

Proof Theory With Deep Inference

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Outline of the course

1 Why deep inference?

Motivations from:

- proof theory
- computer science

2 The calculus of structures:

a proof theory with deep inference and
premise / conclusion symmetry

3 Classical logic

atomicity and locality

4 Linear logic

modularity

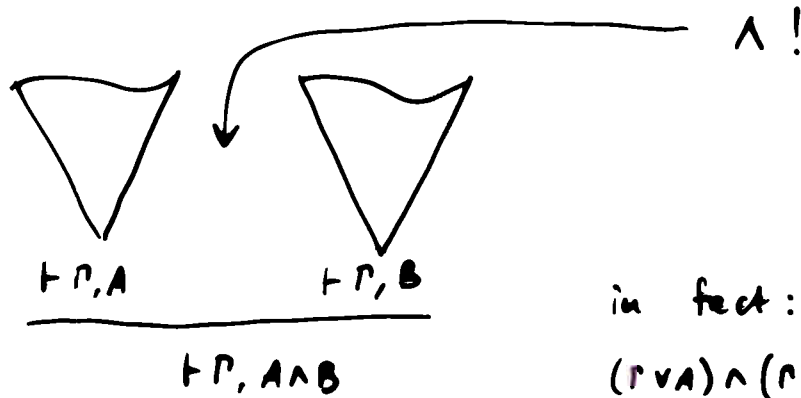
5 Systems SBV

'exoticism' (and process algebras)

Proof theoretic motivations

Which connective does join branches?

• in classical logic:

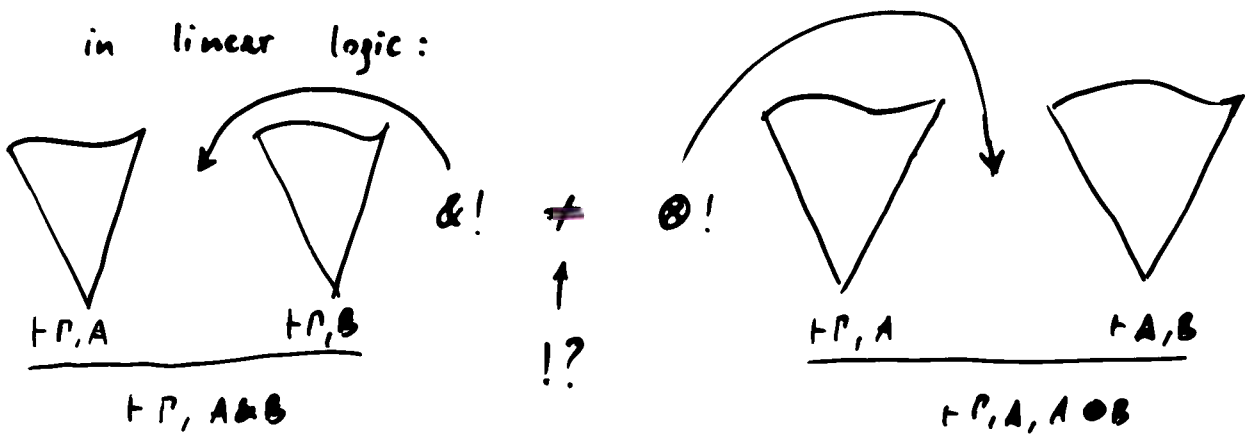


in fact:

$$(\Gamma \vee A) \wedge (\Gamma \vee B) \Rightarrow \Gamma \vee (A \wedge B)$$

OK!

• in linear logic:



in fact:

$$(\Gamma \wp A) \wp (\Gamma \wp B) \rightarrow \Gamma \wp (A \wp B)$$

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observe: $(\Gamma \wp A) \wp (\wp \wp B) \neq \Gamma \wp (A \wp B)$ $(\Gamma \wp A) \wp (\wp \wp B) \neq \Gamma \wp \wp (A \wp B)$
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Mismatch between object level and meta-level

- Many logics suffer from the mismatch, especially modal logics
- There are two possible solutions

1 To enrich the meta-level:

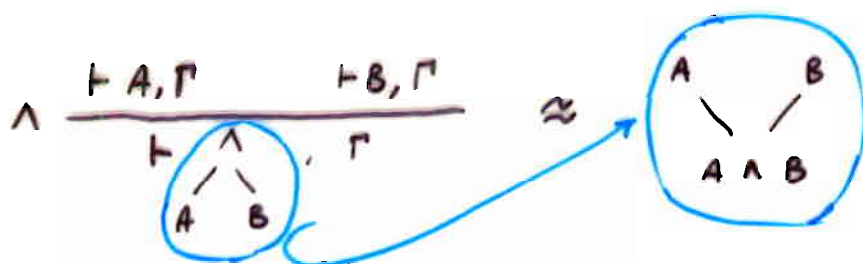
- display calculus (Belnap, Dunn, ...)
- various other calculi for modal logics (Došen, Petrucci, ...)
- BI logic (Pym)
- Abramski-Ruet, Retoré for non-commutative logics ...

2 To get rid of the meta-level:

the calculus of structures

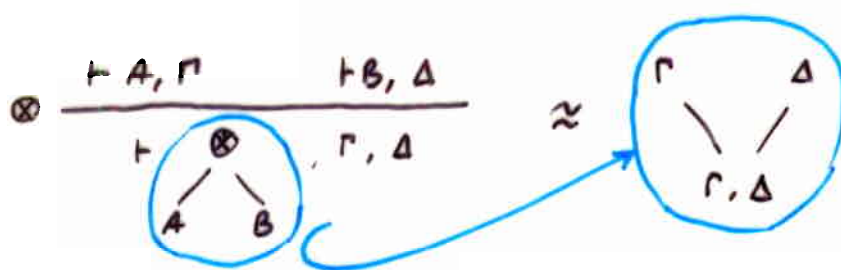
'Computer science' mathematics

• Example 1 "Additive" conjunction



the formula tree shapes the proof tree

• Example 2 "Multiplicative" conjunction



the formula tree induces an unwanted tree
(in proof-search)

'Computer science' motivations

• Example 3 Cut elimination

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \triangle \pi_1 & \triangle \pi_2 & \\
 \hline
 \vdash A, \Gamma_1 & \vdash B, \Gamma_2 & \\
 \text{cut} \hline
 \vdash A \otimes B, \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2
 \end{array}
 &
 \begin{array}{c}
 \triangle \pi_3 \\
 \hline
 \wp \vdash A^1, B^1, \Delta \\
 \hline
 \vdash A^1 \wp B^1, \Delta
 \end{array}
 \\
 \text{cut} \hline
 \vdash \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \Delta
 \end{array}$$



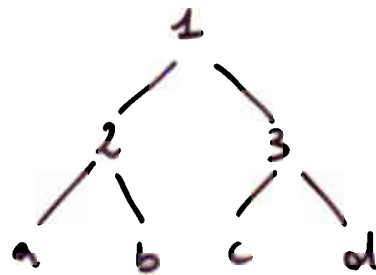
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 \vdash B^1, \Gamma_1, \Delta
 \end{array}
 &
 \begin{array}{c}
 \triangle \pi_2 \\
 \hline
 \vdash B, \Gamma_2
 \end{array}
 \\
 \text{cut} \hline
 \vdash \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \Delta
 \end{array}$$

the formula tree decides the order of reductions

'Computer science' motivations

• Example Suppose that

- atoms are processors: a, b, c, d
- communication flows through the tree structure



the communication workload of 1 is
four times that of 2 and 3

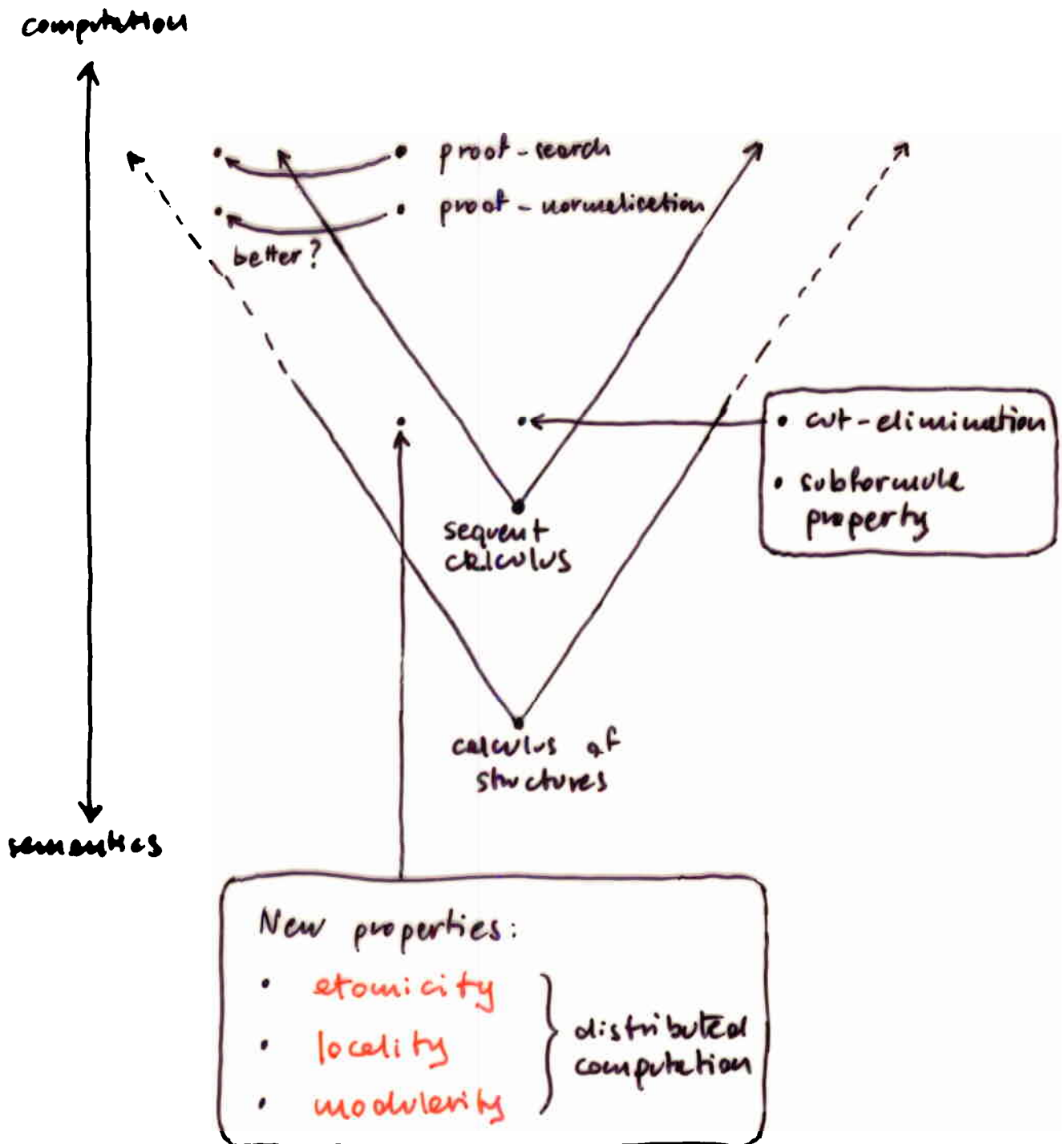
- Main connectives create an asymmetry

- Step back: in the calculus of structures
there are no main connectives

2 What is the calculus of structures?

1 of 13

It's a step back from the sequent calculus



Do we get a better proof theory?

