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# Constructive Proofs of Heterogeneous Equalities in Cubical Type Theory

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# Abstract

Cubical Base Library

We demonstrate the usage of part of base library by showing how to build a constructive proof of heterogeneous equality, the simple and elegant formulation of the equality problem, that was impossible to achieve in pure Martin-Löf Type Theory (MLTT). The machinery used in this article unveils the internal aspect of path equalities and isomorphism, used e.g. for proving univalence axiom, that became possible only in CTT.

# Structure of Presentation

From proving to Extraction, Linking and Running

## 1) Type Theory

- Pi Type
- Sigma Type
- Equ Type

## 2) Equality Problem

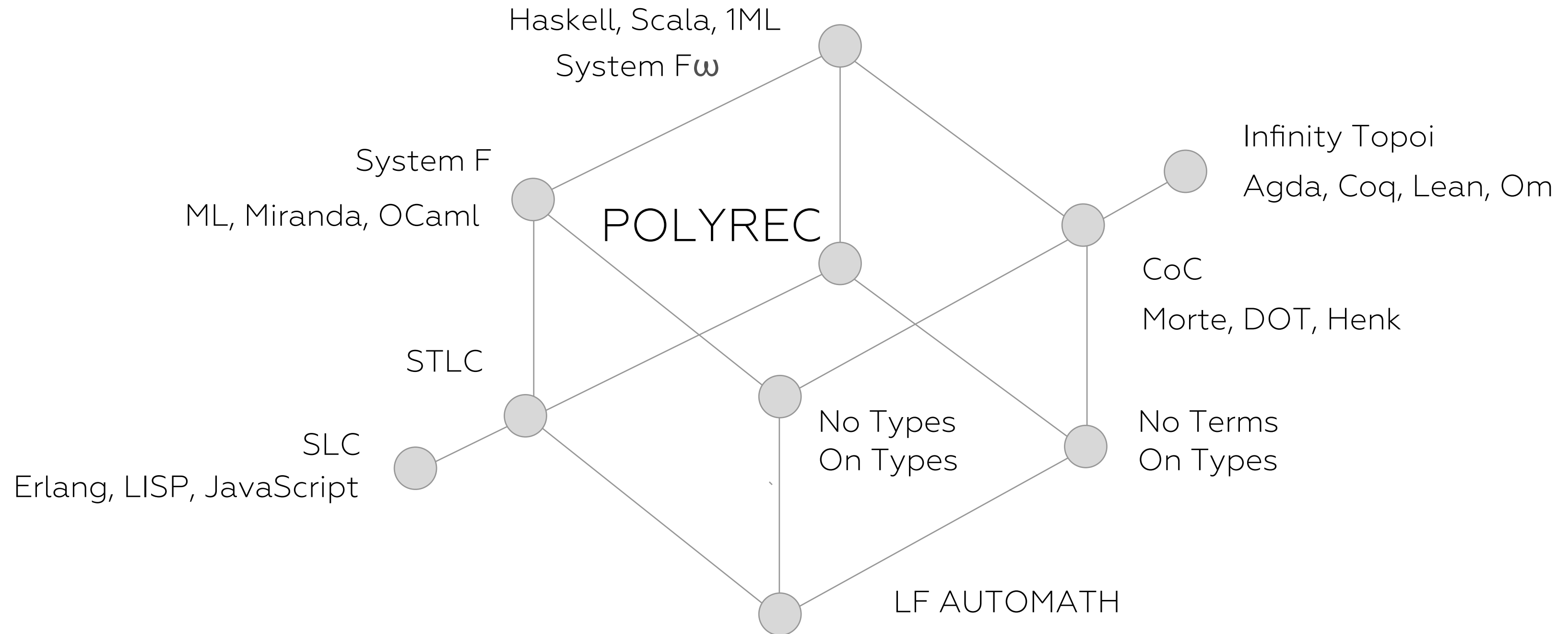
- Definitional Equality
- Propositional Equality
- Heterogeneous and Globular Equality

## 3) Computational Semantics — Cubical Type Theory 2017

- CCHM Fibrations
- Homotopy Path Type as Equality with de Morgan Algebra
- Composition, Glueing, Filling
- Cubical Base Library and further work

