

# Functorial boxes in string diagrams

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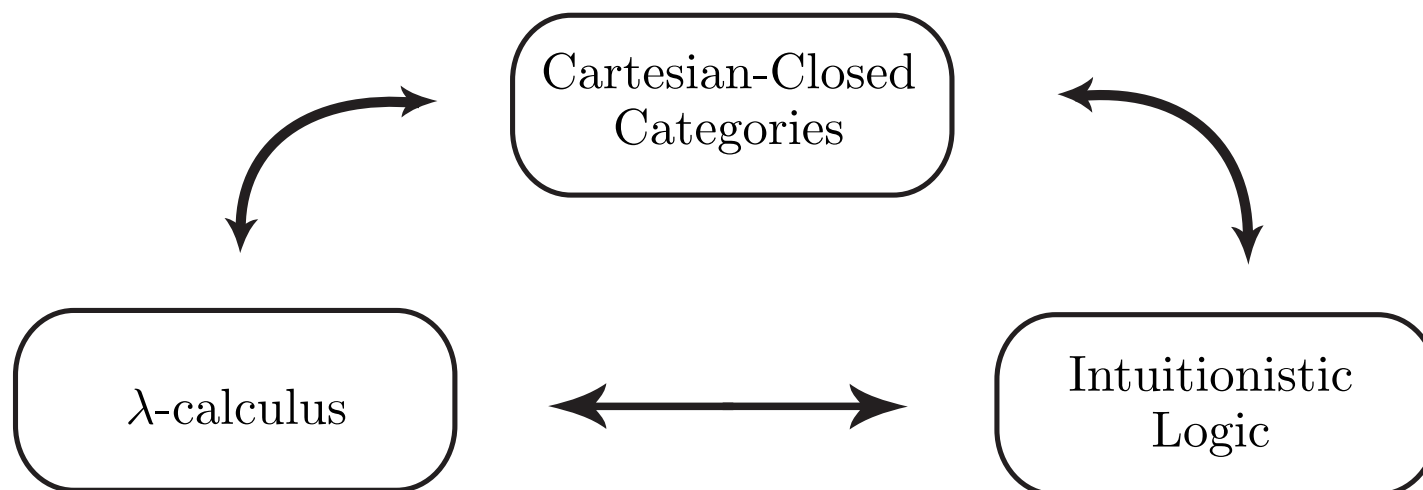
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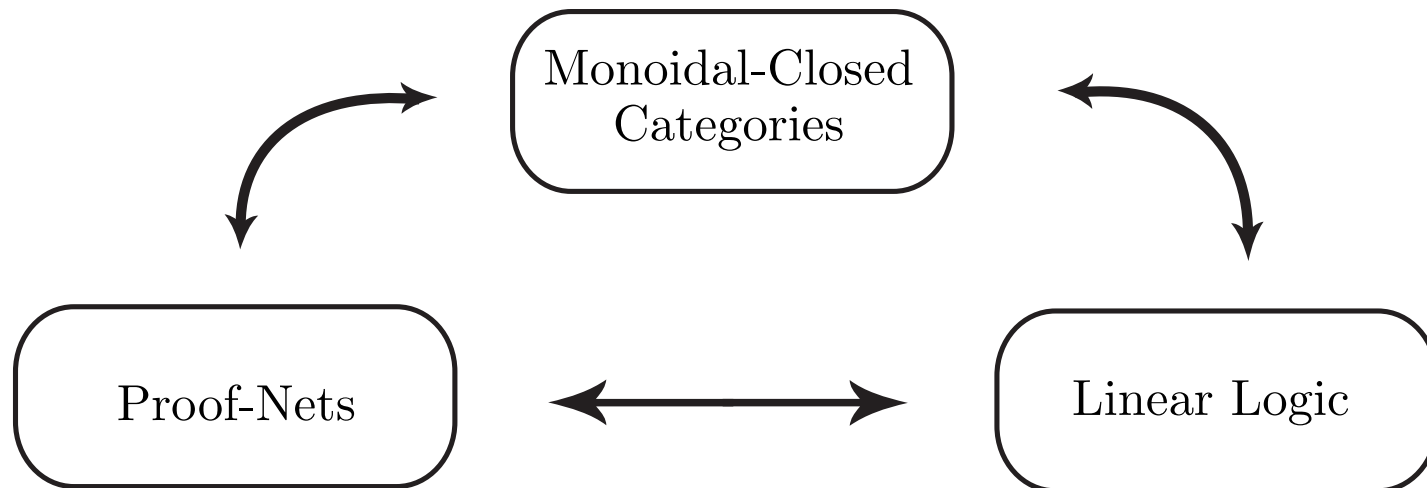
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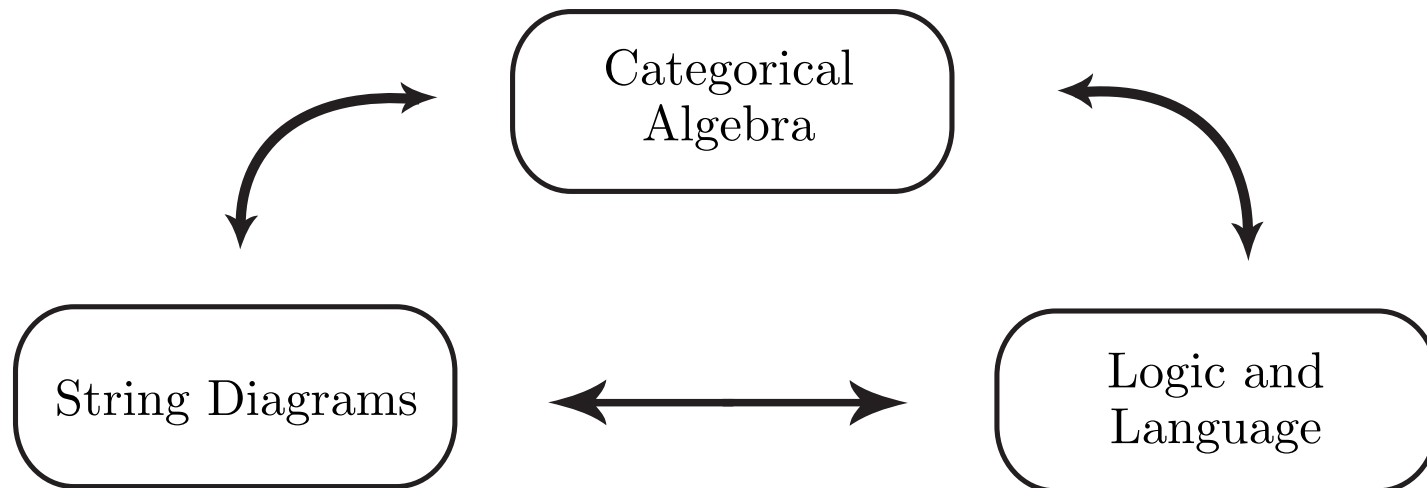
## Denotational Semantics in the 1970s



## Linear Logic in the 1990s

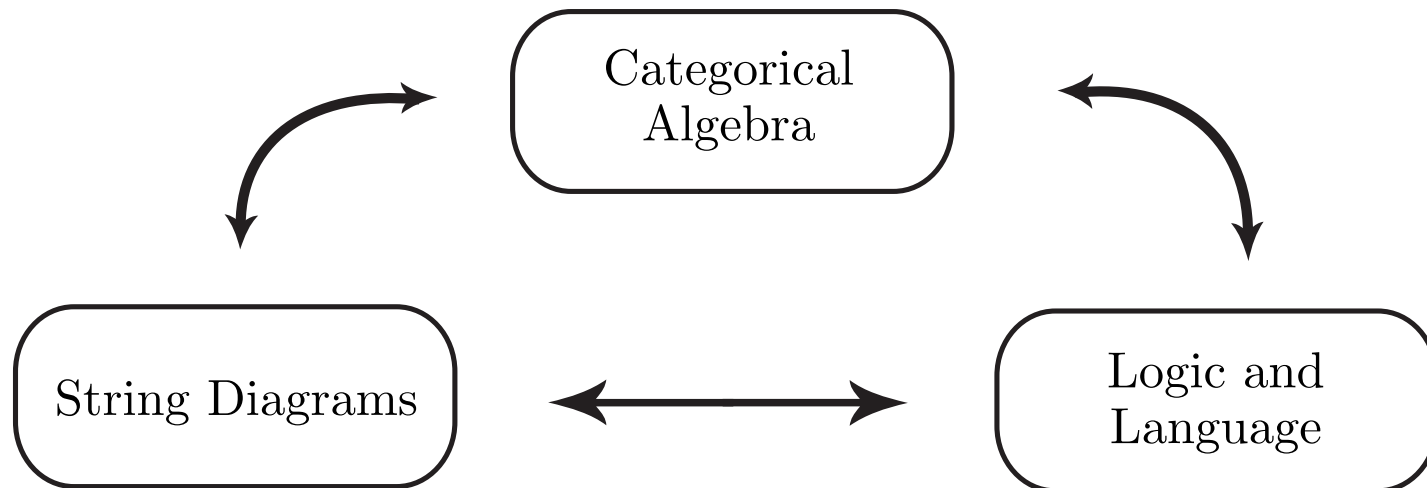


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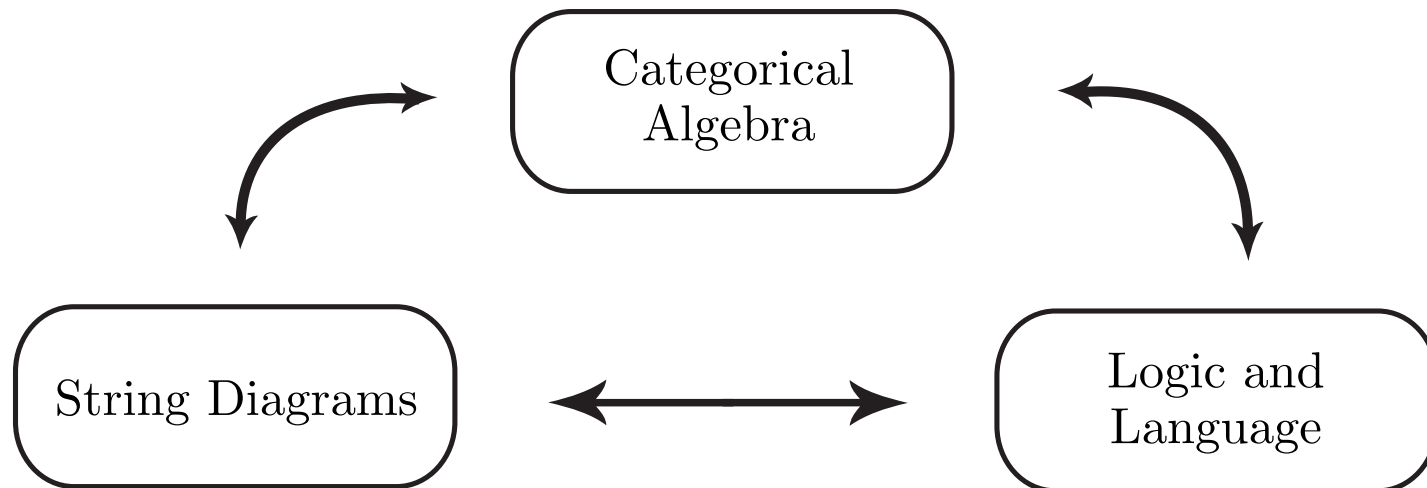
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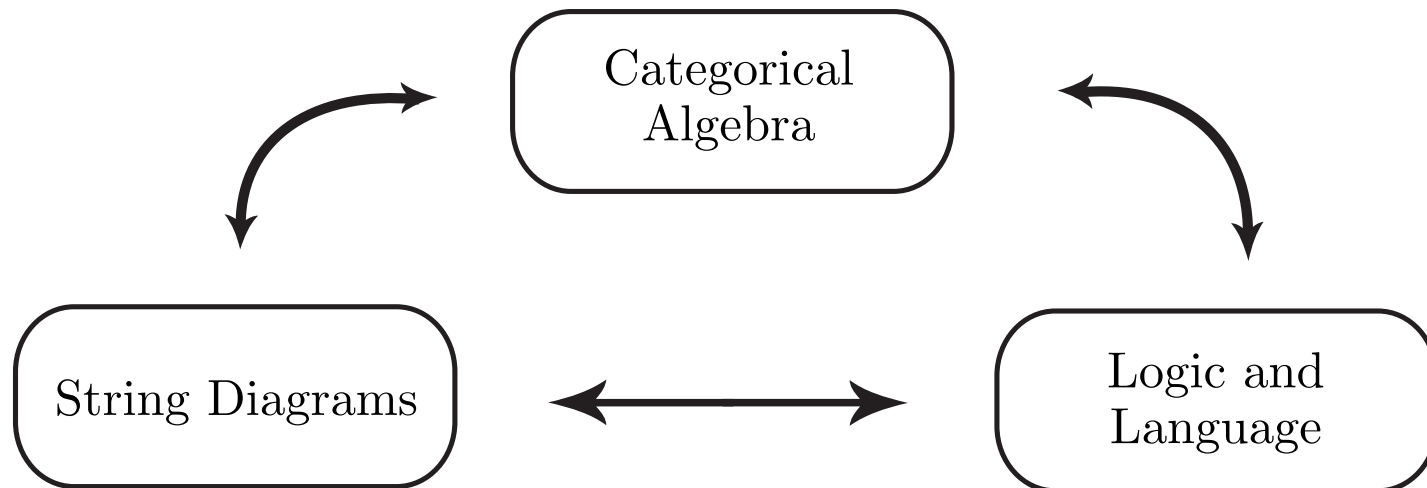
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# String Diagrams



Connections to physics and  $n$ -dimensional algebra

# String Diagrams



Extending the methodology of linear logic to other effects

# String Diagrams

An idea by Roger Penrose (1970)



# Monoidal Categories

A **monoidal category** is a category  $\mathbb{C}$  equipped with a functor:

$$\otimes : \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

an object:

$$I$$

and three natural transformations:

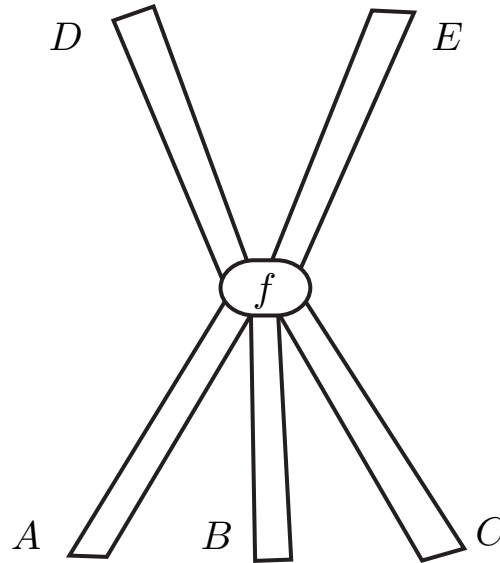
$$(A \otimes B) \otimes C \xrightarrow{\alpha} A \otimes (B \otimes C)$$

$$I \otimes A \xrightarrow{\lambda} A \qquad A \otimes I \xrightarrow{\rho} A$$

satisfying a series of coherence properties.

