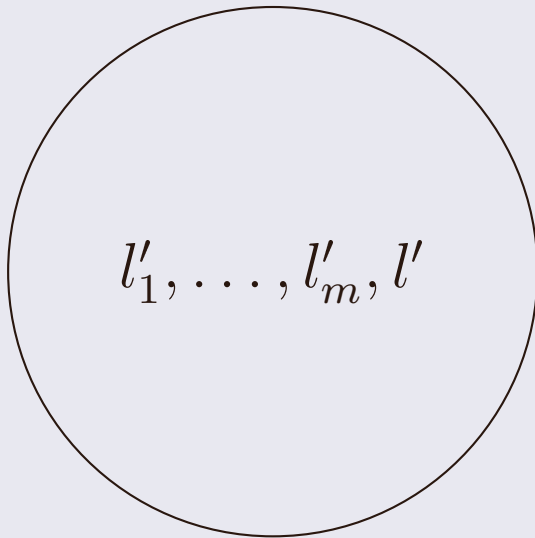
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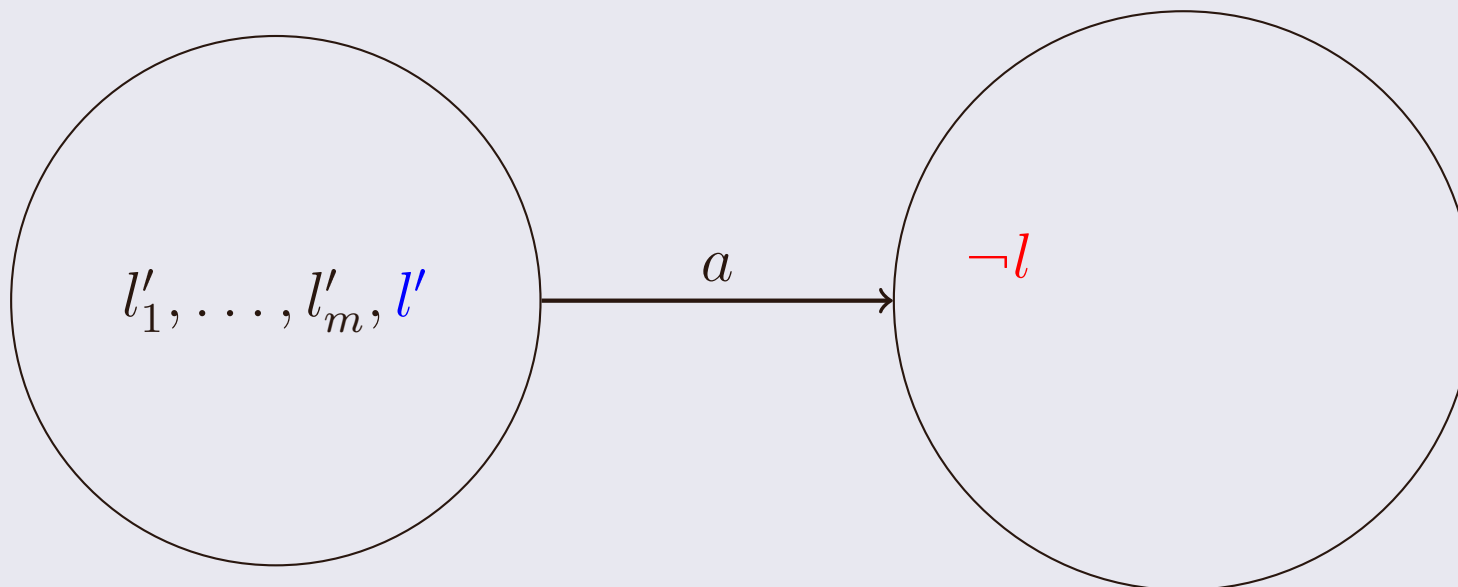
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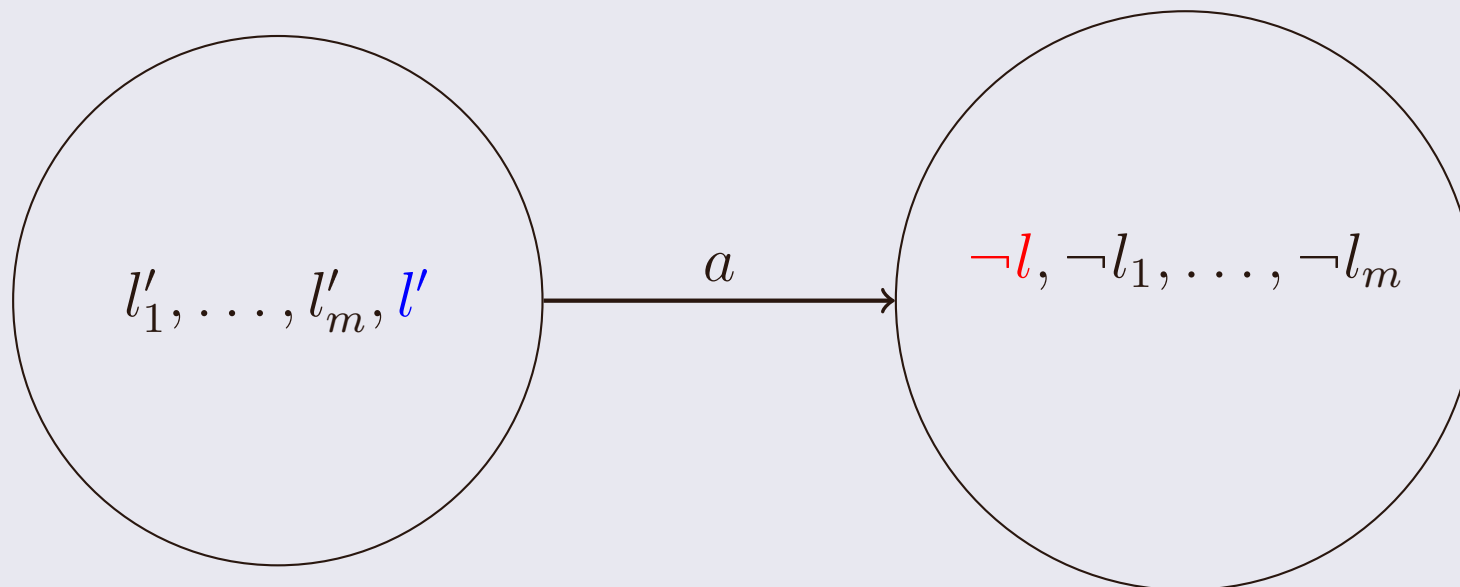
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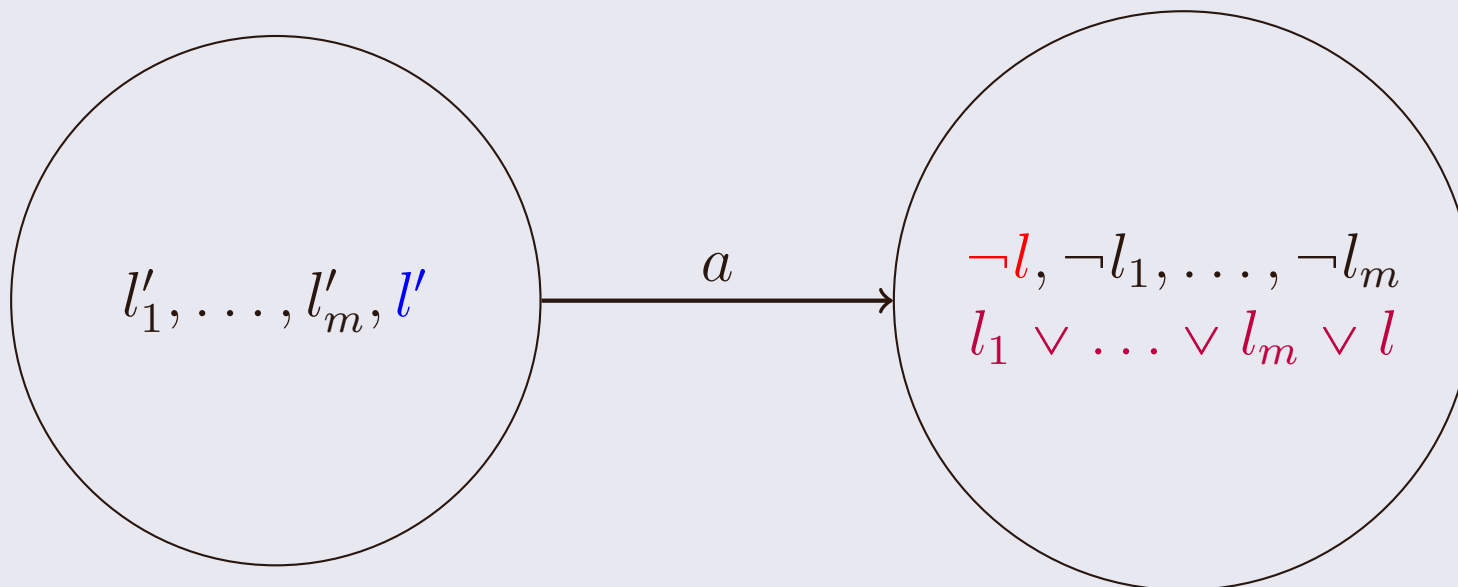
