

Conditional logics: from models to automated reasoning

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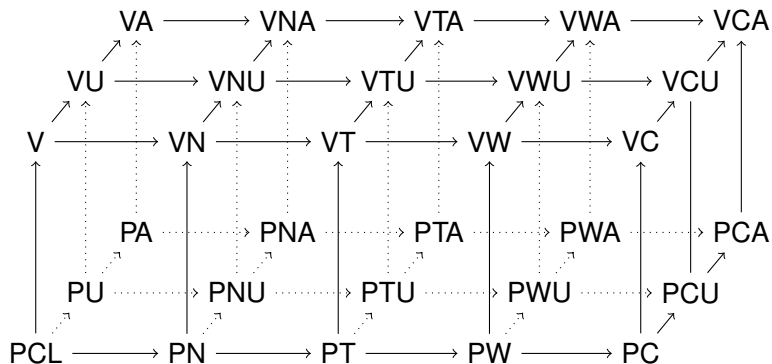
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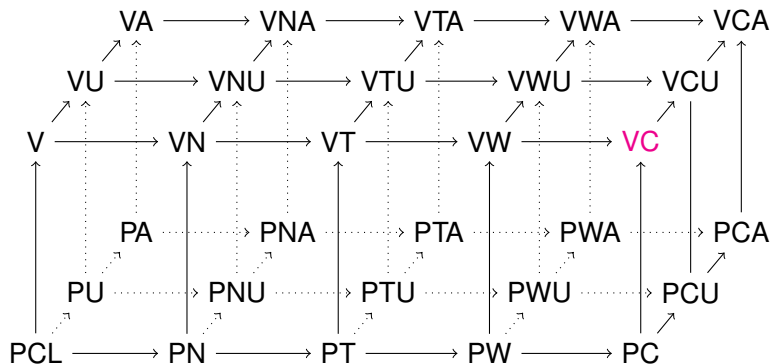
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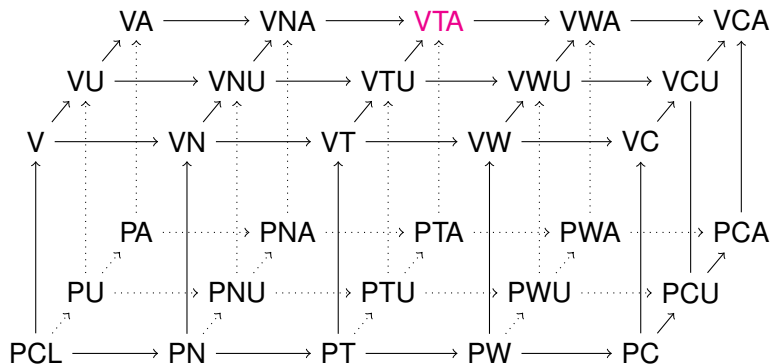


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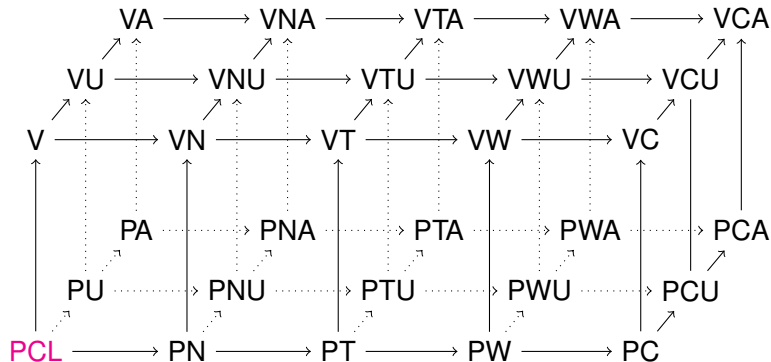
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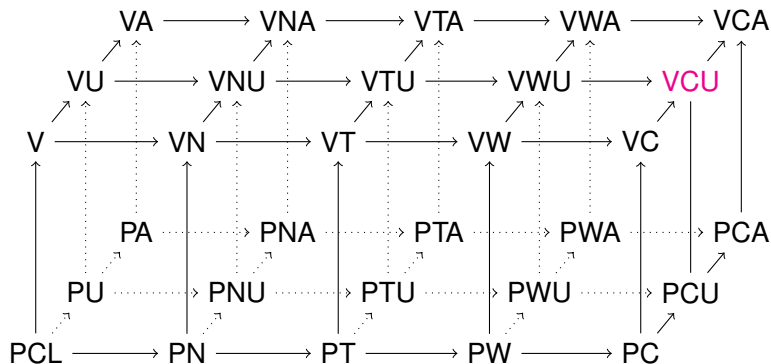
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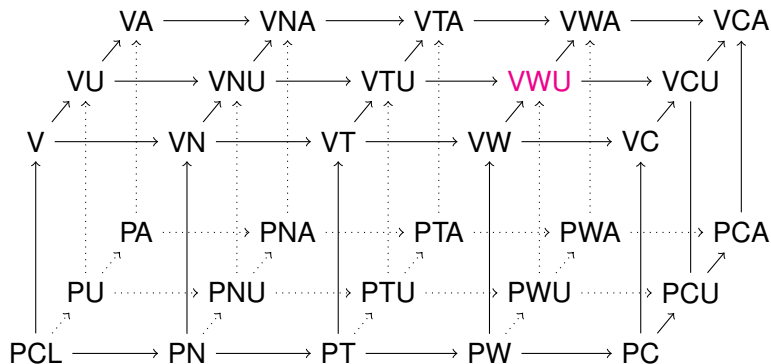
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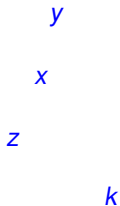
Models for conditional logics