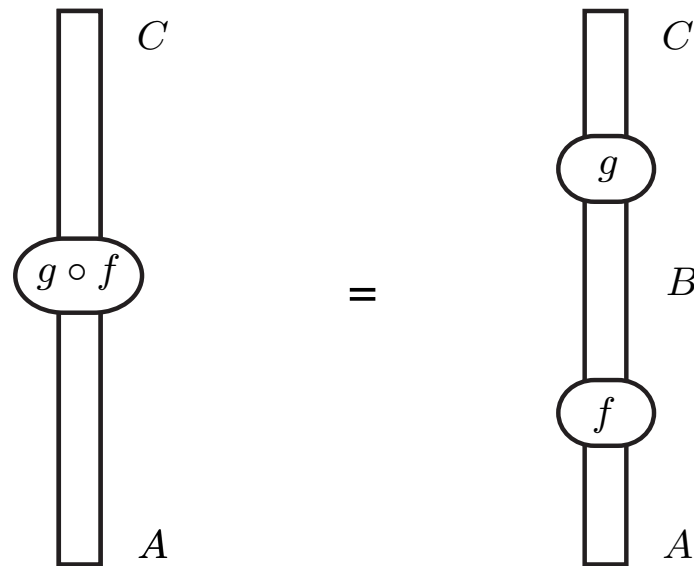
# String Diagrams

A morphism  $f : A \otimes B \otimes C \longrightarrow D \otimes E$  is depicted as:



# Composition

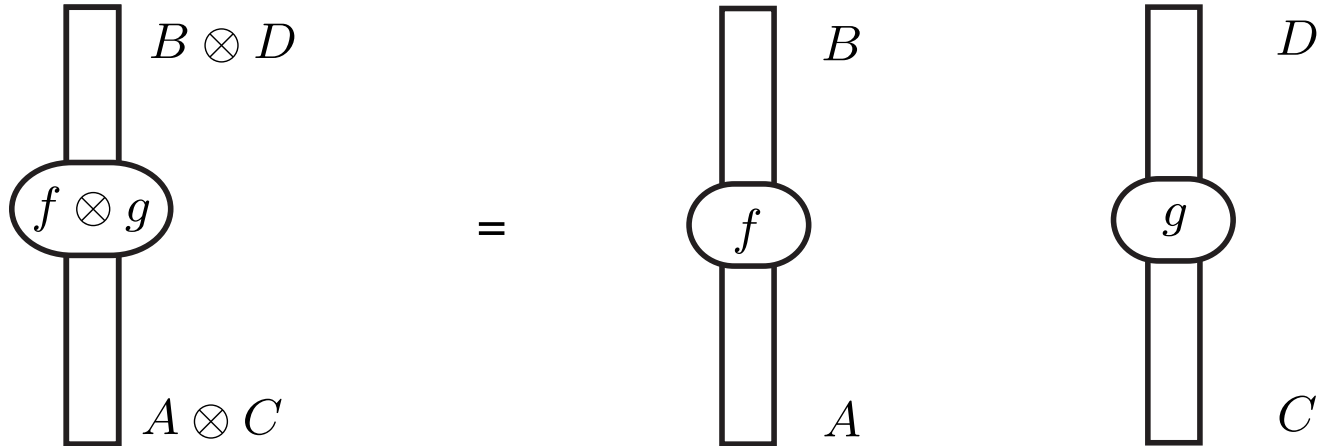
The morphism  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C$  is depicted as



Vertical composition

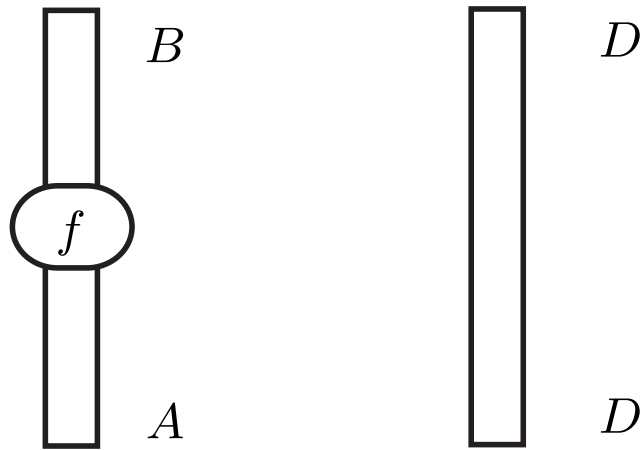
# Tensor product

The morphism  $(A \xrightarrow{f} B) \otimes (C \xrightarrow{g} D)$  is depicted as



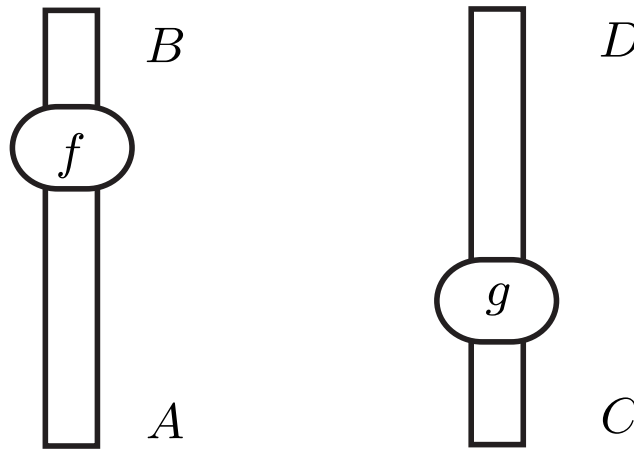
Horizontal tensor product

# Example



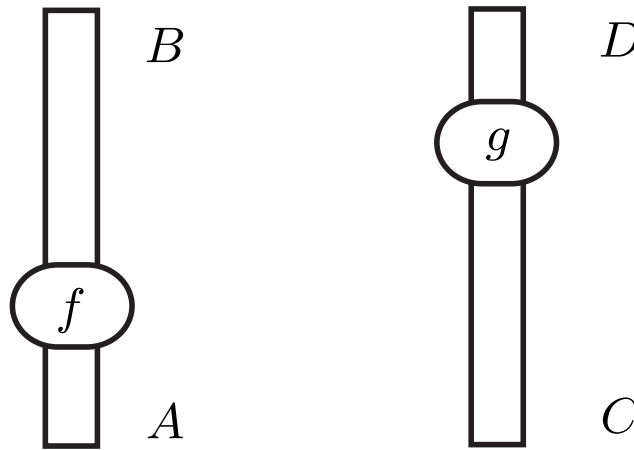
$$f \otimes id_D$$

## Example



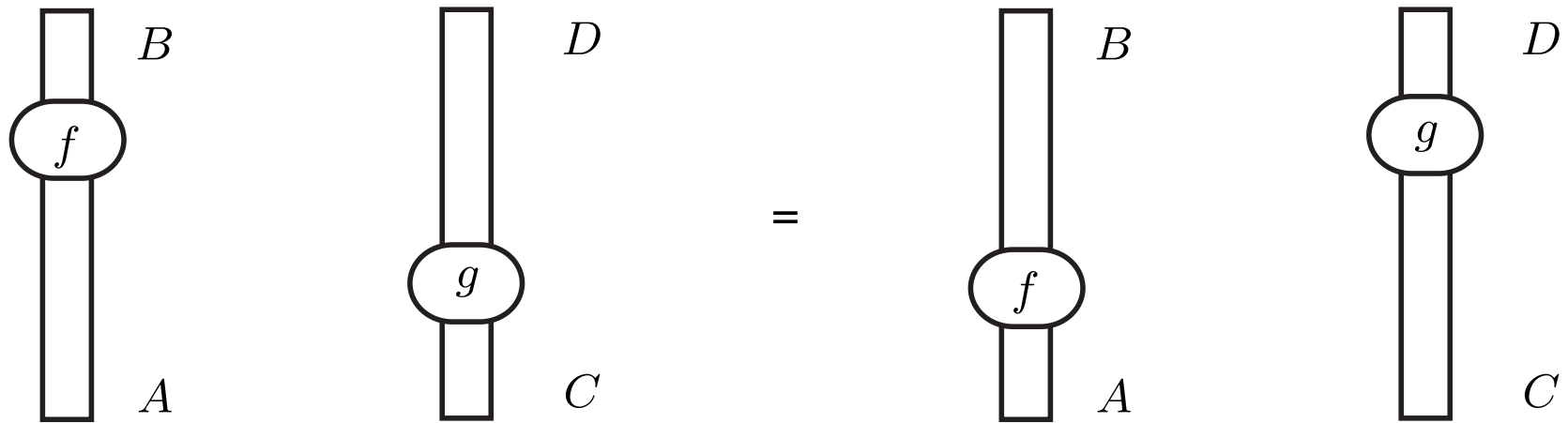
$$(f \otimes id_D) \circ (id_A \otimes g)$$

## Example



$$(id_B \otimes g) \circ (f \otimes id_C)$$

## Meaning preserved by deformation

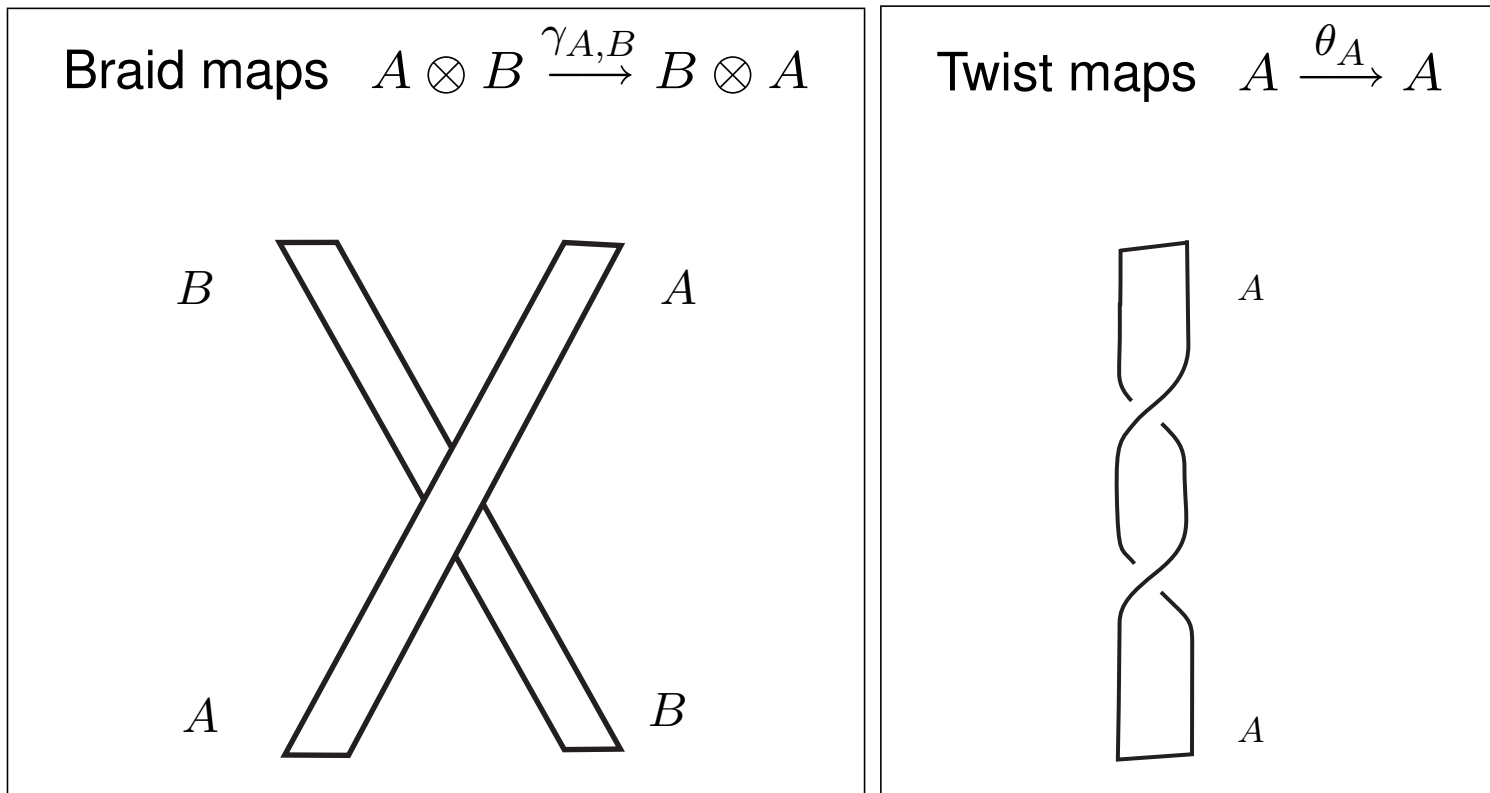


$$(f \otimes id_D) \circ (id_A \otimes g) = (id_B \otimes g) \circ (f \otimes id_C)$$

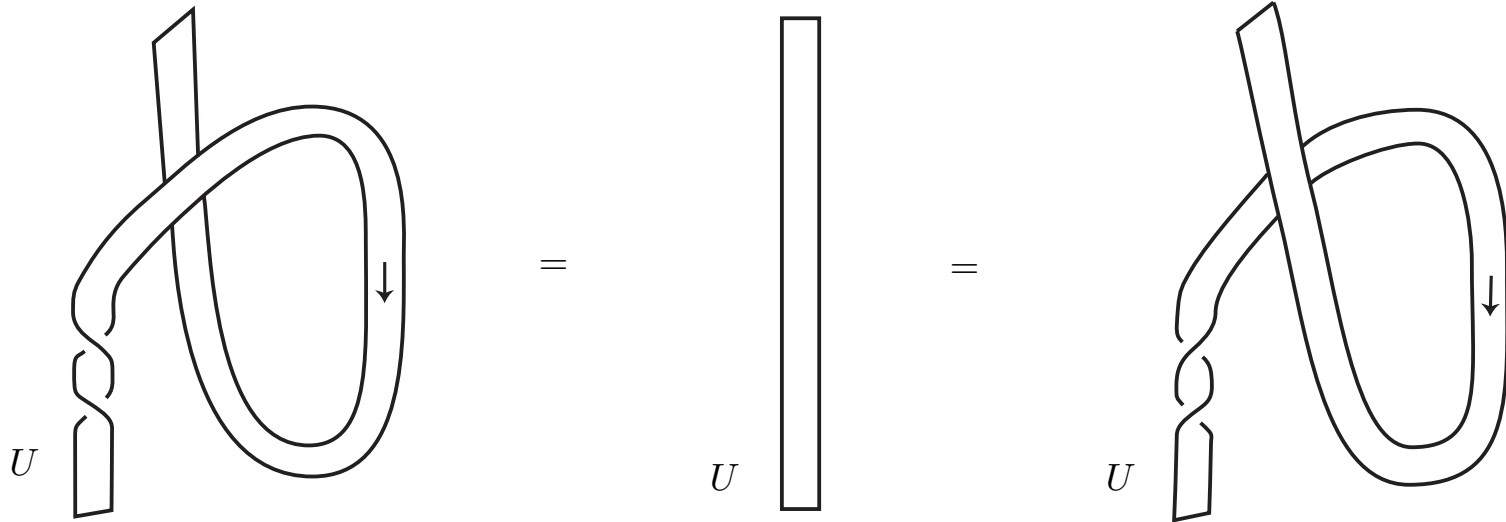


## Balanced categories (Joyal, Street 1993)

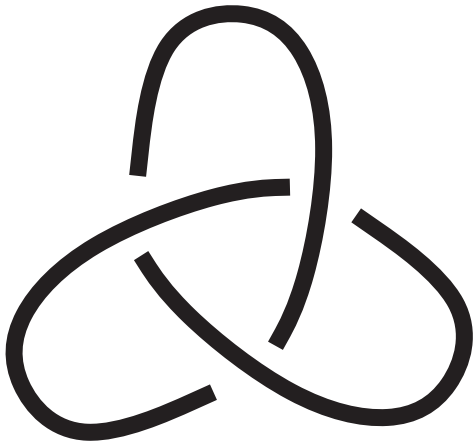
A **balanced category** is a monoidal category equipped with



