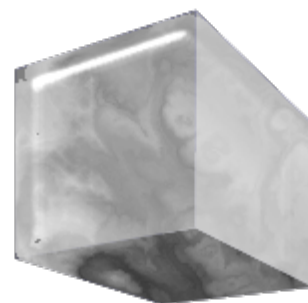


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**Cubical
Computational
Type
Theory
& RedPRL**

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theory of
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meaning
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$S \mapsto \{M \rightarrow N \mid M \Downarrow, N \Downarrow \text{ in } S\} \text{ union } \dots$

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$A \rightarrow B: \{\lambda a.M\}$

How they are equal?

$A1 \rightarrow B1 \approx A2 \rightarrow B2$ if $A1 \doteq A2$ and $B1 \doteq B2$

$\lambda a.M1 \approx_{A \rightarrow B} \lambda a.M2$ if $a:A \gg M1 \doteq M2 \in B$

Variables

Nuprl/...	Coq/Agda/...
Vars range over closed terms Defined by transition b/w closed terms	Vars are indet. Defined by conversion b/w open terms

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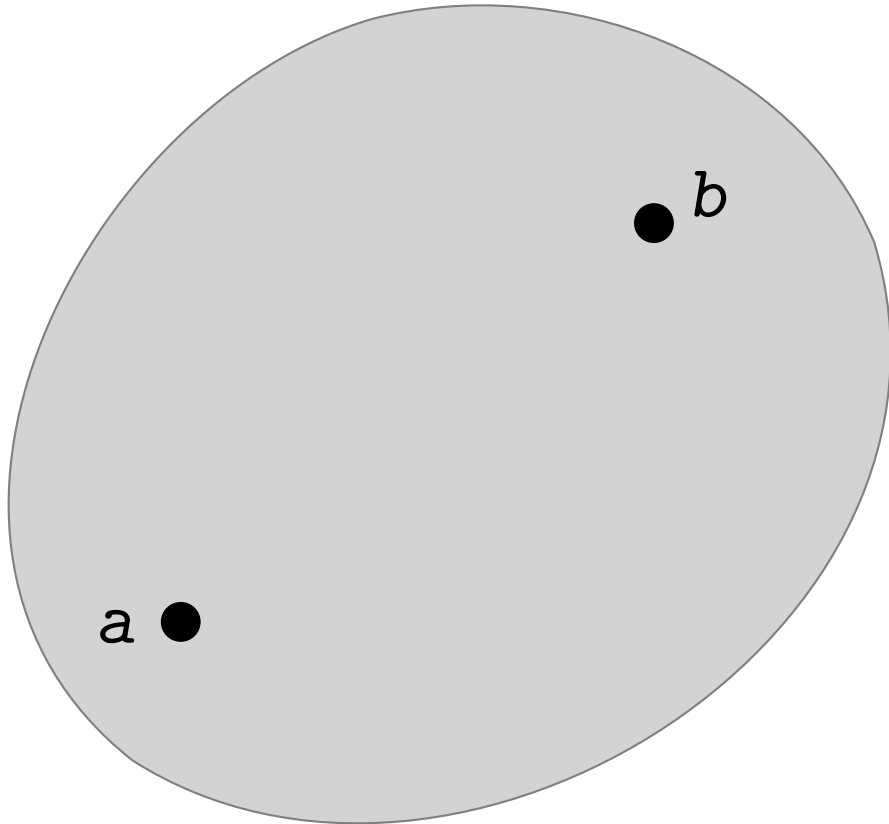
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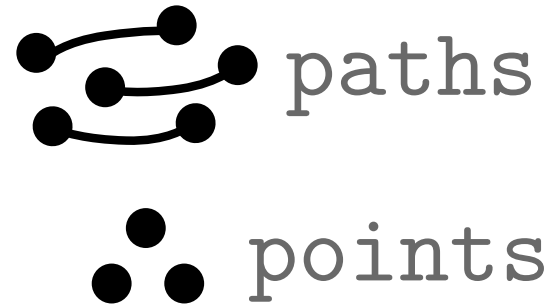
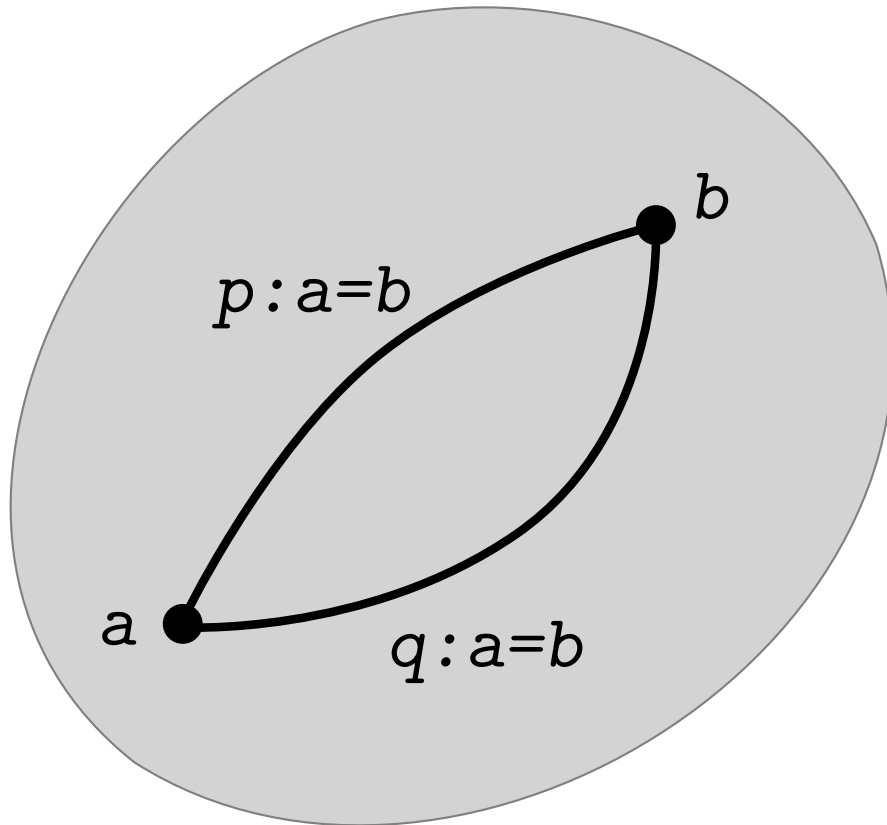
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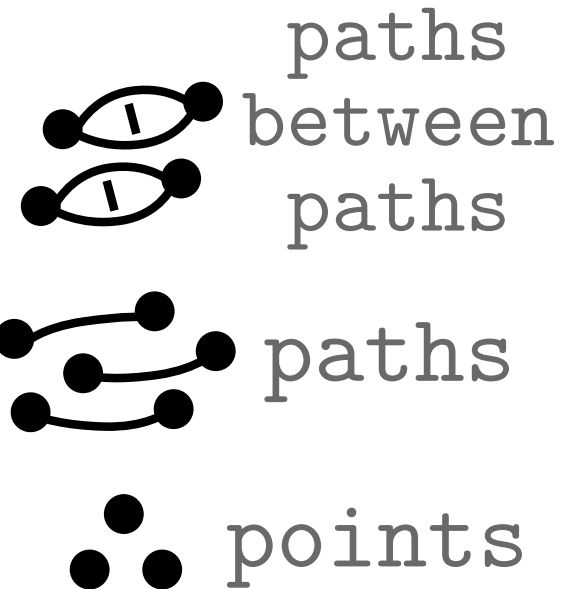
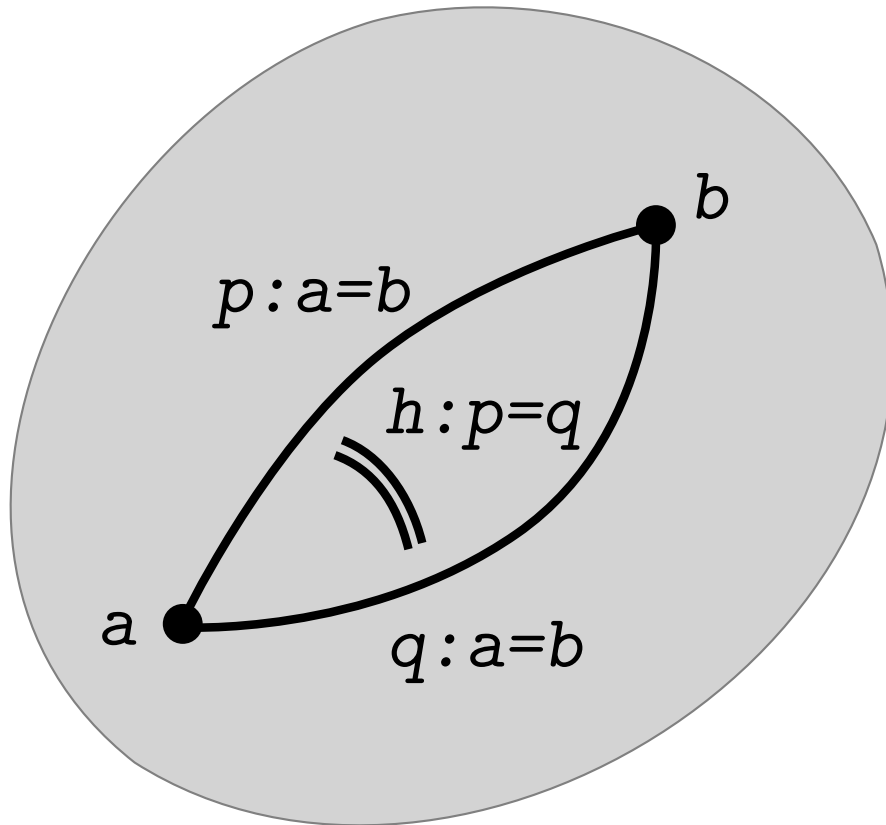


