

# Generic expansions of countable models

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## Plan:

- define two different notions of a generic **automorphism**, with an easy example;
- define two corresponding notions of generic **expansion**:
  - ‘generic’ (*rich*) expansions in the context of ‘inductive amalgamation classes’
  - Truss-Ivanov generic expansions
- explain the relationship between the two in an easy special case (i.e. the base structure is  $\omega$ -categorical);
- sketch a generalization.

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Let  $T_{rich} := \text{Th}\{(M, \sigma) : M \models T, \sigma \text{ Lascar-generic}\}$ .

If  $T$  is stable:

1. Lascar-generic automorphisms exist;
2.  $T_0$  has a model companion  $T_A \Rightarrow T_A = T_{rich}$ ;
3.  $T_{rich}$  is model-complete  $\Rightarrow T_{rich}$  is the model companion of  $T_0$ .

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