2 What is the calculus of structures?

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There are no main connectives

- Example 1 "Additive" conjunction

$$\frac{\vdash (A \vee C) \wedge (B \vee C)}{\vdash (A \wedge B) \vee C}$$

- Example 2 "Multiplicative" conjunction

$$\frac{\vdash (A \wp C) \otimes B}{\vdash (A \otimes B) \wp C}$$

- Inference rules can be applied deep inside formulae
- There is a new top-down symmetry
- What happens to the subformula property?

2 What is the calculus of structures?

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Inference rules can be applied deep inside formulae 1 of 2

• Example 1 "Additive" conjunction

Rule

$$\frac{P \quad S\{(A \vee C) \wedge (B \vee C)\}}{S\{(A \wedge B) \vee C\}}$$

can be applied as in

$$\frac{P \quad \frac{(A \vee C) \wedge (B \vee C) \wedge D}{((A \wedge B) \vee C) \wedge D} \vee E}{((A \wedge B) \vee C) \wedge D} \vee E$$

• Example 2 "Multiplicative" conjunction

Rule

$$\frac{P \quad S\{(A \wp C) \odot B\}}{S\{(A \odot B) \wp C\}}$$

can be applied as in

$$\frac{P \quad \frac{(A \wp C) \odot (B \wp D)}{((A \wp C) \odot B) \wp D}}{(A \odot B) \wp C \wp D}$$

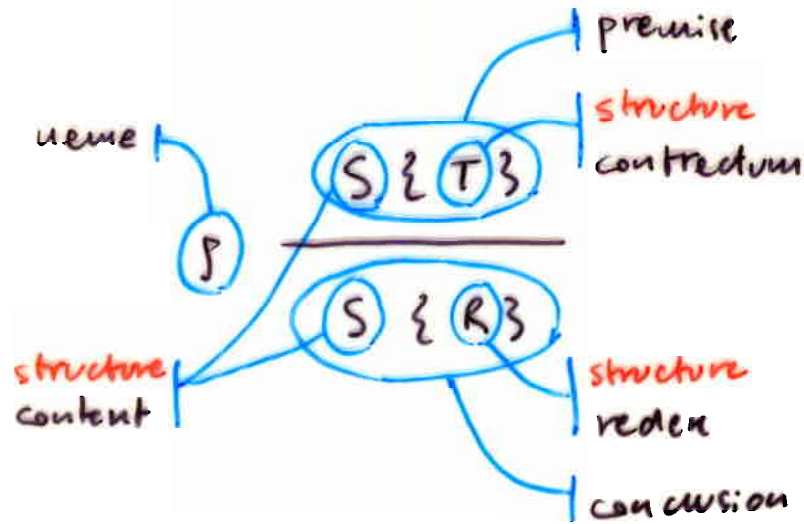
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What is the calculus of structures?

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Inference rules can be applied deep inside formulae 2 of 2

- Inference rule p :



- The hole in $S \{ \}$ does not appear inside the negation

- Rule p corresponds to $T \rightarrow R$

Structures

1 of 2

- Atoms are positive or negative: $a, b, c, \dots, \bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}, \dots$

- Structures P, Q, R, S, T, U, \dots are

$$S ::=$$

atoms	a
disjunctions	$ \underbrace{[S, \dots, S]}_{>0}$
conjunctions	$ \underbrace{(S, \dots, S)}_{>0}$
other relations	$ \underbrace{\langle S; \dots; S \rangle}_{>0} \dots$
units	$ \top \perp \perp\!\!\!\perp \dots$
modalised structures	$?S !S \dots$
quantified structures	$ \exists_n S \forall_n S \dots$
negated structures	$ \bar{S}$

Structures

2 of 2

- Equations are imposed over structures:

Commutativity
(not always)

$$[R, T] = [T, R]$$

associativity
(always)

$$\langle \bar{R}; \langle \bar{T}; \bar{U} \rangle = \langle \bar{R}, \bar{T}; \bar{U} \rangle$$

De Morgan
(always!)

$$\overline{[R, T]} = (\bar{R}, \bar{T})$$

contextual
closure

$$R = T \Rightarrow S\{R\} = S\{T\}$$

- Notation Braces are dropped when unnecessary.
Example:

$$S[R, T] \text{ instead of } S\{[R, T]\}$$

2. What is the calculus of structures? 7 of 13

There is a new top-down symmetry 1 of 3

If

$$P \downarrow \frac{S \{ T \}}{S \{ R \}}$$

is a rule, corresponding to

$$T \rightarrow R$$

then

$$P \uparrow \frac{S \{ \bar{R} \}}{S \{ \bar{T} \}}$$

is also a rule, corresponding to

$$\bar{R} \rightarrow \bar{T}$$

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What is the calculus of structures?

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There is a new top-down symmetry

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Example in linear logic

$$P \downarrow \frac{S\{!\{R, T\}\}}{S\{!\{R, ?T\}\}}$$

corresponds to

$$!(R \wp T) \multimap (!R \wp ?T)$$

and

$$P \uparrow \frac{S\{?\{R, !T\}\}}{S\{?\{R, T\}\}}$$

corresponds to

$$\overline{(!R \wp ?T)} \multimap \overline{!(R \wp T)}$$

2 What is the calculus of structures?

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There is a new top-down symmetry

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- Derivations (Δ) are chains of instances of inference rules

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \frac{\alpha}{\frac{\beta}{R}} \\ \vdots \end{array}$$

- There is a top-down symmetry. Example

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \frac{\bar{R}}{\frac{\bar{T}}{\bar{U}}} \\ \vdots \end{array}$$

is a valid derivation

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What is the calculus of structures?

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What happens to the subformula property?

- Moreally, it still holds if we design rules carefully. Example, in

$$\frac{S([R, U], T)}{S([R, T], U)}$$

premise and conclusion are made of the same pieces

- Rules can still be **finitary**, either upwards, or downwards, or both

- Being **finitary** does not depend on having main connectives

Do we get a better proof theory?

- We have some chances because:
 - we abolished the main connective idea
 - we are free to apply rules deeply
 - then we have more freedom
 - we also have a new symmetry!
 - we should see proofs in more detail

• But:

- we have to be careful in designing systems!
(we shouldn't abuse freedom)
- it's still not clear whether we can do some good distributed computation

Recipe for a good system

1 of 2

- Choose disjunction and conjunction and make identity and cut.

Example: linear logic

- $[R, T]$ stands for $R \& T$
 (R, T) stands for $R \otimes T$
- Establish

$$i\downarrow \frac{S\{\perp\}}{S[R, \bar{R}]}$$

interaction down
or
identity

$$i\uparrow \frac{S(R, \bar{R})}{S\{\perp\}}$$

interaction up
or
cut

- This is your interaction fragment

Recipe for a good system

2 + 2

- Take each couple of dual logical relations, for example:

- $\{R, T\}$ stands for $R \odot T$

- $\langle R, T \rangle$ stands for $R \& T$

- and create the rules

$$\rho \downarrow \frac{S(\langle R, U \rangle, \langle T, V \rangle)}{S(\{R, T\}, \langle U, V \rangle)}$$

$$\rho \uparrow \frac{S(\{R, T\}, \langle U, V \rangle)}{S(\langle R, U \rangle, \langle T, V \rangle)}$$

- or, for example

$$\rho \downarrow \frac{S\{\forall n. \langle R, T \rangle\}}{S[\forall n. R, \exists n. T]}$$

$$\rho \uparrow \frac{S[\exists n. R, \forall n. T]}{S\{\exists n. \langle R, T \rangle\}}$$

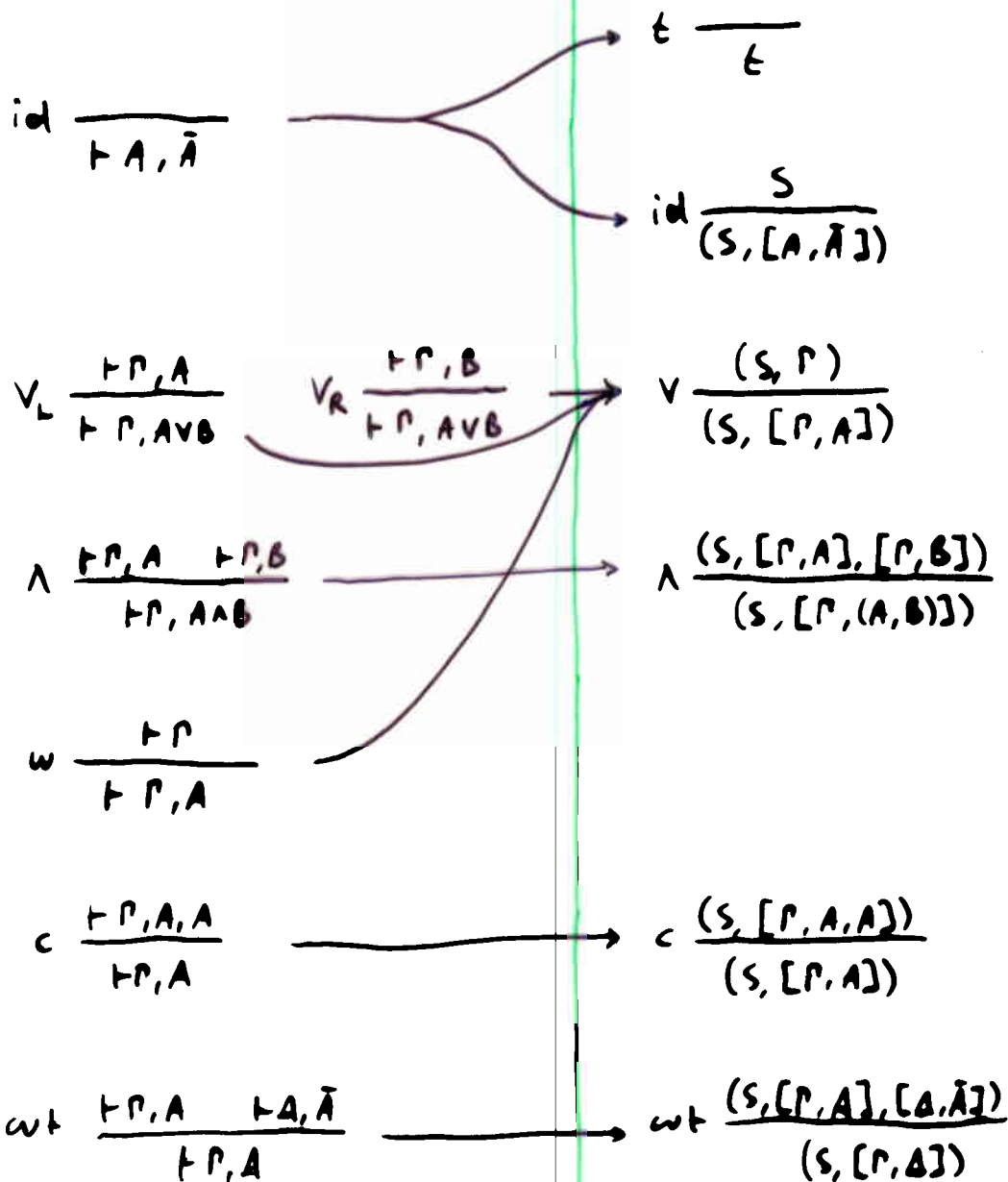
- This is your **core structure fragment**

- Add the **non-core structure fragment**

A one-sided system into the calculus of structures

One-sided (Gentzen-Schütte) system $GS \perp p$

A system for classical logic in the calculus of structures (the "noit" system)



A one-sided system into the calculus of structures

Equations

$$[R] = (R) = R$$

$$[\bar{R}, \bar{T}] = [\bar{T}, \bar{R}]$$

$$(\bar{R}, \bar{T}) = (\bar{T}, \bar{R})$$

$$[\bar{R}, [\bar{T}, \bar{U}]] = [\bar{R}, \bar{T}, \bar{U}]$$

$$(\bar{R}, (\bar{T}, \bar{U})) = (\bar{R}, \bar{T}, \bar{U})$$

$$[\bar{R}, \bar{T}] = (\bar{R}, \bar{T})$$

$$(\bar{R}, \bar{T}) = [\bar{R}, \bar{T}]$$

$$\bar{\bar{R}} = R$$

if $R = T$ then $S\{R\} = S\{T\}$

$$[R, f] = R = (R, t)$$

$$\bar{t} = f$$

$$\bar{f} = t$$

Example Prove $((A \supset B) \supset A) \supset A \equiv \overline{((\bar{A} \vee B) \vee A)} \vee A$
 $\equiv ((\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}) \vee A$

The image shows two handwritten proof trees for the equivalence $((A \supset B) \supset A) \supset A \equiv ((\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}) \vee A$.