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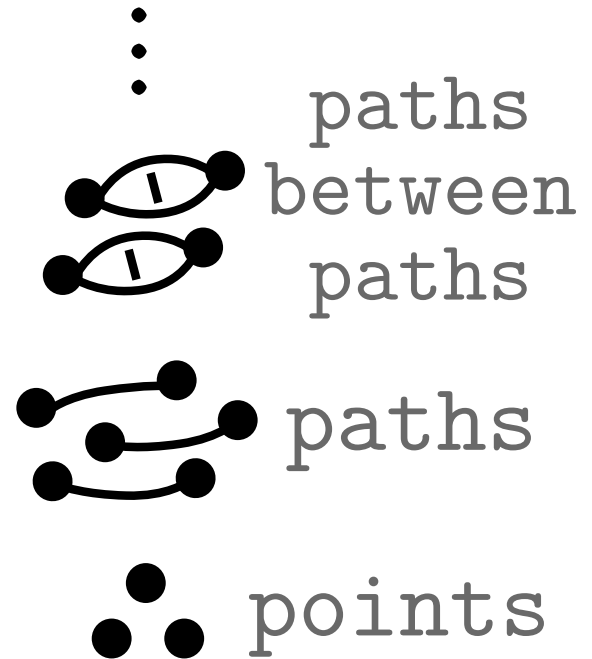
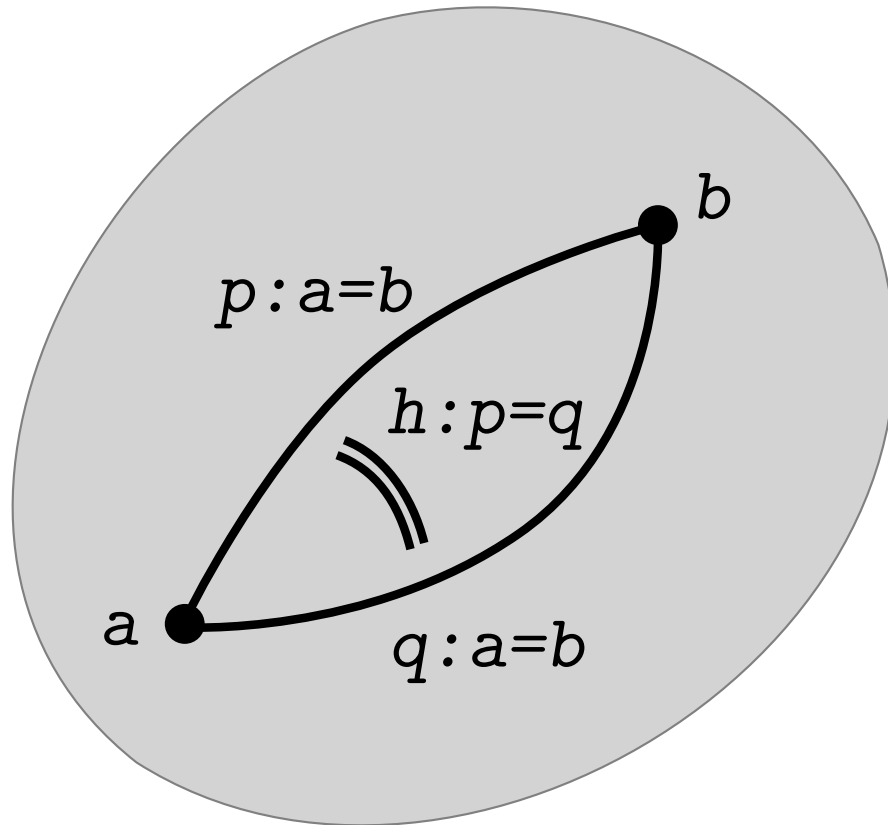
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Paths ($=$)

