

# Proof diagrams: another parallel syntax for proof theory

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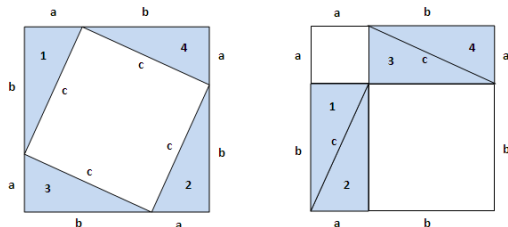
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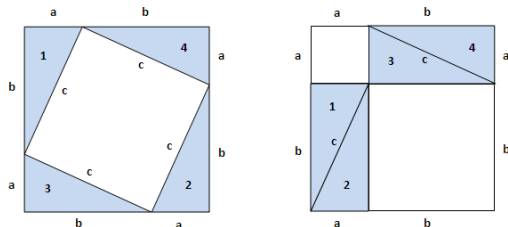


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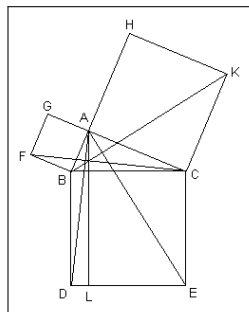
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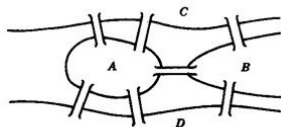
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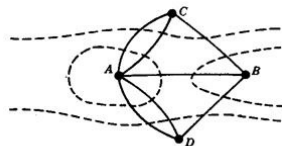
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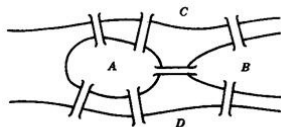
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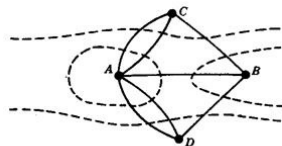
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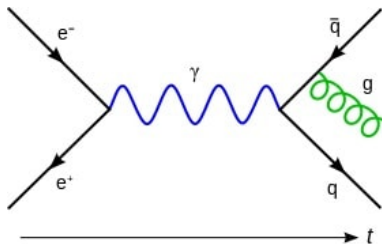
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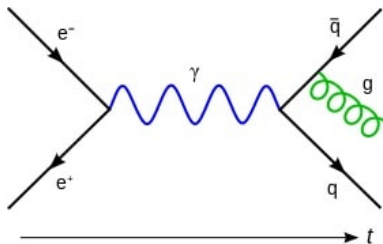
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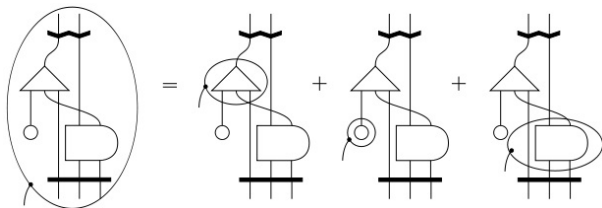
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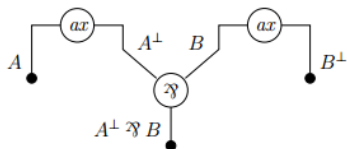
Penrose diagrams: spin networks (1971)



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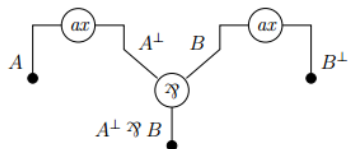
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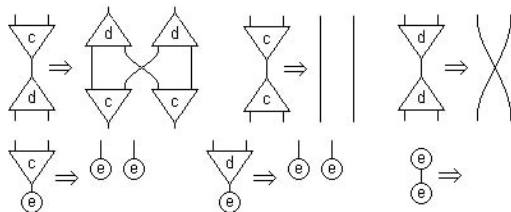


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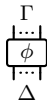
Lafont's interaction nets (1990)



## Joyal-Street's string diagrams

André Joyal and Ross Street, *The geometry of tensor calculus*, 1991.  
 Albert Burroni, *Higher dimensional word problem with application to equational logic*, 1993.