# Programs as Proofs

in Extended Lambda Cube



# Model Verification Process

From proving to Extraction, Linking and Running

## 1) Models

- Real Analysis
- Abstract Algebra
- Homotopy Theory

## 3) Extraction

- LLVM
- Interpreters
- Detying
- Optimization
- Linking

## 2) Core — Infinity Language

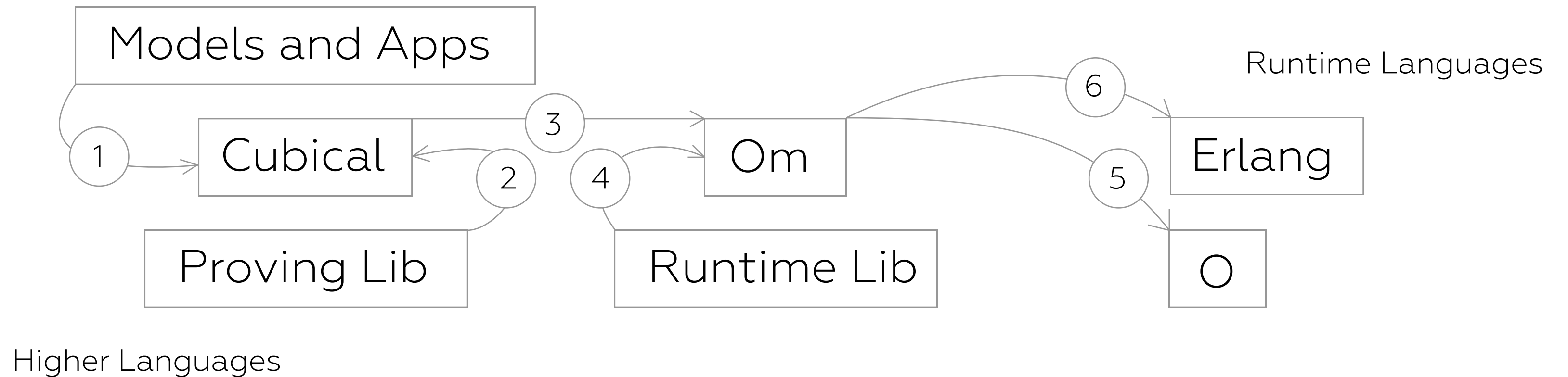
- Model Verification
- Normalization
- Bidirectional Checking
- Pure Type System ( $\text{Om}$ )
- Identity
- Induction
- Homotopy Interval  $[0,1]$

## 4) Runtimes

- O
- Erlang
- V8
- JVM

# Prover Structure

Models, Languages, Libraries, Applications



[1,2] cover the presented work, [3,4,5,6] cover by other articles

# MLTT 1984

Type Theory as new Foundations of Mathematics

$U_0 : U_1 : U_2 : U_3 : \dots \infty$  — universes

$x : A$  —  $x$  is a point in space  $A$

$y = [ x : A ]$  —  $x$  and  $y$  are definitionally equal objects of type  $A$

$\Pi$

$\Sigma$

$=$

1. Formation Rules

$x:A \rightarrow B(x)$

$x:A * B(x)$

$x:A = y:A$

2. Introduction Rules

$\lambda (x: A) \rightarrow B(x)$

$(x, B(x))$

$\text{refl } A \ x$

3. Elimination Rules

$f \ a = B(a)$

$\text{pr1}, \text{pr2}$

$J$

4. Computational Rules

Equalities

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# Pi Type

Inductive Type, AST, Logical Framework

```
data pts
  = star (n: nat)
  | var (x: name) (l: nat)
  | pi (x: name) (l: nat) (d c: lang)
  | lambda (x: name) (l: nat) (d c: lang)
  | app (f a: lang)
```

$\langle \rangle ::= \#option$

$T ::= \#identifier$

$U ::= * < \#number >$

$O ::= U \mid T \mid ( O ) \mid O O \mid O \rightarrow O$   
 $\mid \backslash (l: O) \rightarrow O \mid (l: O) \rightarrow O$

$\Pi (A:U)(P:A \rightarrow U):U = (x:A) \rightarrow P(x)$

$\lambda (A : U) (B: A \rightarrow U) (a : A) (b: B a): A \rightarrow B a = \backslash (x: A) \rightarrow b$

$\text{app } (A : U) (B: A \rightarrow U) (a : A) (f: A \rightarrow B a): B a = f a$



# Sigma Type

Inductive Type, AST, Logical Framework

data exists

= sigma (n: name) (a b: lang)  
| pair (a b: lang)  
| fst (p: lang)  
| snd (p: lang)

**O** := **Σ** (x: O), O | (O,O) | O.1 | O.2

Sigma (A : U) (B : A -> U) : U = (x : A) \* B x

pair (A : U) (B: A -> U) (a : A) (b: B a): Sigma A B = (a,b)

pr1 (A: U) (B: A -> U) (x: Sigma A B): A = x.1

pr2 (A: U) (B: A -> U) (x: Sigma A B): B (pr1 A B x) = x.2

# Sigma Type in Pi

## Typing and Introduction Rules

-- Sigma/@

\ (A: \*)

