

Beyond sequent calculus: proof systems for conditional logics

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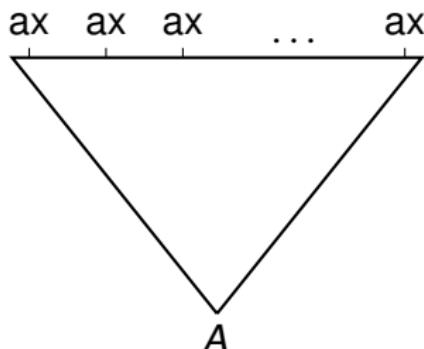
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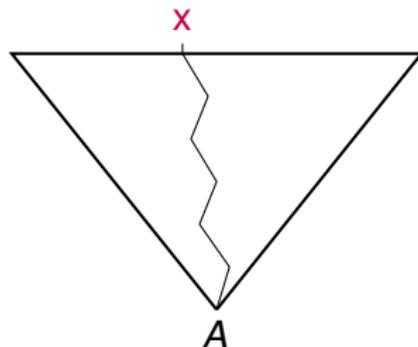
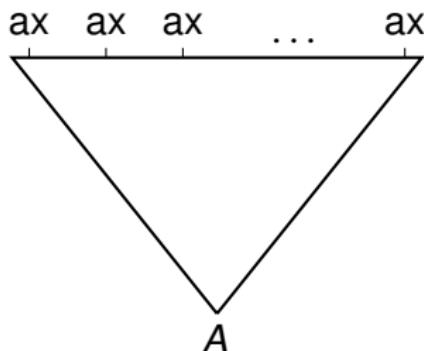
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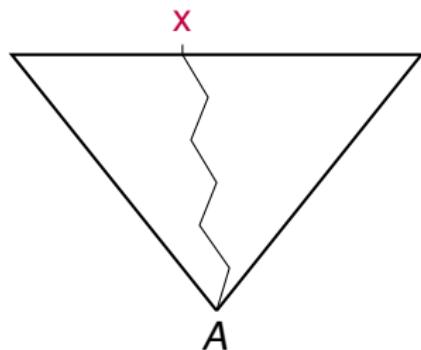
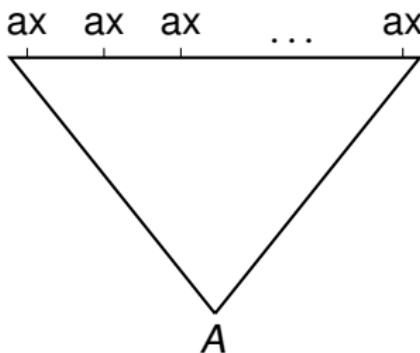
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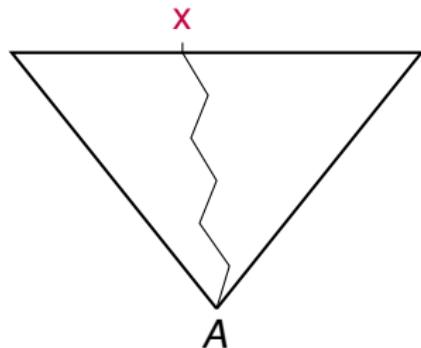
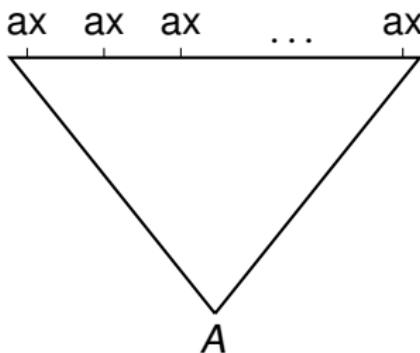


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Interpolation

[Kuznets, Lellmann, 2018], [van der Giessen, Jalali, Kuznets, 2023]

Outline

- ▶ Conditional logics
- ▶ Semantics
- ▶ Proof theory for conditional logics
 - ★ Labelled calculi for conditional logics
 - ★ Sequent calculi with blocks for (some) Lewis' logics

