β -equivalence of linear planar λ -terms

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Abstract. The correspondence between linear λ -terms and trivalent rooted maps inherits some interesting properties from rooted maps to linear λ -terms. As an example, the genus is one of them. Using the genus of a λ -term to measure its complexity, the λ -term with genus zero (or planar terms) are the simplest. And for this kind of λ -terms there are easier procedures to decide β -equivalence.

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