-> \ (P: A -> \*)

-> \ (n: A)

-> \ (Exists: \*)

-> \ (Intro: A -> P n -> Exists)

-> Exists

-- Sigma/Intro

\ (A: \*)

-> \ (P: A -> \*)

-> \ (x: A)

-> \ (y: P x)

-> \ (Exists: \*)

-> \ (Intro: \ (x:A) -> P x -> Exists)

-> Intro x y

# Sigma Type in Pi

Eliminators

-- Sigma/fst

\ (A: \*)

-> \ (B: A -> \*)

-> \ (n: A)

-> \ (S: #Sigma/@ A B n)

-> S A ( \ (x: A) -> \ (y: B n) -> x )

-- Sigma/snd

\ (A: \*)

-> \ (B: A -> \*)

-> \ (n: A)

-> \ (S: #Sigma/@ A B n)

-> S (B n) ( \ ( : A) -> \ (y: B n) -> y )

# Equ Type in Any ?

```
-- Equ/@  
\ (A: *)  
-> \ (x: A)  
-> \ (y: A)  
-> \ (Equ: A -> A -> *)  
-> \ (Refl: \ (z: A) -> Equ z z) -> Equ x y
```

```
-- Equ/Refl \ (A: *)  
-> \ (x: A)  
-> \ (Equ: A -> A -> *)  
-> \ (Refl: \ (z: A) -> Equ z z)  
-> Refl x
```

