

Relational type-checking of MELL
proof-structures

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Motivation

Given a syntactic structure R , defines its semantics $\llbracket R \rrbracket$.

Elements of $\llbracket R \rrbracket$ carry a lot of information on R :

- on its execution time (Carvalho, Pagani, and Tortora de Falco 2011),
- characterize it completely:
 - if R is of type **bool**;
 - in general.

How tractable is $\{ x \in \llbracket R \rrbracket \}$?

An old question: the coherent case

Girard 1987, 3.16 Remark (ii) :

“Assume, just for a minute, that we try to compute the semantics of a proof π , i.e., we try to decide, given $z \in |A|$, whether or not $z \in \pi^$. In all cases but [the cut] and [the existential quantification], the problem is immediately reduced to several simpler problems of the same type, with an effective bound on these problems. [...]*

This basic remark is the key to a semantic approach to computation, which will be undertaken somewhere else”

Multiplicative Linear Logic

Multiplicative proof-structures

$$A, B, C ::= X \mid X^\perp \mid 1 \mid \perp \mid A \otimes B \mid A \wp B.$$

Figure: The formulae

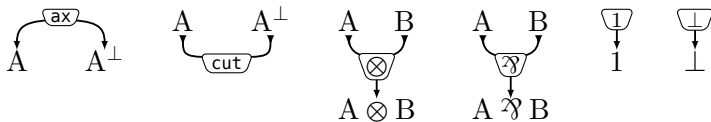
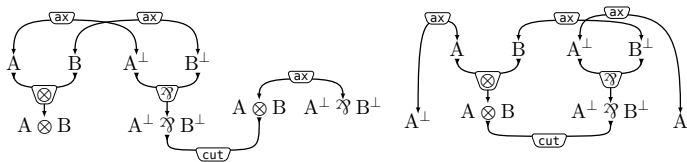


Figure: The cells

Proof-structures



Associate to every formula a set, to every proof-structure a relation between sets.

Definition (web of a formula)

$$|X^\perp| = |X| = \mathcal{At}, \text{ for any propositional variable } X;$$

$$|1| = |\perp| = \{()\};$$

$$|A \otimes B| = |A \wp B| = |A| \times |B|$$

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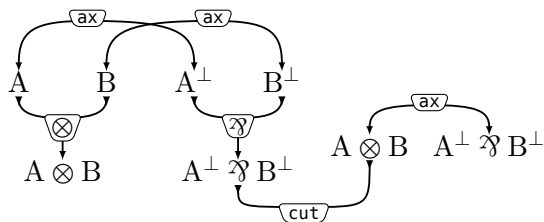


Figure: A proof-structure R

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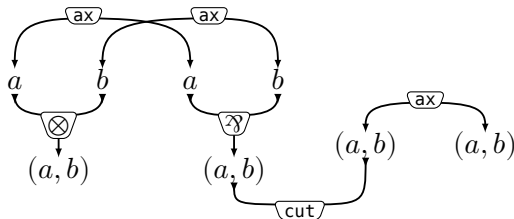


Figure: An experiment of R

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket R \rrbracket &= \{((a, b), (a, b)), a \in |A|, b \in |B|\} \\ &\subseteq |A \otimes B| \times |A^\perp \wp B^\perp| \end{aligned}$$

Intersection types

$\vdash M : A \cap B$ means M can be used both as an A and as a B .

Relational semantics are a non-idempotent type-system.

Our initial question $\lambda x \in \llbracket R \rrbracket?$ becomes λ is R typable at type x ?

Recognition

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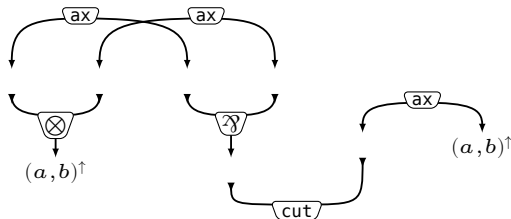


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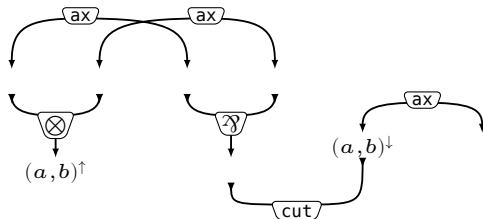


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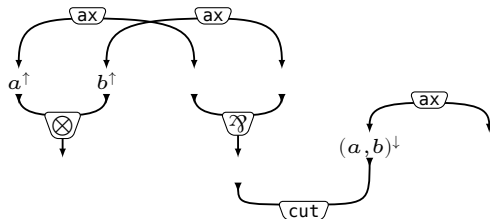


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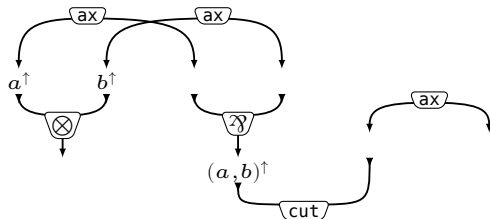


