

NON-TRIVIAL INVARIANTS OF RULE PERMUTATIONS AND CUT-ELIMINATION IN CLASSICAL SEQUENT CALCULUS

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GENTZEN'S CALCULUS LK (PROPOSITIONAL FRAGMENT)

$$F, G ::= \alpha \mid \neg F \mid F \rightarrow G \mid F \vee G \mid F \wedge G \quad (\alpha \in \mathcal{A})$$

Identity group:

$$\frac{}{F \vdash F} \text{ ax} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F \quad F, \Gamma' \vdash \Delta'}{\Gamma, \Gamma' \vdash \Delta, \Delta'} \text{ cut}$$

Structural group:

$$\frac{\Gamma, F, G, \Gamma' \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, G, F, \Gamma' \vdash \Delta} \text{ xch} \vdash \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta}{F, \Gamma \vdash \Delta} \text{ wk} \vdash \quad \frac{F, F, \Gamma \vdash \Delta}{F, \Gamma \vdash \Delta} \text{ ctr} \vdash$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F, G \Delta'}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, G, F, \Delta'} \vdash \text{ xch} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F} \vdash \text{ wk} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F, F}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F, F} \vdash \text{ ctr}$$

Additive group (context sharing):

$$\frac{F, \Gamma \vdash \Delta}{F \wedge G, \Gamma \vdash \Delta} \wedge_1 \vdash \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F \vee G} \vee_1 \vdash$$

$$\frac{G, \Gamma \vdash \Delta}{F \wedge G, \Gamma \vdash \Delta} \wedge_r \vdash \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, G}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F \vee G} \vee_r \vdash$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F \quad \Gamma \vdash \Delta, G}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F \wedge G} \vdash \wedge \quad \frac{F, \Gamma \vdash \Delta \quad G, \Gamma \vdash \Delta}{F \vee G, \Gamma \vdash \Delta} \vee \vdash$$

Multiplicative group (context splitting):

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F}{\neg F, \Gamma \vdash \Delta} \neg \vdash \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F \quad G, \Gamma' \vdash \Delta'}{F \rightarrow G, \Gamma, \Gamma' \vdash \Delta, \Delta'} \rightarrow \vdash$$

$$\frac{F, \Gamma \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, \neg F} \vdash \neg \quad \frac{F, \Gamma \vdash \Delta, G}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta, F \rightarrow G} \vdash \rightarrow$$

THE CALCULUS LK (PROPOSITIONAL FRAGMENT, ONE SIDED)

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$$\overline{(\alpha)} = \bar{\alpha} \quad \overline{(\bar{\alpha})} = \alpha \quad \overline{F \vee G} = \bar{F} \wedge \bar{G} \quad \overline{F \wedge G} = \bar{F} \vee \bar{G}$$

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$$\frac{}{\vdash \bar{A}, A} \text{ax} \quad \frac{\vdash \Gamma, A \quad \vdash \Delta, \bar{A}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta} \text{cut}$$

Structural group:

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma}{\vdash \Gamma, A} \text{wk} \quad \frac{\vdash \Gamma, A, A}{\vdash \Gamma, A} \text{ctr}$$

Logical group:

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma, A, B}{\vdash \Gamma, A \vee B} \vee \quad \frac{\vdash \Gamma, A \quad \vdash \Delta, B}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, A \wedge B} \wedge$$

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Coarsest: correctness and conclusions.

Finest: normal form (if unique).

Intermediate ones?

CUT-ELIMINATION – KEY CASES

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdash \Gamma, \bar{F}, \bar{G}} \vee}{\vdash \Gamma, \bar{F} \vee \bar{G}} \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots Q \quad \vdots R}{\vdash \Delta_1, F \quad \vdash \Delta_2, G} \wedge}{\vdash \Delta_1, \Delta_2, F \wedge G} \wedge}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \Delta_2} \text{cut}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \Delta_2} \text{cut} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P \quad \vdots Q}{\vdash \Gamma, \bar{F}, \bar{G}} \quad \vdash \Delta_1, F} \text{cut}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \bar{G}} \quad \frac{\vdots R}{\vdash \Delta_2, G} \text{cut}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \Delta_2} \text{cut}$$

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CUT-ELIMINATION – STRUCTURAL CASES

$$\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{wk} \quad \frac{\vdots Q}{\vdash \Delta, \bar{F}} \text{cut}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta} \text{cut}$$