Visible in theory

If $P : A=B$ and $M : A$ then $\text{transport}(M,P) : B$

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[Awodey and Warren] [Voevodsky *et al*] [van den Berg and Garner]

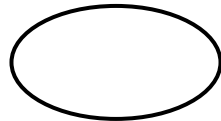
A	Type	Space
$a : A$	Element	Point
$f : A \rightarrow B$	Function	Continuous Mapping
$C : A \rightarrow \text{Type}$	Dependent Type	Fibration
$a =_A b$	Identification	Path

Features of HoTT

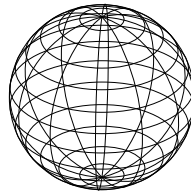
Univalence

If E is an equivalence between types A and B , then $ua(E):A=B$

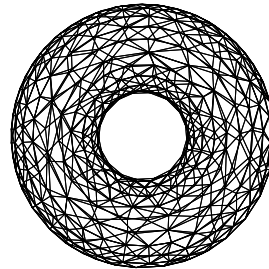
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... and higher inductive types?

Examples with De Morgan cubes [CHM 2018]

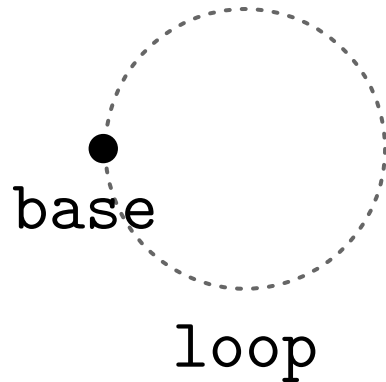
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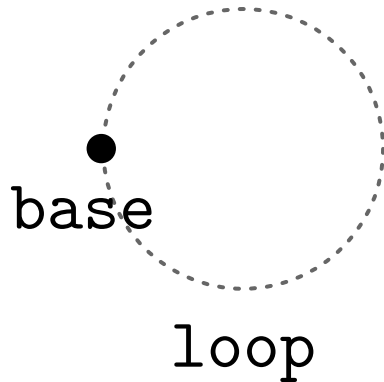
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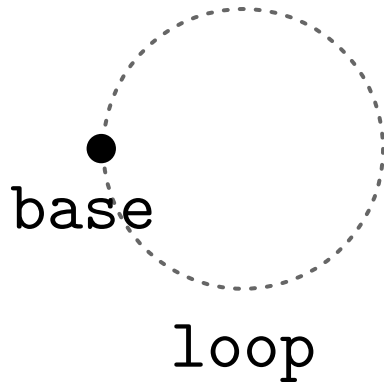


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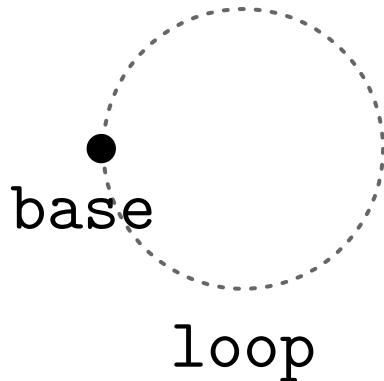


