

# Logic and Modelling

— Propositional Logic —

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Propositions are “declarative sentences”.

## Examples

It rains.

$8 > 5$  .

$6 < 2$  .

$X$  is positive.

The earth is flat.

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We use Greek letters for formulas:

$\phi$  phi

$\alpha$  alpha

$\psi$  psi

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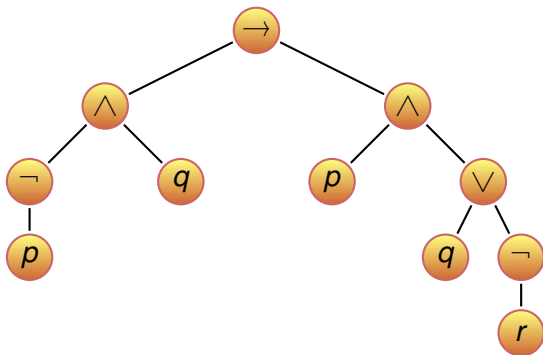
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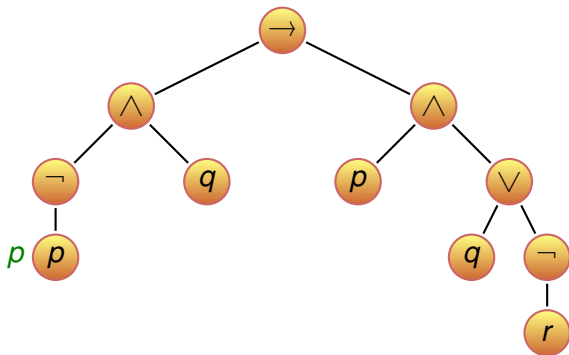
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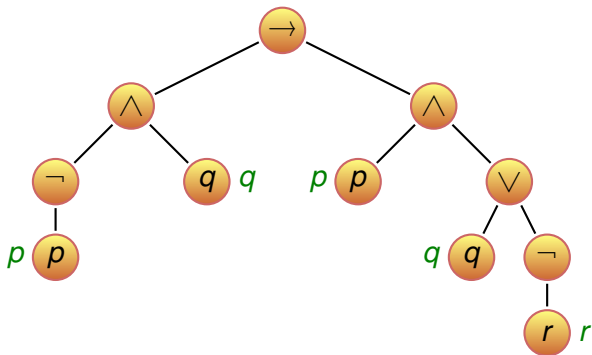
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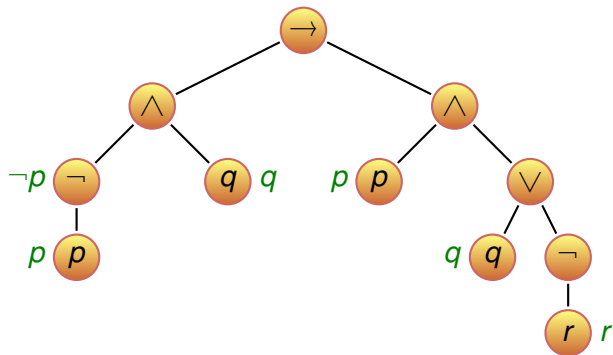
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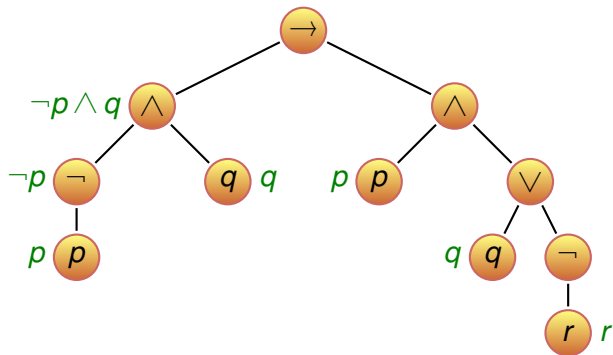
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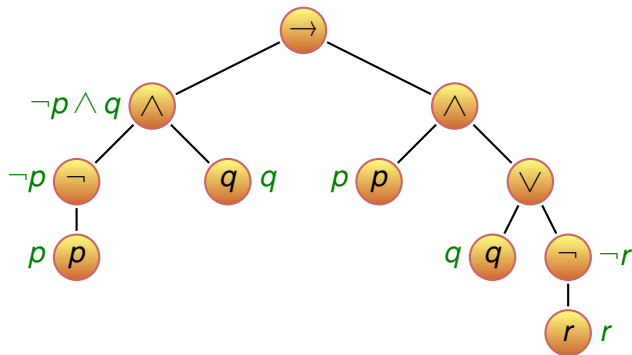