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$$\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{wk}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta} \text{wk}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdash \Gamma, F, F} \text{ctr} \quad \frac{\vdots Q}{\vdash \Delta, \bar{F}} \text{cut}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta} \text{cut}$$

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$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdash \Gamma, F, F} \text{ctr} \quad \frac{\vdots Q}{\vdash \Delta, \bar{F}} \text{cut}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta} \text{cut} \quad \frac{\vdots Q}{\vdash \Delta, \bar{F}} \text{cut}}{\frac{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \Delta}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta} \text{ctr}} \text{cut}$$

CUT-ELIMINATION – COMMUTATIVE CASES (EXAMPLES)

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdots} \quad \frac{\vdots Q}{\vdots}}{\vdash \Gamma, F \vee G, H} \vee \quad \vdash \Delta, \bar{H}}{\vdash \Gamma, F \vee G, \Delta} \text{cut} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdots} \quad \frac{\vdots Q}{\vdots}}{\vdash \Gamma, F, G, H \quad \vdash \Delta, \bar{H}} \text{cut}}{\vdash \Gamma, F \vee G, \Delta} \vee$$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdots} \quad \frac{\vdots Q}{\vdots}}{\vdash \Gamma_1, F, H \quad \vdash \Gamma_2, G} \wedge \quad \frac{\vdots R}{\vdots}}{\vdash \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, F \wedge G, H \quad \vdash \Delta, \bar{H}} \text{cut} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdots} \quad \frac{\vdots R}{\vdots}}{\vdash \Gamma_1, F, H \quad \vdash \Delta, \bar{H}} \text{cut} \quad \frac{\vdots Q}{\vdots}}{\vdash \Gamma_2, G} \wedge}{\vdash \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, F \wedge G, \Delta} \wedge$$

PATHOLOGICAL CRITICAL PAIRS

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{array}{c} \vdots P \\ \vdots Q \\ \hline \vdots P \quad \vdots Q \\ \vdash \Gamma, \bar{F}, \bar{G} \quad \vdash \Delta_1, F \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \bar{G} \end{array} \text{cut} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots R \\ \vdash \Delta_2, G \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \end{array} \text{cut} \\
 \leftarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots P \quad \vdots Q \quad \vdots R \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \bar{F}, \bar{G} \quad \vdash \Delta_1, F \quad \vdash \Delta_2, G \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \bar{F} \vee \bar{G} \quad \vdash \Delta_1, \Delta_2, F \wedge G \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \end{array} \text{cut} \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots P \quad \vdots R \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \bar{F}, \bar{G} \quad \vdash \Delta_2, G \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \bar{F}, \Delta_2 \end{array} \text{cut} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots Q \\ \vdash \Delta_1, F \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \end{array} \text{cut}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{array}{c} \vdots P \\ \vdash \Gamma \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \Delta \end{array} \text{wk} \\
 \leftarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots P \quad \vdots Q \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma \quad \vdash \Delta \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, F \quad \vdash \Delta, \bar{F} \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \Delta \end{array} \text{cut} \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots Q \\ \vdash \Delta \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \Delta \end{array} \text{wk}
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 \hline \vdash \Gamma, \Delta \\
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 \text{cut}
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 \end{array}$$

LAFONT'S EXAMPLE & CO. (PROOFS AND TYPES, 1989)

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{wk}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Gamma} \text{ctr}}{\vdash \Gamma}}{= P'} \quad \leftarrow \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots P}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{wk}}{\vdash \Gamma, F} \quad \frac{\frac{\vdots Q}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{wk}}{\vdash \Gamma, \bar{F}} \text{wk}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Gamma} \text{cut}}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{ctr} \quad \rightarrow \quad Q' = \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots Q}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{wk}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Gamma} \text{ctr}}{\vdash \Gamma}$$

Assumption 1. *There is a function $\llbracket - \rrbracket : \text{LK} \rightarrow X$ mapping LK derivations to interpretations in some space X .*

Assumption 2. *The interpretation is preserved under cut reduction, i.e. for all $R, R' \in \text{LK}$, if $R \rightarrow R'$ then $\llbracket R \rrbracket = \llbracket R' \rrbracket$.*

Assumption 3. *The interpretation is such that $\llbracket P' \rrbracket = \llbracket P \rrbracket$ and $\llbracket Q' \rrbracket = \llbracket Q \rrbracket$.*

Corollary. $\llbracket P' \rrbracket = \llbracket Q' \rrbracket$, hence $\llbracket P \rrbracket = \llbracket Q \rrbracket$.

