

# Proof nets for additive linear logic with units

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# Motivation: proof nets

For a given logic,

- ▶ Syntax: proofs, terms
- ▶ Semantics: games, sets and relations (complete partial orders, coherence spaces, Kripke frames), categories

But: many proofs may correspond to the same semantic entity

The aim of proof nets is to obtain a 1-1 correspondence between syntax and semantics

# Motivation: additive linear logic

- ▶ “Simple” fragment of linear logic, but units are hard  
**(Girard)**
- ▶ Categorical semantics: free products and coproducts  
**(Joyal)**
- ▶ Game-semantics: two communicating games of binary choice  
**(Cockett, Seely)**
- ▶ Process semantics: “the logic of message passing”  
**(Cockett)**

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Categorical (free) finite products and coproducts (over  $\mathcal{C}$ )

$$X := A \in \text{ob}(\mathcal{C}) \mid \mathbf{0} \mid \mathbf{1} \mid X + X \mid X \times X$$

Morphisms  $f : X \rightarrow Y$

# Properties of free (co)products

Zero and one are **units**

$$\mathbf{0} + X \cong X$$

$$\mathbf{1} \times X \cong X$$

and products and coproducts are perfectly dual

But there is no **distributivity**

$$\not\cong \quad \mathbf{0} \times X \cong \mathbf{0}$$

$$\not\cong \quad \mathbf{1} + X \cong \mathbf{1}$$

$$\not\cong \quad X \times (Y + Z) \cong (X \times Y) + (X \times Z)$$

(there may not even be a single arrow from left to right!)

# Sum-product logic

$$\frac{a \in \mathcal{C}(A, B)}{A \xrightarrow{a} B}$$

$$\frac{}{\mathbf{0} \xrightarrow{?} X}$$

$$\frac{}{X \xrightarrow{!} \mathbf{1}}$$

$$\frac{X \xrightarrow{f} Y_i}{X \xrightarrow{\iota_i \circ f} Y_0 + Y_1}$$

$$\frac{X_0 \xrightarrow{f} Y \quad X_1 \xrightarrow{g} Y}{X_0 + X_1 \xrightarrow{[f, g]} Y}$$

$$\frac{X \xrightarrow{f} Y_0 \quad X \xrightarrow{g} Y_1}{X \xrightarrow{\langle f, g \rangle} Y_0 \times Y_1}$$

$$\frac{X_i \xrightarrow{f} Y}{X_0 \times X_1 \xrightarrow{f \circ \pi_i} Y}$$



$$\frac{}{X \xrightarrow{id} X}$$

$$\frac{X \xrightarrow{f} Y \quad Y \xrightarrow{g} Z}{X \xrightarrow{g \circ f} Z}$$

## Joyal: Free Bicompletions of Categories (1995)

a morphism  $f : V_0 \times V_1 \rightarrow X_0 + X_1$  has one of these forms

$$V_0 \times V_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_i} V_i \xrightarrow{g} X_0 + X_1$$

$$V_0 \times V_1 \xrightarrow{h} X_j \xrightarrow{\iota_j} X_0 + X_1$$

and if it has both, then

A commutative diagram illustrating the relationship between the objects  $V_0 \times V_1$ ,  $V_i$ ,  $X_j$ , and  $X_0 + X_1$ . The diagram consists of four nodes arranged in a horizontal sequence from left to right. The first node is  $V_0 \times V_1$ , the second is  $V_i$ , the third is  $X_j$ , and the fourth is  $X_0 + X_1$ . There are four arrows: a straight arrow from  $V_0 \times V_1$  to  $V_i$  labeled  $\pi_i$  below it; a curved arrow from  $V_0 \times V_1$  to  $X_j$  labeled  $h$  above it; a straight arrow from  $V_i$  to  $X_j$  labeled  $k$  above it; and a curved arrow from  $V_i$  to  $X_0 + X_1$  labeled  $g$  below it. Finally, a straight arrow points from  $X_j$  to  $X_0 + X_1$  labeled  $\iota_j$  above it.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & h & & & & \\ & \nearrow & & \searrow & & & \\ V_0 \times V_1 & \xrightarrow{\pi_i} & V_i & \xrightarrow{k} & X_j & \xrightarrow{\iota_j} & X_0 + X_1 \\ & & & \searrow & g & \nearrow & \end{array}$$



