

Admissible Multiple-Conclusion Rules

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We consider:

- (admissible) (multiple-conclusion) rules
- characterizations of these rules
- a case study (Kleene and De Morgan algebras).

Some Terminology

To talk about logics and algebras, we need

- **propositional languages** \mathcal{L} consisting of connectives such as $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \neg, \perp, \top$ with specified finite arities
- sets $\Gamma \subseteq \text{Fm}_{\mathcal{L}}$ of **\mathcal{L} -formulas** $\psi, \varphi, \chi, \dots$ built from a countably infinite set of variables p, q, r, \dots
- endomorphisms on $\text{Fm}_{\mathcal{L}}$ called **\mathcal{L} -substitutions**.

Definition

An **\mathcal{L} -rule** is an ordered pair (Γ, Δ) with $\Gamma \cup \Delta \subseteq \text{Fm}_{\mathcal{L}}$ *finite*, written Γ / Δ (**multiple-conclusion** in general, **single-conclusion** if $|\Delta| = 1$).

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- if $\Gamma \vdash_L \varphi$, then $\Gamma \cup \Gamma' \vdash_L \varphi$ (monotonicity)
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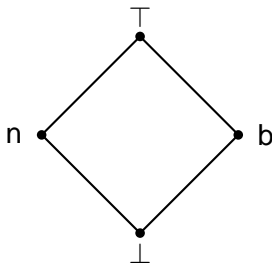
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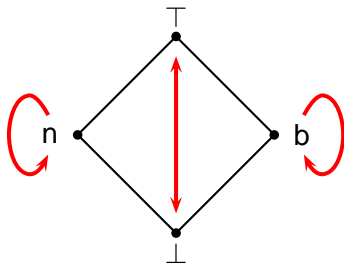
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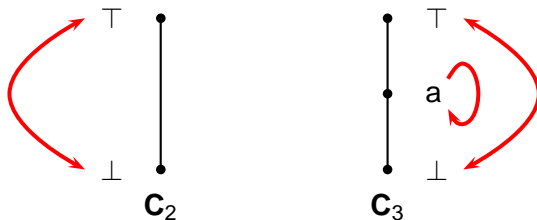
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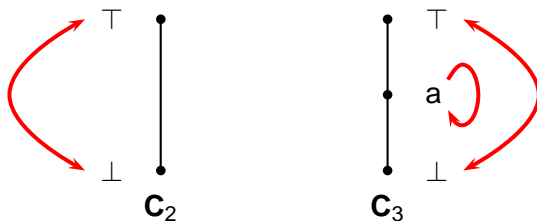
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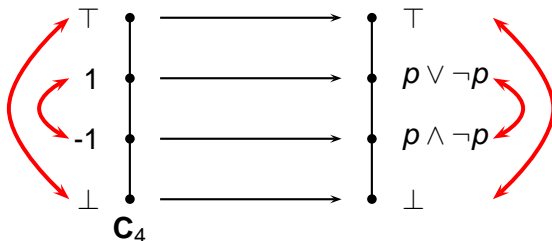
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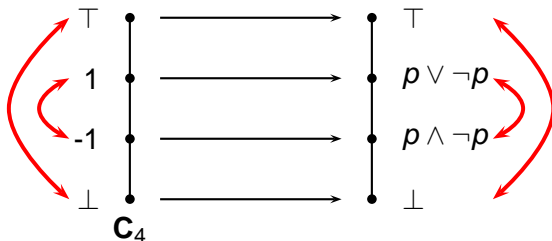
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- (Multiple-conclusion) admissible rules can be used to express properties of logics / classes of algebras.
- Can these rules be useful? E.g., for completeness / generation proofs or for speeding up proof search?
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