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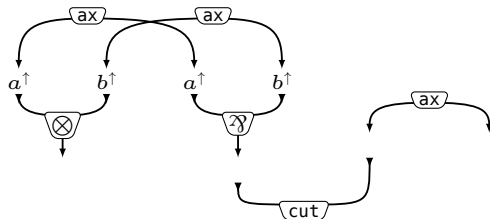


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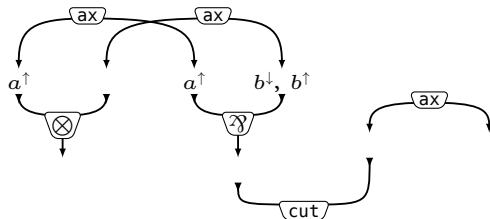


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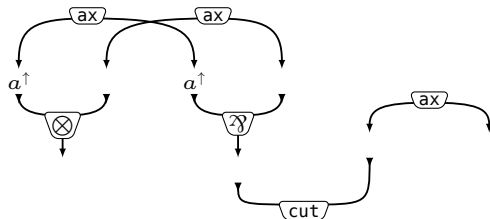


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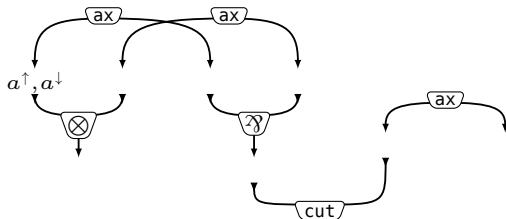


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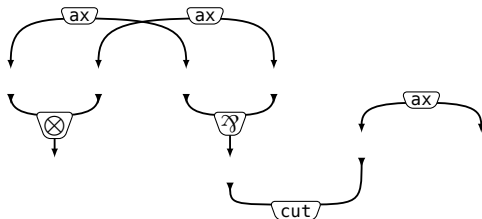


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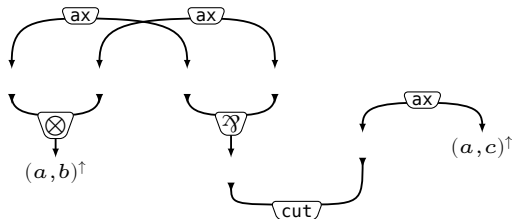


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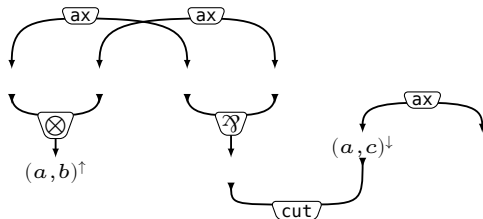


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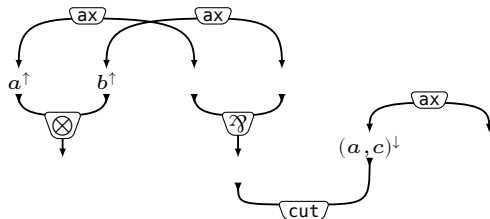


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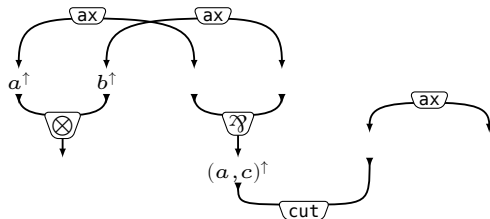


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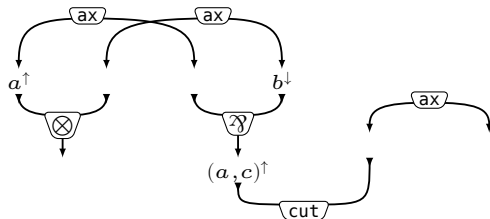


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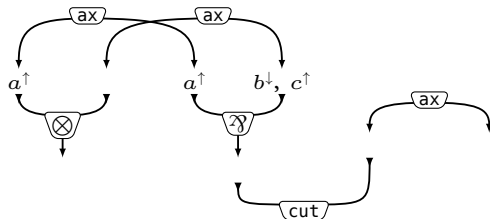


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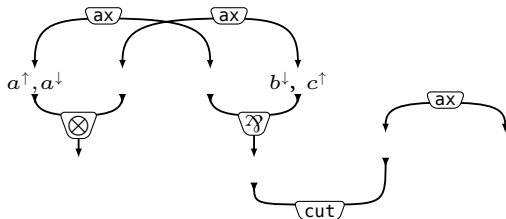


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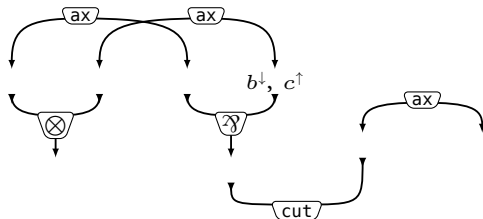
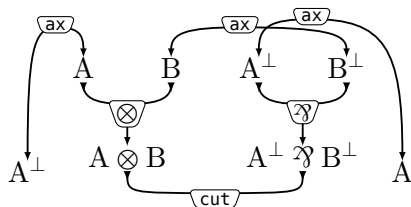