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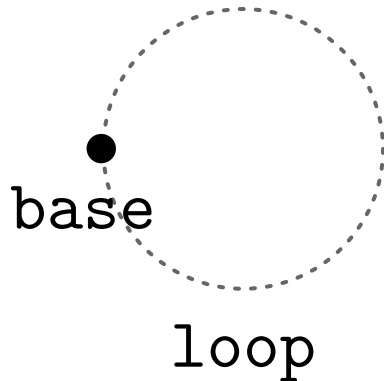
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sufficient to implement path-ind

Kan types: types with Kan structure

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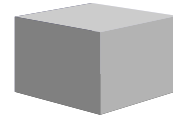
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$$x_1:\mathbb{I}, x_2:\mathbb{I}, \dots, x_n:\mathbb{I} \vdash M : A$$

$\Leftrightarrow M$ is an n -cube in A



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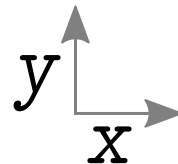
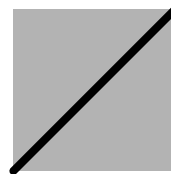
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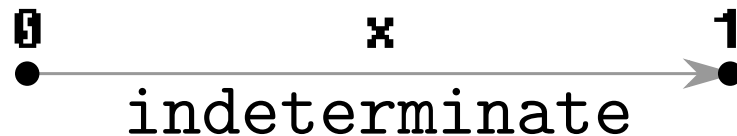


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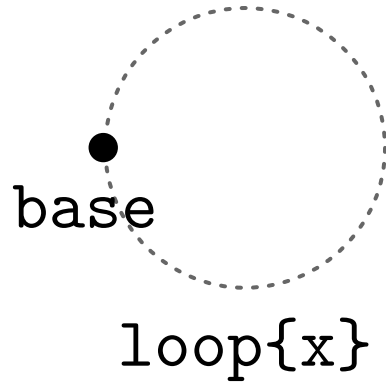


Cubical Programming

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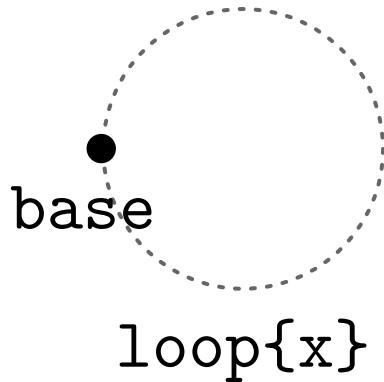


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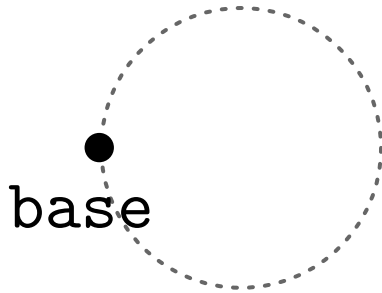
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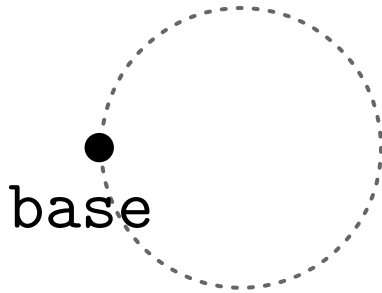