# Proof identity

## Cockett and Seely: Finite Sum–Product Logic (2001)

$$\iota_i \circ (f \circ \pi_j) = (\iota_i \circ f) \circ \pi_j$$

$$[\iota_i \circ f, \iota_i \circ g] = \iota_i \circ [f, g] \qquad \langle f \circ \pi_i, g \circ \pi_i \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle \circ \pi_i$$

$$[\langle f_0, g_0 \rangle, \langle f_1, g_1 \rangle] = \langle [f_0, f_1], [g_0, g_1] \rangle$$

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$$?_1 = !_0$$

$$\langle ?, ? \rangle = ? \qquad [!, !] = !$$

$$\pi_i \circ ? = ? \qquad ! \circ \iota_i = !$$

Proof equality is **decidable**: terms are equal if and only if their normal forms are equated by the above equational theory

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**Cockett and Santocanale (2009):**

Proof equality for sum-product logic is **tractable**

Equality of  $f, g : X \rightarrow Y$  can be decided in time

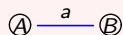
$$\mathcal{O}((hgt(X) + hgt(Y)) \times |X| \times |Y|)$$

(where  $hgt(X)$  is the height and  $|X|$  the total size of the syntax tree of  $X$ )

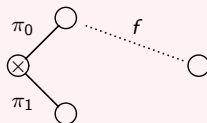
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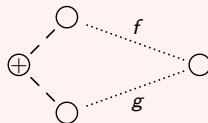
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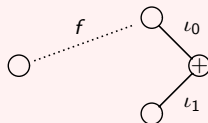
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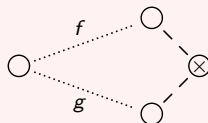
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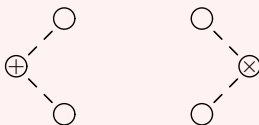


# Switching

A net  $X \xrightarrow{R} Y$  has

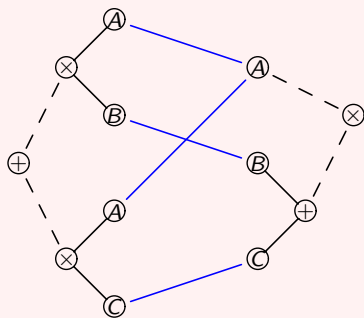
- ▶ a source object  $X$
- ▶ a target object  $Y$
- ▶ a labelled relation  $R$  from the leaves in  $X$  to the leaves in  $Y$

Any such triple is a **net** if it satisfies the **switching condition**:



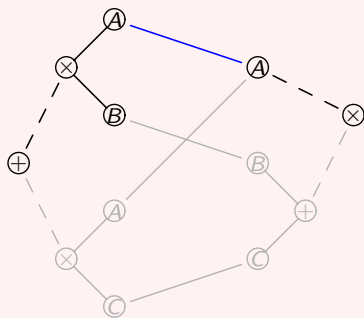
After choosing one branch for each **coproduct in  $X$**  and each **product in  $Y$**  there must be **exactly one** path from left to right.