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$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{array}{c} \vdots P \\ \vdots Q \\ \hline \vdash \Gamma, \bar{F}, \bar{G} \quad \vdash \Delta_1, F \end{array} \text{cut} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots R \\ \hline \vdash \Delta_2, G \end{array} \\
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 \vdash \Gamma, \Delta_1, \bar{G} \quad \vdash \Delta_2, G \\
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 \vdash \Gamma, \Delta \quad \vdash \Delta, \bar{F} \\
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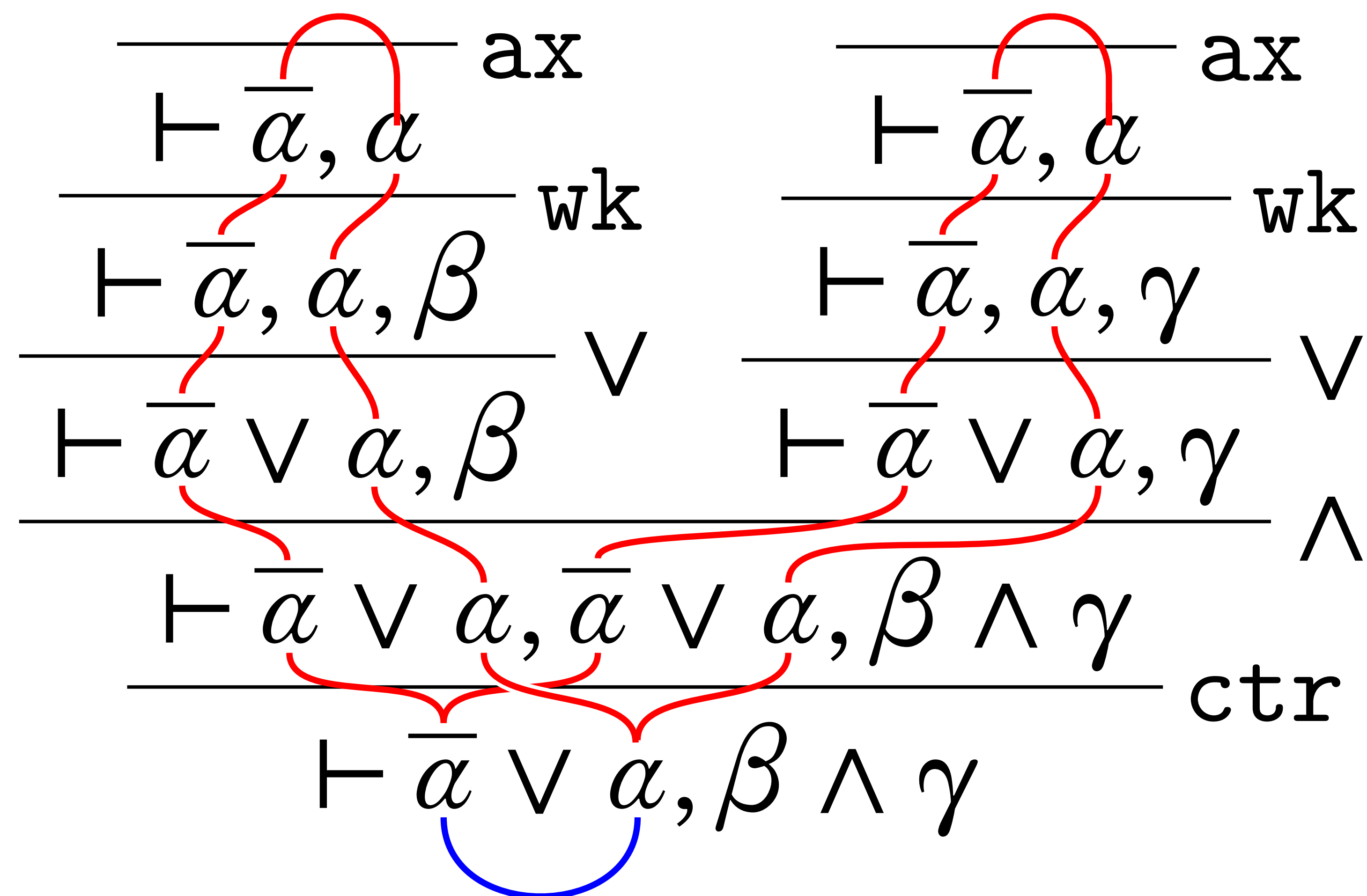
IDEA #1 – TRACKING AXIOMS