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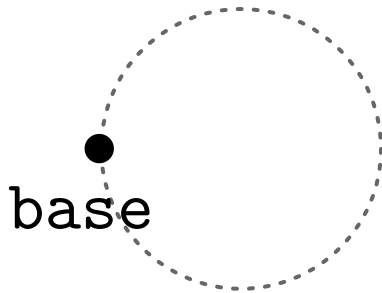
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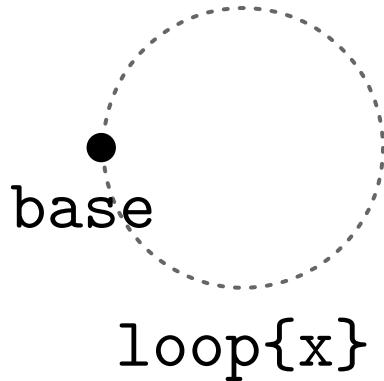
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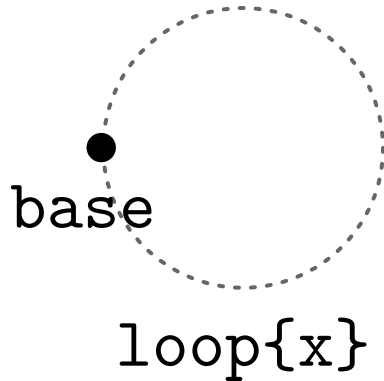
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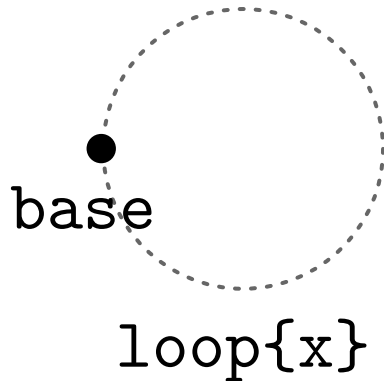
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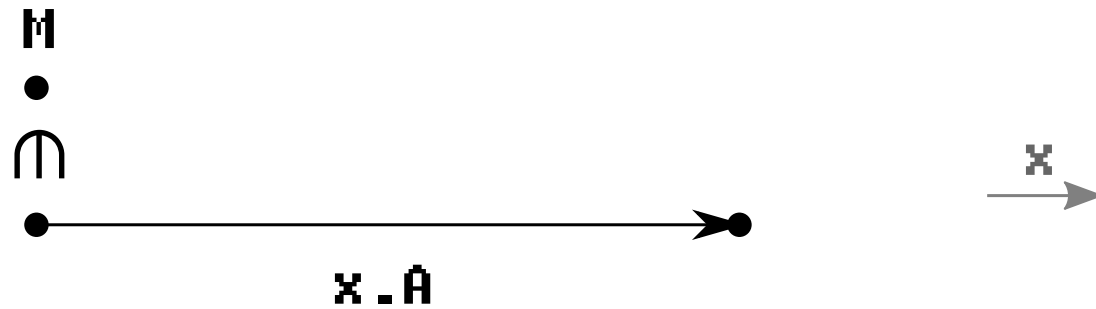
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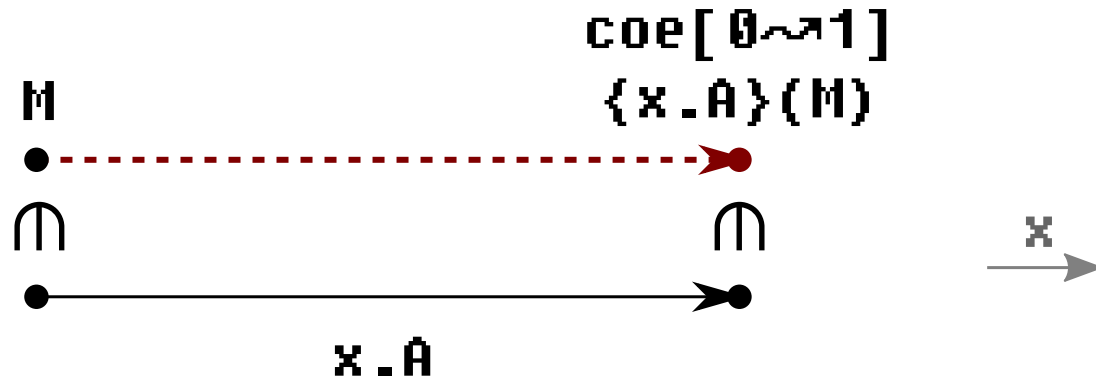
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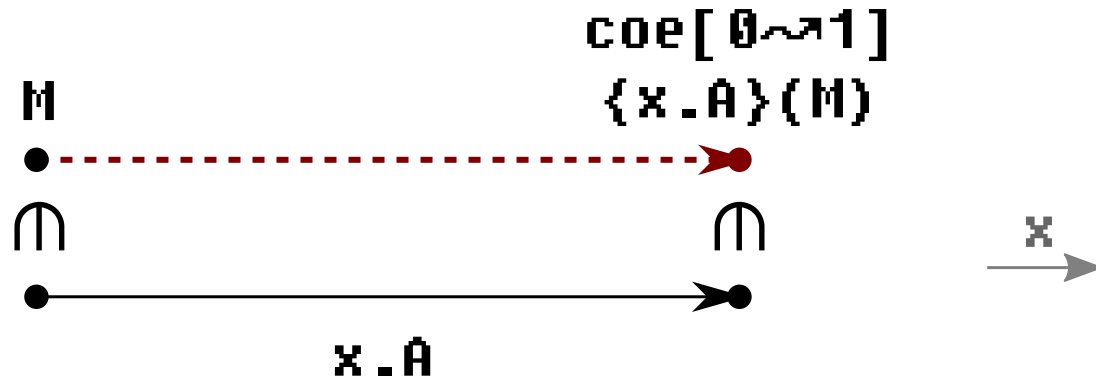
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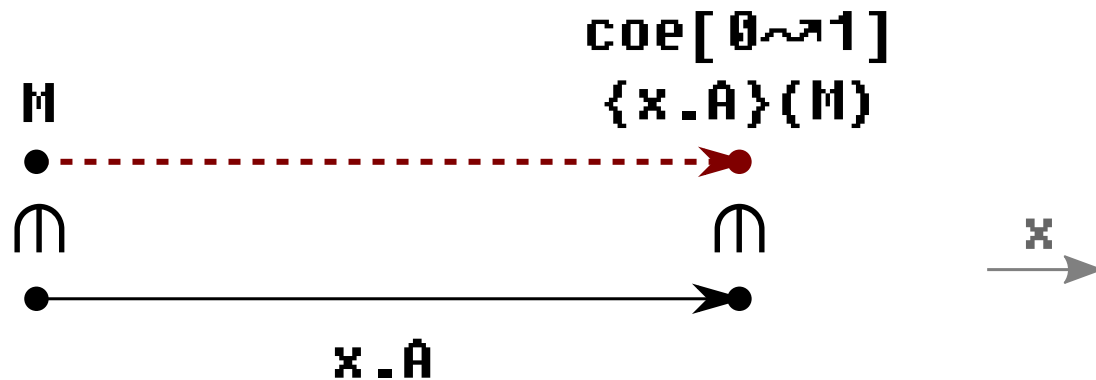