## Example: switching



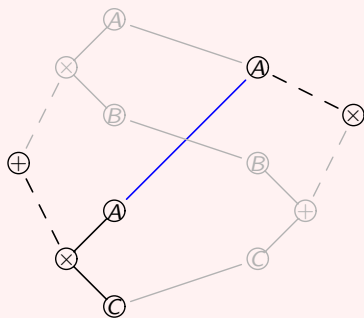
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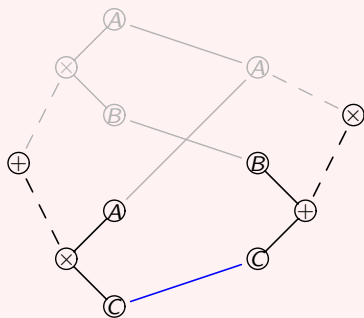
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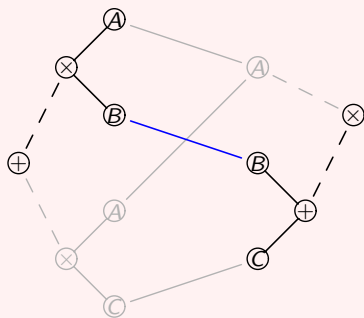


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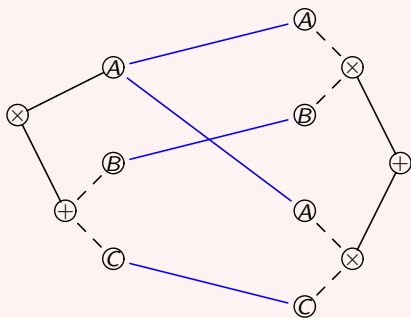
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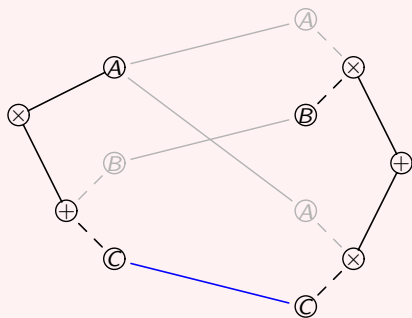
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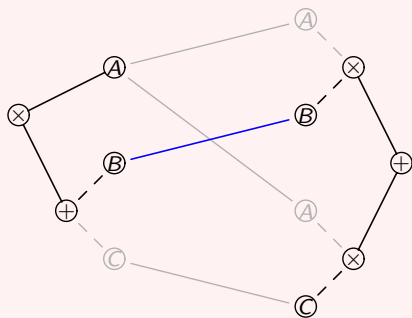
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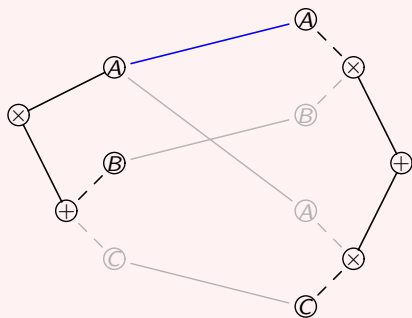
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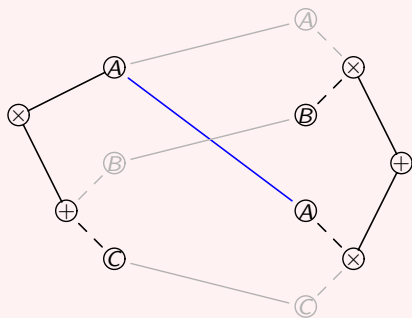
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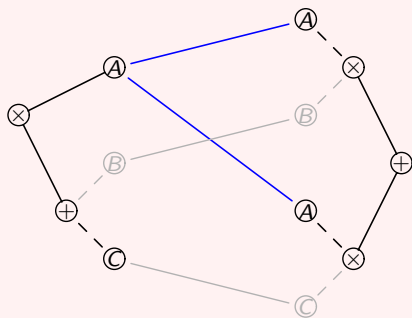
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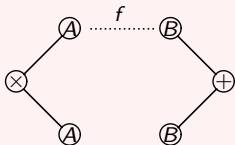
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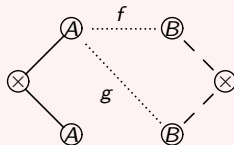
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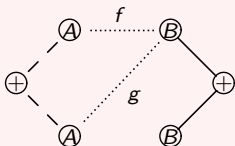
# Equalities factored out



