

# DOUBLE CATEGORICAL EQUIVALENCES

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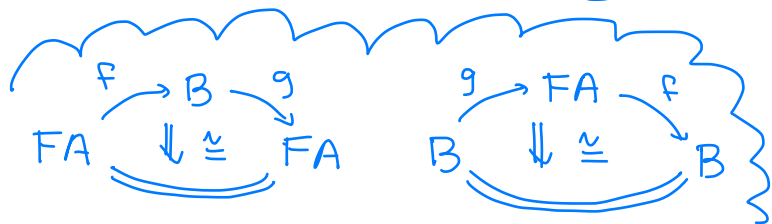


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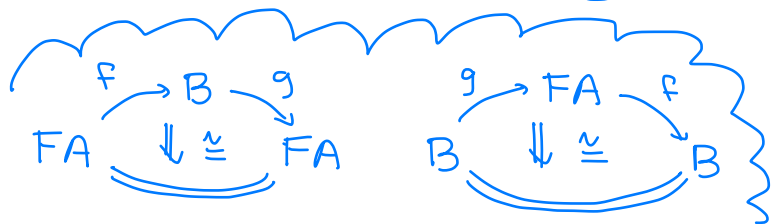
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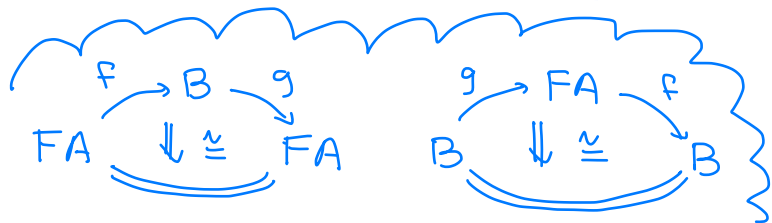
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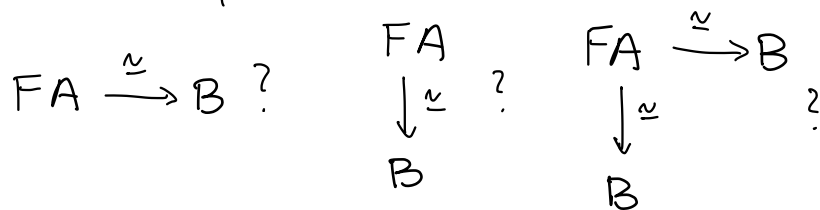
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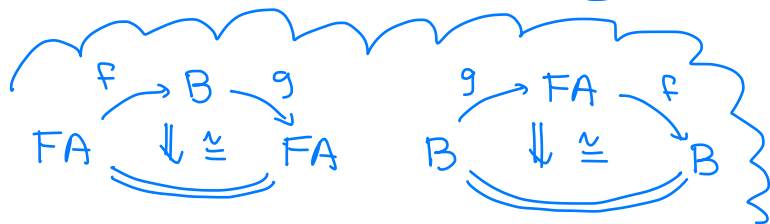


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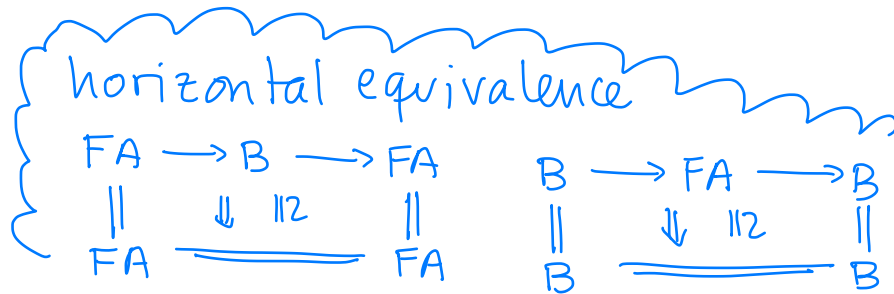
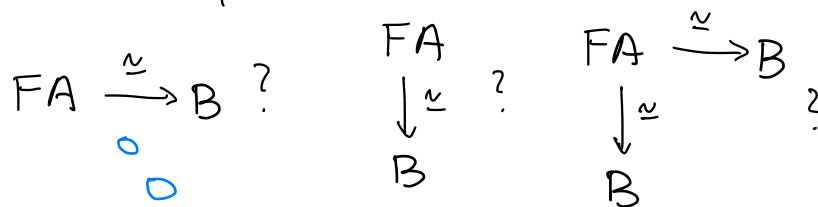
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All these studied by Fiore-Paoli-Pronk [FPP].