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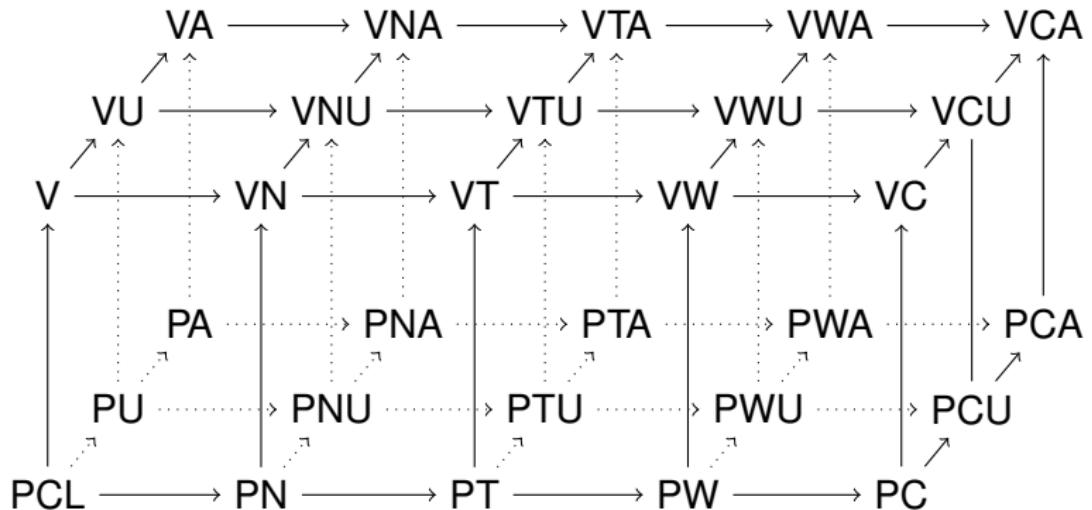
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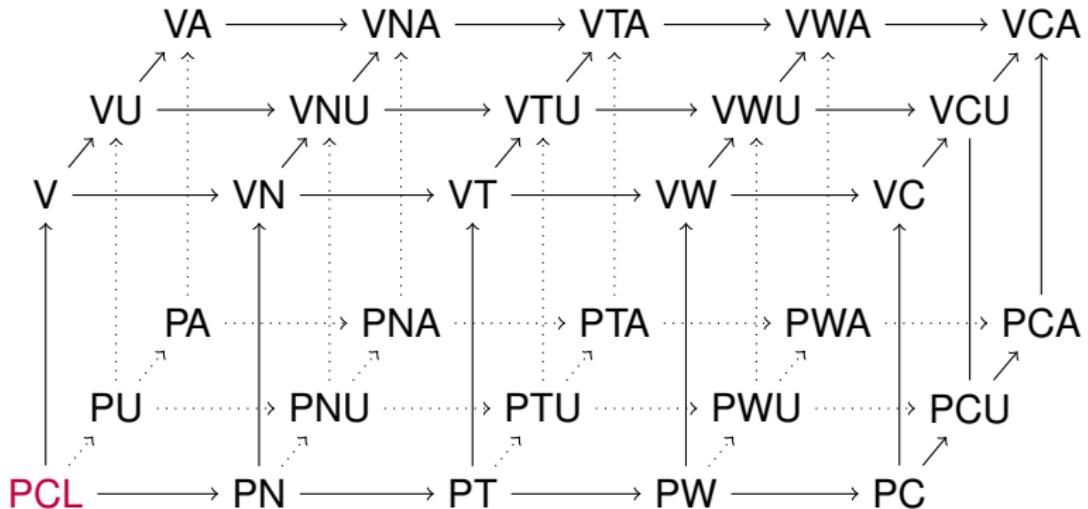
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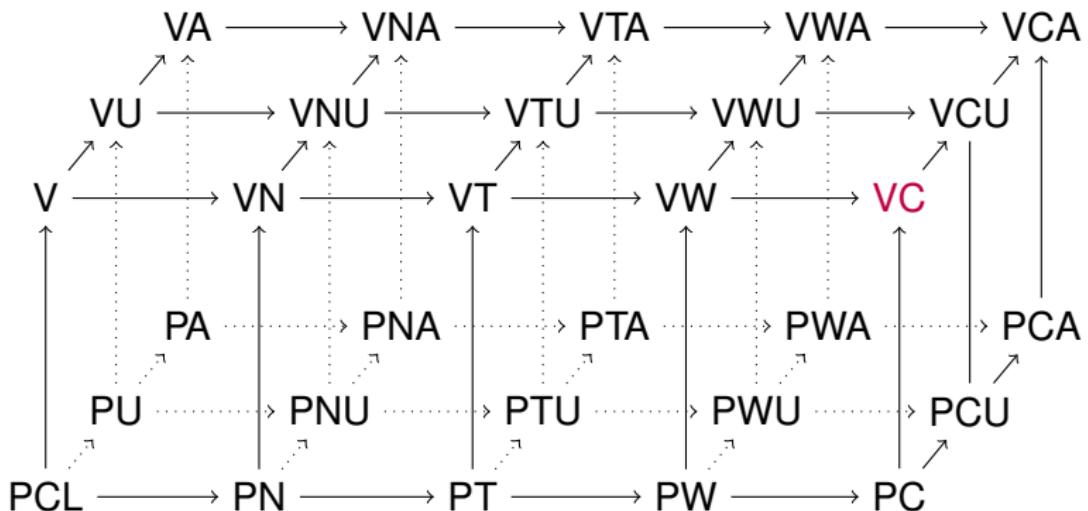