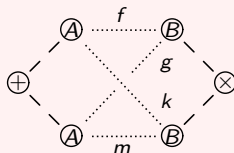
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$$[\iota_0 \circ f, \iota_0 \circ g] = \iota_0 \circ [f, g]$$



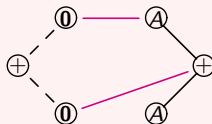
$$\langle [f, g], [k, m] \rangle = [\langle f, k \rangle, \langle g, m \rangle]$$

# The units

For initial and terminal maps  $? : \mathbf{0} \rightarrow Y$  or  $! : X \rightarrow \mathbf{1}$  the objects  $X$  and  $Y$  may be a **product** or **coproduct**.

$$\textcircled{0} \text{ --- } \bigcirc \qquad \bigcirc \text{ --- } \textcircled{1}$$

The above links are added, which are not restricted to the leaves.

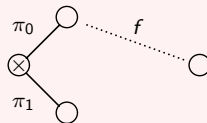
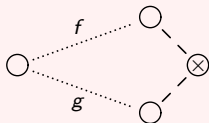
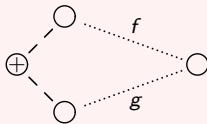
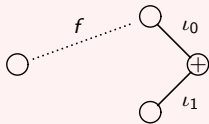
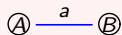


The **switching condition** is unaffected.

Omitting the label factors out an additional equality:

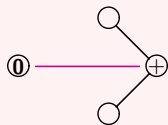
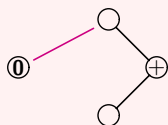
$$\mathbf{0} \xrightarrow[!]{?} \mathbf{1} \qquad \textcircled{0} \text{ --- } \textcircled{1}$$

# The full net calculus



# The unit equations

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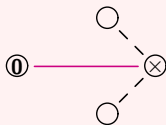
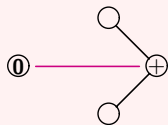
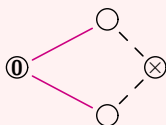
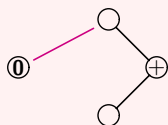


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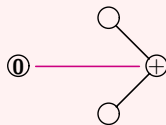
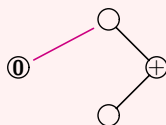
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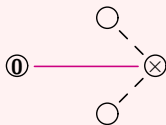
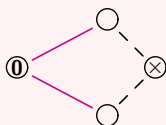
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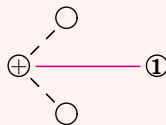
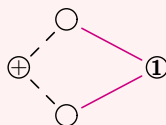
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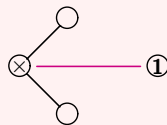
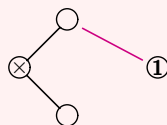
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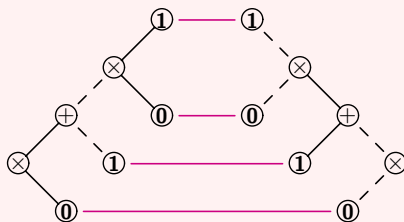


$$! \circ \pi_i = !$$

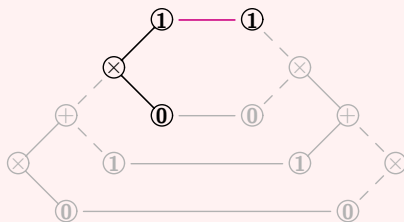


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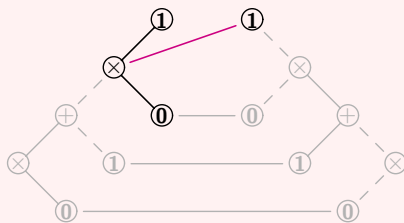


