

Sikkel: Multimode Simple Type Theory as an Agda Library

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General Aim

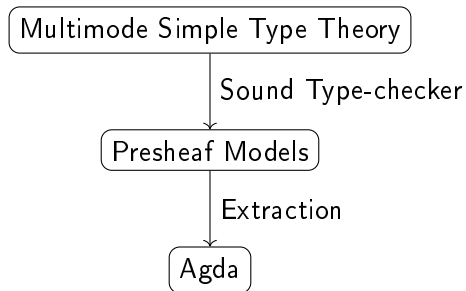
Dependently typed languages are based on type theories like MLTT or CIC.

Extensions of standard type theory with new primitives:

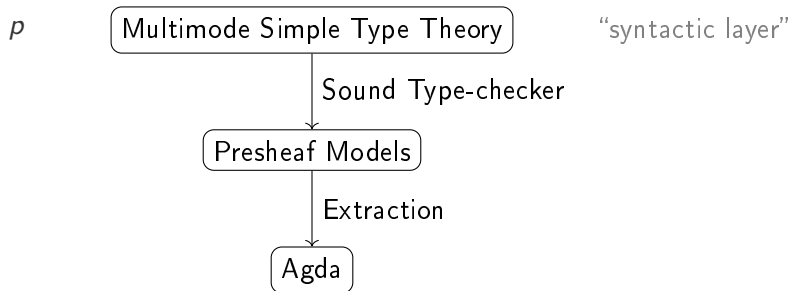
- guarded recursion,
- parametricity,
- univalence,
- directed type theory,
- nominal reasoning,
- ...

How to work in such extended theories within Agda, Coq, ...?

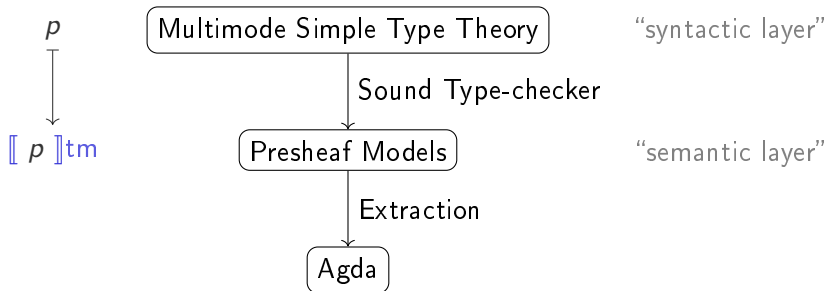
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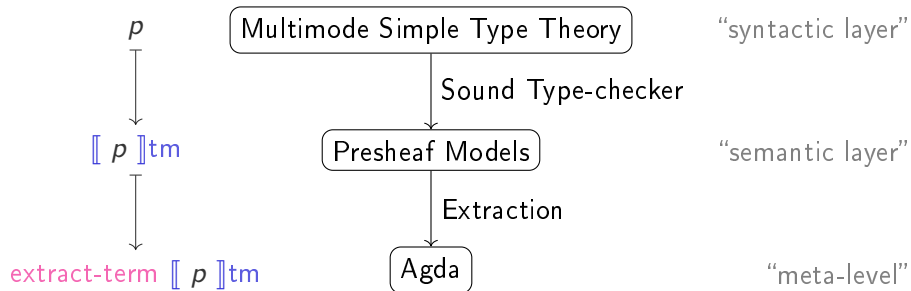
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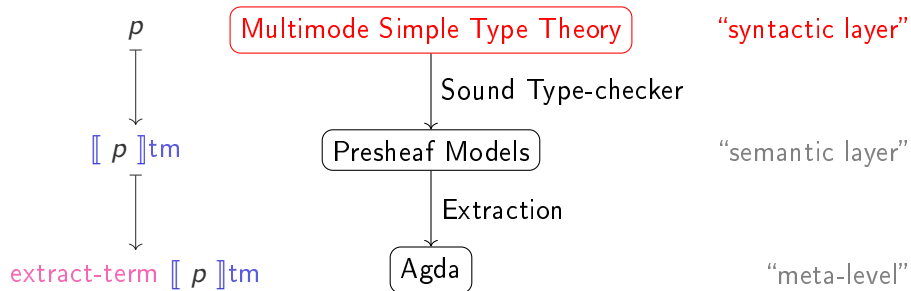
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Modality μ (from m to n) gives rise to type constructor & context operation `lock` (\approx left adjoint).