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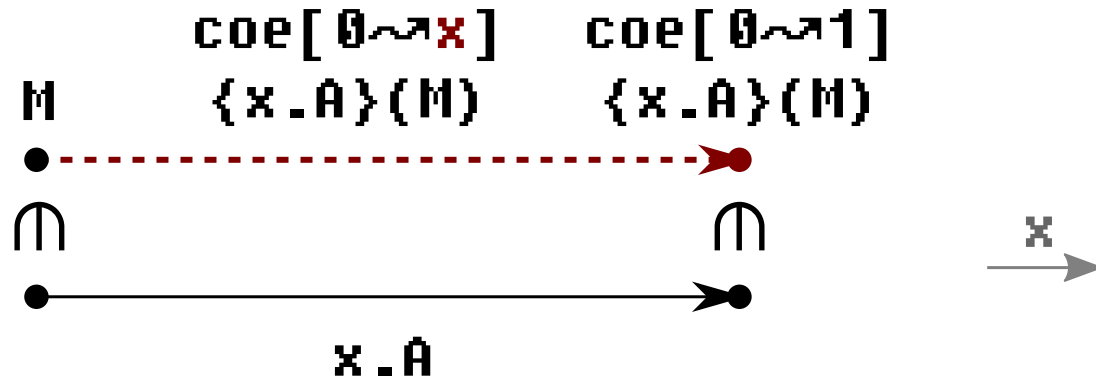


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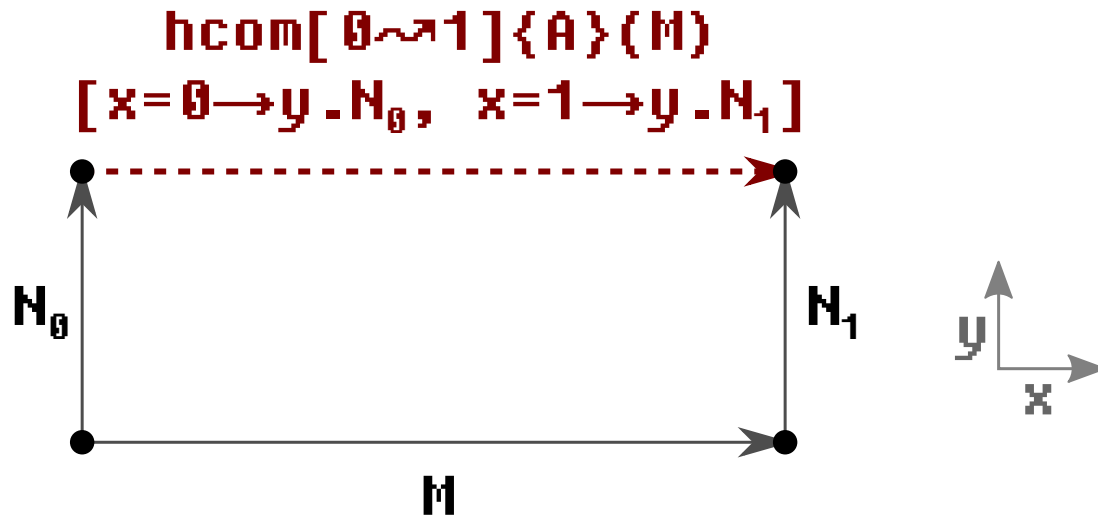
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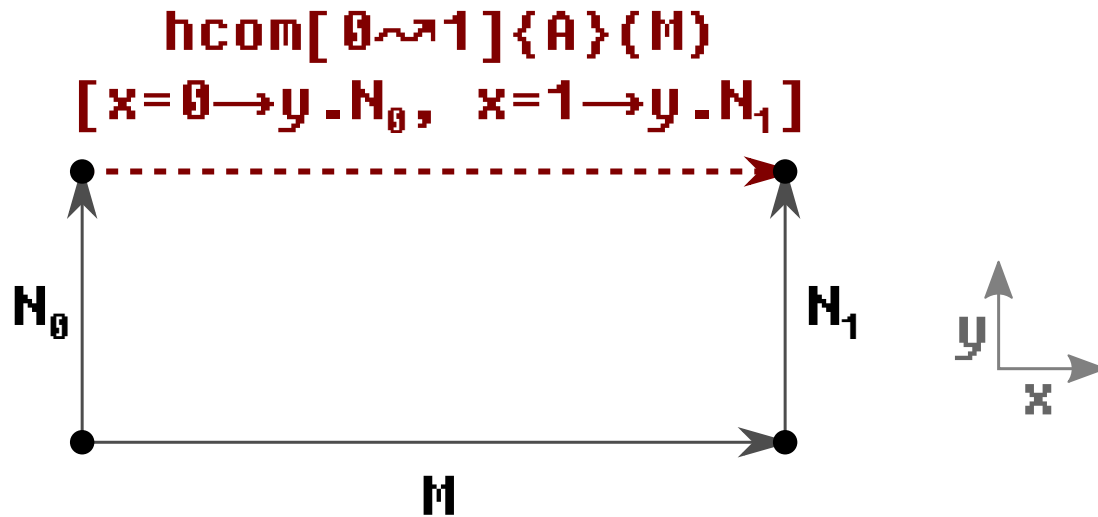
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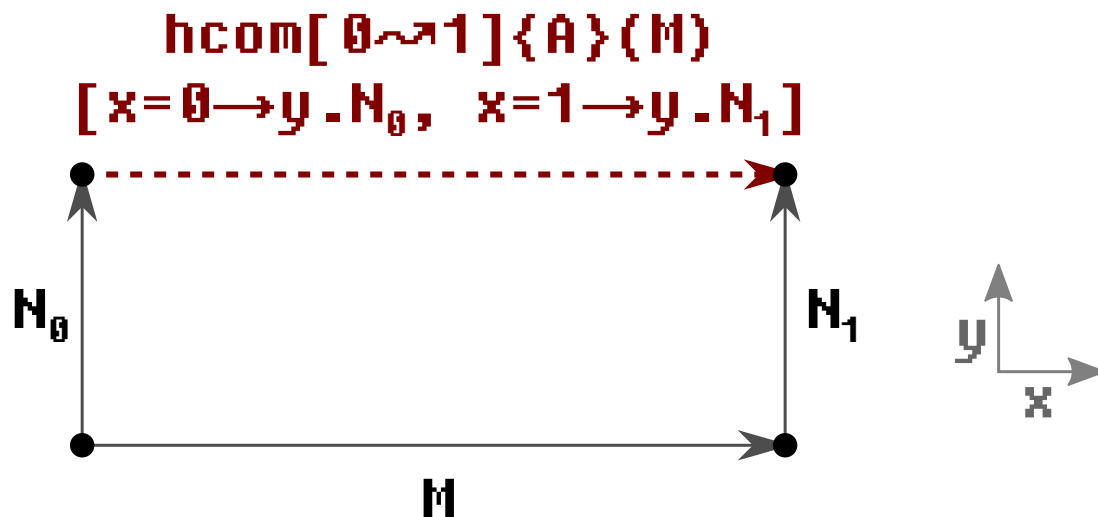


