

Monoidal categories graded by partial commutative monoids

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➔ *Monoidal categories graded by partial commutative monoids* axiomatize the algebra of processes with parallel composition that is *subject to constraint*.

Informally, the kind of situation axiomatized by this structure is one having

- a collection of typed processes $X \xrightarrow{g} Y$, each with an associated *grade* (g), e.g.

bandwidth consumed

memory locations accessed

clearance level required

whether the process has side-effects or not

- sequential composites of the same grade $X \xrightarrow{g} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$, and

- parallel composites, $X \xrightarrow[g]{U} Y$, giving a process of *combined grade* $g \oplus h$, **but only sometimes**

Parallel composition, subject to constraint

Consider a resource constrained by a numerical bound, such as *bandwidth* or *processor capacity* – e.g. processes may use some amount $r \in [0, 1]$ of the resource.

Then e.g. processes $X \xrightarrow{0.1} Y$ and $U \xrightarrow{0.8} V$ can be run in parallel

$$\begin{array}{c} X \xrightarrow{0.1} Y \\ U \xrightarrow{0.8} V \end{array}$$

resulting in a process that uses 0.9 of the resource.

But the parallel composite of the following two processes should not be defined

~~$$\begin{array}{c} U \xrightarrow{0.8} V \\ W \xrightarrow{0.3} Z \end{array}$$~~

Parallel composition, subject to constraint

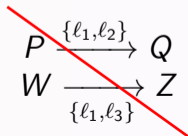
Consider processes which might write to some memory locations $\{\dots, \ell_i, \dots\} \subseteq \mathcal{L}$.

Then e.g. processes $X \xrightarrow{\{\ell_1, \ell_2\}} Y$ and $U \xrightarrow{\{\ell_3\}} V$ can be run in parallel

$$\begin{array}{c} X \xrightarrow{\{\ell_1, \ell_2\}} Y \\ U \xrightarrow{\{\ell_3\}} V \end{array}$$

since the memory locations accessed by each process are disjoint.

But the parallel composite of the following two processes should not be defined


$$\begin{array}{c} P \xrightarrow{\{\ell_1, \ell_2\}} Q \\ W \xrightarrow{\{\ell_1, \ell_3\}} Z \end{array}$$

Is fine-grained CBV *graded*?

Graded effect systems

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_e M : A \quad e \leq e'}{\Gamma \vdash_{e'} M : A}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_e M : A \quad \Gamma, x : A \vdash_{e'} N : B}{\Gamma \vdash_{e \cdot e'} \text{let } x \mapsto M \text{ in } N : B}$$

Fine-grained call-by-value

\oplus	v	c
v	v	c
c	c	\uparrow

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_v V : A \quad v \leq c}{\Gamma \vdash_c \text{pure } V : A}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_v V_1 : A_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash_v V_2 : A_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{v=v \oplus v} \langle V_1, V_2 \rangle : A_1 \otimes A_2}$$

$$\Gamma \vdash_v M : A \quad \Gamma \vdash_c N : B$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_v M : A \quad \Gamma \vdash_c N : B}{\Gamma \vdash_{c=v \oplus c} \text{let } x \mapsto N \text{ in pure } \langle M, x \rangle : A \otimes B}$$

~~$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_c M : A \quad \Gamma \vdash_c N : B}{\Gamma \vdash_{c \oplus c} \langle M, N \rangle : A \otimes B}$$~~

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Partial commutative monoids

Our *grades* will be elements of *partial commutative monoids*.

