

From Proof Nets to Combinatorial Proofs
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A New Approach to Hilbert's 24th Problem



4. Lecture

Deep Inference



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Deep inference

A method for structuring proofs

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ C \end{array}} ::= a \quad | \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{c} A_1 \\ \parallel \\ C_1 \end{array}} \star \boxed{\begin{array}{c} A_2 \\ \parallel \\ C_2 \end{array}} \quad | \quad \frac{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ B_1 \end{array}}}{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} B_2 \\ \parallel \\ C \end{array}}} r$$

A *derivation* from A to C :

- Atom a
- *Horizontal construction* with connective $\star$
- *Vertical construction* with rule r from B_1 to B_2

A deep inference *proof system* is given by:

- A set of *connectives*
- A set of *rules*

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Classical logic

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ C \end{array}} ::= a \quad | \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{c} A_1 \\ \parallel \\ C_1 \end{array}} \star \boxed{\begin{array}{c} A_2 \\ \parallel \\ C_2 \end{array}} \quad | \quad \frac{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ B_1 \end{array}}}{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} B_2 \\ \parallel \\ C \end{array}}} r$$

- **Connectives:** $\wedge, \vee, \top, \perp$
- **Invertible rules:**

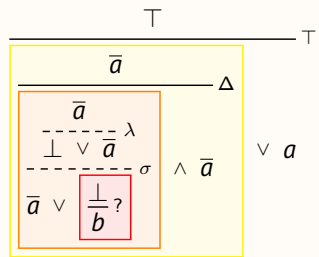
$$\frac{A \vee (B \vee C)}{(A \vee B) \vee C} \alpha \quad \frac{A \vee B}{B \vee A} \sigma \quad \frac{A}{\perp \vee A} \lambda \quad \frac{A \wedge (B \wedge C)}{(A \wedge B) \wedge C} \alpha \quad \frac{A \wedge B}{B \wedge A} \sigma \quad \frac{A}{\top \wedge A} \lambda$$

- **Non-invertible rules:**

$$\frac{\top}{A \vee \bar{A}} \top \quad \frac{(A \vee B) \wedge C}{A \vee (B \wedge C)} s \quad \frac{A \wedge \bar{A}}{\perp} \perp \quad \frac{\perp}{A} ? \quad \frac{A \vee A}{A} \nabla \quad \frac{A}{A \wedge A} \Delta \quad \frac{A}{\top} !$$

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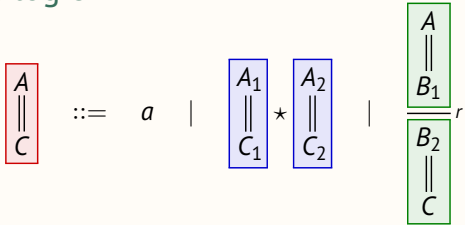
Example: Peirce's law



$$((\bar{a} \vee b) \wedge \bar{a}) \vee a$$

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Intuitionistic logic



- Connectives: $\supset, \wedge, \top$
- Invertible rules:

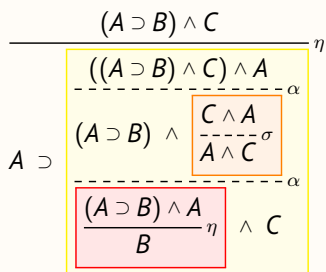
$$\frac{A \wedge (B \wedge C)}{(A \wedge B) \wedge C} \alpha \quad \frac{A \wedge B}{B \wedge A} \sigma \quad \frac{A}{\top \wedge A} \lambda$$

- Non-invertible rules:

$$\frac{B}{A \supset (B \wedge A)} \eta \quad \frac{(A \supset B) \wedge A}{B} \epsilon \quad \frac{A}{A \wedge A} \Delta \quad \frac{A}{\top} !$$

