

PLAN FOR TODAY

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PART 1

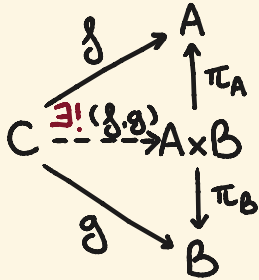
- recap cartesian categories
- (symmetric) monoidal categories
- string diagrams (& de-notation)
- monoids, comonoids & modules
- Fox's theorem

PART 2

- (symmetric) monoidal functors
- coherence & strictification (overview)
- (symmetric) monoidal natural transformations

RECAP: CARTESIAN CATEGORIES

CARTESIAN PRODUCT



$\leadsto A \times B$ is the resource A
in parallel with
the resource B

CARTESIAN CATEGORY

ℓ category with

- a terminal object 1
- for all objects A and B , their cartesian product $A \times B$

RECAP: PROPERTIES OF CARTESIAN PRODUCTS

CARTESIAN PRODUCT FUNCTOR

$$(- \times -) : \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$$

$$(A, B) \mapsto A \times B$$

$$(f, g) \mapsto f \times g$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & A' \\ \uparrow \pi_A & & \uparrow \pi_{A'} \\ A \times B & \xrightarrow[\exists!]{f \times g} & A' \times B' \\ \downarrow \pi_B & & \downarrow \pi_{B'} \\ B & \xrightarrow{g} & B' \end{array}$$

$\leadsto f \times g$ is the process that executes f and g in parallel

ASSOCIATIVITY & UNITALITY

$$\alpha_{A,B,C} : A \times (B \times C) \xrightarrow{\cong} (A \times B) \times C$$

$$\lambda_A : A \xrightarrow{\cong} 1 \times A \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_A : A \xrightarrow{\cong} A \times 1$$

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES : INTRO

Cartesian categories provide an algebra of

sequential and parallel composition.

$$f:A \rightarrow B, g:B \rightarrow C \Rightarrow f;g:A \rightarrow C$$

$$f:A \rightarrow B, f':A' \rightarrow B' \Rightarrow f \times f': A \times A' \rightarrow B \times B'$$

Monoidal categories generalise this aspect of cartesian categories.

→ object represent resources

arrows represent processes/computations

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

STRICT MONOIDAL CATEGORY

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I)$

- $\mathcal{C}$ category
- $(-\otimes-) : \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ functor
- $I \in \text{obj } \mathcal{C}$

tensor/
(monoidal product)
(monoidal unit)

such that

- $A \otimes (B \otimes C) = (A \otimes B) \otimes C$
- $A \otimes I = A$
- $I \otimes A = A$

(associativity)
(unitality)

$\leadsto$ the objects of $\mathcal{C}$ form a monoid
the arrows of $\mathcal{C}$ form a monoid

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

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→ natural isomorphisms
+ coherence conditions

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

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- $I \in \text{obj } \mathcal{C}$
- natural isomorphisms

$$\alpha : - \otimes (- \otimes -) \Rightarrow (- \otimes -) \otimes -$$

$$\lambda : \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}} \Rightarrow I \otimes \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}$$

$$\rho : \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}} \Rightarrow \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes I$$

such that

$$(\triangleleft)$$

$$(\triangle)$$

^{tensor/}
(monoidal product)
(monoidal unit)

(associator)
(left and right
unitors)

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

α, λ, ρ such that

($\square$) PENTAGON
EQUATION

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \otimes (B \otimes (C \otimes D)) & \xrightarrow{id_A \otimes \alpha_{B,C,D}} & A \otimes ((B \otimes C) \otimes D) \\
 \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C \otimes D} & & \searrow \alpha_{A,B \otimes C,D} \\
 (A \otimes B) \otimes (C \otimes D) & = & (A \otimes (B \otimes C)) \otimes D \\
 \searrow \alpha_{A \otimes B,C,D} & & \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C} \otimes id_D \\
 & ((A \otimes B) \otimes C) \otimes D &
 \end{array}$$