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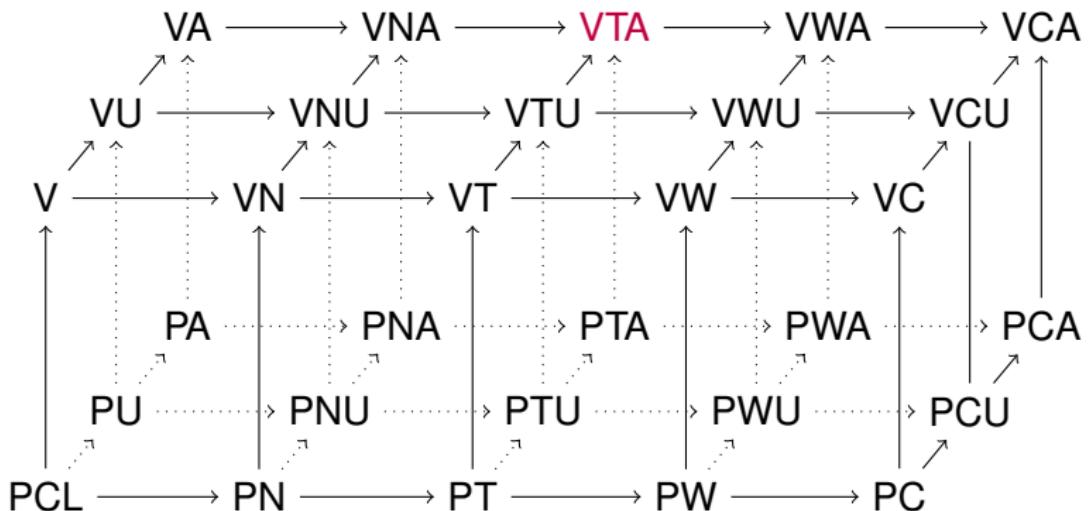
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Extensions of PCL and V

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Direct proof of soundness and completeness w.r.t. the axiomatization of PCL and extensions

[G, Negri, Olivetti, 2021]

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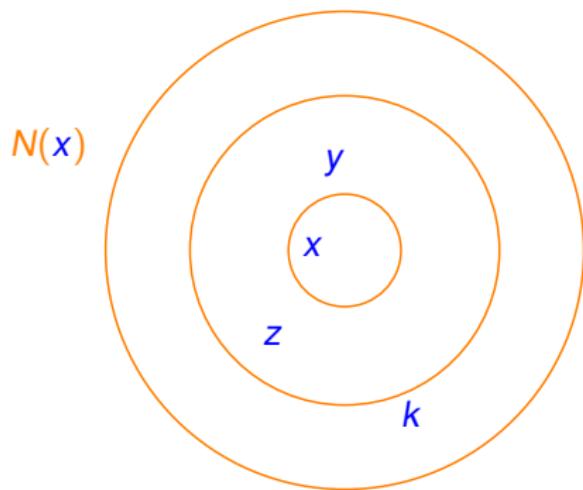
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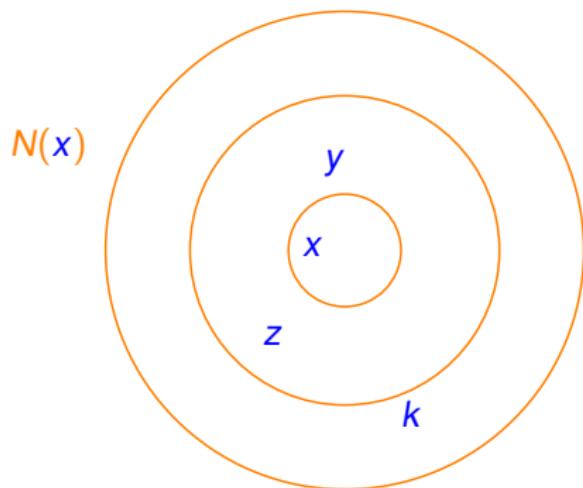
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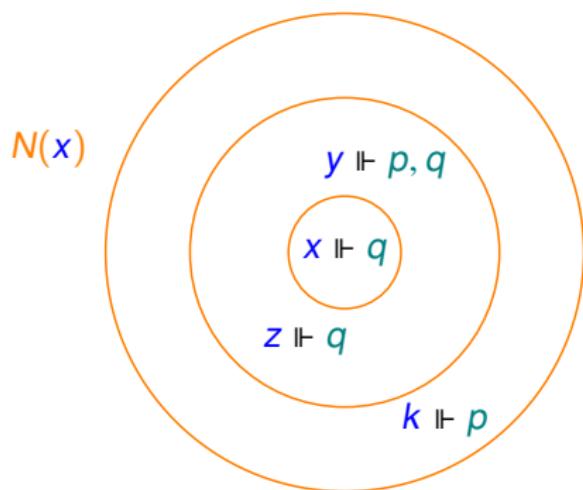
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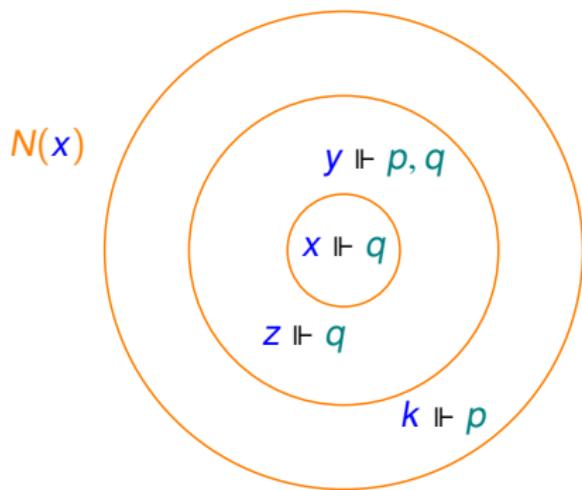
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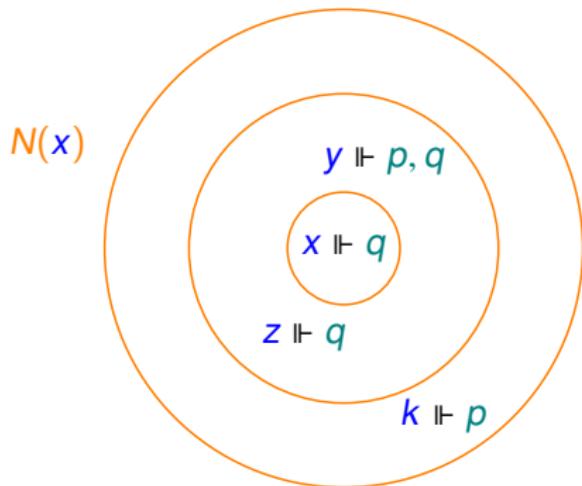