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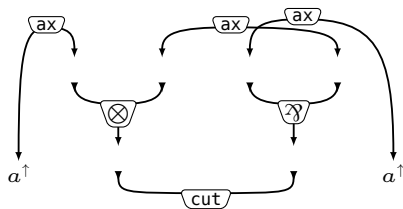
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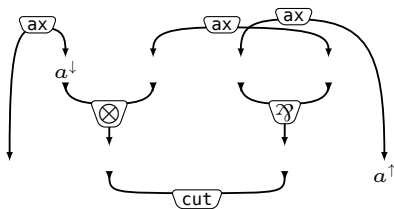
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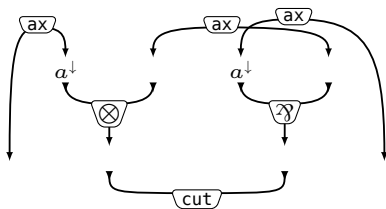
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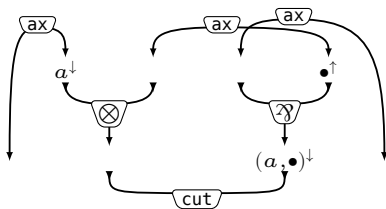
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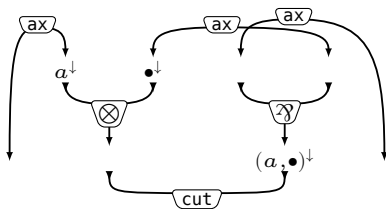
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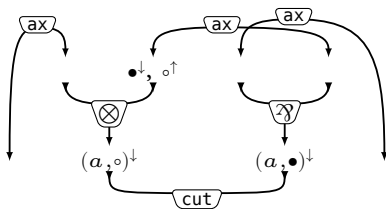
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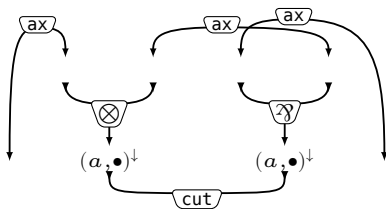
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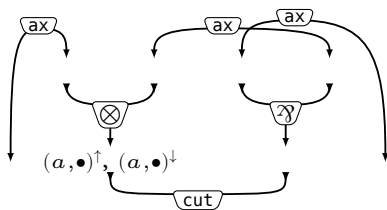
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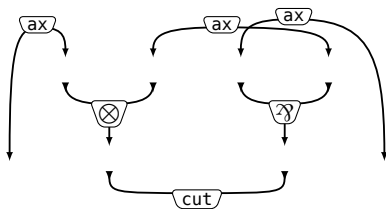
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Variant of a (coloured) Vector Addition System:

- one counter per port;
- each counter's value is a formal sum of relational elements with coefficients ± 1 ;
- displacement transitions, that moves tokens from counters to counters;
- unification transitions.

Reduce the problem to the accessibility of 0 by a machine.

Theorem

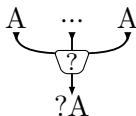
$x \in \llbracket \Phi \rrbracket$ if and only if the machine associated with Φ , initialized on x , stops with zero on all counters.

It can do so in $O(|\text{cells of } \Phi|)$.

The exponentials

Syntactically

We add the following cells:



and the ability to box entire proof-structures:

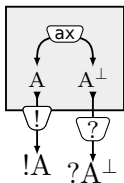


Figure: A box

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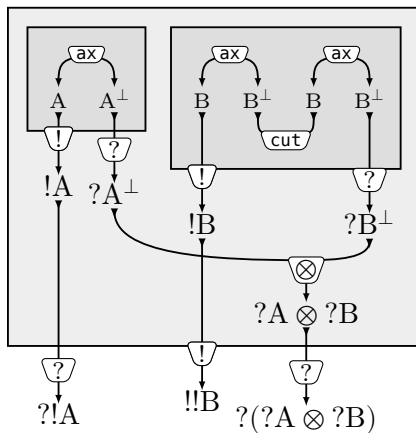


Figure: A MELL-ps R

$$|!A| = |?A| = \mathcal{M}_{\text{fin}}(|A|)$$

An experiment assigns the multiset of its assignments on the auxiliary ports to the principal port of a ?-cell.

An experiment of a box is any number of experiments of its contents.