Left Tree (Derivation of $((\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}) \vee A$):

- Top: $\text{id} \frac{}{\vdash \bar{A}, A}$
- Second: $\text{VL} \frac{}{\vdash \bar{A} \vee B, A}$
- Third: $\wedge \frac{}{\vdash \bar{A}, A}$
- Fourth: $\frac{}{\vdash (\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}, A}$
- Fifth: $\text{VL} \frac{}{\vdash ((\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}) \vee A, A}$
- Sixth: $\text{VR} \frac{}{\vdash ((\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}) \vee A, ((\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}) \vee A}$
- Bottom: $\text{C} \frac{}{\vdash ((\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}) \vee A}$

Right Tree (Derivation of $((\bar{A} \vee B) \wedge \bar{A}) \vee A$):

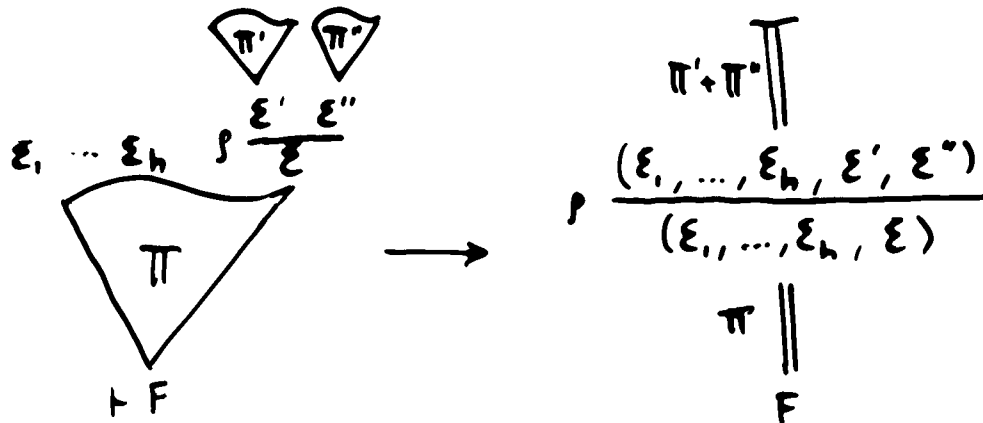
- Top: $\text{id} \frac{}{t}$
- Second: $\text{V} \frac{}{(t, [\bar{A}, A])}$
- Third: $\wedge \frac{}{(t, [\bar{A}, B, A], [\bar{A}, A])}$
- Fourth: $\text{V} \frac{}{(t, [(\bar{A}, B), \bar{A}], A)}$ (circled in blue)
- Fifth: $\text{V} \frac{}{(t, [((\bar{A}, B), \bar{A}), A, A])}$ (circled in blue)
- Sixth: $\text{C} \frac{}{(t, [f, [(\bar{A}, B), \bar{A}], A, [(\bar{A}, B), \bar{A}], A])}$
- Seventh: $\text{V} \frac{}{(t, [f, [(\bar{A}, B), \bar{A}], A])}$
- Bottom: $\text{V} \frac{}{([(\bar{A}, B), \bar{A}], A)}$ (circled in blue)

Arrows indicate the correspondence between the two trees, showing how the rules on the right side mirror the structure of the left side.

The calculus of structures generalizes the one-sided sequent calculus

- It is trivial and non-interesting to port a system in the one-sided sequent calculus to the calculus of structures

- The translation works like this:



- Symmetry is not exploited!
- Depth is not exploited!
- Can we do better than the sequent calculus?

A deep, symmetric system

- Let's apply our recipe!

- We keep the equations we have already

- Interaction

$$i\downarrow \frac{S\{t\}}{S[R, \bar{R}]} \quad i\uparrow \frac{S(R, \bar{R})}{S\{f\}}$$

- Core structure

$$s\downarrow \frac{S([R, U], [T, V])}{S[(R, T), U, V]} \quad s\uparrow \frac{S([R, T], U, V)}{S[(R, U), (T, V)]}$$

- Non-core structure (here we have to be creative)

$$w\downarrow \frac{S\{f\}}{S\{R\}} \quad w\uparrow \frac{S\{R\}}{S\{t\}}$$

$$c\downarrow \frac{S(R, R)}{S\{R\}} \quad c\uparrow \frac{S\{R\}}{S(R, R)}$$

A deep, symmetric system

- **Definition** A system \mathcal{J} is a set of inference rules

- **Definition** A rule ρ is derivable for a system \mathcal{J} if for every instance $\rho \frac{T}{R}$ there is a derivation $\frac{}{\rho} \mathcal{J} \frac{T}{R}$

- **Definition** This rule is called **switch**: $\frac{S([R,U],T)}{S([R,T],U)}$

- **Proposition** st and st are derivable for $\{s\}$
Proof

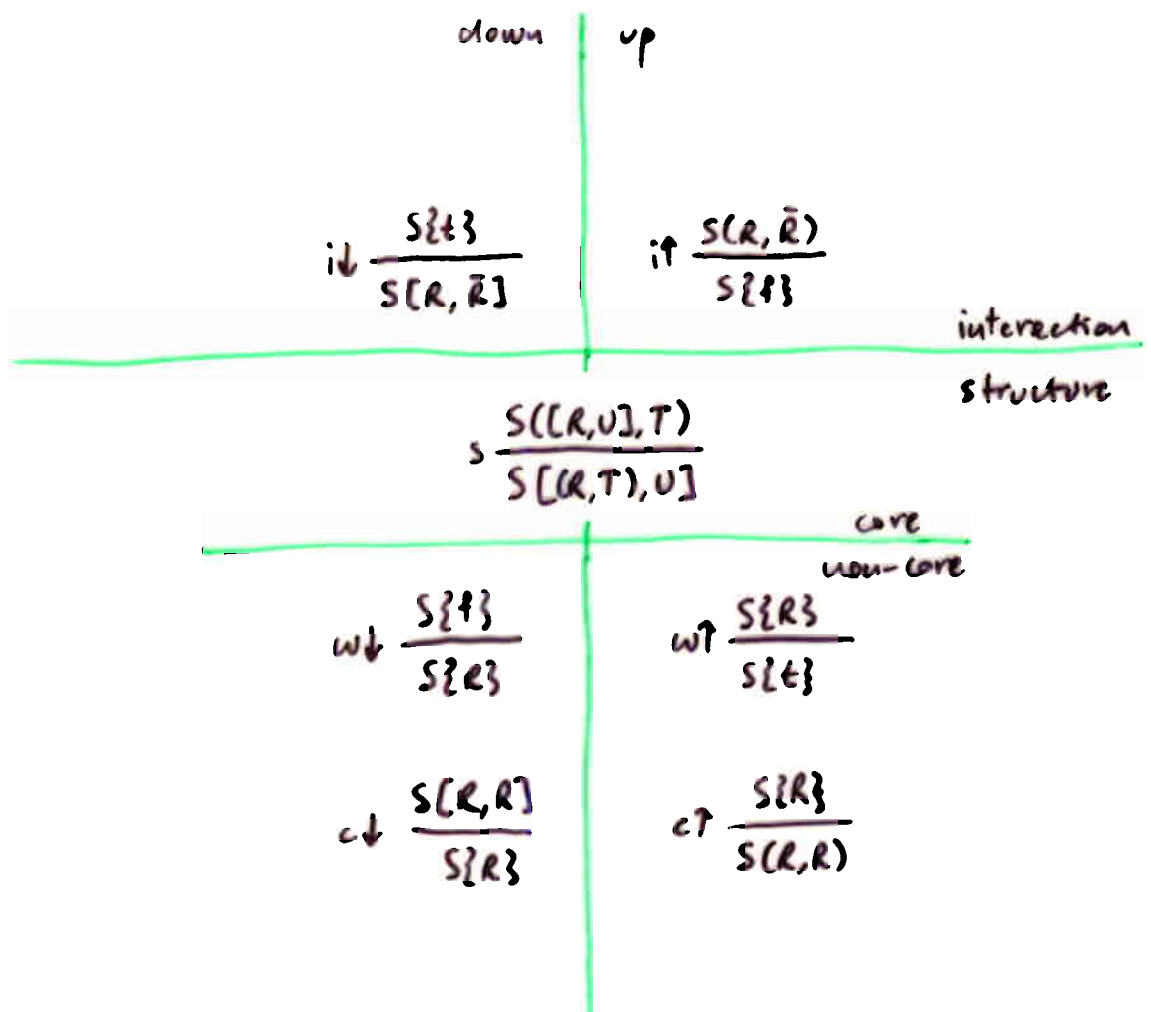
$$s \frac{S([R,U],[T,V])}{s \frac{S([([R,U],T),V]}{S([R,T],U,V)}} \quad s \frac{S([R,T],U,V)}{s \frac{S([([R,U],T),V)}{S([R,U],[T,V])}}$$

- **Remark** Switch is self-dual

- **Remark** s is a special case both of st and st

A deep, symmetric system

- We have a system, let's call it SKSg



- Is this classical logic? Yes: let's see

- Remark** $\{i\downarrow, i\uparrow, s\}$ (and $\{i\downarrow, s\}$) is multiplicative linear logic

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- **Theorem** Every derivation in $GS1p$ can be transformed into a derivation in $SKSg$, and if it is wt-free, it remains wt-free

Proof

$SKSg$ is more general than the unit system we saw already.

(just pay attention to contraction in the rule \wedge and notice that

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{(S, [\Gamma, A], [\Delta, \bar{A}])}{S} \\ \frac{(S, [\Delta, ([\Gamma, A], \bar{A})])}{S} \\ \frac{(S, [\Gamma, \Delta, (A, \bar{A})])}{\text{it}} \\ \frac{\quad}{(S, [\Gamma, \Delta])} \end{array} \right)$$

- Then, $SKSg$ is classical logic, because every wle is sound

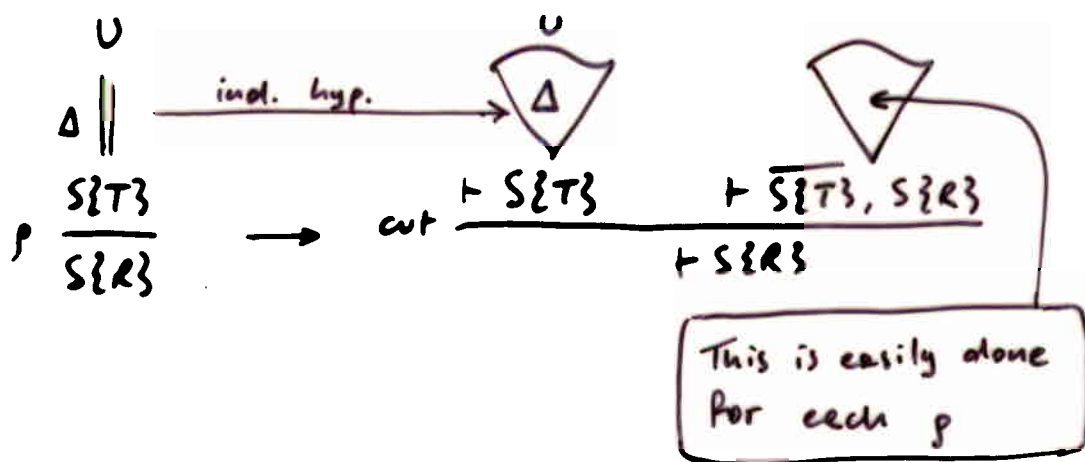
- Is there any use for wt and c?