In general, a string diagram  $\phi : \Gamma \Rightarrow \Delta$  is a morphism with inputs  $\Gamma = \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_n$  and outputs  $\Delta = \Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_k$  and it is represented as follows:



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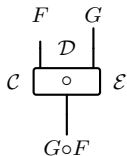
A natural transformation  $\phi$  between two functors  $F, G : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  will be represented as follow

$$\mathcal{C} \begin{array}{c} F \\ \boxed{\phi} \\ G \end{array} \mathcal{D} .$$

For example, the natural transformation of functor composition

$$\circ : \mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{F} \mathcal{D} \xrightarrow{G} \mathcal{E} \Rightarrow \mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{G \circ F} \mathcal{E}$$

is represented as follows:



### Back to our definition:

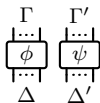
*String diagrams* (with no colors on backgrounds) are a 2-dimensional syntax for morphisms in monoidal categories (here the comma denotes the product and  $\square$  the neutral object).



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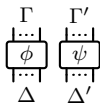
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# Linear logic syntaxes for proofs

Actually, in linear logic we have two syntaxes to represent proofs:

- Sequent calculus formalism was introduced by Gentzen in 1933 for classical logic: a proof is represented by means of a sequence (tree) of *inference rules* over sequents.
- Proof nets was introduced by Girard in 1987 for *MLL* sequent calculus: a proof is represented by means of a graph with vertexes *connectives* and edges *formulas*.  
The extension of this formalism to other fragments of *LL* requires additional syntactical expedients as *jumps* and *boxes*.

In this talk we will focus on *multiplicative linear logic with units*.

## Linear logic syntaxes for proofs: sequent calculus

Structural Rules	Identity or Axiom $\frac{}{\vdash A, A^\perp} Ax$	Cut $\frac{\vdash \Sigma, A \quad \vdash \Gamma, A^\perp}{\vdash \Sigma, \Gamma} Cut$
Multiplicative Rules	Par $\frac{\vdash \Sigma, A, B}{\vdash \Sigma, A \wp B} \wp$	Tensor $\frac{\vdash \Sigma, A \quad \vdash B, \Gamma}{\vdash \Sigma, (A \otimes B), \Gamma} \otimes$
Constants	Bottom $\frac{\vdash \Sigma}{\vdash \Sigma, \perp} \perp$	1 $\frac{}{\vdash I} 1$

We also consider the usually omitted exchange rule:

$$\frac{\vdash A_1, \dots, A_k}{\vdash A_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, A_{\sigma(k)}} \sigma \in S_k$$

### Theorem (Cut-elimination)

*If  $\vdash \Gamma$  is derivable in  $MLL_u$ , then it is derivable without *Cut* inference rule.*

### Proof.

The proof of theorem follows the termination of the following *cut-elimination procedure*. □

## Definition (Cut-elimination procedure)

The cut-elimination procedure is the relation  $\rightarrow_{Cut}$  generated by the following (oriented) relations called *cut-elimination steps*:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 \frac{\vdots}{\vdash \Gamma, A} \quad \frac{\vdots}{\vdash A^\perp, A} \text{Ax} \\
 \text{Cut} \\
 \vdash \Gamma, A
 \end{array}
 \rightarrow_{Cut}
 \begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
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 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 \frac{\vdots}{\vdash A, A^\perp} \text{Ax} \\
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 \vdots \\
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 \otimes \\
 \frac{\vdots}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, A \otimes B}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 \frac{\vdots}{\vdash B^\perp, A^\perp, \Sigma} \\
 \wp \\
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Some occurrences of *Cut* rule can not be directly removed by the cut-elimination procedure.

### Definition (Commutative cut)

An occurrence of a *Cut* rule is a *commutative cut* if one of its active formula is not the principal.

In order to remove such occurrences, there are two options:

- Define some additional transformations over derivation;
- Define an equivalence over derivations.



