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1 Introduction

The purpose of **llconnex** is to define macros for the connectives of linear logic. The problem is that different authors use different symbols for these connectives, and that we wish to accommodate as many different tastes as possible.

My solution to this problem is two-fold. Firstly, to adopt the philosophy of Paul Taylor: that the source-code of the body of any T_EX document should reflect what the author *means*, rather than the notation which the author happens to be using. Secondly, to equip llconnex with options which take over the job of translating concepts into symbols in accordance with the user's preferred convention.

Thus the correct usage of llconnex is to include

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{usepackage}}[opt_1, \dots, opt_n] \{\texttt{llconnex}\}$

in the preamble of one's document.

At present, there exist three sets of options: one to control the denotations of conjunctions and disjunctions; one to control the denotations of negations; and one to control the denotations of implications. Future versions of llconnex may incorporate yet more.

It is possible to use llconnex without options—for example, the present document was prepared in this way—but this is only recommended if, as in the present document, the user needs to refer to symbols independently of the concepts they are intended to represent.

1.1 System Requirements

llconnex makes frequent use of stmaryrd.sty which appears to have become a standard tool. It is freely available at ...

2 Conjunctions and Disjunctions

The macros assigned to each of the (binary) conjunctions and disjunctions of linear logic are as follows:

multiplicative conjunction (alias: tensor, tenseur)	\mapsto	\tens
multiplicative disjunction (alias: par)	\mapsto	\parr
additive conjunction (alias: with, avec)	\mapsto	\with, \avec
additive disjunction (alias: plus)	\mapsto	\plus

The default macros for the units corresponding to each binary are

\uftens	(unit for \tens)	\uptens	(unite pour \tens)
\ufparr	(unit for \texttt{parr})	\upparr	(unite pour \parr)
\ufwith	(unit for \with)	\upavec	(unite pour \avec)
\ufplus	(unit for \plus)	\upplus	(unite pour \plus)

[These can be abbreviated using option uns—see below.]

Thus the users of llconnex are encouraged to type, for example,

x \parr \uftens (... or, x \parr \e)

whenever they mean "x par (the unit for tensor)"—irregardless of which symbols they happen to be using to denote "par" or "the unit for tensor".

2.1 The orthodox option: jyg

Linear logic was, of course, invented by J.-Y. Girard [3]; his notation is as follows:

х	\tens y	\mapsto	$x\otimes y$	\uftens	\mapsto	1
х	\parr y	\mapsto	$x \otimes y$	\ufparr	\mapsto	\bot
х	\with y	\mapsto	x & y	\ufwith	\mapsto	Т
х	\plus y	\mapsto	$x \oplus y$	\ufplus	\mapsto	0

2.2 A common heterodox option: cns

Many category theorists object to Girard's notation for a variety of reasons. Commonly cited objections include that:

- 1. the symbol \otimes is ugly and difficult to reproduce (both on the blackboard and in T_EX); and,
- 2. category theorists "always" use \times to denote product (*i.e.*, with), and + for coproduct (*i.e.*, plus).

Both of these are easily refutable, but that is not the point.

The notation used by M. Barr (who first defined the notion of *-autonomous category [1], which is often used to model MLL), J.R.B. Cockett and R.A.G. Seely (who are jointly responsible for the definition of *linear distributive* category [2], which can be used to model MLL-without-negation) is as follows:

х	\tens y	\mapsto	$x\otimes y$	\uftens	\mapsto	Т
х	\parr y	\mapsto	$x \oplus y$	\ufparr	\mapsto	\bot
х	\with y	\mapsto	$x \times y$	\ufwith	\mapsto	1
х	\plus y	\mapsto	x + y	\ufplus	\mapsto	0

2.3 A quantale theoretic option: cjm

Prior to J.-Y. Girard's invention of linear logic, C.J. Mulvey introduced quantale theory [4]. Quantales only model a fragment of linear logic, but it is an interesting fragment—in particular, they capture Girard's *phase space semantics*, [5].

Thus it seems only fair for llconnex to include a quantale-theoretic option:

х	\tens	у	\mapsto	x & y	\uftens	\mapsto	e
х	\parr	у	\mapsto	$x \otimes y$	\ufparr	\mapsto	d
х	\with	у	\mapsto	$x \wedge y$	\ufwith	\mapsto	1
х	\plus	у	\mapsto	$x \vee y$	\ufplus	\mapsto	0

2.4 A very strange option indeed: jme

To make matters worse, I entered the scene. I objected to all but the quantale-theoretic option as a result of the following inferences:

 $\frac{\text{(The symbol \otimes originiated in linear algebra)} \quad \text{(In } \mathbf{Vec}_{fd}, \text{ tensor and par coincide)}}{\frac{\text{(The original meaning of the symbol \otimes is that tensor and par coincide)}}{\text{(The symbol \otimes should only be used when tensor and par coincide)}}$

 $\frac{[\text{The symbol} \oplus \text{ originiated in linear algebra}] \quad [\text{In } \mathbf{Vec}_{fd}, with \text{ and } plus \text{ coincide}]}{[\text{The original meaning of the symbol} \oplus \text{ is that } with \text{ and } plus \text{ coincide}]}{[\text{The symbol} \oplus \text{ should only be used when } with \text{ and } plus \text{ coincide}]}}$

