

Normalisation by evaluation  
for  
an intrinsic syntax of type theory

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# Extrinsic syntax

$$\Gamma \in \text{Con} ::= \cdot \mid \Gamma, A$$
$$A \in \text{Ty} ::= \iota \mid \Pi A A'$$
$$t \in \text{Tm} ::= x \mid \text{lam}_A t \mid \text{app } t t'$$

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma \quad \Gamma \vdash A}{\vdash \Gamma, A} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash \Pi A B} \quad \frac{\Gamma, A \vdash t : B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{lam } t : \Pi A B}$$

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# Intrinsic syntax

Constructors for the inductive inductive type:

$\text{Con} : \text{Set}$

$\text{Ty} : \text{Con} \rightarrow \text{Set}$

$\text{Tm} : (\Gamma : \text{Con}) \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Set}$

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$\Pi : (A : \text{Ty } \Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Ty } (\Gamma, A) \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma$

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# Conversion relation

Constructors for the quotient inductive inductive type:

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$\beta : \text{app } (\text{lam } t) \equiv t$

$\eta : \text{lam } (\text{app } t) \equiv t$

# Eliminator

- Non-dependent:

$(\text{Con}^M : \text{Set})(\text{Ty}^M : \text{Con}^M \rightarrow \text{Set}) \dots$

$\dots (\beta^M : \text{app}^M (\text{lam}^M t^M) \equiv t^M)$

$\text{Rec}_{\text{Con}} : \text{Con} \rightarrow \text{Con}^M$

$\text{Rec}_{\text{Ty}} : \text{Ty } \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Ty}^M (\text{Rec}_{\text{Con}} \Gamma)$

- Dependent:

$(\text{Con}^M : \text{Con} \rightarrow \text{Set})(\text{Ty}^M : \text{Con}^M \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Set}) \dots$

$\text{Elim}_{\text{Con}} : (\Gamma : \text{Con}) \rightarrow \text{Con}^M \Gamma$

$\text{Elim}_{\text{Ty}} : (A : \text{Ty } \Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Ty}^M (\text{Elim}_{\text{Con}} \Gamma) A$

# Quotient inductive types in Agda

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{-# OPTIONS --rewriting #-}
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postulate
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  Con : Set
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  Ty  : Con → Set
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  _,_ : (Γ : Con) → Ty Γ → Con
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  RecCon : Con → ConM
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  RecTy  : Ty Γ → TyM (RecCon Γ)
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  β, : RecCon (Γ , A) ≡ RecCon Γ ,M RecTy A
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{-# REWRITE β, #-}
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# Relation to old-style syntax

Conjecture:

$$\text{Con} \cong \left( (\bar{\Gamma} : \overline{\text{Con}}) \times \vdash \bar{\Gamma} \right) / \sim_{\text{Con}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\Gamma : \text{Con}) \times \text{Ty } \Gamma \\ \cong & \left( (\bar{\Gamma} : \overline{\text{Con}}) \times \vdash \bar{\Gamma} \times (\bar{A} : \overline{\text{Ty}}) \times \bar{\Gamma} \vdash \bar{A} \right) / \sim_{\text{Con}} / \sim_{\text{Ty}} \end{aligned}$$

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# Models formalised

For a theory with  $\Pi$ , a base type and a family over the base type.

- Non-dependent eliminator:
  - ▶ standard model
  - ▶ presheaf model
  - ▶ setoid model
- Dependent eliminator:
  - ▶ logical predicate translation of Bernardy
  - ▶ presheaf logical predicate interpretation



# Neutral terms and normal forms

$$n ::= x \mid n v$$

$$v ::= n \mid \lambda x.v$$

The intrinsically typed version:

$$\text{Ne} : (\Gamma : \text{Con}) \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

$$\text{Nf} : (\Gamma : \text{Con}) \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

$$\text{var} : \text{Var } \Gamma A \rightarrow \text{Ne } \Gamma A$$

$$\text{app} : \text{Ne } \Gamma (\Pi A B) \rightarrow (v : \text{Nf } \Gamma A) \rightarrow \text{Ne } \Gamma (B[\langle \Gamma v \rangle])$$

$$\text{neu} : \text{Ne } \Gamma \iota \rightarrow \text{Nf } \Gamma \iota$$

$$\text{lam} : \text{Nf } (\Gamma, A) B \rightarrow \text{Nf } \Gamma (\Pi A B)$$

# Normalisation

$$\text{norm} : (t : \text{Tm } \Gamma A) \rightarrow (v : \text{Nf } \Gamma A) \times t \equiv \ulcorner v \urcorner$$

$$\text{stab} : (v : \text{Nf } \Gamma A) \rightarrow \text{norm } \ulcorner v \urcorner \equiv v$$

# Decidability of equality

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$$n_0 : \text{Ne } \Gamma (\prod A_0 \ B_0)$$

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Problem:

We'd need normal forms indexed by normal types.

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# Summary

- Intrinsically typed syntax quotiented by conversion
- Formalised in Agda
- Normalisation can be proved and equality is decidable
- Future work:
  - ▶ Extend the theory with more type formers
  - ▶ We used  $K$  in our metatheory. What if we don't?

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# NBE for dependent types

Yoneda embedding

$$Y_\Gamma : \text{REN}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

$$Y_A : \sum_{\text{REN}} Y_\Gamma \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

$$Y_\sigma : Y_\Gamma \dot{\rightarrow} Y_\Delta$$

$$Y_t : Y_\Gamma \xrightarrow{s} Y_A$$

Presheaf logical predicate

$$P_\Gamma : \sum_{\text{REN}} Y_\Gamma \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

$$P_A : \sum_{\text{REN}, Y_\Gamma, Y_A} P_\Gamma \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

$$P_\sigma : \sum_{Y_\Gamma} P_\Gamma \xrightarrow{s} P_\Delta[Y_\sigma]$$

$$P_t : \sum_{Y_\Gamma} P_\Gamma \xrightarrow{s} P_A[Y_t]$$

At the base type:

$$P_\iota t = (v : \text{Nf } \Gamma \iota) \times (t \equiv \ulcorner v \urcorner)$$