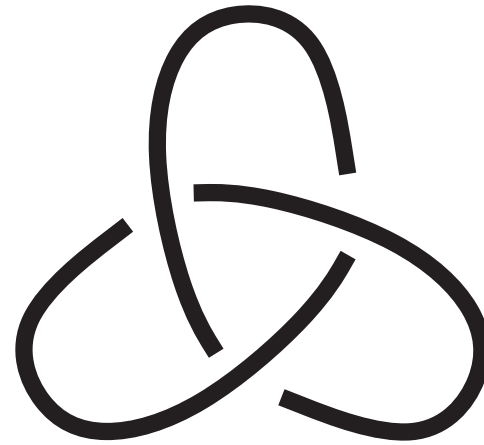
# Low dimensional topology



## Low dimensional topology



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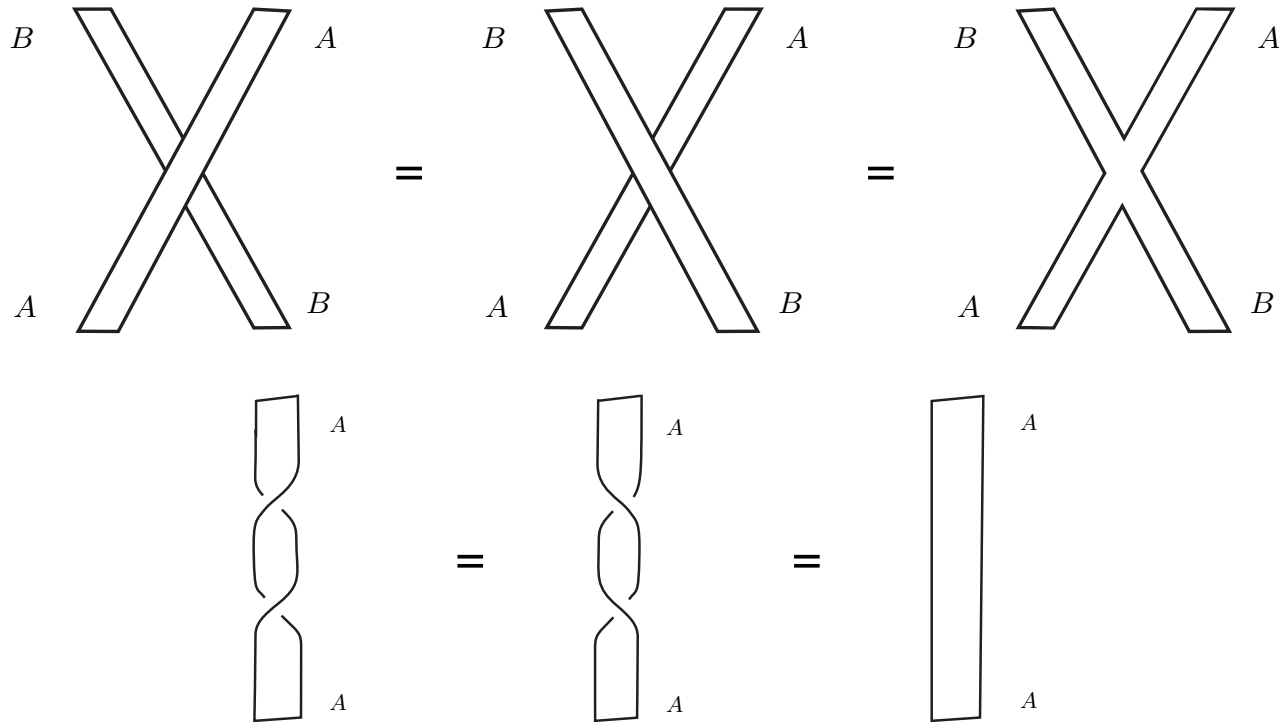


$$2x^{-2} - x^{-4} + x^{-2}y^{-2}$$

$$2x^2 - x^4 + x^2y^2$$

Jones polynomial = a semantics of knots

# Logic is symmetric — not braided



Leads to a ribbon variant of Linear Logic

# Proof nets

An idea by Jean-Yves Girard (1986)

## Sequent calculus

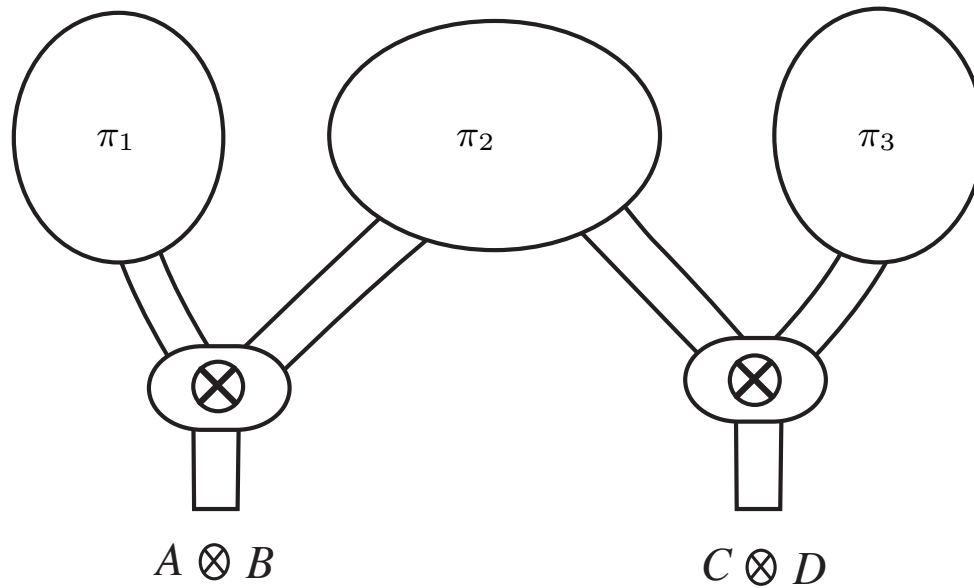
The two equivalent proofs:

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\pi_1}{\vdots}}{\vdash A} \quad \frac{\frac{\pi_2}{\vdots}}{\vdash B, C}}{\vdash A \otimes B, C} \quad \frac{\frac{\pi_3}{\vdots}}{\vdash D}}{\vdash A \otimes B, C \otimes D}
 \qquad
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A permutation equivalence

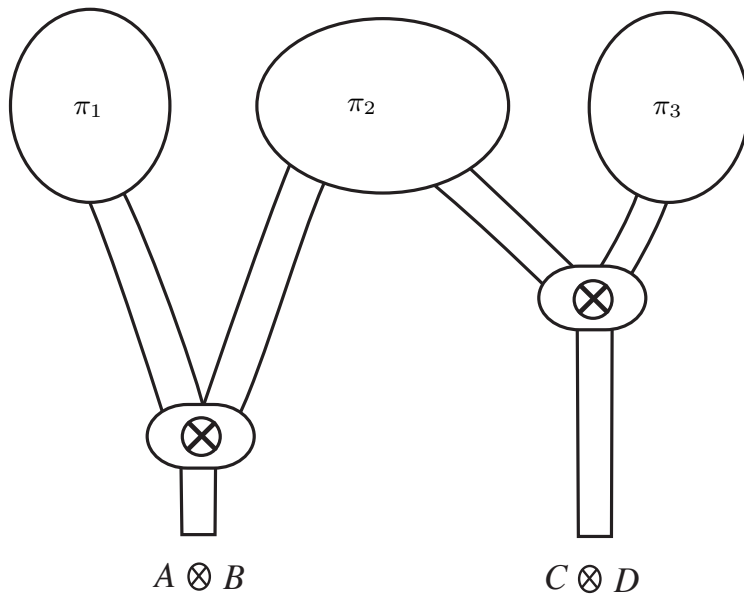
# Proof nets

are interpreted by the same proof net:



A geometric notation

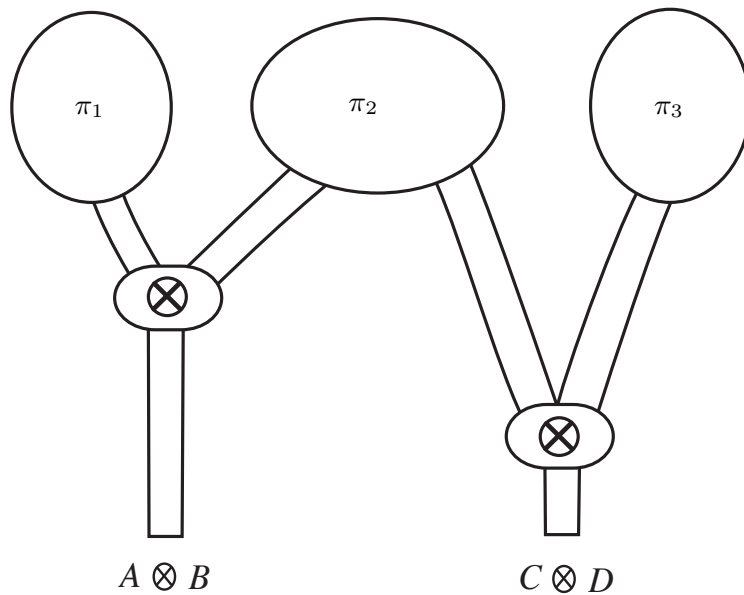
## Sequentialization by deformation



$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\pi_1}{\vdots} \quad \frac{\frac{\pi_2}{\vdots}}{\vdash B, C} \quad \frac{\pi_3}{\vdash D}}{\vdash B, C \otimes D}}{\vdash A \otimes B, C \otimes D}}$$

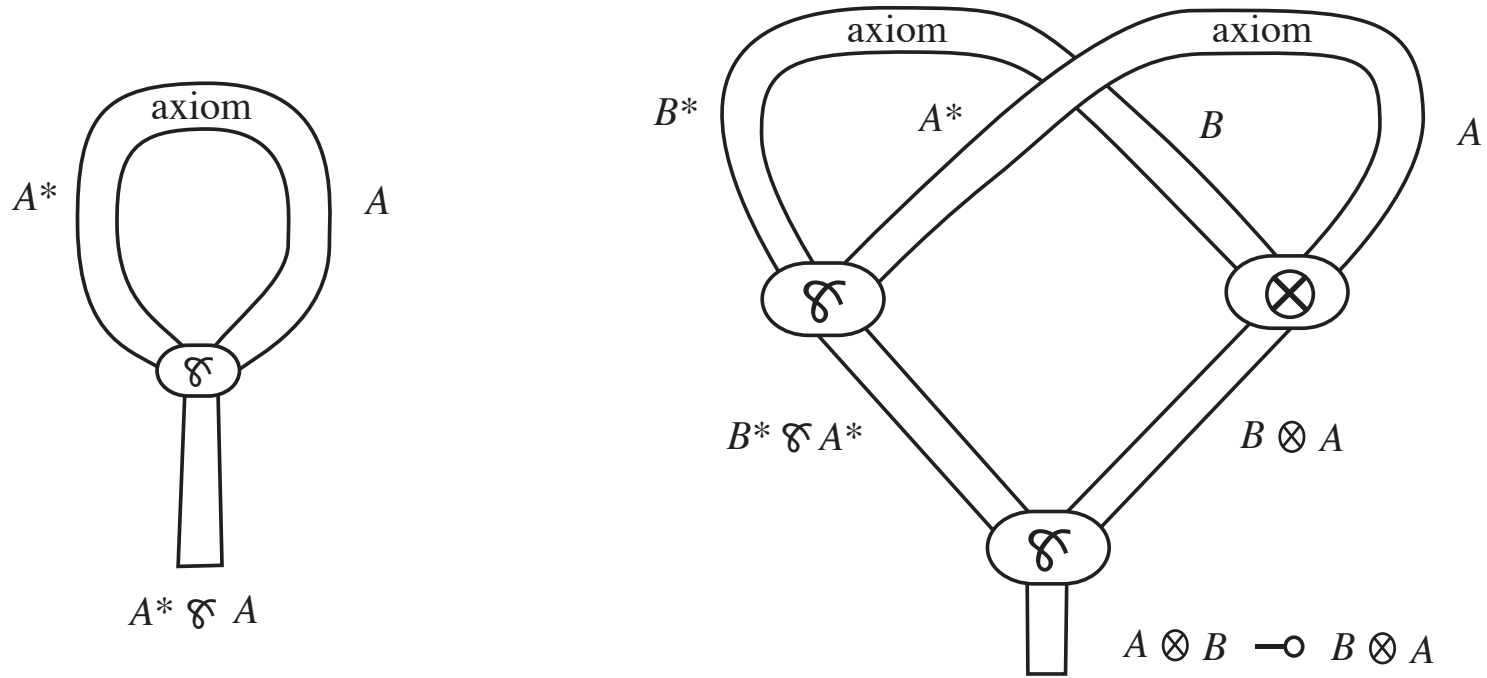


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# Multiplicative proof nets



Multiplicative proof nets are string diagrams!

## Question

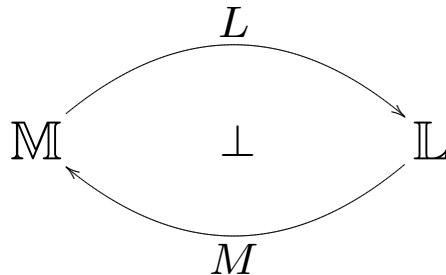
Can one extend string diagrams with boxes?

# Functorial boxes

Rediscovery of an idea by Robin Cockett and Robert Seely (1996)

# The categorical semantics of linear logic (Nick Benton — CSL'94)

A symmetric monoidal adjunction

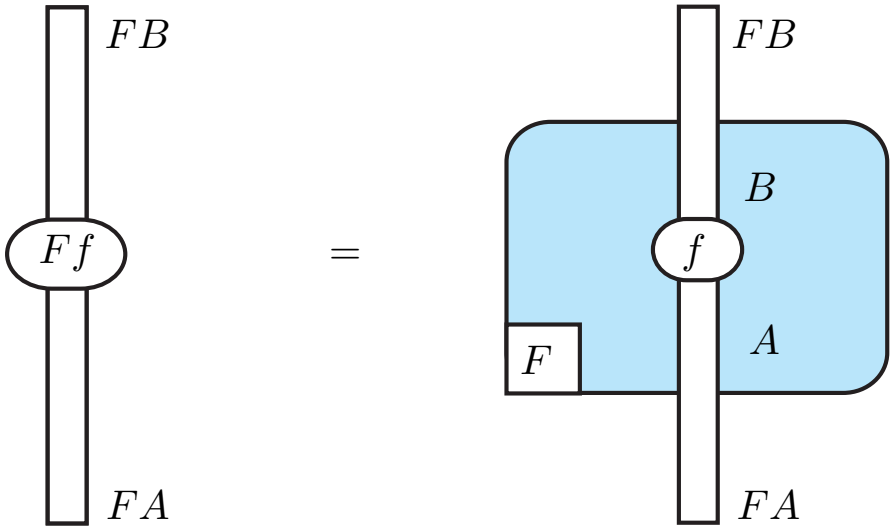


$\mathbb{M}$  cartesian

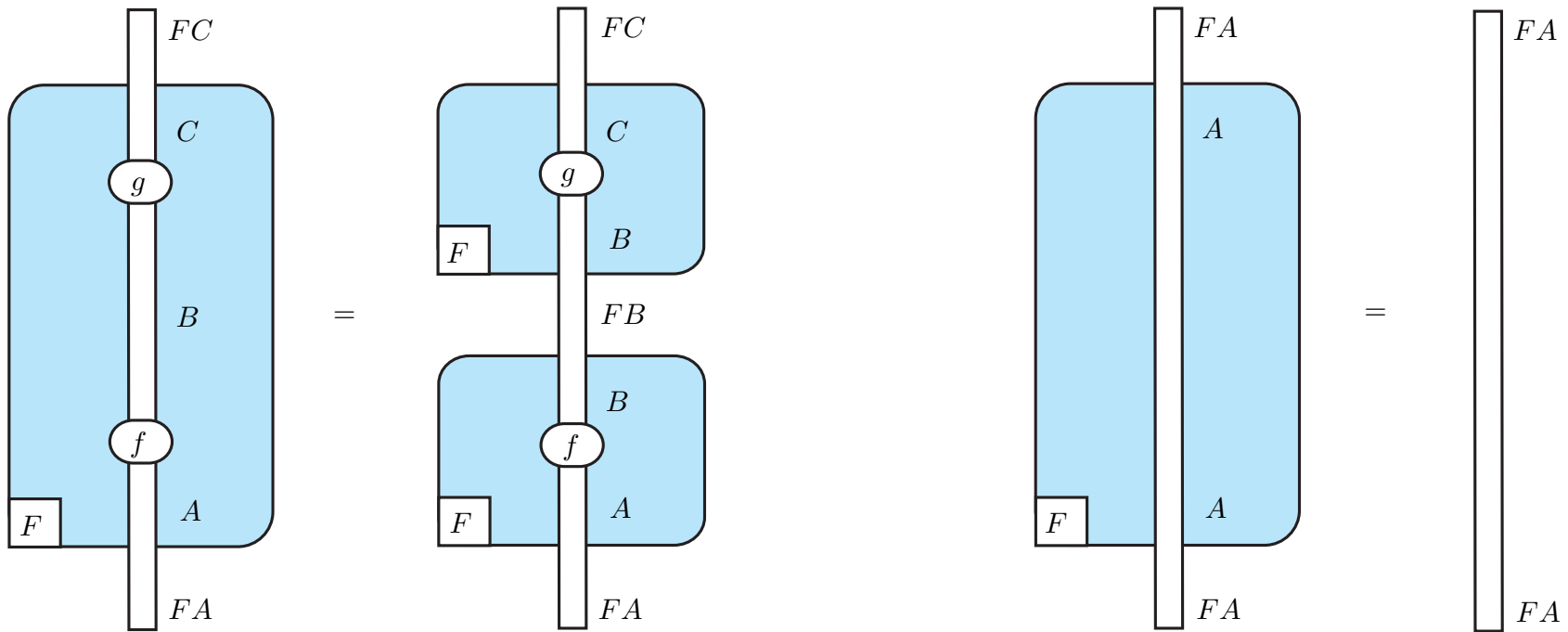
$\mathbb{L}$  symmetric monoidal closed

$$! = L \circ M$$

# Functorial boxes in string diagrams



# Functorial equalities



## Lax monoidal functor

A **lax monoidal functor** is a functor  $F : \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{D}$  equipped with morphisms

$$m_{[A,B]} : FA \otimes FB \longrightarrow F(A \otimes B)$$

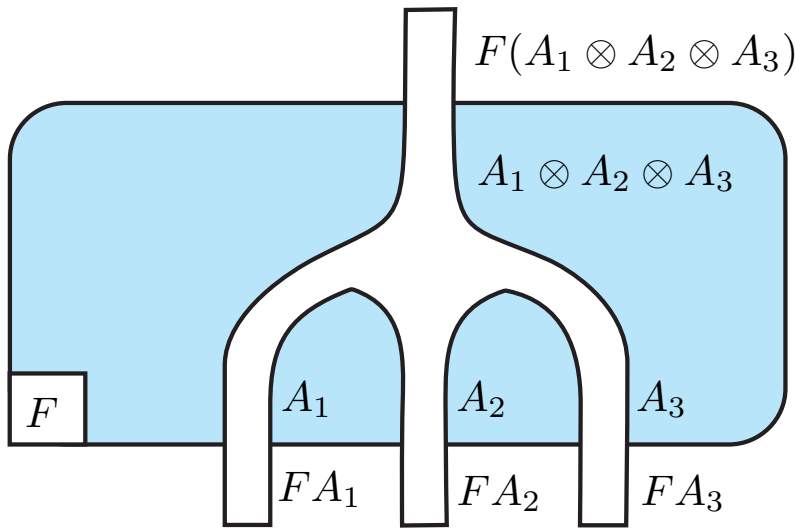
$$m_{[-]} : I \longrightarrow FI$$

satisfying a series of coherence relations.

