

SOME  
MATHEMATICAL  
FOUNDATIONS OF  
GAME SEMANTICS

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# GAMES + STRATEGIES

Game trees

$$I = A(0) \xleftarrow{\Pi} A(1) \xleftarrow{\Pi} A(2) \dots$$

Strategy trees

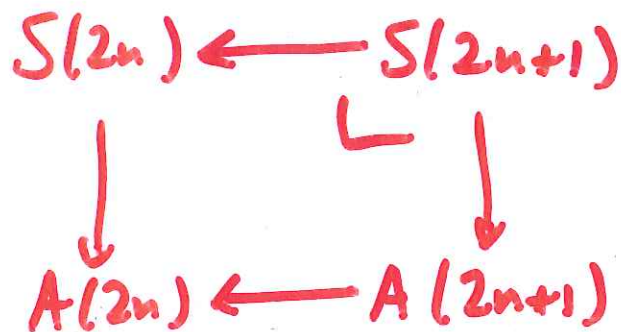
$$I = S(0) \xleftarrow{\quad} S(1) \xleftarrow{\quad} S(2) \dots$$



$$I = A(0) \xleftarrow{\quad} A(1) \xleftarrow{\quad} A(2) \dots$$

# PLAYER STRATEGIES

Opponent can play any move  
(just once).

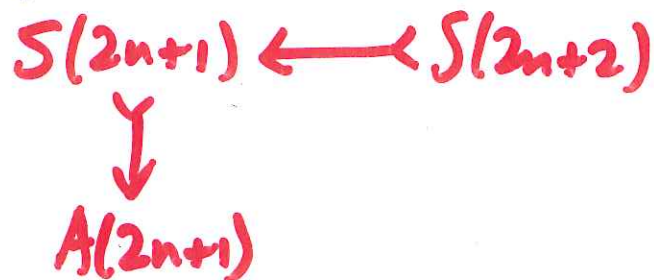


Player may be multi non-  
deterministic

Simply non-deterministic



Deterministic



# TENSOR + FUNCTION SPACE

$$(I \quad 1 \leftarrow 0 \leftarrow 0)$$

$$A \otimes B(n) = \sum_{\phi: p, q \Rightarrow n} A(p) \times B(q)$$

$$A \multimap B(n) = \sum_{\phi: p \vdash q \Rightarrow n} A(p) \times B(q)$$

Notation:  $(A \otimes B)_\phi$

$(A \multimap B)_\phi$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi: A(p) \times B(q) & \rightarrow & A(p-1) \times B(q) \\ \text{"} & & \cup \\ \text{"} & & A(p) \times B(q-1) \\ \text{)}_\phi & & \end{array}$$

according as  $\pi\phi$  maps

# MONOIDAL CLOSURE

$$A \otimes B \rightarrow C (n)$$

$$= \sum_{\phi: m \vdash r \Rightarrow n} \left( \sum_{\psi: p, q \Rightarrow m} A(p) \times B(q) \right) \times C(r)$$

$$= \sum_{\chi: p, q, r \Rightarrow n} A(p) \times B(q) \times C(r)$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma: p \vdash \ell \Rightarrow n} A(p) \times \sum_{\rho: q \vdash r \Rightarrow \ell} B(q) \times C(r)$$

$$= A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C) (n)$$

## COMPOSITION

$$\frac{S: A \rightarrow B \quad T: B \rightarrow C}{T \circ S: A \rightarrow C}$$

$$T \circ S \circ \omega \quad \chi: p \vdash r \Rightarrow \cdot$$

$$\sum \quad T_\psi \times S_\phi$$
$$\phi: p \vdash q \Rightarrow \cdot$$
$$\psi: q \vdash r \Rightarrow \cdot \quad \psi \circ \phi = \chi$$

## IDENTITY

$$I: A \rightarrow A$$

$$I(2n) = A(n) \rightarrow A(n) \times A(n)$$

$$\omega \quad \text{id}: n \vdash n \Rightarrow 2n$$

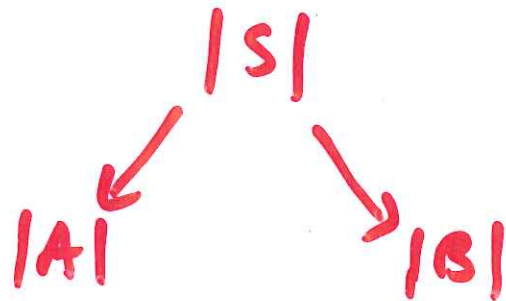
Proposition Monoidal closed category of simple games.

# SPANS

$$A \longmapsto |A| = \sum_n A(n)$$

$$S: A \rightarrow B$$

$$\longmapsto$$



with

$$|S| = \sum_m S(2m)$$

(i.e. Player positions).

Proposition 11: GAMES  $\rightarrow$  SPAN  
colax monoidal homomorphism

# RELATIONS

If  $S: A \multimap B$  simply non-deter<sub>ii</sub>

then  $|S|$  jointly monic.

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graph TD; S["|S|"] --> A["|A|"]; S --> B["|B|"];
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So GAMES  $\longrightarrow$  REL

Proposition Suppose  $S$  deterministic.

If  $(a, b) \in \Sigma_{\phi: p \vdash q}$

and  $(a, b) \in \Sigma_{\psi: p \vdash q}$

then  $\phi = \psi$

Consequence GAMES  $\longrightarrow$  REL

is faithful for deterministic games

[H-Schalk: AbstractGamesforLinearLogic.]