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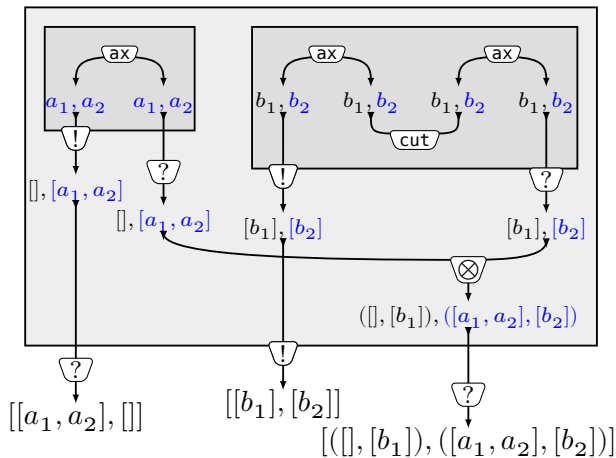


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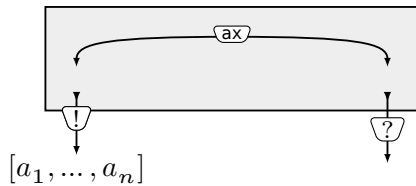


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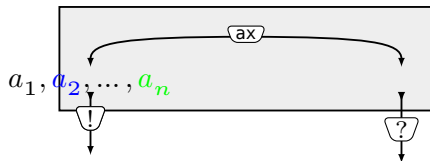


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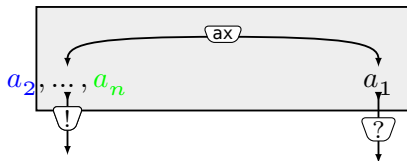


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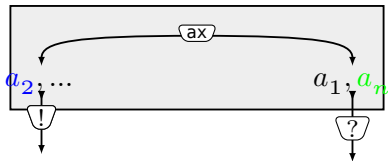
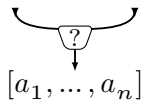


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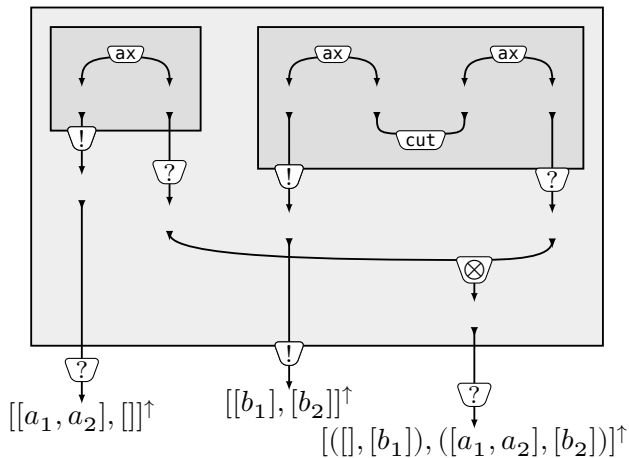
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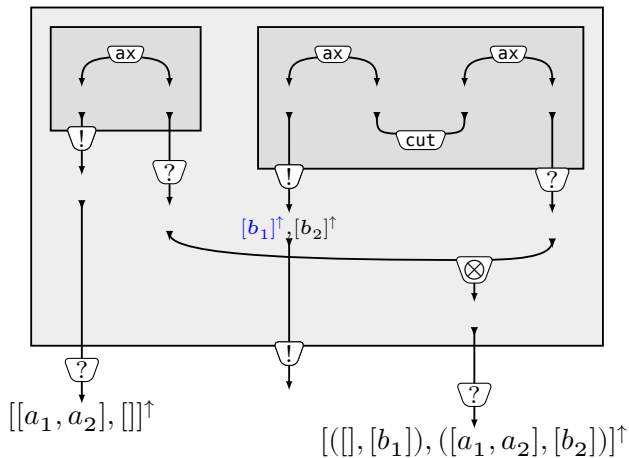
Either:

- try everything;
- restrict structures geometrically.

