Diagrammatic Semantics for Symmetric Traced Monoidal Categories

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What's the point?

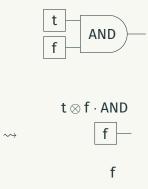
We can model compositional processes.

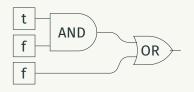






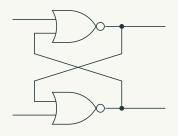
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$$((t \otimes f \cdot \mathsf{AND}) \otimes f) \cdot \mathsf{OR} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad (f \otimes f) \cdot \mathsf{OR} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad f$$

$$(t \otimes f \otimes f) \cdot (\mathsf{AND} \otimes \mathsf{id}_1) \cdot \mathsf{OR} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad ?$$



$$\mathsf{Tr}^1((\sigma_{1,1} \cdot \mathsf{NOR} \cdot \prec) \otimes \mathsf{id}_1 \cdot \mathsf{id}_1 \otimes (\mathsf{NOR} \cdot \prec) \cdot \sigma_{1,1} \otimes \mathsf{id}_1)$$

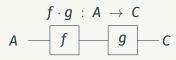
Graphical languages for monoidal categories

Categories

Generators



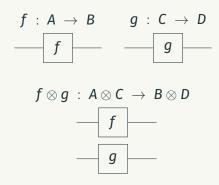
Composition



Categories – identity morphisms

$$id_A : A \rightarrow A \qquad id_B : B \rightarrow B$$

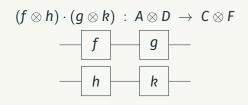
Monoidal categories



Monoidal categories – monoidal unit

$$\mathsf{id}_I:I\to I$$

Monoidal categories – functoriality



We did it - bureaucracy is no more!

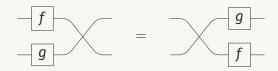
Symmetric monoidal categories

Symmetry

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

Symmetric monoidal categories – axioms

Naturality



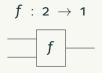
Hexagon

Self-inverse



PROPs

A PROP is a monoidal category where the objects are natural numbers and tensor product is addition.

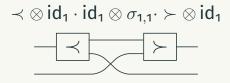


Free categories

A signature is a set of generators.

$$\{ \prec : 1 \rightarrow 2, \succ : 2 \rightarrow 1 \}$$

We create terms by combining generators.

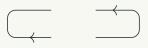


Bending the wires

All our wires have gone from left to right.

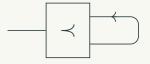
Can we bend them?

We can in a compact closed category.



Bending the wires

Compact closed categories have flexible causality.



In some cases this is bad.

Symmetric traced monoidal categories

The trace is a single atomic action.



Symmetric traced monoidal categories – axioms

Tightening

$$\operatorname{Tr}^X(\operatorname{id}_X\otimes g\cdot f\cdot\operatorname{id}_X\otimes h)=g\cdot\operatorname{Tr}^X(f)\cdot h$$



Yanking

$$\mathsf{Tr}^{X}(\sigma_{X,X})=\mathsf{id}_{X}$$



Symmetric traced monoidal categories – axioms

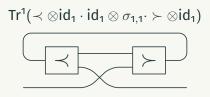
Superposing

$$\operatorname{Tr}^X(f\otimes\operatorname{id}_A)=\operatorname{Tr}^X(f)\otimes\operatorname{id}_A$$

Exchange

$$\operatorname{Tr}^{Y}(\operatorname{Tr}^{X}(f)) = \operatorname{Tr}^{X}(\operatorname{Tr}^{Y}(\sigma_{Y,X} \otimes \operatorname{id}_{A} \cdot f \cdot \sigma_{X,Y} \otimes \operatorname{id}_{A}))$$

Free traced categories



From here on, we will fix an arbitrary traced PROP $Term_{\Sigma}$, generated freely over some signature Σ .

Adding extra structure

Graphical calculi 'absorb' the painful axioms of categories.

Does this solve all of our problems?

No.

We often work in categories with extra structure.

Adding extra structure

Naturality of Cartesian copy

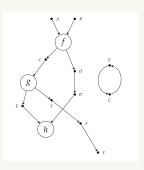
$$f \cdot \Delta_n = \Delta_n \cdot f \otimes f$$

$$- \boxed{f} - \boxed{\Delta} = - \boxed{\Delta} \boxed{f} - \boxed{f}$$

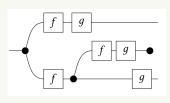
We need to define our graphs a little more rigorously...