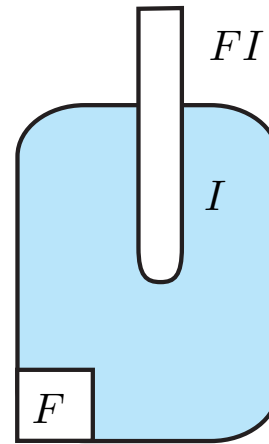
A **strong monoidal functor** is lax monoidal with **invertible** coercions.



# The purpose of coercions



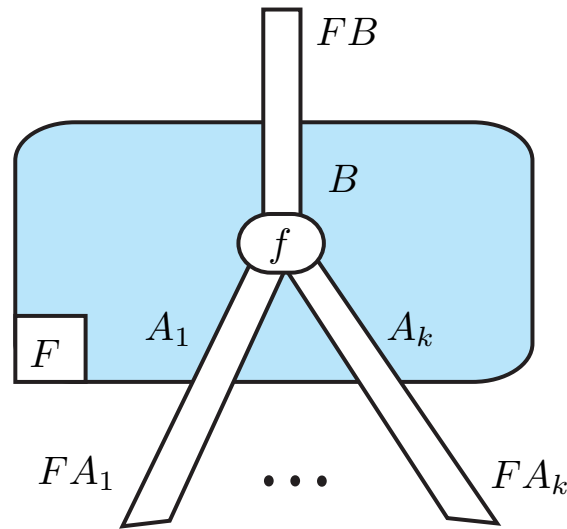
$m[A_1, A_2, A_3]$



$m[-]$

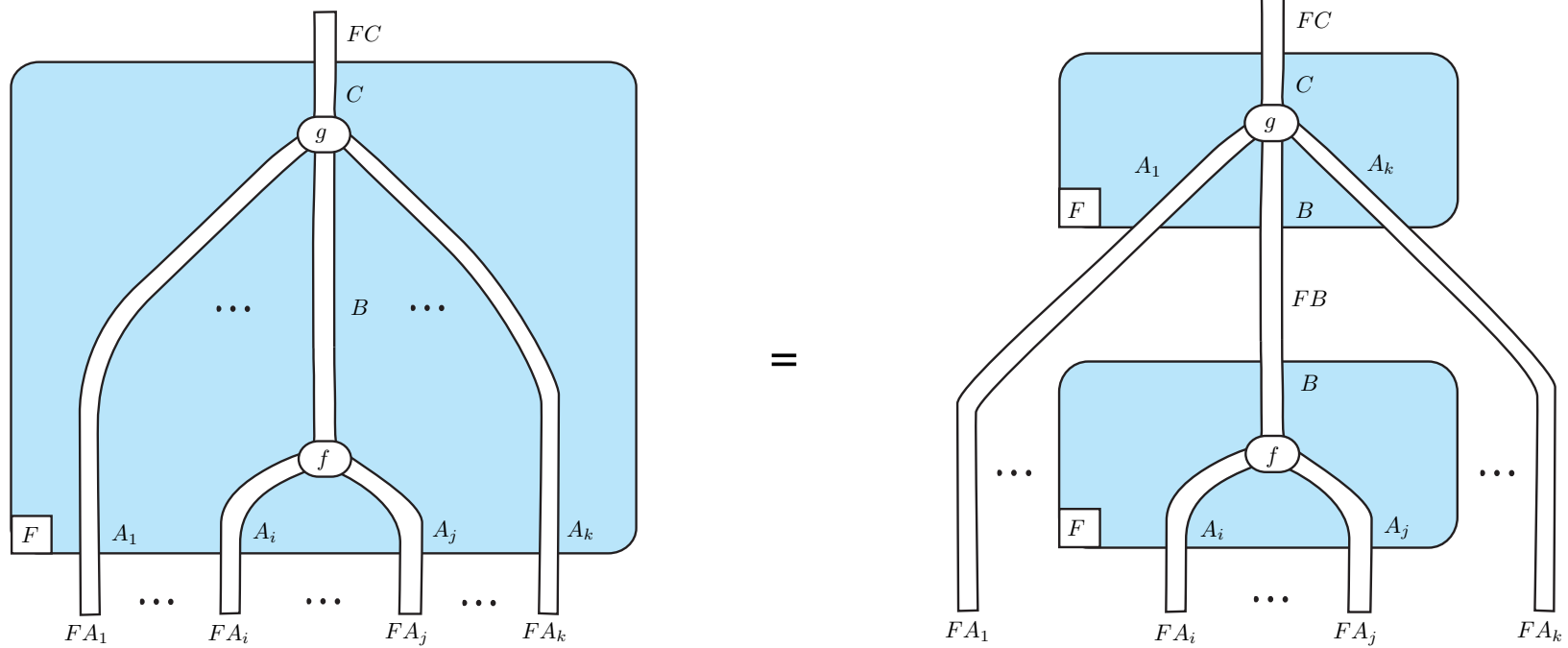
## Lax monoidal functor

A lax monoidal functor is a box with many inputs - one output.



$$F(f) \circ m_{[A_1, \dots, A_k]} : FA_1 \otimes \dots \otimes FA_k \longrightarrow FB$$

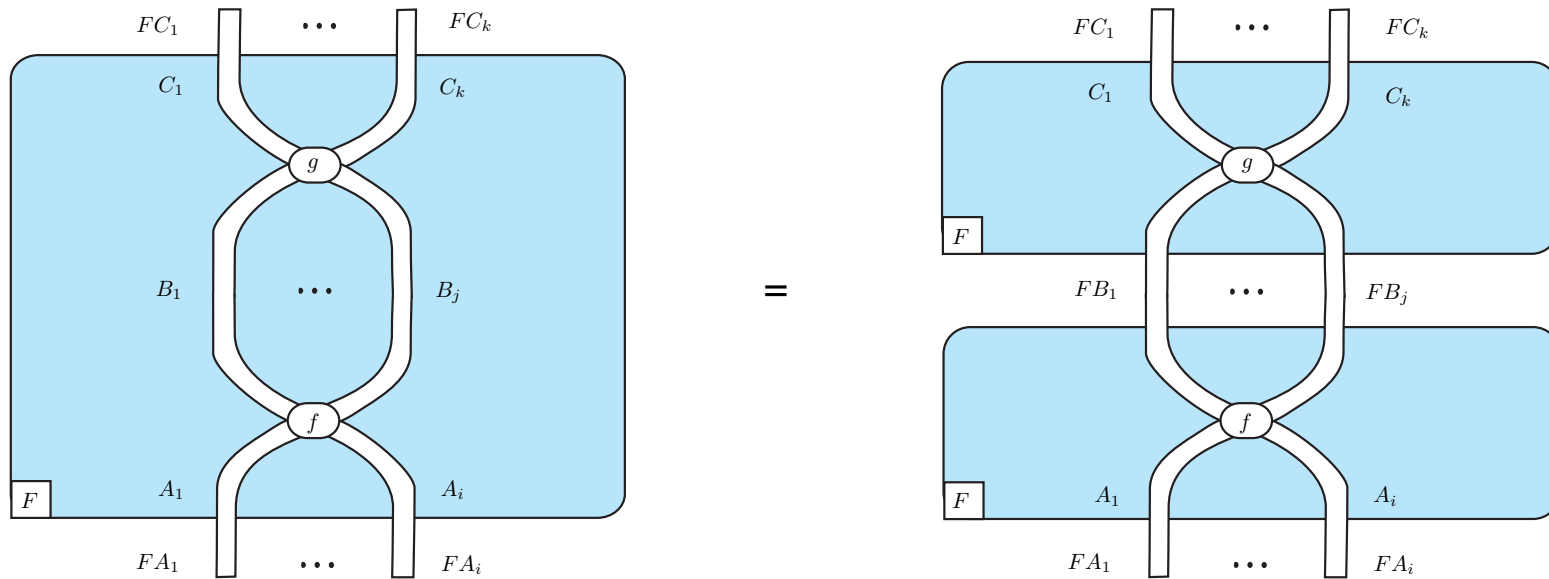
# Functorial equalities (on lax functors)



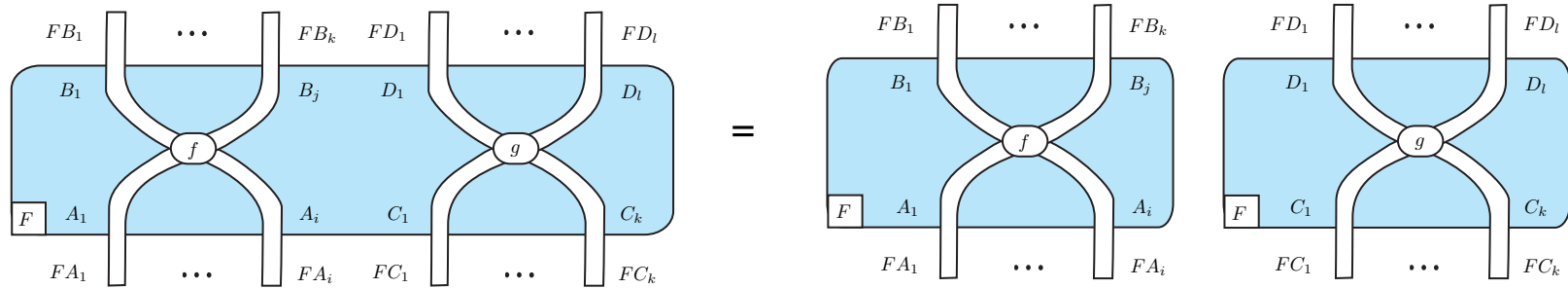
## **Strong monoidal functors**

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# Functorial equalities (on strong functors)



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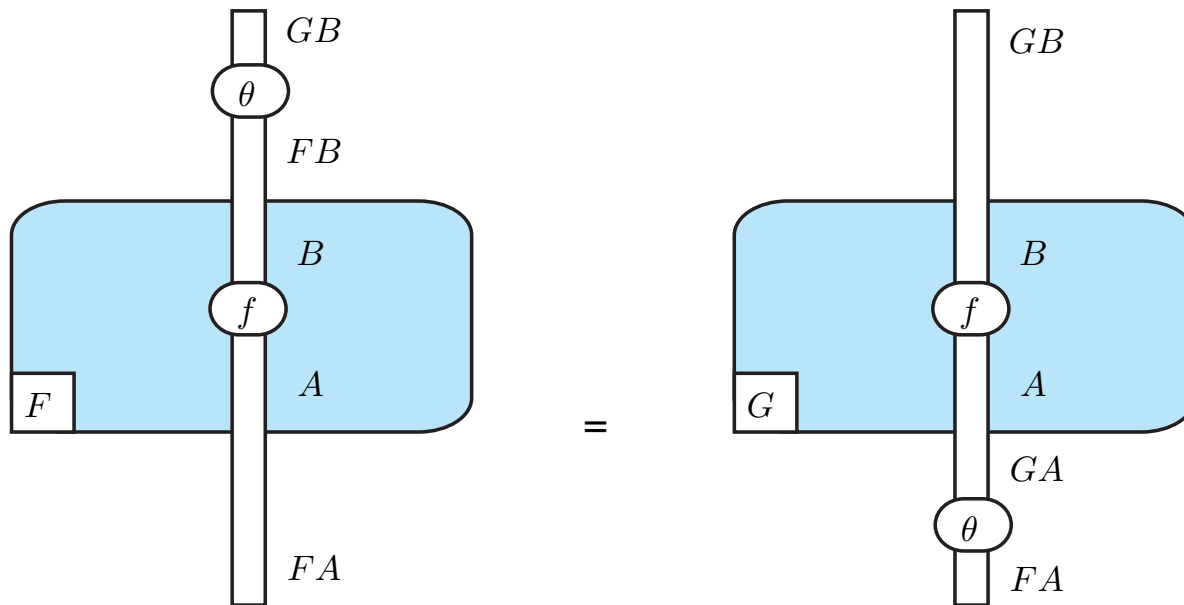


# Natural transformations

A natural transformation

$$\theta : F \longrightarrow G : \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{D}$$

satisfies the pictorial equality:

