# Directed Algebraic Topology and Concurrency

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## Underlying graph and Category of paths I graph : 1-dimensional pre-simplicial set









## An example of model of a multi-task program from *Edsger Wybe Dijkstra* "Pakken/Vrijlaten" language





# Underlying graph and Category of paths II adjunction between Cat and Grph



 $F \dashv U$ 



## A potential execution program $T_1 = PaPbVaVb | T_2 = PbPaVbVa$



Deadlock

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### Termination

# Underlying graph and Category of paths III Cartesian products in Grph



Transitions Systems, CCS/*π*-calculus, *Mazurkiewicz* Traces ...

Pospace 
$$\overrightarrow{X}$$
:  $\begin{cases} X & \text{topological space} \\ \sqsubseteq & \text{closed in } X \times X \end{cases}$   
morphism  $f$  from  $\overrightarrow{X}$  to  $\overrightarrow{X'}$ : continuous and order preserving maps  
PoTop  $\longrightarrow$  PoSet  
 $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
Haus  $\longrightarrow$  Set



### Theorem

- The directed compact unit segment is exponentiable in PoTop
- PoTop is complete and cocomplete
- PoTop is symmetric monoidal closed
- CGPoTop is a Cartesian closed reflective subcategory of PoTop
- CPoTop is a (complete and cocomplete) Cartesian closed reflective subcategory of

CGPoTop cogenerated by the directed compact unit segment

- PoTop has no loop

- Real line with standard order and topology :  $\overrightarrow{\mathbb{R}}$
- Subset of a pospace (in particular [0, 1])
- Geometric realization of a graph
- Cartesian Product
- Closed subsets of a metric space together with inclusion





- paths on  $\overrightarrow{X}$  : morphisms from  $\overrightarrow{[0,1]}$  to  $\overrightarrow{X}$
- arrows of  $\Gamma_{\overrightarrow{X}}$  : paths on  $\overrightarrow{X}$
- source and target of a path  $\gamma$  on,  $\overrightarrow{X}$  :  $\gamma(0)$  and  $\gamma(1)$



- **1** The image of a dipath  $\alpha$  on a pospace  $\overrightarrow{X}$  is either isomorphic (in PoSpc) to  $\overline{[0,1]}$  or  $\{*\}$  (hence no directed *Peano* curve).
- 2 Two dipaths sharing the same image are dihomotopic.

# Some paths around a cubic hole P(a).V(a) | P(a).V(a) | P(a).V(a) with $\alpha_a = 3$



- Composition on  $F(\Gamma_{\overrightarrow{X}})$  denoted by  $\circ$
- Given  $\gamma = (\gamma_n, \ldots, \gamma_1)$  a path on  $\Gamma_{\overrightarrow{X}}$ , we define the following path on  $\overrightarrow{X}$

$$(\nu(\gamma))(t) = \begin{cases} \gamma_k(nt-k) & \text{si } t \in [\frac{k}{n}, \frac{k+1}{n}[ \text{ et } k < n-1] \\ \gamma_n(nt-n+1) & \text{si } t \in [\frac{n-1}{n}, 1] \end{cases}$$



Morphism h from  $[0,1]^2$  to  $\overrightarrow{X}$  such that U(h) is a homotopy from  $\gamma$  to  $\delta$ 



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# Directed homotopy an example



## A subtlety directed homotopy is not classical homotopy



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Loop-Free category or small categories without loops (LfCat) :  $C[x,x] = \{id_x\}$  and  $(C[x,y] \times C[y,x] \neq \emptyset \implies x = y)$ 

> One-Way category (OwCat) :  $C[x, x] = {id_x}$

 $\mathcal{C}$  one-way  $\iff$  sk( $\mathcal{C}$ ) is loop-free

 $LfCat \longrightarrow OwCat \longrightarrow Cat$ 

Let  $\sim$  be the congruence over  $F(\Gamma_{\overrightarrow{x}})$  generated by

 $\left\{ \left( (\gamma_n, \ldots, \gamma_1), (\delta_p, \ldots, \delta_1) \right) \mid \text{there is a dihomotopy from } \nu(\gamma) \text{ to } \nu(\delta) \right\}$ 