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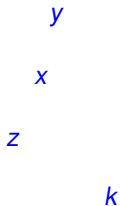
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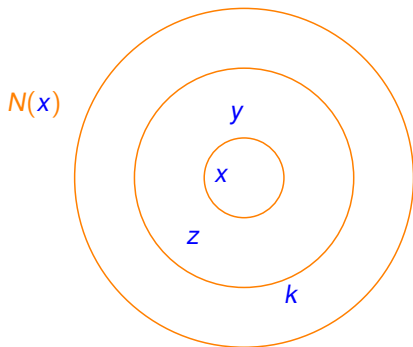
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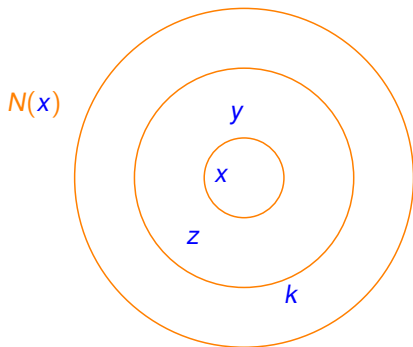
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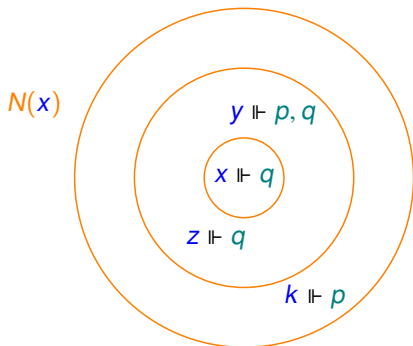
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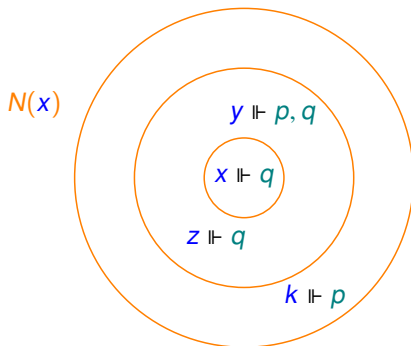
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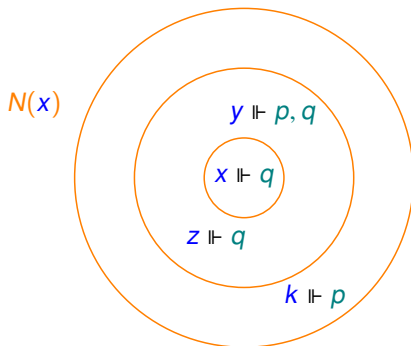


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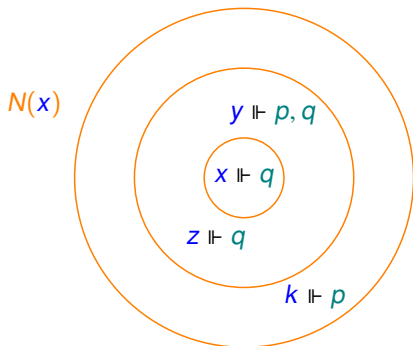