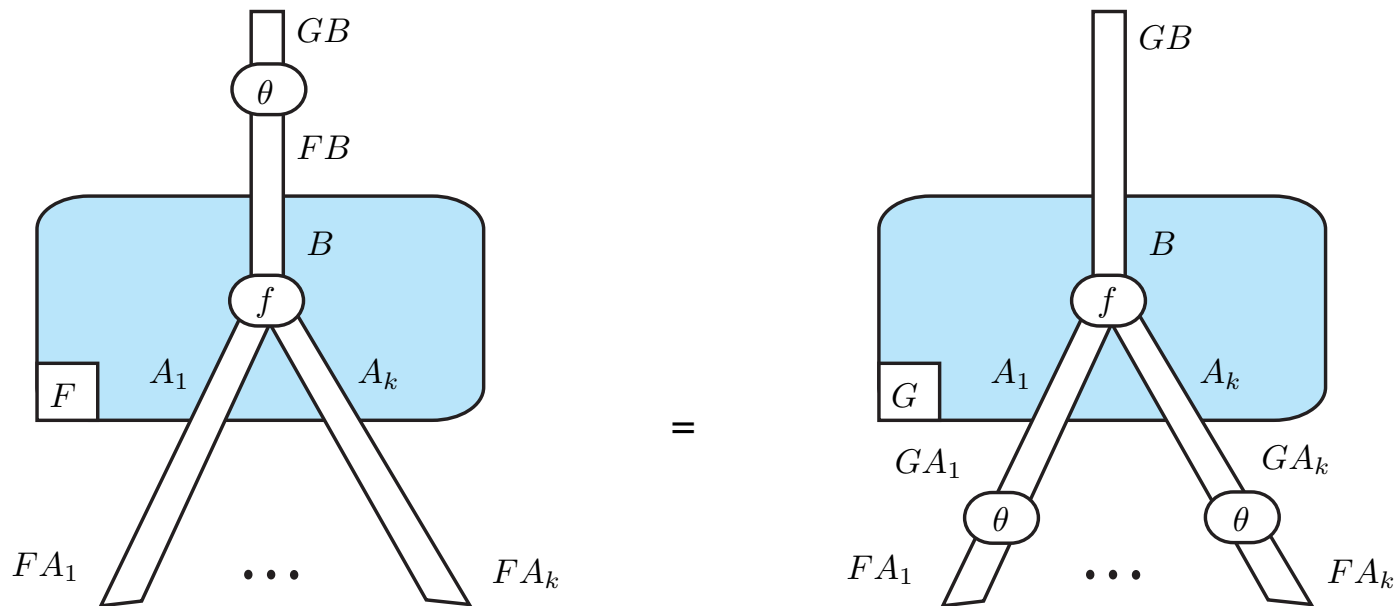


# Monoidal natural transformations

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# **Exercise 1**

## **Transport of trace**

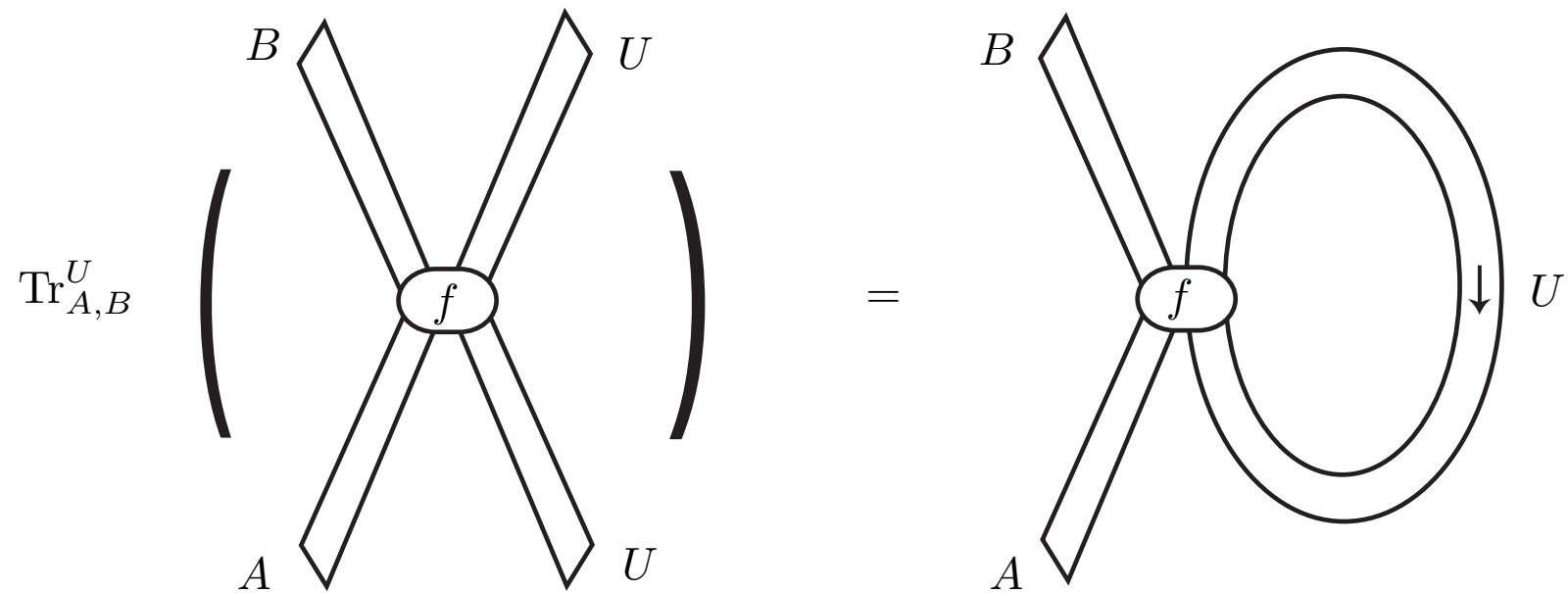
## Trace operator (Joyal - Street - Verity 1996)

A **trace** in a balanced category  $\mathbb{C}$  is an operator

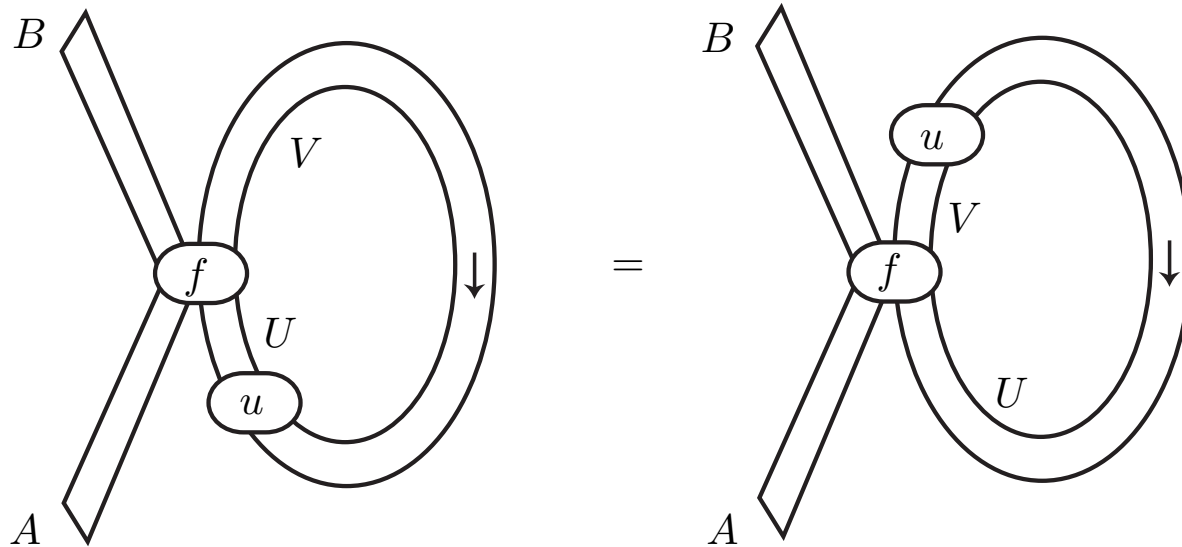
$$\text{Tr}_{A,B}^U \quad \frac{A \otimes U \longrightarrow B \otimes U}{A \longrightarrow B}$$

depicted as **feedback** in string diagrams:

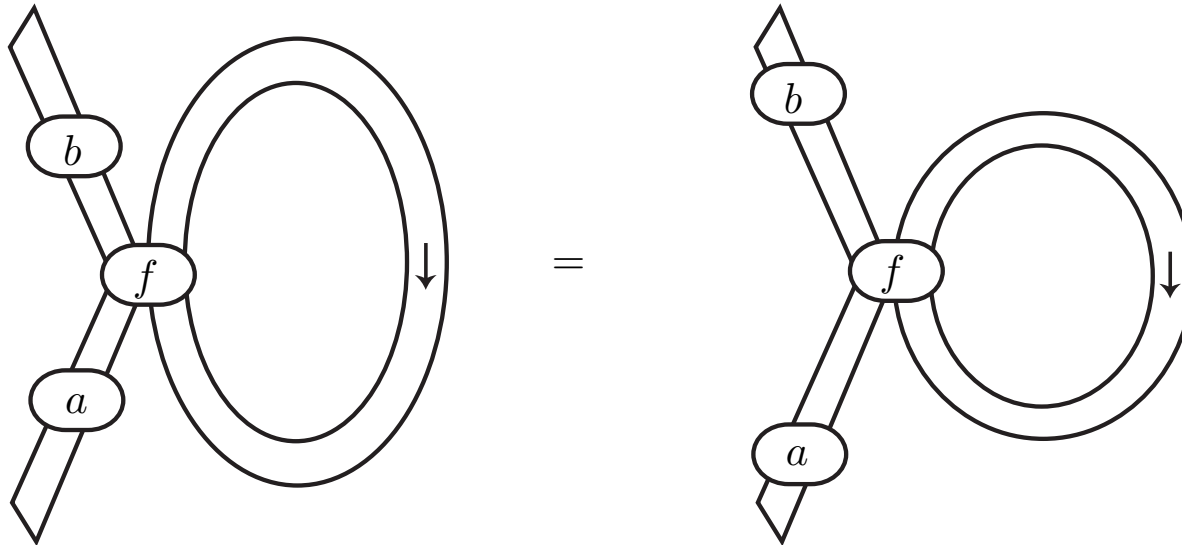
# Trace operator



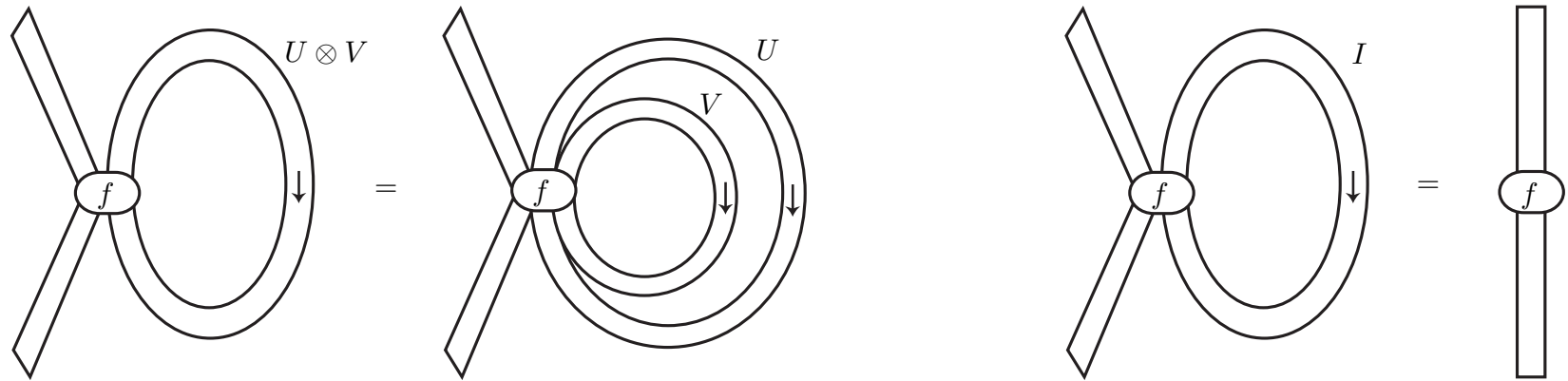
## Sliding (naturality in $U$ )



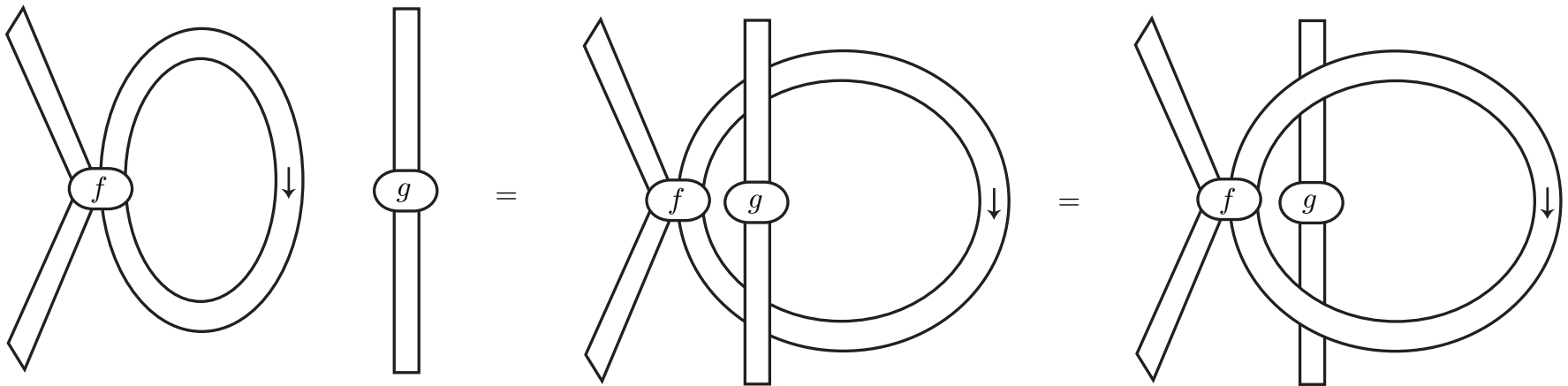
## Tightening (naturality in $A, B$ )



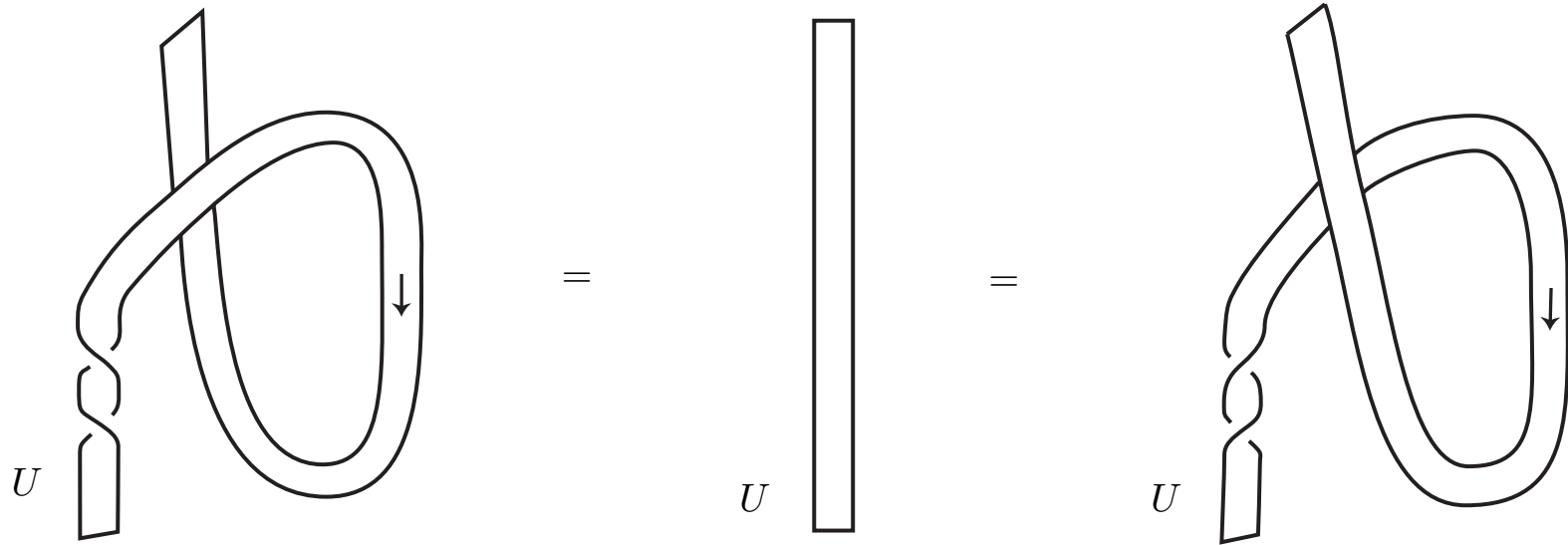
## Vanishing (monoidality in $U$ )



# Superposing



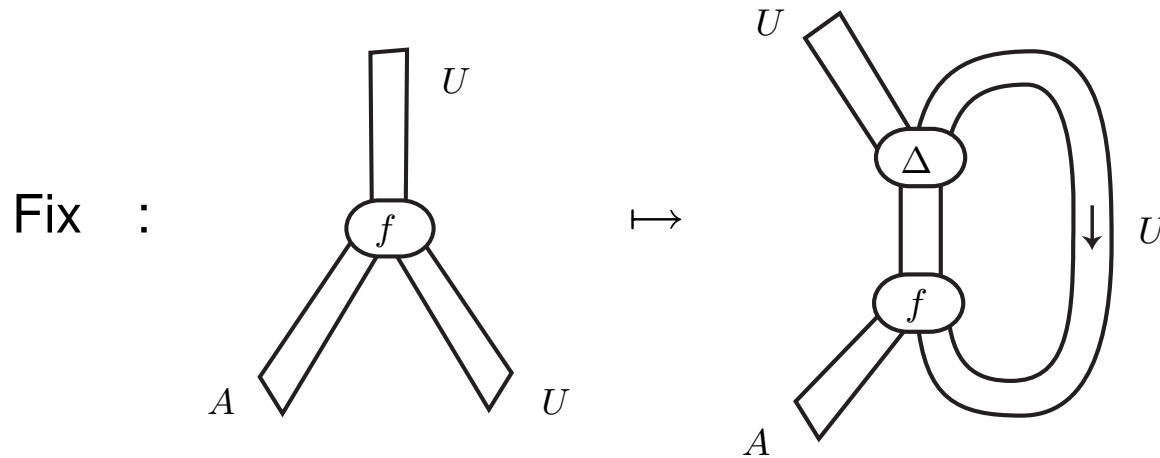
# Yanking





# Traces = fixpoints (Hasegawa - Hyland 1997)

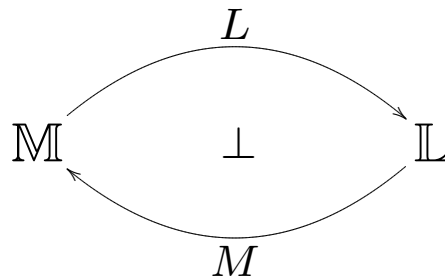
In cartesian categories:



Well-behaved parametric fixpoint operator.

## Original question

When does a trace in the category  $\mathbb{L}$  lift to a trace in the category  $\mathbb{M}$  ?