A deep, symmetric system

- What about cut elimination?
- Idea: let's exploit the sequent calculus

• **Theorem** Every derivation in SKS_g can be transformed into a derivation in GSK_g

Proof



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4 deep, symmetric system

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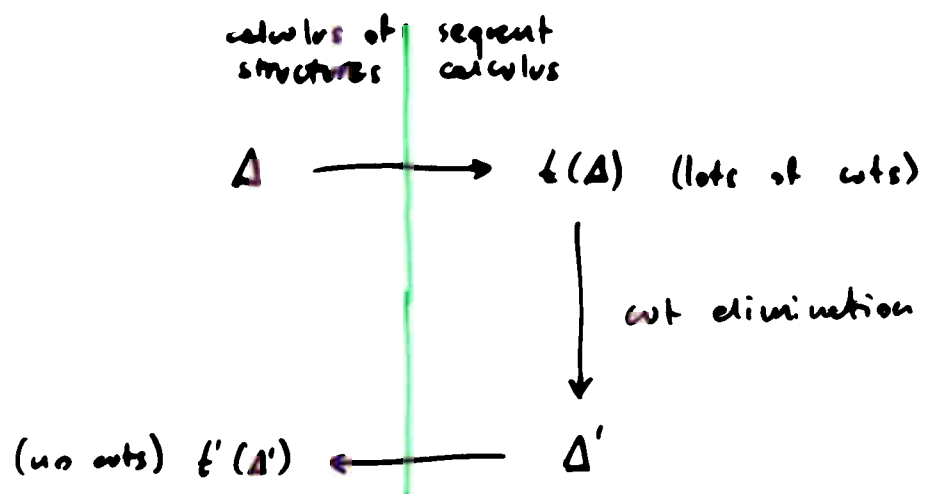
- Let's break the symmetry!

- **Definition** A **proof** is a derivation whose topmost structure is (equivalent to) \vdash

- **Definition** An inference rule ρ is **admissible** for a system \mathcal{J} if $\mathcal{J} \vdash \mathcal{J}$ and for every proof $\prod_{\mathcal{J}} \rho \vdash \mathcal{J}$ there exists a proof $\prod_{\mathcal{J}}$

- **Theorem** it is admissible for $\{\text{it}, \text{s}, \text{wb}, \text{cb}\}$ (and there is an algorithmic transformation for it)

Proof



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- Do we have a better system than classical logic in the sequent calculus?

Perhaps, but still ...

- Do we have a better, or interesting, cut elimination procedure?

Well ...

- Symmetry still is not fully exploited!

- Deepness still is not fully exploited!

Atomicity

- Consider

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{id} \frac{S\{t\}}{S[(R, T), \bar{R}, \bar{T}]} & \longrightarrow & \begin{array}{c}
 \text{id} \frac{S\{t\}}{S[T, \bar{T}]} \\
 \text{id} \frac{\quad}{S([R, \bar{R}], [T, \bar{T}])} \\
 s \frac{\quad}{S([([R, \bar{R}], T), \bar{T}])} \\
 s \frac{\quad}{S[(R, T), \bar{R}, \bar{T}]}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

The id s became "smaller", so they eventually can be replaced by

$$\text{id} \frac{S\{t\}}{S[e, \bar{e}]}$$

This rule is called **atomic interaction**

- Theorem** id is derivable for $\{\text{id}, s\}$.
- Nothing unexpected!

Atomicity

- Consider

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{it} \frac{S([R, T], \bar{R}, \bar{T})}{S\{t\}} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c}
 \text{it} \frac{S\{t\}}{S\{t\}} \\
 \text{it} \frac{S([R, \bar{R}], (T, \bar{T}))}{S\{t\}} \\
 \text{S} \frac{S([R, \bar{R}], T), \bar{T}}{S\{t\}} \\
 \text{S} \frac{S([R, T], \bar{R}, \bar{T})}{S\{t\}}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

The it 's, too, become "smaller"; we can replace them by

$$\text{ait} \frac{S(a, \bar{a})}{S\{t\}}$$

This rule is called *atomic cointeraction*

- Theorem* it is derivable for $\{\text{ait}, \text{S}\}$.

- This property, due to symmetry, we can exploit!

Atomicity of cointeraction (cut)

- Consequences:

- a simpler cut elimination proof
- decomposition theorems

- Curiosities:

- a different relation between cut, subformula property, and finiteness
- a simple consistency proof

Finitaryness

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- In the sequent calculus finitaryness (going up) corresponds to the subformula property.

Example

$$\wedge \frac{\Gamma, A \quad \Gamma, B}{\Gamma, A \wedge B}$$

- finitary
- A and B are subformulas of $A \wedge B$

$$\neg \wedge \frac{\Gamma, A \quad \Gamma, \bar{A}}{\Gamma, \Delta}$$

- non-finitary
- A is not necessarily a subformula of the conclusion

- In the calculus of structures there is no subformula property, but still all inference rules for classical logic are finitary (going up), except for

$$\neg \exists \frac{S \{R\}}{S \{E\}}$$

and

$$\exists \frac{S(R, \bar{A})}{S \{E\}}$$

$$\left(\text{or } \exists \frac{S(e, \bar{E})}{S \{E\}} \right)$$

Finitaryness

- Rules in the core are always finitary!
(They just "reshuffle" logical relations)

- Rules in the non-core up fragment are always strongly admissible for their duals, plus switch end interactions:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{pt} \frac{S\{T\}}{S\{R\}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c}
 \text{it} \frac{S\{T\}}{S(T, [R, \bar{A}])} \\
 \text{pt} \frac{S(T, [R, \bar{T}])}{S} \\
 \text{it} \frac{S[R, (T, \bar{T})]}{S\{R\}}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

- Then the only infinitary rule we are left with is

$$\text{dit} \frac{S(\epsilon, \bar{\epsilon})}{S\{f\}}$$

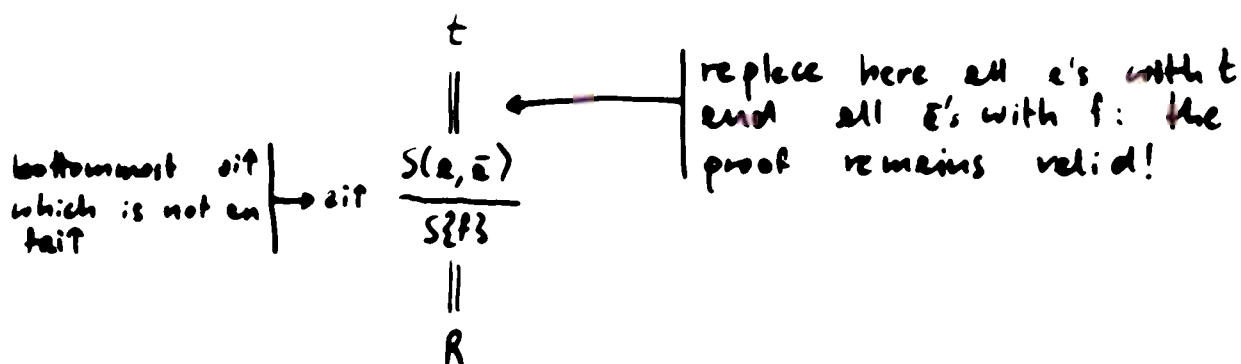
Finitaryness

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- Consider the finitary atomic interaction rule:

$$\text{faiT} \frac{S(a, \bar{a})}{S\{f\}} \quad \text{where } a \text{ or } \bar{a} \text{ appears in } S\{f\}$$

- It is easy to eliminate all aiT instances that are not faiT instances, in proofs



proceed inductively upwards in the proof.

- Theorem** Replacing aiT by faiT does not affect provability

- Finitaryness does not morally depend on full-blown cut elimination!

3 Classical logic

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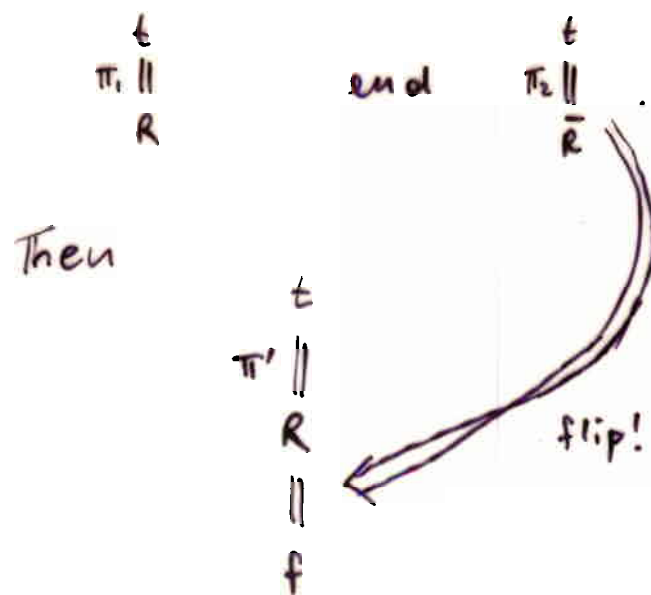
A simple consistency proof

- **Theorem** Propositional classical logic is consistent

Proof We cannot get $\frac{t}{\parallel} \frac{f}{\parallel}$ when using fair

- **Theorem** If R is provable then \bar{R} is not provable

Proof Suppose we have



absurd.

