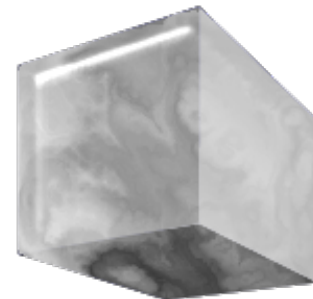


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Cubical Computational Type Theory & **RedPRL**

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Cubical & Computational

features of homotopy type theory (HoTT)

features of computational type theory
(equality types, strict quotients, ...)

Computational Types

`programs/
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computational
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theory of
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the least fixed point of

$S.(\{M \rightarrow N \mid M \Downarrow, N \Downarrow \text{ in } S\} \text{ union } \dots)$

What are the canonical forms of the types?

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

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 $a:A \gg M1 \doteq M2 \in B$

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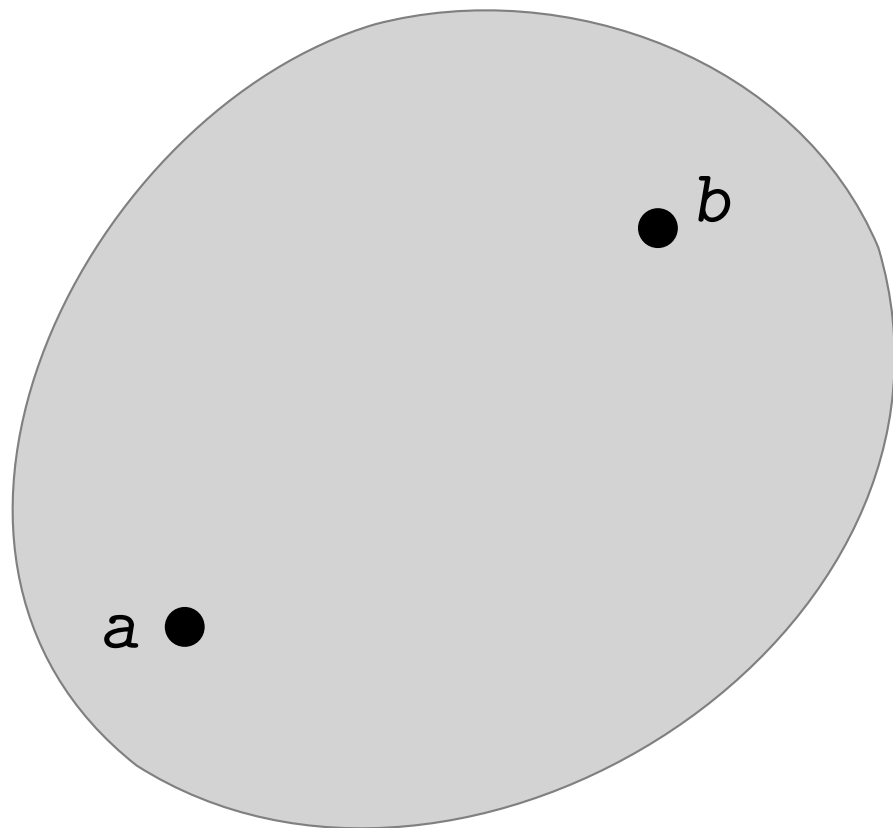
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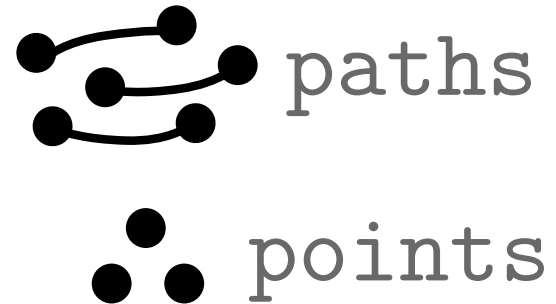
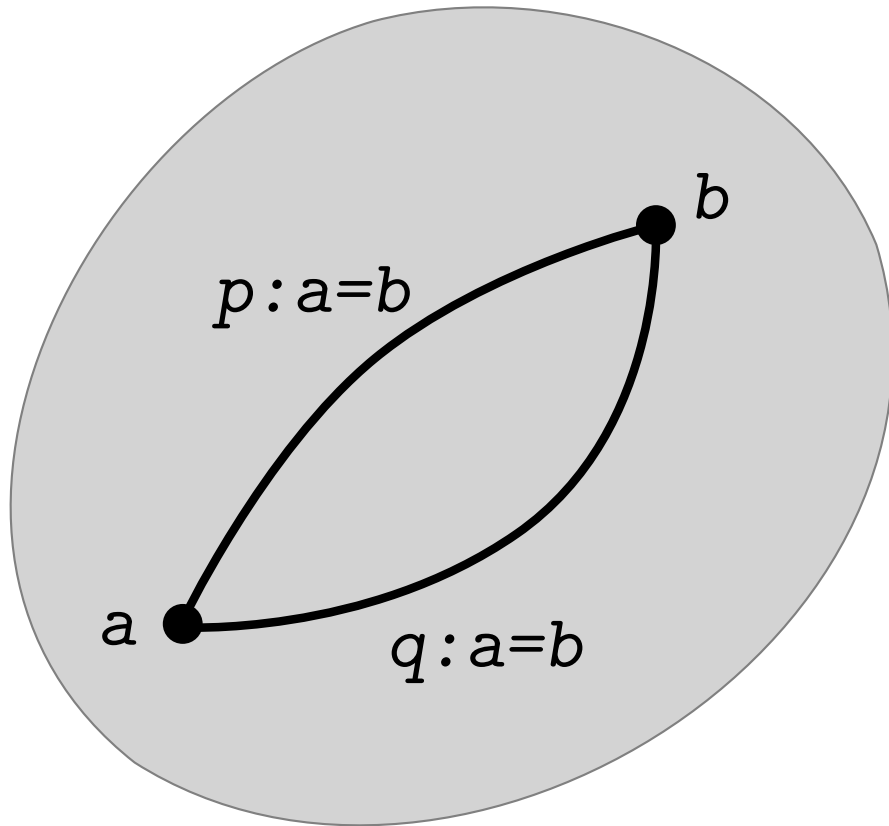
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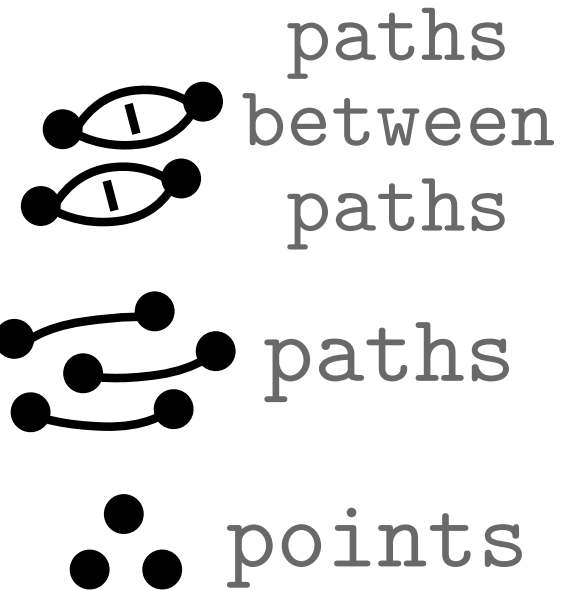
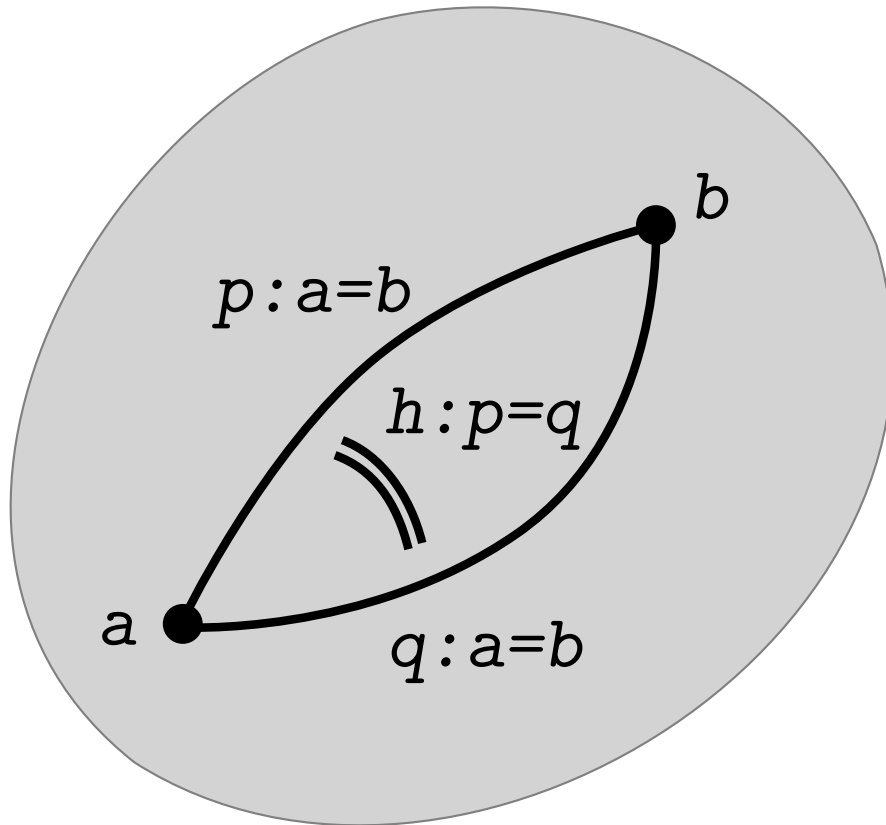


