Enriching a linear/non-linear lambda calculus: a programming language for string diagrams

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- Original language developed by Francisco Rios and Peter Selinger.
 - We present a more general abstract model.
- Language is equipped with formal denotational and operational semantics.
- Primary application is in quantum computing, but the language can describe arbitrary string diagrams.
- Oirignal model does not support general recursion.
 - We extend the language with general recursion and prove soundness.

Circuit Model

Proto-Quipper-M is used to describe families of morphisms of an arbitrary, but fixed, symmetric monoidal category, which we denote M.

Example

If M = FdCStar, the category of finite-dimensional C^* -algebras and completely positive maps, then a program in our language is a family of quantum circuits.

Example

M could also be a category of string diagrams which is freely generated.

Circuit Model

Example

Shor's algorithm for integer factorization may be seen as an infinite family of quantum circuits — each circuit is a procedure for factorizing an n-bit integer, for a fixed n.

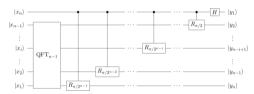


Figure: Quantum Fourier Transform on n qubits (subroutine in Shor's algorithm).

¹Figure source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=14545612

Syntax of Proto-Quipper-M

The types of the language:

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Types A,B ::= \alpha \mid 0 \mid A+B \mid 1 \mid A \otimes B \mid A \multimap B \mid !A \mid \mathbf{Circ}(\mathbf{T},\mathbf{U})
Intuitionistic types P,R ::= \alpha \mid 0 \mid P+R \mid 1 \mid P \otimes R \mid !A \mid \mathbf{Circ}(\mathbf{T},\mathbf{U})
M-types T,U ::= \alpha \mid 1 \mid T \otimes U
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The term language:

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Terms M, N ::= x \mid I \mid c \mid \text{let } x = M \text{ in } N

\mid \Box_A M \mid \text{left}_{A,B} M \mid \text{right}_{A,B} M \mid \text{case } M \text{ of } \{ \text{left } x \to N \mid \text{right } y \to P \}

\mid * \mid M; N \mid \langle M, N \rangle \mid \text{let } \langle x, y \rangle = M \text{ in } N \mid \lambda x^A.M \mid MN

\mid \text{lift } M \mid \text{force } M \mid \text{box}_T M \mid \text{apply}(M, N) \mid (\widetilde{I}, C, \widetilde{I}')
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Example qubit-copy \equiv \lambda q^{\mathrm{qubit}}.\langle q,q \rangle
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Not a well-typed program. Linear type checker will complain.

Example $\mathsf{nat\text{-}copy} \equiv \lambda n^{\mathbf{Nat}}.\langle n, n \rangle$

This is fine.

Assume $H:Q\multimap Q$ is a constant reprsenting the Hadamard gate.

Example

two-hadamard : Circ(Q, Q)

two-hadamard \equiv box lift $\lambda q^Q.HHq$

A program which creates a completed circuit consisting of two H gates. The term is intuitionistic (can be copied, deleted).

Assume $H: Q \multimap Q$ is a constant representing the Hadamard gate.

Example

four-hadamard : $Q \multimap Q$ four-hadamard \equiv let hh = two-hadamard in λq^Q .apply(hh, apply(hh, q))

A program which, given a qubit (wire), applies four hadamard gates to it.

Our approach

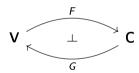
- Describe an abstract categorical model for the same language.
- Describe an abstract categorical model for the language extended with recursion.

Related work: Rennela and Staton describe a different circuit description language, called EWire (based on QWire), where they also use enriched category theory.

Linear/Non-Linear models

A Linear/Non-Linear (LNL) model as described by Benton is given by the following data:

- A cartesian closed category **V**.
- A symmetric monoidal closed category C.
- A symmetric monoidal adjunction:



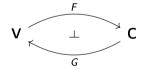
Remark

An LNL model is a model of Intuitionistic Linear Logic.

Models of the Enriched Effect Calculus

A model of the Enriched Effect Calculus (EEC) is given by the following data:

- A cartesian closed category **V**, enriched over itself.
- A **V**-enriched category **C** with powers, copowers, finite products and finite coproducts.
- A V-enriched adjunction:



Theorem

Every LNL model with additives determines an EEC model.

Egger, Møgelberg, Simpson. The enriched effect calculus: syntax and semantics. Journal of Logic and Computation 2012

An abstract model for Proto-Quipper-M

A model of Proto-Quipper-M is given by the following data:

- 1. A cartesian closed category V together with its self-enrichment \mathcal{V} , such that \mathcal{V} has finite V-coproducts.
- 2. A **V**-symmetric monoidal closed category $\mathcal C$ with underlying category $\mathbf C$ such that $\mathcal C$ has finite $\mathbf V$ -coproducts.
- 3. A **V**-symmetric monoidal adjunction: \mathcal{V} $\stackrel{\smile}{\swarrow}$ \mathcal{C}

where $(-\odot I)$ denotes the **V**-copower of the tensor unit in C.