**Observation:** the functor  $L$  is usually **faithful**.

## Derived question

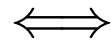
Characterize when a **faithful** balanced functor

$$F : \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{D}$$

between **balanced categories** transport a trace in  $\mathbb{D}$  to a trace in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

## Characterization

There exists a trace on  $\mathbb{C}$  preserved by the functor  $F$



for all objects  $A, B, U$  and morphism

$$f : A \otimes U \longrightarrow B \otimes U$$

there exists a morphism

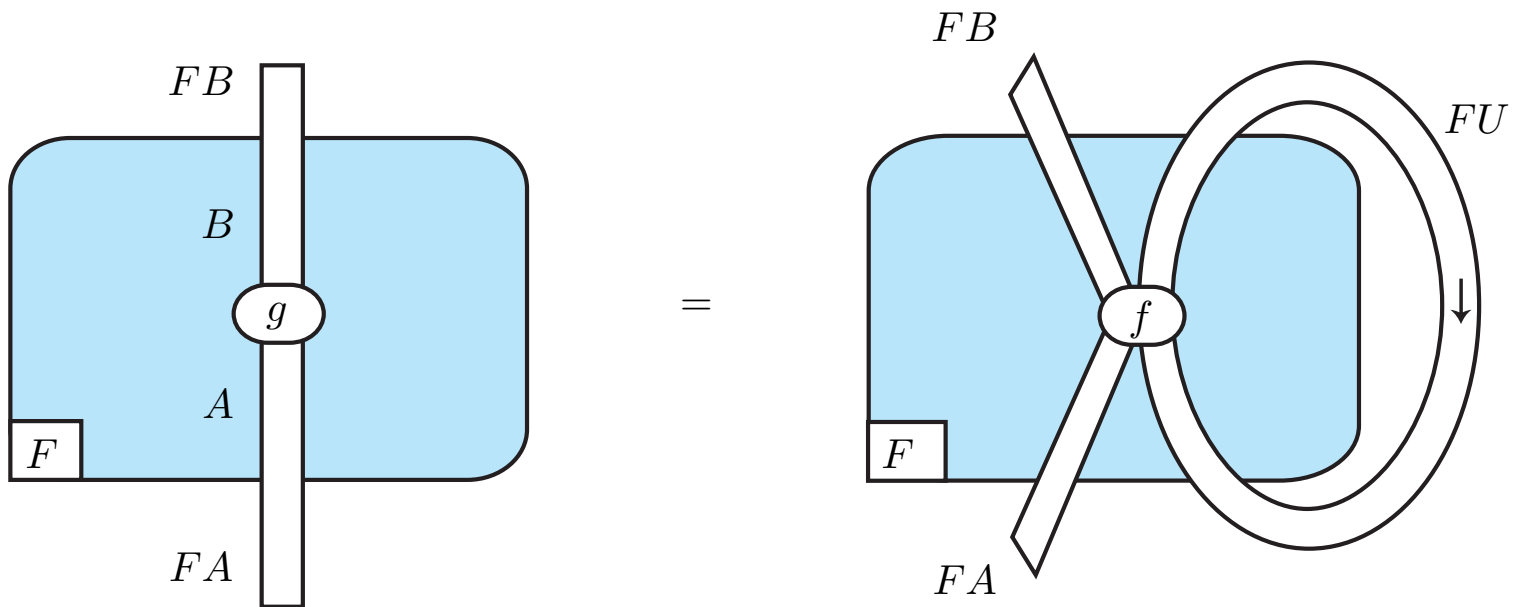
$$g : A \longrightarrow B$$

such that

$$F(g) = \text{Tr}_{FA, FB}^{FU}(m_{[A, B]}^{-1} \circ F(f) \circ m_{[A, B]})$$

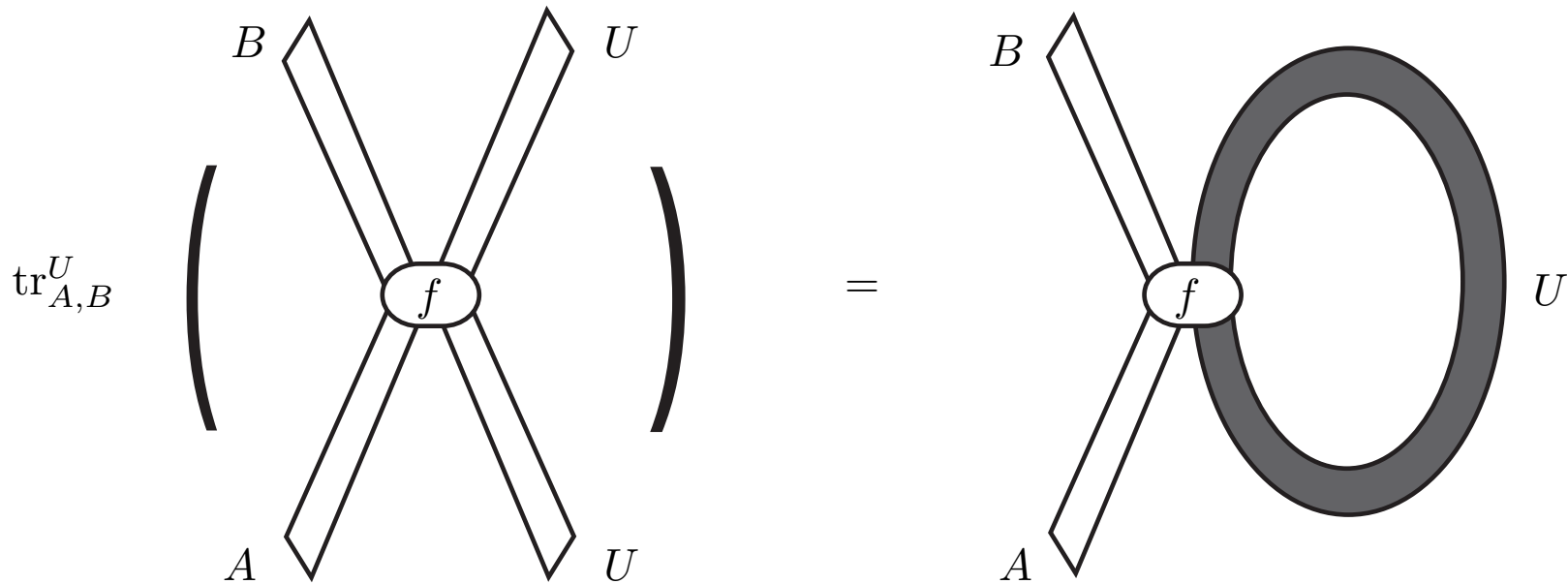
# Pictorially...

The last equality is depicted as follows:

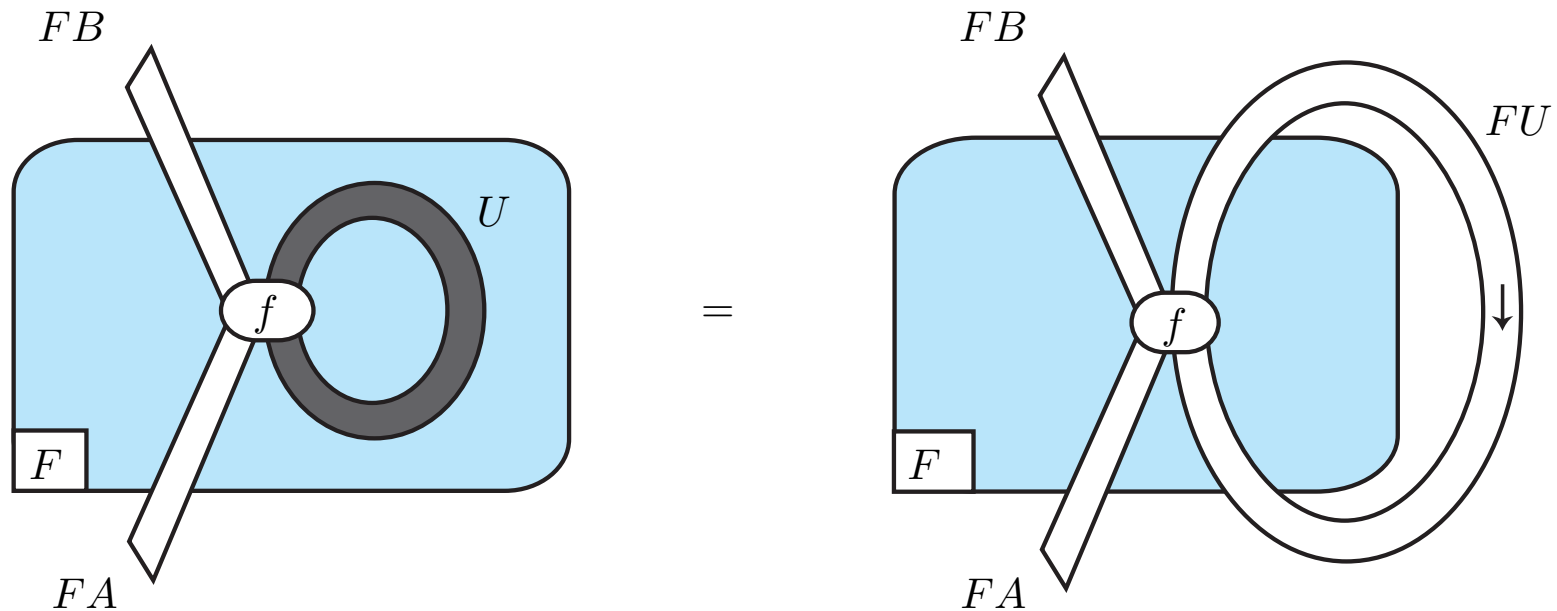


# Proof sketch...

**First step:** define the operator



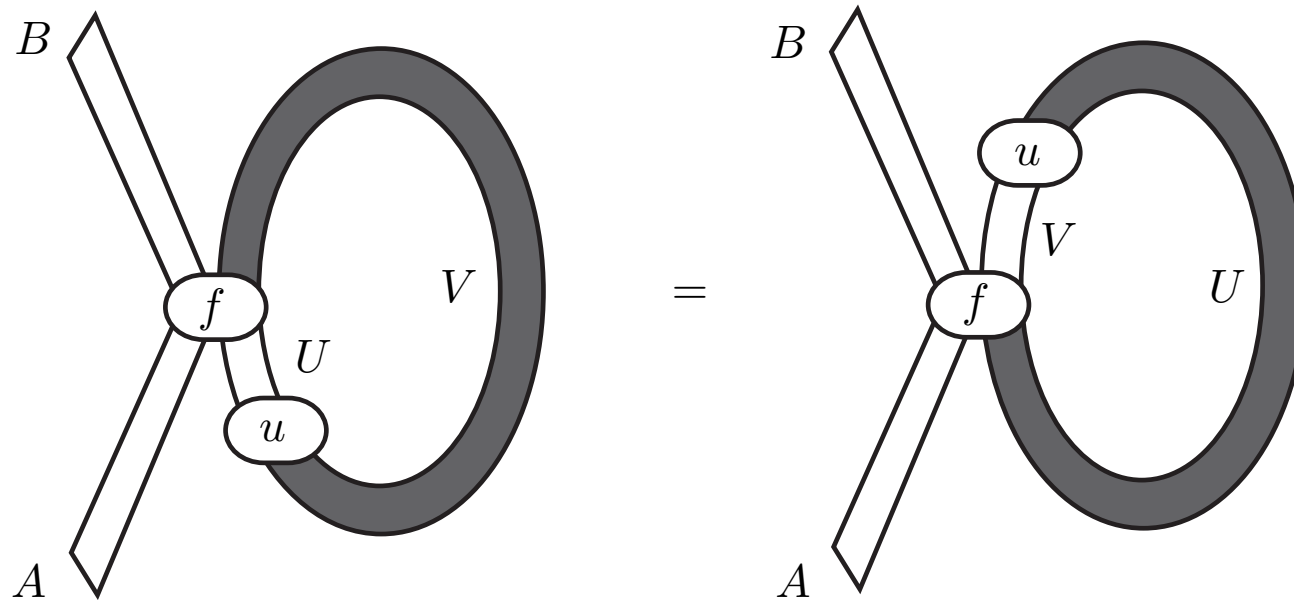
which transports every morphism  $f$  to the **unique** morphism such that



**Second step:** prove that  $\text{tr}$  satisfies the axioms of a trace operator.

## Illustration: sliding (1)

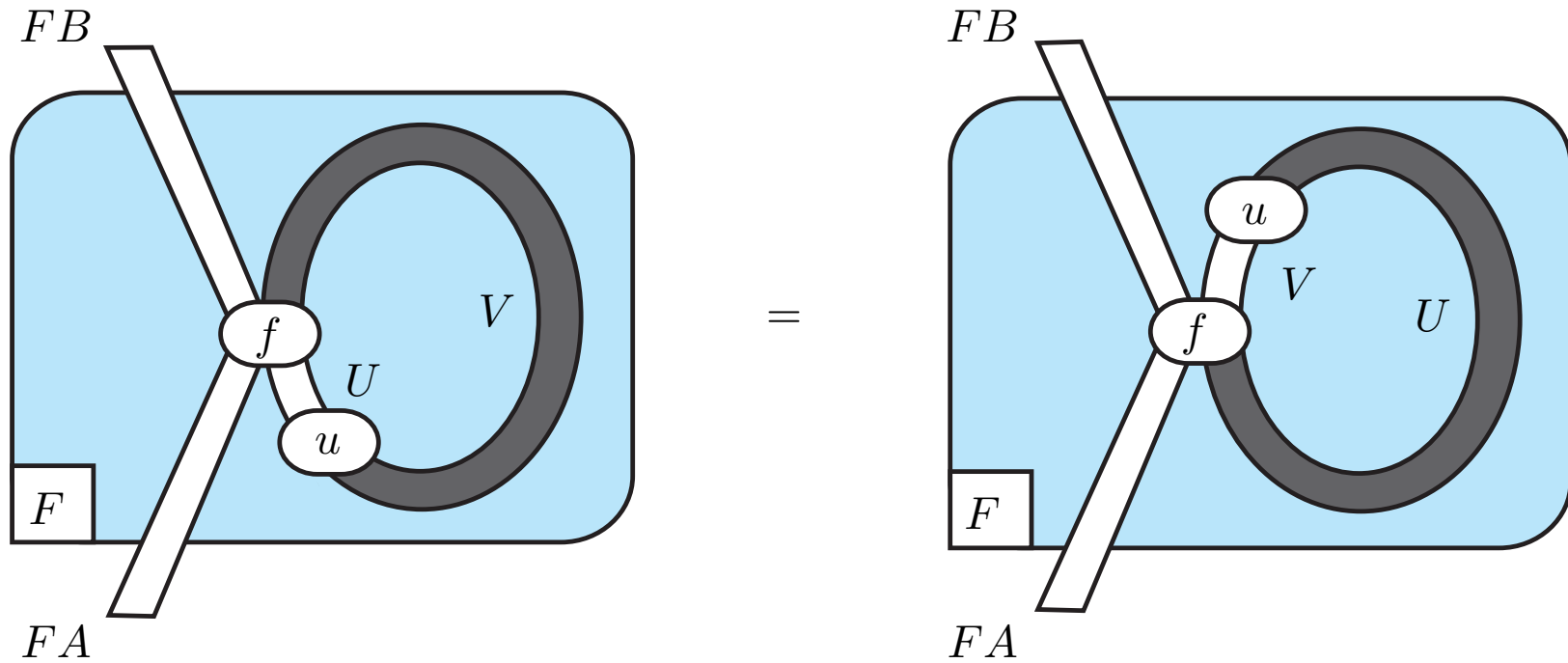
We want to show that



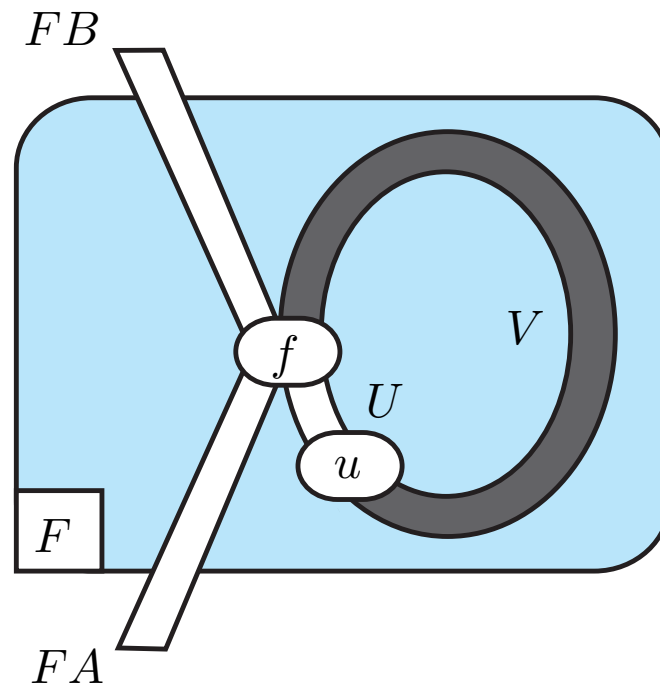


## Illustration: sliding (2)

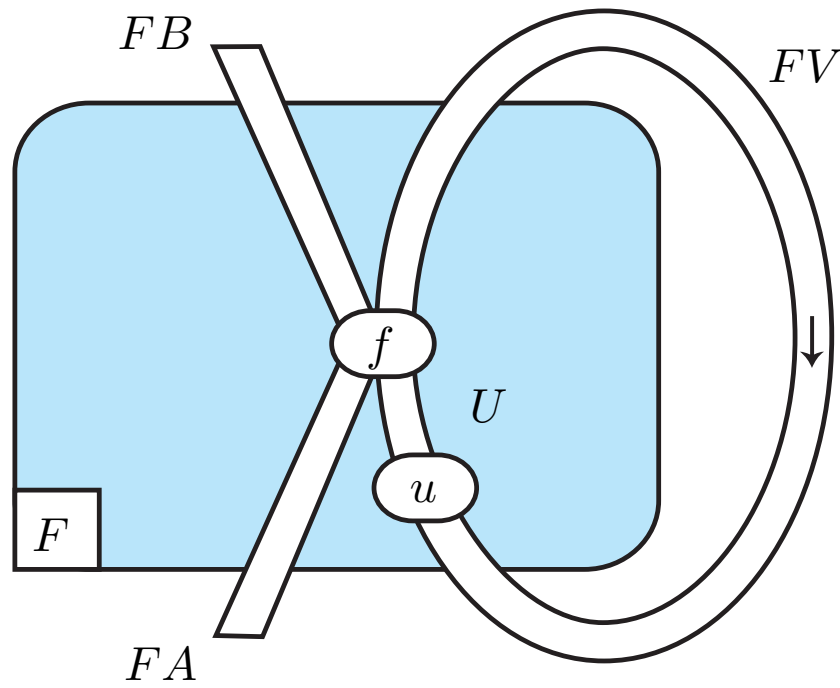
Because the functor  $F$  is **faithful**, this reduces to