## Definition

We define the *standard equivalence over  $MLL_u$  derivations* (denoted by  $\sim$ ) as the equivalence derivations generated by the following equivalences for all  $A, B, C, D \in \mathfrak{F}_{MLL_u}$ ,  $\Gamma, \Delta, \Sigma \in \mathfrak{F}_{MLL_u}^*$ :

$$\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \Sigma} \odot_1}{\vdash \odot_1(\Gamma), \Delta, \Sigma} \odot_2 \sim \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \Sigma} \odot_2}{\vdash \odot_1(\Gamma), \odot_2(\Delta), \Sigma} \odot_1$$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash \Delta, A} \quad \frac{\vdots}{\vdash B, \Gamma, \Sigma} \odot_1}{\vdash \Delta, \odot_1(A, B), \Gamma, \Sigma} \odot_1}{\vdash \Delta, \odot_1(A, B), \odot_2(\Gamma), \Sigma} \odot_2 \sim \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash \Delta, A} \quad \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash B, \Gamma, \Sigma} \odot_2}{\vdash \Delta, B, \odot_2(\Gamma), \Sigma} \odot_2}{\vdash \Delta, \odot_1(A, B), \odot_2(\Gamma), \Sigma} \odot_1$$

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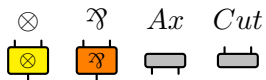
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### Definition (Interaction net)

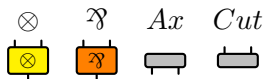
An *interaction net* is given by:

- a finite set of free ports  $X$ ;
- a finite set of cells  $C$ ;
- a label  $l(c)$  for each  $c \in C$  (which defines the number of its active and non-active ports);
- a finite set of wires  $W$ ;
- a set  $\partial(w)$  of 0 or 2 ports for each  $w \in W$ .

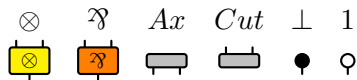
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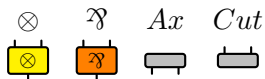


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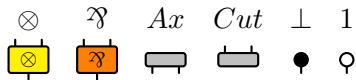


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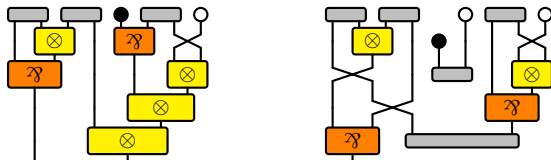


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### Definition (Proof net)

A proof net is a sequentializable proof structure, i.e. a proof structure which represents a derivation.

In order to recognize a sequentializable proof structure, we have some *proof net correctness criteria*:

- Girard (empires);
- Danos-Regnier (switching);
- Guerrini (parsing).

Each proof net correctness criteria verify the correct application of inference rules verifying arities by means of topological properties of the associated labeled graph.

# String diagram rewriting and Polygraphs

We present a diagram rewriting system  $(\mathcal{S}_\Sigma, \mathcal{R}_\Sigma)$  by means of a 3-polygraph  $\Sigma = (\Sigma_0, \Sigma_1, \Sigma_2, \Sigma_3)$ :

Set	String diagrams	Monoidal category
$\Sigma_0$	Background labels	
$\Sigma_1$	String labels	Objects
$\Sigma_2$	The signature $\mathcal{S}_\Sigma$ (gate types)	Morphisms
$\Sigma_3$	The set of rewriting rules $\mathcal{R}_\Sigma$	Functors

We denote  $\langle \Sigma \rangle$  monoidal category with objects the words over the alphabet  $\Sigma_1$  and with morphisms the equivalence classes of diagrams generated by the signature  $\Sigma_2$  modulo the equivalence relation generated by  $\Sigma_3$ .