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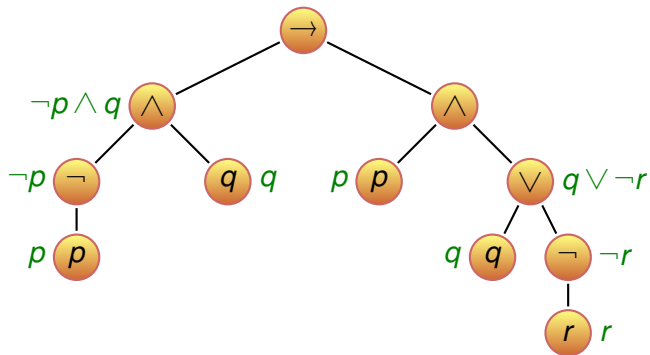
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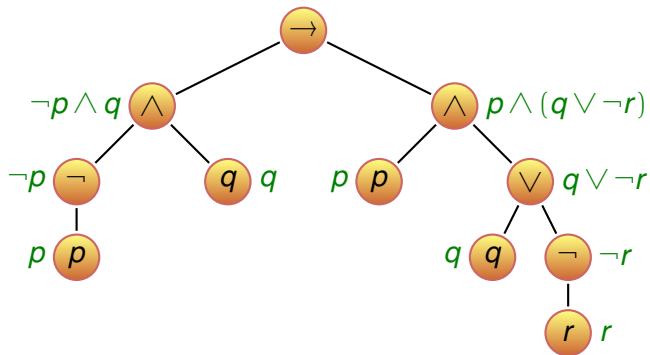
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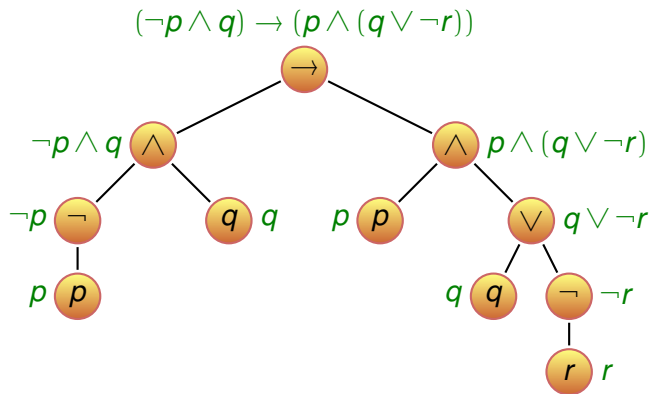
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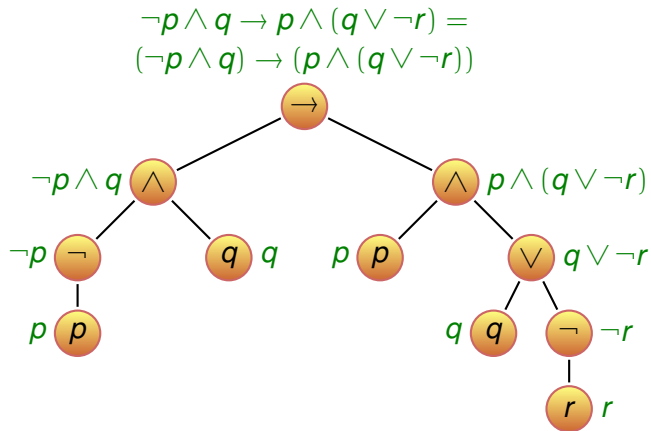
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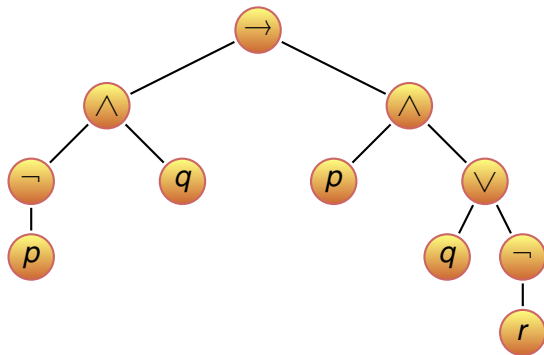
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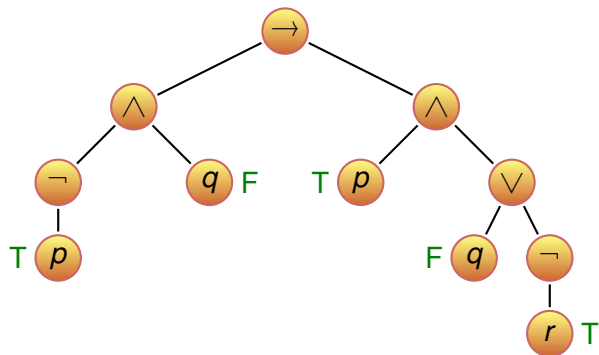
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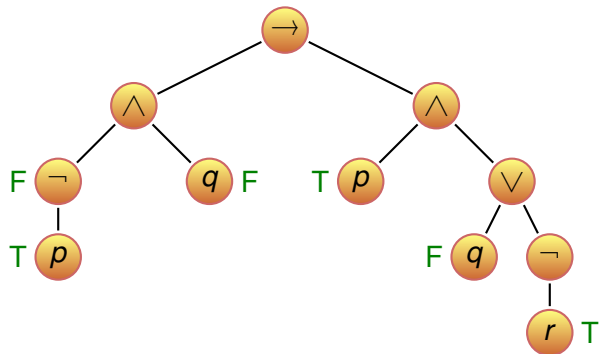
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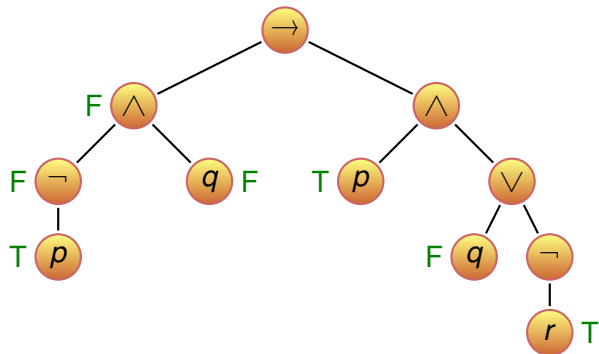
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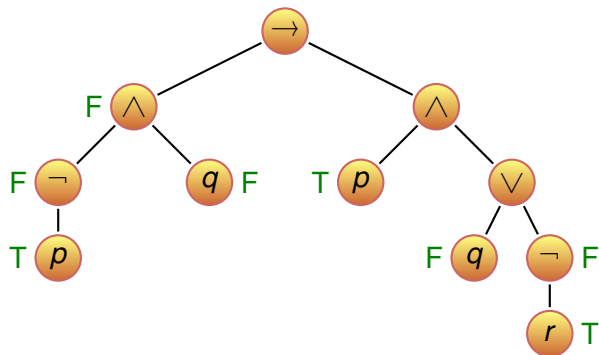