Combinatorial diagrams

String graphs

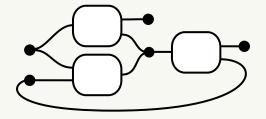


Hypergraphs



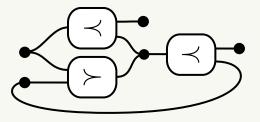
Hypergraphs

Hypergraphs

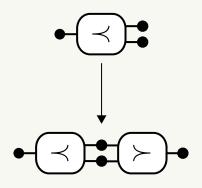


Labelled hypergraphs

$$\Sigma = \{ \prec \ : \ 1 \ \rightarrow \ 2, \succ \ : \ 2 \ \rightarrow \ 1 \}.$$



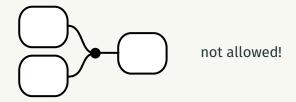
Hypergraph morphisms



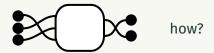
Bijective maps \Rightarrow isomorphism.

Hypergraphs are not enough

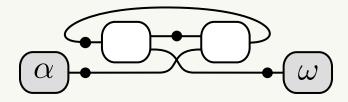
Splitting wires



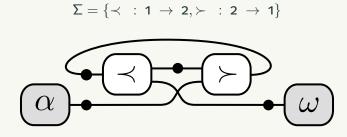
Interfaces



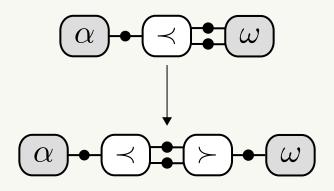
Interfaced linear hypergraphs



Labelled interfaced linear hypergraphs



Interfaced linear hypergraph morphisms



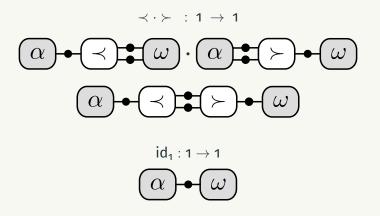
Bijective maps + preserves interface \Rightarrow isomorphism \equiv .

Soundness and completeness

Soundness

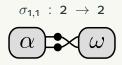
Equal terms
in the category
Isomorphic interpretations
⇒ as hypergraphs

Composition



Monoidal tensor

Symmetry



We can build up larger symmetries by composing symmetries and identities.

The problem with trace

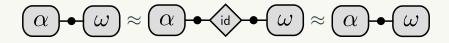
Trace of the identity

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{id}}_A:A o A \qquad \operatorname{\mathsf{Tr}}^A(\operatorname{\mathsf{id}}_A):I o I$$

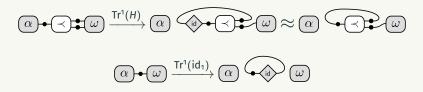
But...



Homeomorphism



Trace is defined recursively over the number of wires.

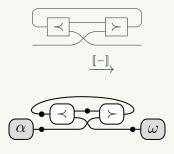


Interpreting terms as graphs

We assemble our hypergraphs into a traced PROP $\mathsf{HypTerm}_\Sigma$.

$$[\![-]\!] \; : \; \mathsf{Term}_\Sigma \; \to \; \mathsf{HypTerm}_\Sigma$$

Interpreting terms as graphs



Soundness

Theorem (Soundness)

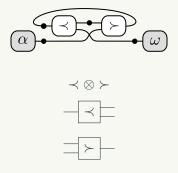
For any morphism $f,g \in \mathbf{Term}_{\Sigma}$, if f=g under the equational theory of the category, then their interpretations as linear hypergraphs are isomorphic.

Definability

An interfaced linear hypergraph A set of corresponding terms in the category

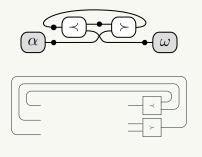
Stacking

First we set an order \leq on our edges and stack them.



Tracing

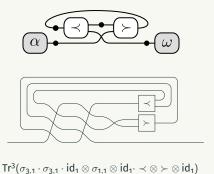
Then we trace around all the outputs of the stack:



 $\text{Tr}^3(?\cdot \prec \otimes \succ)$

Shuffling

We then connect everything up:



(Exercise: follow around the wires, make sure this is correct)

Definability

$$\langle\!\langle - \rangle\!\rangle \;:\; \text{HypTerm}_{\Sigma} \;\to\; \text{Term}_{\Sigma}$$

Proposition (Definability)

For every well-formed hypergraph F then $[\![\langle F \rangle \rangle\!]\!] \equiv F$.

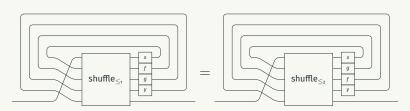
Coherence

But we cannot conclude completeness yet!

An interfaced linear
hypergraph
Unique morphism in the
category, up to the
equational theory

Coherence

Fortunately, we just need to show it for swapping two edges.



Proposition (Coherence)

For all orderings of edges \leq_x on a hypergraph F,

$$\langle\!\langle F \rangle\!\rangle_{\leq_1} = \langle\!\langle F \rangle\!\rangle_{\leq_2} = \cdots = \langle\!\langle F \rangle\!\rangle_{\leq_n}$$

Completeness

Theorem (Completeness I)

For any interfaced linear hypergraph H, $[\![\langle H \rangle \rangle]\!] \equiv H$.