# SHUFFLES

$$n_1, \dots, n_k \xrightarrow{\phi} n \quad (= n_1 + \dots + n_k)$$

$$\phi: \sum n_i \xrightarrow{\cong} n \quad \text{with each}$$

$\phi|_{n_i}$  order preserving

The multimap of a symmetric multicategory.

## DECOMPOSITION PROPERTY

E.g.

For  $\phi: p, q, r \Rightarrow n$  there is

a unique

$$\psi: p, q \Rightarrow m \quad \chi: m, r \Rightarrow n$$

with  $\chi\psi = \phi.$

# PARITY SHUFFLES

$n_1, \dots, n_k \xrightarrow{\phi} n$  such that

also each  $\phi|_{n_i}$  preserves parity

$n_1, \dots, n_k \vdash m \xrightarrow{\phi} n$  such that

$\phi|_m$  preserves parity

while each  $\phi|_{n_i}$  reverses parity

Compositions more intricate: a non-standard multicategory?

NATURAL DECOMPOSITION PROPERTY

$\sim$  Monoidal Closure of  
GAMES

# COMPOSITION

(Interactive composition)

Simple case

$$\underline{\phi: p \vdash q \Rightarrow. \quad \psi: q \vdash r \Rightarrow.}$$

$$\psi \circ \phi: p \vdash r \Rightarrow.$$

More generally another multicategory.  
(WHAT IS THIS?)

Explanation

- Picture on board?
- McCusker - Power -  
Wrightfield
- Trace / Co I composition

(Cf. H-Schulze. Games on Graphs and  
Sequentially Realizable Functionals.  
(Appendix: Merging.) ).

# INNOCENT STRATEGIES

Old view H-Dug

Innocent strategy is played  
in a 'large game' generated by  
an arena or 'small game'

New take Harmer-H-Mellies

Innocent strategy is

$$S: ?(A \underbrace{\dashv\!\!\!\!-\!}_{\text{arena}} B) = !A \dashv\!\!\!\!-\! ?B$$

The old view representation.

Question

Needs of higher order  
model checking?

# KLEISLI COMPOSITION

$$!A \xrightarrow{S} ?B \quad !B \xrightarrow{T} ?C$$

$$!A \rightarrow !!A \xrightarrow{!S} !?B \rightarrow ?!B \xrightarrow{?T} ??C \rightarrow ?C$$

↑  
"distributive law"

Combinatorics of copying:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 !A \longrightarrow !!A & & ???A \longrightarrow ??A \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 !!A \longrightarrow !!!A & & ??A \longrightarrow ?A \\
 \\ 
 !?A & \longrightarrow & ?!A \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 !!?A \longrightarrow !?A & \longrightarrow & ?!!A \\
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 \end{array}$$

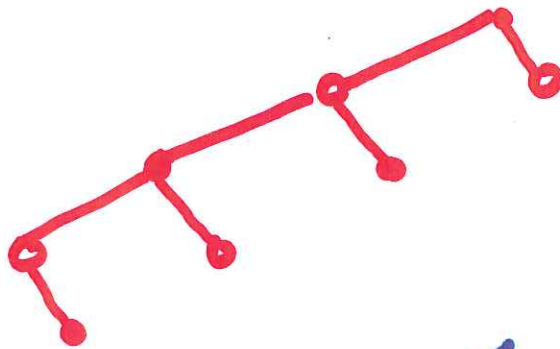
# EXAMPLE

$$\lambda F. F(\lambda x. F(\lambda y. x y))$$

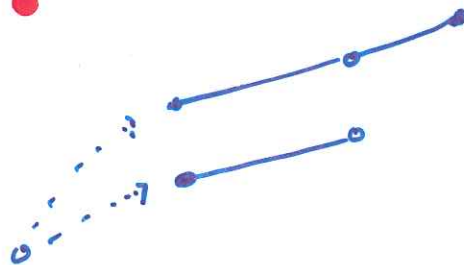
(Tease :- On which elements of  $(\lambda B \Rightarrow \lambda B) \Rightarrow \lambda B$  do they differ?)

Arena

$$((A \multimap A) \multimap A) \multimap A$$



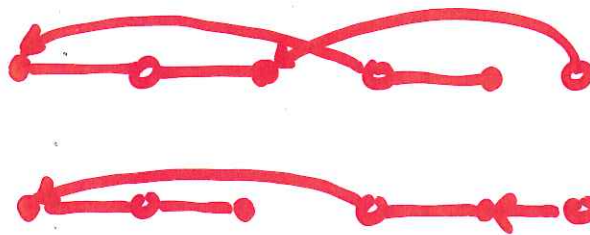
Play :



# HEAPS

(discarded by H-Oug.)

Compare



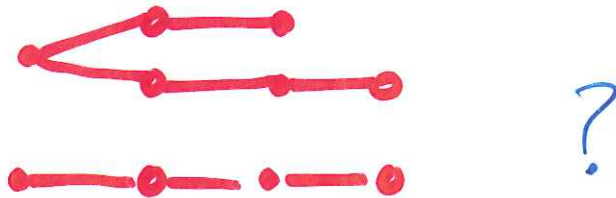
'Same' tree



different sequentializations.

# VIEWS

What is



They are finite  $S$  which are  
 $\downarrow$   
 $A$

deterministic Opponent strategies  
vs a free Player i.e.

$$S(2n) \leftarrow S(2n+1)$$

A Player view (after Opponent  
has played) is a parity  
preserving sequentialization of  
mech.



# FINAL THOUGHTS

## Mathematical foundations

- Type theoretic style
  - Categorical combinatorics
  - Category theory
- (but not the only tools).

## Issue of Identity

- Apparent in the use of SPAN
  - Other talks addressed this
- (but no magic wand).