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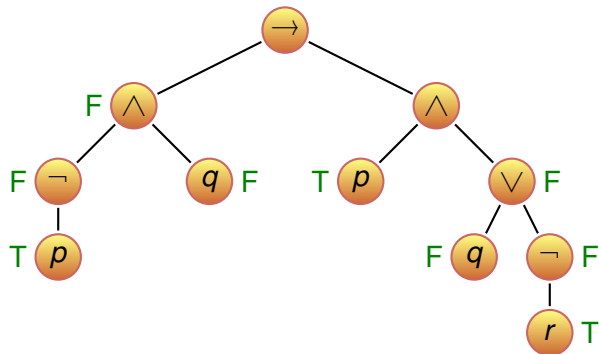
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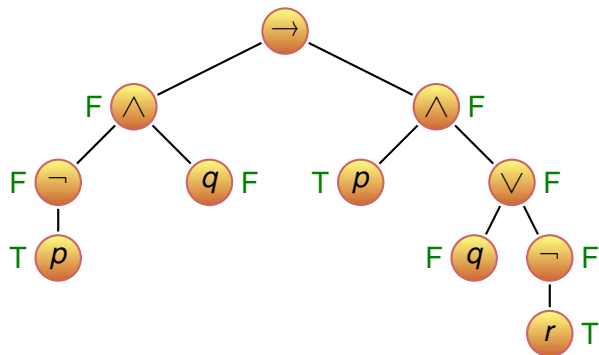
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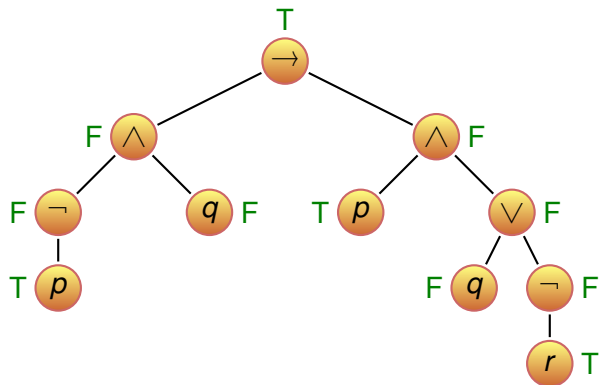
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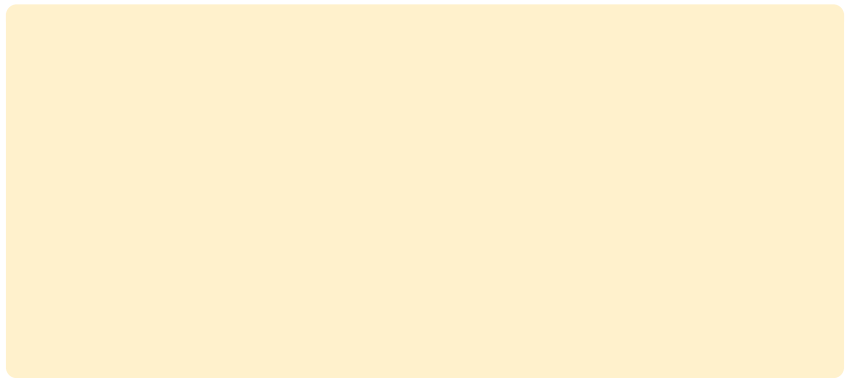
## More examples

$$p \wedge q \equiv \neg(\neg p \vee \neg q)$$

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## Two Important Variants

semantic  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \models \beta$

syntactic  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \vdash \beta$

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