Theorem (Completeness II)

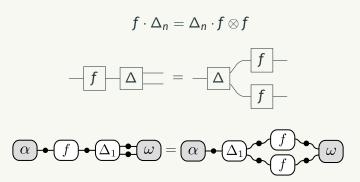
For any morphism $f \in \mathbf{Term}_{\Sigma}$, $\langle \langle \llbracket f \rrbracket \rangle \rangle = f$.

Graph rewriting

Rewrite rules

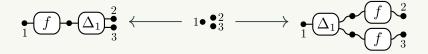
We express extra structure as additional axioms.

These axioms can be expressed as rewrite rules.

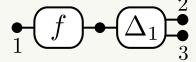


Rewrite rules

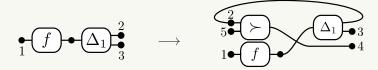
First let's see how it works with normal hypergraphs.



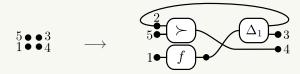
For a set of axioms $\mathcal{E} \in \text{Term}_{\Sigma}$, we write $[\![\mathcal{E}]\!]$ for their conversion into spans like this.

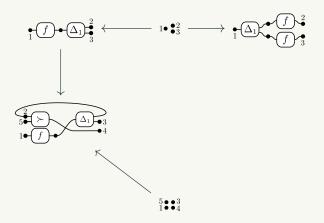


First we identify a matching morphism.

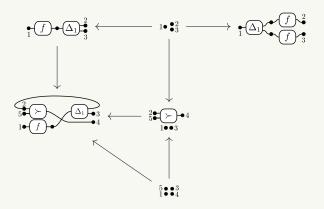


We also need an explicit morphism to denote the interfaces.

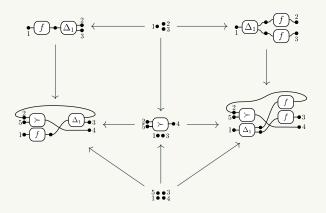




We then compute the pushout complement.



Then we perform a pushout on $C \leftarrow K \rightarrow R$.



We write $G \leadsto_{\|\mathcal{E}\|} H$ if rewriting can be performed in this way.

Adhesive categories

Not all structures are compatible with DPO rewriting.

The framework of adhesive categories is often used to ensure that pushout complements are always unique, if they exist.

Proposition

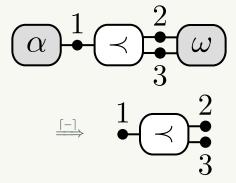
The category of (vanilla) hypergraphs is adhesive.

Adhesive categories

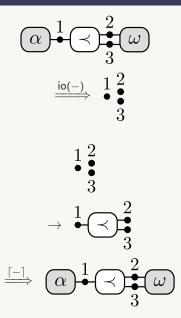
Unfortunately, \mathbf{LHyp}_{Σ} is not adhesive...

We'll just do the rewriting in Hyp instead!

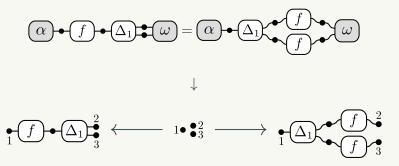
Trimming

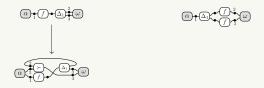


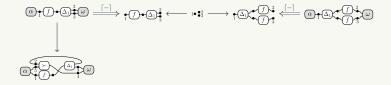
Reinterfacing

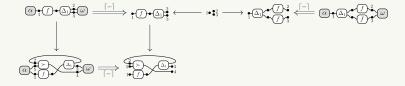


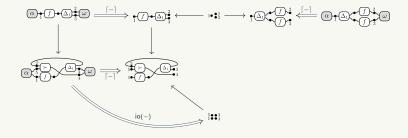
Rewrite rule

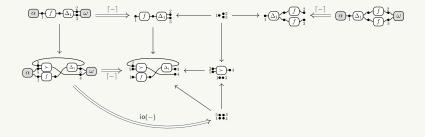


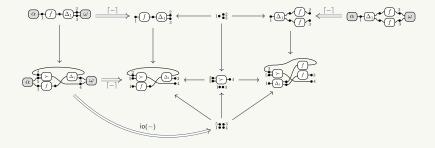


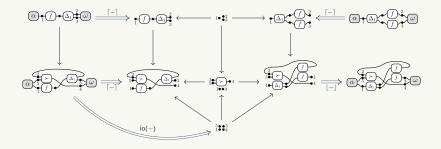










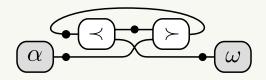


Generalisation

Can we generalise to arbitrary STMCs?

Just add vertex labels!

Conclusion



We have a sound and complete graphical language for STMCs.

We can reason in STMCs purely graphically.

We can add extra axioms using graph rewrites.

Just formulate the axioms as rewrite rules.

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