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-- Equ/J  
???
```

# Definitional Equality

Definitional, built into Type Checker

eq (:star ,N)	(:star ,N)	→ true
(:var,N,l)	(:var,(N,l))	→ true
(:remote ,N)	(:remote ,N)	→ true
(:pi,N1,O,l1,O1)	(:pi,N2,O,l2,O2)	→ let :true = eq l1 l2 in eq O1 (subst (shift O2 N1 O) N2 (:var,N1,O) O)
(:fn,N1,O,l1,O1)	(:fn,N2,O,l2,O2)	→ let :true = eq l1 l2 in eq O1 (subst (shift O2 N1 O) N2 (:var,N1,O) O)
(:app,F1,A1)	(:app,F2,A2)	→ let :true = eq F1 F2 in eq A1 A2
(A,	B)	→ (:error ,(:eq,A,B))

# Propositional Logic

According to Brouwer–Heyting–Kolmogorov interpretation

$\forall, \Pi$	$\exists, \Sigma$	$=$	$0$	$1$	$+$
$x:A \rightarrow B(x)$	$x:A * B(x)$	$x:A = y:A$	data empty	data unit	data either (A B:: U)
$\backslash (x: A) \rightarrow B(x)$	$(x, B(x))$	refl A x		= tt	= inl (a: A)   inr (b: B)
f a = B(a)	pr1, pr2	J	elim0	elim1	elimEither

# Bishop's Constructive Analysis

Reflexivity, Transitivity, Symmetry

Setoid  $(A: U): U$

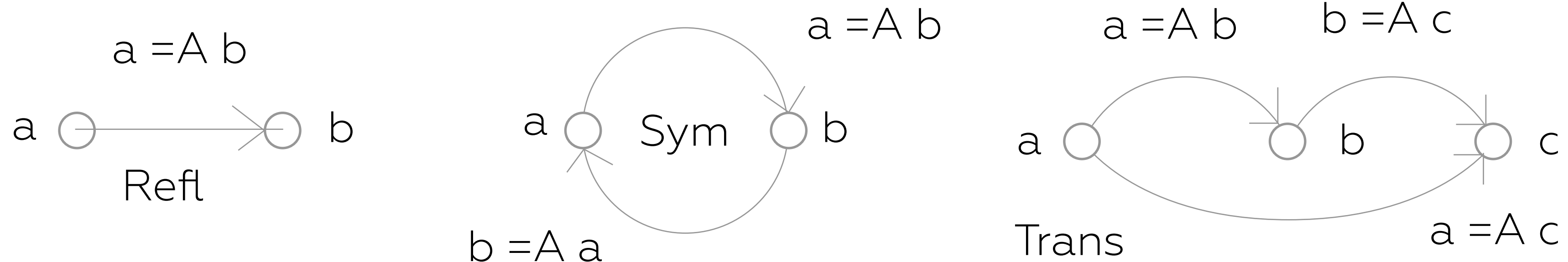
= (Carrier: A)

\* (Equ:  $(a\ b: A) \rightarrow \text{Path } A\ a\ b$ )

\* (Refl:  $(x: A) \rightarrow \text{Equ } x\ x$ )

\* (Trans:  $(x_1, x_2, x_3: A) \rightarrow \text{Equ } x_1\ x_2 \rightarrow \text{Equ } x_2\ x_3 \rightarrow \text{Equ } x_1\ x_3$ )

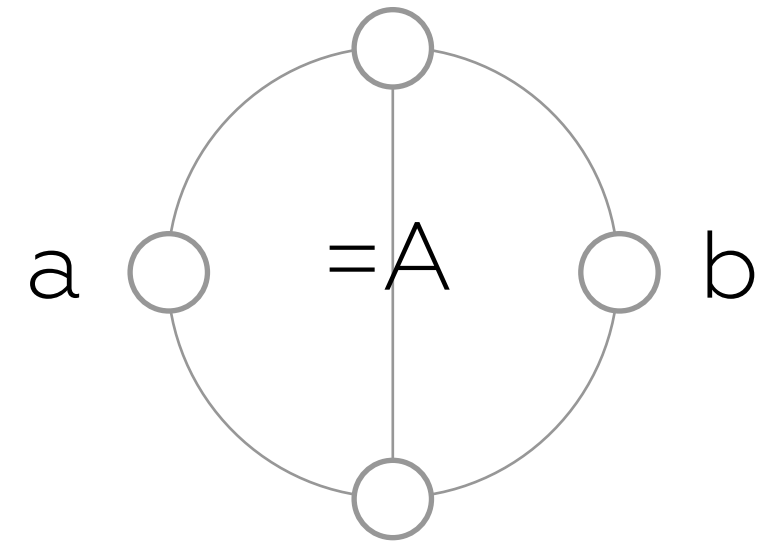
\* (Sym:  $(x_1, x_2: A) \rightarrow \text{Equ } x_1\ x_2 \rightarrow \text{Equ } x_2\ x_1$ )



# Globular Theory

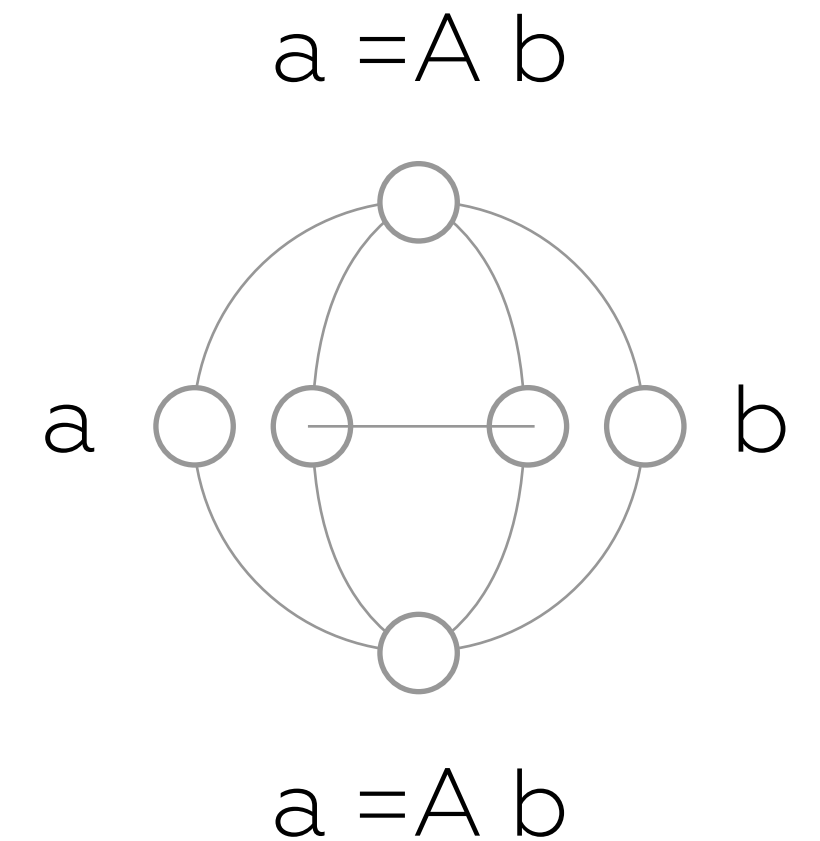
Multidimensional Equality

$a =_A b$



$((a =_A b) =_{(=A)} (a =_A b))$

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# Equ Type a la Martin-Löf

Path (A: U) (a b: A): U = axiom — PathP (*A*) a b

HeteroEqu (A B: U) (a: A) (b: B) (P: Path U A B) : U = axiom — PathP P a b

Equ (A: U) (x y: A): U = HeteroEqu A A x y (*A*)

reflect (A: U) (a: A): Equ A a a = *a*

D (A: U) : U = (x y: A) -> Equ A x y -> U

singl (A: U) (a: A): U = (x : A) \* Equ A a x

eta (A: U) (a: A): singl A a = (a, reflect A a)

cong (A B: U) (f: A->B) (a b: A) (p: Equ A a b): Equ B (f a) (f b)

subst (A: U) (P: A->U) (a b: A) (p: Equ A a b) (e: P a): P b

J (A: U) (a: A) (C: (x : A) -> Path A a x -> U)  
(d: C a (refl A a)) (x: A) (p: Path A a x): C x p

# Path Types as Cubes

Syntax and Model