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⚠ We need some morphisms in order to manage sequents since we use to consider sequents as multisets:

$$\vdash A, B = \vdash B, A$$







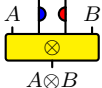
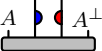

## Control polygraphs for $MLL_u$

## Definition

The *control polygraph of multiplicative linear logic with units*  $\tilde{\mathfrak{A}}$  is given by the following sets of cells:

- $\tilde{\mathfrak{A}}_0 = \{ \square \};$
- $\tilde{\mathfrak{A}}_1 = \mathfrak{F}_{Mll_u} \cup \{L = \blacktriangleleft, R = \blacktriangleright\};$

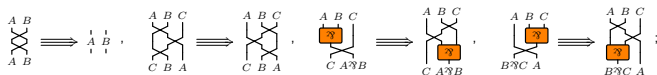
•  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}_2 =$

{	$Ax_A :$	$\square$	$\Rightarrow$	$L, A, A^\perp, R$	$=$	
	$1 :$	$\square$	$\Rightarrow$	$L, 1, R$	$=$	
	$\perp :$	$\square$	$\Rightarrow$	$\perp$	$=$	
	$\wp_{A,B} :$	$A, B$	$\Rightarrow$	$A \wp B$	$=$	
	$\otimes_{A,B} :$	$A, R, L, B$	$\Rightarrow$	$A \otimes B$	$=$	
	$Cut_A :$	$A, R, L, A^\perp$	$\Rightarrow$	$\square$	$=$	
	$\bowtie_{A,B} :$	$A, B$	$\Rightarrow$	$B, A$	$=$	

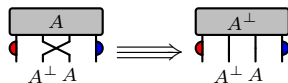
$A, B \in \mathfrak{F}_{MLL_u}$

- $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}_3 = \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{Twist} \cup \tilde{\mathcal{U}}_{Twist}$  where:

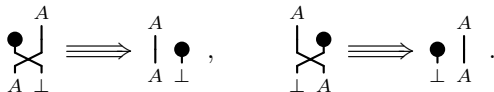
- $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{Twist}$  is given by the following twisting relations:



together with one rule representing the involution  $A^{\perp\perp} = A$ :



- $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}_{Twist}$  is given by the following twisting relations:



## Theorem (Termination of $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$ )

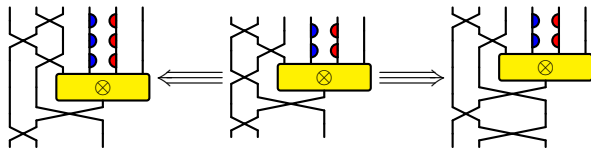
*The polygraph  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$  is terminating.*

## Proposition ( $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$ non-confluence)

*The polygraph  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$  is not confluent.*

Proof.

*In  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$  the following critical pair is not confluent:*



Theorem (Controlled proof diagram correspondence in  $\tilde{\mathfrak{U}}$ )

$$\vdash_{MLL_u} \Gamma \Leftrightarrow \exists \phi \in \tilde{\mathfrak{U}} \text{ such that } \phi : \square \Rightarrow L, \Gamma, R.$$

## Definition (Representation)

We say that a proof diagram  $\phi \in \mathfrak{U}$  with  $\phi : \square \Rightarrow L, \Gamma, R$  represents a derivation  $d(\Gamma)$  if it can be sequentialized into the derivation  $d(\Gamma)$ .

We say that a derivation  $d(\Gamma)$  is represented by  $\phi$  or that  $\phi$  is a *diagrammatic representation* of  $d(\Gamma)$  if  $\phi$  can be sequentialized into the derivation  $d(\Gamma)$ .

## Equivalences over $MLL_u$ derivations

- We denote  $N_{d(\Gamma)}$  the proof net representing the derivation  $d(\Gamma)$ , we denote  $\sim_N$  the equivalence relation over derivations induced by proof nets syntax. It is defined as follows:

$$d'(\Gamma) \sim_N d''(\Gamma) \text{ iff } N_{d'(\Gamma)} = N_{d''(\Gamma)}.$$

In other words,  $d'(\Gamma) \sim_N d''(\Gamma)$  if and only if they can be represented by the same proof net (i.e. iff  $N_{d'(\Gamma)}$  and  $N_{d''(\Gamma)}$  are isomorph labeled graphs).



