

Directed First-Order Logic

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Symmetric equality

- The most interesting aspect of logic/MLTT: *equality*.
- Today we will only talk about **first-order**:

$$\frac{}{[x : A, \Gamma] \Phi \vdash x = x} \text{ (refl)} \quad \frac{[z : A, \Gamma] \quad \Phi(z, z) \vdash P(z, z)}{[a : A, b : A, \Gamma] \quad a = b, \Phi(a, b) \vdash P(a, b)} \text{ (J)}$$

- Transitivity of equality:

$$\frac{\frac{}{[z : A, c : A] \quad z = c \vdash z = c} \text{ (id)}}{[a : A, b : A, c : A] \quad a = b, b = c \vdash a = c} \text{ (J)}$$

- Equality in first-order logic/MLTT is inherently symmetric:

$$\frac{\frac{}{[z : A] \quad \vdash z = z} \text{ (refl)}}{[a : A, b : A] \quad a = b \vdash b = a} \text{ (J)}$$

Motivation: Directed type theory

Martin-Löf type theory with refl/J is intrinsically about symmetric equality.
Directed type theory is the generalization to “directed equality”.

The interpretation of directed type theory with (1-) categories:

Types \rightsquigarrow Categories

Terms \rightsquigarrow Functors

Equalities $e : a = b \rightsquigarrow$ Morphisms $e : \text{hom}(a, b)$

Equality types $=_A : A \times A \rightarrow \text{Type} \rightsquigarrow$ Hom types $\text{hom}_{\mathbb{C}} : \mathbb{C}^{\text{op}} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$

→ Now types have a *polarity*, \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{C}^{op} , i.e., the opposite category.

→ Now equalities $e : \text{hom}(a, b)$ have *directionality*: rewrites, trans., processes.

We want to find which syntactic restriction of MLTT
allow for types can be interpreted as categories.

Current approaches to directed type theory

- Semantically, refl should be $\text{id}_c \in \text{hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(c, c)$ for $c : \mathbb{C}$.
- Transitivity of directed equality \rightsquigarrow composition of morphisms in \mathbb{C} .

$$\frac{\overline{[z : \mathbb{C}^{\text{op}}, c : \mathbb{C}]}}{\quad} \quad \text{hom}(z, c) \vdash \text{hom}(z, c) \quad (\text{id})$$

$$\frac{\quad}{[a : \mathbb{C}^{\text{op}}, b : \mathbb{C}, c : \mathbb{C}] \text{ hom}(a, b), \text{ hom}(\bar{b}, c) \vdash \text{hom}(a, c)} \quad (\text{J})$$

- However, directed type theory is not so straightforward:

$$\frac{a : \mathbb{C}}{\text{refl}_a \dots ? : \text{hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(a, a)} \rightsquigarrow \frac{a : \mathbb{C}^{\text{core}}}{\text{refl}_a : \text{hom}(\text{i}^{\text{op}}(a), \text{i}(a))} \quad [\text{North 2018}]$$

- Problem:* rule is not functorial w.r.t. variance of $\text{hom}_{\mathbb{C}} : \mathbb{C}^{\text{op}} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$, since $a : \mathbb{C}$ appears both contravariantly and covariantly.
- A possible approach to DTT in **Cat**: use groupoids!
 \rightarrow Use the maximal subgroupoid \mathbb{C}^{core} to collapse the two variances.
- Then a J -like rule is validated, again using groupoidal structure.

Towards dinatural directed type theory

Can we interpret a (first-order) directed type theory in 1-categories without having to use groupoids?

Our approach: yes, by validating rules with dinatural transformations.

- *Intuition:* dinaturals allow for the same x to appear co-/contra-variantly.
- Semantically, dinaturality also tells us what a directed J rule should be.
- Directed J rule: very similar to the usual symmetric J rule, but with a syntactic restriction which does **not** allow for symmetry.
- Allows to give a type-theoretical meaning to (co)end calculus.
- *Downside:* dinaturals do not always compose!
→ Restricted *cut rules*, only with *naturals*.
- Big but inevitable restriction → we don't get usual CwFs/fibrations.