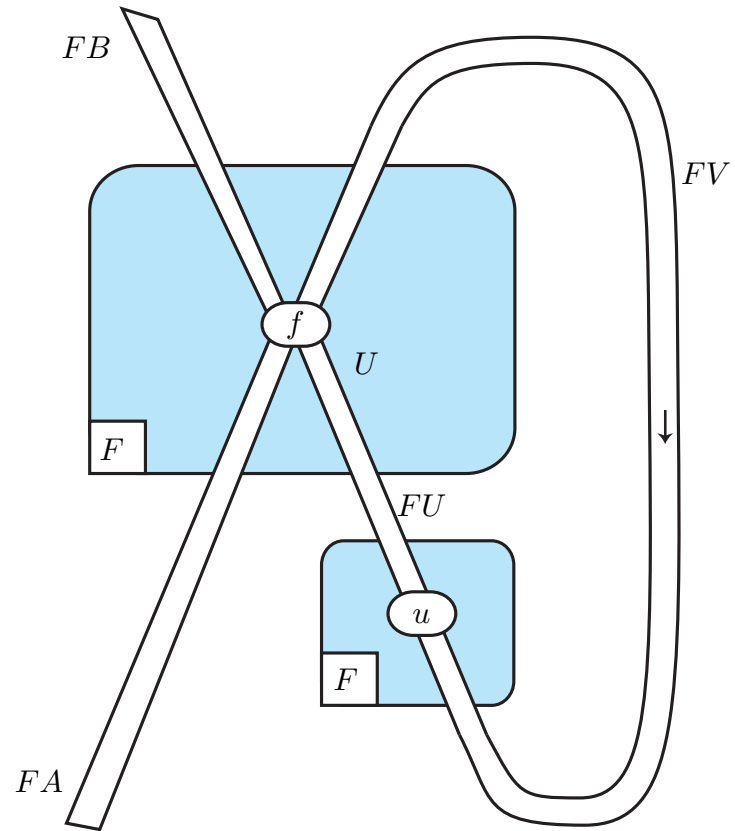
## Illustration: sliding (3)



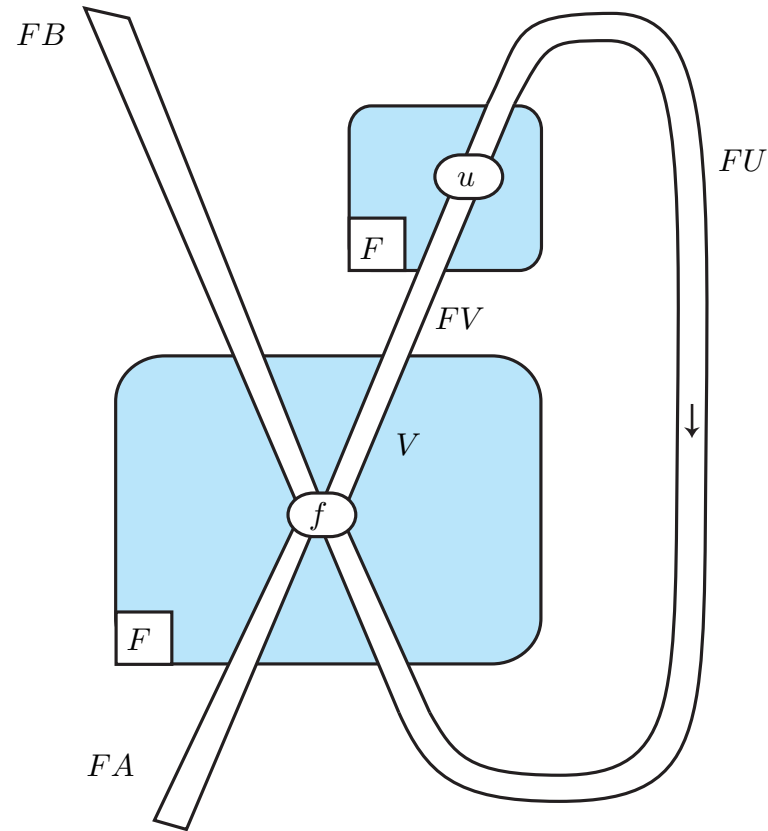
## Illustration: sliding (4)



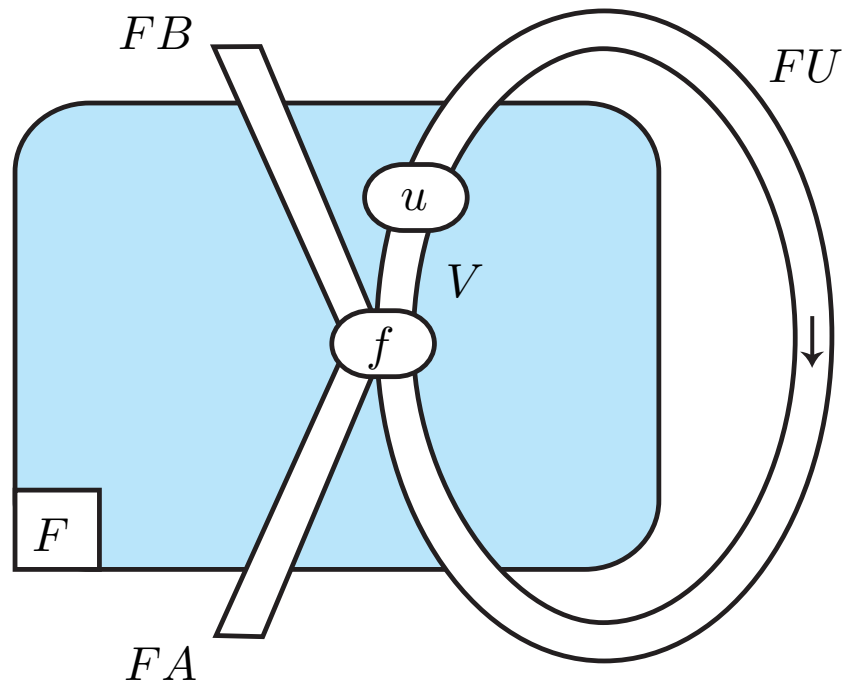
## Illustration: sliding (5)



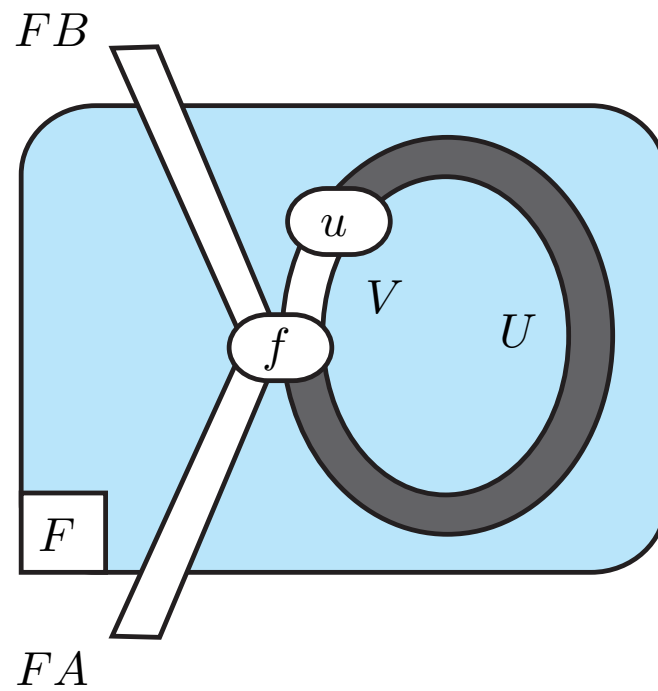
# Illustration: sliding (6)



## Illustration: sliding (7)



## Illustration: sliding (8)



## Examples

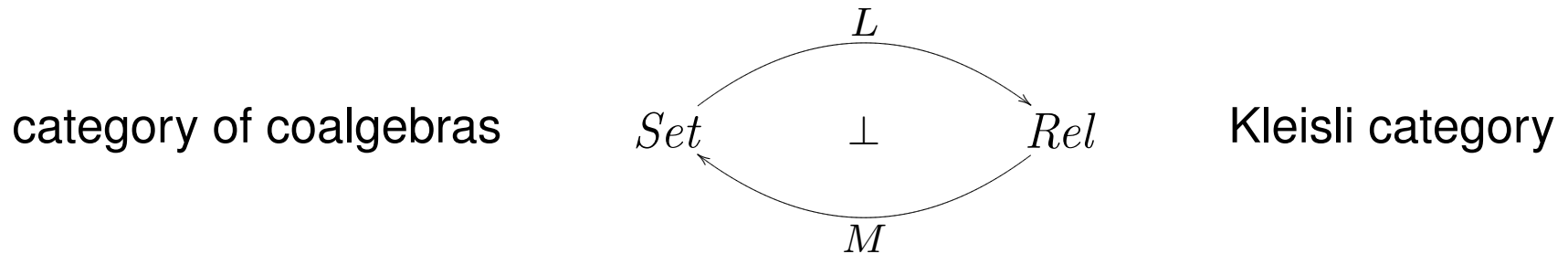
- The relational model of linear logic
- Game semantics (Conway games)

Provides well-behaved parametric fixpoints in game semantics



## Non-Example (Masahito Hasegawa)

The adjunction generated by the **powerset monad**:



The trace of a function in *Rel* is not a function anymore

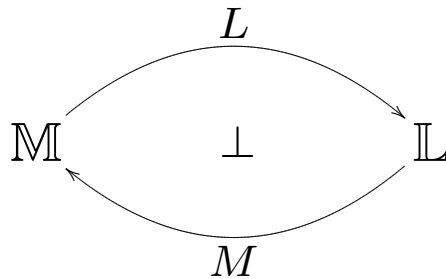
Currently investigating Ryu Hasegawa's model of linear logic.

## **Exercise 2**

# **Decomposing the exponential box of linear logic**

# The categorical semantics of linear logic

A symmetric monoidal adjunction

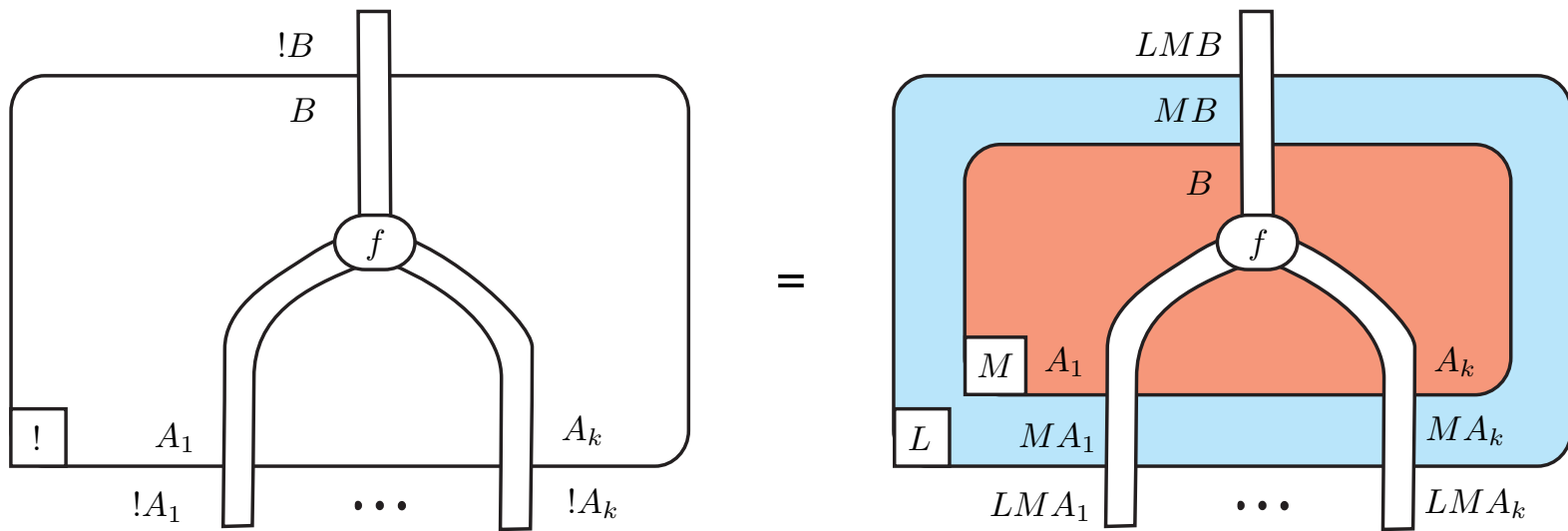


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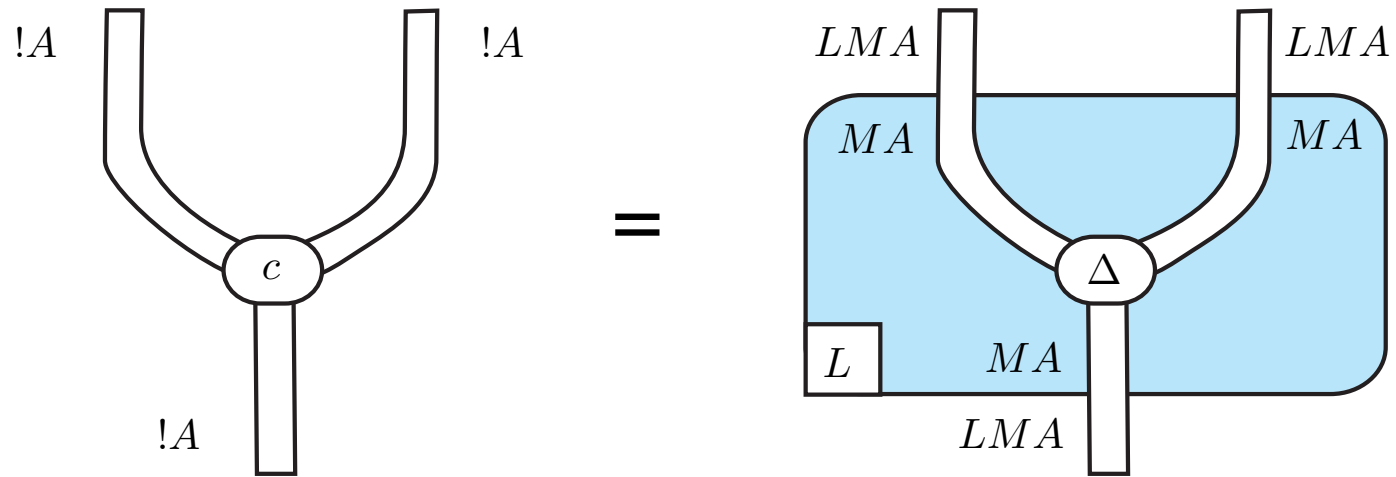
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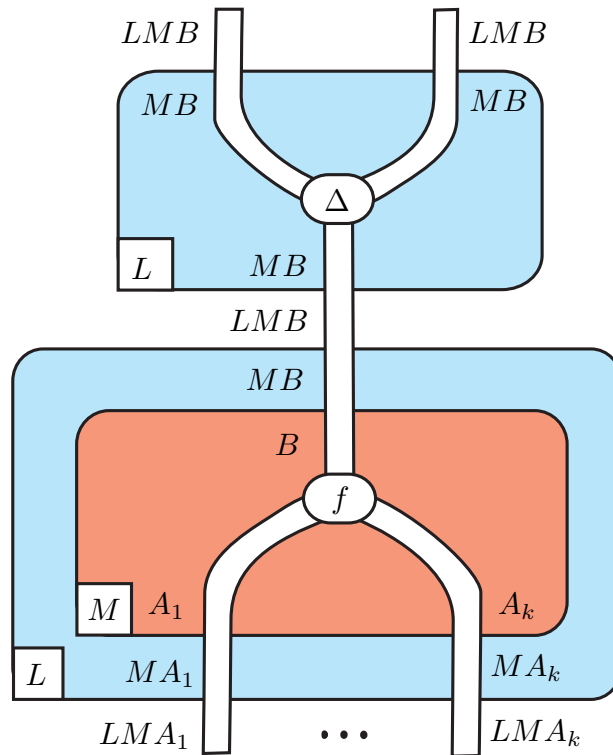
# Decomposition of the exponential box