4. A symmetric monoidal category M and a strong symmetric monoidal functor $E: \mathbf{M} \to \mathbf{C}$.

Theorem: Ignorning condition 4, an LNL model canonically induces a model of PQM.

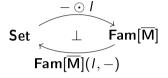
Soundness

Theorem (Soundness)

Every abstract model of Proto-Quipper-M is computationally sound.

Concrete models of PQM

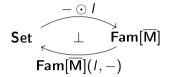
The original Proto-Quipper-M model is given by the LNL model: ²



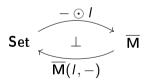
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A simpler model for the same language is given by:



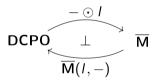
where in both cases $\overline{\mathbf{M}} = [\mathbf{M}^{op}, \mathbf{Set}].$

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Concrete models of the base language (contd.)

Fix an arbitrary symmetric monoidal category M.

Equipping M with the free DCPO-enrichment yields another concrete (order-enriched) Proto-Quipper-M model:



where $\overline{\mathbf{M}} = [\mathbf{M}^{\mathsf{op}}, \mathbf{DCPO}].$

A constructive property

Assuming there is a full and faithful embedding of $E: \mathbf{M} \to \mathbf{C}$, then the model enjoys the following property:

$$\mathbf{C}(\llbracket \Phi \rrbracket, \llbracket T \rrbracket \multimap \llbracket U \rrbracket) \cong \mathbf{V}(\llbracket \Phi \rrbracket, \mathcal{M}(\llbracket T \rrbracket_{\mathbf{M}}, \llbracket U \rrbracket_{\mathbf{M}}))$$

Therefore any well-typed term Φ ; $\emptyset \vdash m : T \multimap U$ corresponds to a **V**-parametrised family of string diagrams. For example, if $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{Set}$ (or $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{DCPO}$), then we get precisely a (Scott-continuous) function from X to $\mathcal{M}(\llbracket T \rrbracket_{\mathbf{M}}, \llbracket U \rrbracket_{\mathbf{M}})$ or in other words, a (Scott-continuous) family of string diagrams from \mathbf{M} .

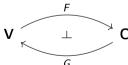
Abstract model with recursion?

Definition

An endofunctor $T: \mathbf{C} \to \mathbf{C}$ is parametrically algebraically compact, if for every $A \in \mathsf{Ob}(\mathbf{C})$, the endofunctor $A \otimes T(-)$ has an initial algebra and a final coalgebra whose carriers coincide.

Theorem

A categorical model of a linear/non-linear lambda calculus extended with recursion is given by an LNL model:



where FG (or equivalently GF) is parametrically algebraically compact ³.

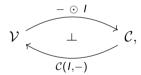
³Benton & Wadler. Linear logic, monads and the lambda calculus. LiCS'96.

Proto-Quipper-M extended with general recursion

Definition

A categorical model of PQM extended with general recursion is given by a model of PQM, where in addition:

5. The comonad endofunctor:



is parametrically algebraically compact.

Recursion

Extend the syntax:

$$\frac{\Phi, x : !A; \emptyset \vdash m : A}{\Phi; \emptyset \vdash \text{rec } x^{!A} \ m : A} \text{ (rec)}$$

Extend the operational semantics:

$$\frac{(C, m[\text{lift rec } x^{!A}m/x]) \Downarrow (C', v)}{(C, \text{rec } x^{!A}m) \Downarrow (C', v)}$$

Example

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nonterminate: A
nonterminate \equiv \operatorname{rec} x^{!A} force x
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The simplest nonterminating program of an arbitrary type A.

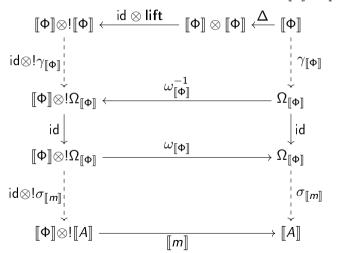
Example

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hadamards : Nat \multimap Q \multimap Q
hadamards \equiv \operatorname{rec} hs^{!(\operatorname{Nat} \multimap Q \multimap Q)} \lambda n^{\operatorname{Nat}} \lambda q^Q
if n=0 then q
else H (force hs) n-1 q
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A program which given a natural number n composes n Hadamard gates.

Recursion (contd.)

Extend the denotational semantics: $\llbracket \Phi ; \emptyset \vdash \operatorname{rec} x^{!A} \ m : A \rrbracket := \sigma_{\llbracket m \rrbracket} \circ \gamma_{\llbracket \Phi \rrbracket}.$



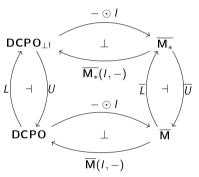
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Theorem (Soundess)

Every model of Proto-Quipper-M extended with recursion is computationally sound.

Concrete model of Proto-Quipper-M extended with recursion

Let M_* be the free $DCPO_{\perp !}$ -enrichment of M and $\overline{M_*} = [M_*^{op}, DCPO_{\perp !}]$ be the associated enriched functor category.



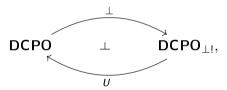
Remark

If M = 1, then the above model degenerates to the left vertical adjunction, which is a model of a LNL lambda calculus with general recursion.