(Δ) TRIANGLE
EQUATION

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & A \otimes B & \\
 id_A \otimes \lambda_B \swarrow & & \searrow \rho_A \otimes id_B \\
 A \otimes (I \otimes B) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,I,B}} & (A \otimes I) \otimes B
 \end{array}$$

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES : EXAMPLES

- Cartesian categories $(\mathcal{C}, \times, 1)$ ex. $(\text{Set}, \times, 1)$
 $\leadsto f \times g$ is f and g
- Coproduct categories $(\mathcal{C}, +, 0)$ ex. $(\text{Set}, +, \emptyset)$
 $\leadsto f + g$ is f or g
- $(\text{Cat}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}), \circ, \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}})$
- $(\text{Ab}, \otimes, \mathbb{Z})$ of abelian groups with their tensor product

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES : MORE EXAMPLES

- $(\text{Mon}, \otimes, I)$ of monoids (details later)
- $(\text{Mod}, \otimes, I)$ of modules (details later)
- Linear maps between vector or hilbert spaces
 $(\text{Vect}, \otimes, I)$ and $(\text{Hilb}, \otimes, I)$
 $\leadsto$ **PROJECT IDEA:**  Jleunen & Komell (2022)
 Axioms for the category of hilbert spaces
- Many more examples next time
 $\hookrightarrow (\text{Par}, \times, 1), (\text{Rel}, \times, 1), \dots$

ENDOFUNCTORS

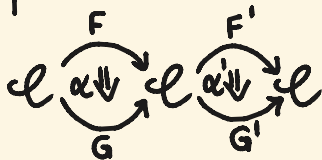
$\text{Cat}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C})$:

objects are functors $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$

morphisms are natural transformations $\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{F} \mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{G} \mathcal{C}$

composition is vertical composition $\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\alpha \Downarrow \beta} \mathcal{C}$

monoidal product is horizontal composition



monoidal unit is the identity functor

ENDOFUNCTORS

PROPOSITION

$(\text{Lat}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}), \circ, \text{id}_{\mathcal{L}})$ is a strict monoidal category.

PROOF

Exercise. $\square$

STRING DIAGRAMS

convenient syntax for monoidal categories.

Arrows are boxes with possibly many or no inputs/outputs.

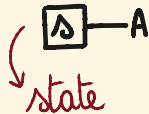
$$f: A \rightarrow B$$



$$h: A \otimes B \rightarrow C \otimes D \otimes E$$



$$\Delta: I \rightarrow A$$



$$\mu: A \rightarrow I$$



$$\text{id}_A: A \rightarrow A$$



📄 Joyal & Street (1991) The geometry of tensor calculus 1

STRING DIAGRAMS

Sequential and parallel composition

$$f; g : A \rightarrow C$$



$$f \otimes h : A \otimes A \otimes B \rightarrow B \otimes C \otimes D \otimes E$$



Structural equations become trivial

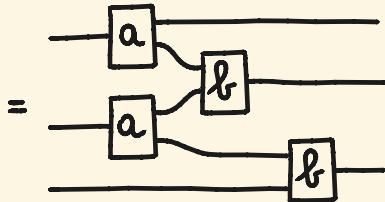
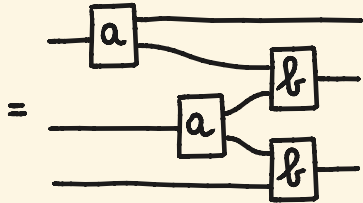
$$f; \text{id}_B = A - \boxed{f} - B = A - \boxed{f} - B = f$$

$$(f \otimes f'); (g \otimes g') = \begin{array}{c} A - \boxed{f} - C \\ A' - \boxed{f'} - C' \end{array} = (f; g) \otimes (f'; g')$$

↖ interchange law

STRING DIAGRAMS ARE NICE

$(a \otimes \text{id} \otimes \text{id}); (\text{id} \otimes \text{id} \otimes a \otimes \text{id}); (\text{id} \otimes b \otimes b)$



$= (a \otimes a \otimes \text{id}); (\text{id} \otimes b \otimes \text{id} \otimes \text{id}); (\text{id} \otimes \text{id} \otimes b)$

STRING DIAGRAMS ARE FORMAL

THEOREM

A well-typed equation between arrows in a monoidal category is a consequence of the axioms iff it holds in string diagrams up to planar isotopy.

