# Monoidal functors (aka idioms!)

# [Symmetric] monoidal functors

- A <u>lax</u> monoidal functor between monoidal categories  $(C, I, \otimes)$  and  $(C, I', \otimes')$  is
  - a functor F from C to C'
  - with natural <u>transformations</u> e :  $I' \to FI$  and  $m_{A,B} : FA \otimes' FB \to F(A \otimes B)$

such that

• A lax monoidal functors between symmetric monoidal categories is *lax symmetric monoidal*, if also

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
FA \otimes' FB \xrightarrow{\mathsf{m}_{A,B}} F(A \otimes B) \\
\sigma'_{FA,FB} \downarrow & \downarrow F\sigma_{A,B} \\
FB \otimes' FA \xrightarrow{\mathsf{m}_{B,A}} F(B \otimes A)
\end{array}$$

- An <u>oplax</u> [symmetric] monoidal functor is like a lax [symmetric] monoidal functor, but e, m go in the <u>opposite</u> direction.
- A monoidal [symmetric] functor is like a lax [symmetric] monoidal functor, but e, m are required to be natural isomorphisms.

• A lax [symmetric] monoidal natural transformation between two lax [symmetric] monoidal functors (F, e, m), (G, e', m') is a natural transformation  $\tau : F \rightarrow G$  satisfying

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
I' & \xrightarrow{e} & FI & FA \otimes' FB & \xrightarrow{m_{A,B}} & F(A \otimes B) \\
\parallel & & \downarrow \tau_I & & \tau_A \otimes' \tau_B \downarrow & & \downarrow \tau_{A \otimes B} \\
I' & \xrightarrow{e'} & GI & GA \otimes' & GB & \xrightarrow{m'_{A,B}} & G(A \otimes B)
\end{array}$$

• Oplax [symmetric] monoidal and [symmetric] monoidal natural transformations are defined similarly.

- Any functor F between Cartesian categories is canonically oplax symmetric monoidal via
  - $e = F1 \xrightarrow{!} 1$ , •  $m_{AB} = F(A \times B) \xrightarrow{\langle Ffst, Fsnd \rangle} FA \times FB$ .
- Any natural transformation between functors F, G
  between Cartesian categories is oplax symmetric monoidal
  for the canonical oplax symmetric monoidalities on F and
  G.

### Lax monoidal functors ∩ containers

 Containers whose interpretation carries a lax monoidal functor are given by

$$(S, \mathbf{e}, ullet)$$
: Monoid  
 $P: S o \mathsf{Set}$   
 $\mathbf{e}: S$   
 $\bullet: S imes S o S$   
 $\uparrow: \Pi(\{s_0\}, s_1): (\{S\} imes S). P(s_0 ullet s_1) o Ps_0$   
 $f: \Pi(s_0, \{s_1\}): (S imes \{S\}). P(s_0 ullet s_1) o Ps_1$ 

such that

•  $\uparrow$  resembles a left action,  $\uparrow$  a right action of  $(S, e, \bullet)$ .



# Monoidal monads

## [Symmetric] monoidal monads

• A lax [symmetric] monoidal monad on a [symmetric] monoidal category  $(C, I, \otimes)$  is a monad  $(T, \eta, \mu)$  with a lax [symmetric] monoidality (e, m) of T for which  $\eta$  and  $\mu$  are lax [symmetric] monoidal, i.e., satisfy

$$I = I \qquad I \qquad I \xrightarrow{e} TI \xrightarrow{Te} T(TI) \qquad A \otimes B = IA \otimes B$$

$$\parallel \qquad \downarrow^{\eta_I} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\mu_I} \qquad \eta_{A} \otimes \eta_B \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\eta_{A \otimes B}}$$

$$I = TI \qquad I = I \qquad TA \otimes TB \xrightarrow{m_{A,B}} T(A \otimes B)$$

$$T(TA) \otimes T(TB) \xrightarrow{m_{TA,TB}} T(TA \otimes TB) \xrightarrow{Tm_{A,B}} T(T(A \otimes B))$$

$$\downarrow^{\mu_{A} \otimes \mu_B} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\mu_{A \otimes B}}$$

$$TA \otimes TB \xrightarrow{m_{A,B}} T(A \otimes B)$$

(Note that Id is lax [symmetric] monoidal and, if F, G are lax [symmetric] monoidal, then so is  $G \cdot F$ .)