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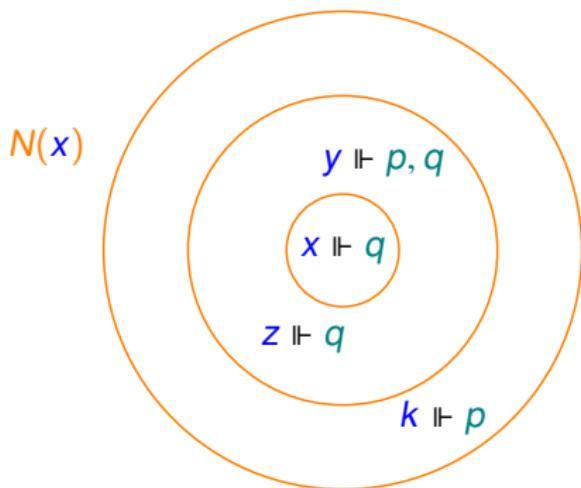


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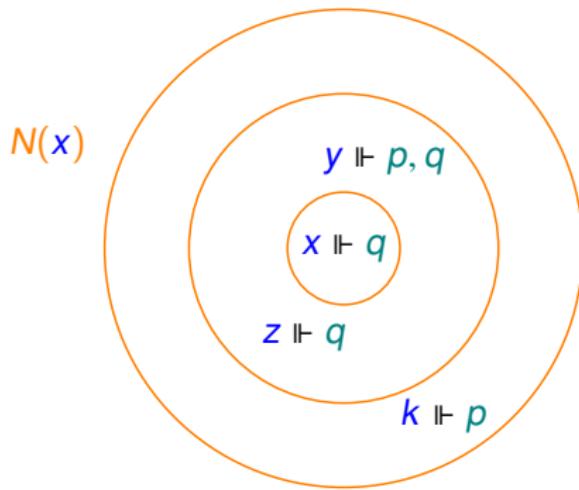
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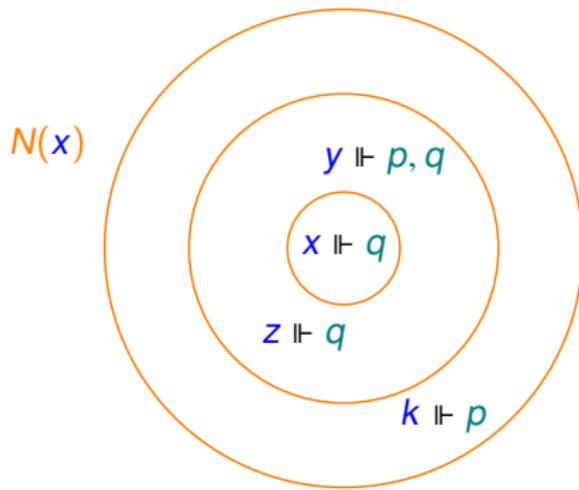