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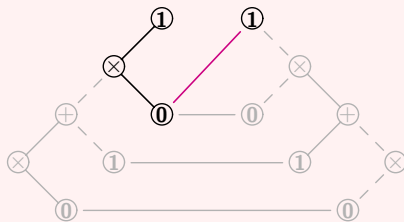




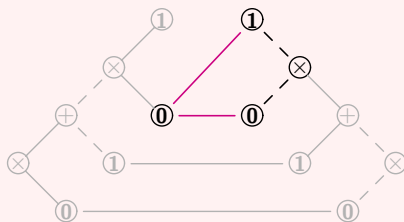
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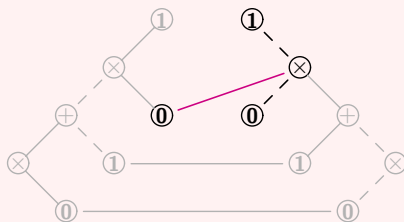
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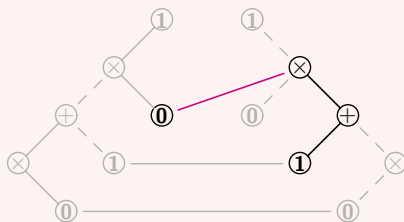
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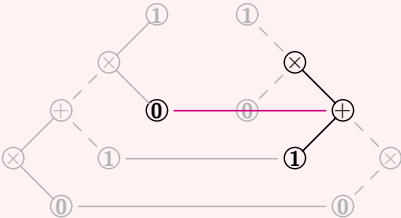
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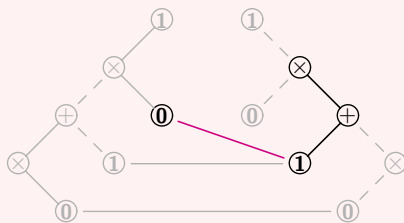
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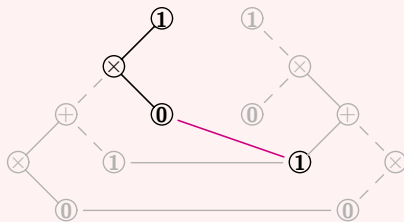
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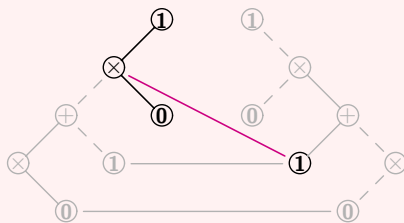


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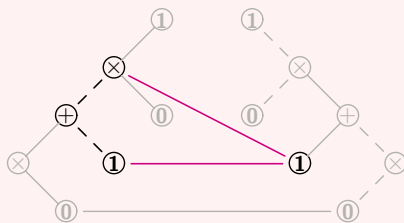




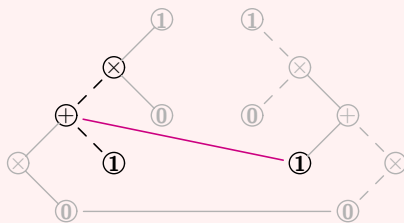
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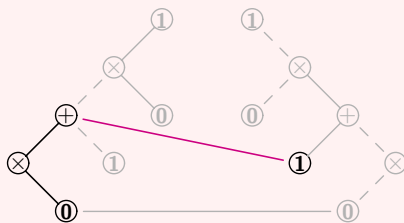
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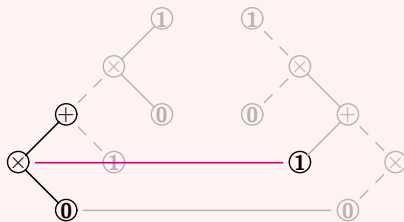
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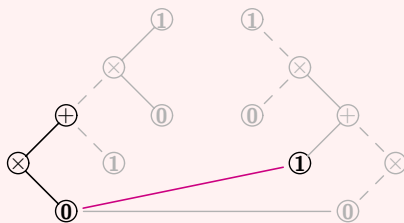
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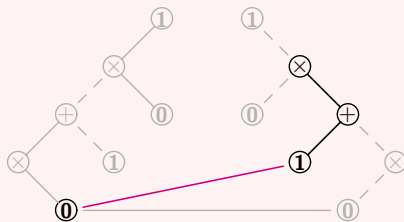
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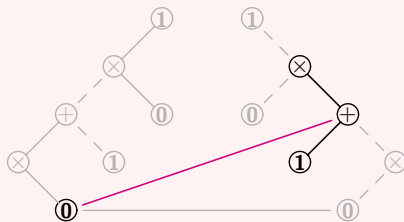
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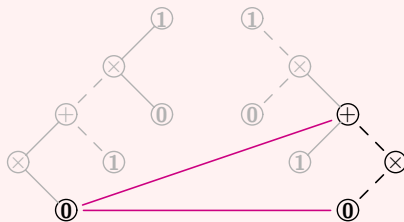