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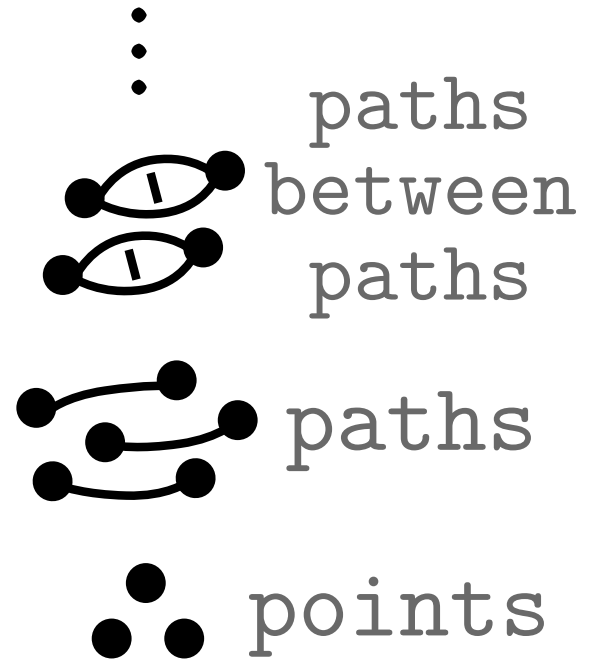
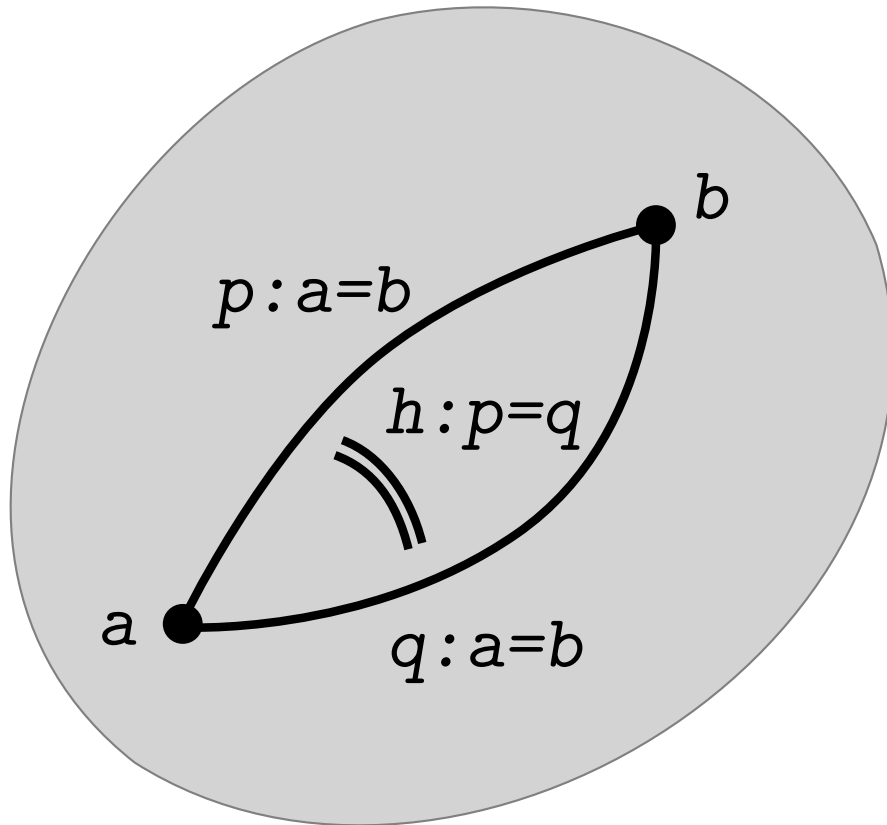
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[Awodey and Warren] [Voevodsky *et al*] [van den Berg and Garner]

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

Homotopy Type Theory

Numerous results in homotopy theory mechanized through this.

In some case new proofs were discovered and inspired new results.

[Anel, Biedermann, Finster, Joyal]

Extensive works in category theory and other fields.