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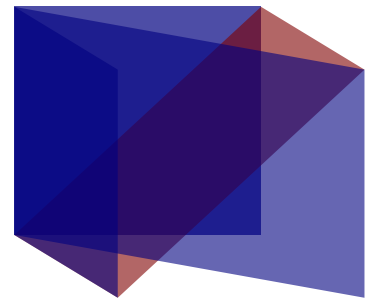
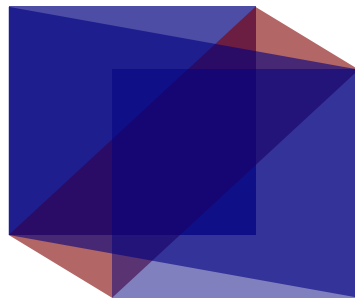
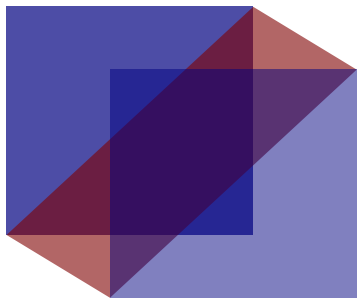
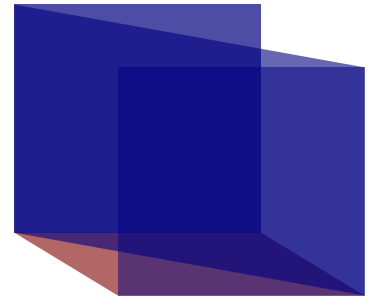
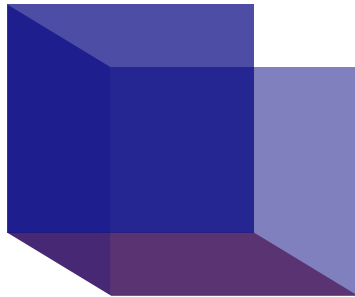
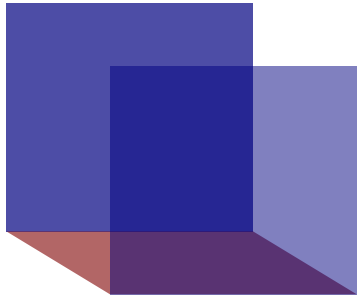


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`fhcom[r ~ r'](M) [...] val`

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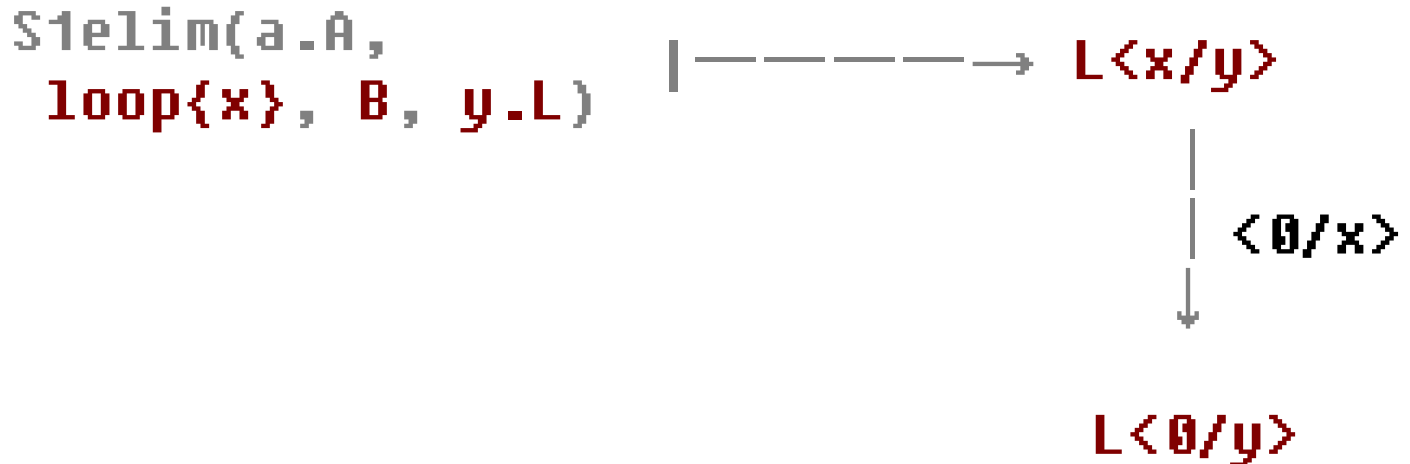
$$\text{Stelim}(a.A, \text{fhcom}[r \rightsquigarrow r'](M)[\dots], B, x.L) \\ \mapsto \text{com}[r \rightsquigarrow r']\{y.A[\text{fhcom}[r \rightsquigarrow y](M)[\dots]/a] \\ (\text{Stelim}(M, B, x.L))[\dots]\}$$
$$\text{Stelim}(\text{composition}) \mapsto \text{composition}(\text{Stelim})$$