Eventually I hit upon the idea of breaking each of the symbols \otimes and \oplus into a conjunctive and a disjunctive part, and was thus led to the following system of notation:

х	\tens]	y ⊢→	$x \bowtie y$	\uftens	\mapsto	e
х	\parr ;	y ⊢→	$x \boxtimes y$	\ufparr	\mapsto	d
х	\with ;	y ⊢→	$x \pitchfork y$	\ufwith	\mapsto	t
х	\plus ;	y ⊢→	$x \uplus y$	\ufplus	\mapsto	0

[Unfortunately, it is more difficult to break apart the traditional symbols for the units of \otimes and \oplus (k and 0) in a meaningful way—my notation for units is justified as follows: d stands for "dualising" object; o stands for "original" (=initial) object; t stands for "terminal" object; and e is simply a generic symbol for neutral elements.]

2.5 Yet one more option: yom

By way of contrast, my only criticism of the quantale-theoretic notation is that the symbols \land, \lor are too closely associated with posets to be used for arbitrary categories. In particular, since categorical models of linear logic often happen to be order-enriched, it seems sensible to reserve \land, \lor to denote the meet and join of parallel arrows, when they exist.

Thus, while I consider cjm fine for the syntax of linear logic, I briefly—*i.e.*, prior to developing the notation of option jme—considered the following notation for the categorical semantics of linear logic:

Х	\tens	у	\mapsto	x & y	\uftens	\mapsto	e	
x	\parr	у	\mapsto	$x \otimes y$	\ufparr	\mapsto	d	
x	\with	у	\mapsto	$x \sqcap y$	\ufwith	\mapsto	t	
х	\plus	у	\mapsto	$x \sqcup y$	\ufplus	\mapsto	0	

and therefore include it in llconnex as an interesting relic.

2.6 Abbreviated macros for units: uns

My preferred notation for nullaries suggests the following abbreviations:

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\setminusuftens\leftarrow\setminuse\setminusufparr\leftarrow\setminusd\setminusufwith\leftarrow\setminust\setminusufplus\leftarrow\setminuso
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-these can be loaded by including option **uns** in addition to one of the options listed above. Note, however, that \d, \o and \t already have meanings in T_FX: by default,

> \d{a} produces a \o produces ø \t{a}{a} produces aa

—the option **uns** simply overrides these.

A user who needs one of these symbols should either not use this option, or include something along the lines of

\let\udot\d \let\nordico\o

at a point prior to \usepackage[...,uns]{llconnex}.

[Strangely, however, \let\tieover\t does not seem to have the desired effect.]

2.7 Indexed connectives

It is rare that one needs to deal with infinitary conjunctions and disjunctions in linear logic although this can occur, for instance in quantale theory.

Nevertheless, it seemed sensible to include "large" versions of each of the connectives described above, as these can also be used for finite indices—e.g., $\bigotimes_{j=1}^{n} x_{j}$.

The macros for these large connectives are \bigtens, \bigparr, \bigwith and \bigplus; in each case they produce a version of the ordinary binary symbol with appropriate spacing, except in option cns where \bigwith compiles to Π , and \bigplus compiles to Σ .

3 Negations and Implications

In linear logic proper there exists only one notion of linear negation, but in non-commutative linear logic, there exist two. Wishing to be all things to all people, **llconnex** accommodates the possibility of two linear negations, and therefore also of two linear implications.

linear negation (alias: perp)	\mapsto	\perp
reverse linear negation	\mapsto	\prep
linear implication (alias: lollipop)	\mapsto	\loll
reverse linear implication	\mapsto	\llol

By default, these compile as follows:

$$\begin{array}{rrrr} \texttt{perp}\{\mathtt{x}\} & \mapsto & x^{\perp} \\ \texttt{prep}\{\mathtt{y}\} & \mapsto & ^{\perp}y \\ \mathtt{x} \texttt{loll } \mathtt{z} & \mapsto & x \multimap z \\ \mathtt{z} \texttt{llol} & \mathtt{y} & \mapsto & z \multimap y \end{array}$$

but options can be used to change these.

Note that \perp and \prep take an argument; either used alone will produce an error. When referring to linear negation as a functor, it is advisable to pre-define a blank space $(e.g., \def\blank{(-)})$, so that one can simply write \perp\blank.

3.1 Alternatives for negations

Many category theorists, such as M. Barr and myself, prefer to denote linear negations with asterisks, as is standard in duality theory. We therefore include an option **ast**, which produces the following results:

$$\begin{array}{rrrr} \texttt{perp}\{\mathtt{x}\} & \mapsto & x^* \\ \texttt{prep}\{\mathtt{y}\} & \mapsto & {}^*y \end{array}$$

Other category theorists, such as A. Joyal and R. Street, apparently object to having superscripts on the left. Option jns produces their notation, which is as follows:

$$\begin{array}{rrrr} \texttt{perp}\{\mathtt{x}\} & \mapsto & x^* \\ \texttt{prep}\{\mathtt{y}\} & \mapsto & y^{\vee} \end{array}$$

Another convention for avoiding superscripts on the left, is provided by option mus:

$$\begin{array}{rrr} \texttt{perp}\{\texttt{a}\} & \mapsto & a^{\sharp} \\ \texttt{prep}\{\texttt{b}\} & \mapsto & b^{\flat} \end{array}$$

—anyone who has played the piano will find this natural.