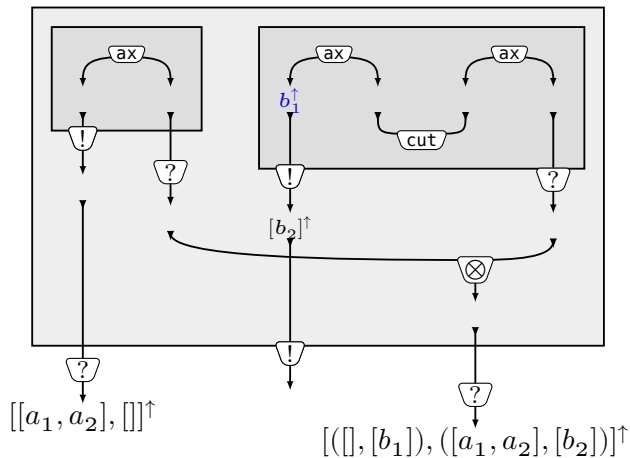
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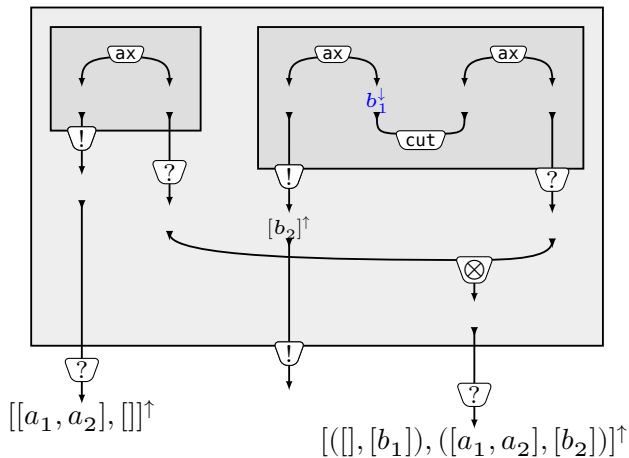
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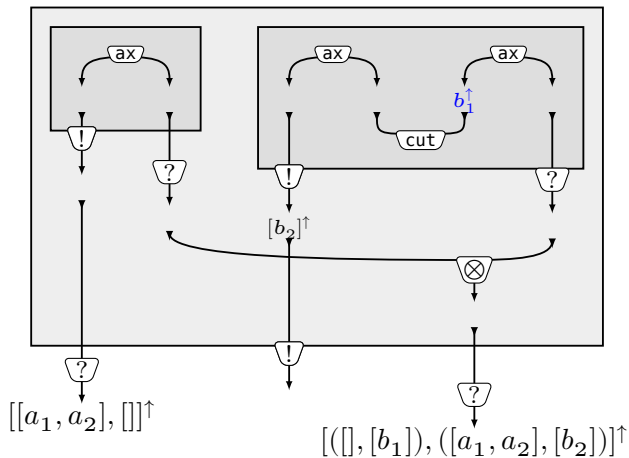
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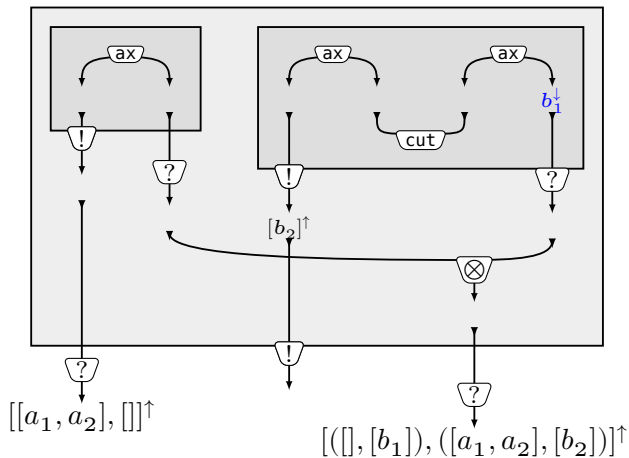
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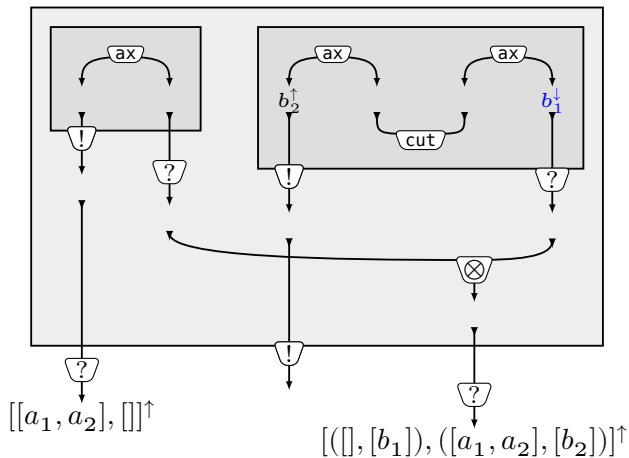
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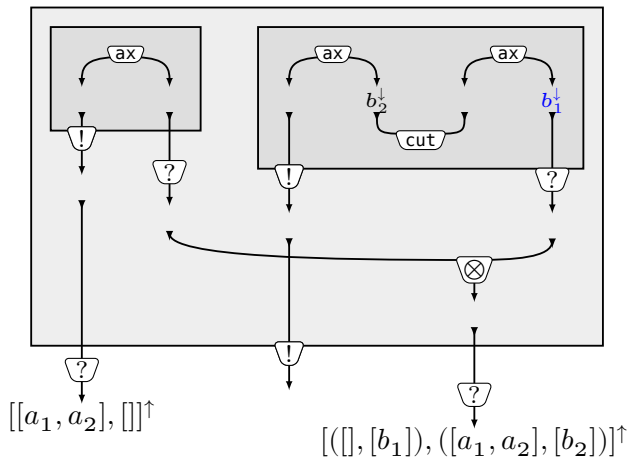
