



Proof equivalence in second order multiplicative linear logic

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- free categories, coherence, etc.

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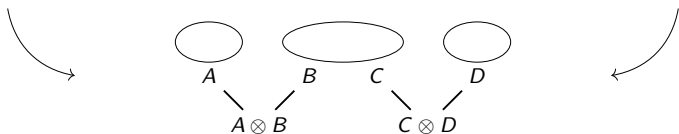
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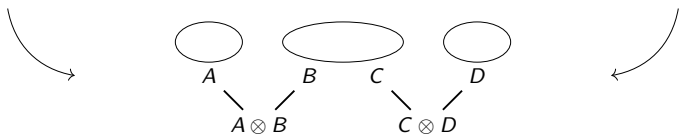


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Then for two derivations d, d' it is equivalent:

- d, d' induce the same proof net
- d can be obtained from d' by permuting rules
- d, d' have the same interpretation in all *-autonomous category

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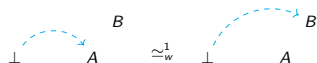
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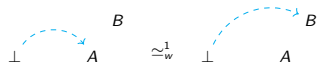
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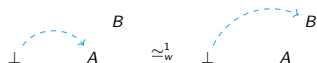
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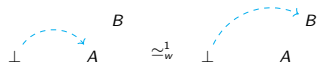
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Then d, d' can be obtained by permuting rules iff they induce the same proof net up to rewiring.

Theorem: [BCST1996, Hughes2012] The category of MLL^+ proof nets modulo rewiring is the free $*$ -autonomous category.

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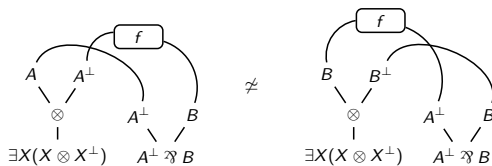
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Hence $\beta\eta$ -equality is in general too weak and one has to look at **models**:

- **Parametric models** (extensional), characterize wanted isomorphisms and observational equivalence.
- **Intensional models**, characterize the $\beta\eta$ theory and provable isomorphisms.

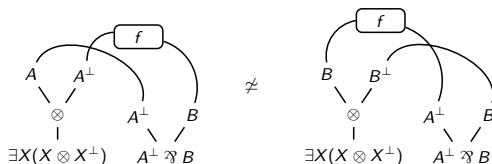
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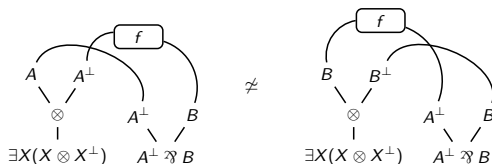


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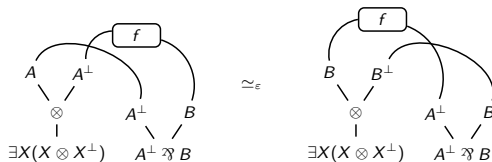
We let then

$$\pi \simeq_{\varepsilon} \sigma \text{ if for all } \mathbb{C} \text{ } * \text{-autonomous and complete } \pi^{\mathbb{C}} = \sigma^{\mathbb{C}}$$

\simeq_{ε} is then a congruence which extends $\beta\eta$, due to equalizer/co-equalizer conditions.

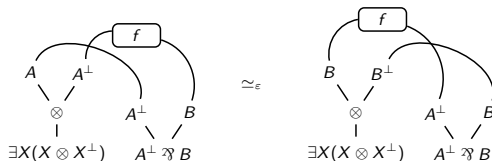
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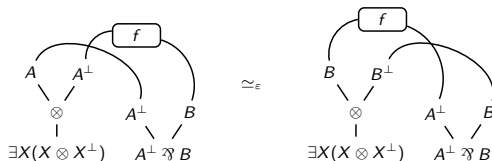


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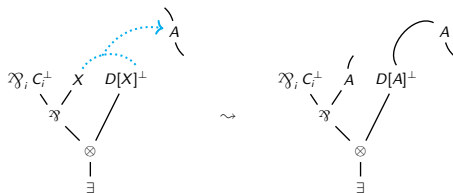
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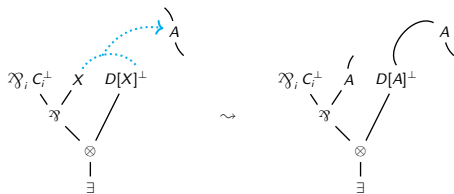
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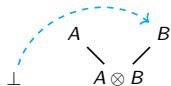
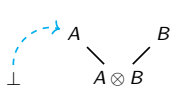
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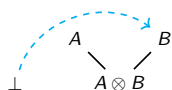
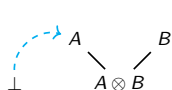
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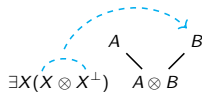
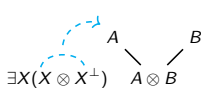
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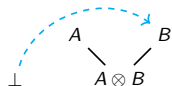
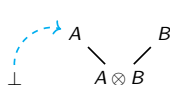
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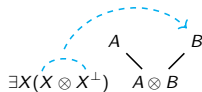
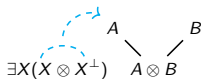
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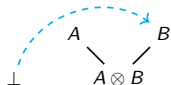
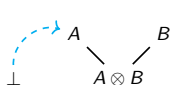