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Problems: 1&2&3 give new identifications

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each type has **cubical Kan structure**

[Bezem, Coquand, Huber] [Cohen, Coquand, Huber, Mörtberg]

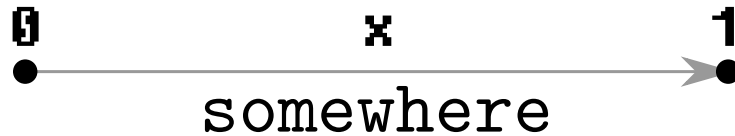
This work:

extend Nuprl by **cubical Kan structures**

[Angiuli, Harper, Wilson] [Angiuli, Harper] [Angiuli, Favonia, Harper] [Cavallo, Harper]

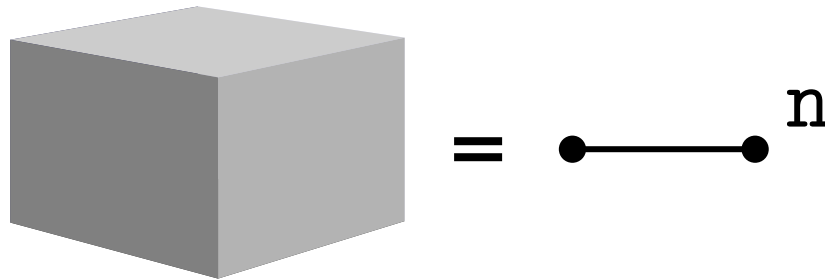
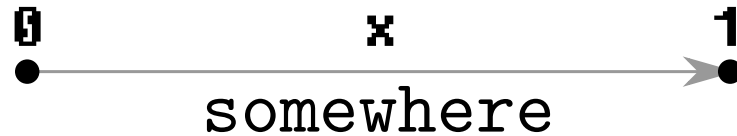
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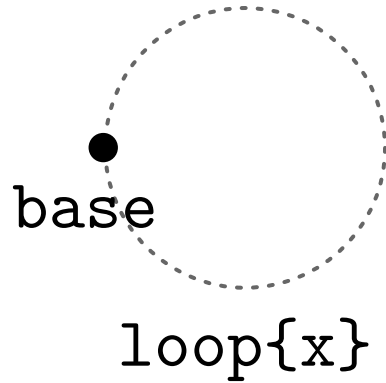


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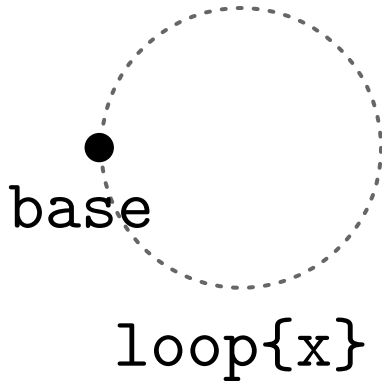