Computational adequacy

Theorem

The following LNL model:



is computationally adequate at intuitionistic types for the diagram-free fragment of Proto-Quipper-M.

Future work

- Inductive / recursive types (model appears to have sufficient structure).
- Dependent types (Fam/CFam constructions are well-behaved w.r.t. current models).
- Dynamic lifting.

Conclusion

- One can construct a model of PQM by categorically enriching certain denotational models.
- We described a sound abstract model for PQM (with general recursion).
- Systematic construction for concrete models that works for any circuit (string diagram) model described by a symmetric monoidal category.
- Concrete models indicate good prospects for additional features.

Thank you for your attention!

Syntax

$$\frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q \vdash m : A}{\Gamma; Q \vdash m : 0} \text{ (initial)} \frac{\Gamma; Q \vdash m : A}{\Gamma; Q \vdash left_{A,B}m : A + B} \text{ (left)} \frac{\Gamma; Q \vdash m : B}{\Gamma; Q \vdash right_{A,B}m : A + B} \text{ (right)} \frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : A}{\Phi, \Gamma_{2}; Q_{2} \vdash left x = m \text{ in } n : B} \text{ (left)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; Q \vdash m : B}{\Gamma; Q \vdash right_{A,B}m : A + B} \text{ (right)} \frac{\Gamma; Q \vdash m : B}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : A + B} \text{ (right)} \frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : A + B}{\Phi, \Gamma_{2}; Q_{2} \vdash n : C} \text{ (case)} \frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : I}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : A} \frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{2}; Q_{2} \vdash n : C}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{2} \vdash n : C} \text{ (seq)}$$

$$\frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : A + B}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1}; Q_{2} \vdash case m \text{ of } \{left x \rightarrow n \mid right y \rightarrow p\} : C} \text{ (case)} \frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : I}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1}; Q_{2} \vdash m : C} \text{ (seq)}$$

$$\frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : A}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1}; Q_{2} \vdash m : A \land B} \text{ (pair)} \frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : A \land B}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1}; Q_{2} \vdash left (x, y) = m \text{ in } n : C} \text{ (let-pair)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; Q \vdash m : H}{\Gamma; Q \vdash \lambda x^{A}, m : A \rightarrow B} \text{ (abs)} \frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : A \rightarrow B}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1}; Q_{2} \vdash m : B} \text{ (app)} \frac{\Phi; \emptyset \vdash m : A}{\Phi; \emptyset \vdash lift m : H} \text{ (lift)} \frac{\Gamma; Q \vdash m : H}{\Gamma; Q \vdash force m : A} \text{ (force)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; Q \vdash m : H}{\Gamma; Q \vdash box_{T}m : \text{Diag}(T, U)} \text{ (box)} \frac{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; Q_{1} \vdash m : \text{Diag}(T, U)}{\Phi, \Gamma_{1}; \Gamma_{2}; Q_{1}; Q_{2} \vdash n : T} \text{ (apply)}$$

Operational semantics

$$\frac{(S,m) \Downarrow (S',v) \quad (S',n) \Downarrow (S'',v')}{(S,\langle m,n\rangle) \Downarrow (S'',\langle v,v'\rangle)} \qquad \frac{(S,m) \Downarrow (S',\langle v,v'\rangle) \quad (S',n[v/x,v'/y]) \Downarrow (S'',w)}{(S,\operatorname{let}\langle x,y\rangle = m \operatorname{in} n) \Downarrow (S'',w)}$$

$$\frac{(S,\operatorname{lift} m) \Downarrow (S,\operatorname{lift} m)}{(S,\operatorname{lift} m)} \qquad \frac{(S,m) \Downarrow (S',\operatorname{lift} m') \quad (S',m') \Downarrow (S'',v)}{(S,\operatorname{force} m) \Downarrow (S'',v)}$$

$$\frac{(S,m) \Downarrow (S',\operatorname{lift} n) \quad \operatorname{freshlabels}(T) = (Q,\vec{\ell}) \quad (\operatorname{id}_Q,n\vec{\ell}) \Downarrow (D,\vec{\ell}')}{(S,\operatorname{box}_T m) \Downarrow (S',(\vec{\ell},D,\vec{\ell}'))}$$

$$\frac{(S,m) \Downarrow (S',(\vec{\ell},D,\vec{\ell}')) \quad (S',n) \Downarrow (S'',\vec{k}) \quad \operatorname{append}(S'',\vec{k},\vec{\ell},D,\vec{\ell}') = (S''',\vec{k}')}{(S,\operatorname{apply}(m,n)) \Downarrow (S''',\vec{k},\vec{\ell},D,\vec{\ell}') \quad \operatorname{undefined}}$$

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$$\frac{(S,(\vec{\ell},D,\vec{\ell}')) \Downarrow (S,(\vec{\ell},D,\vec{\ell}'))}{(S,(\vec{\ell},D,\vec{\ell}')) \Downarrow (S,(\vec{\ell},D,\vec{\ell}'))}$$