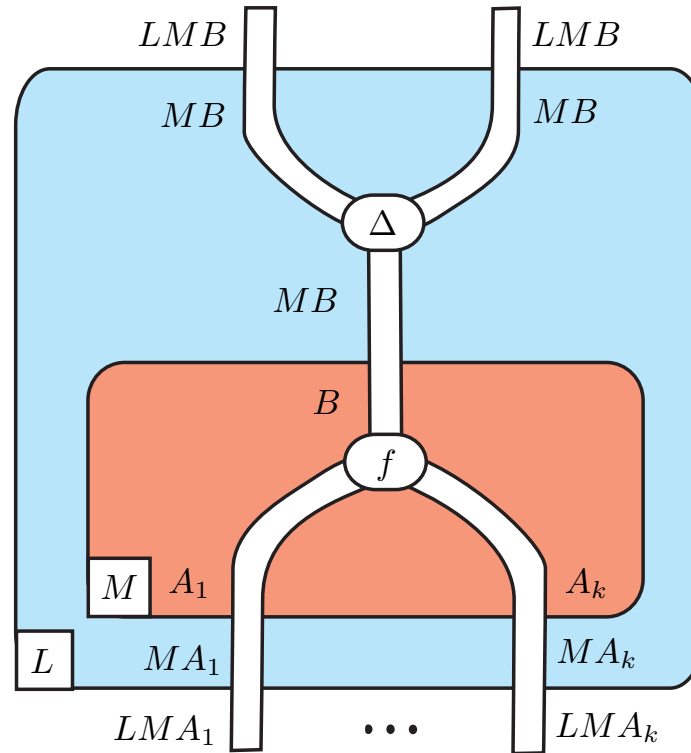
## Decomposition of the contraction node



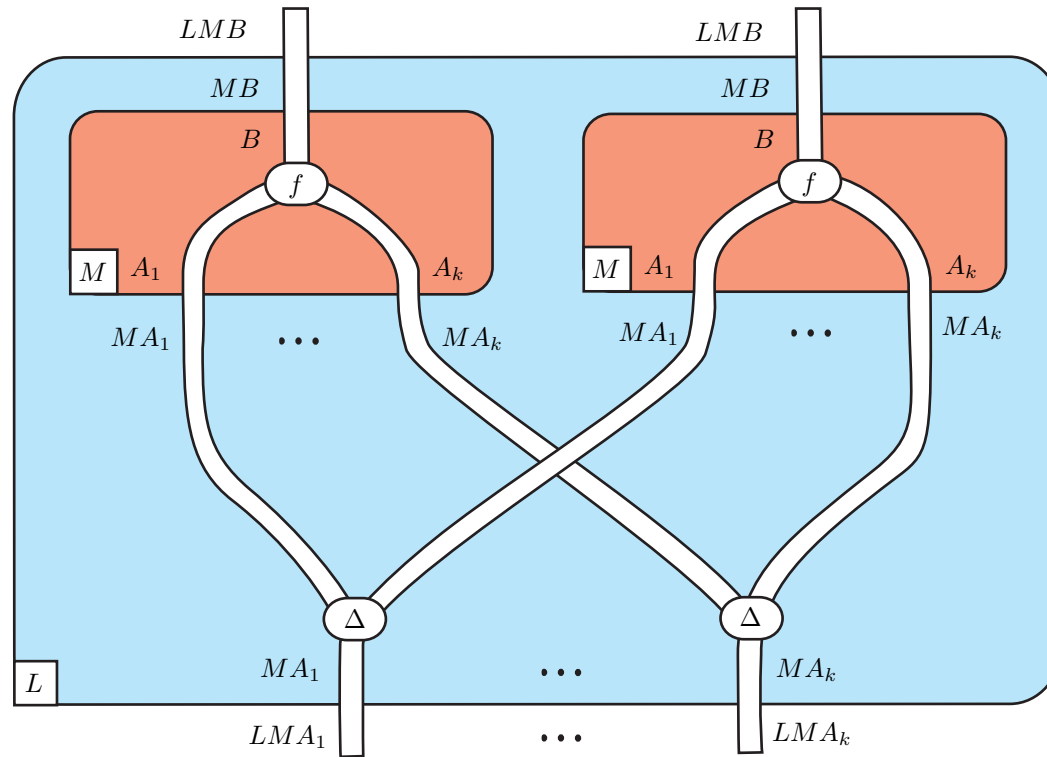
# Illustration: duplication of the exponential box



# Duplication (step 1)

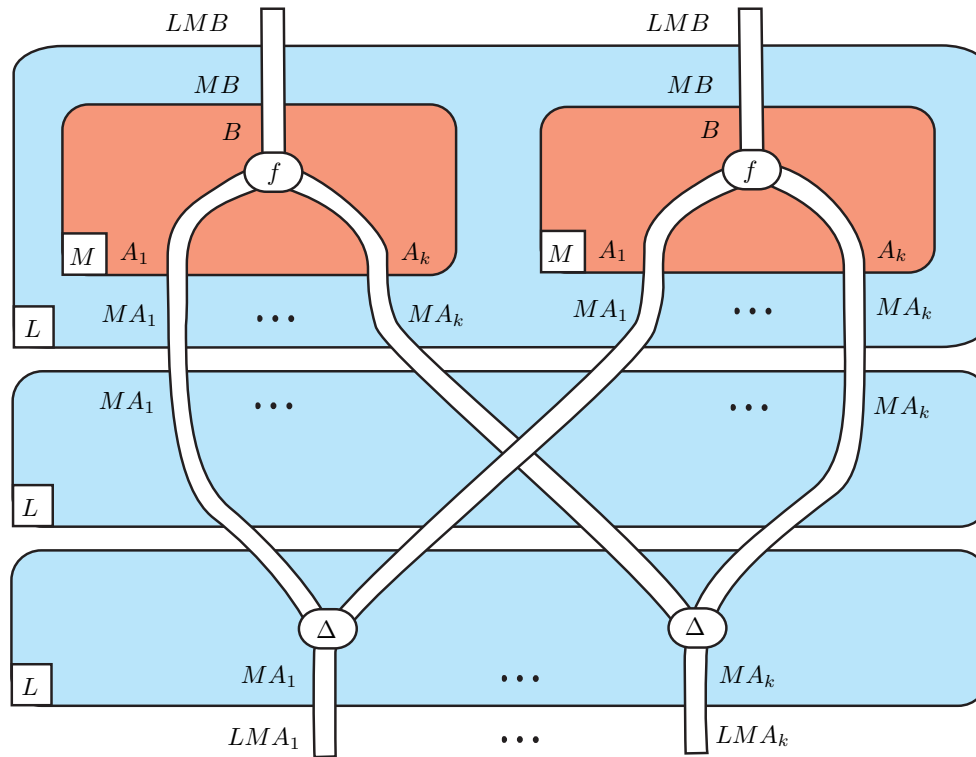


## Duplication (step 2)

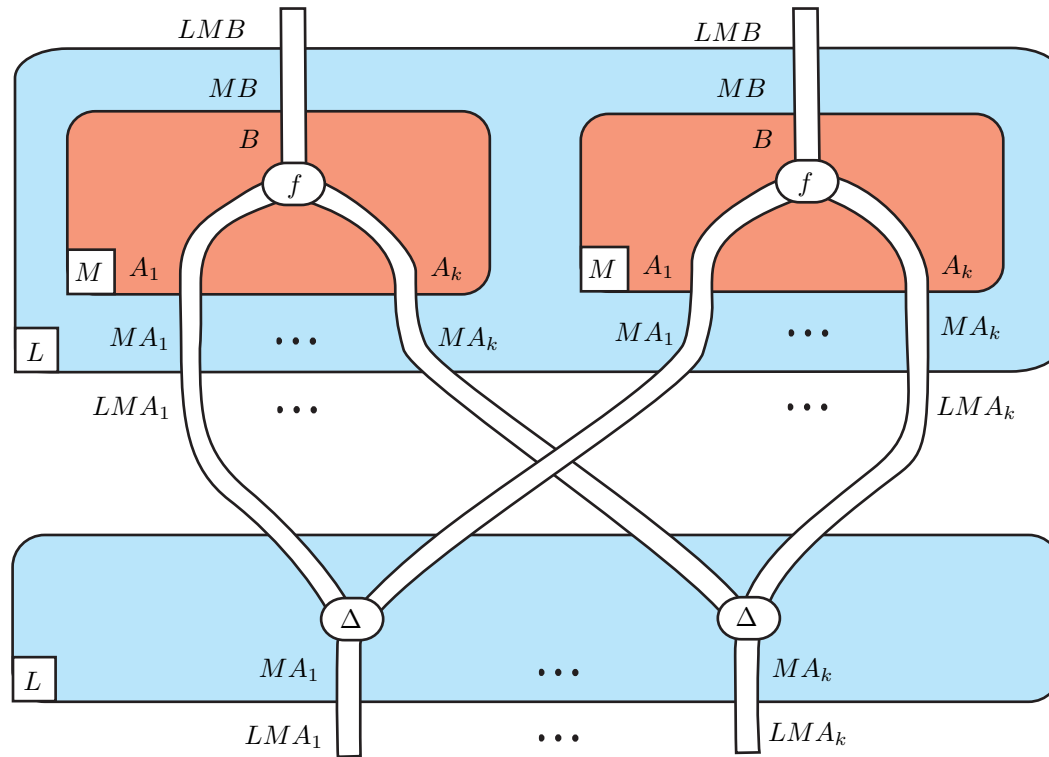




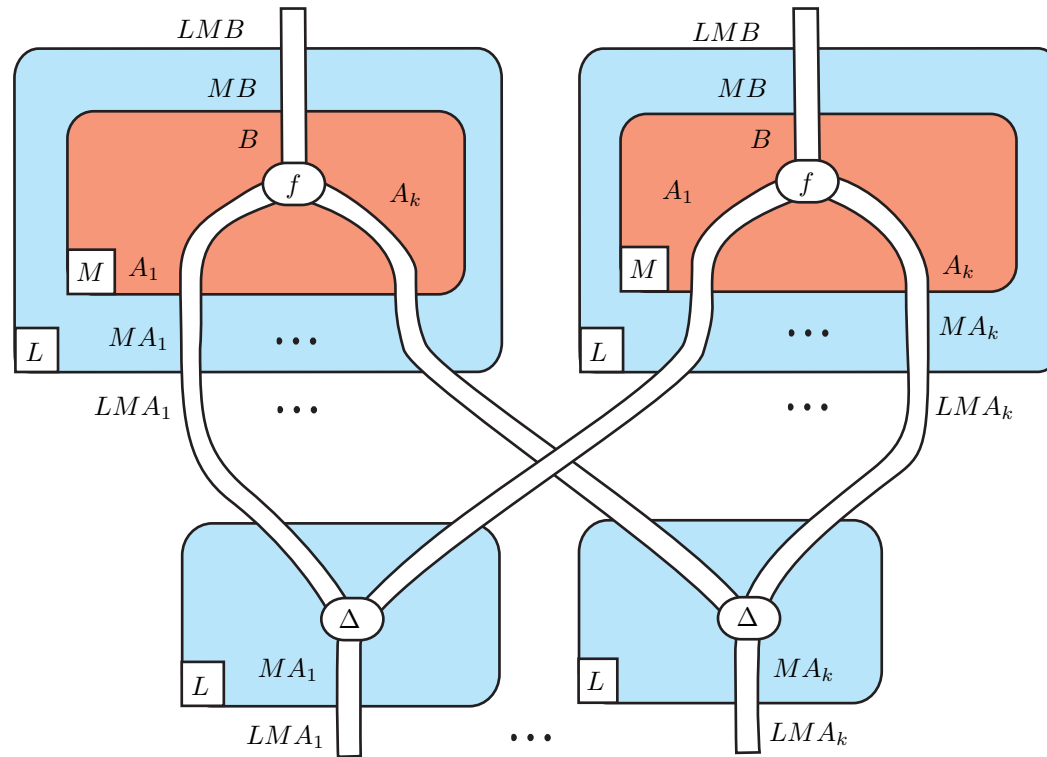
## Duplication (step 3)



## Duplication (step 4)



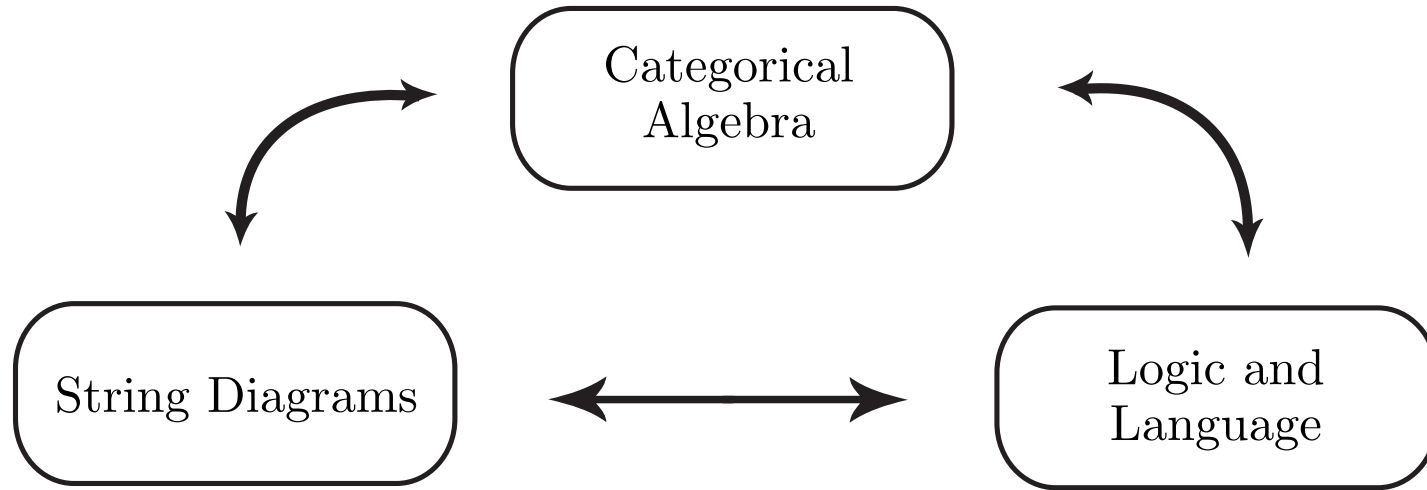
# Duplication (step 5)



**Five steps instead of one!**

Follows **faithfully** the categorical proof of **soundness**.

# Philosophy



**Thank you!**