

# From Gödel to Curry-Howard

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- Justifying arithmetic differently
- ... Intuitionistic logic!
  - Double-negation translation (1933)
  - **Dialectica** (30's, published in 1958)

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- But offers two semi-classical principles:

$$\text{MP} \frac{\neg(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \neg P n)}{\exists n \in \mathbb{N}. P n} \qquad \frac{(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}. P n) \rightarrow \exists m \in \mathbb{N}. Q m}{\exists m \in \mathbb{N}. (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}. P n) \rightarrow Q m} \text{IP}$$

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**Warning!** Dusty logic inside

- Translation acting on formulæ
- Prevalence of negative connectives
- First-order logic
- Lots of arithmetic encoding
- Does not preserve  $\beta$ -reduction

# Dusty logics

Dialectica, Dawn of Curry-Howard:

$$\vdash A \quad \mapsto \quad \vdash A^D \equiv \exists \vec{u}. \forall \vec{x}. A_D[\vec{u}, \vec{x}]$$

$A \wedge B$	$\exists \vec{u} \vec{v}.$	$\forall \vec{x} \vec{y}.$	$A_D[\vec{u}, \vec{x}] \wedge B_D[\vec{v}, \vec{y}]$
$A \vee B$	$\exists \vec{u} \vec{v} b.$	$\forall \vec{x} \vec{y}.$	$(b = 0 \wedge A_D[\vec{u}, \vec{x}]) \vee (b = 1 \wedge B_D[\vec{v}, \vec{y}])$
$A \rightarrow B$	$\exists \vec{\varphi} \vec{\psi}.$	$\forall \vec{u} \vec{y}.$	$A_D[\vec{u}, \vec{\psi}(\vec{u}, \vec{y})] \rightarrow B_D[\vec{\varphi}(\vec{u}), \vec{y}]$
$\forall n. A[n]$	$\exists \vec{\varphi}.$	$\forall \vec{x} n.$	$A_D[\vec{\varphi}(n), \vec{x}, n]$
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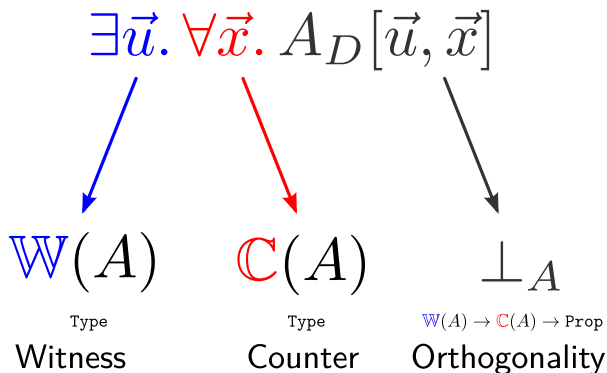
Sound translation, blah blah blah.

# A step into modernity

Let us forget the 50's, and rather jump directly to the 90's.

- Take seriously the **computational** content
- Dialectica as a **typed** object
- Works of De Paiva, Hyland, etc.

# Types, types, types!



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Now we will be translating *LL* formulæ into *LJ* ones.

# Requirements

- We will be interpreting the formulæ of linear logic:

$$A, B ::= A \otimes B \mid A \wp B \mid !A \mid ?A \mid A \oplus B \mid A \& B$$

- Sufficient to define  $\mathbb{W}(A)$ ,  $\mathbb{C}(A)$  and  $\perp_A$
- Duality for free:
  - $\mathbb{W}(A^\perp) \equiv \mathbb{C}(A)$  and conversely
  - Orthogonal by complementation:

$$\frac{u \not\perp_A x}{x \perp_{A^\perp} u}$$



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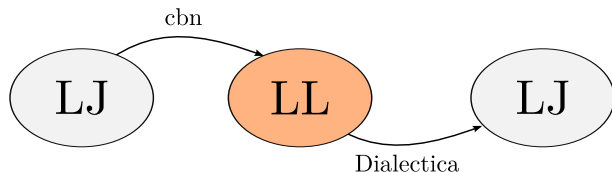
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$$\frac{u \perp_A \psi y \quad \rightarrow \quad \varphi u \perp_B y}{(\varphi, \psi) \perp_{A \multimap B} (u, y)}$$

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# Intepretation of the call-by-name $\lambda$ -calculus

We're now trying to translate the  $\lambda$ -calculus through Dialectica.



- First through the call-by-name linear decomposition into LL;
- Then into LJ with the linear Dialectica.

We recall here the call-by-name translation of the  $\lambda$ -calculus into LL:

$$\llbracket A \rightarrow B \rrbracket \equiv !\llbracket A \rrbracket \multimap \llbracket B \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket A \times B \rrbracket \equiv !\llbracket A \rrbracket \otimes !\llbracket B \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket A + B \rrbracket \equiv !\llbracket A \rrbracket \oplus !\llbracket B \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket \Gamma \vdash A \rrbracket \equiv \bigotimes !\llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \vdash \llbracket A \rrbracket$$

In order to interpret the  $\lambda$ -calculus, we need the following:

## Dummy term

For all type  $A$ , there exists  $\vdash \emptyset_A : \mathbb{W}(A)$ .