⇒ more on this later

SYMMETRIES

In some monoidal categories, resources can be permuted.

For all objects A and B , there is a symmetry

$$\sigma_{A,B} : A \otimes B \rightarrow B \otimes A$$

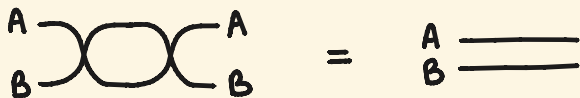


SYMMETRIES

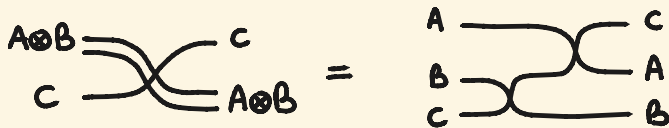
Symmetries satisfy some equations



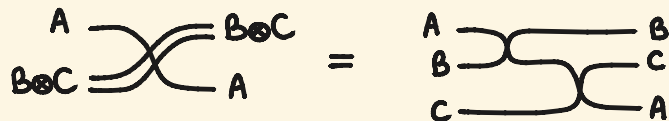
(naturality)



(invertibility)



($\square$ equations)



INTERLUDE: BRAIDINGS

In some monoidal categories, the way of permuting resources matters.

$$\sigma_{A,B} : A \otimes B \rightarrow B \otimes A$$



$$\sigma_{A,B}^{-1} : B \otimes A \rightarrow A \otimes B$$



$$\text{Diagram of } \sigma_{A,B} \circ \sigma_{A,B}^{-1} = \text{Diagram of } \text{id}_{A \otimes B} = \text{Diagram of } \sigma_{A,B}^{-1} \circ \sigma_{A,B}$$

$$\text{Diagram of } \sigma_{A,B} \neq \text{Diagram of } \text{id}_{A \otimes B}$$

SYMMETRIC MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

SYMMETRIC MONOIDAL CATEGORY

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho, \sigma)$

- $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ monoidal category
- $\sigma: (- \otimes =) \Rightarrow (= \otimes -)$ natural isomorphism such that

$$(\textcircled{1})$$

$$(\textcircled{2})$$

and $\sigma_{B,A} = \sigma_{A,B}^{-1}$.

$\leadsto$ drop this for
braided

SYMMETRIC MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

σ such that

(1)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (A \otimes B) \otimes C & \xrightarrow{\sigma_{A \otimes B, C}} & C \otimes (A \otimes B) \\
 \nearrow \alpha_{A, B, C} & & \searrow \alpha_{C, A, B} \\
 A \otimes (B \otimes C) & \parallel & (C \otimes A) \otimes B \\
 \downarrow id_A \otimes \sigma_{B, C} & & \nearrow \sigma_{A, C} \otimes id_B \\
 A \otimes (C \otimes B) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A, C, B}} & (A \otimes C) \otimes B
 \end{array}$$

(2)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \otimes (B \otimes C) & \xrightarrow{\sigma_{A, B \otimes C}} & (B \otimes C) \otimes A \\
 \nearrow \alpha_{A, B, C} & & \searrow \alpha_{B, C, A} \\
 (A \otimes B) \otimes C & \parallel & B \otimes (C \otimes A) \\
 \downarrow \sigma_{A, B} \otimes id_C & & \nearrow id_B \otimes \sigma_{A, C} \\
 (B \otimes A) \otimes C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{B, A, C}} & B \otimes (A \otimes C)
 \end{array}$$

SMC Δ : SUMMARY

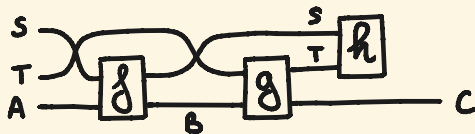
sequential



parallel



symmetries



$$(\sigma_{S,T} \otimes id_A); (id_T \otimes f); (\sigma_{T,S} \otimes id_B); (id_S \otimes g); (h \otimes id_C)$$

MONOIDS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, e)$ monoidal category.

