

On the semantics of disjunctive logic programs

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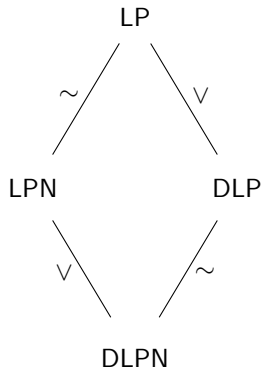
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Four languages: the big picture



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How first-order programs look like

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First-order logic programs

Finite propositional programs. . .

. . . do *not* suffice to provide semantics to first-order programs;
but **infinite** propositional programs, do.

1 Syntax & semantics

2 Model-theoretic semantics

- LP
- DLP

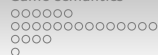
3 Game semantics

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- DLP: Soundness and completeness
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4 ASF & $(-)^{\vee}$

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5 Conclusions



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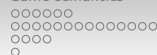
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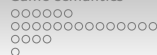
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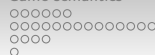
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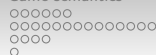
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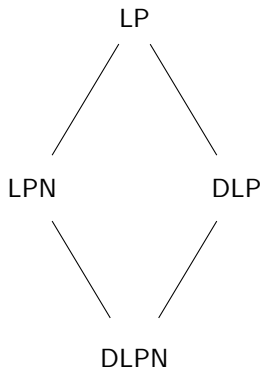
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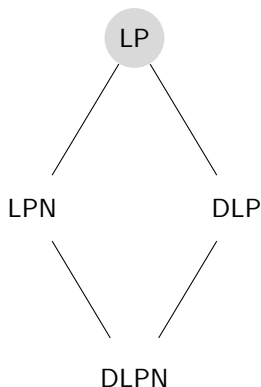
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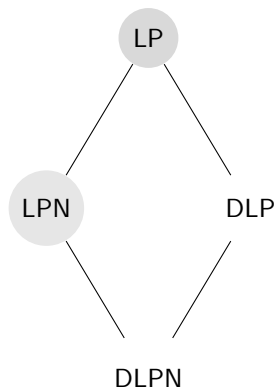
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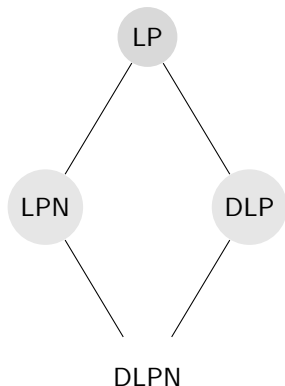
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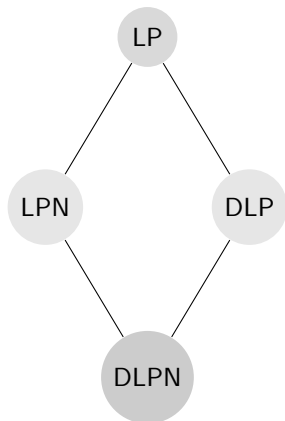
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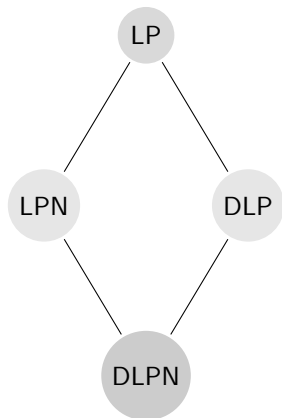
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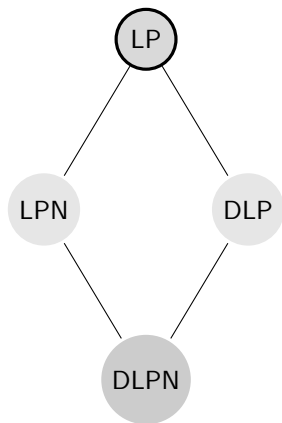
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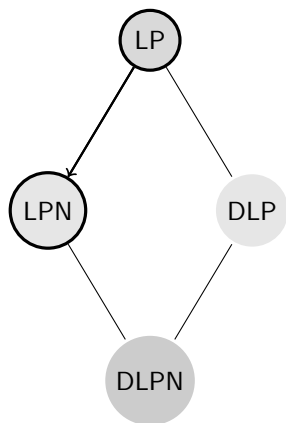
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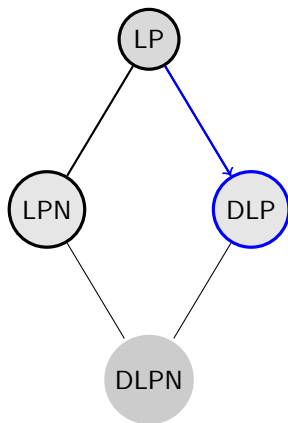
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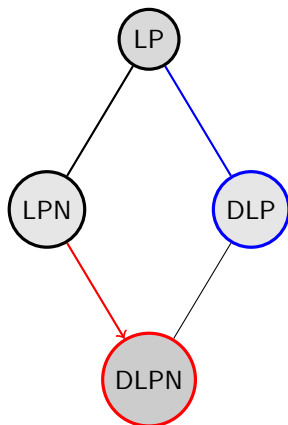
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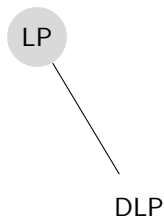
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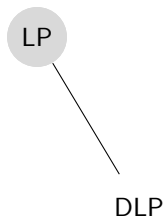
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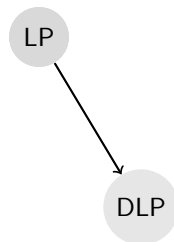
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An example