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{CtxExpr } m & \leftarrow & \text{CtxExpr } n \\ \Gamma, \text{lock} \langle \mu \rangle & \leftrightarrow & \Gamma \\ \text{TyExpr } m & \rightarrow & \text{TyExpr } n \\ T & \mapsto & \langle \mu \mid T \rangle \end{array}$$

MSTT by Example

$$m \xrightarrow{\mu} n \xrightarrow{\kappa} o$$

Constructing a function of type

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Running Example: Guarded Recursion

Coinductive streams in Agda:

```
record Stream (A : Set) : Set where
  coinductive
  field
    head : A
    tail : Stream A
```

```
zeros : Stream ℕ
head zeros = 0
tail zeros = zeros
```

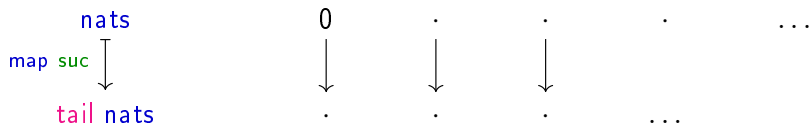
```
map : (A → B) → Stream A → Stream B
head (map f as) = f (head as)
tail (map f as) = map f (tail as)
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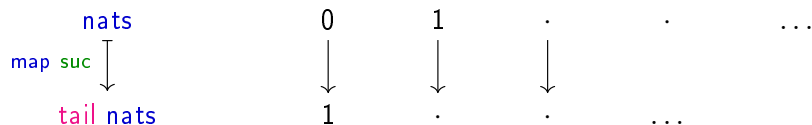


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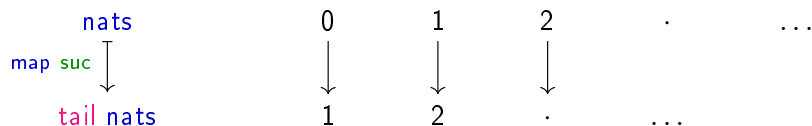


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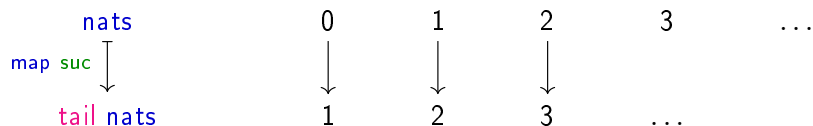


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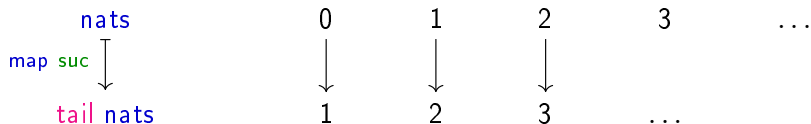


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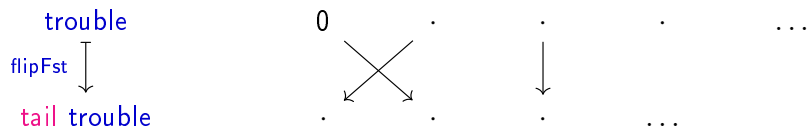
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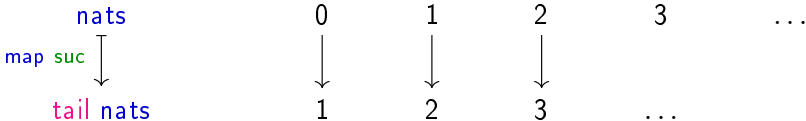


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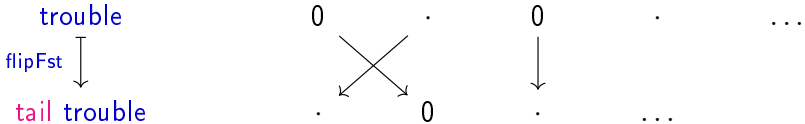
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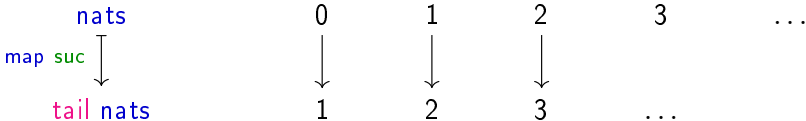