MONOID

(A, m, u)

- $A \in \text{obj } \mathcal{C}$
- $m : A \otimes A \rightarrow A$
- $u : I \rightarrow A$

(carrier)
(multiplication)
(unit)

that are associative and unital

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \otimes (A \otimes A) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_A \otimes m} & A \otimes A \\
 \alpha_{A,A,A} \swarrow & & \downarrow m \\
 (A \otimes A) \otimes A & & A \\
 m \otimes \text{id}_A \searrow & & \uparrow m \\
 A \otimes A & &
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A \otimes I & \xleftarrow{e_A} & A & \xrightarrow{\lambda_A} & I \otimes A \\
 \text{id}_A \otimes u \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_A & & \downarrow u \otimes \text{id}_A \\
 A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{m} & A & \xleftarrow{m} & A \otimes A
 \end{array}$$

MONOIDS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ monoidal category.

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- $A \in \text{obj } \mathcal{C}$

- $\begin{array}{c} A \\ \hline A \end{array} \boxed{m} A \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{array}{c} A \\ \hline A \end{array} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} A$

- $\boxed{u} A \quad \text{or} \quad \bullet \text{---} A$

that are associative and unital

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \end{array}$$

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(carrier)

(multiplication)

(unit)

MONOIDS: EXAMPLES

- Monoids in $(\text{Set}, \times, 1)$ are set-theoretic monoids.
ex $(\mathbb{N}, +, 0)$ is a monoid
 $(A^*, \cdot, ())$ is a monoid
- In $(\text{Set}, +, \emptyset)$ there is a canonical monoid on every A
$$\begin{array}{ccc} [\text{id}, \text{id}] : A + A \rightarrow A & i : \emptyset \rightarrow A \\ (a, i) \mapsto a & \end{array}$$
- Monoids in $\text{cat}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C})$ are monads (T, μ, η) .
- Monoids in the monoidal category $(\text{Ab}, \otimes, \mathbb{Z})$ of abelian groups are rings.

COMONOIDS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, e)$ monoidal category.

COMONOID (= monoid in $\mathcal{C}^{op}$)

(A, d, e)

- $A \in \text{obj } \mathcal{C}$
- $d : A \rightarrow A \otimes A$
- $e : A \rightarrow I$

(carrier)

(comultiplication)

(counit)

that are coassociative and counital

$$\begin{array}{c}
 A \otimes (A \otimes A) \xleftarrow{id_A \otimes d} A \otimes A \\
 \alpha_{A,A,A} \swarrow \quad \uparrow d \\
 (A \otimes A) \otimes A \quad A \\
 d \otimes id_A \swarrow \quad \nwarrow d \\
 A \otimes A
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A \otimes I & \xleftarrow{e_A} & A & \xrightarrow{\lambda_A} & I \otimes A \\
 id_A \otimes e \uparrow & & \uparrow id_A & & \uparrow e \otimes id_A \\
 A \otimes A & \xleftarrow{d} & A & \xrightarrow{d} & A \otimes A
 \end{array}$$

COMONONIDS

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COMONOID (= monoid in $\mathcal{C}^{op}$)

(A, d, e)

- $A \in \text{obj } \mathcal{C}$

- $A \xrightarrow{d} A \otimes A$ or $A \xrightarrow{\quad} \begin{array}{c} A \\ A \end{array}$

- $A \xrightarrow{e} I$ or $A \xrightarrow{\quad} \bullet$

(carrier)

(comultiplication)

(counit)

that are coassociative and counital



COMONONIDS : EXAMPLES

- In $(\mathbf{Set}, \times, 1)$ there is a canonical comonoid on every A
 $\langle \text{id}, \text{id} \rangle : A \rightarrow A \times A$ $! : A \rightarrow 1$
 $a \mapsto (a, a)$ $a \mapsto *$
- Comonoids in $\mathbf{Cat}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C})$ are comonads (T, δ, ε) .

COMMUTATIVITY

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, e, \sigma)$ symmetric monoidal category.