```
data hts
  = path (a b: lang)
  | path_lam (n: name) (a b: lang)
  | path_app (f: name) (a b: lang)
  | comp_ (a b: lang)
  | fill_ (a b c: lang)
  | glue_ (a b c: lang)
  | glue_elem (a b: lang)
  | unglue_elem (a b: lang)
```

$x : [ \text{PathP } p \ a \ b, p = (i: I) \rightarrow A ]$

$a : A \quad \bigcirc \longrightarrow \triangleright \bigcirc \quad b : A$

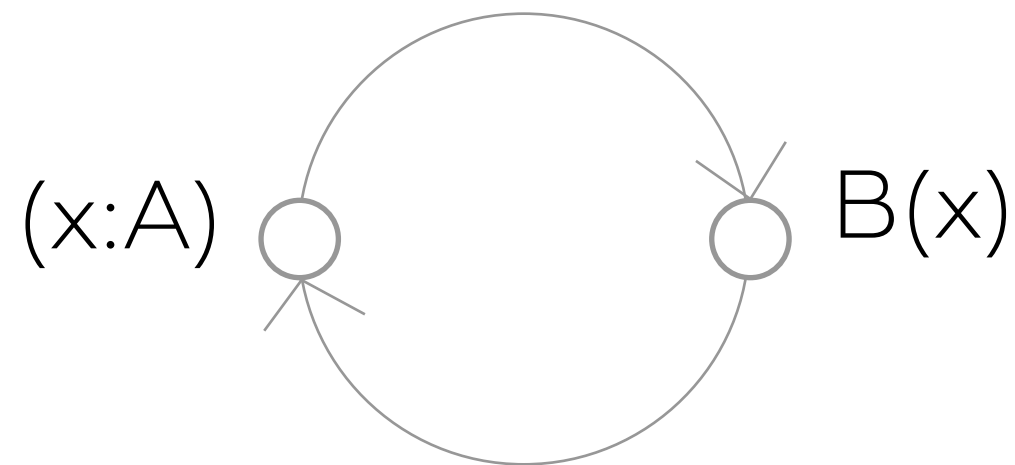
de Morgan:  $1 - i \mid i \mid i \wedge j \mid i \vee j$

# FunExt

Syntax and Model


piExt (A: U) (B: A -> U) (f g: (x:A) -> B x)  
 (p: (x:A) -> Path (B x) (f x) (g x))  
 : Path ((y:A) -> B y) f g  
 = <i> \ (a: A) -> (p a) @ i

f : (x:A) -> B(x)



g : (x:A) -> B(x)

f =(A->B) g

f : A->B  g : A-> B  
 <i> \ (a:A) -> p a @ i

# h-Types

```
data N = Z | S (n: N)
n_grpd (A: U) (n: N): U = (a b: A) -> rec A a b n where
  rec (A: U) (a b: A) : (k: N) -> U
    = split { Z -> Path A a b ; S n -> n_grpd (Path A a b) n }
```

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inf_grpd (A: U): U = (carrier: A) * (eq: (a b: A) -> Path A a b)
                                     * ((a b: A) -> inf_grpd (Path A a b))
```

