

(Automatically) verifying Morse reductions in Cubical Agda

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Background

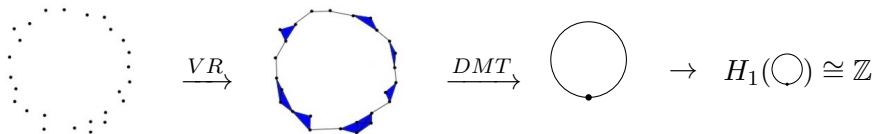
Project: Formalisation in applied topology, *using* and *automating* Cubical Agda's logic for homotopy types.

This talk:

- Overview of results.
- Convey “style” of proofs carried out.
- Outlook on improvements that'd be nice for CTT tools.

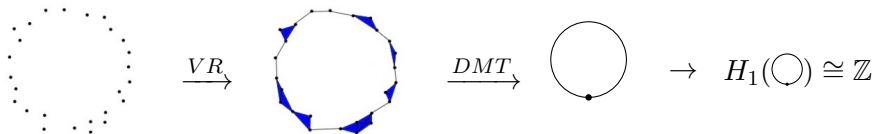
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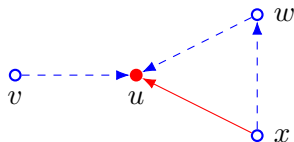
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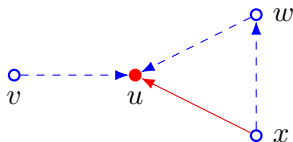


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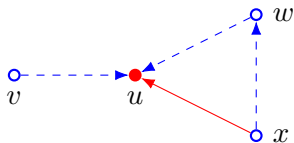
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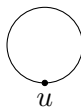
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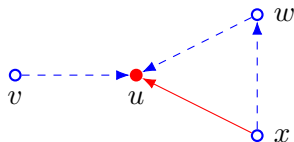
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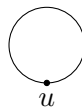
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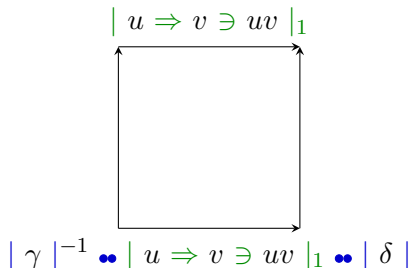
Central result: $| G | \equiv | M |$

- establish maps back and forth, e.g., define $| M_1 | \rightarrow | E |$:
 $| c \Rightarrow d \ni (uv, \gamma, \delta) |_1 \mapsto | \gamma |^{-1} \bullet | u \Rightarrow v \ni uv |_1 \bullet | \delta |$
- show that these maps are mutually inverse.