Track existence, avoid counting.
 (Andrews 1976, Lamarche & Straßburger 2004+)

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 \frac{\vdash \bar{\alpha}, \alpha}{\vdash \bar{\alpha}, \alpha, \beta} \text{ wk} \qquad \frac{\vdash \bar{\alpha}, \alpha}{\vdash \bar{\alpha}, \alpha, \gamma} \text{ wk} \\
 \frac{\vdash \bar{\alpha}, \alpha, \beta}{\vdash \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \beta} \vee \qquad \frac{\vdash \bar{\alpha}, \alpha, \gamma}{\vdash \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \gamma} \vee \\
 \frac{\vdash \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \beta \quad \vdash \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \gamma}{\vdash \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \beta \wedge \gamma} \wedge \\
 \frac{\vdash \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \beta \wedge \gamma}{\vdash \bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha, \beta \wedge \gamma} \text{ ctr}
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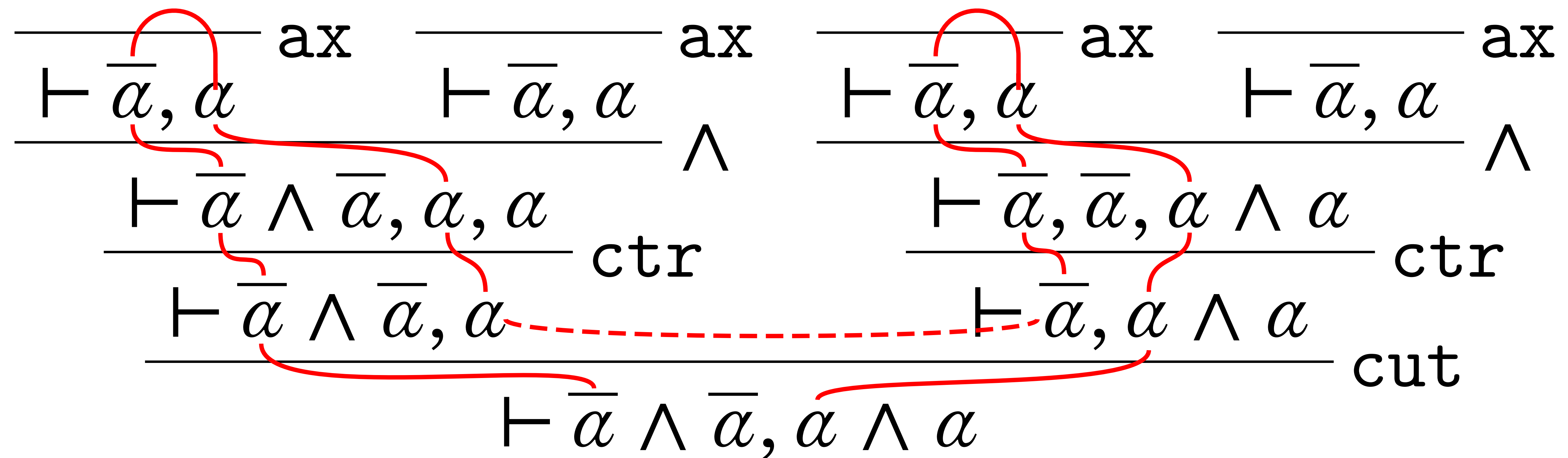
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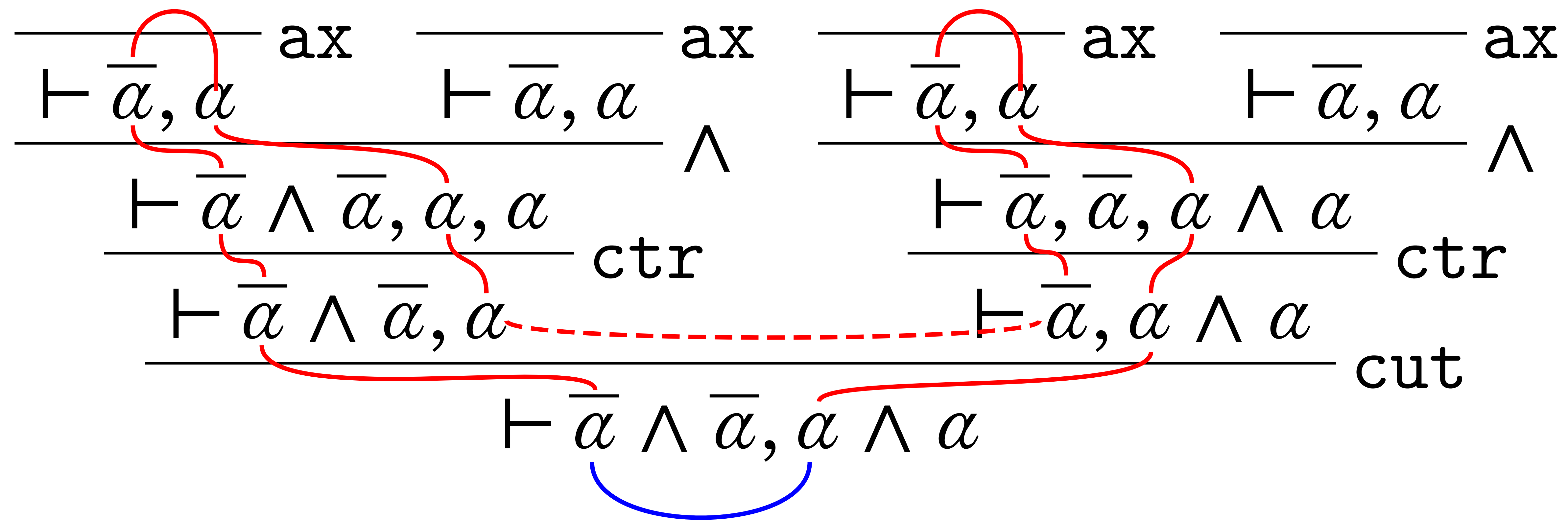
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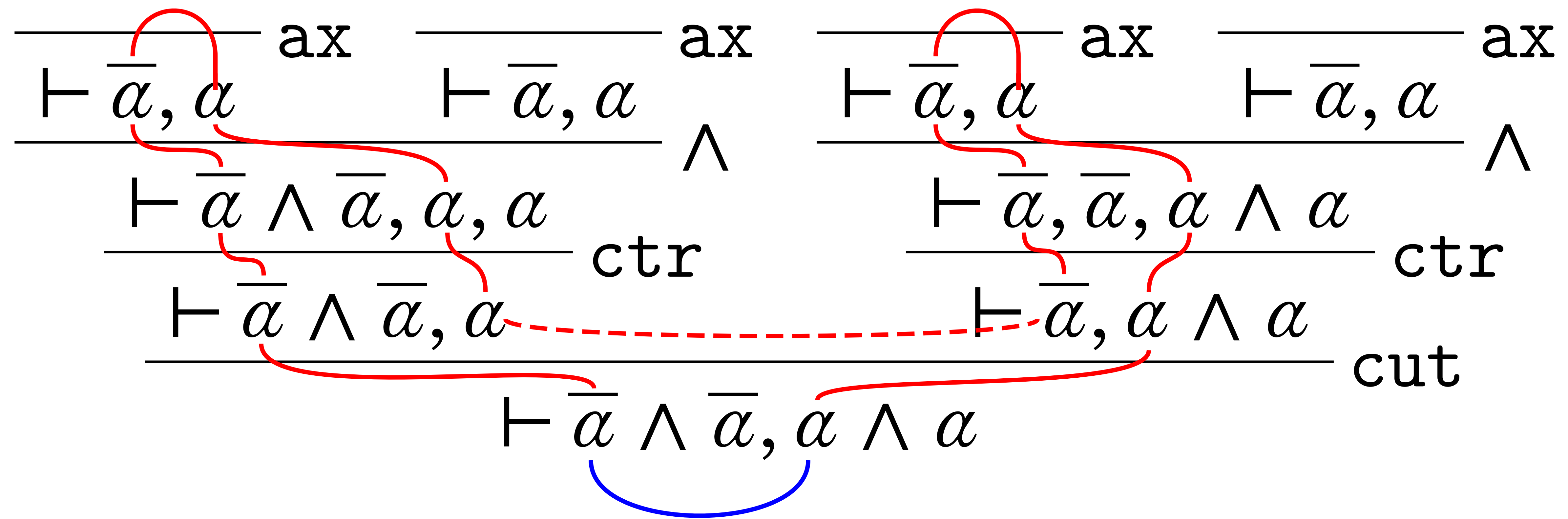
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Theorem (Führmann & Pym 2004). *Mating graphs decrease under cut-reduction.*