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isContr (A: U): U = (x: A) * ((y: A) -> Path A x y)
```

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isProp (A: U): U = n_grpd A Z
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isSet (A: U): U = n_grpd A (S Z)
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isGroupoid (A: U): U = n_grpd A (S (S Z))
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PROP : U = (X:U) * isProp X
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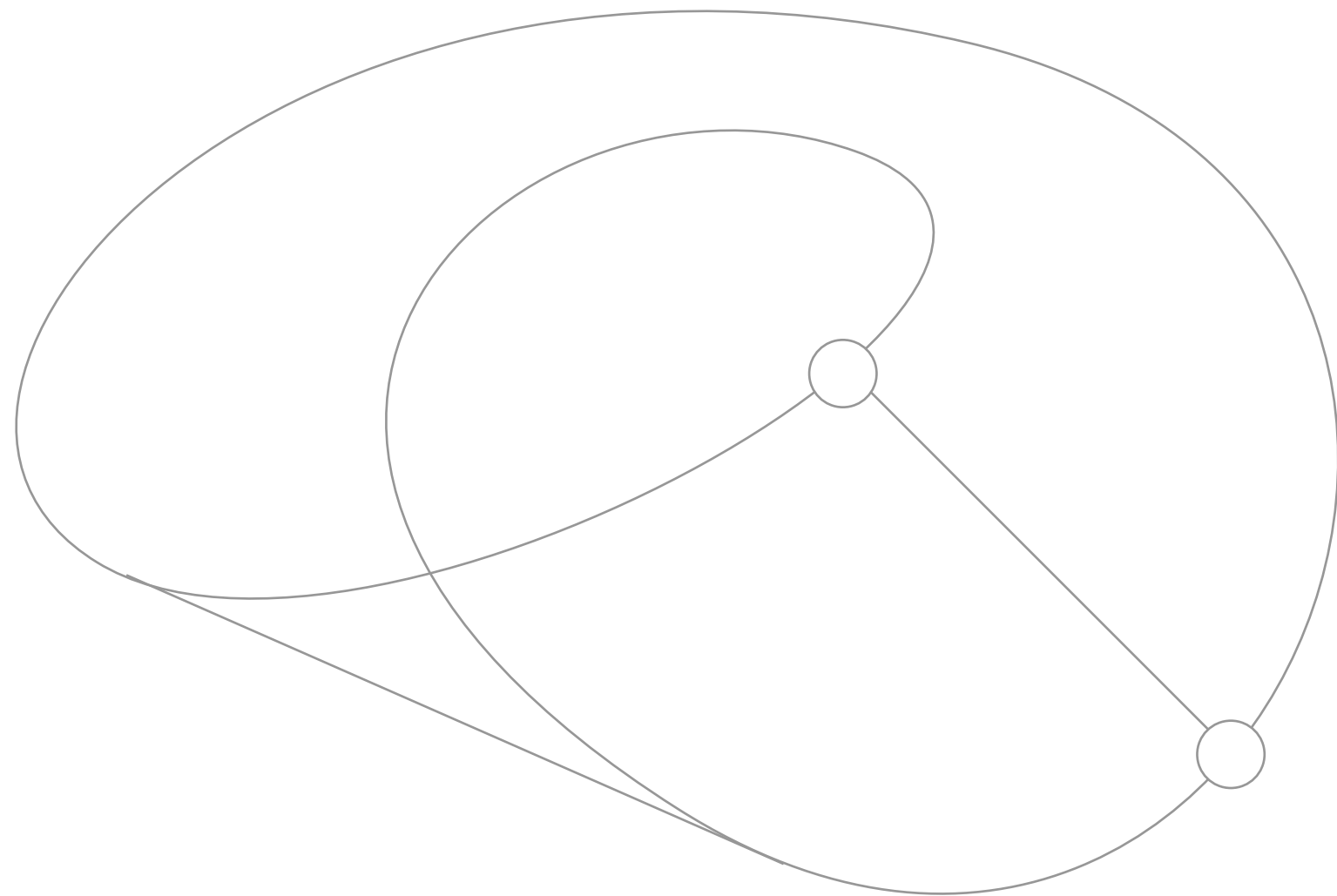
```
SET : U = (X:U) * isSet X
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GROUPOID : U = (X:U) * isGroupoid X
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INF_GROUPOID : U = (X:U) * isInfinityGroupoid X
```

# Weak Equivalence

$\text{fiber } (A \ B: U) \ (f: A \rightarrow B) \ (y: B): U = (x: A) * \text{Path } B \ y \ (f \ x)$   
 $\text{isEquiv } (A \ B: U) \ (f: A \rightarrow B): U = (y: B) \rightarrow \text{isContr } (\text{fiber } A \ B \ f \ y)$   
 $\text{equiv } (A \ B: U): U = (f: A \rightarrow B) * \text{isEquiv } A \ B \ f$



Fiber Bundle:  $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$

Moebius  $E = S^1 \text{ 'twisted ' } [0,1]$

Trivial:  $E = B * F$

$p : \text{total} \rightarrow B$

$F = \text{fiber} : B \rightarrow \text{total}$

$\text{total} = (y: B) * \text{fiber}(y)$

$\text{Fiber} = \Pi (B: U) (F: B \rightarrow U) (y: B)$

$: \text{Path } U \ (\text{fiber } (\text{total } B \ F) \ B \ (\text{trivial } B \ F) \ y) \ (F \ y)$

# Isomorphism