Super interesting — but not quite what we're looking for



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Cor [MSV] Any other such model structure has the gregarious double equivs as the weak equivs between fibrant objects.

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# EXAMPLES:

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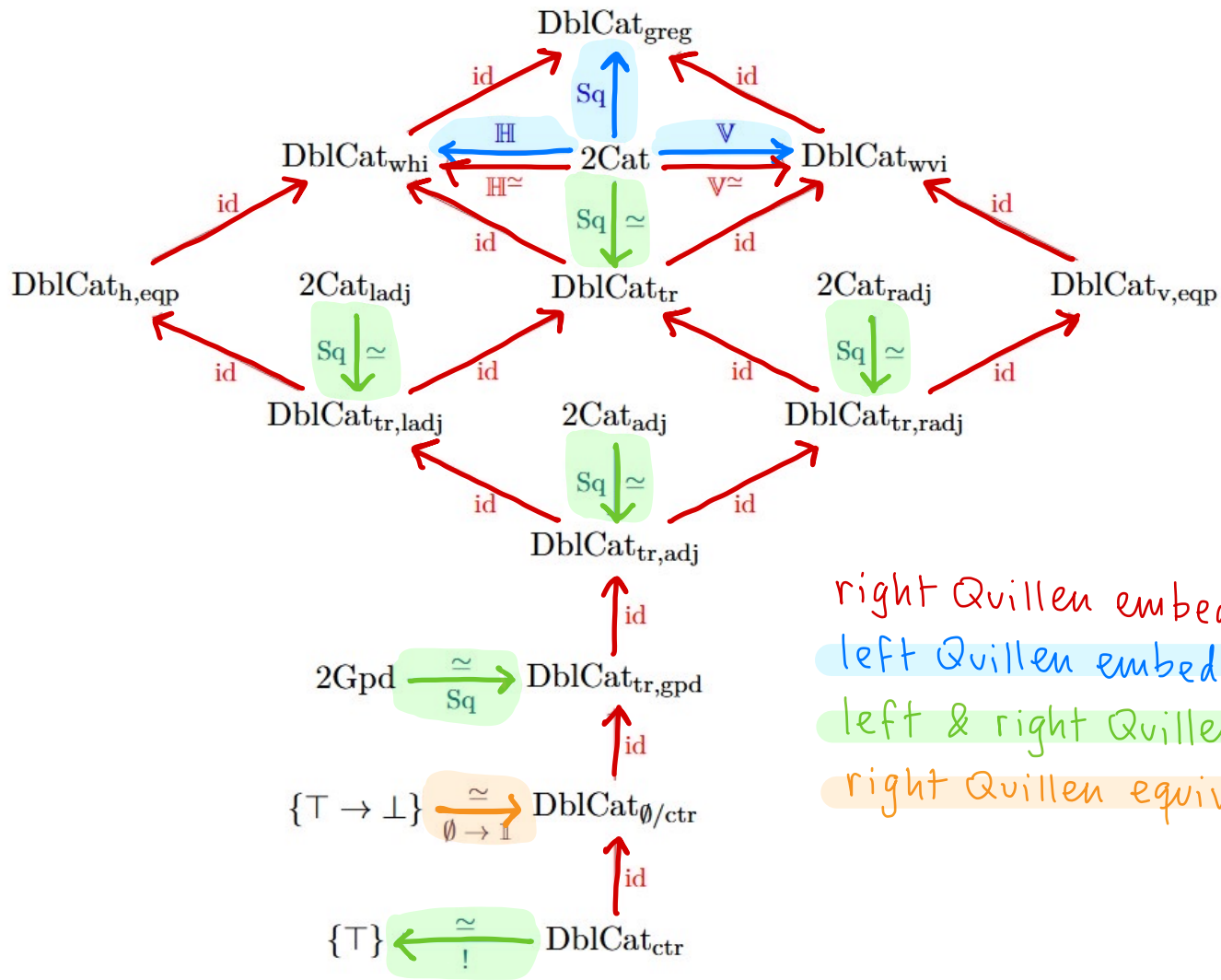
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