Exploiting deepness

1 of 2

- The following rule is called **medial**:

$$\text{in } \frac{S[(R,U), (T,V)]}{S[(R,T), (U,V)]}$$

- Medial is self-dual

- Look at

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{cb } \frac{S[P,P,Q,Q]}{S[P,P,Q]} \\ \text{cb } \frac{S[P,P,Q]}{S[P,Q]} \end{array} \quad \text{end} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{in } \frac{S[(P,Q), (P,Q)]}{S[(P,P), (Q,Q)]} \\ \text{cb } \frac{S[(P,P), (Q,Q)]}{S[(P,P), Q]} \\ \text{cb } \frac{S[(P,P), Q]}{S(P,Q)} \end{array}$$

By medial, contractions get "smaller"

- The following rules are called **atomic contraction** and **atomic cocontraction**:

$$\text{act } \frac{S(a,a)}{S\{a\}} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{act } \frac{S\{a\}}{S(a,a)}$$

- Theorem** cb is derivable for $\{ \text{act, in} \}$, and dually

Exploiting deepness

- Deepness is essential for getting atomic contraction
- In the sequent calculus, it is impossible to get atomic contraction
- By the way, weakening is easily reduced to atomic form:

$$\text{wb } \frac{S\{f\}}{S(f, Q)}$$

end

$$\text{act } \frac{S\{f\}}{S(f, f)} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{you can treat} \\ \text{this with an} \\ \text{equation, too} \end{array}$$

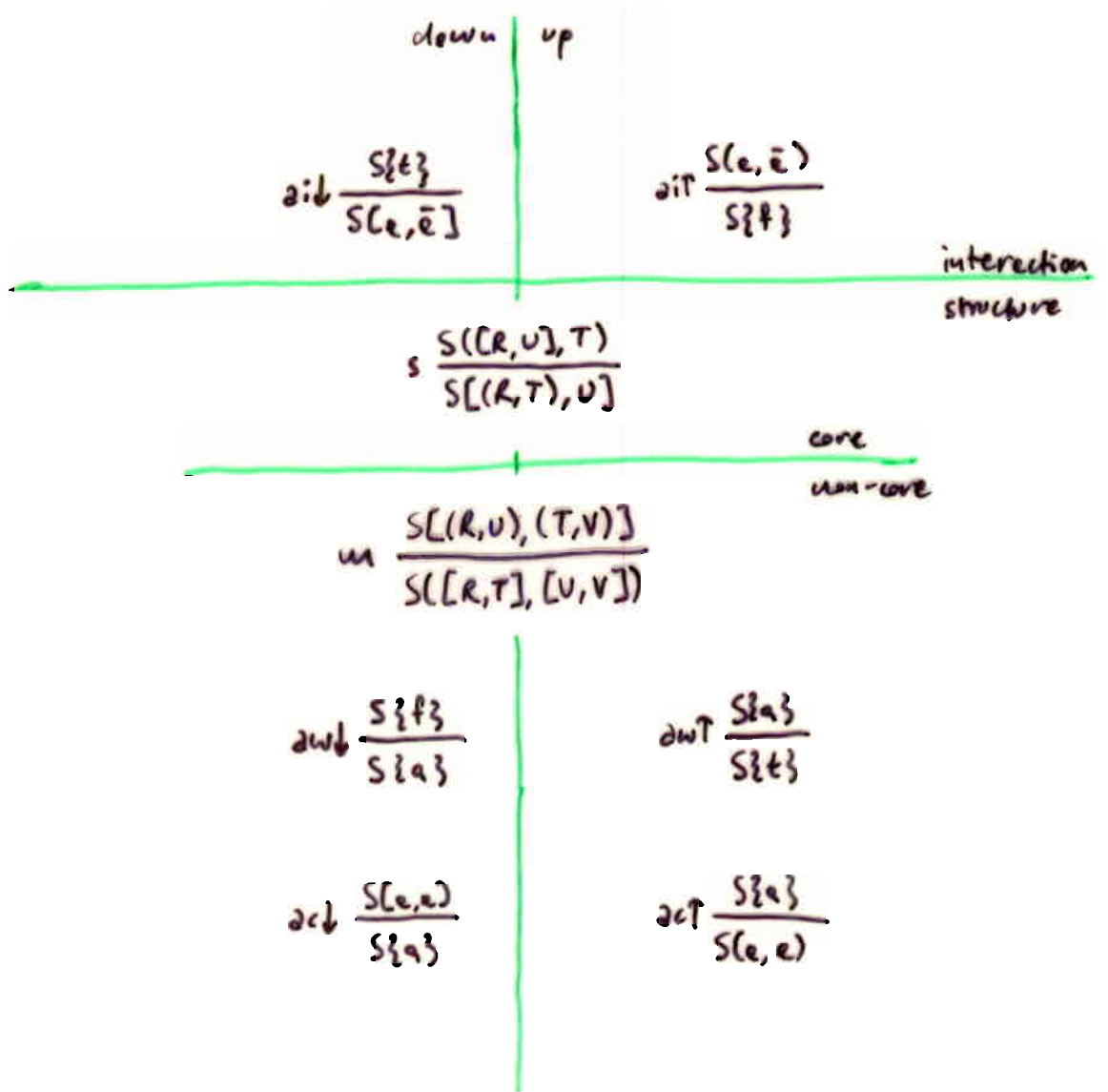
$$\text{wb } \frac{S(f, Q)}{S(P, Q)}$$

end directly for weakening

3 Classical Logic

System SKS

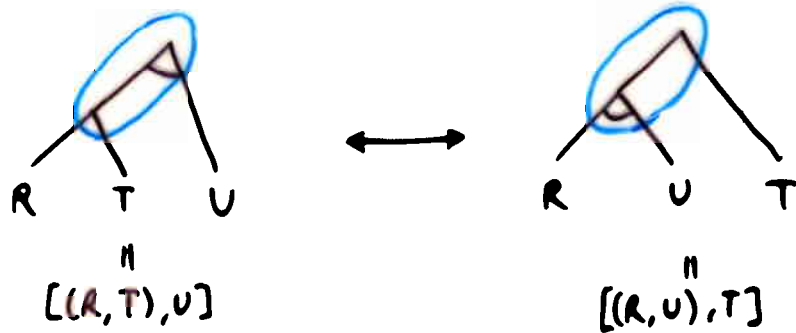
This is classical logic



Locality

- Let's call **locality** the property of a rule requiring bounded effort to be applied.

Example: switch

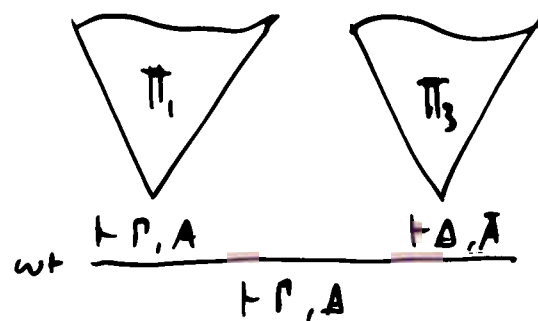
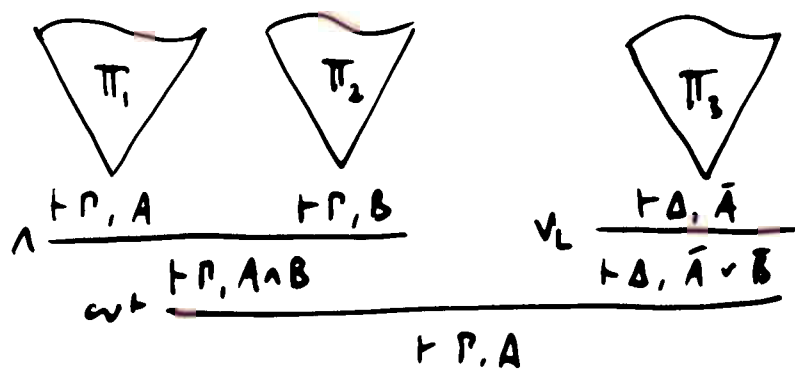


- Locality depends on the representation
- Atomicity can be a special form of locality
- There still is much to do for distributed computation (but look at relation webs)
- Applications in complexity?

Cut elimination

Why cut elimination is different than in the sequent calculus?

Because in the sequent calculus the main connective "drives" the reduction:



Cut elimination

- In the calculus of structures:

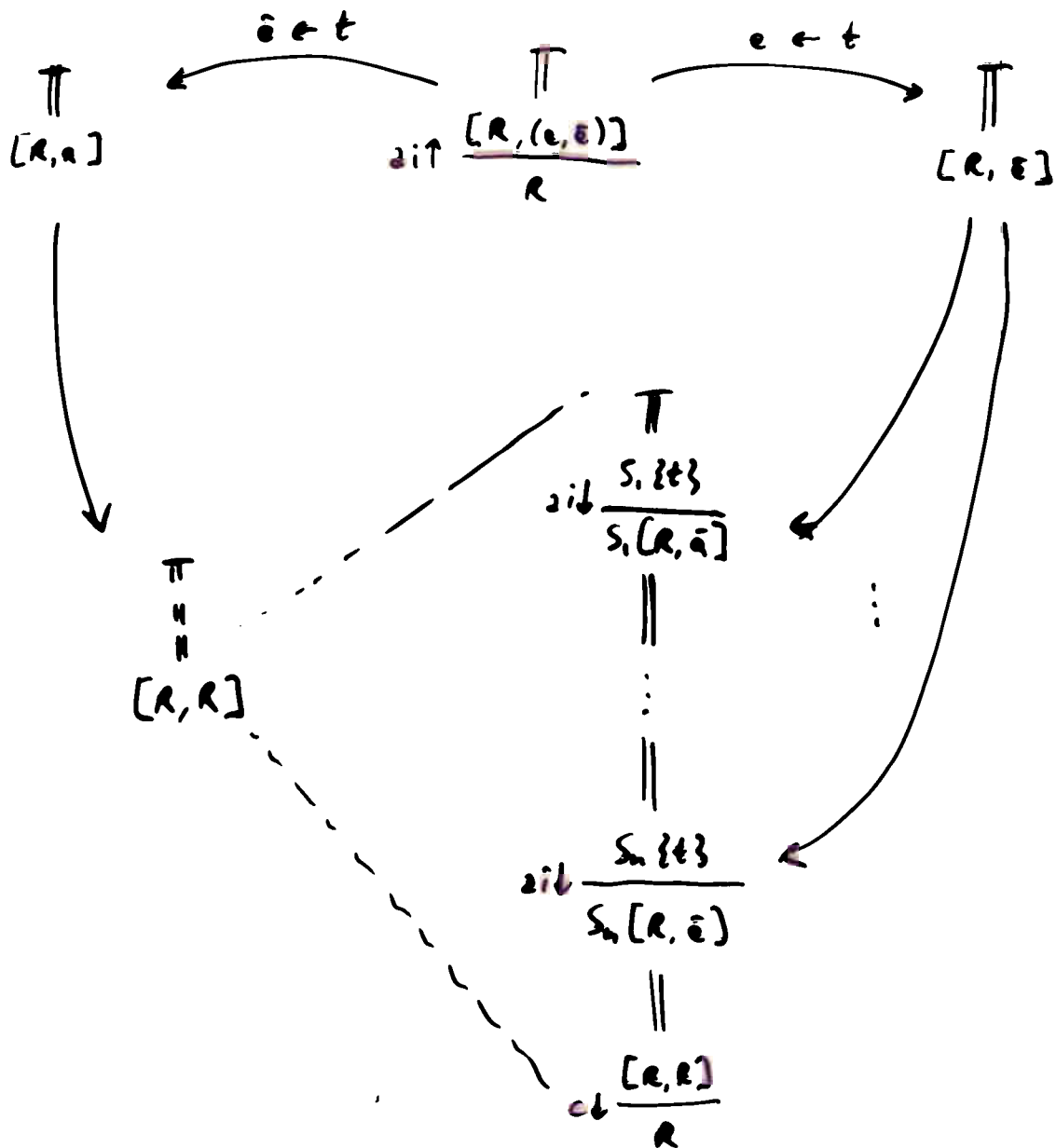
$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{⌋} \\
 \frac{S \frac{(e, [d, (b, c, [\bar{e}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}]])]}{[d, (e, b, c, [\bar{e}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}])]} \\
 =}{\text{if } \frac{S(R, T, [\bar{R}, \bar{T}])}{S\{f\}}} \quad \begin{array}{l} R = (e, b) \\ T = c \\ S = [d, \{ \}] \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

What are we supposed to do??

- Freedom has a price
- Atomicity helps a lot!

Theorem cut is admissible

Proof



The simplest cut-elimination proof ever!