## Decidability of the orthogonality

The  $\perp_A$  relation is decidable. In particular, there must exist some  $\lambda$ -term

$$@^A : \mathbb{W}(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{W}(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{W}(A)$$

with the following behaviour:

$$u_1 @^A_x u_2 \cong \text{if } u_1 \perp_A x \text{ then } u_2 \text{ else } u_1$$

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Which results in the following translations:

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For  $(-)^{\bullet}$  :

$$\begin{aligned}x^{\bullet} &\equiv x \\(\lambda x. t)^{\bullet} &\equiv \begin{cases} \lambda x. t^{\bullet} \\ \lambda \pi x. t_x \pi \end{cases} \\(t u)^{\bullet} &\equiv (\text{fst } t^{\bullet}) u^{\bullet}\end{aligned}$$



For  $t_x$  :

$$\begin{aligned}x_x &\equiv \lambda\pi. \pi \\ &: \mathbb{C}(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(A)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y_x &\equiv \lambda\pi. \emptyset \\ &: \mathbb{C}(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(\Gamma_i)\end{aligned}$$

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- We want multisets  $\mathfrak{M}$  (think of lists)!
- We just change:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{C}(!A) &\equiv \mathbb{W}(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(A) \\ \mathbb{C}(!A) &\equiv \mathbb{W}(A) \rightarrow \mathfrak{M} \mathbb{C}(A)\end{aligned}$$

- Term interpretation is almost unchanged:
  - $\emptyset$  becomes the empty set;
  - $@$  becomes union
  - ... plus a bit of monadic boilerplate
- We do not need orthogonality anymore...

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Stacks	$\pi$	$::=$	$\varepsilon \mid c \cdot \pi$
Processes	$p$	$::=$	$\langle c \mid \pi \rangle$

Push	$\langle (t u, \sigma) \mid \pi \rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$\langle (t, \sigma) \mid (u, \sigma) \cdot \pi \rangle$
Pop	$\langle (\lambda x. t, \sigma) \mid c \cdot \pi \rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$\langle (t, \sigma + (x := c)) \mid \pi \rangle$
Grab	$\langle (x, \sigma + (x := c)) \mid \pi \rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$\langle c \mid \pi \rangle$
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*The Krivine Machine™*

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Then  $t_{x_i} \pi^\bullet$  is the multiset made of **the stacks encountered by  $x_i$**  while evaluating  $\langle (t, \sigma) \mid \pi \rangle$ , i.e.

$$(t_{x_i} \{ \vec{x} := \sigma \}) \pi^\bullet = [\rho_1^\bullet; \dots; \rho_m^\bullet]$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \langle (t, \sigma) \mid \pi \rangle & \longrightarrow^* & \langle (x_i, \sigma_1) \mid \rho_1 \rangle \\ & & \vdots \\ & & \vdots \\ & \longrightarrow^* & \langle (x_i, \sigma_m) \mid \rho_m \rangle \end{array}$$

Otherwise said, Dialectica tracks the Grab rule.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_x &\equiv \lambda\pi. [\pi] \\
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- We can do the same thing with other calling conventions
  - ↪ The protohistoric Dialectica was call-by-name
  - ↪ Choose your favorite translation into LL!



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The faulty one is the application case (more generally duplication).

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- What about more expressive systems?
- We follow the computation intuition we presented
- ... and we apply Dialectica to dependent types
  - ↪ subsuming first-order logic;
  - ↪ a proof-relevant  $\forall$ ;
  - ↪ towards  $CC^\omega$  and further!

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- Design choice: types have no computational content (effect-free):
  - ↪ a bit disappointing;
  - ↪ but it works...
  - ↪ and the usual CC presentation does not help much!

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We get:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Type}^\bullet &\equiv (\mathbf{Type} \times \mathbf{Type}, 1) \\ \mathbf{Type}_x &\equiv \lambda\pi. [] \\ (\Pi y : A. B)^\bullet &\equiv \left( \begin{array}{c} (\Pi y : \mathbb{W}(A). \mathbb{W}(B)) \\ \times \\ (\Pi y : \mathbb{W}(A). \mathbb{C}(B) \rightarrow \mathfrak{M} \mathbb{C}(A)) \end{array}, \Sigma y : \mathbb{W}(A). \mathbb{C}(B) \right) \\ (\Pi y : A. B)_x &\equiv \lambda\pi. [] \end{aligned}$$

(We can obtain inductives + dependent destruction quite easily.)

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- The delimited control part can be lifted seamlessly to  $CC^\omega$ 
  - ↪ as soon as we have a little bit more than CC
  - ↪ we need a more computation-relevant presentation of CC

Thanks for your attention.