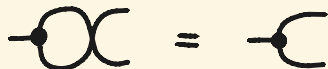
A monoid $(A, \exists, \cdot)$
is commutative if


$$\text{Diagram 1} = \text{Diagram 2}$$

ex $(\mathbb{N}, +, 0)$

NON-ex monads

A comonoid $(A, \epsilon, \rightarrow)$
is cocommutative if

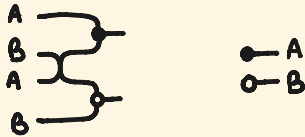

$$\text{Diagram 1} = \text{Diagram 2}$$

$(A, \langle \text{id}, \text{id} \rangle, !)$

comonads

COMPOSING (CO)MONOIDS

In a symmetric monoidal category, monoids compose.
For two monoids $(A, \exists, \cdot)$ and $(B, \exists, \circ)$,
there is a monoid on $A \otimes B$



⚠ when the monoidal category is not symmetric,
we need distributive laws.

→ **PROJECT IDEA**: distributive laws of monads & liftings

MORPHISMS OF (CO)MONOIDS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ monoidal category.

$(A, \mathcal{Z}, \cdot)$ and $(B, \mathcal{Z}, \circ)$ monoids.

MONOID MORPHISM

$f: (A, \mathcal{Z}, \cdot) \rightarrow (B, \mathcal{Z}, \circ)$ is
an arrow $f: A \rightarrow B$ such that

$$\begin{array}{c} A \\ \text{---} \end{array} \boxed{f} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \end{array} B = \begin{array}{c} A \\ \text{---} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \end{array} \boxed{f} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ B \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \end{array} B = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \end{array} \boxed{f} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ B \end{array}$$

CATEGORY OF MONOIDS

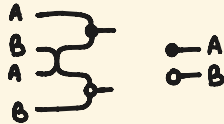
$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, e, \sigma)$ symmetric monoidal category.

$\text{Mon}(\mathcal{C})$:

objects are monoids

arrows are morphisms of monoids

monoidal product is composition of monoids



monoidal unit is the monoid on I

$$\begin{array}{c} I \\ \vdots \\ I \end{array} \xrightarrow{\quad} I = e_I^{-1} = \lambda_I^{-1}$$

CATEGORY OF MONOIDS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, e, \sigma)$ symmetric monoidal category.

PROPOSITION

$\text{Mon}(\mathcal{C})$ is a symmetric monoidal category.

PROOF

Exercise. $\square$

MODULES

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ monoidal category.

$(M, \mathcal{F}, \cdot)$ monoid.

MODULE OVER A MONOID

A module (A, a) over a monoid $(M, \mathcal{F}, \cdot)$ is

- $A \in \text{obj } \mathcal{C}$

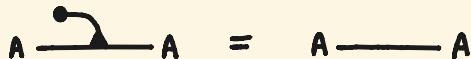
- $a : M \otimes A \rightarrow A$



(carrier)

(action)

such that



BIALGEBRAS

Modules over bialgebras can be tensored.

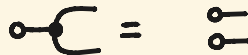
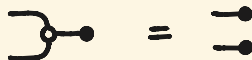
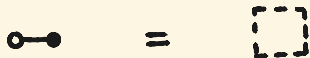
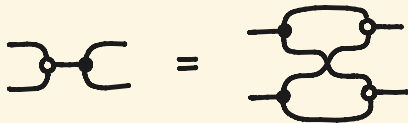
$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, e, \sigma)$ symmetric monoidal category.

BIALGEBRA (OR BIMONOID)

$(M, \mathcal{F}, \circ, -\epsilon, -\circ)$ is a bialgebra if

- $(M, \mathcal{F}, \circ)$ monoid
- $(M, -\epsilon, -\circ)$ comonoid
- bialgebra axioms

(= the monoid is a comonoid morphism
= the comonoid is a monoid morphism)



BIALGEBRAS : EXAMPLES

- $(\mathbb{N}, +, 0, \text{copy}, \text{discard})$
- any monoid in Set , with copy and discard
- any monoid in a cartesian category, with copy and discard
- the category $(\text{Ab}, \oplus, 0)$ of abelian groups with their direct product is cartesian (and cocommutative)

PRODUCT OF MODULES

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho, \sigma)$ symmetric monoidal category.