- We denote  $\simeq_D$  the equivalence relation over derivations induced by proof diagram syntax. It is defined as follows:

$$d'(\Gamma) \simeq_D d''(\Gamma) \text{ iff } \exists \phi \in \tilde{\mathfrak{U}} \text{ such that } \phi_{d'(\Gamma)} = \phi = \phi_{d''(\Gamma)}.$$

- We denote  $\sim_{\tilde{D}}$  the equivalence relation over derivations induced by  $\langle \tilde{\mathfrak{U}} \rangle$ . It is defined as follows:

$$d'(\Gamma) \sim_{\tilde{D}} d''(\Gamma) \text{ iff } \exists \phi_{d'(\Gamma)}, \phi_{d''(\Gamma)} \in \tilde{\mathfrak{U}} \text{ s.t. } [\phi_{d'(\Gamma)}]_{\tilde{\mathfrak{U}}} = [\phi_{d''(\Gamma)}]_{\tilde{\mathfrak{U}}}.$$

We have the following inclusions:

- $\sim_N \not\subseteq \sim$  since  $\perp$  permutations changing jump assignments are not captured by the proof net syntactical equivalence;
- $\sim_{\tilde{D}} \not\subseteq \sim$  since binary rules permutation which changes branching order are not captured by the proof diagrams equivalence.

$$\begin{array}{c}
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 \frac{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \Sigma}{\vdash \odot_1(\Gamma), \Delta, \Sigma} \odot_1 \\
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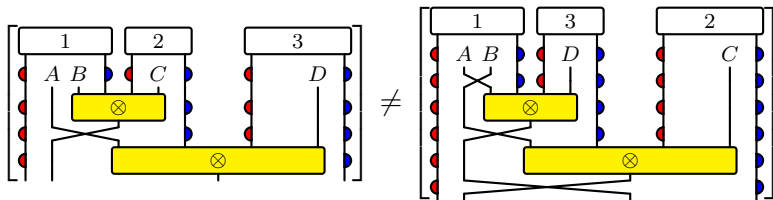
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 \end{array}$$

The equivalence  $\simeq_D$  does not capture the case of permutation in which binary rules have different branching order:



while the corresponding represented proof are  $\sim$ -equivalent:

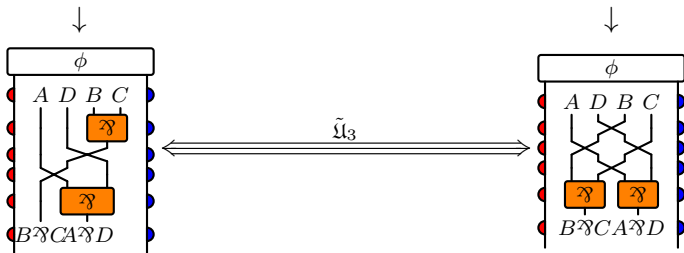
$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash A, B} \quad \frac{\vdots}{\vdash C}}{\vdash A, B \otimes C} \otimes \quad \frac{\vdots}{\vdash D}}{\vdash A \otimes D, B \otimes C} \otimes \quad \sim \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash A, B} \quad \frac{\vdots}{\vdash D}}{\vdash A \otimes D, B} \otimes \quad \frac{\vdots}{\vdash C}}{\vdash A \otimes D, B \otimes D} \otimes$$

## Proposition

The equivalence relation  $\sim_{\tilde{D}}$  is equivalent to  $\simeq_D$ .

For example:

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash A, D, B, C} \wp}{\vdash A, D, B \wp C} \sigma}{\vdash B \wp C, A, D} \wp = \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash A, D, B, C} \wp}{\vdash B \wp C, A, D} \wp \sim \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash A, D, B, C} \wp}{\vdash A \wp D, B, C} \wp = \frac{\frac{\vdots}{\vdash A, D, B, C} \sigma}{\vdash B, C, A, D} \wp$$



- Extend the works on “*Rewriting modulo symmetric monoidal structures*” in order to internalize wire crossings;
- Use proof diagrams in order to study proof equivalence complexity of different sequent calculi (MELL, CyLL, MALL, modal logics, LK);
- Study 2-dimensional representations of non-commutative logics proof nets;
- ...

- The use of 2-dimensional syntax is suitable to express a notion of non-consequentiality without requiring a notion of contemporaneity;
- This notion plays an important role in any definition of proof equivalence compatible with cut elimination, especially in case of reversible inference rules;
- More in general, this notion is becoming prominent (and in some cases essential) in the formalization of many different science fields.