- The 1st law forces that  $e = \eta_I$  and the 2nd law follows from one of the monad laws, so we only need m and the 3rd and 4th laws.
- On a Cartesian category, every monad is canonically oplax symmetric monoidal.

### Lax monoidal monads = Comm. bistrong monads

- There is a bijection of lax [symmetric] monoidalities m on a monad  $(T, \eta, \mu)$  on a [symmetric] monoidal category  $(C, I, \otimes)$  and commutative [symmetric] bistrengths  $(\theta, \vartheta)$ .
- It is defined by

$$\bullet \ \ \mathsf{m}_{A,B} = \mathsf{m}_{A,B}^{\mathit{Ir}} = \mathsf{m}_{A,B}^{\mathit{rl}}$$
 and

- $\theta_{A,B} = A \otimes TB \stackrel{\eta_A \otimes TB}{\longrightarrow} TA \otimes TB \stackrel{\mathsf{m}_{A,B}}{\longrightarrow} T(A \otimes B),$
- $\vartheta_{A,B} = TA \otimes B \xrightarrow{TA \otimes \eta_B} TA \otimes TB \xrightarrow{\mathsf{m}_{A,B}} T(A \otimes B).$

• On  $(\mathbf{Set}, 1, \times)$ , as any monad has a unique left strength and [symmetric] bistrength, it is lax [symmetric] monoidal in at most one way.

#### **Exception idioms**

- Lax [symmetric] monoidalities (e, m) on the exception functor for E
  - TA = E + A are in a bijection with [commutative] semigroup structures  $\otimes$  on E via
    - e\* = inr\*,  $m_{A,B} (inl e_0, inl e_1) = inl (e_0 \otimes e_1)$ ,  $m_{A,B} (inl e, inr b) = inl e$   $m_{A,B} (inr a, inl e) = inl e$   $m_{A,B} (inr a, inr b) = inr (a, b)$ ; •  $e_0 \otimes e_1 = case m_{0,0} of inl e \mapsto e$ .
- Two special cases are  $e_0 \otimes e_1 = e_0$  (the left zero semigroup) and  $e_0 \otimes e_1 = e_1$  (the right zero semigroup).
- The exception monad for E is not lax [symmetric] monoidal except for the special case E=1.



#### Writer idioms

- Lax [symmetric] monoidalities (e, m) on the writer functor for a set P
  - $TA = P \times A$  are in a bijection with [commutative] monoid structures  $(i, \otimes)$  on P.
- Lax [symmetric] monoidalities m on the writer monad for a monoid (P, o, ⊕) are in a bijection with those [commutative] monoid structures (i, ⊗) on P that satisfy
  - i = o
  - $(e_0 \oplus e_1) \otimes (e_2 \oplus e_3) = (e_0 \otimes e_2) \oplus (e_1 \otimes e_3)$ (middle-four interchange)

• Under the 1st condition, the 2nd condition implies

$$e_0\otimes e_1=(e_0\oplus o)\otimes (o\oplus e_1)=(e_0\otimes \mathsf{i})\oplus (\mathsf{i}\otimes e_1)=e_0\oplus e_1$$
 and further

$$e_0 \oplus e_1 = (o \oplus e_0) \oplus (e_1 \oplus o) = (o \oplus e_1) \oplus (e_0 \oplus o) = e_1 \oplus e_0$$
 as well as follows from these conditions.

• Hence the writer monad is lax [symmetric] monoidal if and only if  $\oplus$  is commutative.