Example

Consider the disjunctive program

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It has three models:

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none of which is least! (However, the first two are *minimal*.)

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An example

Example

Consider the disjunctive program

$$\mathcal{P} := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} p \leftarrow a \\ p \leftarrow b \\ a \vee b \leftarrow \end{array} \right\}.$$

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DLP

Model-theoretic semantics

Difficulties

- We no longer have a least model. ☹
- We have a set of minimal models—but there's no mip!

Approach (Minker 1982)

- We can consider this set to be the meaning of our program.
- The goal $\leftarrow G$ succeeds if G is **T** in every minimal model of $\mathcal{P}$.

DLP

Model-theoretic semantics

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Consider the DLP program

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Game semantics

Why games?

- Nice denotational semantics for LP.
- We want to add more features in our language ($\sim$ and $\vee$).
- It becomes difficult to deal with them in a uniform way.
- Instead we look at **games**.

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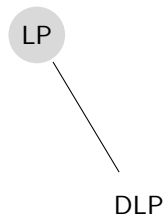
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Believer wins! 😊

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Example plays (3)

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(benefit of the doubt) $\implies$ **Believer lost!** ☹

The LP game

How to get semantics out of it

We look at strategies

The value of p w.r.t. $\mathcal{P}$ is determined by the game:

$\leftarrow p$ succeeds iff there is a winning strategy (for the Believer).

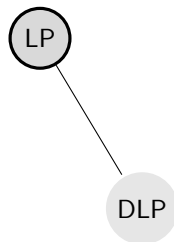
The connecting result

Theorem (Di Cosmo, Loddo & Nicolet)

$$\mathbf{LPG} \approx \mathbf{LHM}$$

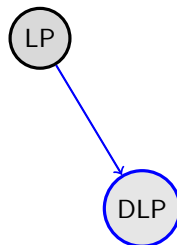
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From LP to DLP (1)

Let's try the LP game

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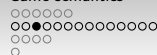
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(1) Believer justifies subsets

Believer can justify any non-empty subset of the doubted disjunction.

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LP game + subset

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Believer wins! ☺

From LP to DLP (2)

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$$\mathcal{P} := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} p \leftarrow a \\ p \leftarrow b \\ a \vee b \leftarrow \end{array} \right\} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{goal :} \\ \leftarrow p \end{array} \quad \right|$$

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Believer wins! ☺

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From LP to DLP (3)

LP game + subset + combo

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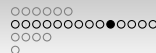
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(3) Implicit rules

Believer is allowed to use *implicit* rules of the form

$$a \leftarrow a,$$

not from the program.