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Questions?





## The polygraph of $MLL_u$ proof diagrams

Definition (Polygraph of diagrammatic  $MLL_u$  proof diagrams)

The *polygraph of diagrammatic  $MLL_u$  proof nets* is the polygraph obtained extended the polygraph  $\mathfrak{U}$  with the following cells:

- $\mathfrak{U}_0 = \tilde{\mathfrak{U}}_0$ ;

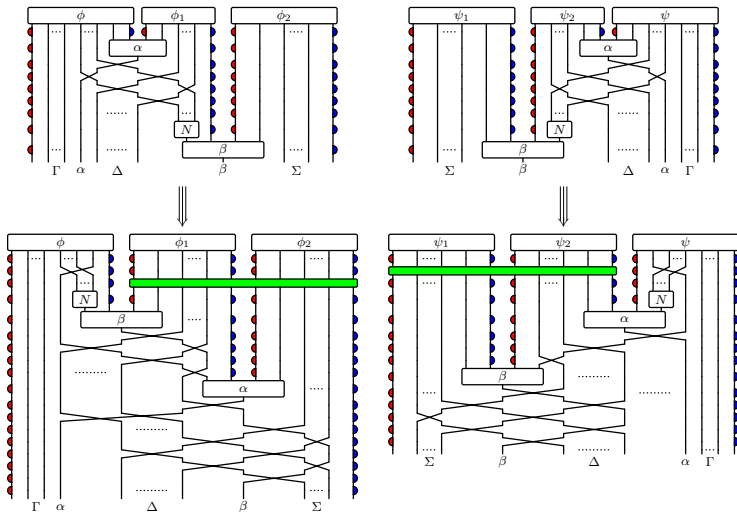
- $\mathfrak{U}_1 = \tilde{\mathfrak{U}}_1$ ;

- $\mathfrak{U}_2 = \tilde{\mathfrak{U}}_2 \cup \mathfrak{B}ig = \left\{ B_{W,W'} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \bullet & W & \bullet & W' & \bullet \\ \hline \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \hline \bullet & W' & \bullet & W & \bullet \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \text{---} \end{array} \right\}_{W,W' \in (\mathfrak{F}_{MLL_u} \cup \{L,R\})^*};$

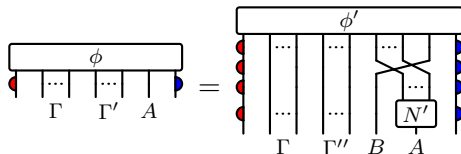
## The polygraph of $MLL_u$ proof diagrams

- $\mathfrak{U}_3 = \tilde{\mathfrak{U}}_3 \cup \mathfrak{U}_{Big}$  where  $\mathfrak{U}_{Big}$  is made of the following 3-cells:

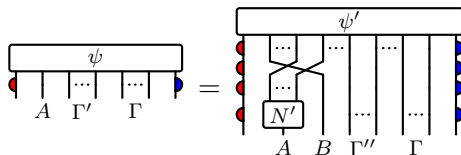
$\mathfrak{B}$ -introduction:



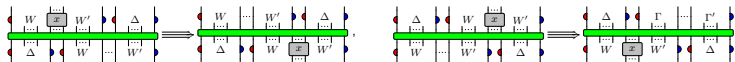
where  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are of the form



and

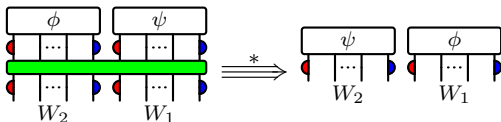


The untangle relations: for any  $\boxed{x} \in \tilde{\mathcal{U}}_2$



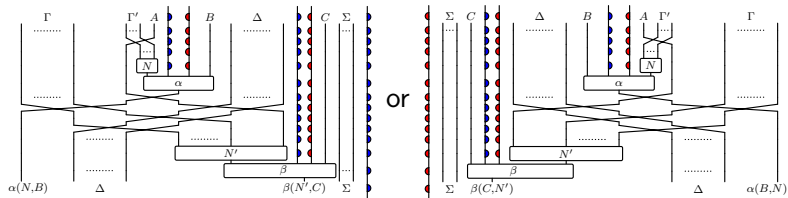
### Proposition

If  $\phi \in \mathcal{U}$  is a proof diagram  $\phi : \square \Rightarrow L, \Gamma, R$  containing a  $B$ -gate, then there is a rewriting sequence made by untangle relations of the form