The fundamental category  $\overrightarrow{\pi_1}(\overrightarrow{X})$  is  $F(\Gamma_{\overrightarrow{X}})/\sim$  and we have

$$\vec{\pi_1}(\vec{X} \times \vec{Y}) \cong \vec{\pi_1}(\vec{X}) \times \vec{\pi_1}(\vec{Y})$$
$$\vec{\pi_1}(\vec{X}) \text{ is loop-free}$$

van Kampen theorem

# A detailed example





$x \in$	$y \in$	$\overrightarrow{\pi_1}(\overrightarrow{X})[x,y]$
A	Α	$\{\sigma_{x,y}\}$
$B_1$	$B_1$	$\{\sigma_{x,y}\}$
<i>B</i> <sub>2</sub>	$B_2$	$\{\sigma_{x,y}\}$
С	С	$\{\sigma_{x,y}\}$
A	$B_1$	$\{r_{x,y}\}$
A	$B_2$	$\{h_{x,y}\}$
$B_1$	С	$\{h'_{x,y}\}$
<i>B</i> <sub>2</sub>	С	$\{r'_{x,y}\}$
$B_1$	$B_2$	Ø
<i>B</i> <sub>2</sub>	$B_1$	Ø
A	C	$\{u_{x,y}, d_{x,y}\}$

With  $r'_{y,z} \circ h_{x,y} = u_{x,z}$ ,  $h'_{y,z} \circ r_{x,y} = d_{x,z}$ and 3 points x, y, z of the square such that  $x \sqsubseteq y \sqsubseteq z$ ; if  $x \nvDash y$  then  $\overline{\pi_1}(\overrightarrow{X})[x,y] = \emptyset$ .



# Yoneda morphism $\sigma \in \mathcal{C}[x, y]$ preserving the past and the future I

future if  $C[y, z] \neq \emptyset$ , then  $C[y, z] \longrightarrow C[x, z]$  is a bijection and  $\gamma \longmapsto \gamma \circ \sigma$ past if  $C[z, x] \neq \emptyset$ , then  $C[z, x] \longrightarrow C[z, y]$  is a bijection  $\delta \longmapsto \sigma \circ \delta$ 



# Yoneda system $\Sigma$ of a small category C preserving the past and the future II

- (1)  $\Sigma$  is stable under composition,
- 2  $\Sigma$  contains all the isomorphisms of C,
- $\bigcirc$  all the elements of  $\Sigma$  are Yoneda morphisms and
- $\Sigma$  is stable under change and cochange of base.







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### Theorem

- 2 " $\exists z \ \Sigma[x, z] \times \Sigma[y, z] \neq \emptyset$ " defines an equivalence relation  $x \sim y$
- Siven any ∼-equivalence class K, the full subcategory of C whose set of objects is K is a non empty lattice
- If a  $\sim$  b, then the following square is both a pullback and a pushout in C.

#### Theorem

The collection, ordered by inclusion, of the Yoneda systems of a one-way category, forms a locale whose maximum is denoted  $\overline{\Sigma}$ . Beside, its minimum is the collection of all isomorphisms of C.



### The category of components of a loop-free category ${\cal C}$ is the quotient ${\cal C}/\overline{\Sigma}$

#### Theorem

A loop-free category  ${\mathcal C}$  is a non empty lattice iff its category of components is  $\{*\}$ 



### Theorem

- **1** the collection  $\Sigma$  is pure in C ( $\beta \circ \alpha \in \Sigma \Rightarrow \beta, \alpha \in \Sigma$ ),
- 2 the category  $\mathcal{C}/_{\Sigma}$  is loop-free and the category  $\mathcal{C}[\Sigma^{-1}]$  is one-way
- 3 the categories  $C[\Sigma^{-1}]$  and  $C/_{\Sigma}$  are equivalent and
- the category  $C[\Sigma^{-1}]$  is fibered over the base  $C/_{\Sigma}$ .

# The category of components of the swiss flag





Interior of the pospace

Category of components

Flattened



# The components category of a 2-semaphore : P(a) . V(a) | P(a) . V(a) | P(a) . V(a) avec $\alpha_a = 3$



Theorem (J. Hashimoto -T. Balabonski)

The monoid of (isomorphism classes of) non empty, connected, finite, loop-free categories is countable and free



# Example of product parallel "independent" composition





## The Directed Circle Obects : $S^1$ Morphisms : $S^1 \times \mathbb{N} \times S^1$ Identities : (x,0,x) for $x \in S^1$