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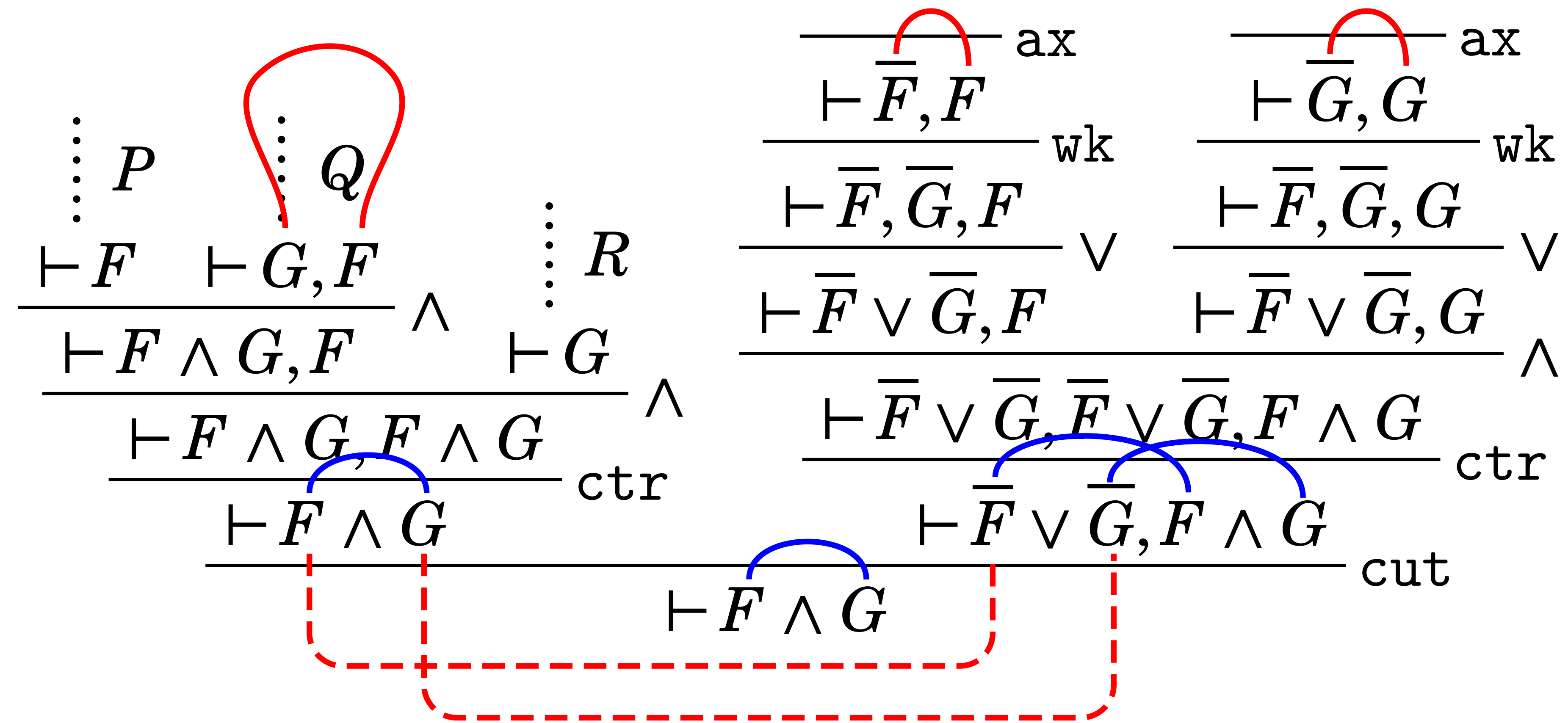
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