$(M, \mathcal{Z}, \circ, \epsilon, \eta)$ bialgebra.

$(A, \rhd)$ and $(B, \rhd)$ modules over $(M, \mathcal{Z}, \circ)$.

There is a module on $A \otimes B$ whose action is



NOTE: this is not the tensor product of modules, which requires coequalisers in $\mathcal{C}$.

CATEGORY OF MODULES

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho, \sigma)$ symmetric monoidal category.

$(M, \mathcal{F}, \circ, \epsilon, \bullet)$ bialgebra.

PROPOSITION

Modules over $(M, \mathcal{F}, \circ)$ form a symmetric monoidal category $(M\text{-Mod}, \otimes, I)$.

PROOF

Exercise. $\square$

FOX'S THEOREM

THEOREM

A symmetric monoidal category is cartesian
iff every object has a
natural and coherent comonoid structure.

$$\boxed{\Delta} \cdot = \cdot \boxed{\Delta}$$

$$A \otimes B \cdot = \begin{array}{c} A \\ \cdot \\ B \end{array} \cdot = \boxed{}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta} \cdot = \cdot$$

$$A \otimes B \cdot = \begin{array}{c} A \\ \cdot \\ B \end{array} \cdot = \boxed{}$$

📄 Fox (1976) coalgebras and cartesian categories

FOX'S THEOREM

PROOF SKETCH

② The maps to the terminal object are $!_A := A \rightarrow \bullet$.

The projection maps are $\pi_A := \frac{A}{B \rightarrow \bullet} A$ and $\pi_B := \frac{A}{B \rightarrow \bullet} B$.

The pairing maps are $\langle f, g \rangle := A \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \boxed{f} \\ \boxed{g} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} B \\ C \end{array}$.

③ The copy maps are $A \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} A \\ A \end{array} := \langle \text{id}_A, \text{id}_A \rangle$.

The discard maps are $A \rightarrow \bullet := !_A$.

Naturality follows from the universal properties. □

COPY-DISCARD CATEGORIES

CD-CATEGORY

A copy-discard category is a symmetric monoidal category where every object has a coherent cocommutative comonoid structure.

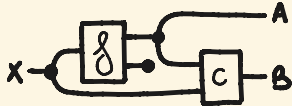
ex $(\text{Par}, \times, 1)$, $(\text{Rel}, \times, 1)$
+ more next time

→ **PROJECT IDEAS**: cartesian restriction categories
(partial) Markov categories
cartesian bicategories of relations

 Corradini & Gadducci (1999)

INTERLUDE: DO-NOTATION

Morphisms in copy-discard categories can be specified by do-notation.


$$\text{cond}(x) = \text{do} \begin{cases} f(x) \rightarrow (a, b) \\ c(a, x) \rightarrow b' \\ \text{return}(a, b') \end{cases}$$


⇒ **PROJECT IDEA**: premonoidal categories & do-notation
premonoidal vs monoidal categories

PART 1

- recap cartesian categories
- (symmetric) monoidal categories
- string diagrams (& de-notation)
- monoids, comonoids & modules
- Fox's theorem

PART 2

- (symmetric) monoidal functors
- coherence & strictification (overview)
- (symmetric) monoidal natural transformations

MONOIDAL FUNCTORS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I)$ and $(\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J)$ strict monoidal categories

STRICT MONOIDAL FUNCTOR

$F: (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I) \rightarrow (\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J)$ is
a functor $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ such that

- $J = F(I)$
- $F(A) \boxtimes F(B) = F(A \otimes B)$

$\leadsto$ strict monoidal functors are functors that strictly preserve the monoidal structure

MONOIDAL FUNCTORS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ and $(\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J, \alpha', \lambda', \rho')$ monoidal categories

STRONG MONOIDAL FUNCTOR

$(F, e, m) : (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho) \rightarrow (\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J, \alpha', \lambda', \rho')$ is a functor $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ such that