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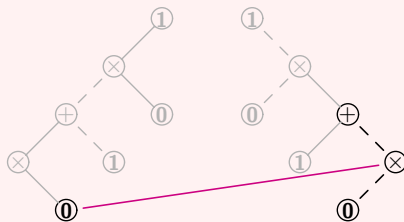




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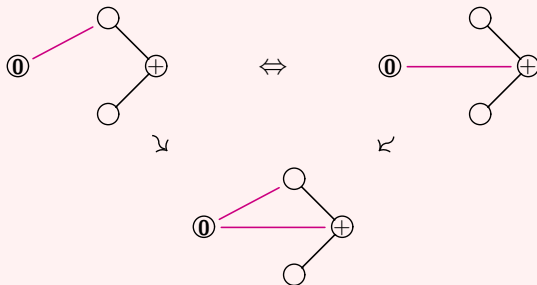
We would like **canonical representations** for the equivalence classes of proof nets generated by  $(\Leftrightarrow)$ .

A standard approach is to **rewrite** towards a normal form, using a **confluent** and **terminating** rewrite relation.

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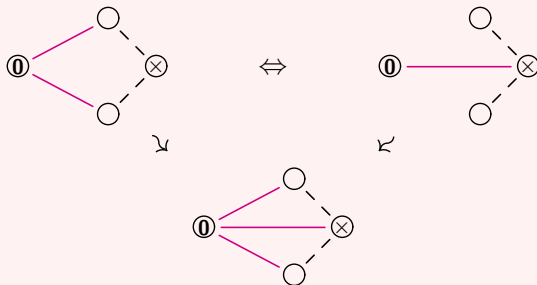
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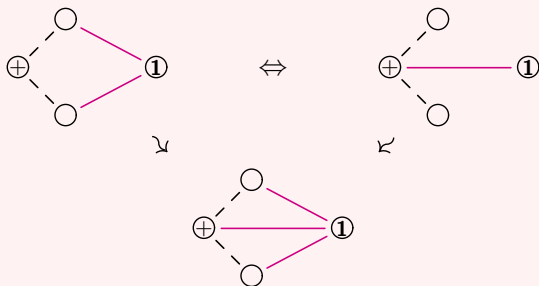
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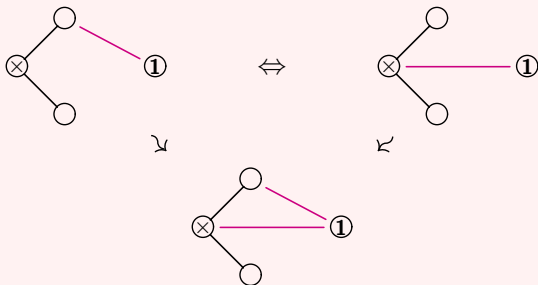
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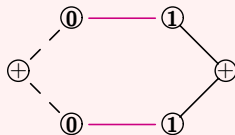