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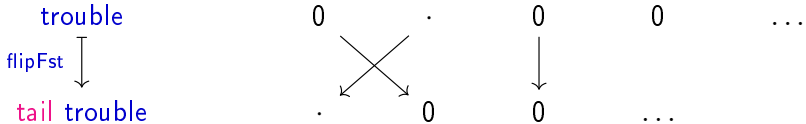
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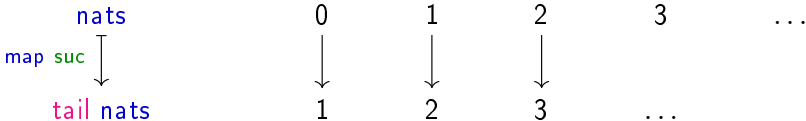


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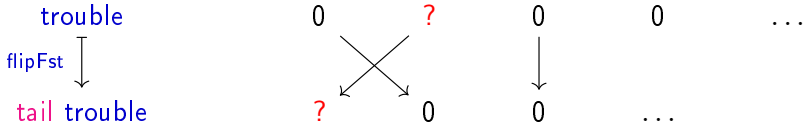
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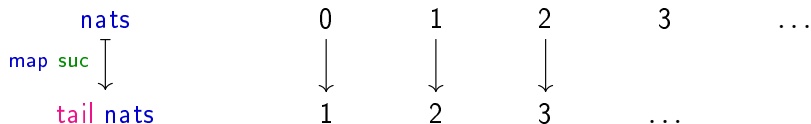
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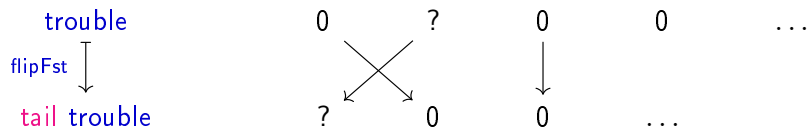


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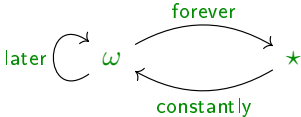
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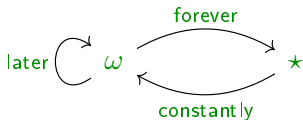


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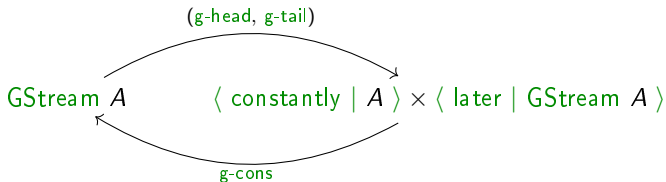
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New non-modal type/term constructors:



$$\frac{\Gamma, \text{later} \mid x \in T \vdash t : T @ \omega}{\Gamma \vdash \text{löb}[\text{later} \mid x \in T] t : T @ \omega}$$

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(Implementation: see paper.)

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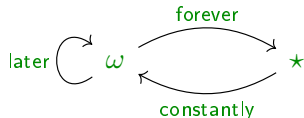
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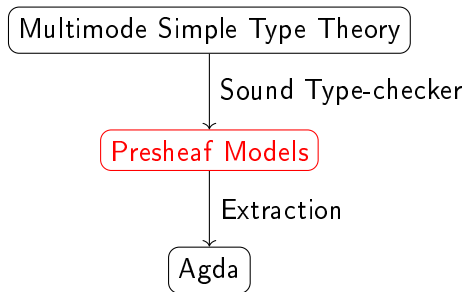
Guarded streams behave differently than Agda streams.

```
Stream' : TyExpr ★ → TyExpr ★  
Stream' A = ⟨ forever | GStream A ⟩
```



```
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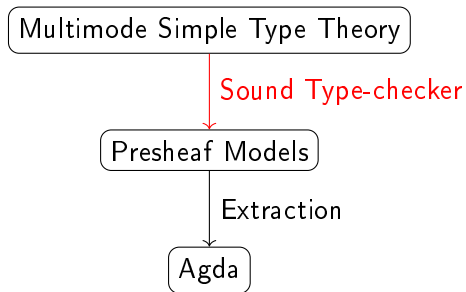
General presheaf model: contexts & types represented as diagrams, shape determined by base category.