Today: preorders and directed doctrines

- This (and much more!) in our previous paper:

“Directed equality with dinaturality” (arXiv:2409.10237)

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- Today, I'll talk about a spinoff of this story:

That paper	↔	Today
Categories	↔	Preorders
Proof-relevance	↔	Proof-irrelevance (rewrites happen or not)
Dinatural trans. in Set	↔	"Diagonal" entailments $P(x, x) \leq Q(x, x)$
Not all cuts	↔	Entailments compose (no hexagon to check)
No abstract model	↔	<i>Directed doctrines</i>
Rules for hom	↔	Directed eq. \leq as a <i>relative left adjoint</i>
Rules for \Rightarrow	↔	Polarized exponentials (which are unique)
Polarities as predicates	↔	Polarities using context separation

- **Focus:** 1. make polarity precise, 2. universal properties of directed equality, for communities interested in FOL/doctrines/rewriting.

Directed first-order logic: syntax and semantics

Just like FOL, but:

- Terms and types are a simple axiomatization of simply-typed λ -calculus.
- A *directed equality formula* $s \leq_A t$, for two terms s, t
Intuition: "the term s rewrites to the term t (of type A)",
- *Base formulas* $P(s \mid t)$, divided in a positive and a negative side,
- An *implication connective* $\psi \Rightarrow \varphi$ called *polarized exponential*.
- **Semantics**: Our main model for dFOL: the *preorder model*:

Notion	Syntax	Semantics
Types	A type	Preorders
Contexts	Γ	Product of preorders
Terms	$\Gamma \vdash t : A$	Monotone functions
Formulas	$[...] \varphi$ prop	Monotone functions into $\mathbf{I} := \{0 \rightarrow 1\}$
Base formulas	$P(x \mid y)$	$P : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket A \rrbracket \rightarrow \mathbf{I}$
Directed equality	$x \leq_A y$	$- \leq_A - : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket A \rrbracket \rightarrow \mathbf{I}$
Polarized exponentials	$\psi \Rightarrow \varphi$	$- \Rightarrow - : \mathbf{I}^{\text{op}} \times \mathbf{I} \rightarrow \mathbf{I}$

- Key idea: the semantic " $-^{\text{op}}$ " of preorders must be reflected in syntax.

Polarity and variance

- A **position** is any place in which a variable can appear (even in terms).
e.g., there are 5 positions in the FOL formula $P(x, y, s(z)) \wedge Q(t(v, w))$.
- A position has a **variance**, either *positive* or *negative*.

Variance starts as positive and inverts when:

- ① It is used on the left side of $\psi \Rightarrow \varphi$,
 - ② It is used on the left side of $s \leq t$,
 - ③ It is used on the left side of base predicates $P(s \mid t)$.
- *Semantically, variance inverts whenever $-\text{op}$ of preorders is involved.*
 - Examples of variance:

$$f(x) \leq y \quad (y \leq s(x)) \Rightarrow \varphi(z) \quad (\psi(y) \Rightarrow \varphi) \Rightarrow \varphi$$

- A variable has **polarity**, based on *variance of positions where it is used*:
 - ① A variable x is *positive* if it appears only in positive positions,
 - ② A variable x is *negative* if it appears only in negative positions,
 - ③ A variable x is *dinatural* if it appears in positive *or* negative positions (i.e., always! in a sense, variables are always dinatural.)
- **Note:** there's no "*dinatural variance*": you use a variable dinaturally.

Polarized contexts

- The polarity of a variable also lifts to whole entailments $\psi \vdash \varphi$.
- *Convenience*: \bar{x} denotes the contravariant use of dinatural variables.
- Examples of polarity:

$x \leq y \wedge \bar{y} \leq z \vdash x \leq z$	$x \text{ neg}, y \text{ dinat}, z \text{ pos}$
$\bar{x} \leq y \vdash \bar{y} \leq x$	$x, y \text{ dinat}$
$x \leq y \vdash f(x) \leq f(y)$	$x \text{ neg}, y \text{ pos}$
$\vdash \bar{x} \leq x$	$x \text{ dinat}$
$\vdash f(\bar{x}) \leq g(x)$	$x \text{ dinat}$

- A **context** Γ is just a list of types and variables.
- A **polarized context** $\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma$: a triple of "physically separated" contexts, one for each polarity:
 - Θ is a list of variables usable *negatively* only,
 - Δ is a list of variables usable *dinaturally*,
 - Γ is a list of variables usable *positively* only.
- Variables from Θ and Γ are said to be *natural*.

