

Non-Uniform Polynomial Time and Non-Wellfounded Parsimonious Proofs

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$\text{pop} \langle D, D, \dots, D, \dots \rangle$

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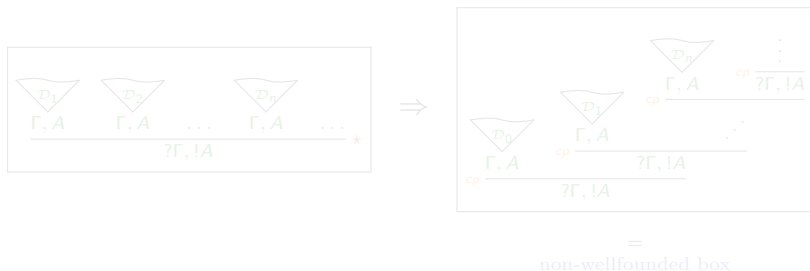
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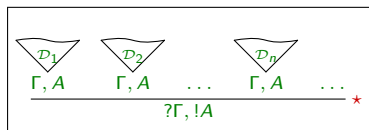
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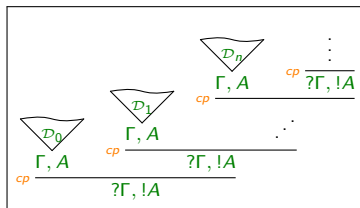
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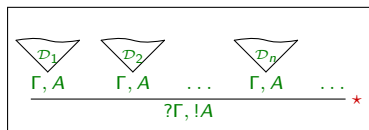
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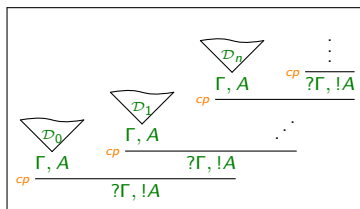
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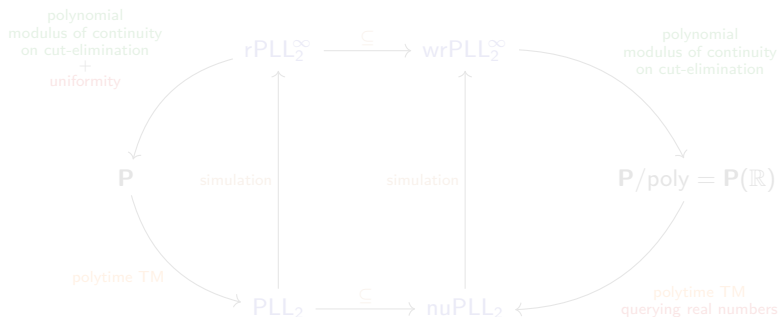
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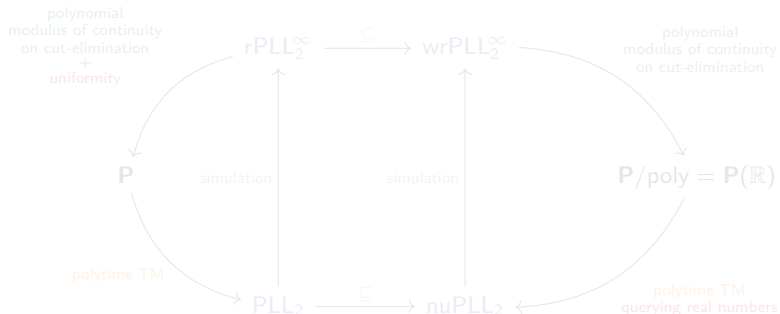


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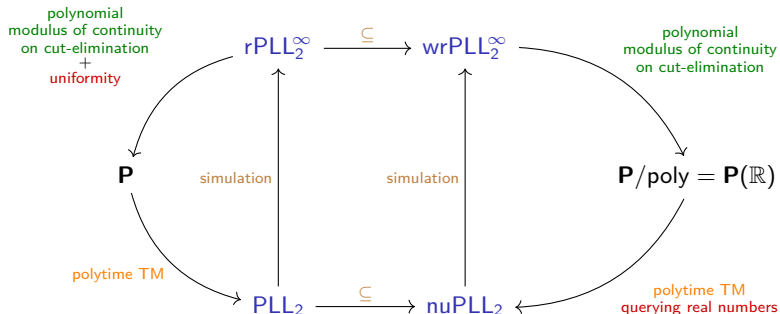


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... i.e., we restate in a non-wellfounded setting the results in [Maz15, MT15].

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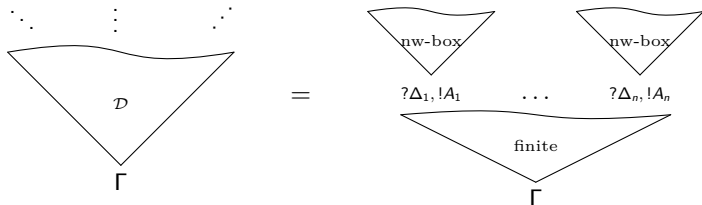
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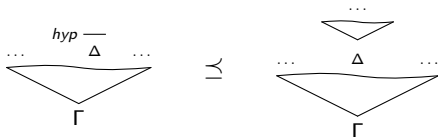
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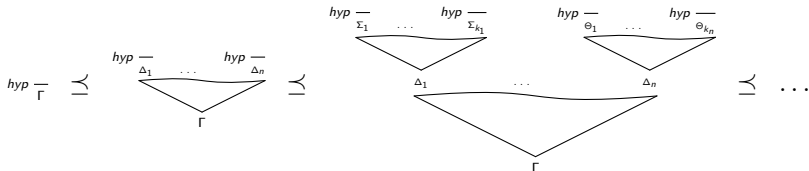
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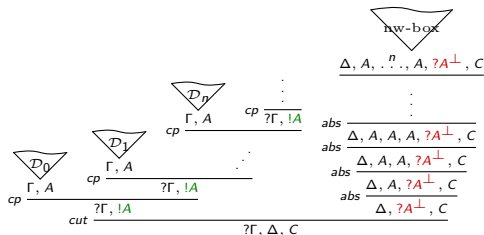
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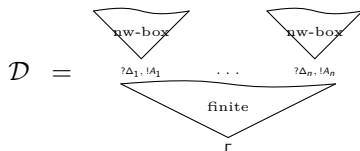
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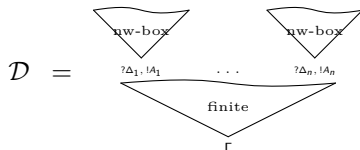


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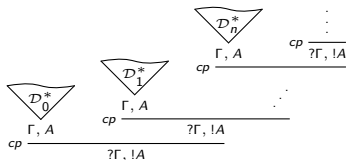
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- The class $\mathbf{FP}(\mathbb{R})$ consists of just the functions computable in polynomial time by a Turing machine with access to oracles from:

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