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Example: switch



$$\frac{(A \supset B) \wedge C}{A \supset (B \wedge C)}$$

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Multiplicative Linear Logic

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ C \end{array}} ::= a \quad | \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{c} A_1 \\ \parallel \\ C_1 \end{array}} \star \boxed{\begin{array}{c} A_2 \\ \parallel \\ C_2 \end{array}} \quad | \quad \frac{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ B_1 \end{array}}}{\boxed{\begin{array}{c} B_2 \\ \parallel \\ C \end{array}}} r$$

- Connectives: $\otimes, \wp, I, \perp$
- Invertible rules:

$$\frac{A \wp (B \wp C)}{(A \wp B) \wp C} \alpha \quad \frac{A \wp B}{B \wp A} \sigma \quad \frac{A}{\perp \wp A} \lambda \quad \frac{A \otimes (B \otimes C)}{(A \otimes B) \otimes C} \alpha \quad \frac{A \otimes B}{B \otimes A} \sigma \quad \frac{A}{I \otimes A} \lambda$$

- Non-invertible rules:

$$\frac{I}{A \wp A} I \quad \frac{(A \wp B) \otimes C}{A \wp (B \otimes C)} s \quad \frac{A \otimes \bar{A}}{\perp} \perp$$

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Example

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{((\bar{a} \wp \bar{b}) \otimes b) \wp \bar{c}}{(\bar{a} \wp \bar{b}) \otimes b} s}{\bar{a} \wp \frac{\frac{\bar{b} \otimes b}{\perp} \perp} \wp \bar{c}} \otimes \frac{I}{d \wp \bar{d}} I}{\frac{\bar{c} \wp \bar{a}}{((\bar{c} \wp \bar{a}) \otimes d) \wp \bar{d}} s} s$$

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From deep inference to proof nets

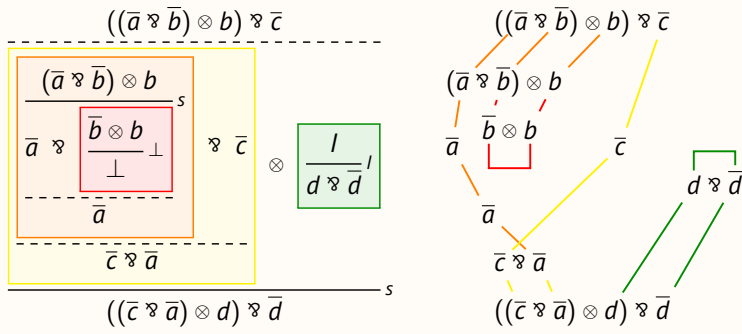
A derivation from A to B becomes a **two-sided proof net**:

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ B \end{array}} \mapsto \begin{array}{c} A \\ \parallel \\ B \end{array}$$

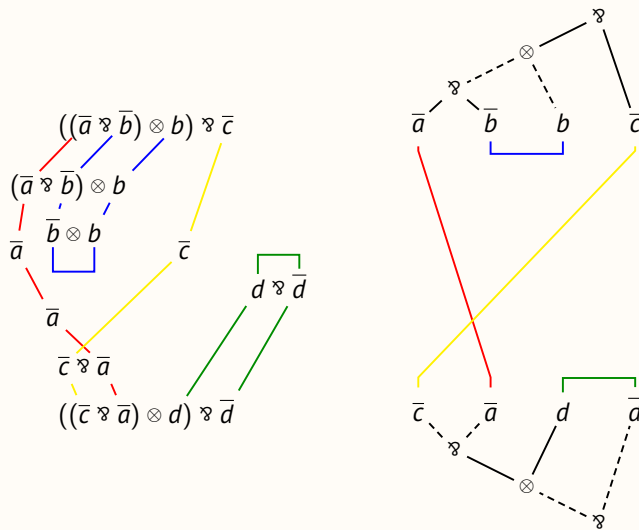
- **Informally**: by tracing atoms through a derivation
- **Formally**: by defining horizontal and vertical construction on proof nets