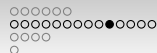


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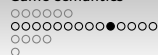
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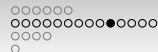


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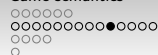
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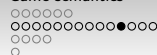
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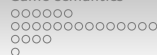
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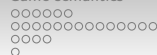
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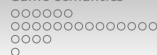
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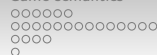
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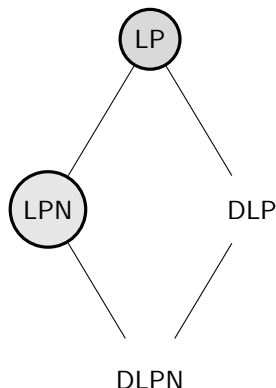
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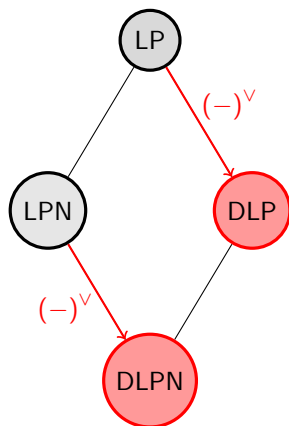
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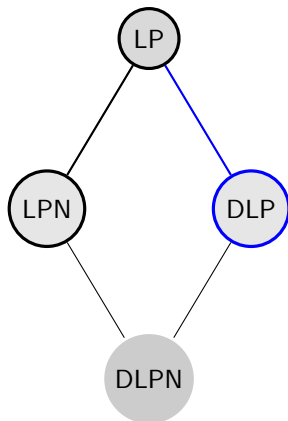
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The operator yields the expected results for the standard semantics:

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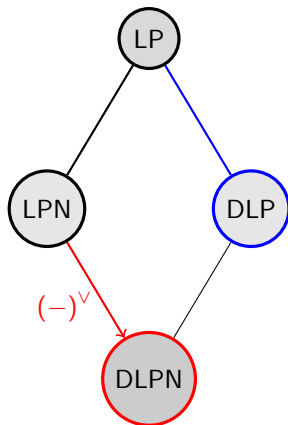
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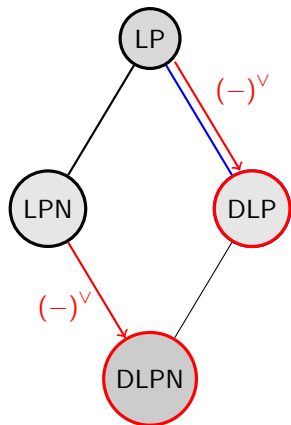
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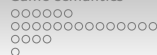
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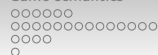
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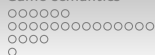
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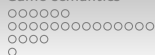
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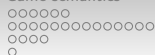
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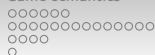
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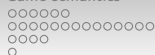
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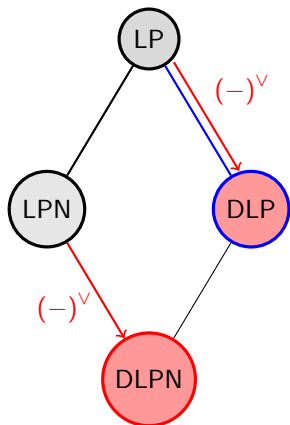
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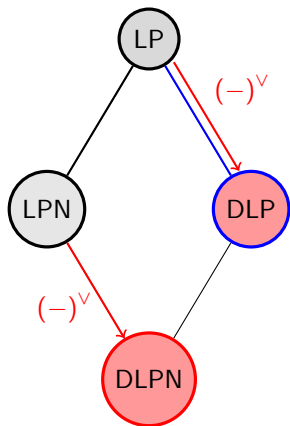
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Cheating conveniently

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A needed lemma

Lemma (Inclusions)

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Whenever the strategy for $\mathcal{P}$ plays the rule ϕ , we play the “restricted” rule ϕ_1 for the game of $\mathcal{P}_1$, or ϕ_2 for $\mathcal{P}_2$.
It is easy to see that this results in a valid, winning strategy.

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