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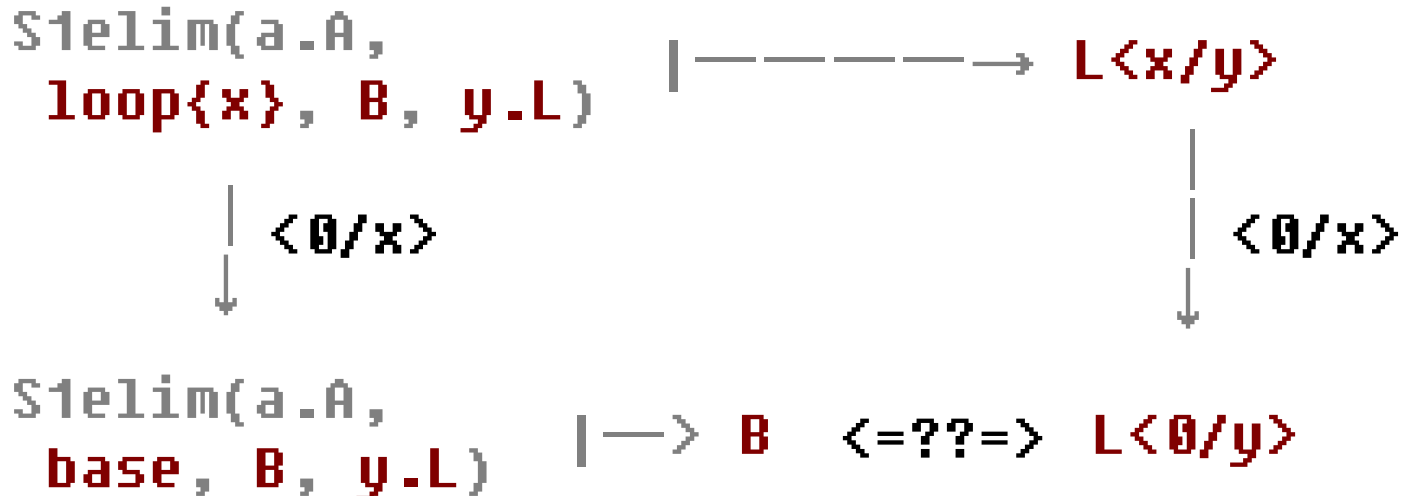
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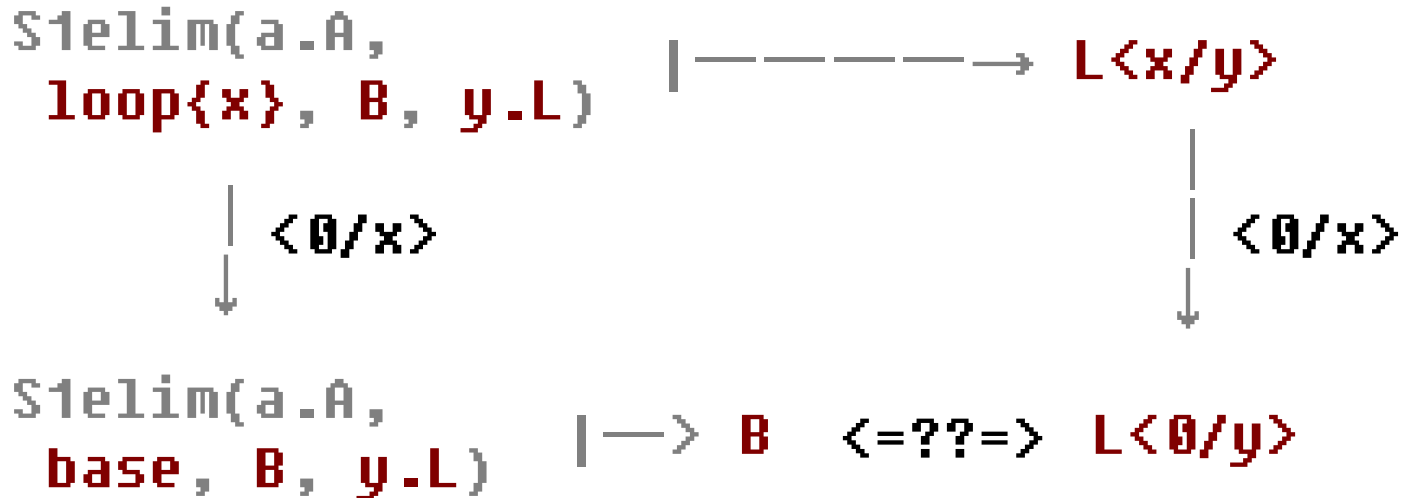
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A **stably** treats M' and N' as the same

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Variables

Nuprl/...	Coq/Agda/...
Vars range over closed terms Defined by transition b/w closed terms	Vars are indet. Defined by conversion b/w open terms

exp vars dim vars
 ()
cubical computational TT

arXiv papers

CHTT Part I [AHW 2016]

Cartesian cubical + computational

CHTT Part II [AH 2017]

Dependent types

CHTT Part III [AFH 2017]

Univalent Kan universes

Strict equality

CHTT Part IV [AFH 2017]

Higher inductive types

Proof Assistants

RedPRL

In Nuprl style

redprl.org

redtt

(Work in progress)

github.com/RedPRL/redtt

yacctt

Proof of concept

modified from cubicaltt

github.com/mortberg/yacctt

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redprl.org
github.com/RedPRL/redtt
github.com/mortberg/yacctt