Decompositions

• Theorems

• For every $\frac{T}{R} \parallel SKS$ there is e

$$\frac{\frac{T}{R} \parallel \{a_i \vdash\} \quad \bigvee \parallel SKS \setminus \{a_i \vdash, a_i \vdash\}}{\bigcup \parallel \{a_i \vdash\} \quad R}$$

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• One cannot do these things in the sequent calculus

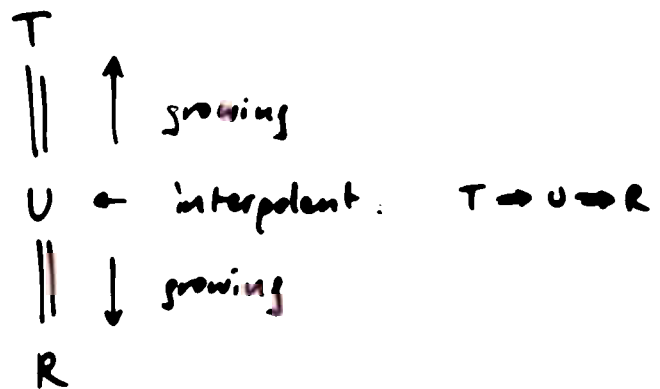
• We start seeing some **modularity**

Is there any use for weakening and contraction?

Yes:

- We saw cut already for getting and (but that use was trivial)
- In interpolation theorems!

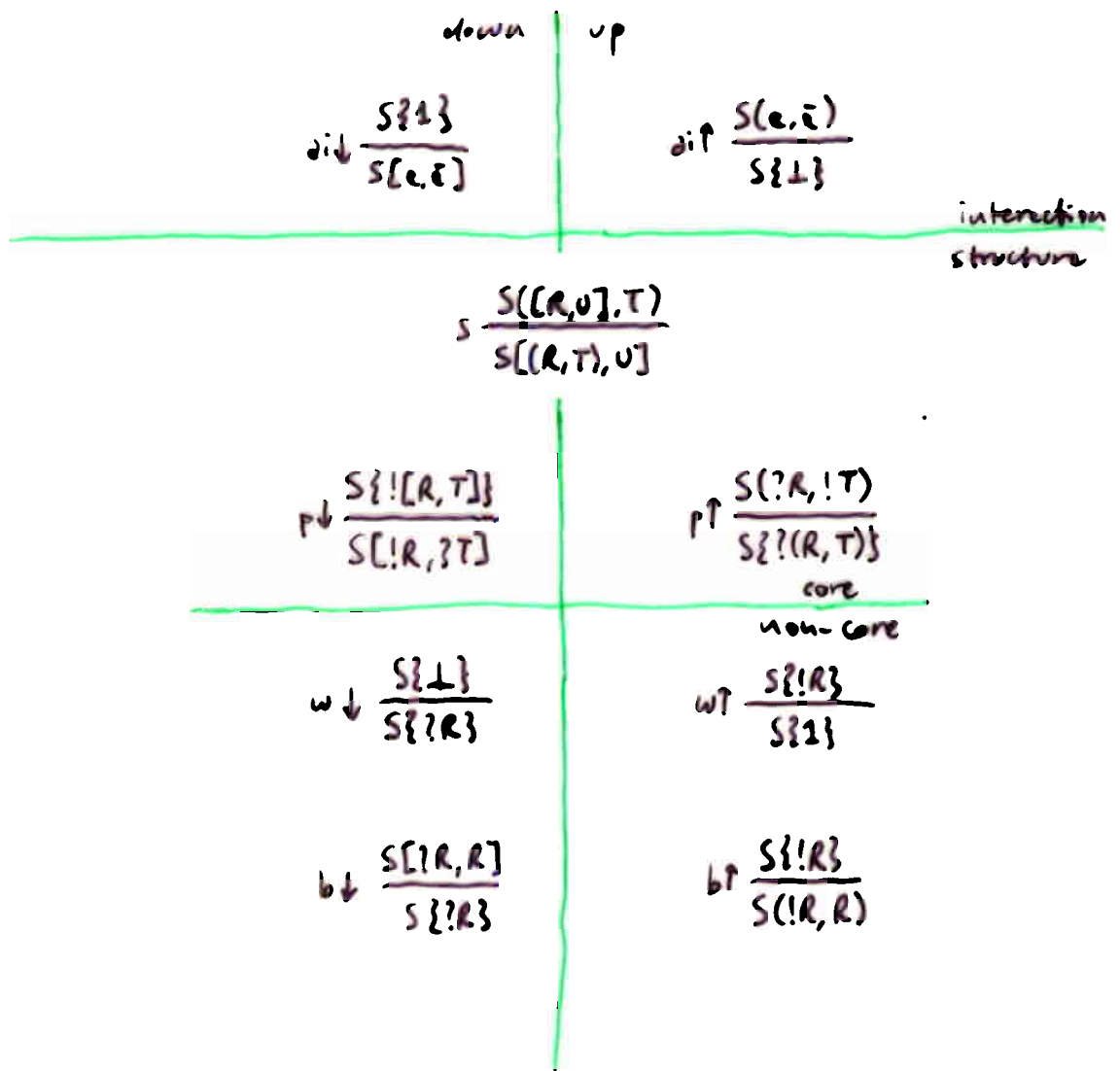
It is always possible to generate derivations such that, if $\frac{T}{R}$, then



4 Linear logic

Multiplicative exponential linear logic

System SELS



+ decidable equations, especially $\begin{cases} ??R = ?R \\ !!R = !R \end{cases}$

4 Linear logic

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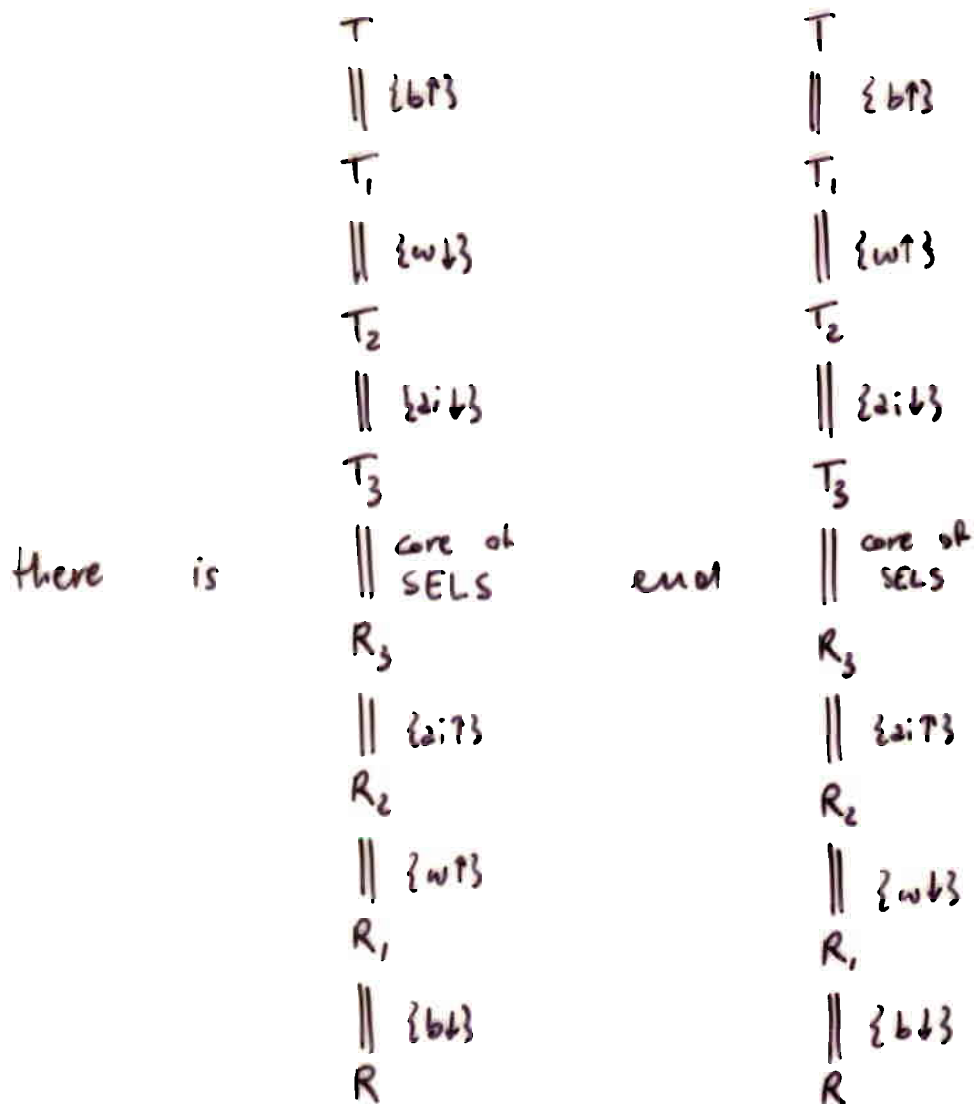
Multiplicative exponential linear logic

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- Interactions are atomic
- Promotion is local!
- Absorption (i.e., contraction) is **not** atomic
- Modularity starts to manifest itself: each of $2i\uparrow$, $p\uparrow$, $w\uparrow$ and $b\uparrow$ is admissible for the down fragment and can be shown admissible **independently** (to a certain extent)
- So, there are $2^4 = 16$ equivalent systems whose properties are known

Modularity: decompositions

Theorem For every $T \parallel R$



Proof Difficult!

4 Linear logic

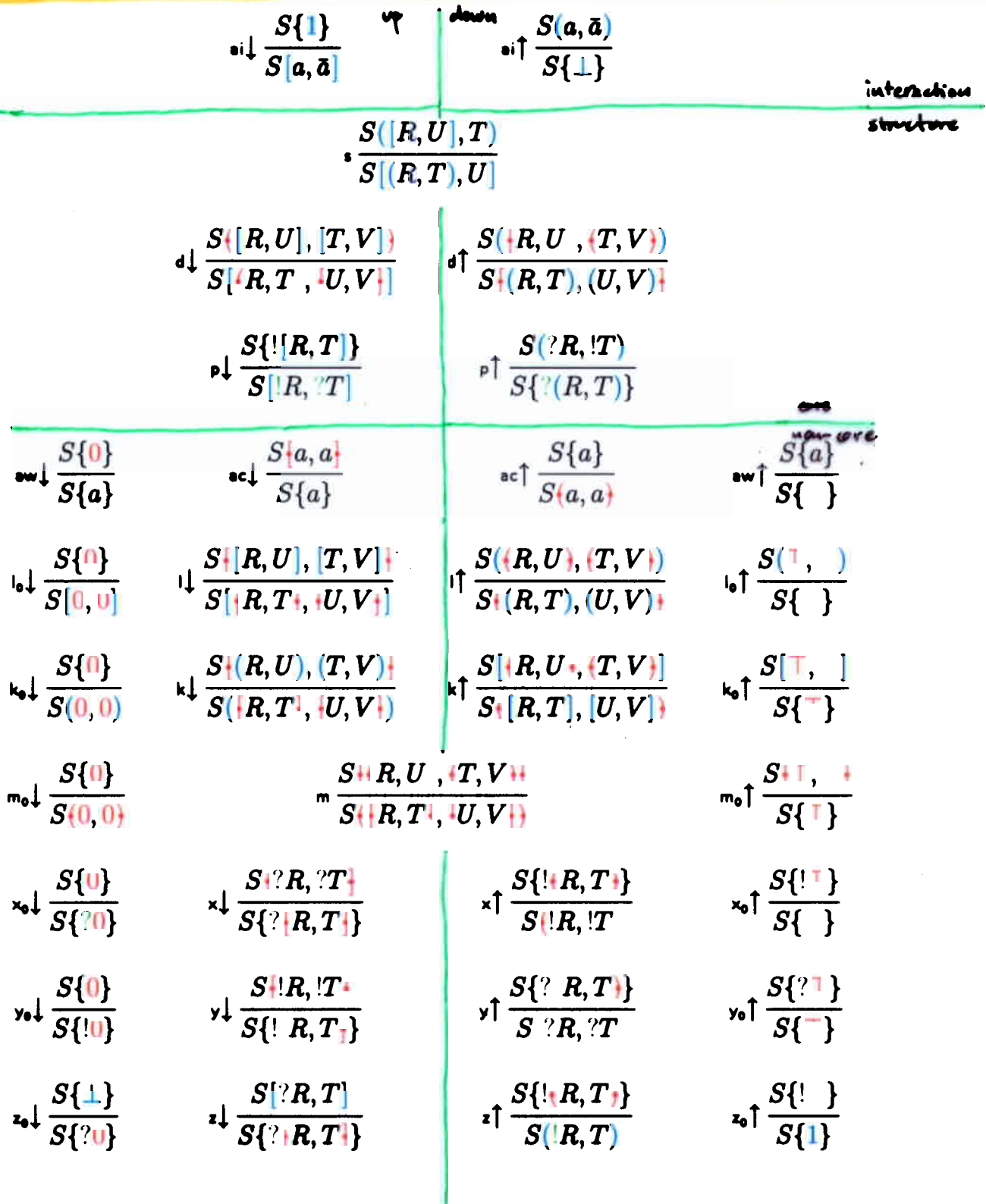
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Full linear logic

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- We apply all our techniques and get:
- A system, called SLLS, with 34 rules, 16 of which in the up-down fragment (all admissible, of course): so we have $2^{16} = 65,536$ equivalent systems
- All rules are local (or atomic), including contractions
- All rules follow our recipe + medial + contraction + weakening, so the system is big but very uniform

Full linear logic



System SLLS

Cut elimination

It always holds. How do we prove it?