Formulas – propositional connectives

- The judgement for formulas is indexed by a polarized context:

$$\boxed{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \varphi \text{ prop}}$$

- Propositional connectives of dFOL:

$$\overline{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \top \text{ prop}}$$

$$\frac{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \varphi \text{ prop} \quad [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \psi \text{ prop}}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \varphi \wedge \psi \text{ prop}}$$

$$[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \varphi \wedge \psi \text{ prop}$$

$$\frac{[\Gamma \mid \Delta \mid \Theta] \varphi \text{ prop} \quad [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \psi \text{ prop}}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \varphi \Rightarrow \psi \text{ prop}}$$

$$[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \varphi \Rightarrow \psi \text{ prop}$$

- Note! $x \in \Gamma$ must be used negatively in φ to be positive in $\varphi \Rightarrow \psi$.

Formulas – base cases

What about the base cases? We use polarity here.

$$x \leq y \quad P(n \mid p)$$

- *What variables can I use in a **positive** position?*
→ *Either a positive variable, or a dinatural variable.*
- *What variables can I use in a **negative** position?*
→ *Either a negative variable, or a dinatural variable.*

$$\frac{\Theta, \Delta \vdash s : A \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash t : A}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] s \leq_A t \text{ prop}}$$

- *Negative case: the term $s : A$ can use the context concatenation Θ, Δ .*

$$\frac{P \in \Sigma_P \quad \Theta, \Delta \vdash s : \text{neg}(P) \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash t : \text{pos}(P)}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] P(s \mid t) \text{ prop}}$$

- *What can I use in place of a variable used **dinaturally**?*
→ *Only another dinatural variable: I must be able to use the same variable both negatively and positively.*

Semantics of polarized contexts and formulas

- In preorders, polarized contexts are interpreted as:

$$\llbracket [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \rrbracket := \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket \times \llbracket \Theta \rrbracket$$

- *Crucial:* $\llbracket \Delta \rrbracket$ is given with both variances.
- Formulas are interpreted (inductively) as monotone functions into \mathbf{I} :

$$\llbracket [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \varphi \text{ prop} \rrbracket : \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket \times \llbracket \Theta \rrbracket \rightarrow \mathbf{I}$$

- Semantics of directed equality formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} \leq_A &:= (x, y) \mapsto 1 \text{ iff } x \leq y && : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket A \rrbracket \rightarrow \mathbf{I}, \\ \llbracket s \leq_A t \rrbracket &:= (\llbracket s \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket t \rrbracket); \leq_A && : \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket \Delta \rrbracket \times \llbracket \Theta \rrbracket \rightarrow \mathbf{I} \end{aligned}$$

- Semantics of polarized exponentials:

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow &:= \leq_{\mathbf{I}}, && : \mathbf{I}^{\text{op}} \times \mathbf{I} \rightarrow \mathbf{I} \\ \llbracket \psi \Rightarrow \varphi \rrbracket &:= ((\text{reorder}; \llbracket \psi \rrbracket^{\text{op}}) \times \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket); \Rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

Polarized quantifiers

- We add also six “*polarized quantifiers*”:

$$\begin{array}{ll}\exists^- x.\varphi & \forall^- x.\varphi \\ \exists^\Delta x.\varphi & \forall^\Delta x.\varphi \\ \exists^+ x.\varphi & \forall^+ x.\varphi\end{array}$$

- In preorders, $\exists^\Delta/\forall^\Delta$ are decategorifications of (co)ends: lub/glbs in \mathbf{I} that diagonalize $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket : \llbracket A \rrbracket^{\text{op}} \times \llbracket A \rrbracket \rightarrow \mathbf{I}$, e.g.,

$$\llbracket \exists^\Delta x.\varphi(x, x) \rrbracket := \coprod_{x \in \llbracket A \rrbracket} \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket(x, x).$$

- Note!** The object x of the preorder $\llbracket A \rrbracket$ is used both co/contravariantly.

Entailments

- Judgement for syntactic entailments:

$$\boxed{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi \vdash \varphi}$$

- In the preorder model, entailments are “*diagonal entailments*”, i.e., a decategorification of dinatural transformations, in \mathbf{I} :

$$[\![\Phi]\!], [\![\varphi]\!] : [\![\Gamma]\!]^{\text{op}} \times [\![\Delta]\!]^{\text{op}} \times [\![\Delta]\!] \times [\![\Theta]\!] \rightarrow \mathbf{I}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\![\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi \vdash \varphi\!] \text{ holds iff } & \forall n \in [\![\Theta]\!]^{\text{op}}, \\ & \forall d \in [\![\Delta]\!], \\ & \forall p \in [\![\Gamma]\!], \\ & [\![\Phi]\!](n, d, d, p) \leq [\![\varphi]\!](n, d, d, p). \end{aligned}$$

- Note!** The object d of the preorder $[\![\Delta]\!]$ is used both co/contravariantly.