Definition. A *partial commutative monoid* (PCM) $(E, \oplus, 0)$ is a set E , a partial function $\oplus : E \times E \rightarrow E$ and an element $0 \in E$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned}a \oplus b &\simeq b \oplus a, \\a \oplus 0 &= a = 0 \oplus a, \\(a \oplus b) \oplus c &\simeq a \oplus (b \oplus c).\end{aligned}$$

Definition. The *extension order* (E, \leq) on the elements of a partial commutative monoid $(E, \oplus, 0)$ is the preorder defined by

$$a \leq b \text{ if and only if there exists } c \text{ such that } a \oplus c = b.$$

Examples of partial commutative monoids

- Commutative monoids, such as the trivial monoid $\mathbf{1}$, are PCMs.
- The PCMs $n = \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{3}, \dots$ have n elements with partial operation truncated max

\oplus	0	1	
0	0	1	
1	1	\uparrow	

\oplus	0	1	2
0	0	1	2
1	1	2	2
2	2	2	\uparrow

- The powerset of a set, $\mathcal{P}(X)$, is a PCM with operation

$$S \uplus T := \begin{cases} S \cup T & \text{if } S \cap T \text{ is empty} \\ \uparrow & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- The interval $[0, 1]$ is a PCM with the operation of bounded addition

$$x \dot{+} y := \begin{cases} x + y & \text{if } x + y \leq 1 \\ \uparrow & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

PCM-graded monoidal categories

For a PCM $(E, \oplus, 0)$, an E -**graded monoidal category** consists of

- a monoid of objects, $(\mathbb{C}_{\text{obj}}, \otimes, I)$,
- for each grade, $a \in E$, a category \mathbb{C}_a with set of objects \mathbb{C}_{obj} , with composition denoted by

$$(\circ)_a : \mathbb{C}_a(X; Y) \times \mathbb{C}_a(Y; Z) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_a(X; Z),$$

and identities at grade 0 denoted id_X ,

- for each $a \leq b$ in the extension preorder of E , an identity-on-objects functor

$$(-)_a^b : \mathbb{C}_a \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_b,$$

- monoidal product operations for pairs $a, b \in E$ such that $a \oplus b$ is defined

$$(\otimes)_{a,b} : \mathbb{C}_a(X; Y) \times \mathbb{C}_b(X'; Y') \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_{a \oplus b}(X \otimes X'; Y \otimes Y').$$

PCM-graded monoidal categories (cont.)

This data is subject to the following axioms, whenever well typed.

$$\text{(REG-ACT)} \quad f_a^a = f \text{ and } (f_a^b)^c = f_a^c, \text{ for } f \in \mathbb{C}_a$$

$$\text{(REG-}\otimes\text{)} \quad (f \otimes g)_{a \oplus b}^{c \oplus d} = f_a^c \otimes g_b^d, \text{ for } f \in \mathbb{C}_a, g \in \mathbb{C}_b,$$

$$\text{(}\otimes\text{-U-A)} \quad f \otimes \text{id}_I = f = \text{id}_I \otimes f \text{ and } (f \otimes g) \otimes h = f \otimes (g \otimes h)$$

$$\text{(}\otimes\text{-ID)} \quad \text{id}_X \otimes \text{id}_Y = \text{id}_{X \otimes Y}$$

$$\text{(INTER)} \quad (f \otimes g) \circ (h \otimes k) = (f \circ h) \otimes (g \circ k) \text{ whenever } a \oplus b \text{ is defined where } f \in \mathbb{C}_a(X; Y), h \in \mathbb{C}_a(Y; Z), g \in \mathbb{C}_b(X'; Y'), \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{C}_b(Y'; Z').$$

Some basic properties of PCM-graded monoidal categories

Proposition. Let $f \in \mathbb{C}_a$ be a morphism in an E -graded monoidal category, $a \leq b$. Then $f_a^b = f \otimes (\text{id}_I)_0^c$, for every c witnessing $a \leq b$.

