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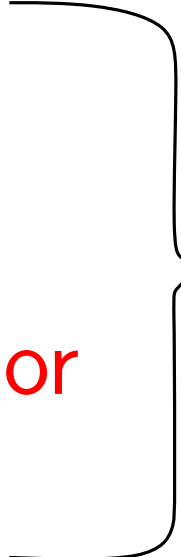
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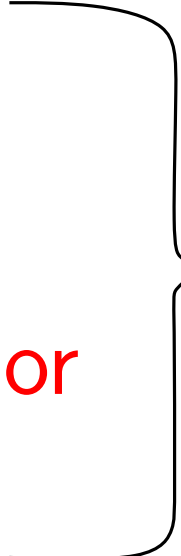
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We will always use parentheses to make our statements unambiguous. The one exception will be \neg , which we will often write without parentheses.

\neg is always combined with the statement immediately to its right

e.g., $\neg u \vee (s \wedge t)$ is $(\neg u) \vee (s \wedge t)$ and not $\neg(u \vee (s \wedge t))$.

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George Boole

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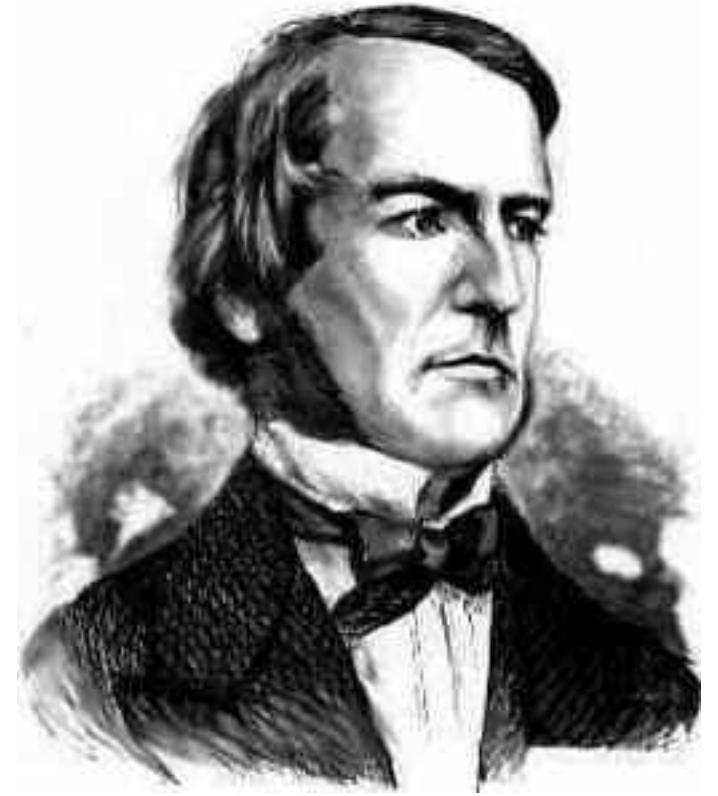
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