- Structural rules:

$$\frac{}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi, \varphi, \Phi' \vdash \varphi} \text{ (hyp)}$$

$$\frac{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Psi \vdash \psi \quad [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi, \psi, \Phi' \vdash \varphi}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi, \Psi, \Phi' \vdash \varphi} \text{ (cut)}$$

- Reindexing uses this idea that "dinaturals are supplied with dinaturals":

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \Theta, \Delta \vdash \eta : N \\ \Delta \vdash \delta : D \\ \Gamma, \Delta \vdash \rho : P \end{array} \quad [\Theta, n : N \mid \Delta, d : D \mid \Gamma, p : P] \Phi(n, \bar{d}, d, p) \vdash \varphi(n, \bar{d}, d, p)}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi(\eta, \delta, \delta, \rho) \vdash \varphi(\eta, \delta, \delta, \rho)} \text{ (reindex)}$$

Entailments – standard connectives

- Double-lines indicate bi-implications.
- We always show connectives in “adjoint-like” form, as bi-implications.
- Usual adjoint formulation of \top , \wedge , \forall , \exists :

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi \vdash \top} (\top) \\ \frac{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi \vdash \psi \quad [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi \vdash \varphi}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi \vdash \psi \wedge \varphi} (\wedge) \\ \frac{p \in \{-, \Delta, +\} \quad [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma], [x :^p A] \Phi \vdash \varphi(x)}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi \vdash \forall^p x. \varphi(x)} (\forall) \\ \frac{p \in \{-, \Delta, +\} \quad [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \exists^p x. \psi(x), \Phi \vdash \varphi}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma], [x :^p A] \psi(x), \Phi \vdash \varphi} (\exists) \end{array}$$

- The last two rules express that *polarized quantifiers with polarity p are left/right adjoints to weakening on a fresh variable x with polarity p .*

Entailments – polarized exponentials

- Intuition for polarized exponentials: *all positions in ψ switch variance.*

$$\frac{[...] \psi, \Phi \vdash \varphi}{[...] \Phi \vdash \psi \Rightarrow \varphi} (\Rightarrow)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} [N, N' \mid \Delta \mid P, P'] \psi \text{ prop} \\ [\Theta, N, P' \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma, P, N'] \Phi, \varphi \text{ prop} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{[\Theta, N \mid \Delta, N', P' \mid \Gamma, P] \psi, \Phi \vdash \varphi}{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \Phi \vdash \psi \Rightarrow \varphi} (\Rightarrow)$$

- We need to consider every possible case $\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{dinat}$, $\text{dinat} \rightarrow \text{nat}$:
 - N, P natural above, dinatural below
 - N', P' dinatural above, natural below
 - Φ, ψ, φ share P, N .
- Derived rule: *negative can directly switch to positive* ($N = N' + \text{etc.}$).
- No general contexts Θ, Γ in ψ : *all variables change polarity* (except Δ)

Entailments – directed equality

- Most important rule for us: directed equality.
- Intuition: *an equality $x \leq y$ can be contracted only when x and y appear **naturally** in the conclusion* (same as in previous paper, in **Set**)

$$\frac{[\Theta \mid \Delta, z : A \mid \Gamma] \quad \Phi \vdash \varphi(\bar{z}, z)}{[\Theta, a : A \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma, b : A] \quad a \leq b, \Phi \vdash \varphi(a, b)} (\leq)$$

- (Note: a, b do not appear in Φ yet.)
- *Crucial:* this rule allows for most interesting properties of directed equality, except for symmetry! (e.g., **I** is a countermodel).

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- Semantically, symmetric equality in doctrines is a left adjoint.
 - *Can we use (\leq) to characterize directed equality also as a left adjoint?*
Almost! We give a characterization of \leq as a **relative left adjoint**.