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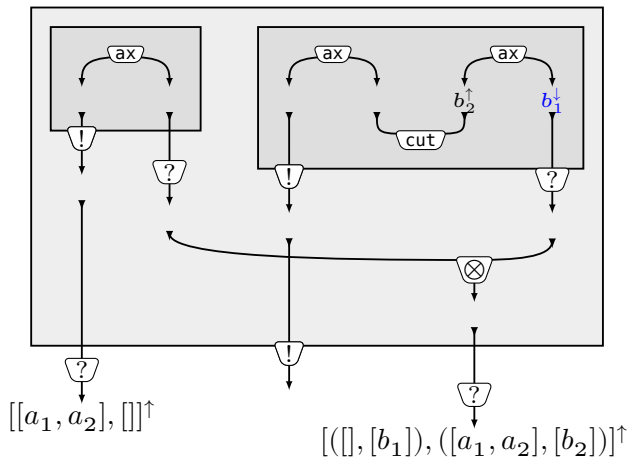
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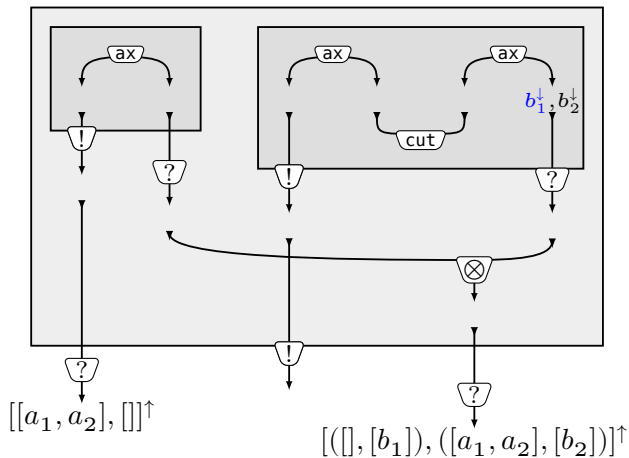
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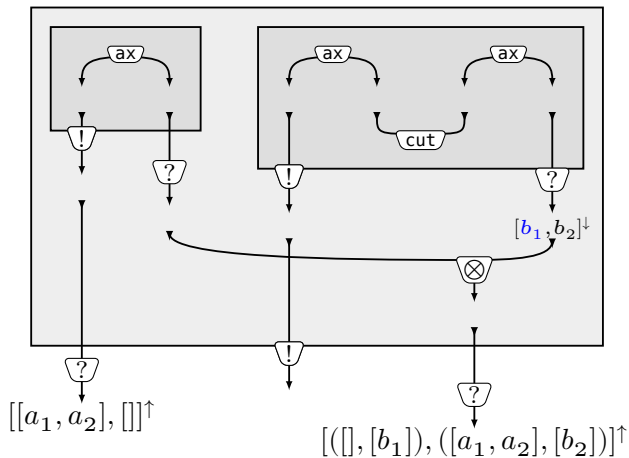
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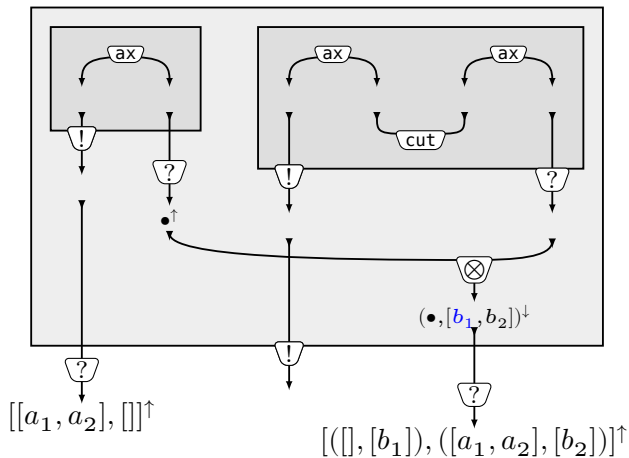
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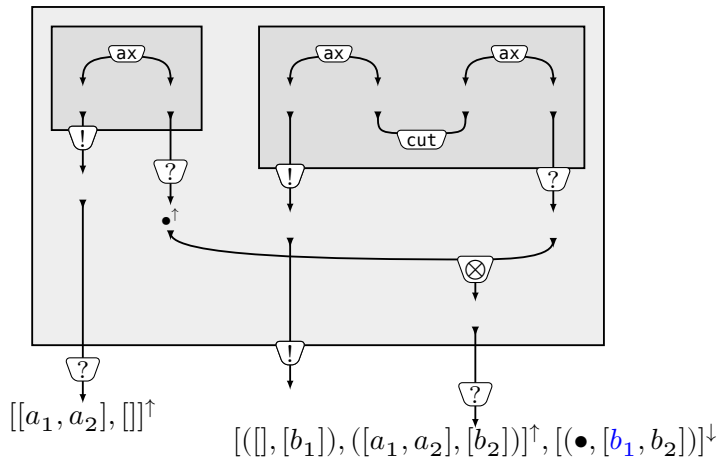
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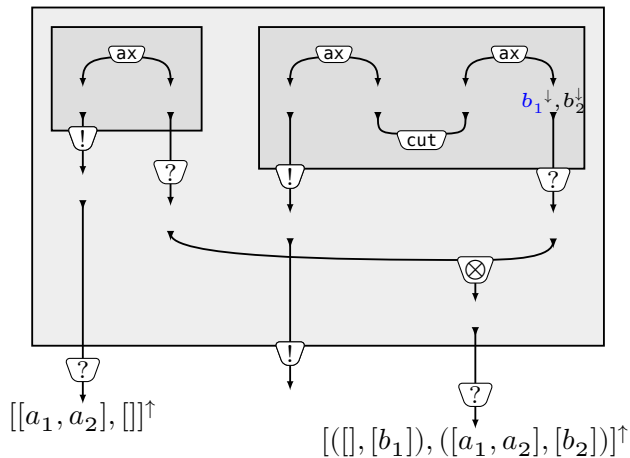