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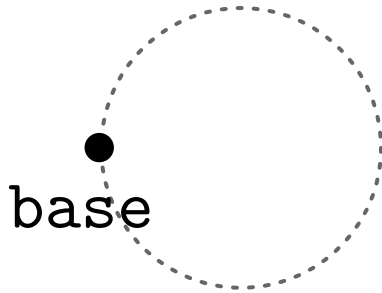
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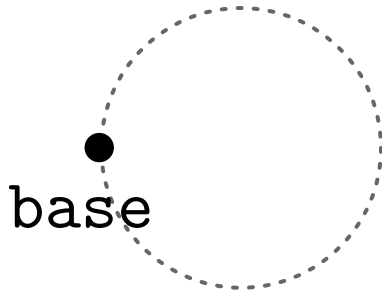
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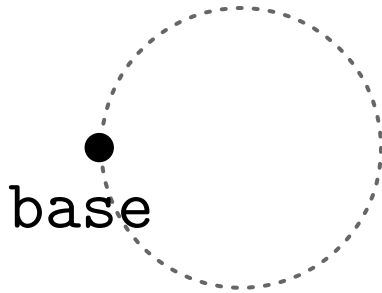
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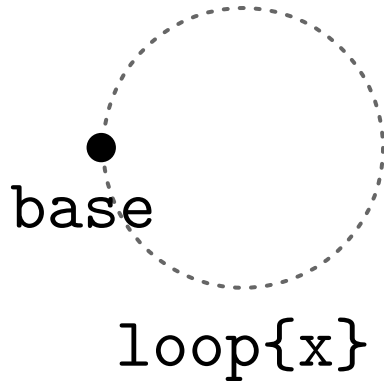
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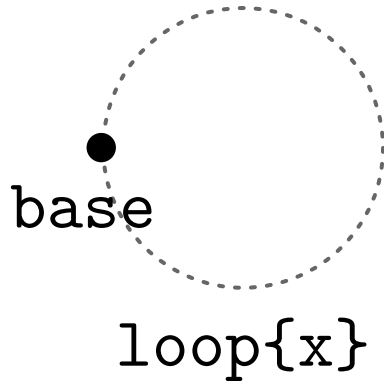
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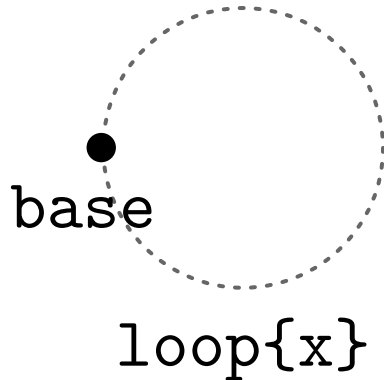