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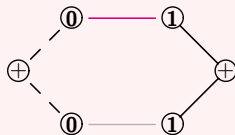


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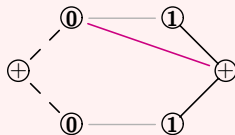




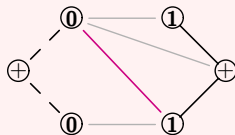
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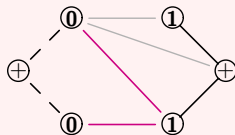
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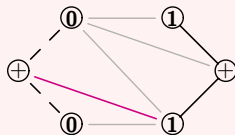
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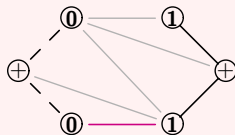
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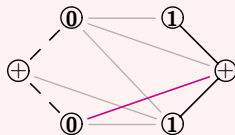
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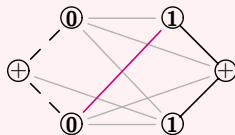
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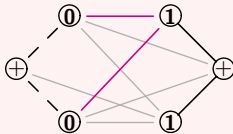


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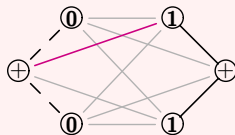




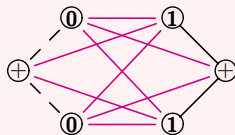
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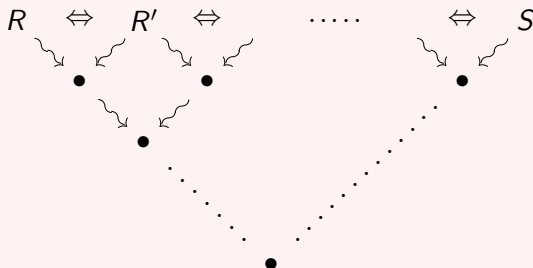
Write  $X \xrightarrow{\sigma R} Y$  for the normal form (the **saturation**) of a net  $X \xrightarrow{R} Y$  and call it a **saturated net**

# Main results

**Thm.** Saturation gives a decision procedure for term equality in sum-product logic:

$$X \xrightarrow{R} Y \Leftrightarrow X \xrightarrow{S} Y \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad X \xrightarrow{\sigma R} Y = X \xrightarrow{\sigma S} Y$$

Completeness ( $\Rightarrow$ )



Soundness ( $\Leftarrow$ ) is the difficult (and important) part

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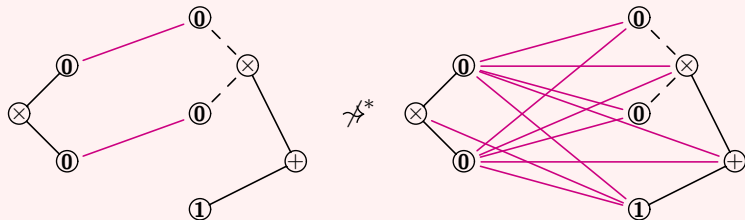
$$R \Leftrightarrow R_0 \Leftrightarrow R_1 \Leftrightarrow \dots \Leftrightarrow R_m \quad ?? \quad S_n \Leftrightarrow \dots \Leftrightarrow S_1 \Leftrightarrow S_0 \Leftrightarrow S$$

How to show that  $\sigma R = \sigma S$  gives  $R_m \Leftrightarrow S_n$  ?