$B$ -introduction rules are applied on configurations of the form



where  $\alpha, \beta$  are *splitting gates*, that are gates of type  $\otimes$  or *Cut*.  
 For example, consider the two following configurations with  $A$  active  
 formula of  $\alpha$ :

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma_1 \quad \Gamma_B \quad \Gamma_2 \quad \boxed{\Gamma_A} \\
 \vdots \\
 \vdots \\
 \vdots \\
 \frac{\vdash \Gamma, \boxed{\Gamma_A}, B \quad \vdash C, \Delta}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \boxed{\Gamma_A}, \beta(B, C)} \beta(B, C) \\
 \frac{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \boxed{\Gamma_A}, \beta(B, C)}{\vdash \Gamma', \Delta', \boxed{A}, \beta(B, C)} \\
 \frac{\vdash \Gamma', \Delta', \beta(B, C), \alpha(\boxed{A}, D), \Sigma}{\vdash \Gamma', \Delta', \beta(B, C), \alpha(\boxed{A}, D), \Sigma} \alpha(A, D)
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{or} \quad
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 \boxed{\Gamma_A} \quad \Gamma_1 \quad \Gamma_B \quad \Gamma_2 \\
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 \vdots \\
 \frac{\vdash \Delta, C \quad \vdash \Gamma, \boxed{\Gamma_A}, B}{\vdash \Delta, \beta(B, C), \boxed{\Gamma_A}, \Gamma} \beta(C, B) \\
 \frac{\vdash \Sigma, D \quad \vdash \Delta, \beta(B, C), \boxed{A}, \Gamma', \Delta'}{\vdash \Sigma, \beta(B, C), \alpha(D, \boxed{A}), \Gamma', \Delta'} \alpha(D, A)
 \end{array}$$

## Theorem (Termination of $\mathfrak{U}$ )

*The polygraph  $\mathfrak{U}$  is terminating.*

In particular, if  $\phi \in \mathfrak{U}$  is irreducible, then  $\phi \in \tilde{\mathfrak{U}}$ .

Even if the polygraph  $\mathfrak{U}$  is not confluent, the rewriting concerning only  $B$ -gates elimination is:

## Proposition

*The order of the  $Ax$  and  $1$  gates (derivation tree leafs) is the same for every  $\mathfrak{U}_3$ -equivalent irreducible diagram in  $\mathfrak{U}$ .*

## A denotational semantics for $MLL_u$

We define the following equivalence relation:

$$d'(\Gamma) \sim_D d''(\Gamma) \text{ iff } \exists \phi_{d'(\Gamma)}, \phi_{d''(\Gamma)} \in \tilde{\mathfrak{U}} \text{ s.t. } [\phi_{d'(\Gamma)}]_{\mathfrak{U}} = [\phi_{d''(\Gamma)}]_{\mathfrak{U}}.$$

### Theorem

*Two derivations are equivalent modulo  $\sim$  if and only if they are represented by two equivalent proof diagrams with respect of  $\langle \mathfrak{U} \rangle$ . That is:*

$$d(\Gamma) \sim d'(\Gamma) \Leftrightarrow d(\Gamma) \sim_D d'(\Gamma)$$

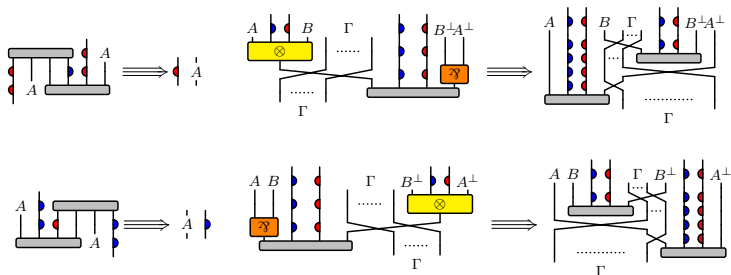
*Thus the following function is well defined:*

$$\begin{aligned} [-]_{\mathfrak{U}} : \quad \{ MLL_u \text{ proofs (mod } \sim) \} &\rightarrow \{ \text{morphisms in } \langle \mathfrak{U} \rangle \} \\ d(\Gamma) &\rightarrow [\phi_{d(\Gamma)}]_{\mathfrak{U}} \end{aligned}$$