MLL: **splitting**

MELL: decomposition + splitting

Π ALL: splitting

LL: by translation to the sequent calculus

5 System SBV

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Idea

- CCS is a language for distributed computation where

$$a.b \mid \bar{a}.\bar{b} \rightarrow 0$$

- Can we make a logic out of this?

- If so, we want $\overline{a.b} = \bar{a}.\bar{b}$

- Then "." is a non-commutative self-dual logical relation

- Problem: getting this in the sequent calculus is very difficult (let's say impossible, see later)

Recipe!

- Ingredients:

2 commutative dual logical relations

1 non-commutative self-dual logical relation

1 self-dual unit common to all relations

- Recipe:

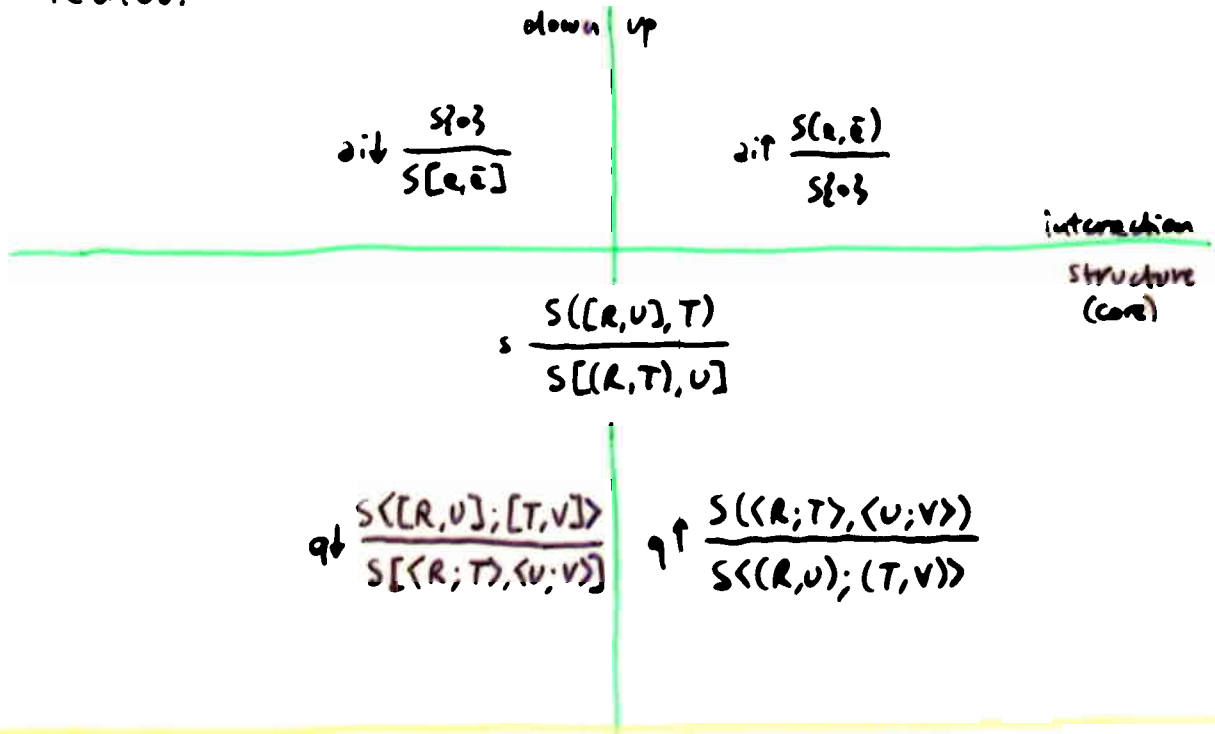
Just create an interaction end a core structure fragment (everything is multiplicative, for now)

- We get a very simple system whose proof theory is extremely intricate

- The system is atomic and local

The system

- Rules:



- Equations:

Commutativity:

$$[\bar{R}, \bar{T}] = [\bar{T}, \bar{R}]$$

$$(\bar{R}, \bar{T}) = (\bar{T}, \bar{R})$$

Associativity:

$$[\bar{R}, [\bar{T}]] = [\bar{R}, \bar{T}]$$

$$(\bar{R}, (\bar{T})) = (\bar{R}, \bar{T})$$

$$\langle \bar{R}, \langle \bar{T}, \bar{U} \rangle \rangle = \langle \bar{R}, \bar{T}, \bar{U} \rangle$$

Content closure:

$$\text{if } R=T \text{ then } S\{R\} = S\{T\}$$

Unit:

$$R = [R, 0] = (R, 0) = \langle R; 0 \rangle = \langle 0; R \rangle$$

Negation:

$$\bar{\bar{R}} = R$$

$$\overline{[R, T]} = (\bar{R}, \bar{T})$$

$$\overline{(R, T)} = [\bar{R}, \bar{T}]$$

$$\overline{\langle R; T \rangle} = \langle \bar{R}; \bar{T} \rangle$$

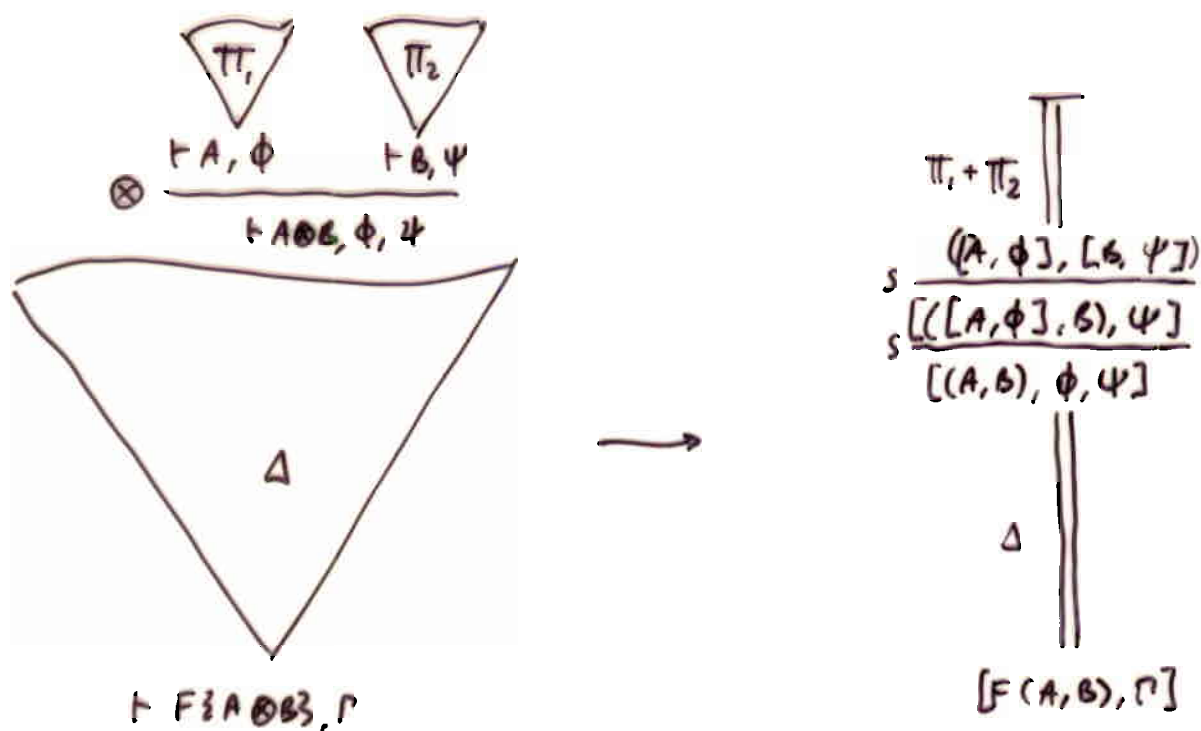
$$\bar{0} = 0$$

Singleton:

$$[R] = (R) = \langle R \rangle = R$$

Cut elimination by splitting

The idea comes from the sequent calculus:



Cut Elimination by splitting

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- Definition $BV = \{ \text{div}, s, q \}$

- Theorem (Splitting)

- If $\prod_{BV} S \langle R; T \rangle$ then $\begin{matrix} [\exists z, \langle s_1, s_2 \rangle] \\ \parallel_{BV} \\ S \exists z \end{matrix}$, $\prod_{BV} [R, s_1]$ end $\prod_{BV} [T, s_2]$
- If $\prod_{BV} S(R, T)$ then $\begin{matrix} [\exists z, s_1, s_2] \\ \parallel_{BV} \\ S \exists z \end{matrix}$, $\prod_{BV} [R, s_1]$ end $\prod_{BV} [T, s_2]$

Proof Complex, but uniform

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Cut elimination by splitting

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- Theorem $\exists i^{\top}$ is admissible for BV

Proof Splitting

- Theorem $\exists q^{\top}$ is admissible for BV

Proof Splitting

- SBV and BV (and $BV \cup \{\exists i^{\top}\}$ and $BV \cup \{\exists q^{\top}\}$) are equivalent