Derived rules for directed equality

- refl = the upwards direction of $(\leq) + (\text{cut})$:

$$\frac{\Delta \vdash t : A}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \Phi \vdash t \leq_A t} (\leq\text{-refl}_t)$$

- Directed equality with Frobenius (note! a, b are negative in Φ):

$$\frac{[\Theta \mid \Delta, z : A \mid \Gamma] \quad \Phi(z, \bar{z}) \vdash \psi(\bar{z}, z)}{[\Theta \mid \Delta, a : A, b : A \mid \Gamma] a \leq b, \Phi(\bar{a}, \bar{b}) \vdash \psi(a, b)} (\leq^{\text{frob}})$$

follows from (\Rightarrow) , pick $\varphi(a, b) := \Phi(a, b) \Rightarrow \psi(a, b)$ to curry Φ to the left.

Examples with directed equality

- Transitivity of directed equality:

$$\frac{\frac{[z : A \mid \bullet \mid c : A] \quad z \leq c \vdash z \leq c}{(\leq^-)}}{[a : A \mid b : A \mid c : A] \quad a \leq b, \bar{b} \leq c \vdash a \leq c} \text{ (hyp)}$$

- Congruence of directed equality (i.e. internal monotonicity for terms):

$$\frac{\frac{[\bullet \mid z : A \mid \bullet] \quad \vdash f(\bar{z}) \leq_B f(z)}{(\leq\text{-refl}_t)}}{[a : A \mid \bullet \mid b : A] \quad a \leq_A b \vdash f(a) \leq_B f(b)} (\leq)$$

- Transport of equalities between proofs of predicates:

$$\frac{\frac{[\bullet \mid \bullet \mid z : A] \quad P(z) \vdash P(z)}{(\leq^+)}}{[a : A \mid \bullet \mid b : A] \quad a \leq b, P(a) \vdash P(b)} \text{ (hyp)}$$

Examples with directed equality

- Pair of rewrites:

$$\frac{\frac{\overline{[\bullet \mid x : A, y : B \mid \bullet] \vdash (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq_{A \times B} (x, y)}}{[b : A \mid x : A \mid b' : B] b \leq_B b' \vdash (\bar{x}, b) \leq_{A \times B} (x, b')} (\leq\text{-refl}_t)}{[a : A, b : A \mid \bullet \mid a' : A, b' : B] a \leq_A a', b \leq_B b' \vdash (a, b) \leq_{A \times B} (a', b')} (\leq)$$

For the other direction use congruence with the projection terms.

- Higher-order rewriting:

$$\frac{\frac{\overline{[\bullet \mid h : A \Rightarrow B, x : A \mid \bullet] \vdash \bar{h} \cdot \bar{x} \leq_B h \cdot x}}{[\bullet \mid h : A \Rightarrow B \mid \bullet] \vdash \forall^\Delta x. \bar{h} \cdot \bar{x} \leq_B h \cdot x} (\leq\text{-refl}_t)}{[f : A \Rightarrow B \mid \bullet \mid g : A \Rightarrow B] f \leq_{A \Rightarrow B} g \vdash \forall^\Delta x. f \cdot \bar{x} \leq_B g \cdot x} (\leq)$$

The other direction is not derivable in general, since it is a directed version of extensionality “on 2-cells”.

Example of signatures

- Signature of λ -terms using HOAS:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \Sigma_{\text{types}} & := \{T\} \\
 \Sigma_{\text{terms}} & := \{\tilde{\lambda}, \text{app}\} \\
 \Sigma_{\text{term-eqs}} & := \{\eta\} & \text{dom}(\tilde{\lambda}) & := T \Rightarrow T, \text{cod}(\tilde{\lambda}) & := T \\
 \Sigma_{\text{preds}} & := \{\} & \text{dom}(\text{app}) & := T \times T, \text{cod}(\text{app}) & := T \\
 \Sigma_{\text{axioms}} & := \{\beta\}
 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{}{[f : T \Rightarrow T] \left(\lambda x. \text{app}(\tilde{\lambda}(f), x) \right) = f : T \Rightarrow T} (\eta)$$

$$\frac{}{[\bullet \mid s : T \Rightarrow T, t : T \mid \bullet] \text{app}(\tilde{\lambda}(\bar{s}), \bar{t}) \leq s \cdot t} (\beta)$$