```
isIso (A B: U): U
= (f: A -> B)
* (g: B -> A)
* (s: section A B f g)
* (t: retract A B f g)
* unit
```

```
iso: U
= (A: U)
* (B: U)
* isIso A B
```

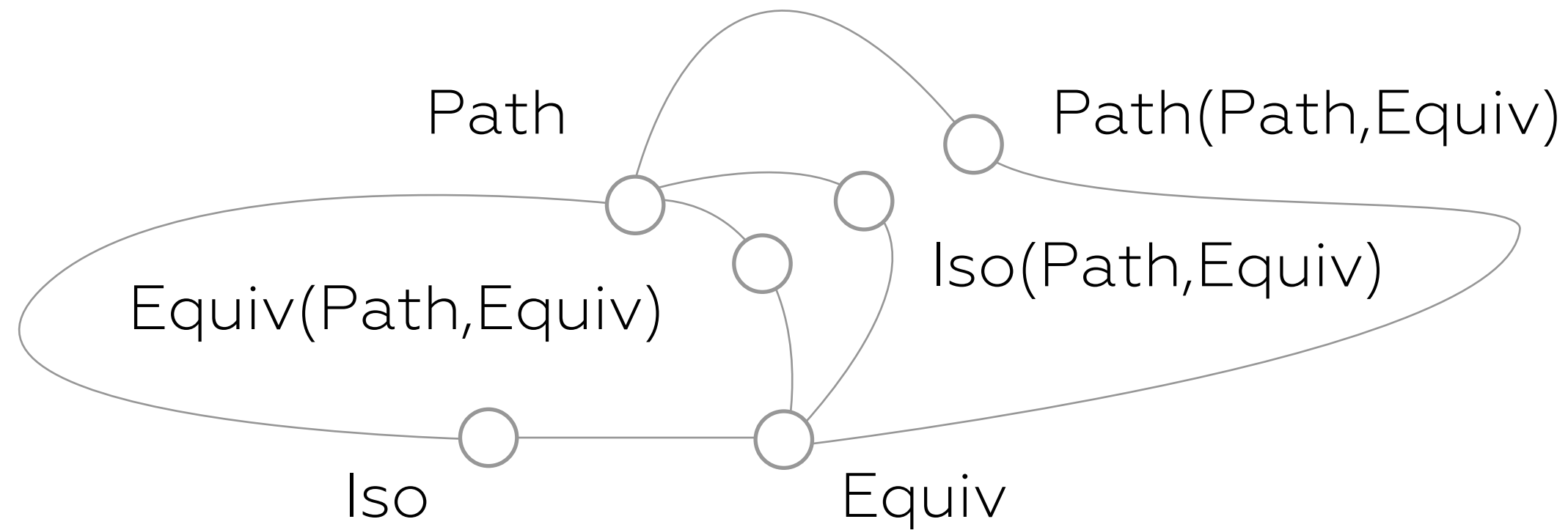
```
isoPath (A B: U) (f: A -> B) (g: B -> A)
(s: section A B f g) (t: retract A B f g): Path U A B
= <i> Glue B [ (i = 0) -> (A,f,isoToEquiv A B f g s t),
              (i = 1) -> (B,idfun B,idIsEquiv B) ]
```

```
isoToPath (i: iso): Path U i.1 i.2.1
= isoPath i.1 i.2.1 i.2.2.1 i.2.2.2.1 i.2.2.2.2.1 i.2.2.2.2.2.1
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section (A B: U) (f: A -> B) (g: B -> A): U = (b: B) -> Path B (f (g b)) b
retract (A B: U) (f: A -> B) (g: B -> A): U = (a: A) -> Path A (g (f a)) a
```

# Univalence Axiom

# All Equalities Should Be Equal