Decomposition

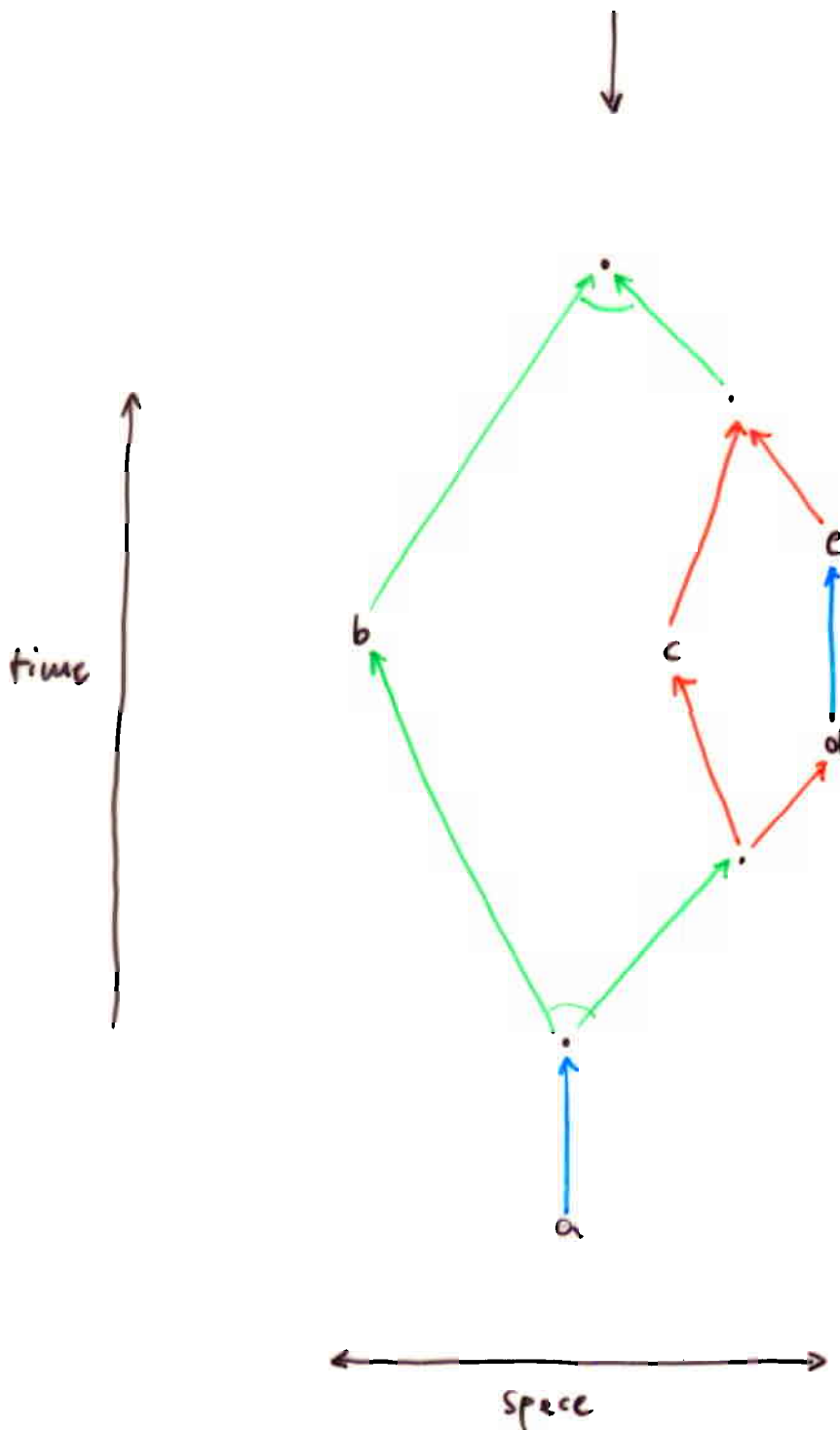
Theorem

(A $\begin{matrix} T \\ \parallel \\ \text{SBV} \\ R \end{matrix}$ then

$\begin{matrix} T \\ \parallel \\ \{s, t\} \\ T' \\ \parallel \\ \text{core of SBV} = \{s, q^t, q^T\} \\ R' \\ \parallel \\ \{u, v\} \\ R \end{matrix}$

Proof Permutations

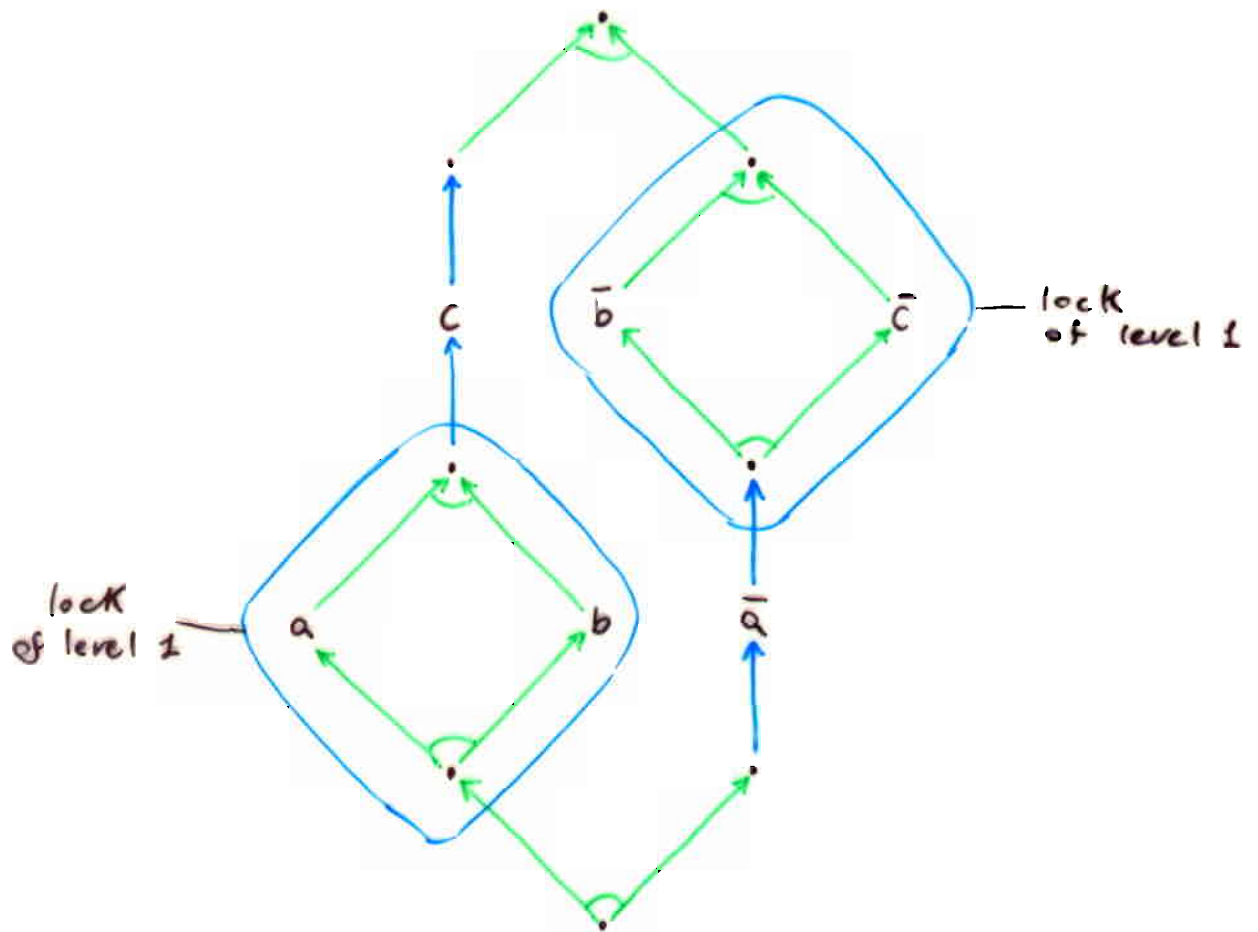
Intuitive representation of SBV structures

$$\langle a; [b, (c, \langle d; e \rangle)] \rangle$$


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SBV cannot be expressed in the sequent calculus

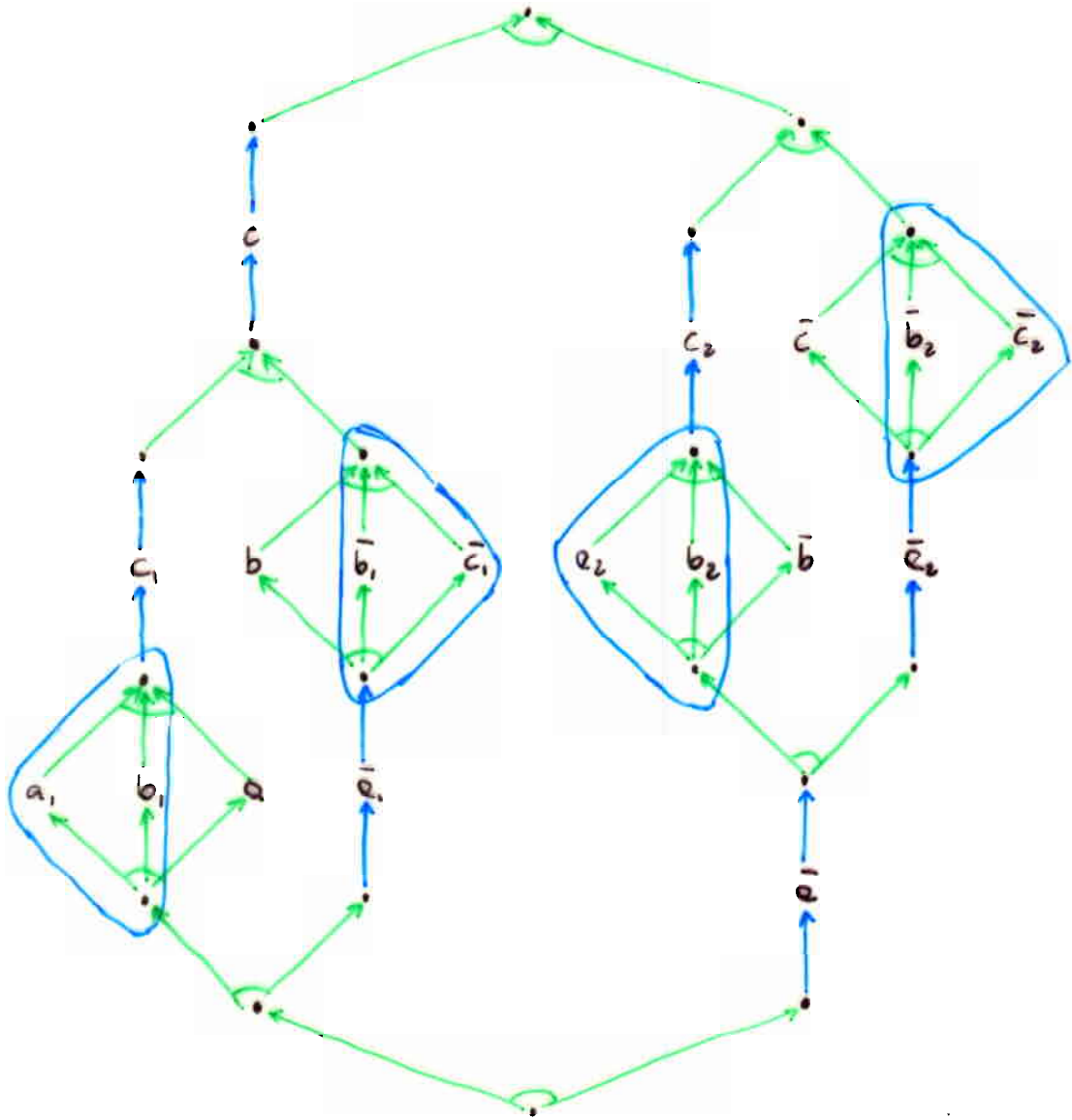
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S_1

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SBV cannot be expressed in the sequent calculus 2 of 3



S_2

 = lock of level 2

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- **Theorem** S_1, S_2, \dots are all provable in SBV if and only if one starts deriving from the locks

Proof Use relation webs semantics

- **Theorem** There is no system in the (normal) sequent calculus which is equivalent to SBV

Proof Given any sequent system, produce a structure S_k whose lock is deeper than the depth of the sequent system

The calculus of structures

Do we get a better proof theory?

Can we do better than the sequent calculus?

We observe:

- atomicity
- locality
- modularity:
 - in the rules
 - in decompositions
 - in cut elimination arguments
- we easily define logics that 'challenge' the sequent calculus