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Tracing atoms

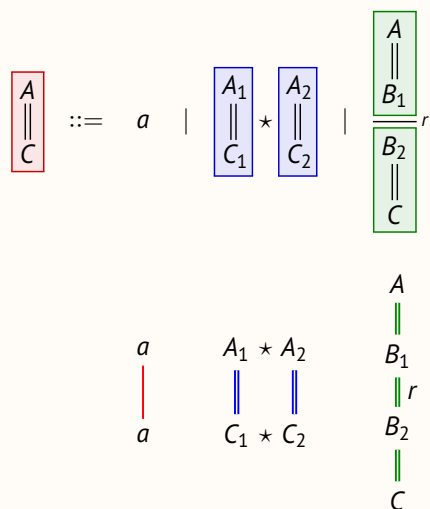


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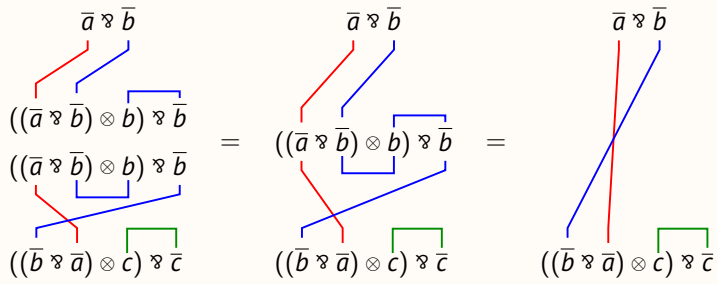
Inductive translation



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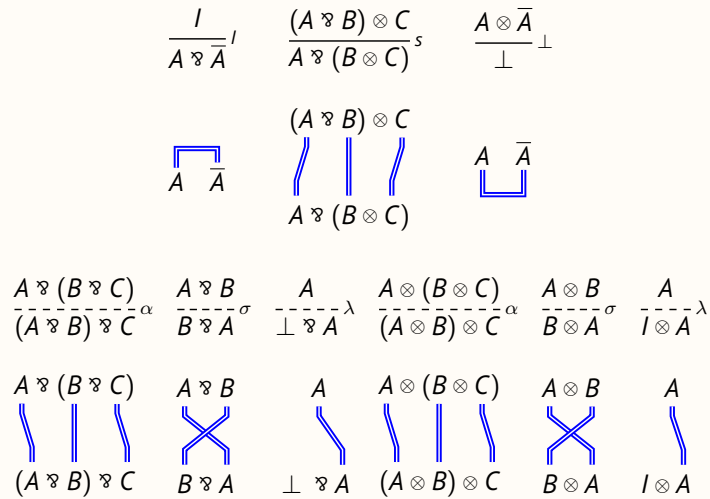
Composition

- Composition is **path composition** across the common formula



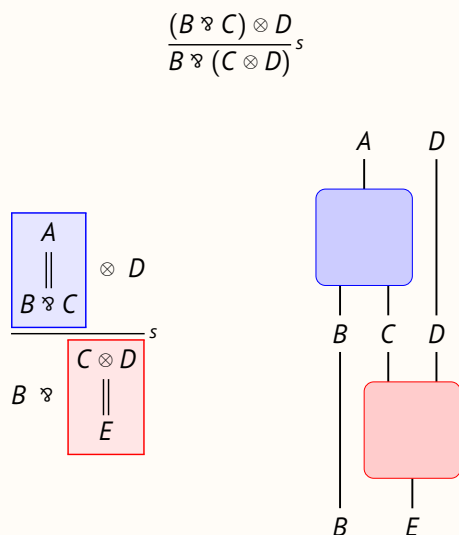
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Rules



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Switch



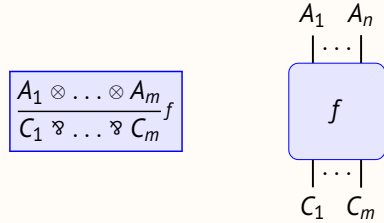
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MLL is the logic of **undirected, connected, acyclic networks**.