We can *prove* that rewriting is trans./refl., a congruence on $\text{app}, \tilde{\lambda}$ for free:

$$\frac{}{[\bullet \mid z : T, t : T \mid \bullet] \vdash \text{app}(\bar{z}, \bar{t}) \leq_T \text{app}(z, t)} (\leq\text{-refl}_t)$$

$$\frac{[\bullet \mid z : T, t : T \mid \bullet] \vdash \text{app}(\bar{z}, \bar{t}) \leq_T \text{app}(z, t)}{[s : T \mid t : T \mid s' : T] s \leq_T s' \vdash \text{app}(s, \bar{t}) \leq_T \text{app}(s', t)} (\leq)$$

Doctrines with restrictions

- Doctrines \approx models of first-order logic [Lawvere 1970]
- Doctrine = category \mathbb{C} with products + (pseudo)functor $\mathcal{P} : \mathbb{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Pos}$.
- *Intuition*: objects Γ of \mathbb{C} are contexts, $\mathcal{P}(\Gamma)$ is the poset of formulas with implication as relation.
- *How to model polarity using doctrinal semantics?*
- Idea: change the base category with a specific construction on Ctx ,
- \rightarrow ask for (relative) adjunctions only for *specific reindexings*.

Definition (*Polarization category* of \mathbb{C})

Given a category \mathbb{C} with products, the category $\text{ndp}(\mathbb{C})$ is defined as:

- Objects: triples of objects $(\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma) \in \mathbb{C}_0 \times \mathbb{C}_0 \times \mathbb{C}_0$,
- Morphisms $(\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma) \rightarrow (\Theta' \mid \Delta' \mid \Gamma')$ are triples $(n \mid d \mid p)$ with

$$n : \Theta \times \Delta \rightarrow \Theta'$$

$$d : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta'$$

$$p : \Gamma \times \Delta \rightarrow \Gamma'$$

Definition (*Polarized doctrines*)

A (*split*) *polarized doctrine* is a category \mathbb{C} with finite products and a functor $\mathcal{P} : \text{ndp}(\mathbb{C})^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Pos}$ which satisfies a certain technical condition called the **no-dinatural-variance** condition.

No-dinatural-variance condition

- *Intuition*: the **ndv** condition is necessary because in the base case $P(s \mid t)$ we do not ask for any "dinatural" term (which *would* be there for standard doctrines on $\text{ndp}(\mathbb{C})$).

Definition (*ndv* condition)

A functor $\mathcal{P} : \text{ndp}(\mathbb{C})^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Pos}$ is said to satisfy the *no-dinatural-variance condition* if the functor

$$\mathcal{P}(\text{diag}_{\Delta}) : \mathcal{P}(\Theta \times \Delta \mid \top \mid \Gamma \times \Delta) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma)$$

that reindexes with $\text{diag}_{\Delta} := (\text{id}_{\Theta \times \Delta} \mid !_{\Delta} \mid \text{id}_{\Gamma \times \Delta})$ is a *bijection of sets*.

$$\frac{\text{diag}_{\Delta} : (\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma) \rightarrow (\Theta \times \Delta \mid \top \mid \Gamma \times \Delta)}{\begin{array}{ll} n := \text{id}_{\Theta \times \Delta} & : (\Theta) \times (\Delta) \rightarrow (\Theta \times \Delta) \\ d := !_{\Delta} & : \top \rightarrow \Delta \\ p := \text{id}_{\Gamma \times \Delta} & : (\Gamma) \times (\Delta) \rightarrow (\Gamma \times \Delta) \end{array}}$$

- It's almost never an isomorphism of posets.

Theorem (*ndv* for the syntactic doctrine)

There is a bijection of formulas as follows:

$$[\Theta \times \Delta \mid \top \mid \Gamma \times \Delta] \varphi \text{ prop} \cong [\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] \text{ prop}.$$

Proof. *By induction. Base case: given a derivation tree for $s \leq t$,*

$$\frac{\Theta, \Delta \vdash s : A \quad \Gamma, \Delta \vdash t : A}{[\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma] s \leq_A t \text{ prop}} \rightsquigarrow \frac{(\Theta \times \Delta), \top \vdash \tilde{s} : A \quad \top, (\Gamma \times \Delta) \vdash \tilde{t} : A}{[\Theta \times \Delta \mid \top \mid \Gamma \times \Delta] \tilde{s} \leq_A \tilde{t} \text{ prop}}$$

I construct a formula in context $[\Theta \times \Delta \mid \top \mid \Gamma \times \Delta] \tilde{s} \leq_A \tilde{t} \text{ prop}$.