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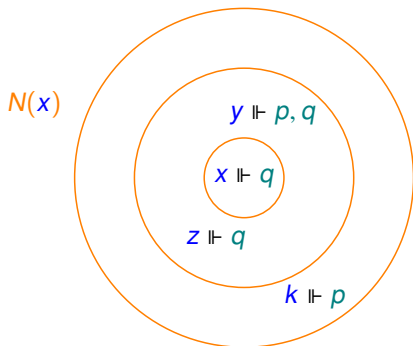
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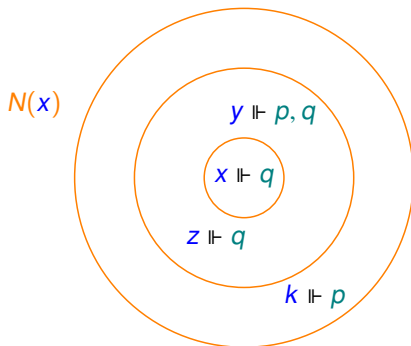
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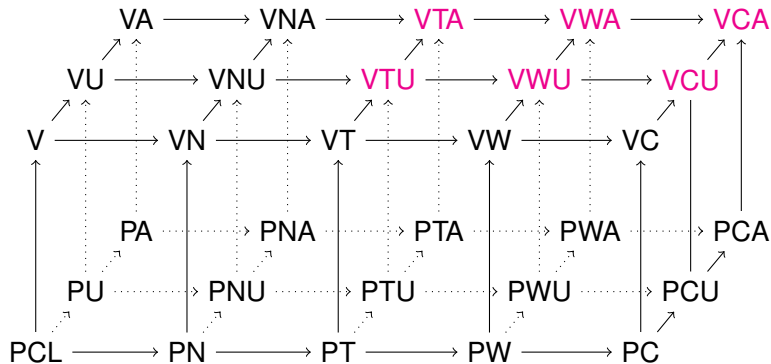


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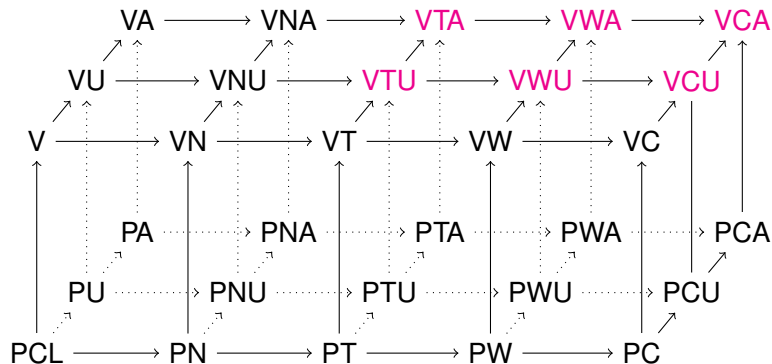
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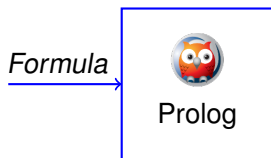
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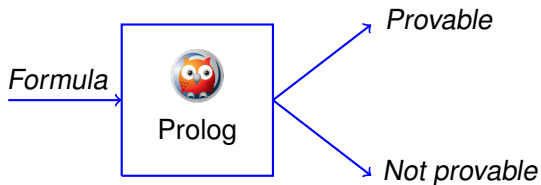
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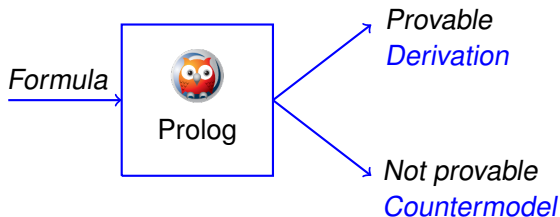
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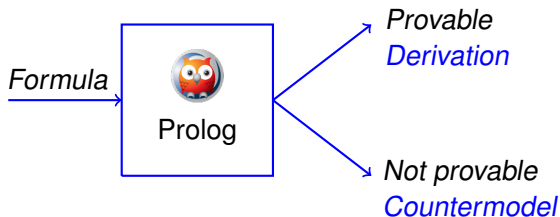






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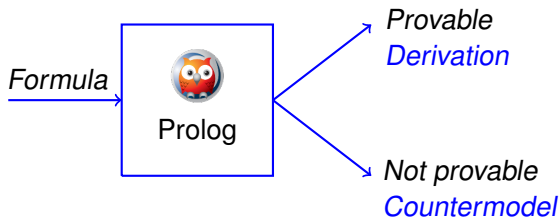




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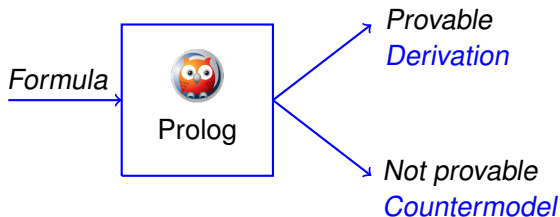


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Thank you!

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$$(ID) \quad A > A$$

$$(CM) \quad (A > B) \wedge (A > C) \rightarrow ((A \wedge B) > C)$$

$$(RT) \quad (A > B) \wedge ((A \wedge B) > C) \rightarrow (A > C)$$

$$(OR) \quad (A > C) \wedge (B > C) \rightarrow ((A \vee B) > C)$$

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Axiomatization of PCL plus

$$(CV) \quad (A > C) \wedge \neg(A > \neg B) \rightarrow ((A \wedge B) > C)$$

Axiom systems (II)

Axioms for extensions

(N)	$\neg(\top > \perp)$	<i>Normality</i>
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(C)	$(A \wedge B) \rightarrow (A > B)$	<i>Strong centering</i>
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