

Bridges between Logic and Algebra

Part 2: Pitts' Theorem & A General Framework

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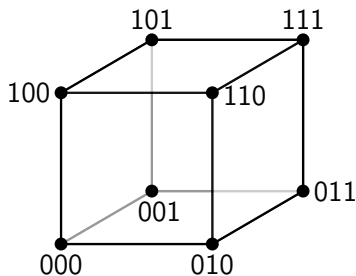
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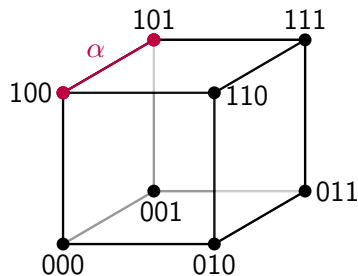
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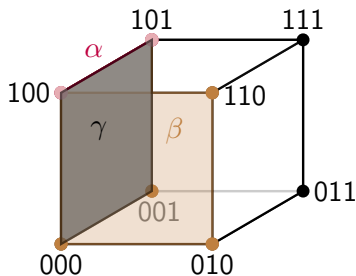
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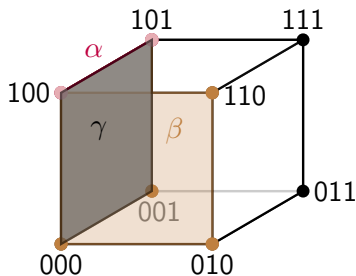
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Proof idea. We define $\alpha^L(\bar{y})$ and $\alpha^R(\bar{y})$ by induction on the “weight” of α , guided by derivability in a suitable terminating sequent calculus. . .

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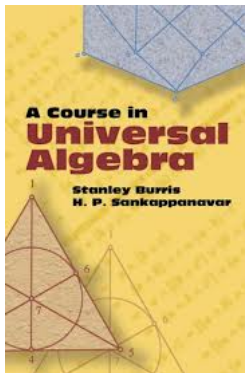
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A General Setting

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