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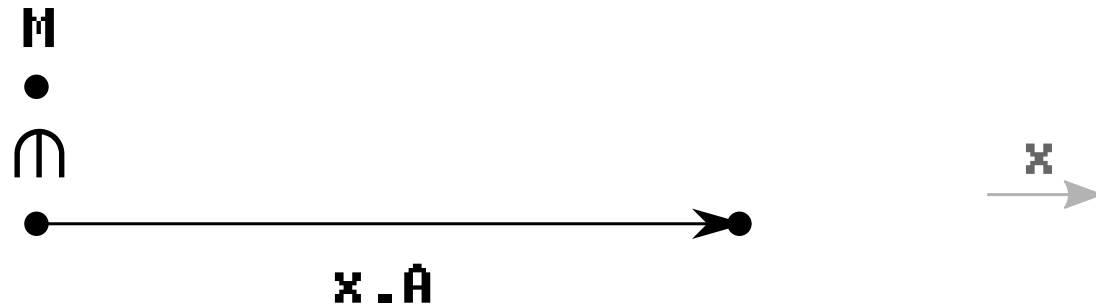
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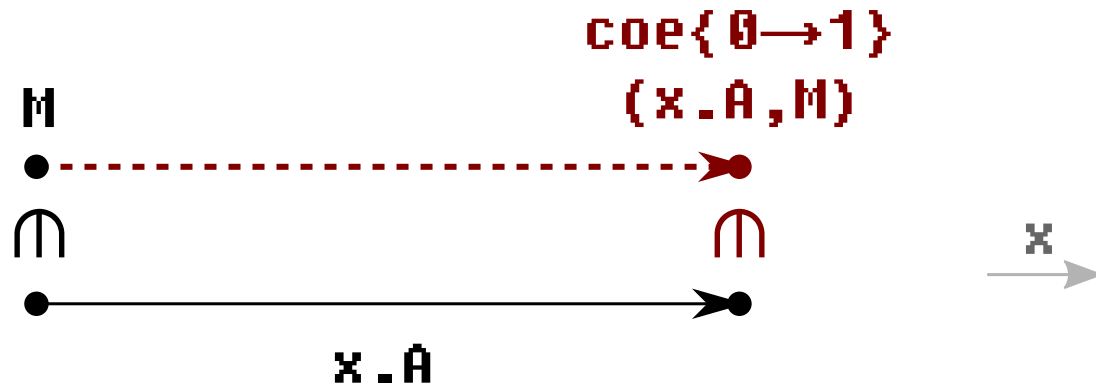
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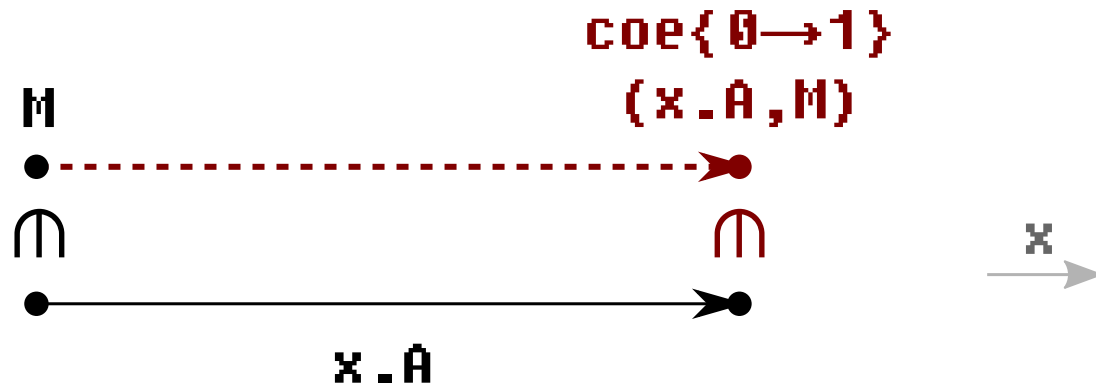
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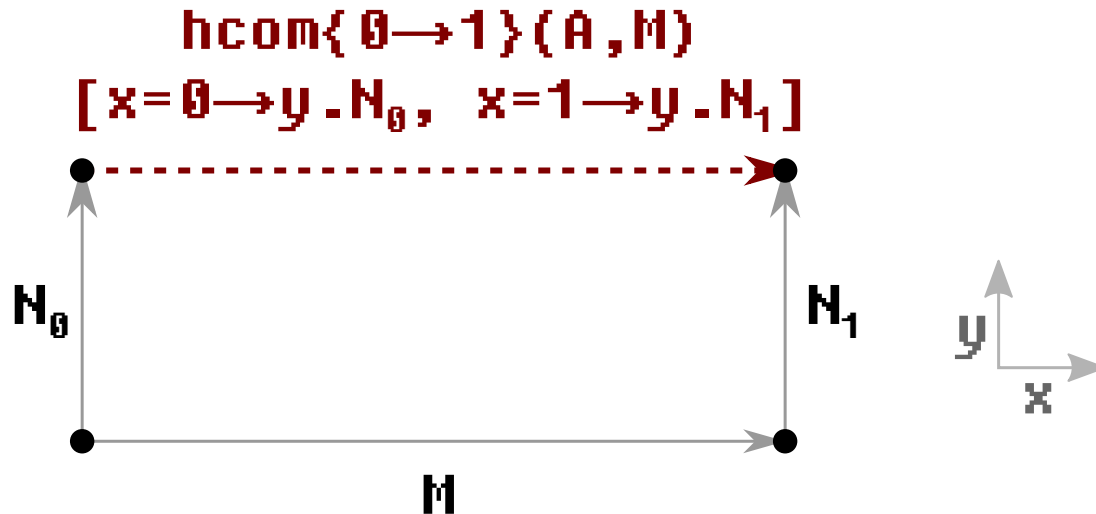
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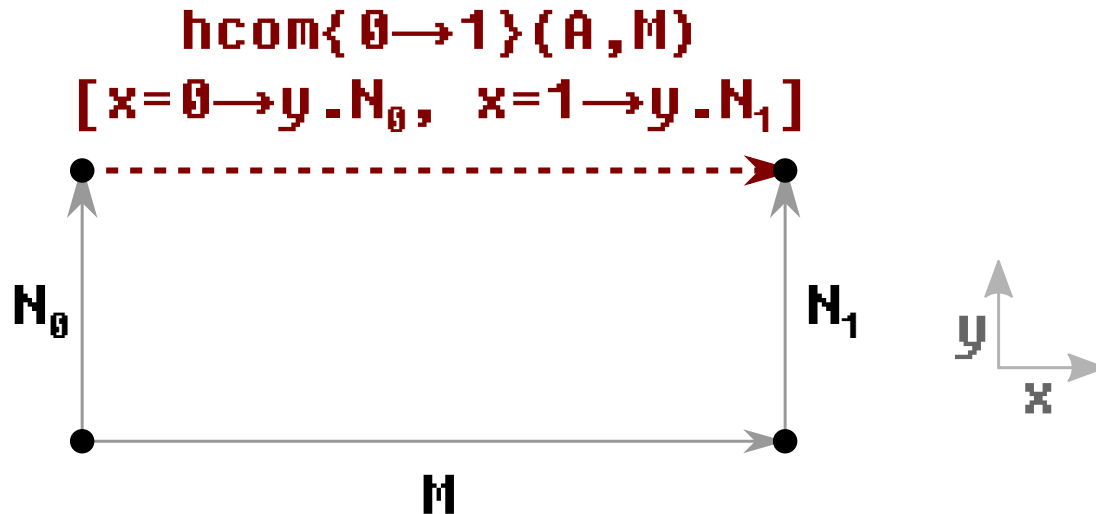
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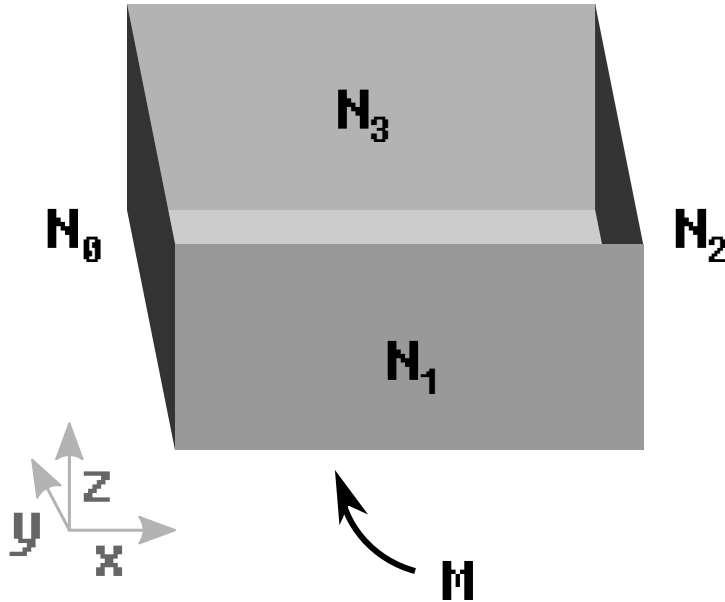