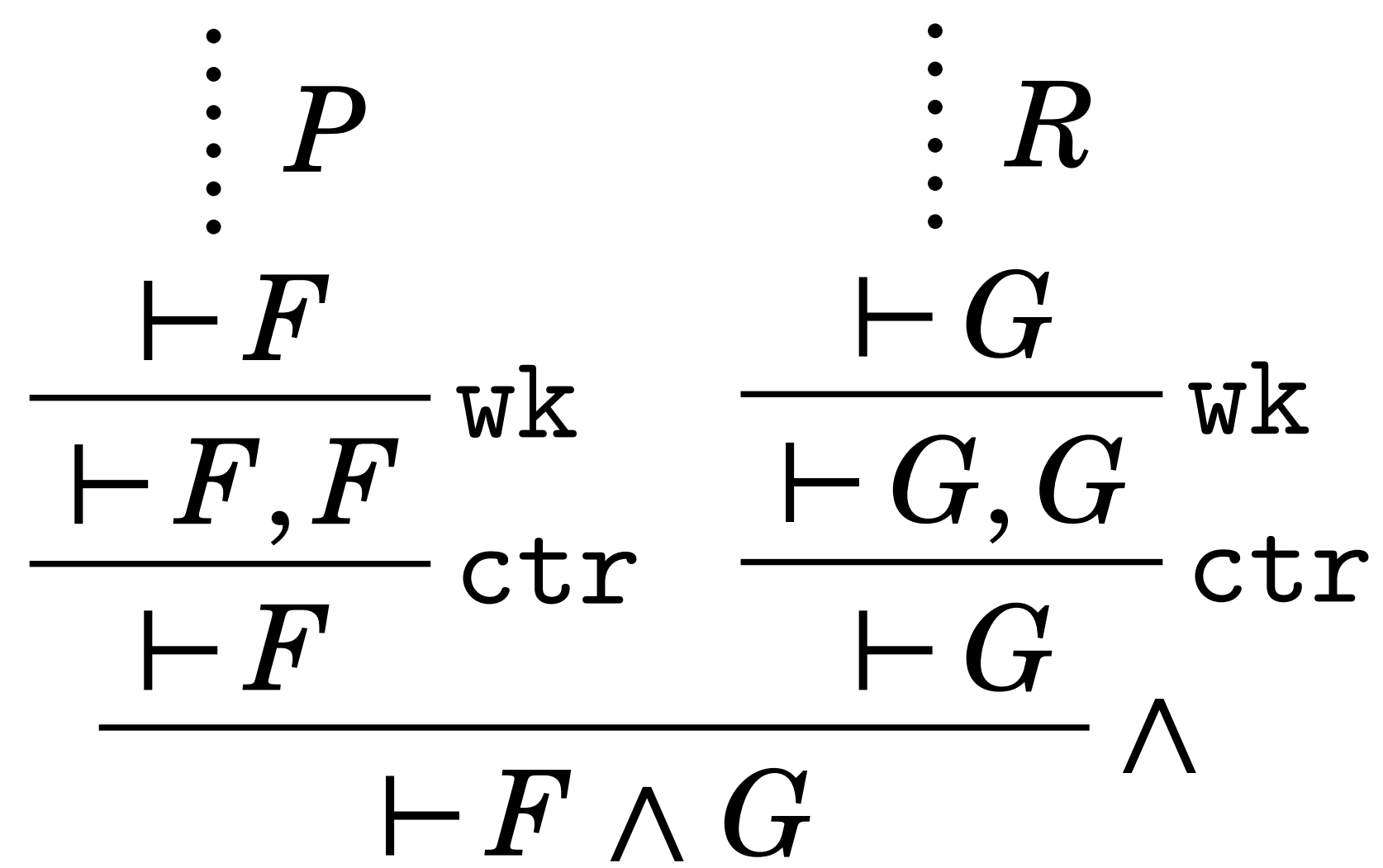
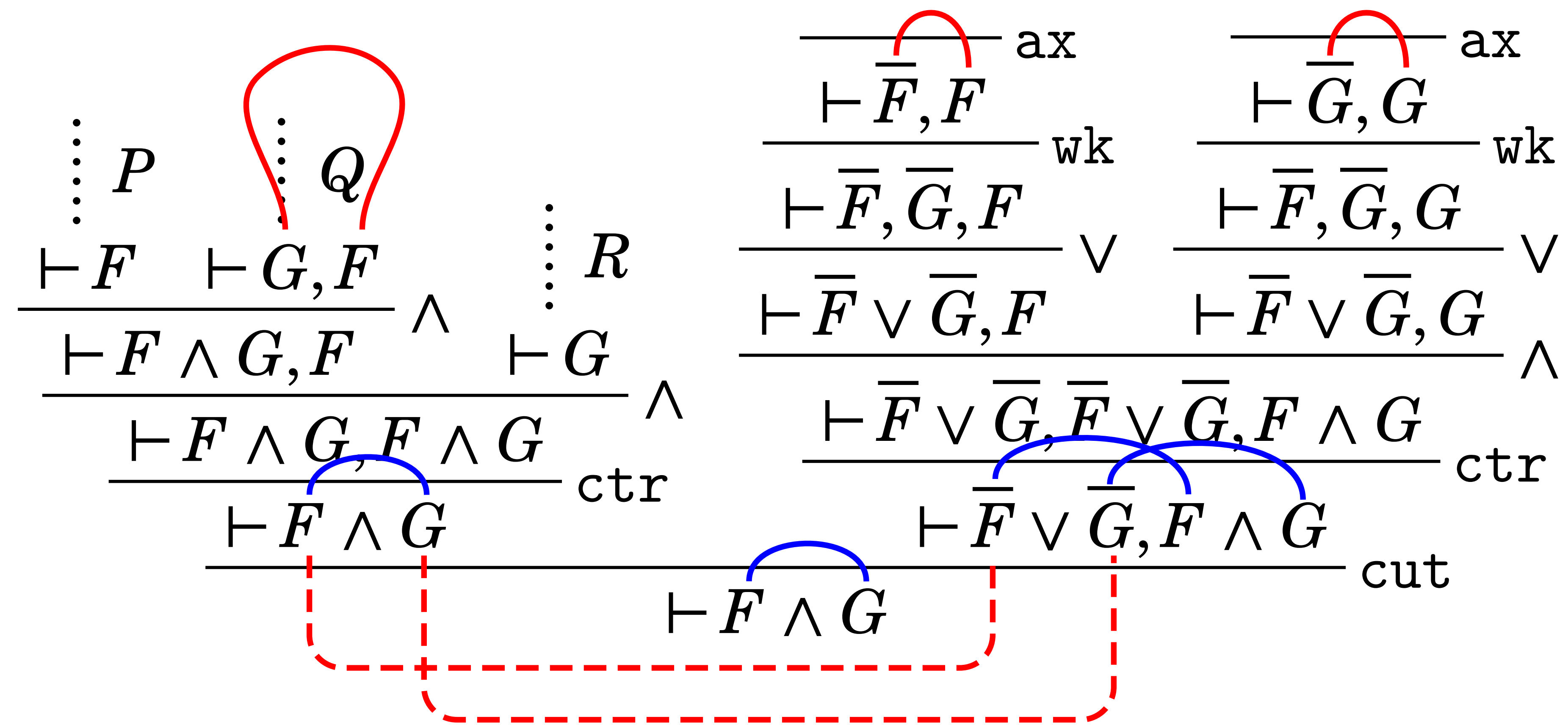
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IDEA #2 – TARGET INVERTIBILITY