- $J \cong F(I)$
- $F(A) \boxtimes F(B) \cong F(A \otimes B)$

 natural isomorphisms
+ coherence conditions

$\leadsto$ strong monoidal functors are functors that preserve the monoidal structure up to isomorphism

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STRONG MONOIDAL FUNCTOR

$(F, e, m) : (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho) \rightarrow (\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J, \alpha', \lambda', \rho')$ is

- a functor $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$
 - natural isomorphisms $e: J \rightarrow F(I)$
and $m: F(-) \boxtimes F(=) \rightarrow F(- \otimes =)$
- that are associative and unital.

MONOIDAL FUNCTORS

e, m such that

- associativity

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F(A) \boxtimes (F(B) \boxtimes F(C)) & \xrightarrow{\alpha'_{FA, FB, FC}} & (F(A) \boxtimes F(B)) \boxtimes F(C) \\
 \downarrow \text{id}_{FA} \boxtimes m_{B, C} & & \downarrow m_{A, B} \boxtimes \text{id}_{FC} \\
 F(A) \boxtimes (F(B \otimes C)) & \cong & (F(A \otimes B)) \boxtimes F(C) \\
 \downarrow m_{A, B \otimes C} & & \downarrow m_{A \otimes B, C} \\
 F(A \otimes (B \otimes C)) & \xrightarrow{F\alpha_{A, B, C}} & F((A \otimes B) \otimes C)
 \end{array}$$

- unitality

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 J \boxtimes F(A) & \xrightarrow{e \boxtimes \text{id}_{FA}} & F(I) \boxtimes F(A) \\
 \uparrow \lambda'_{FA} & \parallel & \downarrow m_{I, A} \\
 F(A) & \xrightarrow{F(\lambda_A)} & F(I \otimes A)
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F(A) \boxtimes J & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{FA} \boxtimes e} & F(A) \boxtimes F(I) \\
 \uparrow e'_{FA} & \parallel & \downarrow m_{I, A} \\
 F(A) & \xrightarrow{F(\rho_A)} & F(A \otimes I)
 \end{array}$$

MONOIDAL FUNCTORS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ and $(\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J, \alpha', \lambda', \rho')$ monoidal categories

LAX MONOIDAL FUNCTOR

$(F, e, m) : (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho) \rightarrow (\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J, \alpha', \lambda', \rho')$ is

- a functor $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$
- natural transformations $e: J \rightarrow F(I)$
and $m: F(-) \boxtimes F(=) \rightarrow F(- \otimes =)$

that are associative and unital.

$\leadsto$ lax monoidal functors are functors that
laxly preserve the monoidal structure

CATEGORIES OF MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

- StrMonCat of strict monoidal categories and strict monoidal functors
- MonCat of monoidal categories and strong monoidal functors

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES : STRICTIFICATION

MONOIDAL EQUIVALENCE

A monoidal equivalence is a monoidal functor whose underlying functor is an equivalence.

THEOREM (STRICTIFICATION OF MONOIDAL CATEGORIES)

Every monoidal category $\mathcal{C}$ is monoidally equivalent to a strict one $S(\mathcal{C})$.

$\leadsto$ we can forget about α, λ, e

MONOIDAL CATEGORIES : COHERENCE

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ monoidal category

$\mathcal{C}_S \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ smallest monoidal subcategory of $\mathcal{C}$
containing, for all objects A, B and C , $\alpha_{A,B,C}$, λ_A and ρ_A

THEOREM (COHERENCE FOR MONOIDAL CATEGORIES)

For any two objects X and Y in $\mathcal{C}_S$,
the set $\mathcal{C}_S(X, Y)$ either

- is empty, or
- contains exactly one element

$\leadsto$ any well-typed equation between arrows in $\mathcal{C}_S$ holds

COHERENCE & STRICTIFICATION IN PRACTICE

Take a monoidal category $\mathcal{C}$.