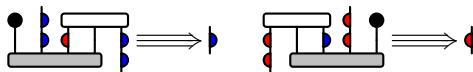
### Definition (Polygraph of $MLL_u$ semantics)

The *polygraph of multiplicative linear logic semantics*  $\mathcal{S}_{MLL_u}$  is given by  $\mathfrak{U}$  enriched with the set of 3-cells  $\mathcal{S}_{MLL_u}^{Cut} = \mathfrak{M}_{Cut} \cup \mathfrak{U}_{Cut}$ :

- $\mathfrak{M}_{Cut}$  is made of the following 3-cells:



- $\mathfrak{U}_{Cut}$  is made of the following 3-cells:



### Theorem (Termination in $\mathcal{S}_{MLL_u}$ )

*The polygraph  $\mathcal{S}_{MLL_u}$  is terminating.*

Consequently, we have a *cut-elimination* Theorem for the set of sequentializable proof diagrams in  $\mathcal{S}_{MLL_u}$ .

### Theorem (Cut-elimination)

*An irreducible proof diagram  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}_{MLL_u}$  which represent a derivation contains no *Cut-gates*.*

## Theorem (Multiplicative linear logic correspondence)

$$\vdash_{MLL_u} \Gamma \Leftrightarrow \exists \phi \in \mathcal{S}_{MLL_u} \text{ such that } \phi : \square \Rightarrow L, \Gamma, R.$$

We define the following function associating to any  $MLL_u$  derivation  $d(\Gamma)$  a morphism of the category  $\langle \mathcal{S}_{MLL_u} \rangle$  as follows:

## Definition (Denotational semantics of proof diagrams)

$$\begin{aligned} [-]_D : \{MLL_u \text{ derivations}\} &\rightarrow \{\text{morphisms in } \langle \mathcal{S}_{MLL_u} \rangle\} \\ d(\Gamma) &\rightarrow [d(\Gamma)]_D = [\phi_{d(\Gamma)}]_{\mathcal{S}_{MLL_u}} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\phi_{d(\Gamma)}$  is an arbitrary representation of  $d(\Gamma)$ .

## Theorem (Proof diagram semantics)

$[-]_D$  is a denotational semantics for  $MLL_u$  sequent calculus.

Proof.

We define the following equivalence relation  $\approx_D$  over  $MLL_u$  derivations:

$$d'(\Gamma) \approx_D d''(\Gamma) \text{ iff } [d'(\Gamma)]_D = [d''(\Gamma)]_D$$

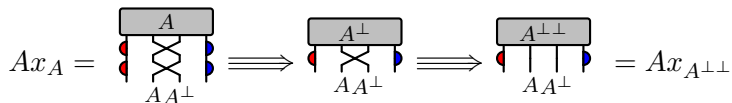
We have the following properties:

- 1 if  $d(\Gamma) \rightarrow_{Cut} \hat{d}(\Gamma)$ , then  $d(\Gamma) \approx_D \hat{d}(\Gamma)$ ;
- 2  $\approx_D$  is non-degenerated, i.e. one can find a formula with at least two non-equivalent proofs;
- 3  $\approx_D$  is a congruence;





We remark that  $[-]_D$  is coherent with the involutivity of negation. In fact, the invariance of diagram inputs and outputs with respect to rewriting impose the equivalence  $A^{\perp\perp} = A$ :



Similarly, De Morgan's laws follow by the definition of *Cut*-gates. By means of example, consider the equivalence of  $A \wp B = (B^{\perp} \otimes A^{\perp})^{\perp}$ :