- We can add the **mix** rule to allow **disconnected** networks

$$\frac{A \otimes B}{A \wp B} \text{mix}$$

- We can drop the **axiom** and **cut** to get **directed** networks (this is called **weakly** or **linearly distributive logic**)
- We can add **primitives** (with inputs and outputs)



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From sequent calculus

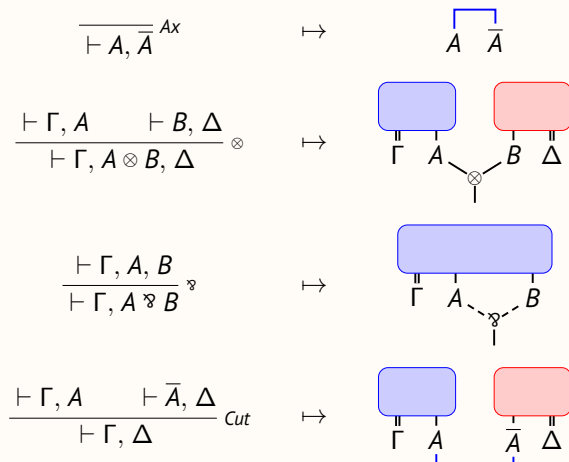
$$\frac{}{\vdash A, \bar{A}} \text{Ax} \mapsto \frac{I}{A \wp \bar{A}} I$$

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma, A \quad \vdash B, \Delta}{\vdash \Gamma, A \otimes B, \Delta} \otimes \mapsto \frac{(\Gamma \wp A) \otimes (B \wp \Delta)}{\Gamma \wp \frac{A \otimes (B \wp \Delta)}{(A \otimes B) \wp \Delta} s} s$$

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma, A, B}{\vdash \Gamma, A \wp B} \wp \mapsto \Gamma \wp (A \wp B)$$

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma, A \quad \vdash \bar{A}, \Delta}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta} \text{Cut} \mapsto \frac{(\Gamma \wp A) \otimes (\bar{A} \wp \Delta)}{\Gamma \wp \frac{A \otimes (\bar{A} \wp \Delta)}{\frac{A \otimes \bar{A}}{\perp} \wp \Delta} s} s$$

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Eta-expansion

$$\frac{}{\vdash \bar{A} \otimes \bar{B}, A \wp B}^{Ax} \mapsto \frac{\frac{}{\vdash \bar{A}, A}^{Ax} \quad \frac{}{\vdash \bar{B}, B}^{Ax}}{\vdash \bar{A} \otimes \bar{B}, A, B}^{\otimes}}{\vdash \bar{A} \otimes \bar{B}, A \wp B}^{\wp}$$

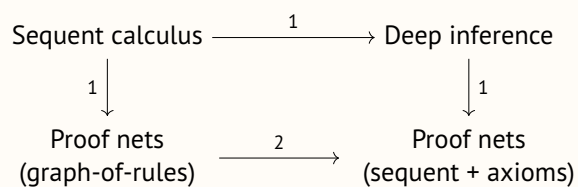
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Cut-elimination

$$\frac{\frac{\vdash \Gamma, \bar{A} \quad \vdash \Delta, \bar{B}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \bar{A} \otimes \bar{B}}^{\otimes} \quad \frac{\vdash \Theta, A, B}{\vdash \Theta, A \wp B}^{\wp}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \Theta}^{Cut} \mapsto \frac{\vdash \Gamma, \bar{A} \quad \frac{\vdash \Delta, \bar{B} \quad \vdash \Theta, A, B}{\vdash \Delta, \Theta, A}^{Cut}}{\vdash \Gamma, \Delta, \Theta}^{Cut}$$

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Big picture



1. Translations
2. Cut-elimination and eta-expansion

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