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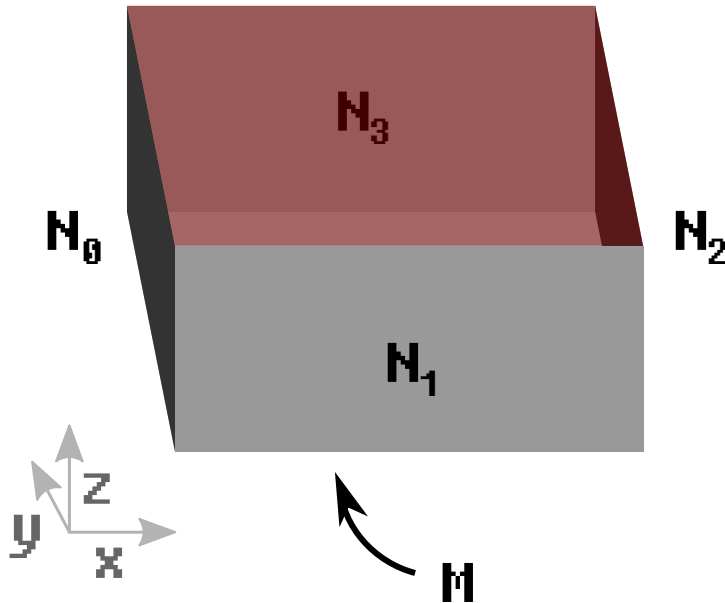


