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" $F_\omega$  is the work horse of  
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(Greg Morrisett)

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Hence rule (**prod**) for  $(\square, *, *)$  now gives many more legal pseudo-terms of type  $*$  in  $\lambda\omega$  compared with  $\lambda 2$  (PLC), such as

$$\diamond \vdash (\Pi T : * \rightarrow * (\Pi \alpha : * (\alpha \rightarrow T \alpha))) : *$$

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ALERT!

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- ▶ Existential types (cf. the PLC representation of existential types):

$$\exists \triangleq \lambda T : * \rightarrow * (\Pi\beta : * ((\Pi\alpha : * (T\alpha \rightarrow \beta)) \rightarrow \beta))$$

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As a corollary we have that the type-checking and typeability problems for  $\mathbf{F}_\omega$  are decidable.

  $(\lambda\omega)$



Propositions as Types

(sect. 6 of notes)

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first arose for constructive logics

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The *Law of Excluded Middle* (LEM)  $\forall p (p \vee \neg p)$  is a classical tautology (has truth-value **true**), but is rejected by constructivists.

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So we can take  $a = 2\log_2 3$  and  $b = \sqrt{2}$ , for which we have that  $b^a = (\sqrt{2})^{2\log_2 3} = (\sqrt{2^2})^{\log_2 3} = 2^{\log_2 3} = 3$  is rational.

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$\Phi \vdash \phi$  is *provable* if it is in the set of sequents inductively generated by:

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 \text{(Id)} \quad \Phi \vdash \phi \quad \text{if } \phi \in \Phi \\
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# Mapping 2IPC proofs to PLC expressions

$$\begin{array}{l}
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 (\rightarrow\text{I}) \quad \frac{\Phi, \phi \vdash \phi'}{\Phi \vdash \phi \rightarrow \phi'} \quad \mapsto \quad (\text{fn}) \quad \frac{\bar{x} : \Phi, x : \phi \vdash M : \phi'}{\bar{x} : \Phi \vdash \lambda x : \phi (M) : \phi \rightarrow \phi'} \\
 (\rightarrow\text{E}) \quad \frac{\Phi \vdash \phi \rightarrow \phi' \quad \Phi \vdash \phi}{\Phi \vdash \phi'} \quad \mapsto \quad (\text{app}) \quad \frac{\bar{x} : \Phi \vdash M_1 : \phi \rightarrow \phi' \quad \bar{x} : \Phi \vdash M_2 : \phi}{\bar{x} : \Phi \vdash M_1 M_2 : \phi'} \\
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The proof of the 2IPC sequent

$$\{\} \vdash \forall p (\forall q ((p \wedge q) \rightarrow p))$$

given before is transformed by the mapping of 2IPC proofs to PLC expressions to

$$\begin{aligned} \{\} \vdash \Lambda p, q (\lambda z : p \wedge q (z p (\lambda x : p, y : q (x)))) \\ : \forall p (\forall q ((p \wedge q) \rightarrow p)) \end{aligned}$$

with typing derivation:

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 \end{array}
 \mapsto
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 \downarrow \text{beta-reduce expression} \\
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 & \leftarrow &
 \begin{array}{c}
 \vdots \\
 \hline
 \bar{x} : \Phi, x : \phi \vdash M : \psi \\
 \hline
 \bar{x} : \Phi \vdash N : \phi \\
 \hline
 \bar{x} : \Phi \vdash M[N/x] : \psi \\
 \text{(\text{subst})}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

The rule **(subst)** for PLC is *admissible*: if its hypotheses are valid PLC typing judgements, then so is its conclusion.

Hence, the rule **(cut)** is admissible for 2IPC.

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