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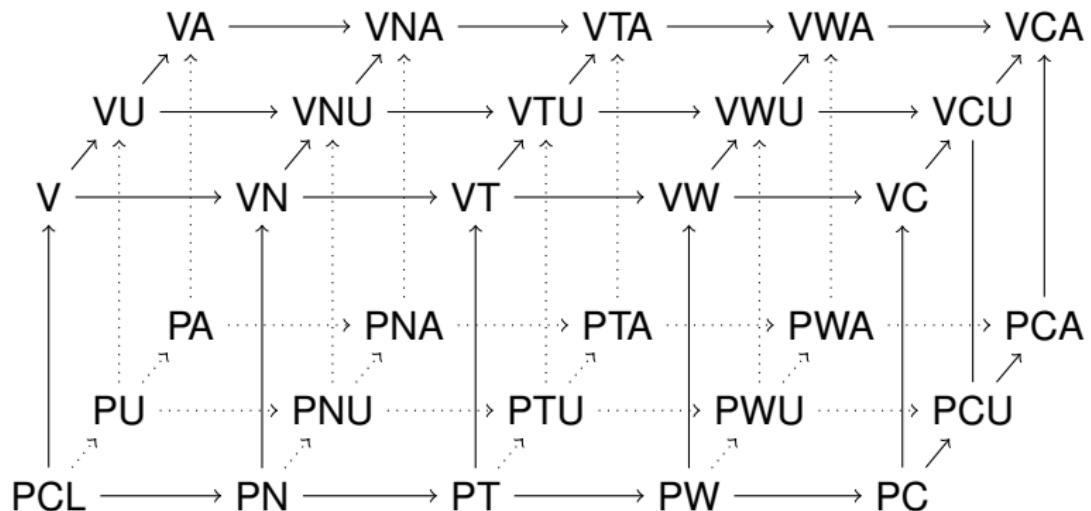
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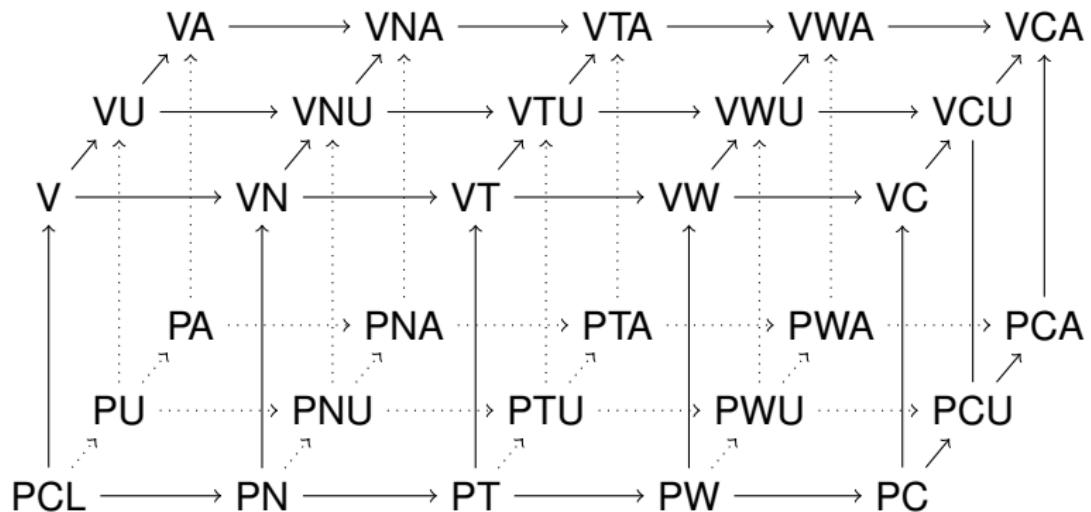
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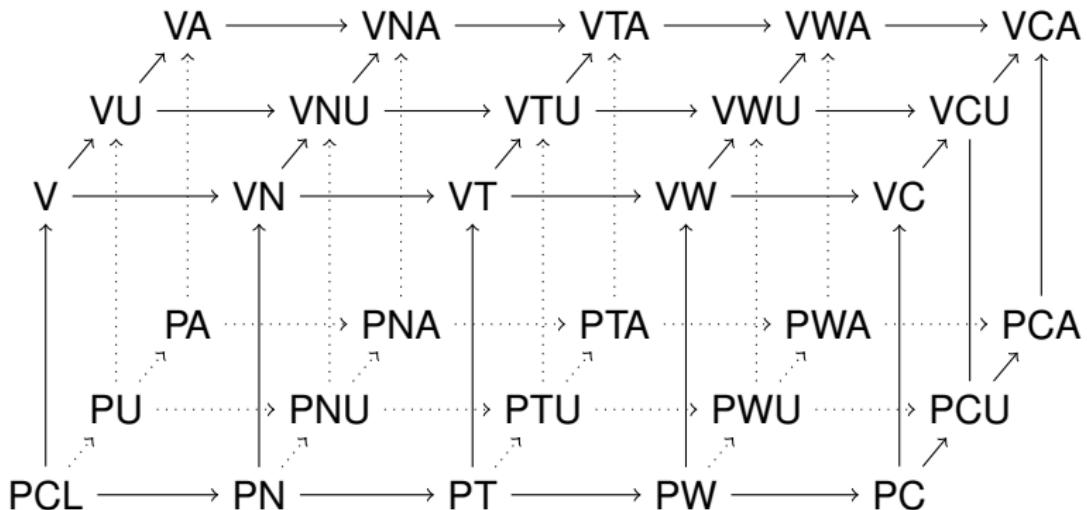
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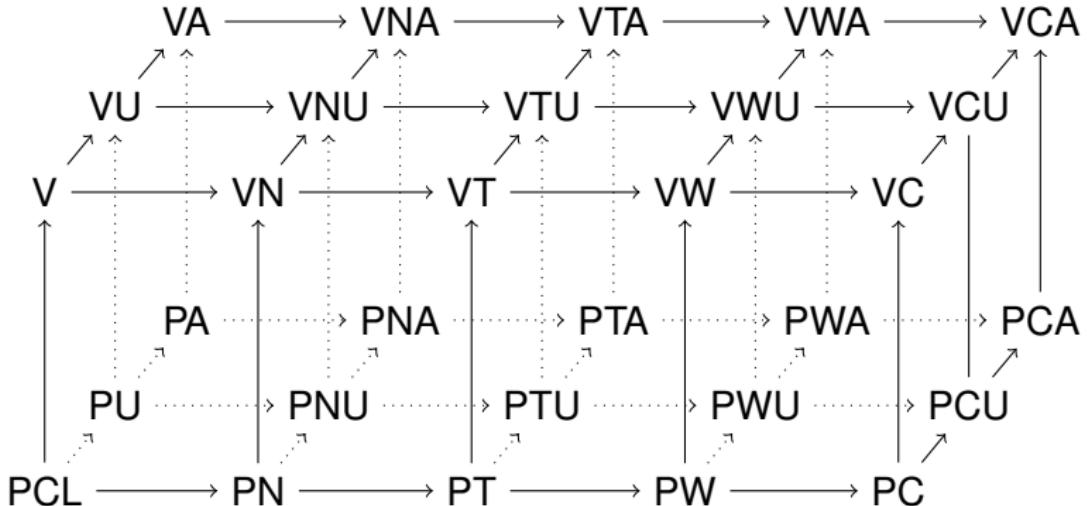