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$\text{hcom}\{0 \rightarrow 1\}(A, M)$
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$\text{fcom}\{r \rightarrow r'\}(M)[\dots] \text{ val}$

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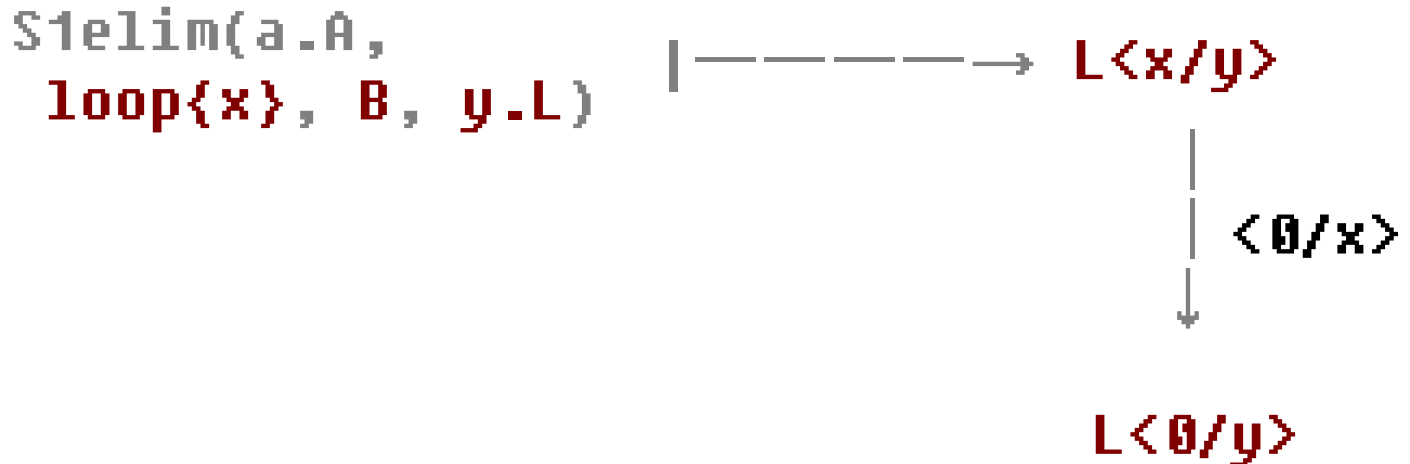
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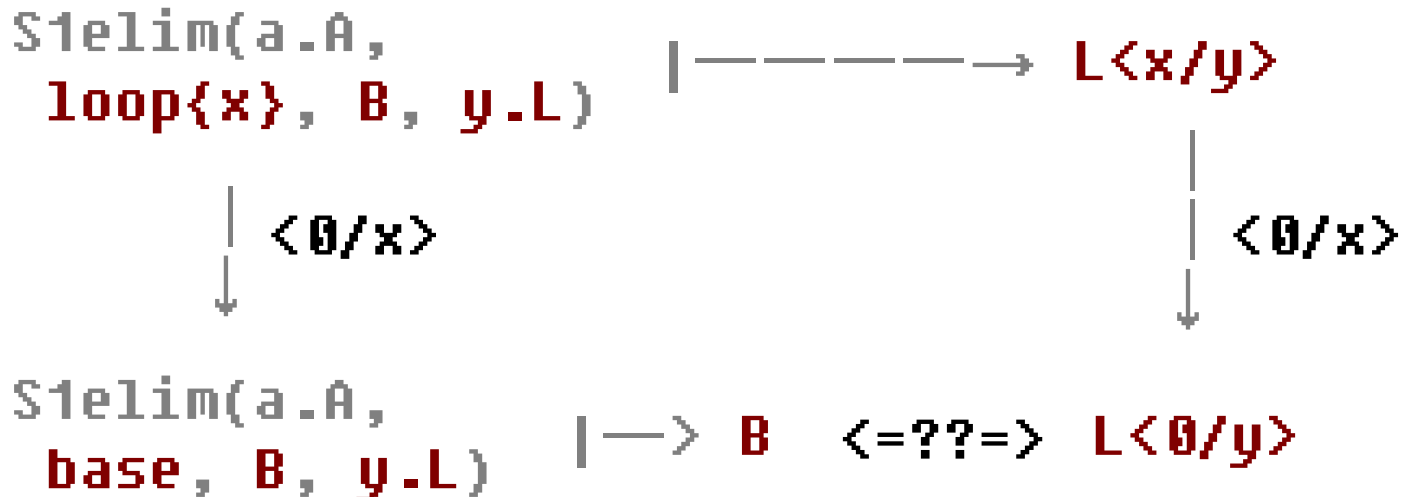
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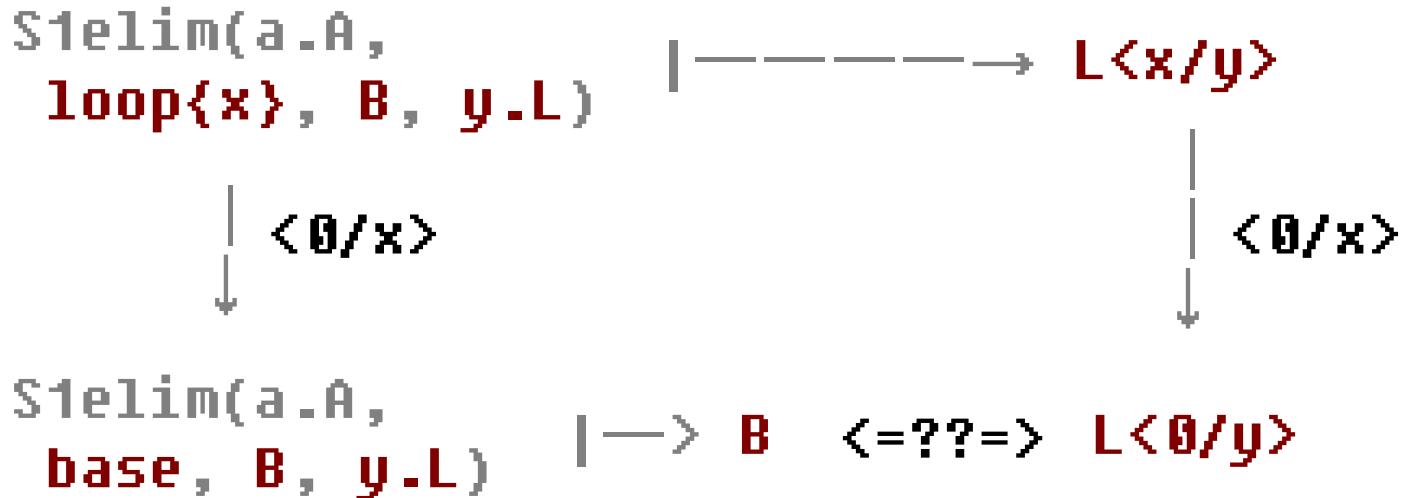
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$$M \doteq N \in A \ [\Psi]$$

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M and N **stably** eval to M' and N',

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Our arXiv Papers

Part1: stability and Kan

Part2: dependent types

Part3: univalence and equality

Part4: cubical inductive types

RedPRL

a proof assistant based
on the new type theory

<http://redprl.org>

Conclusion

We extended Nuprl semantics
by cubical Kan structures which
justify key features of HoTT

We also built **RedPRL** as a prototype