Proposition. Let \mathbb{C} be an E -graded monoidal category. Each category \mathbb{C}_e has a strict premonoidal structure

$$\begin{aligned}(A \times -) &:= (\text{id}_A \otimes_{0,e} -) : \mathbb{C}_e(X; Y) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_e(A \otimes X; A \otimes Y) \\ (- \times A) &:= (- \otimes_{e,0} \text{id}_A) : \mathbb{C}_e(X; Y) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_e(X \otimes A; Y \otimes A).\end{aligned}$$

Proposition. Let \mathbb{C} be an E -graded monoidal category, and let $e = e \oplus e$ be an idempotent in E . Then $(\mathbb{C}_e, \otimes_{e,e}, I)$ is a strict monoidal category.

Corollary. 1-graded monoidal categories are exactly strict monoidal categories.

Effectful categories are 2-graded monoidal categories

Definition. A morphism of PCM-graded monoidal categories $(M, \phi) : (\mathbb{C}, E) \rightarrow (\mathbb{D}, F)$ comprises

- a monoid homomorphism $M : (\mathbb{C}_{\text{obj}}, \otimes_{\mathbb{C}}, I_{\mathbb{C}}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{D}_{\text{obj}}, \otimes_{\mathbb{D}}, I_{\mathbb{D}})$
- a PCM homomorphism $\phi : (E, \oplus_E, 0_E) \rightarrow (F, \oplus_F, 0_F)$, and
- functors $M_e : \mathbb{C}_e \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_{\phi(e)}$ with action M on objects, satisfying two axioms (compat. of functors with regradings and \otimes).

Proposition. The category 2-GradMon is isomorphic to the category Eff of strict effectful categories and effectful functors.

Theorem. 2-GradMon is a coreflective subcategory of PCM-graded monoidal categories whose grading PCM has a top element.

📖 Jeffrey, 1997 – *Premonoidal categories and a graphical view of programs*

📖 Román, 2023 – *Promonads and string diagrams for effectful categories*

Freyd categories are cartesian 2-graded monoidal categories

Definition. An E -graded monoidal category \mathbb{C} is *symmetric* when \mathbb{C}_0 is symmetric strict monoidal and whenever $a \oplus b$ is defined, and $f \in \mathbb{C}_a$ and $g \in \mathbb{C}_b$,

$$(f \otimes g) \circ (\sigma_{Y, Y'})_0^{a \oplus b} = (\sigma_{X, X'})_0^{a \oplus b} \circ (g \otimes f).$$

An E -graded monoidal category is *cartesian* when \mathbb{C}_0 is cartesian monoidal, and the braiding there makes \mathbb{C} into a symmetric E -graded monoidal category.

Proposition. The category of Freyd categories is isomorphic to the category of cartesian 2-graded monoidal categories.

Proposition. Cartesian 3-graded monoidal categories are the triples of Jeffrey.

PCM-graded monoidal categories are monoids

Proposition. Let $(E, \oplus, 0)$ be a partial commutative monoid. This induces a thin promonoidal structure $\mathbf{E} := ((E, \leq), P, I)$ on the extension preorder of E where

$$P(a, b; c) := \begin{cases} \top & \text{if } a \oplus b \leq c, \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad I(c) := \top \text{ for all } c.$$

Theorem. An E -graded monoidal category with monoid of objects $(\mathbb{C}_{\text{obj}}, \otimes, I)$ is precisely a monoid in the monoidal category

$$(\text{MonCat}_{\text{lax}}(\mathbb{C}_{\text{obj}}^{\text{op}} \times \mathbb{C}_{\text{obj}}, ([\mathbf{E}, \text{Set}], *, J)), \circ, L),$$

that is, a duoidally $[\mathbf{E}, \text{Set}]$ -enriched Freyd category.

Directions and some questions

- We can more generally grade monoidal categories by any *produoidal category*, which gives a compatible grading of sequential composition by a second operation,

$$\mathbb{C}_a(X; Y) \times \mathbb{C}_b(Y; Z) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_{a \vee b}(X; Z)$$

- Partial commutative monoids widely used in separation logic – any substantial connections?
- Canonical refinements of effectful categories to more finely graded monoidal categories?
- A non-strict notion and coherence?