*This function is inverse to the reindexing functor shown in *ndv*.*

Directed equality as left adjoint

- Using $\text{ndp}(\mathbb{C})$ seems useless... I'm just changing the base!
- But now I can *express the reindexing that collapses natural variables into a single dinatural one.*

- **Collapse** of two naturals with opposite variance into one dinatural:

$$\mathcal{P}(\text{contr}_A) : \mathcal{P}(\Theta \times A \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \times A) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \times A \mid \Gamma)$$

$$\frac{\text{contr}_\Delta : (\Theta \mid \Delta \times A \mid \Gamma) \rightarrow (\Theta \times A \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \times A)}{n := \langle \pi_1, \pi_3 \rangle : (\Theta) \times (\Delta \times A) \rightarrow (\Theta \times A)}$$
$$d := \pi_1 : \Delta \times A \rightarrow \Delta$$
$$p := \langle \pi_1, \pi_3 \rangle : (\Gamma) \times (\Delta \times A) \rightarrow (\Gamma \times A)$$

- **Weakening** with an extra dinatural variable of type A :

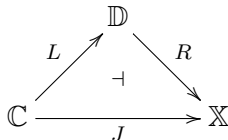
$$\mathcal{P}(\text{wk}_A) : \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \times A \mid \Gamma)$$

- **Directed equality:**

we ask that there is a relative left adjoint to **collapse**, relative to the **weakening** functor.

Relative adjunctions

Given a situation like this in **Cat**:



We say

L is a J -relative left adjoint to R

if there is a natural bijection

$$\frac{\mathbb{X}(J(x), R(y))}{\mathbb{D}(L(x), y)}$$

Directed equality as relative left adjoint

Definition (Having directed equality)

A polarized doctrine $\mathcal{P} : \text{ndp}(\mathbb{C})^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Pos}$ has *directed equality* iff there is a $\mathcal{P}(\text{wk}_A)$ -relative left adjoint $\leq_A \times -$ to the functor $\mathcal{P}(\text{contr}_A)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}(\text{contr}_A) &: \mathcal{P}(\Theta \times A \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \times A) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \times A \mid \Gamma) \\ \mathcal{P}(\text{wk}_A) &: \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \times A \mid \Gamma) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathcal{P}(\Theta \times A \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \times A) & \\ \nearrow \leq_A \times - & & \searrow \mathcal{P}(\text{contr}_A) \\ \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma) & \xrightarrow[\mathcal{P}(\text{wk}_A)]{\quad \dashv \quad} & \mathcal{P}(\Theta \mid \Delta \times A \mid \Gamma) \end{array}$$

$$\frac{[\Theta \mid \Delta \times A \mid \Gamma] \quad \mathcal{P}(\text{wk}_A)(\Phi) \leq \mathcal{P}(\text{contr}_A)(\varphi)}{[\Theta \times A \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \times A] \quad (\leq_A \times \Phi) \leq \varphi} \quad (\leq)$$

...and Beck-Chevalley conditions.

Polarized exponentials

- Polarized exponentials are defined basically by following the syntax.

Definition (Polarized exponentials)

A polarized doctrine \mathcal{P} has *polarized exponentials* iff it has conjunction \wedge and there is a functor

$$\begin{aligned} - \Rightarrow - : \mathcal{P}(N \times N' \mid \Delta \mid P \times P')^{\text{op}} \\ \times \mathcal{P}(\Theta \times N \times P' \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \times P \times N') \\ \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Theta \times P' \mid \Delta \times N \times P \mid \Gamma \times N') \end{aligned}$$

such that, for every $\Theta, \Delta, \Gamma, N, N', P, P' \in \mathbb{C}$,

for every $\Phi, \varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\Theta \times N \times P' \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \times P \times N')$,

for every $\psi \in \mathcal{P}(N \times N' \mid \Delta \mid P \times P')$, the top holds iff the bottom holds:

$$\frac{\mathcal{P}(\pi_2, \text{id}, \pi_2)(\mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N', P'}^{\Delta})(\psi)) \wedge \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N', P'}^{\Delta})(\Phi) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N', P'}^{\Delta})(\varphi)}{\mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N, P}^{\Delta})(\Phi) \leq \psi \Rightarrow \varphi}$$