Identity group:

$$\frac{}{\vdash \Gamma, A, \bar{A}} \text{ax} \quad \frac{\vdash \Gamma, A \quad \vdash \Gamma, \bar{A}}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{cut}$$

Structural group:

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma \quad \vdash \Gamma}{\vdash \Gamma} \text{sum}$$

Logical group:

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma, A, B}{\vdash \Gamma, A \vee B} \vee \quad \frac{\vdash \Gamma, A \quad \vdash \Gamma, B}{\vdash \Gamma, A \wedge B} \wedge$$

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Theorem. *Mating graphs are invariant under arbitrary permutations of logical rules in the cut-free fragment of GS3.*

IDEA #3 — ADD BRANCH ANNOTATIONS

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The diagram illustrates a proof transformation. Red annotations highlight the original proof structure, showing how the final result is derived from a cut of two branches. A blue arc under the final result $\vdash (\bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha) \wedge (\bar{\alpha} \vee \alpha)$ indicates the simplified goal.

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MAIN RESULTS

Theorem (Invariance). *Branch-annotated mating graphs are invariant under arbitrary permutations of logical rules in the full calculus GS3.*

Proof sketch

1. Assign unique names to atomic formula occurrences.
2. Define branch-annotated matings as weighted graphs.
3. Define branch-sensitive composition.
4. Show that commutations between cuts and logical rules preserve all valid alternating paths.

MAIN RESULTS

Theorem (Cut-elimination). *For any GS3 derivation there is a cut-free GS3 derivation with the same conclusion and denotation.*

Proof sketch

1. Upon finding a cut, normalize recursively its sub-derivations.
2. Use logical rule permutations to reduce the conclusion of the cut to an atomic clause.
3. Compute the denotation and reconstruct the resulting derivation.

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Rule permutations are identities

Efficient invertibility

Admissibility of rules by algebraic reasoning

SHORTCOMINGS

- Cuts do not commute!
- No local cut-reduction procedure.
- Has the original problem been solved? Unclear.
 - No predicate calculus.

THANK YOU