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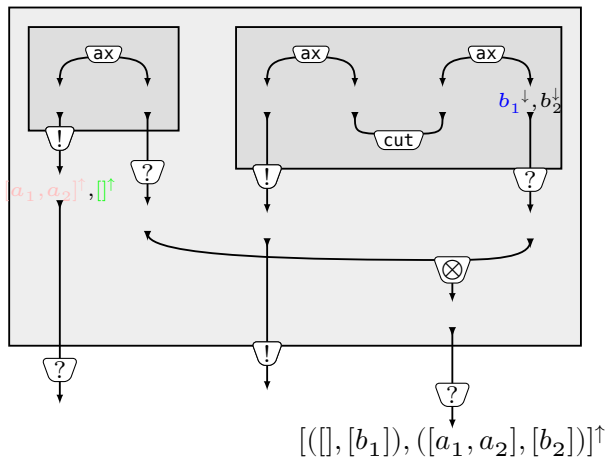


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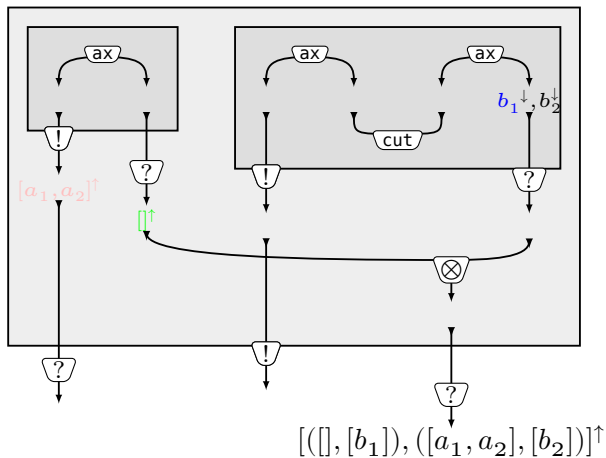
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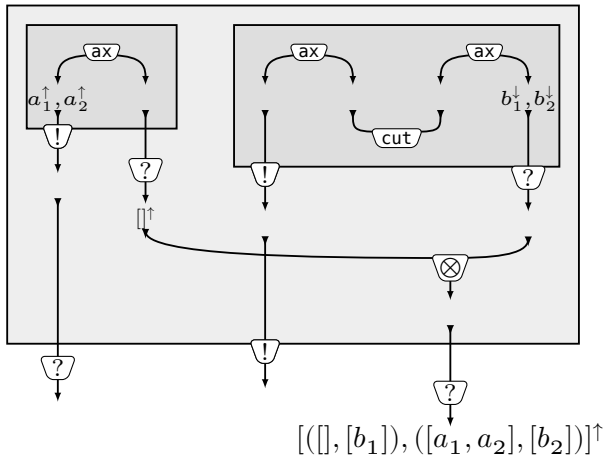
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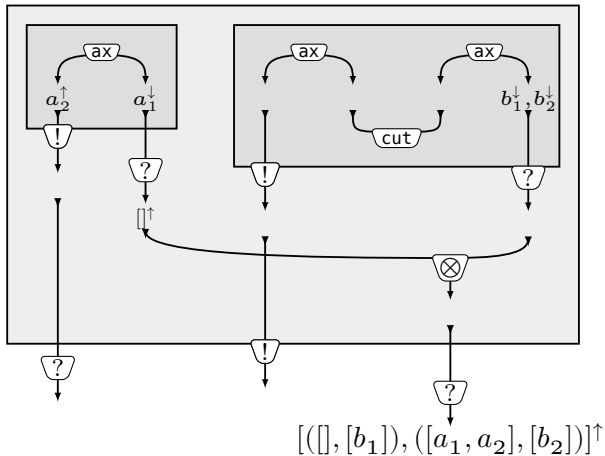
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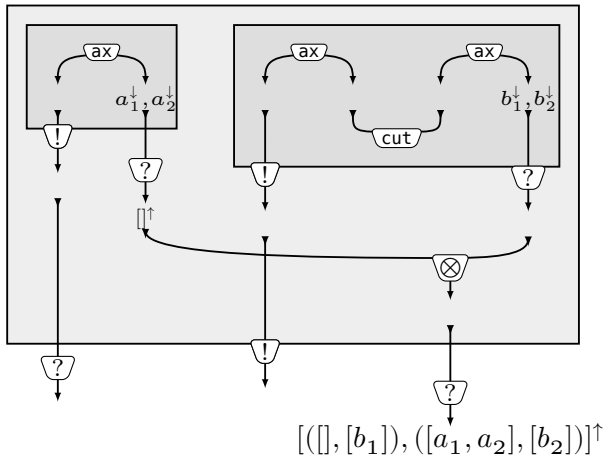
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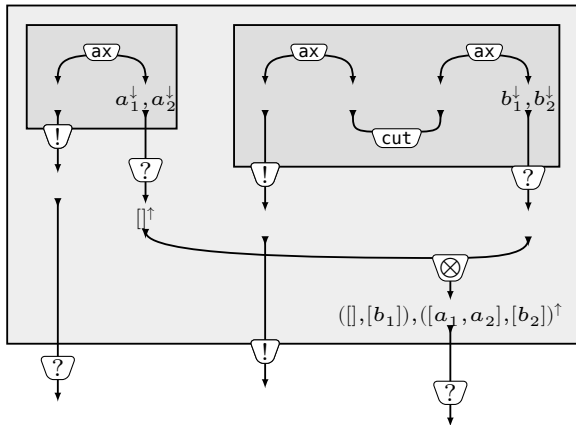
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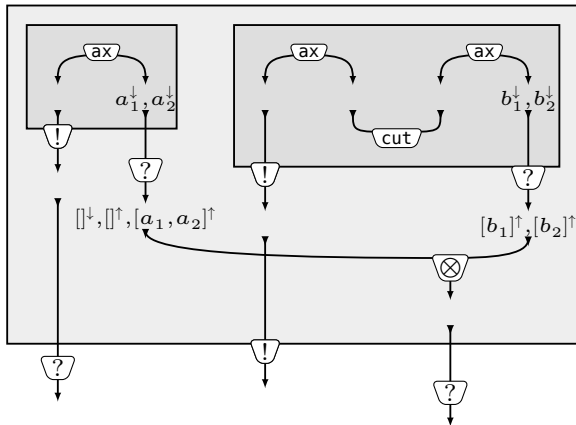
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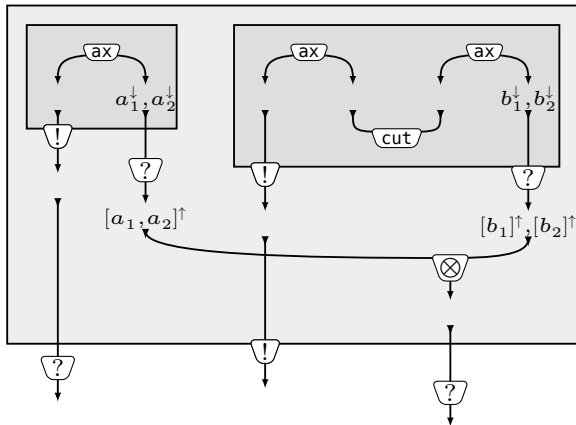
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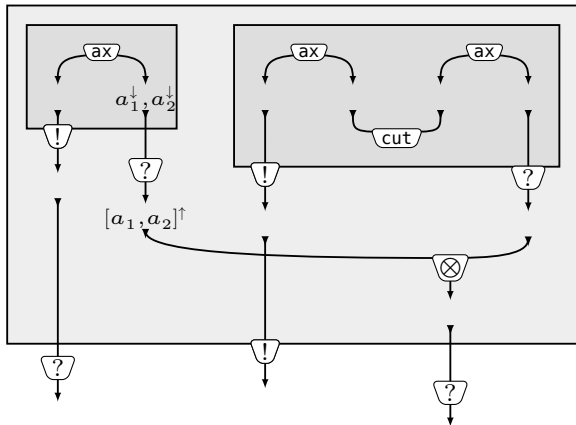
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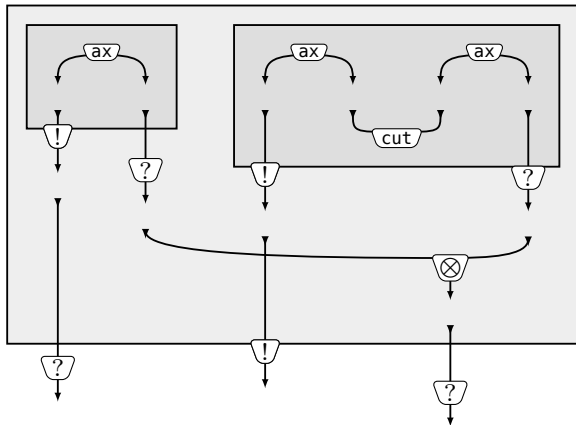
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Adapting the machine

Easy:

- add new rules corresponding to new cells
- coefficients of relational elements of counters now in \mathbf{Z} .

But does not work on all MELL structures...

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Theorem

In a fragment of MELL containing the λ -calculus, a machine M^Φ decides $x \in \llbracket \Phi \rrbracket$ in time $O(|x| \times |\text{cells of } \Phi|)$.

Corollary (Terui, 2012)

Let

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Str} &:= !(X \multimap X) \multimap !(X \multimap X) \multimap X \multimap X \\ \text{Bool} &:= !X \multimap !X \multimap X\end{aligned}$$

be the linear-logic translations of Church binary strings and booleans.

Let t be a simply-typed λ -term of type $\text{Str}[A/X] \multimap \text{Bool}$, for arbitrary A . It decides a language \mathcal{L} .

*\mathcal{L} is in **LinTIME** (deterministic linear time).*