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and we are almost there. We just need to apply renaming to the second formula above:

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and rewrite it in the normal form. We obtain the following set of clauses:

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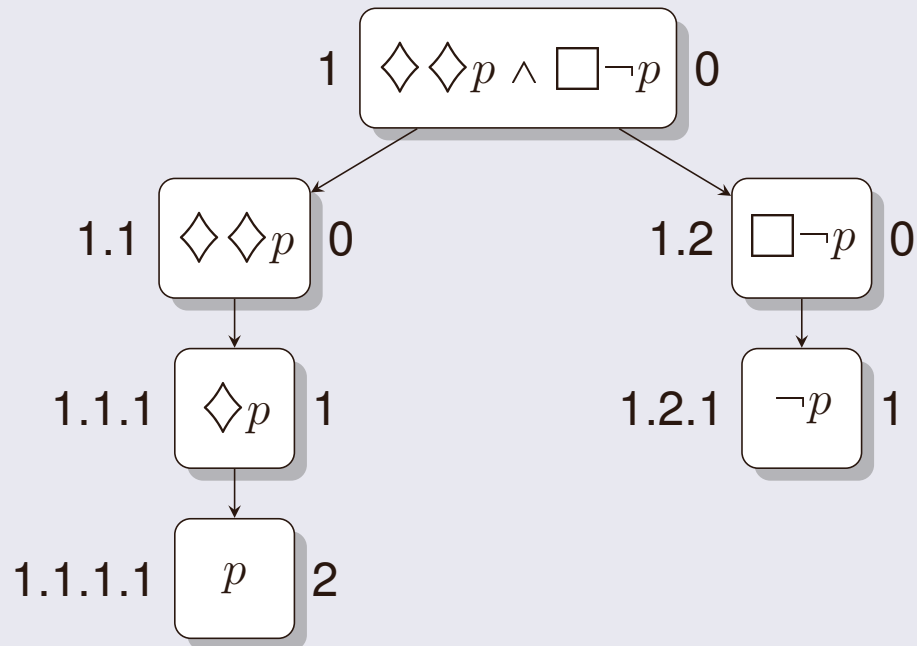
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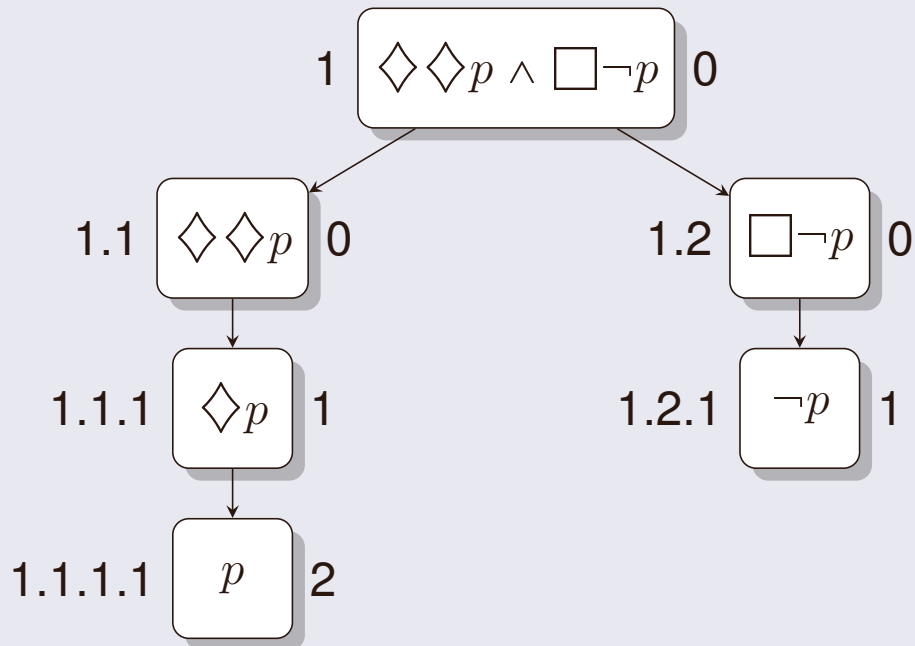
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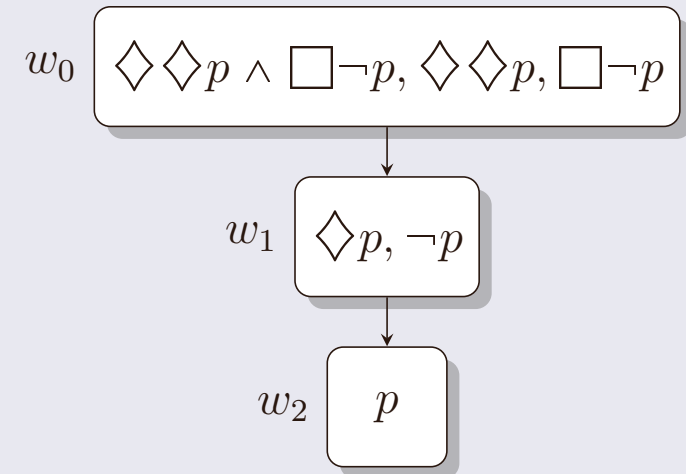
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