Presheaf Models of Type Theory

MSTT	\rightsquigarrow	Presheaf model
<hr/>		
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Context	\rightsquigarrow	Presheaf $\Gamma : \mathbf{Ctx} \mathcal{C}$
Type	\rightsquigarrow	“Dependent presheaf” $T : \mathbf{Ty} \Gamma$
Term	\rightsquigarrow	“Dependent presheaf morphism” $t : \mathbf{Tm} \Gamma T$
Modality	\rightsquigarrow	Dependent right adjoint (DRA, Birkedal et al. (2020))

Note: Semantic types can depend on variables.

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Sound Type-checker

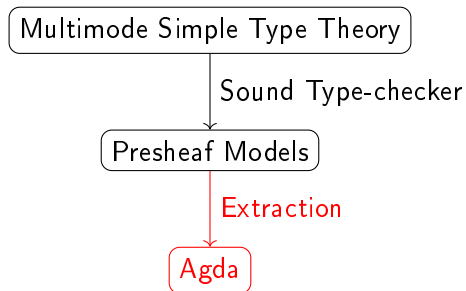
$$(\Gamma : \text{CtxExpr } m) \times (t : \text{TmExpr } m)$$

↓ infer-interpret

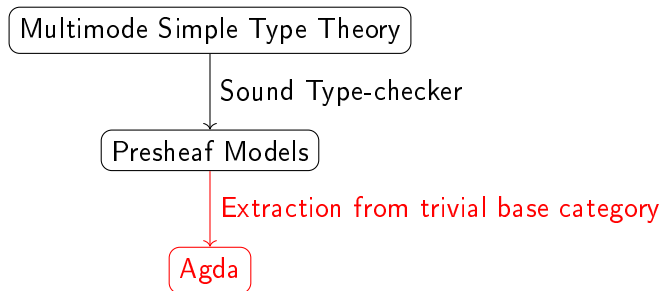
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User implementing new type theory must specify interpretations $\llbracket _ \rrbracket \text{mode}$, $\llbracket _ \rrbracket \text{modality}$, ...

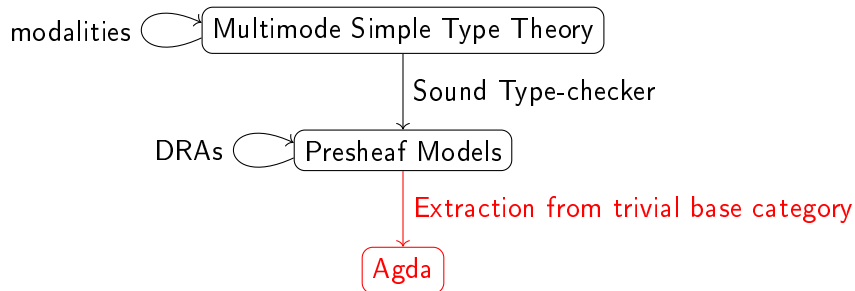
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Solution: type class `Extractable` for closed semantic types.

Instance provides intended translated type and function `extract-term` to apply isomorphism.

Constructing the Agda stream of natural numbers:

```
nats-agda : Stream ℕ
nats-agda = extract-term 
```

Conclusion

Sikkel allows to work in a **multi-modal** setting within **off-the-shelf** Agda and to interpret programs as Agda programs.

- MSTT parametrized by **general mode theory**.
- **Easy to extend** with extra (non-modal) primitives.
- Semantic layer fully general in **base category**. Extra example in paper: parametricity.
- Elegant **extraction mechanism** thanks to modes and modalities.

Future Work

- Support for **dependent types** at syntactic layer.
 - ▶ Challenging to implement interpretation that passes Agda's termination checker.
 - ▶ Intermediate step: **extensible program logic**, orthogonal to Sikkel's current 3 layers.
- Implementation of **Hofmann-Streicher universe** at semantic layer.
- Investigating **other applications** (ongoing exploration of nominal type theory).

Thanks for listening!
Questions?

<https://github.com/JorisCeulemans/sikkel/releases/tag/v1.0>