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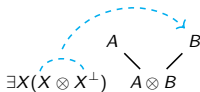
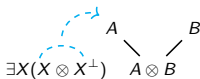
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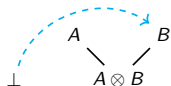
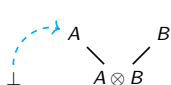
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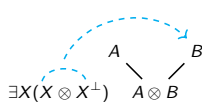
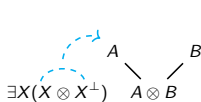
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We consider the equivalence \simeq_{Obs} defined as follows:

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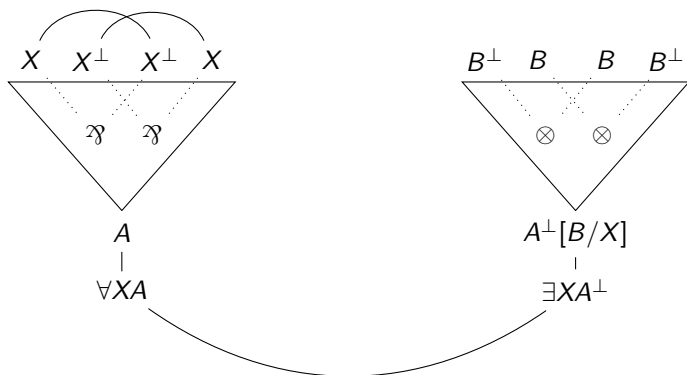
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 A^\perp[B/X] \\
 | \\
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 +
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Where E varies among the \mathfrak{A} -linkings of A .

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This procedure allows to eliminate all \exists -links and yields a finite set of *MLL* proof nets.

$$\pi \mapsto \sum_i \pi_i$$

Remarks:

- when a \forall -linking does not exist (e.g. $\forall XX$), the construction yields the empty set (e.g. all proofs of $\exists XX$ are equally empty).
- however, when $\pi^\circ : A$ is empty, then it means it has no **observables**: no $\sigma : A^\perp, P$, where P is propositional.

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The interaction between a proof and an observation is characterized by the *MLL* translation:

Lemma. If $\pi : A$ and $\delta : A^\perp, P$, then there exist unique i, j in the *MLL* translations of π and σ such that

$$[\pi, \delta] \simeq_\beta [\pi_i, \delta_j]$$

From this, and the usual characterization of \simeq_{Obs} for *MLL*, we get

Theorem. The *MLL* translation captures observational equivalence, i.e.

$$\pi \simeq_{Obs} \sigma \quad \text{iff} \quad \pi^\circ = \sigma^\circ$$

A “finite” relational model for $MLL2$

The MLL translation induces an extension of the usual relational model of MLL to $MLL2$ satisfying

$$\llbracket \pi \rrbracket = \bigcup_i \llbracket \pi_i \rrbracket$$

- formulas correspond to certain **polynomial functors** $\Phi(\vec{x}) = \prod_{i,j} x_i^{n_i} \cdot c_i^{m_i}$ (where the constants c_i stand for bound variables)
- proofs correspond to **multi-graphical relations**, i.e. family of relations $\theta_{\vec{x}}$ essentially induced by a finite set of MLL proof nets: for all sets \vec{a}

$$p_i(\theta_{\vec{a}}) = p_j(\theta_{\vec{a}}) \quad \text{when} \quad (i, j) \in \mathcal{G}$$

and \mathcal{G} is some allowable graph (equivalently, a MLL proof net).

- this gives rise to a ***-autonomous fibration** $\mathbf{MG} \rightarrow \mathbf{P}$, with adjoints

$$\Sigma \dashv \pi^* \dashv \Pi$$

precisely corresponding to interpretation of \forall, \exists as finite sets of \mathfrak{A} -linkings/ \otimes -linkings.

Conclusions

We introduced two approaches to capture proof equivalence in $MLL2$ by a different interpretation of the \exists -link:

- by interpreting \exists as a **coend**: we characterized the equivalence \simeq_ε induced by coends by **rewitnessing**, a variant of Trimble's rewiring for a fragment of $MLL2$ related to the Yoneda isomorphism.
- by analyzing the behavior of \exists through cut-elimination, we defined a translation $\pi \mapsto \sum_i \pi_i$ from $MLL2$ proof nets to finite sets of MLL proof nets which
 - characterizes observational equivalence
 - leads to a “finite” relational model for $MLL2$ characterizing observational equivalence too.

Future work:

- Rewitnessing beyond Yoneda formulas (e.g. how to treat initial algebras?)
- Computing coends isomorphisms through proof nets?
- Observational equivalence for $MELL2$? Interaction between the MLL translation and Taylor expansion?

Thank you !