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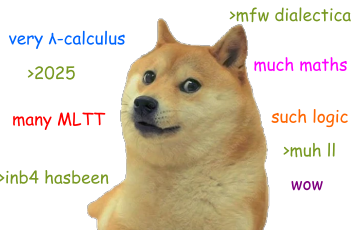
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*Synthetic frameworks have proved to be pivotal tools at the interface of mathematics and informatics, especially enabling concise formalizations and custom proof systems. Noteworthy achievements include homotopy type theory, synthetic **computability** theory, and synthetic algebraic geometry. Very similar paradigms characterize the related areas of logic-driven computational algebra and geometry, sheaf models and **modern realizability** theory, and **strong negation** for constructive reasoning with negative information. Contrasting yet complementary approaches are about to converge, emphasizing the imperative of unifying theoretical underpinnings with practical implementation. With the proposed seminar we aim to extend and deepen the convergence across disciplinary boundaries by fostering exchange and collaboration among experts and practitioners.*

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But still: <https://github.com/ppedrot/vitef/blob/master/dialectica/cwf.v>

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Part 0

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~> Ominous Nugget of Wisdom

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It is actually **simpler** in MLTT than in System T

A clear case where **more** expressivity helps

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A Bug In the Semi-Ring Matrix

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What do you think about all this?

↪ I managed to attract the attention of M. D. at TLLA'24, the more the merrier.

Thanks for your attention.