- Open question: *can this be expressed as a (relative) adjunction?*

Polarized exponentials is property, not structure

Theorem

*In the presence of **ndv**, polarized exponentials are unique.*

Proof.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\frac{[\quad N, N' \mid \Delta \mid \quad P, P'] \psi \text{ prop} \quad [\Theta, N, P' \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma, P, N'] \varphi \text{ prop}}{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \psi \Rightarrow \varphi \leq \psi \Rightarrow \varphi} \text{ (hyp)}}{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta, N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \psi \Rightarrow \varphi} ((\psi \Rightarrow \varphi) = \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta, N, P}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \\
 \frac{\frac{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta, N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \psi \Rightarrow \varphi}{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta, N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\psi)) \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\varphi))} (\psi = \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\psi))) \\
 \frac{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta, N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\psi)) \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\varphi))}{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\psi)) \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\varphi))} \\
 \frac{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\psi)) \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\varphi))}{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N', P'}^{\pm!})(\mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\varphi)))} (\Rightarrow) \\
 \frac{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N', P'}^{\pm!})(\mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\varphi)))}{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\psi)) \Rightarrow' \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\varphi))} (\Rightarrow') \\
 \frac{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{N, P}^{\pm!}(\varepsilon(\psi \Rightarrow \varphi))) \leq \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\psi)) \Rightarrow' \mathcal{P}(\uparrow_{\Delta}^{\pm!})(\varepsilon(\varphi))}{[\Theta, P' \mid \Delta, N, P \mid \Gamma, N'] \psi \Rightarrow \varphi \leq \psi \Rightarrow' \varphi}
 \end{array}$$

Directed doctrines

Definition (Directed doctrine)

A directed doctrine is a polarized doctrine equipped with

- Directed equality \leq_A , polarized exponentials \Rightarrow ,
 - Polarized quantifiers $\forall^p x. \varphi, \exists^p x. \varphi$,
 - Conjunction \wedge , terminals \top .
- **DDoctrine**: 2-category of directed doctrines (1-cells preserve everything)
 - **Theory**: 1-category of theories (signature + axioms)

Theorem (Internal language correspondence)

*Directed first order logic is the internal language of directed doctrines.
There is a bijection up-to-isomorphism as follows:*

$$\frac{\text{Syn}(\Sigma) \longrightarrow \mathcal{P} \text{ in DDoctrine}}{\Sigma \longrightarrow \text{Lang}(\mathcal{P}) \text{ in Theory}}$$

Polarized doctrines to doctrines

- Directed doctrine \rightarrow doctrine: precompose \mathcal{P} with

$$\begin{aligned}\Downarrow &: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{ndp}(\mathbb{C}) \\ \Downarrow &:= C \mapsto (\top \mid C \mid \top)\end{aligned}$$

- Doctrine \rightarrow directed doctrine: precompose \mathcal{P} with

$$\begin{aligned}\Uparrow &: \mathbf{ndp}(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ \Uparrow &:= (\Theta \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma) \mapsto \Theta \times \Delta \times \Delta \times \Gamma\end{aligned}$$

satisfying the *no-dinatural-variance* condition.

- Open question: $(2\text{-})adjunctions\ D\mathbf{Doctrines} \rightleftarrows \mathbf{Doctrines}$?

Conclusion and future work

We saw a simple extension to FOL with a model in preorders, with a notion of variance/polarity, polarized quantifiers, and directed equality characterized by a left relative adjunction to a diagonal-like reindexing.

Future work in order of decreasing importance:

- 1 Find "more geometric" models aside from preorders,
- 2 Adding op-types: internalize the swap between positive and negative contexts,
- 3 Completeness for preorders,
- 4 Investigate precisely 2-adjunctions for doctrines/directed doctrines,
- 5 Other examples: theory of Heyting algebras, rewriting logic, [Meseguer 2012] model checking via rewriting, modal extensions, etc. ...

More pressing issues for directed type theory:

- 1 Takeaway: polarized contexts + dinatural collapse + left relative adjunction.
- 2 This is a spinoff for the doctrinal and proof-irrelevant side of directedness.
- 3 Immediate future: *dinatural context extension* based on two-sided fibrations
 \rightsquigarrow *towards dependent dinatural directed type theory.*

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“Directed First-Order Logic” (arXiv:2504.11225)

Paper: iwilare.com/dfol.pdf

Thank you for the attention!