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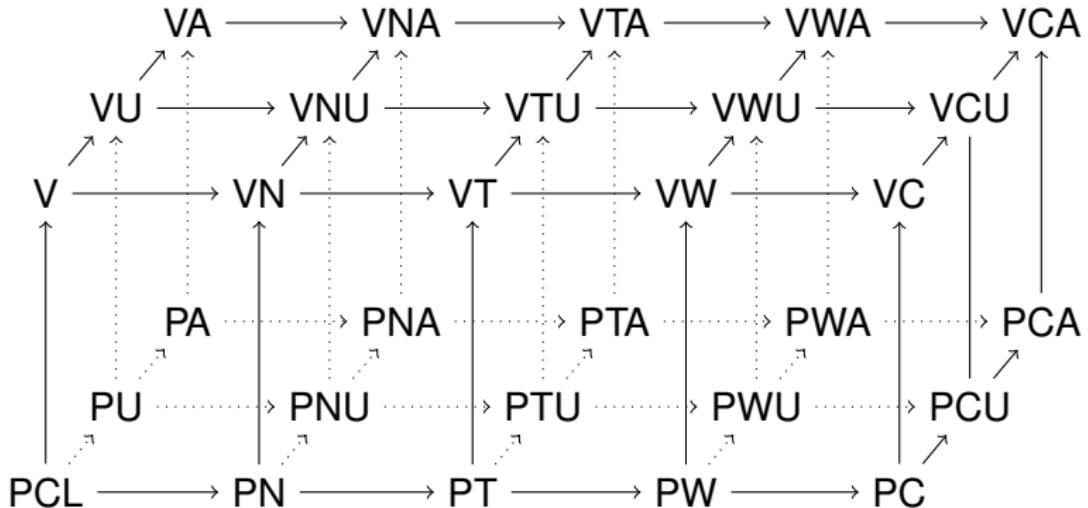
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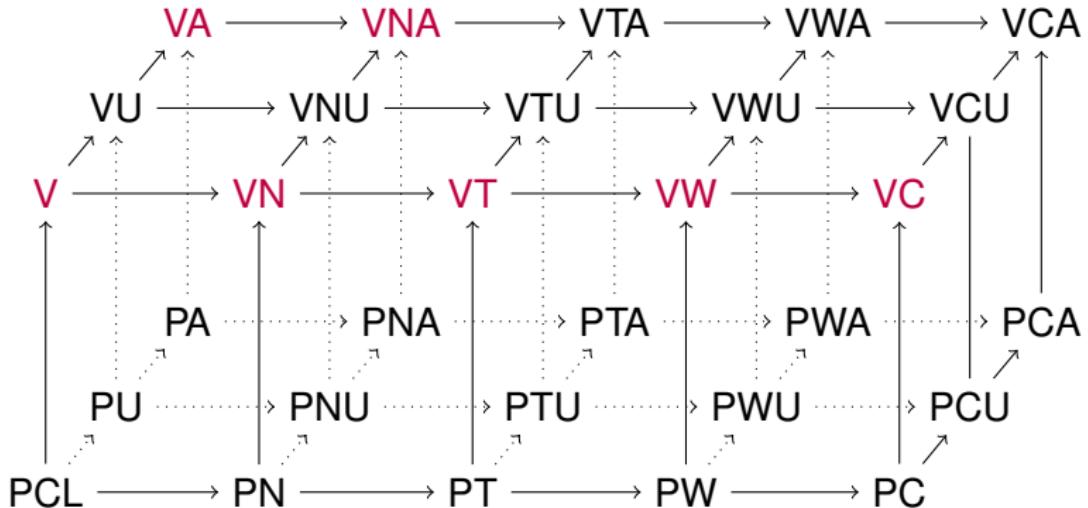
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☞ Rules for extensions, example: centering