3.2 Alternatives for implication

The lollipop symbols for linear implication are nearly universal. The only exceptions occur in quantale theory papers, where "residuations" are commonly denoted with ordinary arrows.

Option **arr** produces

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \mathbf{x} & \texttt{loll} & \mathbf{z} & \mapsto & x \to z \\ \mathbf{z} & \texttt{llol} & \mathbf{y} & \mapsto & z \leftarrow y \end{array}$

and option Arr produces

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \mathbf{x} \ \mbox{loll} \ \mathbf{z} & \mapsto & x \Rightarrow z \\ \mathbf{z} \ \mbox{llol} \ \mathbf{y} & \mapsto & z \Leftarrow y \end{array}$

4 Exponentials

Options for exponentials are redundant, as all authors seem to agree on how to denote them: ! for the negative one (*alias*: bang, of course, *bien sûr*), and ? for the positive one (*alias*: whimper, why not, *pourquoi pas*).

The macros for these symbols are

bang, of course, $bien \ s\hat{u}r \mapsto \ \$ bang, \duhh, \bsur whimper, why not, $pourquoi \ pas \mapsto \$ \whim, \ynot, \ppas

5 Other connectives

Future versions of **llconnex** may incorporate macros for the linear co-implications, and for connectives appearing in extensions of linear logic, *e.g.* the non-commutative *seque* operations.

6 Symbols new and old

6.1 Superimposed math symbols

Only four symbols defined in **llconnex** are entirely new: the binary "partial tensor product" symbols, \bowtie and \bowtie and their large versions, \bowtie and \bowtie . These can, at any time, be produced using the macros **\ntimes**, **\utimes**, **\bigntimes** and **\bigutimes**, respectively. Understanding how these symbols are created will allow the user to create many more similar symbols— \bowtie , \bowtie , \varnothing *c*—should the need arise.

Firstly, llconnex defines a symbol fixtimes, which is simply a smaller version of \times and a symbol fixcup which is a slightly lower version of \cup . Next, llconnex creates a means of superimposing two math symbols, mathsuperimpose. Finally, llconnex defines ntimes and utimes by mathsuperimpose-ing a fixtimes on a cap and a fixcup, respectively;

\bigntimes and \bigutimes are defined by \mathsuperimpose-ing an ordinary \times on a \bigcap and a \bigcup, respectively.

Thus \bowtie can be obtained by \mathsuperimpose\fixtimes\sqcap and \bowtie by \mathsuperimpose\circ\fixcup. Note that the wider of the two symbols (if they are not equal in width) should be placed as the second argument of \mathsuperimpose.

6.2 Ampersand and ampersor

The symbols &, \Im are part of the stmaryrd package, which is required for llconnex.

There they go under the names \binampersand and \bindnasrepma, respectively, but llconnex defines \amper and \repma, to mean better-spaced versions of the same.

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\def\amper{\mathrel{\binampersand}}
\def\repma{\mathrel{\bindnasrepma}}
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It also defines \bigamper and \bigrepma for indexed conjunctions and disjunctions.

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\def\bigamper{\mathop{\binampersand}\limits}
\def\bigrepma{\mathop{\bindnasrepma}\limits}
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6.3 Others

The symbol \oplus also exists in stmaryrd.sty, where it goes under the name \nplus; and \oplus is, of course, standard under the name \uplus.

The definitions of \loll and \llol were stolen from R.A.G. Seely's list of macros, ragsmac.tex; llconnex also defines a number of similar symbols:

\sqloll	\mapsto	$-\Box$	\sqllol	\mapsto	\Box -
\varloll	\mapsto	-•	\varllol	\mapsto	•
\doubloll	\mapsto	-0	\doubllol	\mapsto	⊚–.

7 Bugs, tips, &c.

The definition of fixtimes uses hard measures which are optimised for 12pt fonts; these can, however, be redefined. For example, if using 11pt font, I recommend $def quasipt{0.75pt}$ and, if using 10pt font, $def quasipt{0.67pt}$ to produce better results for \bowtie and \bowtie . These commands should appear immediately after, not before, $usepackage[...]{llconnex}$.

Moreover, the scriptscript-size version of fixtimes is simply a dot, which is less than ideal. Thus, for example, {\scriptscriptstyle x \ntimes y} produces only $x \cap y$. Hopefully, this should not cause many problems. A useful tip, when using Xy-pic, is to include the command $letlabelstyle\textstyle$ to increase the size of arrow names.

If you appreciate llconnex, then keep an eye out for mnats.sty which will attempt to do for those natural transformations which commonly arise in monoidal category theory what llconnex does for functors.

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