```

lemIso (A B: U) (f: A -> B) (g: B -> A) (s: section A B f g) (t: retract A B f g)
  (y: B) (x0 x1: A) (p0: Path B y (f x0)) (p1: Path B y (f x1))
  : Path (fiber A B f y) (x0,p0) (x1,p1) = <i> (p @ i,sq1 @ i) where
rem0: Path A (g y) x0 = <i> comp (<k> A) (g (p0 @ i)) [ (i = 1) -> t x0, (i = 0) -> <k> g y ]
rem1: Path A (g y) x1 = <i> comp (<k> A) (g (p1 @ i)) [ (i = 1) -> t x1, (i = 0) -> <k> g y ]
p: Path A x0 x1 = <i> comp (<k> A) (g y) [ (i = 0) -> rem0, (i = 1) -> rem1 ]
fill0: Square A (g y)(g (f x0)) (g y) x0 (<i> g (p0 @ i)) rem0 (<i> g y) (t x0) =
  <i j> comp (<k> A) (g (p0 @ i)) [ (i = 1) -> <k> t x0 @ j /\ k,
    (i = 0) -> <k> g y,
    (j = 0) -> <k> g (p0 @ i) ]
fill1: Square A(g y)(g(f x1))(g y) x1 (<i>g (p1@i)) rem1 (<i> g y) (t x1) =
  <i j> comp (<k> A) (g (p1 @ i)) [ (i = 1) -> <k> t x1 @ j /\ k,
    (i = 0) -> <k> g y,
    (j = 0) -> <k> g (p1 @ i) ]
fill2: Square A (g y) (g y) x0 x1 (<k> g y) p rem0 rem1 =
  <i j> comp (<k> A) (g y) [ (i = 0) -> <k> rem0 @ j /\ k,
    (i = 1) -> <k> rem1 @ j /\ k,
    (j = 0) -> <k> g y ]
sq: Square A(g y)(g y)(g(f x0))(g(f x1))(<i>g y) (<i>g (f(p@i)))(<j>g(p0@j))(<j>g(p1@j)) =
  <i j> comp (<k> A) (fill2 @ i @ j) [ (i = 0) -> <k> fill0 @ j @ -k,
    (i = 1) -> <k> fill1 @ j @ -k,
    (j = 0) -> <k> g y,
    (j = 1) -> <k> t (p @ i) @ -k ]
sq1: Square B y y (f x0) (f x1) (<k>y) (<i> f (p @ i)) p0 p1 =
  <i j> comp (<k> B) (f (sq @ i @j)) [ (i = 0) -> s (p0 @ j),
    (i = 1) -> s (p1 @ j),
    (j = 1) -> s (f (p @ i)),
    (j = 0) -> s y ]

```

Iso = Equiv = (=)

Trivial Fiber = Pi

```

lem2 (B: U) (F: B -> U) (y: B) (x: F y)
  : Path (F y) (comp (<i>F (refl B y @ i)) x []) x
  = <j> comp (<i>F ((refl B y) @ j /\ i)) x [(j=1) -> <k>x]

```

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FiberPi (B: U) (F: B -> U) (y: B)
  : Path U (fiber (total B F) B (trivial B F) y) (F y)
  = isoPath T A f g s t where
  T: U = fiber (total B F) B (trivial B F) y
  A: U = F y
  f: T -> A = encode B F y
  g: A -> T = decode B F y
  s (x: A): Path A (f (g x)) x = lem2 B F y x
  t (x: T): Path T (g (f x)) x = lem3 B F y x

```



```
natToMaybe: nat -> fix maybe = split
  zero  -> Fix nothing
  succ n -> Fix (just (natToMaybe n))
```

```
maybeToNat: fix maybe -> nat = split
  Fix m  -> go m where go: maybe (fix maybe) -> nat = split
    nothing -> zero
    just f  -> succ (maybeToNat f)
```

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natMaybelso: (a: nat) -> Path nat (maybeToNat (natToMaybe a)) a = split
  zero  -> <i> zero
  succ n -> <i> succ (natMaybelso n @ i)
```

```
maybeNatIso : (a : fix maybe) -> Path (fix maybe) (natToMaybe (maybeToNat a)) a = split
  Fix m  -> go m where go: (a: maybe (fix maybe)) -> Path (fix maybe) (natToMaybe (maybeToNat (Fix a))) (Fix a) = split
    nothing -> <i> Fix nothing
    just f  -> <i> Fix (just (maybeNatIso f @ i))
```

```
maybenat: Path U (fix maybe) nat = isoPath (fix maybe) nat maybeToNat natToMaybe natMaybelso maybeNatIso
HeteroEqu (A B:U)(a:A)(b:B)(P:Path U A B):U = PathP P a b
```

```
> HeteroEqu (fix maybe) nat (Fix nothing) zero maybenat
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```
> transNeg (fix maybe) (nat) maybenat (succ (succ zero))
EVAL: Fix (just (Fix (just (Fix nothing))))
> trans (fix maybe) (nat) maybenat (Fix nothing)
EVAL: zero
```

# Fix Maybe = Nat

```
data maybe (A: U) = nothing | just (a: A)
data fix (F:U->U) = Fix (point: F (fix F))
```

```
data nat = zero | succ (n: nat)
```

# Thank You!

<https://groupoid.space>