<https://cs.ox.ac.uk/people/maximilian.dore/thesis/html/Morse.Morse.html>

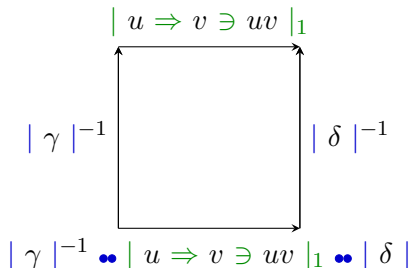
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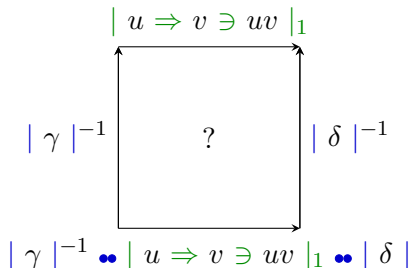
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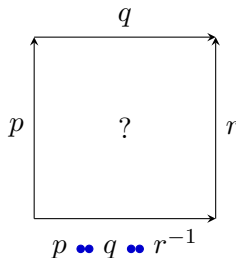
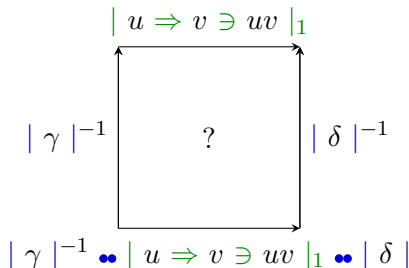
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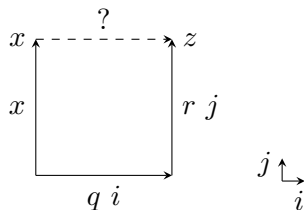
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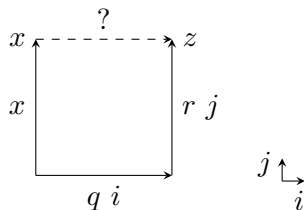
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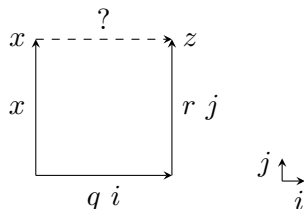
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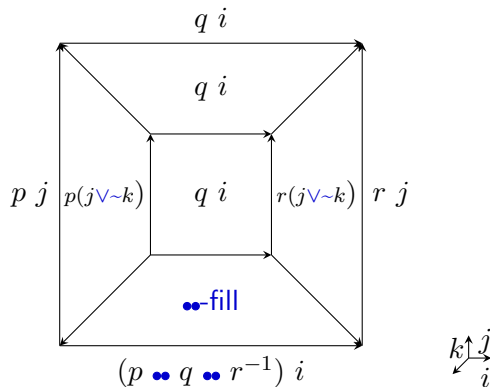
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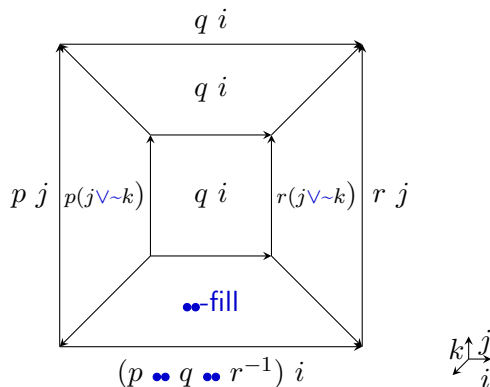
Find Kan compositions using finite domain constraint solving.

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Two issues:

- With growing dimension, there are *a lot* of contortions.
- Sides of the cube can also be the result of Kan composition.

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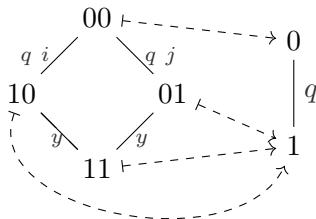
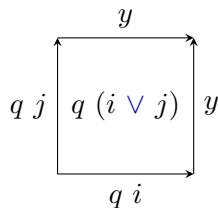
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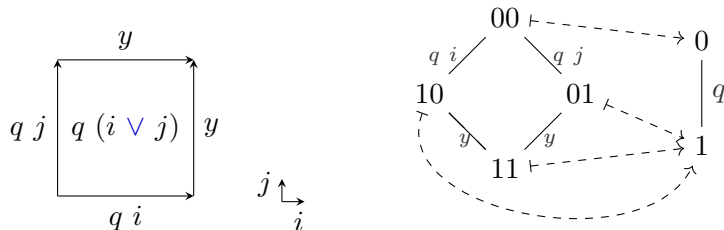


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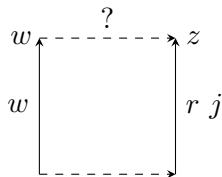
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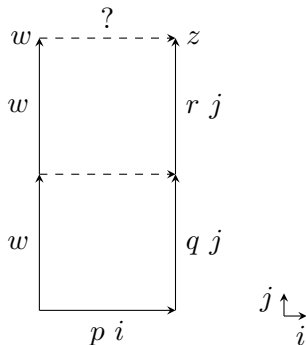
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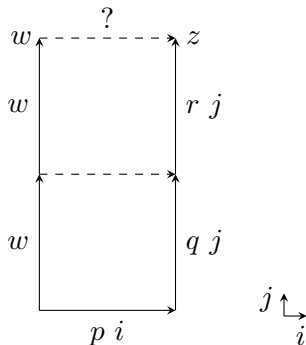
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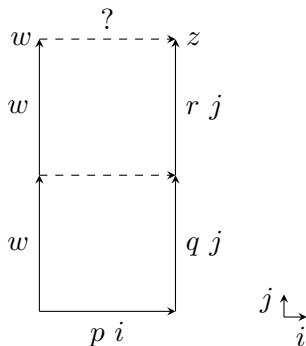
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Use as many contortions as possible, fill the remaining sides with Kan compositions afterwards.

Demo

`https://github.com/maxdore/dedekind`

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- Applied topology is a natural application for Cubical Agda.
- Being able to directly reason about homotopy types is neat, difficult combinatorial steps can be carried out by solver.

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