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Examples

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Axiom c $(A \vee B) \rightarrow (A > B)$

$$\frac{}{\neg_L \frac{p, p, q \Rightarrow [\perp \lhd p], q}{p, \neg q, p, q \Rightarrow [\perp \lhd p]}}$$
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Main results [G Lellmann, Olivetti, Pozzato, 2016]

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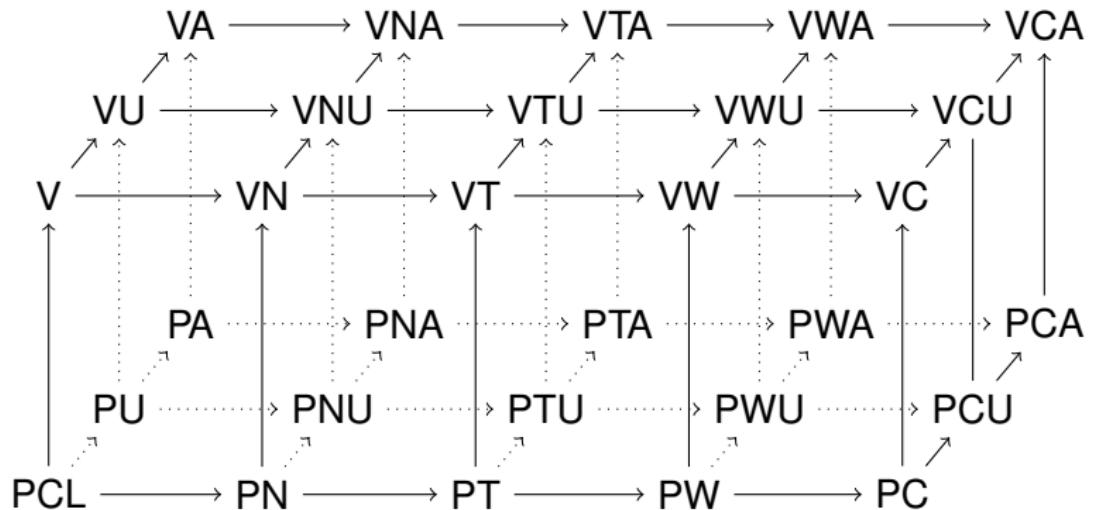
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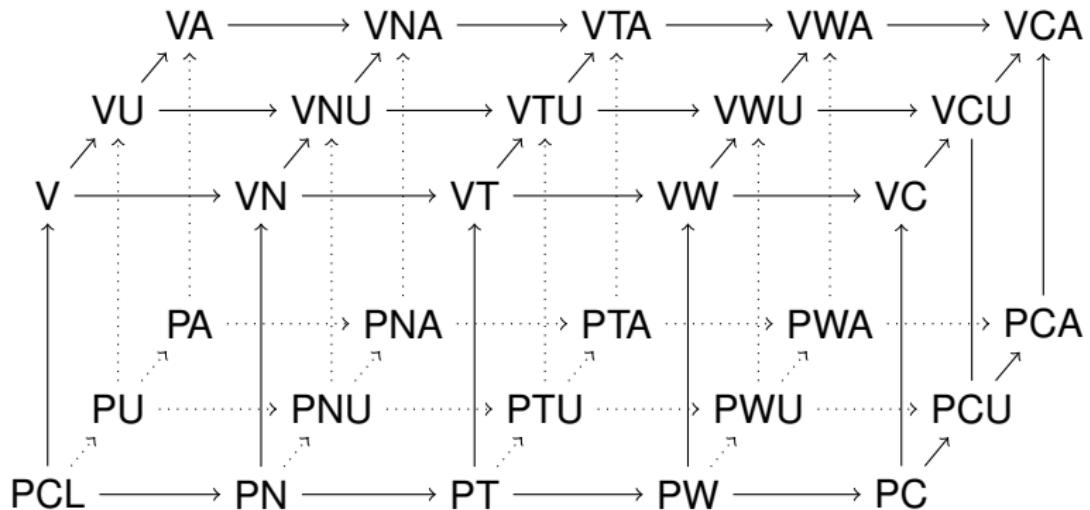
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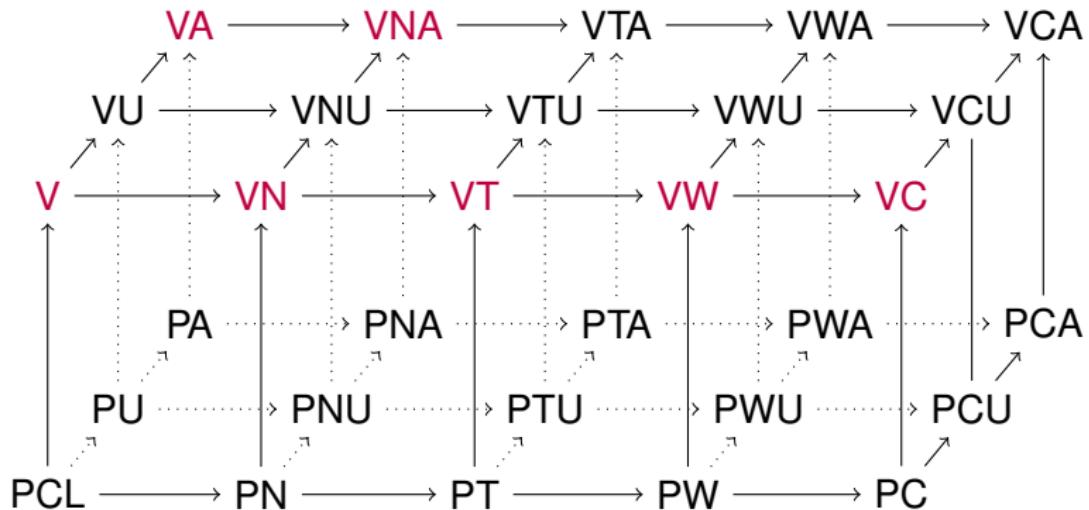


