The Welkin Standard

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Abstract

Welkin is an information language. Welkin stores three independent structures: a tree of nodes, a hypergraph between nodes, and a tree of node labels. An Information Graph has a unique encoding. Using this encoding, the original Information Graph may be recovered. This document "bootstraps" Welkin to provide a finitistic basis for all information.

Semantics

Equality on Terms

- Two strings are equal if they contain the same strings, in order.
- Two numbers are equal if q(a) = q(b).

Valid Strings

- No relative members at toplevel (with length 2).
- No duplicate members, graphs, or connections.

Welkin Information Graphs

A Welkin Information Graph (WIG) is a structure G = (T, H, L) with:

- A tree *T*,
- A hypergraph *H*,
- A tree L isomorphic to T called the **label tree**.

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- Units:
- Members are words of units
- Connections are WIGs with
- Graphs are WIGs with
 - Derived terms as children
 - Ordered triples are arcs.

Encoding

The **encoding** E(G) of the WIG G is the unique string where

- All nodes are listed in breadth-first order
- Leaves are terms ending with "#"
- Edges are enumerated, starting from 0. They are included in nodes:
 - s means source,
 - c means connector,
 - t means target.

Bootstrap

Theorem. The Bootstrap File (Appendix A) has the encoding

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We prove this in the following calculations:

$$(1)0,1\Rightarrow\{0,1\}$$

$$(3)\ \mathrm{start}-\{0,1\}\rightarrow\mathrm{word}\Rightarrow(\mathrm{start},\{0,1\},\mathrm{word})$$

Appendix A: Boostrap File