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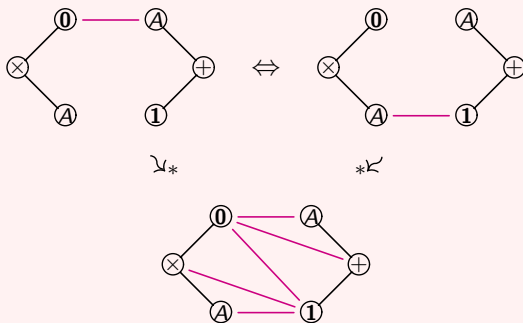
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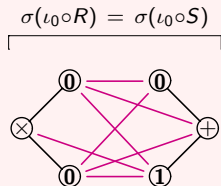
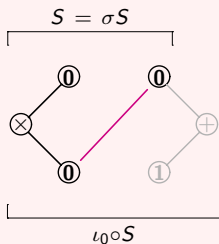
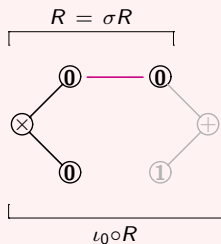


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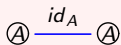
The category of saturated nets is the **free completion** with finite (nullary and binary) products and coproducts of a base category  $\mathcal{C}$ .

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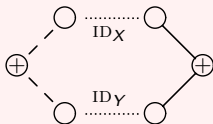
**Identities** are nets  $X \xrightarrow{\sigma \text{ID}_X} X$  where  $\text{ID}_X$  is the identity relation on the leaves of  $X$ .



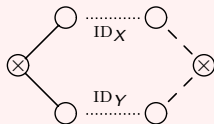
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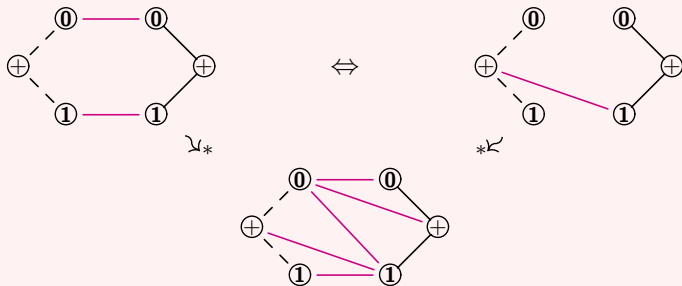
$$id_{X+Y} = [\iota_0 \circ id_X, \iota_1 \circ id_Y]$$



$$id_{X \times Y} = \langle id_X \circ \pi_0, id_Y \circ \pi_1 \rangle$$

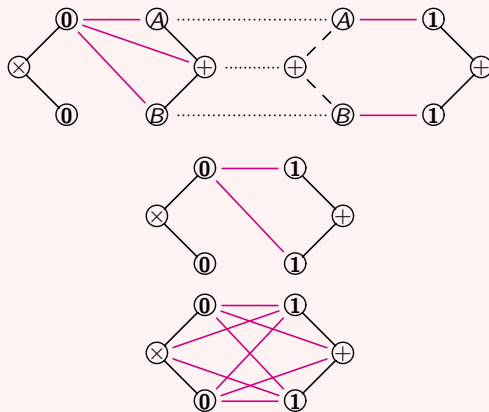
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Saturation is necessary: nets  $ID_X$  are equivalent to other nets.



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**Composition** is relational composition followed by (re-)saturation.



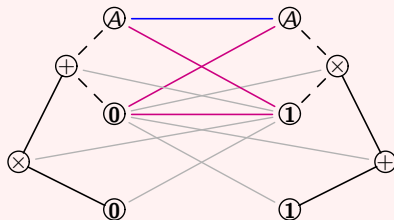


# Conclusion

Saturated nets are canonical proof nets for additive linear logic and give a combinatorial description of free sum–product categories

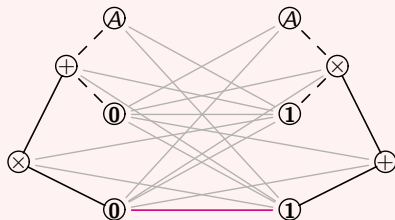
- ▶ Based on a simple rewriting algorithm
- ▶ Complicated correctness proof
- ▶ Work in progress: a correctness condition for saturated nets
- ▶ Relevant to concurrent games and communication by message passing

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