Suppose we have $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$ in $\mathcal{C}$

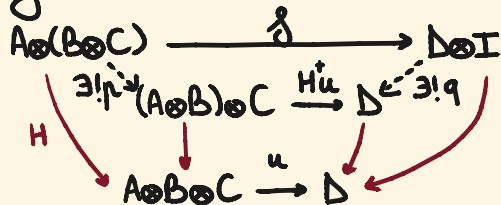
and we want to show $f = g$.

Consider the equivalence $H: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow S(\mathcal{C})$.

Consider $u := H(f)$ and $v := H(g)$ in $S(\mathcal{C})$.

If we show $u = v$, we obtain $f = g$ because

$\exists!$ is $\rho: X \rightarrow H^*H(X)$ and $q: Y \rightarrow H^*H(Y)$ by coherence
 $\Rightarrow f = \rho; H^*u; q^{-1} = \rho; H^*v; q^{-1} = g$



STRING DIAGRAMS ARE FREE



String diagrams are constructed over a monoidal signature

MONOIDAL SIGNATURE $\Sigma = (E \xrightarrow{\lambda, \tau} V^*)$

$\dots \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \boxed{A} = \boxed{B} = C, \quad A - \boxed{B} = B, \quad \boxed{A} - A \end{array} \right\}$

a morphism $h: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$ is $(h_E: E \rightarrow E', h_V: V \rightarrow V')$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{h_E} & E' \\ \lambda \downarrow & & \downarrow \lambda' \\ V^* & \xrightarrow{h_V^*} & V'^* \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{h_E} & E' \\ \tau \downarrow & & \downarrow \tau' \\ V^* & \xrightarrow{h_V^*} & V'^* \end{array}$$

RECAP: STRING DIAGRAMS ARE FORMAL

String diagrams over $U(S(\mathcal{L}))$ are
sound and complete for $S(\mathcal{L})$

Equalities in $S(\mathcal{L})$ show equalities in $\mathcal{L}$

$\Rightarrow$ Equalities of string diagrams show equalities in $\mathcal{L}$

SYMMETRIC MONOIDAL FUNCTORS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I)$ and $(\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J)$ symmetric monoidal categories

SYMMETRIC MONOIDAL FUNCTOR

A monoidal functor $(F, e, m) : (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I) \rightarrow (\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J)$ is symmetric if

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F(A) \boxtimes F(B) & \xrightarrow{m_{A,B}} & F(A \otimes B) \\ \sigma'_{F(A), F(B)} \downarrow & \cong & \downarrow F\sigma_{A,B} \\ F(B) \boxtimes F(A) & \xrightarrow{m_{B,A}} & F(B \otimes A) \end{array}$$

COHERENCE & STRICTIFICATION

As for monoidal categories, but we need to take care of permutations: $\sigma_{A,A} \neq \text{id}_A \otimes \text{id}_A$ ($\overset{A}{A} \times \neq \overset{A}{A} =$).

→ all formal well-typed equations between morphisms constructed by $\alpha, \lambda, \rho, \sigma$ and with the same underlying permutation hold

STRICTIFICATION (SMC_S)

Every symmetric monoidal category is symmetric monoidally equivalent to a symmetric strict one.

MONOIDAL NATURAL TRANSFORMATIONS

$(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I, \alpha, \lambda, e)$ and $(\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J, \alpha', \lambda', e')$ monoidal categories
 $(F, m, e), (G, m', e') : (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, I) \rightarrow (\mathcal{D}, \boxtimes, J)$ monoidal functors

MONOIDAL NATURAL TRANSFORMATION

$\beta : (F, m, e) \Rightarrow (G, m', e')$ is
a natural transformation $\beta : F \Rightarrow G$
such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F(A) \boxtimes F(B) & \xrightarrow{\beta_A \boxtimes \beta_B} & G(A) \boxtimes G(B) \\ m_{A,B} \downarrow & \parallel & \downarrow m'_{A,B} \\ F(A \otimes B) & \xrightarrow{\beta_{A \otimes B}} & G(A \otimes B) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & J & \\ e \swarrow & & \searrow e' \\ F(I) & \xrightarrow{\beta_I} & G(I) \end{array}$$

When F, G are symmetric, so is β .