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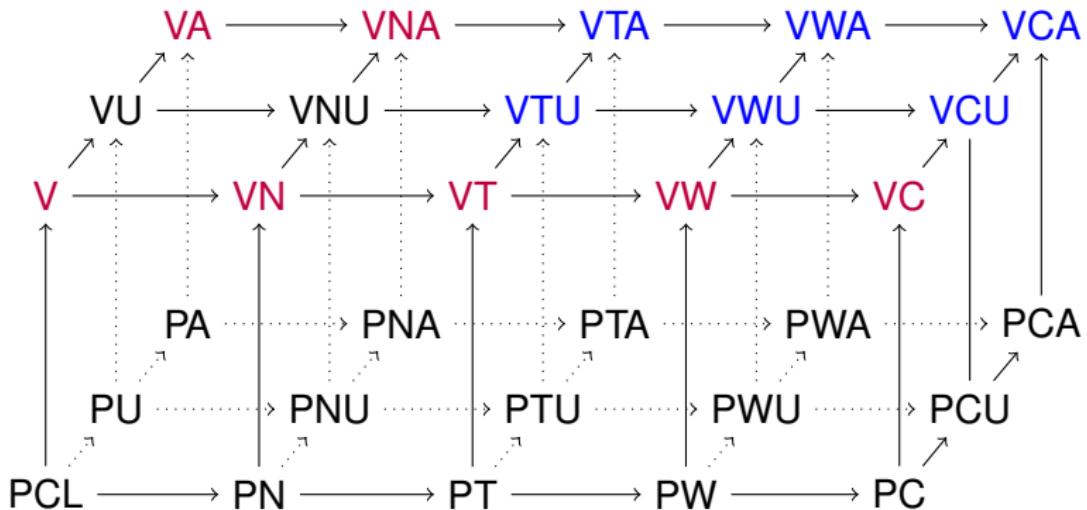
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- ▶ Hypersequent calculus with blocks for logics $VTU, VWU, VCU, VTA, VWA, VCA$ [G, Lellmann, Olivetti, Pozzato, 2017]

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