

# An overview on Dialectica and Differentiation

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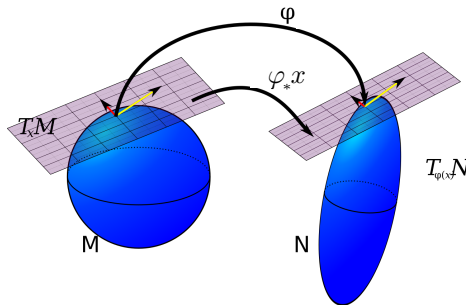
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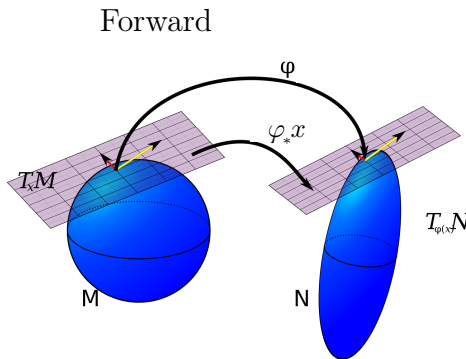
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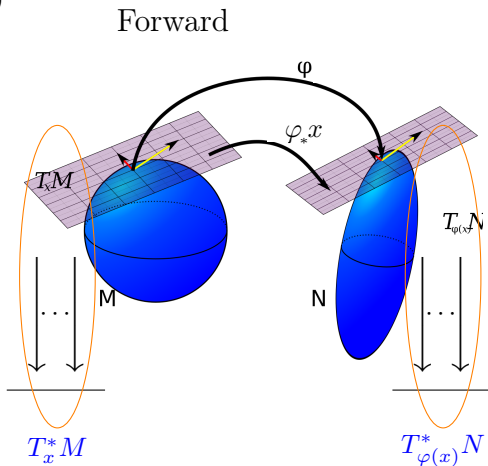
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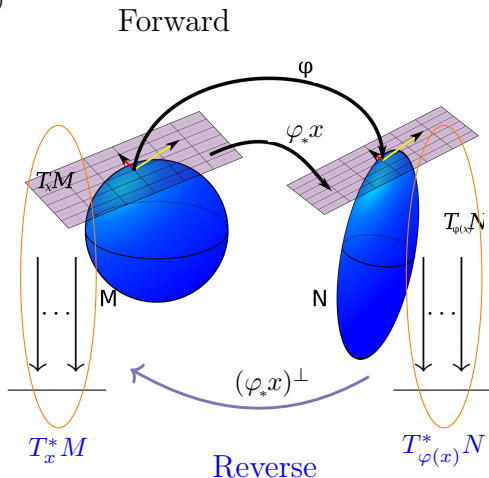
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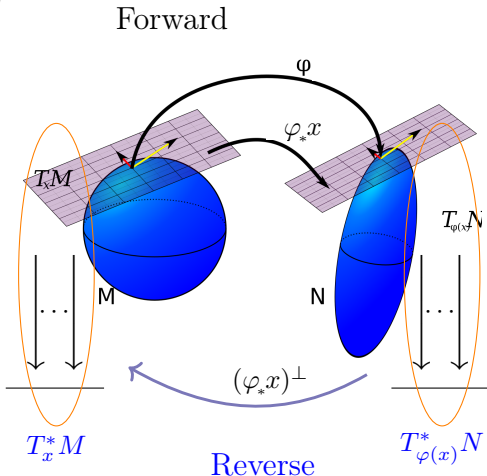
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# Dialectica (Transformation)

	$\alpha$	$E \rightarrow F$
W	$\alpha_W$	$W(E) \rightarrow W(F)$ $\times$ $W(E) \times C(F) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}[C(E)]$
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$\mathcal{C}_!$  is a model of differential  $\lambda$ -calculus where we can transpose linear arrows:

$$\frac{f : A \rightarrow B}{Df : A \times A \rightarrow B} \quad (\text{in } \mathcal{C}_!, E \times F := E \& F)$$

# Dialectica and (Categorical) Differentiation

$$\sim_B \subseteq \{\vdash_{\mathbf{P}} \mathbf{M} : W(B)\} \times \mathcal{C}_!(\top, B)$$

$$\bowtie_B^A \subseteq \{\vdash_{\mathbf{P}} \mathbf{M} : C(B) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}[C(A)]\} \times \mathcal{C}_!(A, B) \times \mathcal{C}(B^\perp, A^\perp)$$

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# The theorem

Let  $\mathbf{x} : A \vdash_{\Lambda} \mathbf{M} : B$ . Then:

$$1) \quad (\lambda \mathbf{x} . \mathbf{M})^{\bullet} \quad \sim_{A \rightarrow B} \quad \llbracket \lambda \mathbf{x} . \mathbf{M} \rrbracket : [A \rightarrow B]$$

$$2) \quad (\lambda \mathbf{x} . \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{x}}) \mathbf{N} \quad \bowtie_B^A \quad \left( \begin{array}{ll} \llbracket \mathbf{M} \rrbracket & : \quad A \rightarrow B \\ (\llbracket \mathbf{M} \rrbracket_* a)^{\perp} & : \quad B^{\perp} \multimap A^{\perp} \end{array} \right) \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{N} \sim_A a.$$

Moral:

$$(\lambda \mathbf{x} . \mathbf{M}^{\bullet}, \lambda \mathbf{x} . \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{x}})$$

“represents” the pair  $(\llbracket \mathbf{M} \rrbracket, R[\llbracket \mathbf{M} \rrbracket])$ , where

$$R[\llbracket \mathbf{M} \rrbracket] : A \times B^{\perp} \rightarrow A^{\perp}$$

is the reverse differential of  $\llbracket \mathbf{M} \rrbracket$ .

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Definitely yes at first sight... but then we can clearly understand its reason by looking at the categorical framework behind it.



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Let  $\mathcal{ELens}(\mathcal{L})$  be the full subcategory of  $\text{Lens}(\mathcal{L})$  of trivial bundles, i.e. first projections. Concretely:

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Moral:

The Dialectica transformation of  $\lambda$ -calculus encodes (reverse) Differentiation *because* it is a transformation into a category of Lenses, the latter being the abstract setting for Reverse Differentiation.

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